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REGION OR RIVER CATCHMENT	YEAR	MONTH	DAY	LOCALITY & COMMENTS	10km GRID REF.	FULL GRID REF.	SOURCE
Cleveland Coast	1790 c.			The White House, Saltburn . Otter in beck at bottom of ravine provided summer sport.	NZ/62	NZ/6627	Pease (1887)
Cleveland Coast	1896			Staithe. Occasional on Roxby Beck .	NZ/71	NZ/7818	Nelson (1896)
Cleveland Coast	1904			Liverton Mines . One seen in summer.	NZ/71	NZ/7117	MacLean (1905)
Cleveland Coast	1905			Loftus . One taken early in 1905.	NZ/71	NZ/7118	MacLean (1905)
Cleveland Coast	1905	7	8	Waitel Beck . One killed and several seen in the neighbourhood.	NZ/71	NZ/7118	MacLean (1905)
Cleveland Coast	1952	5	31	Lockwood Reservoir . Footprints seen.	NZ/61	NZ/6713	Chislett (1952)
Hatfield Chase	1906	5	13	Medge Hall . Otter (weighing 21lb and measuring 4'6") was trapped and killed. Others had been seen in the area.	SE/71	SE/7412	Doncaster Gazette, 1906
Hatfield Chase	1939			Bellwood . Otter (measuring 4'11") shot in drain.	SE/70	SE/7908	F. Robinson, pers. comm.
Hatfield Chase	1930-1950			Lindholme Lake . Otters present and hunted by Buckingham Otter Hounds up till 1950s.	SE/71	SE/7711	R. Lyon, pers. comm.
Hatfield Chase	1952			Lindholme Lake . Otters present.	SE/71	SE/7711	Hyde (1952)
Hatfield Chase	1950s			Lindholme Lake . Mounted head Lindholm otter at Lindholme Hall.	SE/71	SE/7711	Marshall (1986), R. Lyon, pers. comm.
Hatfield Chase	1976			Lindholme Lake . Otter seen by anglers.	SE/71	SE/7711	Mahoney, pers. comm.
Hatfield Chase	1976			River Torne, nr. Wroot . Seen by anglers.	SE/70	SE/7003	Mahoney, pers. comm.
Hatfield Chase	1970s			Hatfield Waste Drain , Hatfield Moors. Otters present and holt occupied.	SE/70	SE/7-0-	B. Craggs, pers. comm.
Hatfield Chase	1980s			Hatfield Waste Drain , Hatfield Moors. Otters present and holt occupied.	SE/70	SE/7-0-	B. Craggs, pers. comm.
Hatfield Chase	1990s			Hatfield Waste Drain , Hatfield Moors. Otters present and holt occupied.	SE/70	SE/7-0-	B. Craggs, pers. comm.
Hatfield Chase	2000	10	9	Hatfield Waste Drain, Lindholme Grange . Old spraint.	SE/70	SE/7207	Palmer (2000)
Holderness	1890			Barmston Drain . One killed.	TA/15	TA/1658	Harworth-Booth (1900)
Holderness	1926	5	22	Hornsea Mere . Characteristically chewed Pike.			Badland (1926), YNU Circular 388 19-22.4.1935
Holderness	1929	12		Aldbrough . Otter (28" in length and weighing 8.5lbs) trapped.	TA/23	TA/2-3-	Hull Daily Mail, 5th Dec. 1929
Holderness	1946	6	8	Spurn . Footprints in mud of several tidal dykes.	TA/31	TA/3916	Chislett (1946)

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Holderness	1947			Burton Constable Lake. Pair seen.	TA/13	TA/1836	Hazelwood (1948)
Holderness	1947			Hornsea Mere. Pair bred.	TA/14	TA/1-4-	Hazelwood (1948)
Holderness	1949			Hornsea Mere. Otters again present.	TA/14	TA/1-4-	Hazelwood (1950)
Holderness	1950			Holderness region. Otters 'numerous'.	TA/	TA/	Hazelwood (1951)
Holderness	1961	4		Winestead Drain. Otter seen.	TA/30	TA/3020	B. Pashby, pers. comm.
Holderness	1962	2	17	Winestead. Two otters seen near railway reack.	TA/22	TA/2923	Govett (1963)
Holderness	1970	11	26	Hornsea Mere. Otter seen.	TA/14	TA/1-4-	W. Curtis, pers. comm.
Holderness	1971			Hornsea Mere. Otter seen at Seaton end of mere.	TA/14	TA/1-4-	Hull Nats. Soc.
Holderness	1971	5	19	Swan Island, Hornsea Mere. Otter seen.	TA/14	TA/1746	R. Hawley, pers. comm.
Humber	1897			Market Weighton. Have occurred in the neighbourhood.	SE/84	SE/8-4-	Boyes (1897)
Humber	1902	2	13	South Cave. One shot.	SE/93	SE/9130	Hill (1907)
Humber	1903	4	31	Welton. One shot coming out of drain.	SE/92	SE/9627	Hill (1907)
Humber	1909			Market Weighton. Seen occasionally.	SE/84	SE/8-4-	Marshall (1909)
Humber	1911	12		Sandholme Landing nr. Market Weighton Canal. one adult and one cub shot.	SE/83	SE/8531	Goole Times & Weekly Herald, 22nd Dec. 1911
Humber	1911	12		nr. Sandholme Landing. Cub captured in flooded claypit.	SE/83	SE/8531	Goole Times & Weekly Herald, 22nd Dec. 1911
Humber	1916	1		Gilberdyke. Female shot and cub captured.	SE/83	SE/8-3-	Goole Times & Weekly Herald, 21st Jan. 1916
Humber	1925	8		Nr. Brough. Up to four reported frequenting a reservoir outfall stream to the Humber.	SE/92	SE/9326	Smith (1926)
Humber	1944			North Ferriby. Occasionally reported at long intervals.	SE/92	SE/9-2-	Proctor (1944)
Humber	1947			Melton Claypits. Otter seen several times on Humber bank.	SE/92	SE/9524	Hazelwood (1948)
Humber	1962	6	28	Nr. Broomfleet. Tracks through reed beds.	SE/82	SE/8826	Govett (1963)
Humber	1962	6		Broomfleet Pond. Two otters seen by anglars.	SE/82	SE/8826	Govett (1963)
Humber	1967			West of Hull. Otter reported.			Clegg (1968)
Humber	1970 pre.			Humber tributary ? Market Weighton Canal. Otter seen several times.	SE/82	SE/8-2-	Lenton et al. (1980)
Humber	1979	12		Welton Ponds. Fresh spraints.	SE/92	SE/9525	Hull Nats. Soc.
River Aire	1670 - 71			Bradford. 'Pd. William Feeld for catching an ottar 2d.'	SE/13	SE/1-3-	Wroot (1895)
River Aire	1671			Kildwick. 'Will Hustler for one otter head 2d.'	SE/04	SE/0-4-	H. B. Booth MS in Keighley Museum.
River Aire	1771-72			Bradford. 'To John Swift for an otter 2d.'	SE/13	SE/1-3-	Wroot (1895)
River Aire	1677			Kildwick. 'To Jo. Parkinson for an otter head 1s.'	SE/04	SE/0-4-	H. B. Booth MS in Keighley Museum.
River Aire	1677-78			Bradford. 'To John Swift for two otters 4d.'	SE/13	SE/1-3-	Wroot (1895)
River Aire	1680			Kildwick. 'For an otter head 2d.'	SE/04	SE/0-4-	H. B. Booth MS in Keighley Museum.
River Aire	1731	2	8	Bradford. 'To David Wilby etc. for killing an otter 1s.'	SE/13	SE/1-3-	Wroot (1895)
River Aire	1736	6	23	Skipton. 'For an otters head'	SD/95	SD/9-5-	Birtwhistle (1896)

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River Aire	1750	5	27	Skipton. 'Henry Atkinson esq. two otters 2s.'	SD/95	SD/9-5-	Birtwhistle (1896)
River Aire	1751	2	3	Skipton. 'An otter head 1s.'	SD/95	SD/9-5-	Birtwhistle (1896)
River Aire	1752			Skipton. 'An otter head to John Bell 1s.'	SD/95	SD/9-5-	Birtwhistle (1896)
River Aire	1755			Kildwick. 'Wm. Cryer of Conondley for an otters head 1s.'	SE/04	SE/0-4-	H. B. Booth MS in Keighley Museum.
River Aire	1798			Kildwick. 'Paid for an otters head 1s.'	SE/04	SE/0-4-	H. B. Booth MS in Keighley Museum.
River Aire	1852			Nr. Leeds. Otters.	SE/	SE/	Dixon (1885)
River Aire	1868			Brotherton. Otter reported.	SE/45	SE/4852	Roberts (1885)
River Aire	1879			Steeton. Otter (21.5lb in weight and 18" in girth) shot by gamekeeper.	SE/04	SE/0345	Leeds Mercury, 13th Dec. 1897.
River Aire	1899			Skipton. Two otters hunted.	SD/95	SD/9850	Leeds Mercury, 16th Sept. 1899.
River Aire	1906	3		Between Saltaire and Bingley. Otters again in the Aire.	SE/13	SE/1-3-	Cliffe Castle Museum records.
River Aire	1906	4	29	Cottingley. One male otter shot.	SE/13	SE/1137	Cliffe Castle Museum records.
River Aire	1906	4		Cottingley. Adult and cubs in the river for some weeks.	SE/13	SE/1137	Cliffe Castle Museum records.
River Aire	1908	9	7	Keighley. Female and two cubs seen frequenting drain near sewage works.	SE/	SE/	Cliffe Castle Museum records.
River Aire	1909	6		Carr Drain, Cowick Park. 2'6" specimen seen.	SE/62	SE/6320	Goole Times & Weekly Herald, 18th June 1909
River Aire	1912	6	3	Nr. Bingley. Otter in the Aire.	SE/13	SE/1038	Cliffe Castle Museum records.
River Aire	1922	4		Meanwoodside. Two adult otters and three cubs established in farm drain.	SE/23	SE/2-3-	Atkinson (1923)
River Aire	1922			Fairburn Ings. Gamekeeper claims that none have been seen for some years.	SE/42	SE/4627	Bramley (1922)
River Aire	1924			Bingley. By no means uncommon. Recently noticed.	SE/	SE/	Cliffe Castle Museum records.
River Aire	1925			Bradford. 'Appears to be holding its own'.	SE/	SE/	Cliffe Castle Museum records.
River Aire	1927			Upper Aire Valley. Otters are becoming numerous.	SE/	SE/	Bramley (1928)
River Aire	1928	5	14	Nr. Saltaire. One present foer several weeks.	SE/13	SE/1437	Cliffe Castle Museum records.
River Aire	1928			Nr. Ireland Bridge. One shot.	SE/13	SE/1039	Cliffe Castle Museum records.
River Aire	1928			Airedale. H. B. Booth reported otters on the increase in most parts of the county, especially in Airedale.	SE/	SE/	Bramley (1929)
River Aire	1928			Airedale. Five otters obtained in Airedale and Wharfedale.	SE/	SE/	Bramley (1929)
River Aire	1933	11		Airedale. Half grown young reported.	SE/	SE/	Cliffe Castle Museum records.
River Aire	1933	9		Rawcliffe Bridge. Two young caught.	SE/72	SE/7021	Bramley (1934), Mason (1934)
River Aire	1934	1	10	Harden Beck. One seen at 7.45am.	SE/03	SE/0837	Cliffe Castle Museum records.
River Aire	1934			Saltaire. 18lb specimen found dead.	SE/13	SE/1437	Bramley (1934)
River Aire	1935			Saltaire. One present in the Aire all summer.	SE/13	SE/1437	Cliffe Castle Museum records.
River Aire	1935			Shipley. One shot.	SE/13	SE/1-3-	Cliffe Castle Museum records.

