

HONEY

Honey production in 2005 from producers with five or more colonies totaled 408,000 pounds, down 87,000 pounds from 2004. There were 8,000 producing colonies in 2005, down 1,000 colonies from 2004. Yield per colony averaged 51 pounds, down 4 pounds from 2004. Honey stocks on December 15, 2005, were reported

at 102,000 pounds, down 81,000 pounds from the amount reported in 2004. Prices for the 2005 crop averaged \$1.24 per pound, down 17 cents from the revised \$1.41 per pound in 2004. Value of production totaled 506,000 dollars, down 192,000 dollars from the revised 2004 value.

HONEY: Number of Colonies, Production, Value and Stocks, 1996-2005 ^{1/}

Year	Producing Colonies (000)	Production		Average Price per Pound Dollars	Value (000) Dollars	Stocks ^{2/} (000) Pounds
		per Colony Pounds	Total (000) Pounds			
1996	10	59	590	1.59	938	207
1997	8	70	560	1.11	622	280
1998	6	55	330	1.14	376	155
1999	6	39	234	1.09	255	152
2000	7	54	378	1.22	461	234
2001	7	65	455	1.42	646	410
2002	9	51	459	1.32	606	151
2003	8	47	376	1.89	711	194
2004	9	55	495	1.41*	698*	183
2005	8	51	408	1.24	506	102

^{1/} For producers with 5 or more colonies. ^{2/} Stocks held by producers as of December 15. Does not include stocks under loan. *Revised.

TROUT

There were 26 operations that reported selling trout and/or distributing trout in 2005, down 5 from 2004. The 17 commercial trout producers in West Virginia had fish sales of \$348,000 for the 12 month period from January 1, 2005 - December 31, 2005. This was a 50 percent decrease from the \$694,000 in fish sales during the same period in 2004.

Commercial trout losses for the period totaled 32,000 pounds, down from 59,000 pounds lost in 2004.

Trout distributed for restoration, conservation, and recreational purposes are estimated at 1.8 million dollars, down 16 percent from the 2004 value of 2.2 million dollars. A total of 14 operations reported distributing trout, down 2 from 2004.

WEST VIRGINIA TROUT OPERATIONS BY TYPES, 2001-2005

Year	Selling Trout		Distributed Trout	Total Operations
	Number of Operations	Total Value of Sales (000) Dollars	Number of Operations	
2001	19	827	12	29
2002	17	583	11	25
2003	15	477	14	25
2004	21	694	16	31
2005	17	348	14	26

WEST VIRGINIA TROUT: Number, Weight and Value of Foodsize Sales (12" or longer in length), 2001-2005

Year	Number Sold (000)	Pounds Sold ^{1/} (000)	Value of Sales (000) Dollars	Avg. Price per Pound Dollars
2001	340	467	785	1.68
2002	300	349	559	1.60
2003	320	333	450	1.35
2004	363	378	658	1.74
2005	161	172	330	1.92

^{1/} Pounds sold live weight.