

AQUACULTURE CENSUS: Pennsylvania producers of aquaculture products reported sales totaling \$9.94 million in a census of aquaculture conducted in April 2008.

Sales of food fish comprised 81 percent of the total aquaculture sales. The remainder of the sales made up of sport and game fish, baitfish, crustaceans, mollusks, ornamental fish, and other animal aquaculture (tadpoles, frogs, trout eggs, etc.).

Pennsylvania: Aquaculture Products by Type - Number of Operations and Value of Sales, 2005-2007 ¹

Class	Number of Operations with Sales ²			Value of Sales ³			Percent change from 2006
	2005	2006	2007	2005	2006	2007	
	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Number</i>
Trout	40	36	41	4,819,000	4,644,276	5,004,075	8
Non-trout foodfish	14	12	16	2,608,000	1,817,897	3,028,008	67
Baitfish	8	7	14	283,000	581,340	669,334	15
Ornamental and aquarium fish	11	7	17	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Sport/game fish	8	6	11	98,000	121,057	176,956	46
Mollusks	2	3	2	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Crustaceans	-	3	4	-	(D)	(D)	(D)
Other aquaculture (includes trout eggs)	3	9	7	(D)	14,555	24,850	71
All aquaculture	56	55	67	8,951,000	7,916,264	9,943,317	26

(D) = Cannot be disclosed due to confidentiality rules that do not allow disclosure of individual sales data. ¹ Includes only operations that had at least \$1,000 in aquaculture sales during the 2007 calendar year. ² The sum of operations number for specific categories is greater than the total number of operations due to some operations producing multiple species in different categories. ³ Total value of sales includes the value of non-disclosed categories.

Foodfish - Farm raised for food, or for either food or sport such as carp, catfish, hybrid striped bass, perch, salmon, sturgeon, tilapia, and walleye.

Baitfish - Fish used for bait such as fathead minnows, golden shiners, feeder goldfish, suckers, killifish, chubs, and other types of minnows.

Ornamental/aquarium fish - Various fish raised for water gardens such as koi, ornamental goldfish, and ornamental catfish. Examples of fish in the Aquarium fish category include angelfish, guppies, and tropical fish. Ornamental fish are divided into two categories: Aquarium species may not be propagated in open air facilities; Ornamental species can be propagated outdoors.

Sport/game fish - Farm-raised fish for sport or game fishing, such as largemouth bass, bluegill, crappie, sunfish, muskie, northern pike, and small mouth bass.

Mollusks - Invertebrate animals with soft body coverings and shells of 1-18 parts or sections. This category includes the production of clams, mussels, oysters, and snails.

Crustaceans - Invertebrate animals with many jointed legs and a hard external shell, such as crawfish, shrimp, and soft-shell crabs.

Other aquaculture - The production of frogs, tadpoles, turtles, and egg and seed stock not listed separately.

NOTE: Due to differences in survey methodology, the State mandated reporting nature of this State-sponsored census and various rounding rules, the number of trout operations and their value of sales differs slightly from the Trout Production report published in February 2008 by the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