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River Aire	1936	8	7	Ponden Reservoir. One shot.	SD/93	SD/9937	Cliffe Castle Museum records.
River Aire	1938	11		Cottingley. Holt found among willows on rib bank. Freshly made footprints seen.	SE/13	SE/1137	Cliffe Castle Museum records.
River Aire	1939	4	28	Seven Arches. Remains of three meals found.	SE/13	SE/1238	Cliffe Castle Museum records.
River Aire	1939	5	26	Saltaire. Remains of two meals found.	SE/13	SE/1437	Cliffe Castle Museum records.
River Aire	1940	3		Silsden. 36" long specimen shot on river bank.	SE/04	SE/0345	Hazelwood (1941)
River Aire	1945	9	17	Seven Arches. One found dead.	SE/13	SE/1238	Cliffe Castle Museum records.
River Aire	1945			Keighley. Otters seen in R. Aire near Keighley golf course.	SE/04	SE/0543	Hazelwood (1946)
River Aire	1945			Sutton-in-Craven. One seen in Holme Beck, going upstream towards Cowling.	SE/04	SE/0044	Hazelwood (1946)
River Aire	1947			Malham Tarn. Otter reported to have arrived.	SD/96	SD/9062	Hazelwood (1948)
River Aire	1948			Methley. One seen between Aire and Calder.	SE/32	SE/3826	Hazelwood (1951)
River Aire	1949			Malham Tarn. Otter reported.	SD/96	SD/9062	Hazelwood (1950)
River Aire	1952-54			Nr. Skipton. Seen on the Aire and tributaries.	SD/95	SD/9-5-	Stephens (1957)
River Aire	1956	11	15	Crossflatts. On towpath.	SE/04	SE/0941	Cliffe Castle Museum records.
River Aire	1957	1	23	Apperley Bridge. One seen.	SE/13	SE/1937	Hazelwood (1958)
River Aire	1964	4	19	Hirst Wood. Twenty fish on r. Aire bank thought to have been killed by otter.	SE/13	SE/1238	Cliffe Castle Museum records.
River Aire	1970	7	1	Beckfoot. Otter present.	SE/13	SE/1038	Cliffe Castle Museum records.
River Aire	1970	8		Beckfoot. Otter present.	SE/13	SE/1038	Cliffe Castle Museum records.
River Aire	1970	9	1	Harden Beck. Adult and three cubs seen seen below the Malt Shovel.	SE/03	SE/0837	Cliffe Castle Museum records.
River Aire	1971	7		Harden Beck. Seen near Goit Stock caravan site.	SE/03	SE/0837	Cliffe Castle Museum records.
River Aire	1972			Sandbeds, Keighley. Unconfirmed report of otter in canal in autumn.	SE/04	SE/0940	Cliffe Castle Museum records.
River Aire	1973			Adel Dam. Vagrant animal seen swimming.	SE/24	SE/2741	Norris (1981)
River Aire	1974			Marley Sewage Works. Family of otters watched in deep water on river bend.	SE/	SE/-	Hogg (1974)
River Aire	1979	2		Nr. Burton Salmon. Footprints and tail prints in snow.	SE/42	SE/4-2-	Castleford Nats. Soc. Report for 1979.
River Aire	1981	9	14	West Cowick. Otter seen.	SE/62	SE/6522	Castleford Nats. Soc. Report for 1981.
River Bain	1884			Bain Gill, Hawes. Otter seen.	SD/98	SD/9389	Lees (1884)
River Bain	1884			Whit Gill, Hawes. Otter seen.	SD/99	SD/9392	Lees (1884)
River Calder	1544			Thornhill. Reported.	SE/21	SE/2518	Hatfield (1866), Wilkinson (1872)
River Calder	1544			Woodkirk. Reported.	SE/21	SE/2725	Hatfield (1866), Wilkinson (1872)

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River Calder	1813 ca.			Elland Bridge. One shot whiles fishing at the 'damstones'.	SE/12	SE/1021	Hanson (1883), Johnson (1965)
	1820s			North Dean Wood. Terrier flushed adult and two cubs from drain. Cubs caught and kept alive for a short time.	SE/02	SE/0822	Hanson (1883)
River Calder	1838 ca.			Lofthouse. One shot.	SE/32	SE/3-2-	Roberts (1869)
River Calder	1843 ca.			Elland. One caught.	SE/12	SE/1021	Hanson (1883), Johnson (1965)
River Calder	1843-83			Brighouse. 'Another caught'	SE/12	SE/1522	Hanson (1883)
River Calder	1859			Kirklees. Has occurred in trout streams but very rarely.	SE/12	SE/1721	Hobkirk (1859)
River Calder	1860			Nr. Kirkthorpe. One caught about 1860.	SE/32	SE/3521	Roberts (1869)
River Calder	1869	12	3	Stanley. One shot.	SE/32	SE/3523	Roberts (1869)
				Cotton Stones, Ripponden. Otter weighing 17.5lbs killed in stream (Ryburn).	SE/01	SE/0319	Hanson (1883), Johnson (1965)
River Calder	1873	9			SE/01	SE/0319	Hanson (1883), Johnson (1965)
River Calder	1876	8	19	Sowerby Bridge. One frequenting a drain was caught in a box trap.	SE/02	SE/0623	Hanson (1883), Johnson (1965)
River Calder	1881			North Dean Station. One seen during winter.			Hanson (1883)
River Calder	1882			Wakefield area. Otters killed in previous years.	SE/32	SE/3-2-	YNU Circular 19.9.1882
River Calder	1883			Halifax. Otters recorded.			Hanson (1883)
River Calder	1913	7		Ryburn Valley. One seen.	SE/02	SE/0-2-	Johnson (1965)
River Calder	1930			Hebden Water. Only odd otters have occurred in last 60 years.	SD/92	SD/9-2-	Greaves (1930)
River Calder	1948			Methley. One seen.	SE/32	SE/3826	Hazelwood (1951)
River Calder	1958			Canal between Brighouse and Elland. Two seen together.	SE/12	SE/1-2-	Johnson (1965)
				Canal between Brighouse and Elland. Spraint containing remains of Bream.	SE/12	SE/1-2-	Johnson (1965)
River Calder	1958			Horbury. On reported in press.	SE/12	SE/1-2-	Hazelwood (1959)
River Calder	1961			Dean Head Valley. Young otter dead on stream bank.	SE/01	SE/0315	E. W. Aubrook, pers. comm.
River Calder	1962			Canal between Brighouse and Elland. One seen.	SE/12	SE/1-2-	Johnson (1965)
River Cod Beck	1884			nr. Thirsk. Otter listed.	SE/48	SE/4-8-	Kirton and Oddie (1884)
River Cod Beck	1885			Nr. Thirsk. Two young were caught and kept alive for some time.	SE/48	SE/4-8-	Lee and Goggitt (1887)
River Cod Beck	1886			Nr. Thirsk. Otters frequently seen.	SE/48	SE/4-8-	Lee and Goggitt (1887)
River Cod Beck	1887	12		Nr. Thirsk. Two otters caught just before Christmas.	SE/48	SE/4-8-	Gravesson (1888), Anon 1891b)
				Otters are regarded as a pest, threatening the entire destruction of the trout.	SE/48	SE/4-8-	Land and Water, 19th March 1887
River Cod Beck	1887			Thirsk. Otters present.	SE/48	SE/4-8-	Hall (1887)
River Cod Beck	1928			Low Thirkleby. Litter reared in neighbouring water mill.	SE/47	SE/4777	York Nat. Hist. Soc. Report Book.
River Cod Beck	1931			Otters seen.	SE/48	SE/4-8-	York Nat. Hist. Soc. Report Book.
River Cod Beck	1931			Nr. Thirsk. Several observed in Isle Beck.	SE/47	SE/4577	Smith (1932)

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River Cod Beck	1933			Isle Beck. Spraints seen.	SE/47	SE/4577	York Nat. Hist. Soc. Report Book.
River Cod Beck	1933			Cod Beck. Spraints seen.	SE/48	SE/4-8-	York Nat. Hist. Soc. Report Book.
River Colne	1900			Crossland Hall. Otter recently reported in the district.	SE/01	SE/0-1-	Mosley (1900)
River Derwent	1784	4		Brompton-by-Sawdon. To Peter Watson for an Otter.	SE/98	SE/9-8-	NYCRO PR/BRO Microfilm 1048
River Derwent	1884	4	12	Stittenham Beck, Terrington. One caught.	SE/66	SE/6768	Wright (1889)
River Derwent	1884	4		Bulmer Beck, Castle Howard. Otter caught by terrier (G.B.).	SE/66	SE/6967	YNU Records.
River Derwent	1889			Kirkham Abbey. Listed.	SE/76	SE/7365	Walker & Longster (1889)
River Derwent	1889			Scampston Park. Otter 'preserved'.	SE/87	SE/8675	St. Quintin (1889)
River Derwent	1890			Forge Valley. Sir Carles Legard's Otter Hounds accounted for several otters.	SE/98	SE.9885	The Field, 1890
River Derwent	1890			Thicket Priory. Female otter killed by Sir Charles Legard's Otter Hounds.	SE/64	SE/6943	The Field, 1890
River Derwent	1890			Pocklington Canal. Otter killed by Sir Charles Legard's Otter Hounds.	SE/64	SE/6943	The Field, 1890
River Derwent	1895	3	22	Ayton. Footprints of large otter together with remains of pike allegedly taken as prey	SE/98	SE/9984	Hey (1895)
River Derwent	1897			Langdale Rigg. Otter listed.	SE/99	SE/9394	YNU Circular 132 1897
River Derwent	1902			Settrington Beck, North Grimston. Recorded.	SE/86	SE/8367	Fraser (1902)
River Derwent	1903	1		Bubwith. Male otter shot 3'7" in length and weighing 24lb.	SE/73	SE/7036	Goole Times & Weekly Herald, 16th Jan. 1903.
River Derwent	1904			Lownorth Beck, Harwood Dale. Otters not uncommon.	SE/99	SE/9-9-	YNU Circular 178 1904
River Derwent	1904			Jugger How Beck, Harwood Dale. Otters not uncommon.	SE/99	SE/9-9-	YNU Circular 178 1904
River Derwent	1909	7	18	Stamford Bridge. Brown trout killed by an otter.	SE/75	SE/7155	Roebuck (1910)
River Derwent	1910			Between Buttercrambe and Stamford. During winter a pair of otters had holt in roots of pollarded willow in a beck end.	SE/75	SE/7-5-	York Nat. Hist. Soc. Report Book.
River Derwent	1912			Menthorpe Ferry. One seen.	SE/73	SE/7034	Anon (1903)
River Derwent	1912			Fangfoss. Otters present.	SE/75	SE/7652	York Nat. Hist. Soc. Report Book.
River Derwent	1912			Spittle Beck. Otters present.	SE/76	SE/7064	York Nat. Hist. Soc. Report Book.
River Derwent	1912			River Derwent. Otters present.	SE/75	SE/75	York Nat. Hist. Soc. Report Book.
River Derwent	1913	7	5	Stamford Bridge. Otter reported.	SE/75	SE/7155	Smith (1913)
River Derwent	1919			Scampston Park. In autumn otters got in twice, killing examples of Ross's Snow and Brent geese, Curlew and 9 ducks.	SE/87	SE/8675	St. Quintin (1923)
River Derwent	1920			Bubwith. Old male otter (weighing 19lb) was killed on the Derwent bank.	SE/73	SE/7036	York Nat. Hist. Soc. Report Book.

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River Derwent	1921	6		Hackness. One shot in Derwent.	SE/99	SE9690	Smith (1922)
River Derwent	1922	5	15	Scampston Park. Female otter (weighing 14lb) was trapped after it had killed a Lesser white-fronted goose, a Japanese teal and destroyed several clutches of egge.	SE/87	SE/8675	St. Quintin (1923)
River Derwent	1923			Scarborough District. Maintain numbers despite persecution.	SE/	SE/	Smith (1924)
River Derwent	1931	1	14	Malton. Remains of brown trout killed by otter.	SE/87	SE/8072	Smith (1932)
River Derwent	1931			Malton. Number of cubs killed. Otter comparatively plentiful and repeatedly reported.	SE/87	SE/8072	Smith (1932)
River Derwent	1933	6	8	Hackness. Three adults killed in Derwent.	SE/99	SE/9690	Bramley (1934)
River Derwent	1933			River Derwent. Spraints found.	SE/	SE/	York Nat. Hist. Soc. Report Book.
River Derwent	1933			River Derwent at Skipwith. Otters frequent.	SE/63	SE/63	Smith (1933)
River Derwent	1933			River Derwent. Six 'finds' in four days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Derwent	1934			River Derwent. Seven 'finds' in seven days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Derwent	1936			Hackness. Scarce, much persecuted but not to the point of extermination.	SE/99	SE/9690	Clarke (1936)
River Derwent	1936			Scarborough District. Maintains status.	SE/	SE/	Smith (1937)
River Derwent	1937	4		Forge Valley. Otter had been feeding on toads which had been carefully skinned, the heads and skin being ejected.	SE/98	SE/9885	Smith (1938)
River Derwent	1938	8		Hackness. One killed by otter hounds.	SE/99	SE/9690	Smith (1938)
River Derwent	1939	6	26	Forge Valley. Female (weighing 15lb) killed by otter hounds.	SE/98	SE/9-8-	Hazelwood (1940)
River Derwent	1939			River Derwent. Three 'finds' in four days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Derwent	1947			Lindhead Beck, Scalby. Otter reported.	TA/09	TA/0093	Walsh and Rimington (1956)
River Derwent	1948			Scarborough Mere. Otter reported.	TA/08	TA/0385	Walsh and Rimington (1956)
River Derwent	1950			River Derwent. Four 'finds' in three days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Derwent	1952			River Derwent. No 'finds' in two days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Derwent	1954			River Derwent. One 'find' in one days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Derwent	1959			River Derwent. No 'finds' in one days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Derwent	1950s			River Derwent. Occasional in Derwent and larger becks in the Scarborough district.	SE/98	SE/9-8-	Rimington (1956)
River Derwent	1960			River Derwent. Two 'finds' in two days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Derwent	1967			River Derwent. No 'finds' in one days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Derwent	1968			River Derwent. One 'find' in one days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)

