

Where does the water come from?

The Trent & Mersey and Coventry Canals meet at Fradley Junction. Most of the water here, comes from reservoirs north of Stoke-On-Trent.

Water also comes down the Staffordshire & Worcestershire and Coventry Canals, from as far away as Birmingham and Northamptonshire.

Feeders (diverted streams) also bring smaller amounts of water into the system.

The main water sources are Rudyard, Stanley and Knypersley Reservoirs, 28 miles away



Rudyard, Knypersley and Stanley Reservoirs hold over 4,000 million litres



Woodend Lock may fill and empty over 6,800 times a year – it's one of the busiest on our network

It uses about 90,000 litres of water every time it fills and empties

Fradley Pool Reservoir, now a Nature Reserve and fishing lake, was originally constructed to store surplus water from the Trent & Mersey Canal