



# 2007 Trout Survey Results

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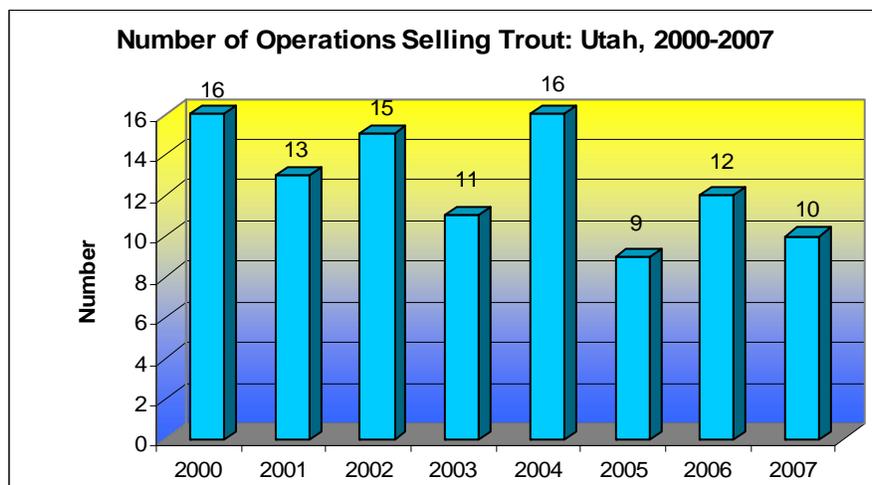
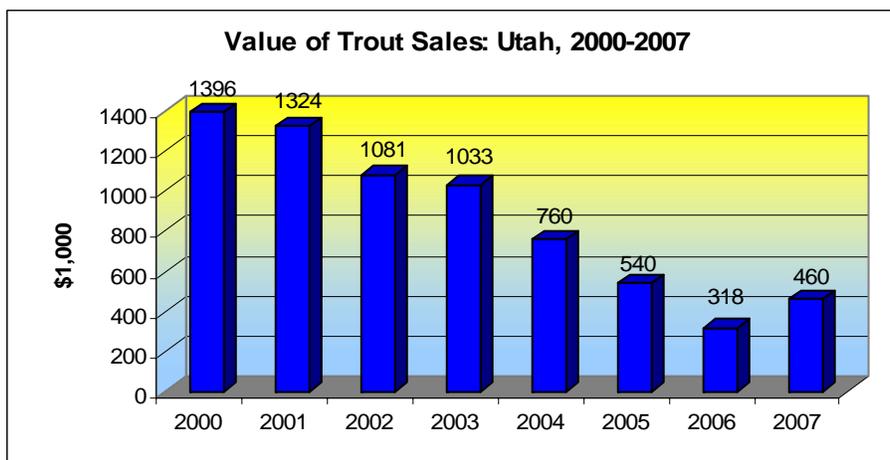
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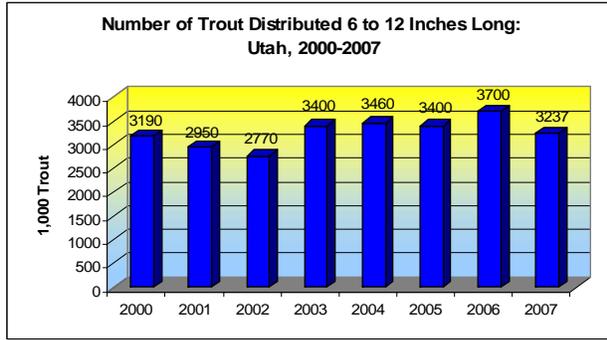
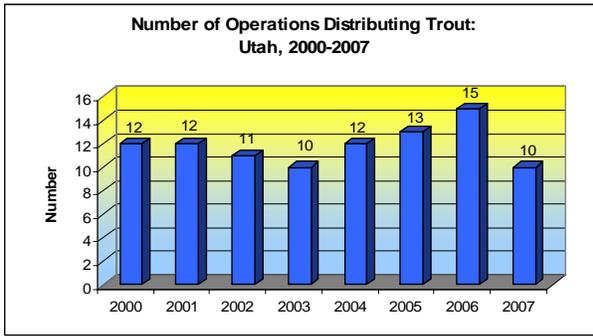
Thank you for participating in the 2007 Trout Survey, a national survey conducted in January 2008. These results have been sent to you courtesy of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, Utah Field Office. For further results go to our website at [www.usda.gov/nass/](http://www.usda.gov/nass/) or call us at (800) 747-8522.

In 2007, the value of Utah trout sales at \$460,000 increased 45 percent from the previous year. This is the first increase in the value of Utah trout sales in Utah since 1995.

The number of commercial operations producing trout in Utah decreased from 12 in 2006 to 10 in 2007. This is the second smallest number of operations selling trout in Utah since 2000.

There are 11 state fish hatcheries and one federal hatchery in Utah. These hatcheries do not sell fish but distribute them into lakes and streams for conservation, restoration, or recreation purposes. State and federal hatcheries account for the bulk of trout production in Utah. State hatcheries have not been immune to whirling disease as several have been infected and had to go through severe decontamination measures.





### Trout Losses

Total losses of all trout intended for sale in the United States total 34.3 million fish during 2007. The top three categories were 86 percent lost to disease, 8 percent lost to predators, and 4 percent lost to drought. The charts below show percent loss by major cause for 2006 and 2007.