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River Derwent	1972			Forge Valley. Otters present.	SE/98	SE/9887	R. Bell, pers. comm.
River Derwent	1974	3		Thornton Beck, Ellerburn. Two seen on two occasions.	SE/88	SE/8484	G.K. Green, pers. comm.
River Derwent	1975			Troutdale Beck. Otter seen.	SE/98	SE/9389	E. Wear, pers. comm.
River Derwent	1976	12	18	Beedale Beck. One seen.	SE/98	SE/9586	W. Howes, pers. comm.
River Derwent	1977			Howsham Bridge. Footprints seen.	SE/76	SE/7362	Yorkshire Mammal Group
River Derwent	1977			Hilla Green. Signs found.	SE/99	SE/9490	Yorkshire Mammal Group
River Derwent	1977			Stamford Bridge. One seen.	SE/75	SE/7155	Yorkshire Mammal Group
River Derwent	1977	8	26	Scalby Cutt. Footprints and five fresh spraints found.	SE/98	SE/9788	R. Anness, pers. comm.
River Derwent	1978	5	7	Howsham Bridge. Spraints and footprints found at three points along the river.	SE/76	SE/7463	Yorkshire Mammal Group
River Derwent	1978			Scalby Cutt. Footprints found.	SE/98	SE/9788	Yorkshire Mammal Group
River Derwent	1981	1	5	Howsham Wood. Footprints found.	SE/76	SE/7463	Yorkshire Mammal Group
River Derwent	1981	2	22	Buttercrambe. Spraints at weir.	SE/75	SE/7358	Yorkshire Mammal Group
River Derwent	1981			Buttercrambe. Two otters seen recently.	SE/75	SE/7358	Yorkshire Mammal Group
River Derwent	1981			Crosscliffe Beck. Otter reported.	SE/89	SE/8991	I. Massey, pers. comm.
River Derwent	1984			Mowthorpe. Footprints seen.	SE/98	SE/9788	C. Sharp, pers. comm.
				River Derwent. The lower reaches were surveyed in very good conditions. 1 out of 16 sample sites was positive compared with none in 1978. Recent reports suggest an encouraging downstream expansion in the population that is known to occur in the upper rea			
River Derwent	1985	10			SE s/e	SE s/e	Strachan, Birks, Chanin & Jefferies (1990)
River Derwent	1985	10	16	Hagg Bridge. Blackfoss Beck/Pocklington Canal. Signs.	SE/74	SE/7145	J. Birks & R. Stachan, pers. comm.
River Esk	1885			Whitby. All but, if not quite, exterminated on the river.	NZ/80	NZ/8-0-	Stephenson (1885)
River Esk	1894	4	25	Lealholme Bridge. An otter trapped a few days previously was turned down and killed after short hunt.	NZ/70	NZ/7607	Stephenson (1894)
River Esk	1894	10	28	Whitby. Young female (flb in weight) killed at White Hall shipyard. Spn. in Whitby Museum.	NZ/91	NZ/9010	Stephenson (1896)
River Esk	1895	12	11	Whitby. One seen twice in woodland.	NZ/80	NZ/80	Whitby Gazette 13th Dec. 1895, Stephenson (1896)
River Esk	1896	1	18	Glaisedale. Female killed (14lbs in weight and 43" in length)	NZ/70	NZ/7805	Whitby Gazette 24th Jan. 1896, Stephenson (1896)
River Esk	1897	7	5	Egton Bridge. Male killed.	NZ/80	NZ/8005	Stephenson (1898)
River Esk	1897	7	20	Grosmont. Male and female killed.	NZ/80	NZ/8205	Stephenson (1898)
River Esk	1898	4	23	Nr. Sleights Bridge. One seen.	NZ/80	NZ/8608	Whitby Gazette 29th April 1898, Stephenson (1898)

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River Esk	1898	5		Ruswarp. Three seen in dam in late evening.	NZ/80	NZ/8809	Whitby Gazette 6th May 1898, Stephenson (1898)
River Esk	1900			Ruswarp. One apparently shot on banks of dam.	NZ/80	NZ/8809	Whitby Gazette 6th July 1900, Stephenson (1901)
River Esk	1900			Whitby. All but, if not quite, exterminated on the river.	NZ/80	NZ/8-0-	Stephenson (1900)
River Esk	1911			Castleton. Abundant in the R. Esk.	NZ/60	NZ/6808	Lofthouse (1911)
River Esk	1925			Egton Bridge. Not uncommon.	NZ/80	NZ/8005	Frank (1925)
River Esk	1930			Egton Bridge. Fairly plentiful.	NZ/80	NZ/8005	Frank (1930)
River Esk	1933			River Esk. Three 'finds' in four days hunting.	NZ/	NZ/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Esk	1934			River Esk. Nine 'finds' in nine days hunting.	NZ/	NZ/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Esk	1938			River Esk. Two 'finds' in two days hunting.	NZ/	NZ/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Esk	1939			River Esk. One 'find' in one days hunting.	NZ/	NZ/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Esk	1940	12		Ruswarp. Fight between big male otter and a seal in the Esk above the dam.	NZ/80	NZ/8909	Northern Echo 20th Dec. 1940, Hazelwood (1942)
River Esk	1941	2	21	Egton Bridge. Tracks often seen in snow on frozen Esk.	NZ/80	NZ/8005	Frank (1941)
River Esk	1944	5	20	Nr. Beckside Farm. Four (adult female and three cubs) seen in R. Esk.	NZ/	NZ/	Frank (1944)
River Esk	1947			Egton Bridge. Traces of otters can be seen about the district.	NZ/80	NZ/8005	Frank (1947)
River Esk	1950			River Esk. Two 'finds' in two days hunting.	NZ/	NZ/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Esk	1954			River Esk. Two 'finds' in two days hunting.	NZ/	NZ/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Esk	1955			River Esk. One 'find' in one days hunting.	NZ/	NZ/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Esk	1956			River Esk. Two 'finds' in two days hunting.	NZ/	NZ/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Esk	1957			River Esk. Two 'finds' in one days hunting.	NZ/	NZ/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Esk	1959			River Esk. Three 'finds' in three days hunting.	NZ/	NZ/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Esk	1962			Arncliffe. Reported from the district.	NZ/70	NZ/7805	Govett (1963)
River Esk	1968			Between Grosmont and Ruswarp. Reports of a single otter during summer.	NZ/80	NZ/8-0-	I. Massey, pers. comm.
River Esk	1968			Nr. Grosmont.	NZ/80	NZ/8205	Simms (1969)
River Esk	1969			River Esk catchment. Have probably bred in two places.	NZ/60	NZ/6-0-	Simms (1970)
River Esk	1969			River Esk catchment. Have probably bred in two places.	NZ/70	NZ/7-0-	Simms (1970)
River Esk	1972			Little Beck. Otter reported.	NZ/80	NZ/8705	R. Bell, pers. comm.
River Esk	1976	8		Nr. Sleights. After much local publicity, farmers with riparian rights persuaded not to allow otter hunting.	NZ/80	NZ/8-0-	I. Massey, pers. comm.

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River Esk	1978	6		Ramsdale Beck , Fylingdales. Sighting from bridge below Low Farm.	NZ/90	NZ/9403	I. Massey, pers. comm.
River Esk	1978			Murk Esk, Beck Hole . Footprints.	NZ/80	NZ/8103	Yorks. Mammal Group, pers. comm.
				River Esk . Surveyed as part of a new 50 km square for the national survey in 1986 during poor conditions of subsiding spate. 1 of 14 sample sites was positive with a set of tracks on freshly deposited silt and sand. Recent reports suggest a small number	NZ s/e	NZ s/e	Strachan, Birks, Chanin & Jefferies (1990)
River Esk	1986	12			NZ/80	NZ/8607	Strachan, Birks, Chanin & Jefferies (1990)
River Esk	1986			Sleights . Signs.	NZ/80	NZ/8607	Strachan & Jefferies (1996)
River Esk	1994			Sleights . Signs.	NZ/80	NZ/8205	Strachan & Jefferies (1996)
River Esk	1994			Grosmont . Signs.	NZ/70	NZ/7805	Strachan & Jefferies (1996)
River Esk	1994			Glaisdale . Signs.			
River Foss	1912	2	22	Banks of the Foss . Remains of Roach (16oz.) evidently caught by otter.	SE/65	SE/6-5-	York Nat. Hist. Soc. Report Book.
				York . Recorded several times within a short range of the city boundaries. Ample evidence of occupation in many local ponds and becks.	SE/65	SE/6-5-	York Nat. Hist. Soc. Report Book.
River Foss	1912	3	13		SE/56	SE/5967	York Nat. Hist. Soc. Report Book.
River Foss	1912			Stillington . Present.	SE/65	SE/6156	York Nat. Hist. Soc. Report Book.
River Foss	1913-14			Huntington . Holt in banks of R. Foss held four young.	SE/65	SE/6-5-	York Nat. Hist. Soc. Report Book.
River Foss	1913-14			Reported from many ponds and becks. Continue to hold their own.	SE/65	SE/6053	Fortune (1916)
River Foss	1915	1	20	Yearsley Bridge . One killed on the road.	SE/65	SE/6052	York Nat. Hist. Soc. Report Book.
River Foss	1915	3	21	Huntington . Two in R. Foss stayed for three weeks.	SE/65	SE/6156	Smith (1916)
River Foss	1915	5	20	Huntington . 4 cubs reared in holt on old willow stump at 78 Huntingdon Road [the home of S. H. Smith].	SE/65	SE/6052	Taylor (1956)
River Foss	1915	11		Monk Bridge . One seen in R. Foss.	SE/65	SE/6156	Smith (1923)
River Foss	1919	9		Huntington . Adult and three cubs killed.	SE/65	SE/6259	York Nat. Hist. Soc. Report Book.
River Foss	1919	11		Towthorpe . One killed.	SE/65	SE/6156	Smith (1923), Taylor (1956)
River Foss	1922	9	18	Huntington . Two in R. Foss stayed for about a month at rear of 78 Huntingdon Road [the home of S. H. Smith].	SE/65	SE/6051	Bramley (1928)
River Foss	1927			Skeldergate Bridge . Seen for many months on wooden breakwater. Holt below wharves.	SE/65	SE/6051	Fortune (1928)
River Foss	1928			York . Pair bred within city walls.	SE/65	SE/6051	York Nat. Hist. Soc. Report Book.
River Foss	1928			Skeldergate Bridge . Two seen repeatedly on breakwater.	SE/65	SE/6052	Smith (1932)
River Foss	1931	2	2	Layerthorpe Bridge . One seen in R. Foss.	SE/65	SE/6156	York Nat. Hist. Soc. Report Book.
River Foss	1934	2	20	Huntington . Two seen in R. Foss. Remains of predated Roach on bank.	SE/65	SE/6156	York Nat. Hist. Soc. Report Book.

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River Foss	1934	3	19	Huntington. Cubs reared. Scales and remains of Roach littered the bank.	SE/65	SE/6156	Bramley (1935)
River Foss	1934	2	20	Hermitage. Otter recently visited fish pond and 'cleaned out' Trout and Rudd.	SE/65	SE/6-5-	York Nat. Hist. Soc. Report Book.
River Foss	1934			Haxby. Otter reported.	SE/65	SE/6158	York Nat. Hist. Soc. Report Book.
River Foss	1935	10	7	Huntington. One killed as it preyed on an Aylsbury duck. Otters have also destroyed Wigeon, Mallard, Black East Indian and White Calling Ducks.	SE/65	SE/6156	Bramley (1935)
River Foss	1935	10	8	Huntington. One consumed a large Perch and later ate a Black East Indian Duck.	SE/65	SE/6156	York Nat. Hist. Soc. Report Book.
River Foss	1936	3	14	Huntington. Two otters in R. Foss chased by villagers but escaped.	SE/65	SE/6156	Smith (1937)
River Foss	1936			Huntington. Observed throughout the year.	SE/65	SE/6156	Smith (1937)
River Foss	1937	3	15	Layorthorpe Bridge. Two adults and three cubs occupied holt in old drain.	SE/65	SE/6052	Smith (1938)
River Foss	1937	4	11	Heworth. One visited garden pond and 'cleared out' a number of roach and trout.	SE/65	SE/6156	Smith (1938)
River Foss	1938			Due to cleaning out of R. Foss , otters, formerly numerous, have almost deserted it.	SE/65	SE/6-5-	Gallway (1939)
River Foss	1943	3		Otter caught total of five Pike (up to 2lb in weight) in small pond. left only heads, fins, tails and scales.	SE/65	SE/6-5-	Haxelwood (1944)
River Foss	1972			Nr. York. Otter present at a large pond for three weeks in spring. Fed on Toads and Moorhens (spraint analysis).	SE/65	SE/6-5-	C. Simms, pers. comm.
River Foulness	1915	12	29	Spaldington. Female otter killed.	SE/73	SE/7937	Booth (1917)
River Foulness	1916	1	1	Spaldington. Female otter killed.	SE/73	SE/7937	Booth (1917)
River Hodder	1880	11	17	River Dunsop. Cubs found on bank.	SD/	SD/	Land & Water, 18th Dec. 1880, Southwell (1888),
River Hodder	1890	9		Whitwell. Otter (weighing 15lb) killed by Kendal Otter Hounds.	SD/64	SD/6547	The Field, 20th Sept. 1890.
River Hodder	1896			Hellfield. Occasionally seen on the R. Hodder.	SD/75	SD/7-5-	Pickard (1896)
River Hodder	1909			Bowland. Occasionally seen.	SD/65	SD/64	Wilson (1909)
River Hodder	1961			Slaidburn, at confluence with Crosdale Beck and R. Hodder.	SD/75	SD/7152	Fenton (1961)
River Hull	1850s			River Hull.	TA/03	TA/0-3-	Harworth-Booth (1900)
River Hull	1890			Driffield. Rare.	TA/05	TA/0-5-	Boyes (1890)
River Hull	1899			Driffield. Recorded.	TA/05	TA/0-5-	Boyes (1899)
River Hull	1901			Nr. Hull Bank Hall. Otter seen.	TA/03	TA/0-3-	Sheppard (1902)
River Hull	1902	5	29	Driffield Beck. One killed in trout stream.	TA/05	TA/0356	Hill (1907)

