Historical Floods: Susquehanna River at Wilkes-Barre, PA

Latitude: 41.253 Period of Record: 1786-Present Longitude: -75.879
Flood Stage: 22 Last Flood: 8/15/2018 Number of Floods: 97

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-	Date of Flood	Crest (ft)	Streamflow (cfs)	Category	Code		Date of Flood	Crest (ft)	Streamflow (cfs)	Category	Code
-	10/5/1786	-9999	189,000	Missing	C1		2/17/1908	23.5	130,000	Minor	none
	4/23/1804	-9999	-9,999	Missing	C1		5/2/1909	23	125,000	Minor	none
	4/1/1807	-9999	202,000	Missing	C1 C9		3/3/1910	26.1	157,000	Moderate	none
	7/1/1809	-9999	95,200	Missing	C1 C9		3/31/1912	22	115,000	Minor	none
	5/14/1833	-9999	176,000	Missing	C1		4/3/1912	23.2	127,000	Minor	none
	3/18/1865	33.1	232,000	Major	C1		3/28/1913	28.5	184,000	Moderate	none
	1/24/1891	26.8	164,000	Moderate	C1		3/29/1914	28.3	182,000	Moderate	none
	2/19/1891	23.5	130,000	Minor	C1		2/26/1915	23.3	127,000	Minor	none
	2/27/1891	23	125,000	Minor	C1		7/10/1915	22.6	120,000	Minor	none
	5/5/1893	22.02	115,000	Minor	C1		4/2/1916	26.5	160,000	Moderate	none
	4/1/1896	24	135,000	Moderate	C1		3/15/1918	23	124,000	Minor	none
	1/7/1899	25	-9,999	Moderate	C1 C7		3/13/1920	26	155,000	Moderate	none
	11/28/1900	22	115,000	Minor	none		11/29/1921	22.3	117,000	Minor	none
	12/15/1901	27	166,000	Moderate	none		4/8/1924	23.5	129,000	Minor	none
	3/2/1902	31.4	213,000	Major	none		2/13/1925	25.1	145,000	Moderate	none
	3/25/1903	22.4	119,000	Minor	none		11/17/1926	22.7	121,000	Minor	none
	2/10/1904	25.7	152,000	Moderate	none		10/20/1927	24.7	141,000	Moderate	none
	3/9/1904	30.6	204,000	Major	none		3/17/1929	23.1	125,000	Minor	none
	3/27/1904	22.9	124,000	Minor	none		4/22/1929	26.4	159,000	Moderate	none
	3/26/1905	23.4	129,000	Minor	none		7/10/1935	25.39	151,000	Moderate	none

Drainage Area: 9960 square miles Gage Datum: 510.86 ft MSL

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3/13/1936	28.6	184,000	Moderate	none	3/3/1972	22.77	131,000	Minor	none
3/20/1936	33.07	232,000	Major	none	6/24/1972	40.91	345,000	Major	none
2/22/1939	23.8	137,000	Minor	none	2/26/1975	26.26	163,000	Moderate	none
4/1/1940	31.53	212,000	Major	none	9/27/1975	35.06	228,000	Major	none
4/7/1941	23.5	138,000	Minor	none	3/7/1979	31.02	192,000	Major	none
1/1/1943	29.37	191,000	Moderate	none	4/16/1983	23.86	138,000	Minor	F2
5/29/1946	32.01	210,000	Major	none	12/14/1983	29.76	192,000	Moderate	F2
4/7/1947	24.88	151,000	Moderate	none	2/16/1984	29.01	186,000	Moderate	F2
3/23/1948	28.76	193,000	Moderate	none	4/6/1984	29.63	191,000	Moderate	F2
3/30/1950	27.04	172,000	Moderate	none	3/16/1986	27.36	172,000	Moderate	F2
4/1/1951	22.72	128,000	Minor	none	10/25/1990	22.69	134,000	Minor	F2
3/13/1952	22.39	124,000	Minor	none	4/2/1993	29.87	185,000	Moderate	F2
10/16/1955	26.45	166,000	Moderate	none	4/12/1993	28.62	179,000	Moderate	F2
3/9/1956	28.17	186,000	Moderate	none	3/26/1994	24.16	148,000	Moderate	F2
4/6/1956	22.5	126,000	Minor	none	1/20/1996	34.45	221,000	Major	F2
4/8/1958	26.8	170,000	Moderate	none	11/10/1996	23.57	128,000	Minor	F2
4/2/1960	29.6	184,000	Moderate	none	12/3/1996	23.41	127,000	Minor	F2
2/27/1961	26.2	163,000	Moderate	none	1/9/1998	24.79	138,000	Moderate	F2
4/26/1961	24.74	148,000	Moderate	none	2/29/2000	23.66	129,000	Minor	F2
4/2/1962	22.84	128,000	Minor	none	3/22/2003	22.84	122,000	Minor	F2
3/28/1963	22.26	131,000	Minor	none	9/19/2004	34.96	227,000	Major	F2
3/7/1964	28.87	180,000	Moderate	none	1/15/2005	24.74	137,000	Moderate	F2
3/10/1964	30.74	188,000	Major	C7 F1	3/29/2005	26.05	148,000	Moderate	F2

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4/4/2005	30.88	189,000	Major	F2
6/28/2006	34.14	218,000	Major	F2
3/16/2007	22.96	123,000	Minor	F2
3/5/2008	22.01	115,000	Minor	F2
1/27/2010	22.83	122,000	Minor	F2
3/11/2011	27.55	161,000	Moderate	F2
4/29/2011	27.29	159,000	Minor	F2
9/9/2011	42.66	310,000	Major	F2
1/24/2018	22.83	-9,999	Minor	C2 F2
1/25/2018	27.4	-9,999	Minor	C2 F2
8/15/2018	28.77	180,000	Moderate	none

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Code Description

- C1 Crest information looks unreliable and incomplete and not used in frequency calculations. Some of the floods are based on current flood stage and nearby gage information.
- C2 Crest information looks reliable despite potential problems. This data was used in frequency calculations.
- C3 Crest height estimated by the USGS.
- C4 Crest height is from the National Weather Service.
- C5 Crest height affected by backwater.
- Crest occurred at a previous flood stage that is lower than the current flood stage. The crests below the new flood stage are not used in flood frequency calculations.
- C7 Crest from USGS yearly peak and/or date is different than the crest we provide. In many cases MARFC uses crest based on backwater or ice effects.
- Crest month or day of occurrence has been estimated by The Middle Atlantic River Forecast Center usually based on nearby gage information.
- C9 Crest date (day) in the month is unknown.
- F1 Flow is an estimate.
- F2 Flow affected by regulation or diversion and in some cases to an unknown degree.
- F3 Flow effected by snow-melt, ice jam or debris jam break up.
- F4 Flow affected by dam failure.
- F5 Flow All or part of the record affected by urbanization, mining, agricultural changes, channelization or other factors.
- G1 Gage height at a different site and/or datum.
- Gage is not an official USGS gage with crests provided by the NWS. Crest information looks unreliable and incomplete and not used in flood frequency calculations.
- G3 Gage datum changed during this year.

none No code; Good Data

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