

Five Feet High and Rising - Johnny Cash // 1959 // key: all

A#* **Bb**
1. How high's the water, mama? Two feet high and rising
Bb **Bb**
How high's the water, papa? She said it's two feet high and rising

Bb
We can make it to the road in a homemade boat
D#
That's the only thing we got left that'll float
F **F** - **Bb** - **C#**
It's already over all the wheat and the oats, two feet high and rising

C# **C#**
2. How high's the water, mama? Three feet high and rising
C# **C#**
How high's the water, papa? She said it's three feet high and rising

C#
Well, the hives are gone, I've lost my bees
F#
The chickens are sleeping in the willow trees
G# **G#** - **C#** - **D#**
Cow's in water up past her knees, three feet high and rising

D# **D#**
3. How high's the water, mama? Four feet high and rising
D# **D#**
How high's the water, papa? She said it's four feet high and rising

D#
Hey, come look through the window pane
G#
The bus is coming, it's going to take us to the train
Bb **Bb** - **D#** **F**
Looks like we'll be blessed with a little more rain, four feet high and rising

F **F**
4. How high's the water, mama? Five feet high and rising
F **F**
How high's the water, papa? She said it's five feet high and rising

F
Well, the rails are washed out north of town
Bb
We got to head for higher ground
C **C** - **F**
We can't come back till the water comes down, five feet high and rising

F*
Outro: Well it's five feet high and rising