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River Hull	1902			Nr. Driffield . Male otter captured.	TA/05	TA/0-5-	Anon (1903)
River Hull	1903	2		Nr. Driffield . Female otter (weighing 12lb) captured.	TA/05	TA/0-5-	Anon (1903)
River Hull	1903	3	4	Driffield Beck, Sunderlandwick . Two otters killed.	TA/05	TA/0155	Hill (1907)
River Hull	1903	4	28	Lowthorpe . Male otter (weighing 25lb) and a female otter (weighing 15lb) shot.	TA/05	TA/0-5-	Hill (1907)
River Hull	1939			Driffield . Through the appearance of otters is rare, they are secretive and more numerous than is generally thought.	TA/05	TA/0-5-	Procter (1939)
River Hull	1945-50			Dunswell . Listed for the area.	TA/03	TA/0735	(Rider (1969)
River Hull	1950			Driffield . Otters visit occasionally.	TA/05	TA/0-5-	YNU Circular 506 8.7.1950
River Hull	1962			Driffield . Reported from the district.	TA/05	TA/0-5-	Govett (1963)
River Hull	1964			Hull Bridge , Beverley. Otter tracks, spraints and the remains of a chewed Eel along a two mile stretch of the R. Hull north of Hull Bridge.	TA/	TA/	Govett (1965)
River Hull	1960s			Driffield . One killed during early 1960s. Pelt in possession of Mr. C. Grantham.	TA/05	TA/0-5-	T. G. Manby, pers. comm.
River Hull	1971			Toplock Low . Recorded.	TA/04	TA/0748	Hull Nat. Soc.
River Hull	1971			Watton Beck . Recorded.	TA/04	TA/0-4-	Hull Nat. Soc.
River Hull	1979	5	6	Driffield Beck, Wansford . Charecteristically chewed Grayling on the bank.	TA/05	TA/0656	C. A. Howes
River Hull	1991-92			Hempholme Lock area. Sightings of otters entering and leaving holt site among willows and Phragmites reeds.	TA/	TA/	E. Pretty, pers. comm.
River Idle	1804			Between Bawtry and Stockwith. Reported.	SK/69	SK/6-9-	Miller (1805)
River Idle	1835			Bawtry . Otter killed.	SK/69	SK/6-9-	Hatfield (1866)
River Idle	1950s			Between Bawtry and Idle Stop. Occasionally seen by anglers.	SK/79	SK/7-9-	Howes (1998)
River Lune	1887			Sedbergh . Otter common.	SD/69	SD/6-9-	Watson (1887)
River Lune	1898			Clapham . Otter recorded.	SD/76	SD/7469	YNU Circular 136 1898
River Lune	1899			Dent . Otter recorded.	SD/78	SD/7087	Prior (1899)
River Lune	1900	2		Simon's Fell , Ingleborough (2,000ft). Female otter (weighing 10lb) shot.	SD/77	SD/7-7-	Handby (1900)
River Lune	1902	5		Nr. Crina Bottom Farm, Clapham . Young male otter trapped.	SD/76	SD/7468	Handby 1903)
River Lune	1902			River Wenning . Now fairly numerous along secluded reaches of the R. Wenning and its tributary streams.	SD/76	SD/7468	Handby 1903)
River Lune	1902			Sedbergh . Otter recorded.	SD/69	SD/6-9-	Morris (1902)
River Lune	1912			Tebay. Otter plentiful.	SD/60	SD/6-0-	Fortune (1912)
River Lune	1940			Austwick . Otter pass up the R. Wenning and on to the 'mosses'.	SD/76	SD/7-6-	YNU Circular 423 1940

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River Lune	1952-4			Nr. Bentham. Seen often in the R. Wenning.	SD/66	SD/6-6-	Stephens (1957)
River Lune	1972			River Dee above Dent. Otter prints seen.	SD/78	SD/7286	G. R. Dee, pers. comm.
River Lune	1977-79			Of 6 survey sites on the Upper Lune, all were negative in 1978 and 1985.	NY/se	NY/se	Strachan, Birks, Chanin & Jefferies (1990)
River Lune	1985	7		Of 6 survey sites on the Upper Lune none were positive. The middle reaches offer very suitable habitat.	NY/se	NY/se	Strachan, Birks, Chanin & Jefferies (1990)
River Lune	1991-94			1 of 6 survey sites on the Upper Lune was positive on the upper reaches of this system, which provides patchy habitat for otters. All sites were negative in 1978 and 1985.	NY/se	NY/se	Strachan & Jefferies (1996)
River Nidd	1874	7	16	Walshford Bridge. Male otter found by Mr. Hill's Otter Hounds.	SE/45	SE/4153	The Field, 11th July 1874
River Nidd	1880	2		Ribston. Adult and cub seen.	SE/35	SE/3853	YNU record.
River Nidd	1880			Pateley.	SE/16	SE/1565	YNU record.
River Nidd	1884	1	26	Killinghall. Female (2'6" in length) killed.	SE/25	SE/2859	Storey (1884)
River Nidd	1885			Pateley Bridge. Otter recorded.	SE/16	SE/1565	YNU Circular 63 1885
River Nidd	1886			Ramsgill.	SE/17	SE/1270	Clarke et al. (1886)
River Nidd	1886			Nidderdale. Extremely rare, most occurrences about Pateley Bridge	SE/16	SE/1565	Clarke et al. (1886)
River Nidd	1891			R. Nidd in the Western Ainsty area. 'Afforded good sport to otter hounds'.	SE/45	SE/4-5-	Waite (1891)
River Nidd	1891 pre.			Wilstop. Seven trapped.	SE/45	SE/4855	Waite (1891)
River Nidd	1894			Knaresborough. Otter recorded.	SE/35	SE/3-5-	Fortune (1894)
River Nidd	1902			Brimham district [Summer Bridge]. Otters have occurred.	SE/16	SE/1962	YNU Circular 168 1902
River Nidd	1903			Cowthorpe Oak. Otter recorded in the area.	SE/45	SE/4252	Fortune (1903)
River Nidd	1909	12	11	Birstwith. Two adult and two cubs seen. Partly devoured Chub or other coarse fish often seen.	SE/25	SE/2459	Fortune (1910)
River Nidd	1912			Proof of presence on every stream and beck around York e.g. the River Nidd.	SE/45	SE/4-5-	York Nat. Hist. Soc. Report Book.
River Nidd	1914	4	11	Plumpton Lake. Remains of Pike and tracks of otter which had been feeding on it.	SE/35	SE/3553	Fortune (1914)
River Nidd	1938			Nr. Scotton Banks. Pair reared litter. Considerable damage done among the fish.	SE/35	SE/3258	Gallwey (1939)
River Nidd	1957	8	10	Walshford Bridge. Otter hounds found one or two.	SE/45	SE/4153	Hazelwood (1958)
River Nidd	1957			Evidence of otters in middle reaches of R. Nidd.	SE/45	SE/4153	Hazelwood (1958)
River Nidd	1961			Knaresborough area. Tracks found.	SE/35	SE/3-5-	W. Beck, pers. comm.
River Nidd	1965			Shaw Mills. One seen on small stream (G.P. Robinson).	SE/26	SE/2662	Harrogate & Dist. Nats. Soc. Ann. Rep. 1965., McAndrew (1999)

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River Nidd	1963		Knareborough area. Otter pelt seen drying, obviously taken in the district.	SE/35	SE/3-5-	Govett (1964)
River Nidd	1978		The Nidd was surveyed in August and September 1978 during good weather conditions. The middle reaches appeared to offer suitable habitat, having wooded banks and a natural course. Part of the lower reaches were impossible to survey adequately because of steep banks and very dense herbaceous growth. A landowner near Summer Bridge said there were ' <i>never many otters</i> ' in the area and the last he heard of was seen in the 1950s.	SE n/w	SE n/w	Lenton et al. (1980)
River Nidd	1985	8 & 9	River Nidd. No evidence was found as in 1978, despite some suitable habitat. A report of a road casualty near Harrogate suggests otters do occasionally use the river.	SE n/w	SE n/w	Strachan, Birks, Chanin & Jefferies (1990)
River Nidd	1994		River Nidd. 5 of 27 full survey sites showed presence of otter. Three consecutive sites along the lower Nidd showed presence as tracks only and could easily have been overlooked if the water level had been high at the time of survey. Further upstream, spraint was found along the well-wooded riverbank of the Nidd Gorge.			
River Nidd	1994		Skip Bridge area. Fresh tracks.	SE/45	SE/4856	Strachan & Jefferies (1996)
River Nidd	1994		Kirk Hammerton area. Fresh tracks.	SE/45	SE/4654	Strachan & Jefferies (1996)
River Nidd	1994		Walshford area. Fresh tracks under A1 Trunk road	SE/45	SE/4153	Strachan & Jefferies (1996)
River Nidd	1994		Scotton area. Spraint.	SE/35	SE/3258	Strachan & Jefferies (1996)
River Nidd	1994		Birstwith area. Spraint.	SE/25	SE/2459	Strachan & Jefferies (1996)
River Nidd	1994	4	Bewerley. Otter seen.	SE/16	SE/1565	Harrogate & Dist. Nats. Soc.
River Nidd	1994	27	Scar House Reservoir. Pair present.	SE/07	SE/0676	Harrogate & Dist. Nats. Soc.
River Ouse (above York)	1933		Boroughbridge. Seen in R. Ouse.	SE/36	SE/3967	York Nat. Hist. Soc. Report Book.
River Ouse (above York)	1939		Tributaries of the River Ouse. Otters killed by hounds. Plenty of secure holts in banks.	SE/	SE/	Hazelwood (1940)
River Ouse (above York)	1967		Vale of York. Two holts reported and otters known in several other localities.	SE/	SE/	York Nat. Hist. Soc. Report Book.
River Ouse (below York)	1882	3	Between Carlton Fish Ponds and R. Ouse. Otter shot (24lb in weight and 3'6" in length).	SE/62	SE/6525	Goole Times, 1st April 1882
River Ouse (below York)	1903	1	Cliffe. Two 24lb specimens killed.	SE/63	SE/6630	Goole Times & Weekly Herald 16th Jan. 1903.
River Ouse (below York)	1912		Drax. Seen in R. Ouse.	SE/62	SE/6728	Anon (1913)

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River Ouse (below York)	1912			Turnhead reach. Seen in R. Ouse.	SE/63	SE/6234	Anon (1913)
River Ouse (below York)	1928			Linton-on-Ouse. Otters reported. Allegedly responsible for 'considerable damage to Salmon during the spring run'.	SE/56	SE/5060	York Nat. Hist. Soc. Report Book.
River Ouse (below York)	1930	4	24	Linton-on-Ouse. Male otter watched catching fish (? trout) of about 2lb weight every fifteen minutes for two hours.	SE/56	SE/5060	York Nat. Hist. Soc. Report Book, Bramley (1931)
River Ouse (below York)	1930			Linton-on-Ouse. Otters bred below the weir.	SE/56	SE/5060	York Nat. Hist. Soc. Report Book, Bramley (1931)
River Ouse (below York)	1931			River Ouse. Comparatively plentiful. Reported repeatedly.	SE/	SE/	Smith (1932)
River Ouse (below York)	1932	7	20	Nr. Linton-on-Ouse. One seen swimming.	SE/46	SE/4860	Bramley (1933)
River Ouse (below York)	1933			Linton-on-Ouse. One seen swimming.	SE/45	SE/4959	York Nat. Hist. Soc. Report Book.
River Ouse (below York)	1934			Linton-on-Ouse. One seen swimming.	SE/46	SE/4860	York Nat. Hist. Soc. Report Book.
River Ouse (below York)	1938	6	13	Rawcliffe. Five seen together.	SE/55	SE/5754	Gallwey (1939)
River Ouse (below York)	1974	7		Selby Dam. Spraint confirmed by Rentokil biologist.	SE/63	SE/6032	Goole Nats. Soc., pers. comm.
River Ouse (below York)	1974	6	22	Saltmarshe Delph. Sighting.	SE/72	SE/7724	S. Holliday, pers. comm.
River Ouse (below York)	1975	1	8	Selby Dam. One seen.	SE/63	SE/6032	Goole Nats. Soc., pers. comm.
River Ouse (below York)	1980 ca.			Laxton. Sighting.	SE/72	SE/7925	S. Holliday, pers. comm.
				Lower reaches of the Ouse. 1 out of 35 sample sites was positive compared with none in 1978. A single old spraint provided the only evidence and was found along a minor tributary. Most of the main river is estuarine or tidal and difficult to survey adequa			
River Ouse (below York)	1985	10			SE s/e	SE s/e	Strachan <i>et al.</i> (1990)
River Ouse (below York)	1985	10	10	Stillingfleet Beck. Spraint.	SE/54	SE/5840	J. Birks & R. Strachan, pers. comm.
River Ouse (nr. York)	1912			Proof of presence.	SE/55	SE/5-5-	York Nat. Hist. Soc. Report Book.
River Ouse (nr. York)	1914			York Esplanade. One 'worried' by terrier.	SE/55	SE/5952	York Nat. Hist. Soc. Report Book.
River Ouse (nr. York)	1914			Several reported around the city of York.	SE/55	SE/5-5-	York Nat. Hist. Soc. Report Book.
River Ouse (nr. York)	1915	11		Water Fulford. Two seen in R. Ouse.	SE/64	SE/6048	York Nat. Hist. Soc. Report Book.
River Ouse (nr. York)	1923	1	26	Nr. Scarborough Railway bridge. Two seen in R. Ouse. One caught a Roach.	SE/55	SE/5952	St. Quintin (1923), Smith (1924)
River Ouse (nr. York)	1926	7	10	Swinegate. Male killed.	SE/65	SE/6052	Smith (1927)
River Ouse (nr. York)	1927	7	6	Terry's Avenue. Two swimming in R. Ouse.	SE/65	SE/6050	Bramley (1928)
River Ouse (nr. York)	1927			Skeldergate Bridge/confluence with R. Foss. Seen for many months on wooden breakwater. Holt below wharves.	SE/65	SE/6051	Bramley (1928)
River Ouse (nr. York)	1927			Becoming numerous in the neighbourhood of York.	SE/65	SE/6-5-	Bramley (1928)
River Ouse (nr. York)	1928			Skeldergate Bridge/confluence with R. Foss. Two seen repeatedly on breakwater.	SE/65	SE/6051	York Nat. Hist. Soc. Report Book.

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River Ouse (nr. York)	1932			Otters killed by Northern Counties and North Staffordshire Otter Hounds Nr. Scarborough Railway bridge . Two seen in R. Ouse nearly every evening.	SE/	SE/	York Nat. Hist. Soc. Report Book.
River Ouse (nr. York)	1932			Gradually increasing in the York district .	SE/55	SE/5952	Bramley (1933)
River Ouse (nr. York)	1932			Fifteen killed by otter hounds in the vicinity of York .	SE/65	SE/6-5-	Bramley (1933)
River Ouse (nr. York)	1933			York . Seen in R. Ouse.	SE/65	SE/6-5-	York Nat. Hist. Soc. Report Book.
River Ouse (nr. York)	1933			Seven killed by Staffordshire Otter Hounds around York were regarded to be a small proportion of the total hunted.	SE/65	SE/6-5-	York Nat. Hist. Soc. Report Book.
River Ouse (nr. York)	1937			Several killed around York by Otter Hounds.	SE/65	SE/6-5-	York Nat. Hist. Soc. Report Book.
River Ouse (nr. York)	1930s			Nr. Ouse Bridge . For many years otters bred in an old drain.	SE/65	SE/6051	Taylor (1956)
River Ouse (nr. York)	1942	4	26	About two miles up stream of York , an adult seen with cub.	SE/55	SE/5852	Hazelwood (1943)
River Ouse (nr. York)	1968			Within a five mile radius of York two pairs of otters attempted to breed.	SE/	SE/	York Nat. Hist. Soc. Report Book.
River Ouse (nr. York)	1968 ca.			Moreby Hall . Last otter seen in the area.	SE/54	SE/5943	Lenton et al. (1980)
River Ribble	1892			Horton-in-Ribblesdale . recorded as common.	SD/87	SD/8172	Foster (1892)
River Ribble	1893			Hellifield . Breeds. Destructive of fish.	SD/85	SD/8555	YNU Circular 105 7.8.1893
River Ribble	1928			Ribble Valley . Evidently on the increase...	SD/	SD/	Bramley (1929)
River Ribble	1947			Clitheroe . Tracks of adults seen.	SD/74	SD/7342	Hazelwood (1948)
River Ribble	1947			Brungerley Bridge . Holt located in reed-covered drain. Female and cubs seen.	SD/74	SD/7342	Hazelwood (1948)
River Ribble	1947			Waddington . Adult tracks seen below mill.	SD/74	SD/7342	Hazelwood (1948)
River Ribble	1952-54			Clitheroe . Numerous along Ribble and tributaries, notably near Clitheroe.	SD/74	SD/7342	Stephens (1957)
River Ribble	1952-54			Settle . Numerous around Settle.	SD/86	SD/8163	Stephens (1957)
River Ribble	1986	7		Surveyed in good conditions. No otter evidence was found, although there were recent reports from the middle and upper reaches of the Ribble and its main tributary the Hodder. These exhibit the best looking habitats in the area with good cover and many po	SD/se	SD/se	Strachan, Birks, Chanin & Jefferies (1990)
River Ribble	1979			No otter evidence was found.	SD/se	SD/se	Strachan, Birks, Chanin & Jefferies (1990)
River Ribble	1991-94			5 of 37 survey sites showed presence of otter, including three on the main river, one on the lower Hodder and one on the Swaleside Beck, a minor tributary.	SD/se	SD/se	Strachan & Jefferies (1996)

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River Roche	1952			Roche Abbey Lake. Most winters tracks seen in silted culvert and old outlet at north east end of lake.	SK/58	SK/5489	Bramhill (1952), Clegg (1963)
River Roche	1979			Roche Abbey area. Sighting.	SK/58	SK/5489	W. Ely, pers. comm.
River Rye	1881	8		Newsham. Female otter found by otter hounds.	SE/77	SE/7-7-	Yorkshire Post, 26th Aug. 1881
River Rye	1881	8		Butterwick Bridge. Footprints.	SE/77	SE/7-7-	Yorkshire Post, 26th Aug. 1881
River Rye	1886			Newtondale. Otter listed.	SE/98	SE/8-9-	Braim (1886)
River Rye	1890	6		Howe Bridge. One killed by otter hounds.	SE/87	SE/8076	Field, 14th June 1890
River Rye	1893			Kirkbymoorside. Otters appear to be fairly common in rivers.	SE/68	SE/6-8-	Slater and Braim (1893)
River Rye	1893			Kirkbymoorside. Reported as inhabiting dense woods and streams.	SE/68	SE/6-8-	Farrah (1893)
River Rye	1895	13	5	Pickering. Footprints by river.	SE/78	SE/7-8-	Braim (1895)
River Rye	1927 pre.			Rydale. Female and several cubs killed by otter hounds.	SE/	SE/	Fortune (1927)
River Rye	1931			River Dove. Otters seen.	SE/78	SE/7-8-	York Nat. Hist. Soc. Report Book.
River Rye	1931			River Seven. Otters seen.	SE/78	SE/7-8-	York Nat. Hist. Soc. Report Book.
River Rye	1933			River Rye. Spraints found.	SE/78	SE/7-8-	York Nat. Hist. Soc. Report Book.
River Rye	1933			River Rye/Seph. One 'find' in two days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Rye	1933			River Dove/Hodge Beck. Two 'finds' in two days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Rye	1933			River Seven. One 'find' in one days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Rye	1934			River Rye/Seph. Four 'finds' in four days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Rye	1934			River Dove/Hodge Beck. Two 'finds' in two days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Rye	1934			River Seven. One 'find' in one days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Rye	1936	5	11	Butterwick. Female (16lb in weight) killed by otter hounds.	SE/77	SE/7377	Smith (1937)
River Rye	1938			Hole of Horcum. One caught and released.	SE/89	SE/8-9-	Flintoff et al. (1938)
River Rye	1939			Rye tributaries. Otters killed by hounds.	SE/	SE/	Hazelwood (1940)
River Rye	1939			River Rye/Seph. One 'find' in one days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Rye	1939			River Dove/Hodge Beck. One 'find' in one days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Rye	1944			Helmsley. Otter seen catching and eating Grailing.	SE/68	SE/6-8-	Hazelwood (1945)
River Rye	1947	4		Nr. Helmsley. Pair trapped on River Rye.	SE/68	SE/6-8-	Hazelwood (1948)
River Rye	1948			Helmsley area. In usual numbers.	SE/68	SE/6-8-	Hazelwood (1949)
River Rye	1950			River Rye/Seph. One 'find' in one days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Rye	1950			River Dove/Hodge Beck. One 'find' in one days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Rye	1950			River Seven. One 'find' in one days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Rye	1951			River Rye. Tracks on sand banks.	SE/68	SE/6-8-	Hazelwood (1952)
River Rye	1953			Helmsley. Footprints by R. Rye.	SE/68	SE/6082	Taylor (1953)

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River Rye	1954			River Rye/Seph. One 'find' in one days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Rye	1955			River Rye/Seph. No 'finds' in one days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Rye	1957			River Rye/Seph. One 'find' in one days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Rye	1957			River Seven. No 'finds' in one days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Rye	1958			River Seven. One 'find' in two days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Rye	1959			River Rye/Seph. Three 'finds' in four days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Rye	1959			River Dove/Hodge Beck. No 'finds' in one days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Rye	1961			River Rye/Seph. One 'find' in one days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Rye	1961			River Dove/Hodge Beck. One 'find' in one days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Rye	1962			River Rye/Seph. Three 'finds' in three days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Rye	1963			River Rye/Seph. One 'find' in one days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Rye	1973			Nunnington. Cubs seen.	SE/67	SE/6679	E. Wear, pers. comm.
River Rye	1973			Sleightholmedale. Footprints by R. Rye.	SE/68	SE/6589	E. Wear, pers. comm.
River Rye	1973			Sleightholmedale. Footprints by R. Rye.	SE/69	SE/6590	E. Wear, pers. comm.
River Rye	1975			Helmsley. Bred successfully in the R. Rye.	SE/68	SE/6282	C. Milne, pers. comm.
River Rye	1976	6	12	Hodge Beck, Sleightholmdale. Fresh spraints and footprints.	SE/69	SE/6590	E. Wear, C. Wear & T. Wright, pers. comm.
River Rye	1976	6	12	Hodge Beck, Sleightholmdale. Fresh spraints and footprints.	SE/69	SE/6589	E. Wear, C. Wear & T. Wright, pers. comm.
River Rye	1977			Helmsley area. Footprints by the R. Rye.	SE/58	SE/5982	Yorkshire Mammal Group
River Rye	1977			Helmsley area. Footprints by the R. Rye.	SE/68	SE/6282	Yorkshire Mammal Group
River Rye	1977			Helmsley area. Footprints by the R. Rye.	SE/68	SE/6381	Yorkshire Mammal Group
River Rye	1977			Duncombe Park. Otter reported.	SE/58	SE/5982	Yorkshire Mammal Group
River Rye	1977			Hodge Beck. Signs found.	SE/69	SE/6491	Yorkshire Mammal Group
River Rye	1977			River Seven, Rosedale. Cubs seen.	SE/79	SE/7295	Yorkshire Mammal Group
River Rye	1977			River Seven, Sinnington. Several reports.	SE/78	SE/7485	Yorkshire Mammal Group
River Rye	1980	4	16	Duncombe Park. Pair seen.	SE/68	SE/6082	Yorkshire Mammal Group
River Swale	1685			Bedale. It. To John Ward for an Otter's head	SE/28	SE/2688	NYCRO PR/BED 2/2 Microfilm 995
River Swale	1692			Bedale. It. To Geo. Birkenshaw & Steven Forwith for an Otter.	SE/28	SE/2688	NYCRO PR/BED 2/2 Microfilm 995
River Swale	1692			Bedale. It. Allowed to Bryan .. For 2 Otter heads.	SE/28	SE/2688	NYCRO PR/BED 2/2 Microfilm 995
River Swale	1882			Otter in the Swale.			YNU Circular 7.10.1882
River Swale	1889			Burton Beck. 1 killed by hunt.	SE/19	SE/1609	The Field, 1st June 1889

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River Swale	1891		Brafferton. Not uncommon in Swale.	SE/47	SE/4-7-	Mitchell (1891)
River Swale	1895		Richmond. In the Swale	NZ/10	NZ/1700	YNU Circular 117 1895
River Swale	1897	8	Nr. Downholme Bridge. 1 scented.	SE/19	SE/1199	Yorkshire Weekly Post, 4th Sept. 1897
River Swale	1897	9	Downholme Bridge. Young (weighing 15lb) killed.	SE/19	SE/1199	Yorkshire Weekly Post, 18th Sept. 1897
River Swale	1900		Catterick Bridge. Otter hunted by Mr Buckley's pack.	SE/29	SE/2299	Leeds Mercury, 18th Aug. 1900
River Swale	1900		Downholme Bridge. Otter hunted by Mr Buckley's pack.	SE/19	SE/1199	Leeds Mercury, 18th Aug. 1900
River Swale	1908		Brafferton. Otter listed.	SE/47	SE/4-7-	YNU Circular 208 16.5.1908
River Swale	1908	5	Brafferton. Otter observed.	SE/47	SE/4-7-	Fortune (1908)
River Swale	1950		River Swale. Three 'finds' in three days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Swale	1954		River Swale. Nine 'finds' in ten days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Swale	1955		River Swale. Three 'finds' in eight days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Swale	1956		River Swale. Three 'finds' in five days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Swale	1957		River Swale. Eight 'finds' in ten days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Swale	1959		River Swale. Fourteen 'finds' in twenty days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Swale	1960		River Swale. Three 'finds' in three days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Swale	1961		River Swale. One 'find' in one days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Swale	1964		River Swale. One 'find' in one days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Swale	1965		River Swale. No 'finds' in one days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Swale	1966		River Swale. Two 'finds' in two days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Swale	1967		River Swale. No 'finds' in one days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Swale	1972		Catterick area. 1 seen twice. Believed to have bred successfully.	SE/29	SE/2-9-	P. Robinson, pers. comm.
River Swale	1972		Lower reaches of Swale. Pair bred, producing 3 cubs.			
River Swale	1973		Nr. Catterick. Sightings in 'old' locality.	SE/29	SE/2498	C. Simms, pers. comm.
River Swale	1975		Marske Bridge. Thought to have bred.	SE/19	SE/1199	D. Law, pers. comm.
River Swale	1975		Present on the Swale.	SE/28	SE/2-8-	P. Robinson, pers. comm.
River Swale	1979		Upper Swale. Four survey sites were negative in national survey of 1977-79.	NY/se	NY/se	Strachan & Jefferies (1996)
River Swale	1981		Arkle Beck. Present.	NZ/00	NZ/0-0-	M. Thompson, pers. comm.
River Swale	1981		Myton-on-Swale. Present.	SE/46	SE/4366	M. Thompson, pers. comm.
River Swale	1985	8	Upper Swale. Was surveyed in a period of unseasonable spate. As in 1978 no evidence was found despite some good available habitat on its upper/middle reaches. Recent reports are confined to a single record of a probably transient animal.			
River Swale				NY/se	NY/se	Strachan, Birks, Chanin & Jefferies (1990)

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River Swale	1994			Myton-on-Swale. Signs.	SE/46	SE/4366	Strachan & Jefferies (1996)
River Swale	1994			Downholme Park area. Signs.	SE/19	SE/1199	Strachan & Jefferies (1996)
River Swale	1994			Healough area. Signs.	SE/09	SE/0198	Strachan & Jefferies (1996)
River Tees	1745	9	26	Great Ayton (R. Leven). Wm. For two Otter's heads.			NYCRO PR/AYG Microfilm 1202
River Tees	1762	2	13	Great Ayton (R. Leven). Wm. Fawcet for an Otter head.			NYCRO PR/AYG Microfilm 1202
River Tees	1776	5	17	Great Ayton (R. Leven). To Otter head.			NYCRO PR/AYG Microfilm 1202
River Tees	1796			Stockton. Rare. Occasionally caught in the Tees.	NZ/41	NZ/4-1-	Brewster (1796)
River Tees	1882	5		Girsby Scar. Dog otter (weighing 18lb) caught by Mr Wilkinson's otter hounds.	NZ/30	NZ/3508	Yorkshire Post 18th May 1882
River Tees	1883	4		Winston Bridge. 2 seen on rocks.	NZ/11	NZ/1-1-	Lofthouse (1887)
River Tees	1887 pre.			Middlesborough Docks. 1 caught some years ago.	NZ/52	NZ/5-2-	Lofthouse (1887)
River Tees	1887			Nr. Stockton Racecourse. 1 caught.	NZ/41	NZ/4418	Lofthouse (1887)
River Tees	1887			Found in higher reaches of the Tees , not often on estuary.	NZ/	NZ/	Lofthouse (1887)
River Tees	1892			Rokeby. 1 recently killed.	NZ/01	NZ/0-1-	Brass (1892)
River Tees	1899			Ingleby Greenhow. Otter in River Leven.	NZ/50	NZ/5-0-	Nelson (1899)
River Tees	1903	8		Bowes. Footprints seen.	NY/91	NY/9-1-	MacLean (1903)
River Tees	1912			Quote from and old couplet:- "An otter in the Wear you may find but once a year, but an otter in the Tees you may find at your ease."	NZ/	NZ/	Blakeborough (1912)
River Tees	1913			Great Ayton. Otter in R. Leven.	NZ/51	NZ/5510	Lofthouse (1913)
River Tees	1950s pre.			Eggleston Burn. Seen occasionally up to 1950s. Thought to lie up in old mine workings.	NY/92	NY/9823	Lenton, et al. (1980)
River Tees	1952-54			Upper Tees. Otters less plentiful in recent years. Very little information. Scale of 'xx' given to region, indicating a small population.			Stephens (1957)
River Tees	1974	2		Eggleston. 1 killed by cattle.	NY/92	NY/9923	Lenton, et al. (1980)
River Tees	1976			Selset Reservoir. Cubs present.	NY/92	NY/9121	Lenton, et al. (1980)
River Tees	1984-86			Eggesburn area. Signs.	NY/92	NY/9823	Strachan, Birks, Chanin & Jefferies (1990)
River Tees	1984-86			Cronkley area. Signs.	NY/82	NY/8628	Strachan, Birks, Chanin & Jefferies (1990)
River Tees	1991-94			River Leven near Leven Mouth. Signs.	NZ/50	NZ/5107	Strachan & Jefferies (1996)
River Tees	1991-94			River Balder, in West Park area. Signs.	NY/90	NY/9920	Strachan & Jefferies (1996)

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River Tees	1991-94			Eggesburn area. Signs. Site remains positive.	NY/92	NY/9823	Strachan & Jefferies (1996)
River Tees	1991-94			River Tees at Mickleton . Signs.	NY/92	NY/9624	Strachan & Jefferies (1996)
River Ure	1869	6	21	Myton/Dunsford Ings . One killed on banks of Ure.	SE/46	SE/4365	YNU Files.
River Ure	1880	4		Below Masham Mill Bridge . Signs of adult and cubs on sand bank.	SE/28	SE/2280	Leeds Mercury, 3rd May 1880
River Ure	1880	4		Between Thornton Steward and Kilgram . Male killed.	SE/18	SE/1786	Yorkshire Post, 4th May 1880
River Ure	1880	6		Middleham . Female (weighing 15lb and measuring 3ft in length) killed by the Hurworth Otter Hounds.	SE/18	SE/1288	Leeds Intelligencer, 22nd June 1880, Leeds Mercury, 22nd June 1880, Yorkshire Post, 22nd June 1880
River Ure	1881	5		1 mile above Masham Bridge . Male (weighing 22lb) dislodged by Hurworth Otter Hounds.	SE/28	SE/2280	Leeds Mercury, 28th May 1881, Yorkshire Post, 26th May 1881
River Ure	1881	6		Ulshaw . Otter hunted by hounds.	SE/18	SE/1487	Yorkshire Post, 21st June 1881
River Ure	1881	6		Kilgram Bridge . Otter hunted by hounds.	SE/18	SE/1885	Yorkshire Post, 21st June 1881
River Ure	1881	6		Bolton Hall . Otter hunted by hounds.	SE/08	SE/0789	Yorkshire Post, 21st June 1881
River Ure	1882	5	21	Cover Bridge . Two bolted by Hurworth Otter Hounds.	SE/18	SE/1487	Yorkshire Post, 23rd May 1882
River Ure	1882			Wensleydale . Otter listed.	SD/	SD/	YNU Circular 7.10.1882
River Ure	1885			Boroughbridge . Otter listed.	SE/36	SE/3966	YNU Circular 25.5.1885
River Ure	1887			Sawley . Otter hunted by Capt. Yates's Otter Hounds.	SE/26	SE/2-6-	The Field, 28th May 1887
River Ure	1888	4		Nr. Masham . Otter in the Yore [Ure] fond of coarse fish and crayfish.	SE/28	SE/2280	The Field, 21st April 1888
River Ure	1889	5		Cover Bridge . One killed by otter hunt.	SE/18	SE/1487	The Field, 1st June 1889
River Ure	1891	4		Nr. Burton House, Masham . Otter feeding on drake [mallard].	SE/28	SE/2281	The Field, 11th April 1891
River Ure	1893			Aysgarth . Otter recorded.	SE/08	SE/0088	Percival (1893)
River Ure	1894			Masham area. Hunted by nine packs of hounds.	SE/28	SE/2-8-	Carter (1894)
River Ure	1894			Masham area. Otter signs and remains of coarse fish seen.	SE/28	SE/2-8-	Carter (1894)
River Ure	1894			Masham area. Heaviest otter killed was 29lb.	SE/28	SE/2-8-	Carter (1894)
River Ure	1896			Hackfall . Otter recorded.	SE/27	SE/2-7-	Carter (1896)
River Ure	1900			Cover Bridge . Otter hunted by Mr. Buckley's Otter Hounds.	SE/18	SE/1487	Leeds Mercury, 18th Aug. 1900
River Ure	1900			Masham . Otter hunted by Mr. Buckley's Otter Hounds.	SE/28	SE/2280	Leeds Mercury, 18th Aug. 1900
River Ure	1900			Redmire . Otter hunted by Mr. Buckley's Otter Hounds.	SE/09	SE/0490	Leeds Mercury, 18th Aug. 1900
River Ure	1901			Masham . Fairly numerous.	SE/28	SE/2280	Carter (1901)
River Ure	1905			Askrigg . Not uncommon in the streams.	SD/99	SD/9-9-	YNU Circular 187 1905
River Ure	1905			Ripon . Otter recorded.	SE/37	SE/3-7-	Fortune (1905)
River Ure	1910			River Ure . Five 'finds' in six days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)

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River Ure	1912			Tanfield. Otter recorded.	SE/27	SE/2678	Fortune (1921)
River Ure	1914			Bainbridge. Not uncommon in the streams.	SD/99	SD/9390	YNU Circular 252 1914
River Ure	1933			Ripon. Otter recorded.	SE/37	SE/3-7-	Fortune (1933)
River Ure	1934			Semer Water. Otter recorded.	SD/98	SD/9187	Booth (1934)
River Ure	1935			Tanfield. Otter recorded.	SE/27	SE/2678	Fortune (1935)
River Ure	1950			Ripon. Otters present and may be seen by the quiet observer.	SE/37	SE/3-7-	Utley (1950)
River Ure	1954			River Ure. Six 'finds' in seven days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Ure	1955			River Ure. Three 'finds' in four days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Ure	1956			River Ure. Two 'finds' in two days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Ure	1957			River Ure. Five 'finds' in six days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Ure	1958			River Ure. Two 'finds' in six days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Ure	1959			River Ure. Twelve 'finds' in sixteen days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Ure	1961			River Ure. Four 'finds' in two days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Ure	1962			River Ure. One 'find' in one days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Ure	1964			River Ure. One 'find' in two days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Ure	1965			River Ure. One 'find' in one days hunting.	SE/	SE/	Woodroffe (1994)
River Ure	1965	1	31	Sawley Dene. Footprints on snow covered ice.	SE/66	SE/6267	H. Kemp, pers. comm.
River Ure	1968			Ripon. One reported on R. Ure.	SE/	SE/	Environment Agency, McAndrew (1999)
River Ure	1968			Harrogate area. 'It seems as though its ststus in the area is precarious' (E. Kemp).	SE/	SE/	Harrogate & Dist. Nats. Soc. Ann. Rep. 1968., McAndrew (1999)
River Ure	1969			Ripon area. Otter reported.	SE/37	SE/3-7-	Simms (1970)
River Ure	1970			Askrigg. Recent otter 'mask' shown to local resident.	SD/99	SD/9590	Simms (1970)
River Ure	1974	3		River Ure. Prints and signs between March and December.	SE/27	SE/2976	Harrogate & Dist. Nats. Soc. Ann. Rep. 1974., McAndrew (1999)
River Ure	1974	12		River Ure. Prints and signs between March and December.	SE/27	SE/2976	Harrogate & Dist. Nats. Soc. Ann. Rep. 1974., McAndrew (1999)
River Ure	1974	4	28	River Ure. Two animals seen together (C.Slater & D.McAndrew).	SE/27	SE/2976	Harrogate & Dist. Nats. Soc. Ann. Rep. 1974., McAndrew (1999)
River Ure	1974			High Batts. Prints just above nature reserve (C. Slater).	SE/37	SE/3075	McAndrew (1999)
River Ure	1975	3		River Ure. Prints and signs seen.	SE/37	SE/3075	Harrogate & Dist. Nats. Soc. Ann. Rep. 1975., McAndrew (1999)
River Ure	1975	5		River Ure. Prints and signs seen.	SE/37	SE/3075	Harrogate & Dist. Nats. Soc. Ann. Rep. 1975., McAndrew (1999)

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River Ure	1975	7		River Ure. Prints and signs seen.	SE/37	SE/3075	Harrogate & Dist. Nats. Soc. Ann. Rep. 1975., McAndrew (1999)
River Ure	1975	9		River Ure. Prints and signs seen.	SE/37	SE/3075	Harrogate & Dist. Nats. Soc. Ann. Rep. 1975., McAndrew (1999)
River Ure	1975	3		Ripon Parks. Prints seen (D. McAndrews).	SE/37	SE/3075	McAndrew (1999)
River Ure	1975	5		Ripon Parks. Prints seen (D. McAndrews).	SE/37	SE/3075	McAndrew (1999)
River Ure	1975	7		Ripon Parks. Prints seen (D. McAndrews).	SE/37	SE/3075	McAndrew (1999)
River Ure	1975	9		Ripon Parks. Prints seen (D. McAndrews).	SE/37	SE/3075	McAndrew (1999)
River Ure	1975			Semer Water. Pair seen regularly (D. Metcalf).	SD/98	SD/9188	McAndrew (1999)
River Ure	1975			Masham area. Otter recorded (P. Robinson).	SE/28	SE/2281	
River Ure	1976	2		River Ure. Spraints found in two localities.	SE/--	SE/----	Harrogate & Dist. Nats. Soc., Environment Agency (1996) (record 2)
River Ure	1977	2	5	Hutton Conyers. Tracks.	SE/37	SE/3173	Yorkshire Mammal Group.
River Ure	1977			Wensley. Spraints found (C. Simms).	SD/08	SD/0989	Thompson (1977)
River Ure	1977			River Ure. Cubs reported (C. Slator).	SE/--	SE/----	Harrogate & Dist. Nats. Soc.
River Ure	1977			Lumley Moor. Tracks seen in snow.	SE/27	SE/2270	Harrogate & Dist. Nats. Soc.
River Ure	1978			River Ure. Cubs reported. (C. Simms)	SE/--	SE/----	Harrogate & Dist. Nats. Soc., YNU, Environment Agency (1996) (record 4)
River Ure	1978			Mickley to Slenningford. Footprints and crayfish prey fragments.	SE/27	SE/2-7-	Yorkshire Mammal Group, YNU, Environment Agency (1996) (record 3)
River Ure	1978			Lumley Moor. Tracks seen.	SE/27	SE/2270	Harrogate & Dist. Nats. Soc., YNU, Environment Agency (1996) (record 3)
River Ure	1978	8	29	Low Mains Farm, Ellington. Otter reported.	SE/28	SE/2282	Lenton, et al. (1980), Environment Agency (1996) (record 26)
River Ure	1978	8	29	Aldburgh Hall, Nutwith, nr. confluence with river Burn. Otter reported.	SE/27	SE/2379	Lenton, et al. (1980), Environment Agency (1996) (record 26)
River Ure	1978	8	30	Ripon Parks. Otter reported.	SE/37	SE/3-7-	Lenton, et al. (1980), Environment Agency (1996) (record 26)
River Ure	1978	8	30	Bridge Hewick, nr. confluence with the river Skell. Otter reported.	SE/37	SE/3270	Lenton, et al. (1980), Environment Agency (1996) (record 26)
River Ure	1980	4	24	West Witton. Two otters playing in pool.	SE/08	SE/0789	Yorkshire Mammal Group, YNU, Environment Agency (1996) (records 6&7)
River Ure	1981	3	30	Ripon Parks area. Tracks along river Ure.	SE/37	SE/3-7-	Harrogate & Dist. Nats. Soc.
River Ure	1981	7	13	Ripon Parks area. Tracks along river Ure.	SE/37	SE/3-7-	Harrogate & Dist. Nats. Soc.
River Ure	1981	4	4	Ripon Parks area. Tracks along river Ure.	SE/37	SE/3-7-	Harrogate & Dist. Nats. Soc.

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River Ure	1981	12	26	Tracks in frozen snow followed from Top Island through High Batts Nature Reserve .	SE/27	SE/2976	Harrogate & Dist. Nats. Soc.
River Ure	1981	12	11	Stainley Beck . Otter seen (Mrs V. Armitage).	SE/27	SE/2976	Harrogate & Dist. Nats. Soc.
River Ure	1981			Bishop Monkton . Otter recorded (M.J.A. Thompson)	SE/36	SE/3367	Yorkshire Mammal Group, YNU
River Ure	1982	1	23	Ripon Parks area . Tracks along river Ure.	SE/37	SE/3-7-	Harrogate & Dist. Nats. Soc., Environment Agency (1996) (record 33)
River Ure	1982	4	3	Ripon Parks area . Tracks along river Ure.	SE/37	SE/3-7-	High Batts Nature Reserve
River Ure	1982	4	19	Ripon Parks area . Tracks along river Ure.	SE/37	SE/3-7-	High Batts Nature Reserve
River Ure	1982	4	24	Ripon Parks area . Tracks along river Ure.	SE/37	SE/3-7-	High Batts Nature Reserve
River Ure	1982			High Batts Nature Reserve . Adult and cub seen during summer (C. Slator)	SE/27	SE/2976	Harrogate & Dist. Nats. Soc.
River Ure	1982			North of Ripon . Holt, spraints and fish remains.	SE/37	SE/3-7-	Environment Agency (1996) (records 8 & 11)
River Ure	1983	3	26	Ripon Parks area . Tracks along river Ure.	SE/37	SE/3-7-	High Batts Nature Reserve
River Ure	1983	4	2	Ripon Parks area . Tracks along river Ure.	SE/37	SE/3-7-	High Batts Nature Reserve
River Ure	1983	4	9	Ripon Parks area . Tracks along river Ure.	SE/37	SE/3-7-	High Batts Nature Reserve
River Ure	1983	12	11	Ripon Parks area . Tracks along river Ure.	SE/37	SE/3-7-	High Batts Nature Reserve
River Ure	1983			Aysgarth . Adult with unidentified number of young seen (M. J. A. Thompson).	SE/18	SE/1088	Yorkshire Mammal Group, YNU, Environment Agency (1996) (records 12 & 13)
River Ure	1984	1	29	Bishop Monkton Ings . Tracks.	SE/37	SE/3367	Harrogate & Dist. Nats. Soc.
River Ure	1984	4	19	Lumley Moor Reservoir . Tracks	SE/27	SE/2270	Harrogate & Dist. Nats. Soc.
River Ure	1984	4	7	Ripon Parks area . Tracks along river Ure.	SE/37	SE/3-7-	Harrogate & Dist. Nats. Soc.
River Ure	1984	6	25	Ripon Parks area . Eight spraints located.	SE/37	SE/3-7-	Environment Agency (1996) (record 14)
River Ure	1985	8		River Ure . 2 of 50 sample sites were positive on the upper/middle reaches, compared with 4 of 50 in 1978. Although survey conditions were generally bad in this area, this 'hopeful' stretch was 'saved' until a spell of suitable weather. Recent reports in	SE n/w	SE n/w	Strachan, Birks, Chanin & Jefferies (1990)
River Ure	1985			Newby . Unconfirmed sightings.	SE/36	SE/3566	Environment Agency (1996) (record 15)
River Ure	1985	9	12	Kilgram Bridge . Signs.	SE/18	SE/1986	Strachan, Birks, Chanin & Jefferies (1990), Environment Agency (1996) (record 30)
River Ure	1985	9	12	Low Mains Farm , Marfleet. Signs.	SE/28	SE/2282	Strachan, Birks, Chanin & Jefferies (1990), Environment Agency (1996) (record 31)
River Ure	1985	12		Walden Beck . Prints and fish remains.	SE/--	SE/----	Environment Agency (1996) (record 16)

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River Ure	1987			High Batts Nature Reserve. Footprints in riverside mud.	SE/27	SE/2976	Harrogate & Dist. Nats. Soc., Environment Agency (1996) (record 37)
River Ure	1987			Ripon Parks area. Unconfirmed sighting.	SE/37	SE/3-7-	Environment Agency (1996) (record 18)
River Ure	1987			River Cover. Signs.	SE/08	SE/0-8-	Environment Agency (1996) (record 17)
River Ure	1987	9		Wensleydale. Signs.	SD/--	SD/--	Environment Agency (1996) (record 19)
River Ure	1988	3	12	High Batts Nature Reserve. Otter seen swimming	SE/27	SE/2976	Harrogate & Dist. Nats. Soc.
River Ure	1988	7		High Batts Nature Reserve. Otter seen swimming.	SE/27	SE/2976	Environment Agency (1996) (record 21)
River Ure	1988			High Batts Nature Reserve. Spraints.	SE/27	SE/2976	Environment Agency (1996) (record 20)
River Ure	1989			Ripon parks area. Sightings and holt.	SE/37	SE/3-7-	Environment Agency (1996) (record 22)
River Ure	1989	4	23	Ripon parks area. Spraint.	SE/37	SE/3-7-	Environment Agency (1996) (record 23)
River Ure	1989	12	24	Ripon parks area. Prints.	SE/37	SE/3-7-	Environment Agency (1996) (record 24)
River Ure	1990	1	14	High Batts Nature Reserve. Spraint.	SE/27	SE/2976	Harrogate & Dist. Nats. Soc.
River Ure	1990	5	5	Quarry silt beds near High Batts Nature Reserve. Spraint.	SE/27	SE/2976	Harrogate & Dist. Nats. Soc.
River Ure	1990	9	18	High Batts Nature Reserve. Two spraints.	SE/27	SE/2976	Environment Agency (1996) (record 53)
River Ure	1990	11	6	Wensley. Old spraint.	SE/08	SE/0989	Environment Agency (1996) (record 38)
River Ure	1991	1	5	Ure. Footprints	SE/--	SE/----	Harrogate & Dist. Nats. Soc.
River Ure	1991	1	14	Ure. Footprints	SE/--	SE/----	Harrogate & Dist. Nats. Soc.
River Ure	1991	3	19	Ure. Footprints	SE/--	SE/----	Harrogate & Dist. Nats. Soc.
River Ure	1991			Ure. Reliable evidence.	SE/--	SE/----	Environment Agency (1996) (records 39, 40, 54)
River Ure	1991	9		Boroughbridge. Unsubstantiated sighting.	SE/36	SE/3967	Environment Agency (1996) (record 41)
River Ure	1992			High Batts Nature Reserve. Seven records of tracks from Top Island to Stoneycroft from mid January to early April.	SE/27	SE/2976	Harrogate & Dist. Nats. Soc.
River Ure	1992	2	27	High Batts Nature Reserve. Sighting by Peter Hills.	SE/27	SE/2976	McAndrew (1999)
River Ure	1992	5	14	Wensleydale. Unsubstantiated sighting.	SE/--	SE/----	Environment Agency (1996) (record 42)
River Ure	1992	8	26	Clifton Castle. Two spraints and a print.	SE/28	SE/2184	Environment Agency (1996) (record 49)
River Ure	1992	8	26	Healey, on River Burn. Old spraint.	SE/18	SE/1880	Environment Agency (1996) (record 48)
River Ure	1992	8	26	Badger Farm, Nutwith. Fresh spraint.	SE/27	SE/2279	Environment Agency (1996) (record 50)
River Ure	1992	8	27	North Parks. Two spraints and prints.	SE/37	SE/3076	Environment Agency (1996) (record 51)
River Ure	1992	8	27	Ripon. Spraints and prints.	SE/37	SE/3-7-	Environment Agency (1996) (record 52), Strachan & Jefferies (1996)
River Ure	1992			Ellenthorpe Ings. Fresh tracks.	SE/46	SE/4266	Strachan & Jefferies (1996)
River Ure	1992	12		River Cover. Unconformed prints	SE/08	SE/0-8-	Environment Agency (1996) (record 43)
River Ure	1993	2		High Batts area. Reliable sighting.	SE/27	SE/2-7-	Environment Agency (1996) (record 44)

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River Ure	1993	2		High Bats area. Reliable sighting.	SE/27	SE/2-7-	Environment Agency (1996) (record 45)
River Ure	1995	3	12	High Bats Nature Reserve. Tracks.	SE/27	SE/2976	Harrogate & Dist. Nats. Soc.
River Ure	1995	3		Ripon Parks area. Fresh spraint.	SE/37	SE/3-7-	Environment Agency (1996) (record 46)
River Ure	1996	3	11	Hutton Mill. Tracks in snow	SE/37	SE/3274	Harrogate & Dist. Nats. Soc., Environment Agency (1996) (record 47)
River Ure	1996	3	15	Bishop Monkton Ings. Tracks in snow (C. Slator).	SE/37	SE/3367	Harrogate & Dist. Nats. Soc.
River Ure	1996	2	16	High Bats Nature Reserve. Tracks.	SE/27	SE/2976	Harrogate & Dist. Nats. Soc.
River Ure	1996	10	24	High Bats Nature Reserve. Otter seen on pond (AMG Kinnear).	SE/27	SE/2976	McAndrew (1999)
River Ure	1997			High Bats Nature Reserve. Tracks seen on four occasions from Jan. to April	SE/27	SE/2976	Harrogate & Dist. Nats. Soc.
River Ure	1997	3		Ripon Parks area. Fresh spraint (S. Worwood).	SE/37	SE/3-7-	Harrogate & Dist. Nats. Soc.
River Ure	1997	10	16	Bellflask, near High Bats Nature Reserve. Sighting.	SE/27	SE/2977	Harrogate & Dist. Nats. Soc.
River Ure	1997	10	27	Bellflask, near High Bats Nature Reserve. Sighting.	SE/27	SE/2977	Harrogate & Dist. Nats. Soc.
River Ure	1997	10	28	Bellflask, near High Bats Nature Reserve. Sighting.	SE/27	SE/2977	Harrogate & Dist. Nats. Soc.
River Ure	1997	11	1	Bellflask, near High Bats Nature Reserve. Sighting.	SE/27	SE/2977	Harrogate & Dist. Nats. Soc.
River Ure	1997	11	8	Bellflask, Otter seen catching and eating a Grayling.	SE/27	SE/2977	Harrogate & Dist. Nats. Soc.
River Ure	1998	9	15	Slenningford. Anal mucilage.	SE/27	SE/2878	McAndrew (1999)
River Ure	1998	11	15	High Bats Nature Reserve. Prints.	SE/27	SE/2976	McAndrew (1999)
River Ure	1998	11	28	Gypsum Cliffs, North Stainley (left bank). Prints.	SE/37	SE/2976	McAndrew (1999)
River Ure	1998	9	18	Canada Island, South Parks. Prints	SE/37	SE/2976	McAndrew (1999)
River Ure	1998	9	16	S' Bend (right bank), South Parks. Prints.	SE/37	SE/3076	McAndrew (1999)
River Ure	1998	11	30	Givendale (left bank). Spraint.	SE/36	SE/3075	McAndrew (1999)
River Ure	1999	1	24	High Bats Nature Reserve. Prints.	SE/27	SE/3075	McAndrew (1999)
River Ure	1999	2	8	High Bats Nature Reserve. Prints.	SE/27	SE/3174	McAndrew (1999)
River Ure	1999	2	8	Pennycroft, North Stainley. Prints and spraints.	SE/37	SE/3173	McAndrew (1999)
River Ure	1999	3	30	Gypsum Cliffs, North Stainley (right bank). Prints and spraints.	SE/37	SE/3273	McAndrew (1999)
River Ure	1999	3	13	Hutton Mill Deep, Hutton Conyers. Prints.	SE/37	SE/3173	McAndrew (1999)
River Ure	1999	3	30	Willow Garth (right bank), South Parks. Prints.	SE/37	SE/3370	McAndrew (1999)
River Ure	1999	3	29	Hewick Bridge. Spraint.	SE/37	SE/3368	McAndrew (1999)
River Ure	1999	3	29	Rockery Bridge, Bishop Monkton. Two spraints.	SE/36	SE/3467	McAndrew (1999)
River Ure	1999	3	29	Holbeck Wood, Bishop Monkton. One spraint.	SE/36	SE/3467	McAndrew (1999)
River Ure	1999	3	29	Newby Hall (right bank). Spraint.	SE/36	SE/3567	McAndrew (1999)
River Ure	1999	3	29	Westwick Island. Prints and spraint.	SE/36	SE/3567	McAndrew (1999)

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River Wharfe	1789			Bolton Percy. Pd. For 1 bever (Otter).			Fullerton-Smith (1881) <i>Zoologist</i> 5: 257-258.
River Wharfe	1798			Bolton Percy. Pd. For 1 Otter. Wharfe. It occurs ... more commonly on the Wharfe, where it is comparatively undisturbed.			Fullerton-Smith (1881) <i>Zoologist</i> 5: 257-258.
River Wharfe	1891				SE/--	SE/----	Waite 1891
River Wharfe	1891			Thorpe Arch. They may be seen during the evening.	SE/--	SE/----	Waite 1891
River Wharfe	1874			Wharfe. Otter hounds successfully hunted.	SE/--	SE/----	Waite 1891
River Wharfe	1878			Wharfe. Otter hounds successfully hunted.	SE/--	SE/----	Waite 1891
River Wharfe	1891			Thorpe Arch. Young otter killed by Mr. W. Bland.	SE/--	SE/----	Waite 1891
River Wharfe	1880			Wood Hall. Seal [footprints] seen.	SE/34	SE/3646	Yorkshire Post (1880) 15 June
River Wharfe	1880			Burleigh Dam. ... three and four different holts were marked [found] at Burleigh Dam...	SE/14	SE/1647	Yorkshire Post (1880) 15 June
River Wharfe	1880			Burleigh Dam. Otter viewed [seen] a little below Burleigh Dam and killed at Bolton Bridge.	SE/14	SE/1647	Yorkshire Post (1880) 15 June
River Wharfe	1881	6		Bolton Hall. Otter hunted by hounds.	SE/05	SE/0754	Yorkshire Post (1881) 21 June
River Wharfe	1882	8	7	Grassington. Otter recorded.	SD/96	SD/9964	Clarke 1882
River Wharfe	1883	8		Burnsall. Captain W. C. Yates of Holmes Chapel, Cheshire, caught a male otter weighing 20lb.	SE/06	SE/0361	Leeds Express 24.8.1883
River Wharfe	1886	5	29	Buckden. Stuffed specimen in the Racehorse Inn, Kettlewell.	SD/97	SD/9377	YNU Archives box 139.
River Wharfe	1890	6	26	Harewood Bridge. 22.5 lb male otter killed by Col. Dawson's Weston Otter Hounds.	SE/34	SE/3146	The Field 5.6.1890 YNU Circular 91 for excursion to
River Wharfe	1891			Grassington area. 'Otters are not uncommon in the Wharfe..'	SD/96	SD/9964	Grassington 20.6.1891.
River Wharfe	1891			Langstrothdale. 'Has been hunted up to Beckermonds.'	SD/88	SD/8880	Woodd 1891
River Wharfe	1892	1	6	Thorpe Arch. 'Young otter dug out at Thorpe Arch'.	SE/44	SE/4345	Waite 1892
River Wharfe	1896	3		Nunn Appleton. 22lb male otter weighing 22lb and measurtrng 4ft from nose to tail was shot by estate game keeper.	SE/54	SE/5440	Yorkshire Evening Post (1896) 10 March YNU Circular 129 for excursion to Boston
River Wharfe	1897			Boston Spa. 'The otter inhabits the river..'	SE/44	SE/4246	Spa 19.4.1897.
River Wharfe	1897	3		Otley. 22.5lb specimen killed in the Wharfe.	SE/24	SE/2046	Wharfedale Observer (1897) 13 March
River Wharfe	1897			Nr. Halton Gill. '... one of these rare visitors was seen in the [same] locality.'	SD/87	SD/8874	Shuffrey 1898
River Wharfe	1898	8	3	Nr. Halton Gill. 'Fine otter seen in the beck [Hesledene Beck], .. about half a mile from Halton Gill.'	SD/87	SD/8874	Shuffrey 1898

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River Wharfe	1898			Hawkswick. Several years ago [1890s] three otters were taken near Hawkswick. They are to be seen in a glass case at the Falcon Inn, Arncliffe.'	SD/97	SD/9570	Shuffery 1898
River Wharfe	1899			Broughton Beck. Otter hunted.	SD/95	SE/9451	Leeds Mercury (1899) 16 June YNU Circular 154 for excursion to Grassington 8-10.9.1900.
River Wharfe	1900			Grassington area. 'Otters are not uncommon in the Wharfe..'	SD/96	SD/9964	
River Wharfe	1900s			River Dibb. 'When I was a boy (early 1900s) one summer, there was a family of otter kits in the River Dibb..'	SE/06	SE/0461	Batten 1952
River Wharfe	1900s			Hebden Gill. 'In Hebden Gill the otters bred annually among the old led mine workings.'	SE/06	SE/0266	Batten 1952
River Wharfe	1900s			River Wharfe. 'In my boyhood [early 1900s] eels were plentiful in the River Wharfe and so were otters. Industrious trapping has since reduced to a negligible few and accordingly the otters are practically gone.'	SE/06	SE/0-6-	Batten 1952
River Wharfe	1900s			Greenhow Tarn. 'Near Greenhow Hill, once a prosperous lead mining area, there is a shallow moorland tarn, peat bedded and isolated about fifty yards wide. .. A number of years ago .. a bitch otters attacked a retriever whilst retrieving a duck on the tar	SE/16	SE/1063	Batten 1952
River Wharfe	1901			Wetherby. 'The otter inhabits the Wharfe ..'	SE/44	SE/4047	YNU Circular 159 for excursion to Wetherby 20.7.1901.
River Wharfe	1905			Cock Beck, nr. Crossgates. 'An otter [measuring 4'6" in length] was recently captured ... I believe this to be the nearest to Leeds that an otter has been caught for a great many years.	SE/33	SE/3-3-	Hutton 1905
River Wharfe	1907			Arncliffe. 'The Rev. Shuffrey states that on rare occasions otters have been seen on the stream near Arncliffe.'	SD/97	SD/9371	YNU Circular 204 for excursion to Arncliffe for Littondale 3-5.8.1907
River Wharfe	1925			River Wharfe. 'Otters reported from several old haunts.'			Smith 1925
River Wharfe	1928	9		Burley-in-Wharfedale. Young otter was killed.	SE/14	SE/1647	Booth 1928
River Wharfe	1928	9	12	Graystone Manor, Burley-in-Wharfedale. Young otter measuring 15.5 inches in length was killed.	SE/14	SE/1647	Booth 1928
River Wharfe	1928			Wharfedale. '...otters are evidently on the increase in most parts of the county, especially in Wharfedale..'			Bramley 1929
River Wharfe	1934			Ryther. 'Anglers complain of the damage to coarse fishery in the Wharfe at Ryther.'	SE/53	SE/5539	Smith 1935
River Wharfe	1934			Ulleskelf. 'Anglers complain of the damage to coarse fishery in the Wharfe at Ulleskelf and Mr L. Hartley states at least 12 otters in the area.'			Smith 1935

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River Wharfe	1938		Upper Wharfe. 'Mr. J. Mallinson of Kettlewell, river watcher to the Kilnsea Angling Club, had recently trapped an otter on the Upper Wharfe, which had made his "bag" up to 46 during his 40 years or so of his employment there.'			Bradford Telegraph and Argus 16.12.1938, Hazelwood 1940
River Wharfe	1944		Wetherby. 'It appears that the otter in the River Wharfe have increased in the Wetherby area.'	SE/44	SE/4047	Hazelwood 1945
River Wharfe	1945	5	Grassington area. 'Local inhabitants reported the presence of otters.'	SD/96	SD/9964	Chislett 1945
River Wharfe	1949		Appletreewick. 'Otters are reported from .. Appletreewick.'	SE/06	SE/0460	Hazelwood 1950
River Wharfe	1949		Parlington Park. 'Otters are reported from .. Parlington Park.'	SE/43	SE/4235	Hazelwood 1950
River Wharfe	1952		Appletreewick. 'They are plentiful in the Wharfe, tracks are generally numerous at Appletreewick.'	SE/06	SE/0460	Stephens 1957
River Wharfe	1952		Malham Tarn. 'They are frequently shot up the Dales but there are few sanctuaries .. eg. .. Malham Tarn.'	SD/86	SD/8966	Stephens 1957
River Wharfe	1963	4	Netherside Wood, Grassington. 'An otter was seen by a local angler.'	SD/96	SD/9865	Govett 1964
River Wharfe	1963	7	Netherside Wood, Grassington. 'An otter was seen by a local angler.'	SD/96	SD/9865	Govett 1964
River Wharfe	1977	6	Burley-in-Wharfedale. Several reports of a sighting near the corn mill at Burley-in-Wharfedale.	SE/14	SE/1647	Wharfedale Naturalists' Society.
River Wharfe	1985		River Washburn near Norwood Bottom. Signs.	SE/25	SE/2050	Strachan, Birks, Chanin & Jefferies (1990)