

Pennsylvania's 60 commercial trout growers sold 2.01 million pounds of trout valued at \$5.44 million during the 12-month period ending December 31, 2000. In addition to those sold, an estimated \$5.42 million worth of trout were distributed for conservation and recreational purposes throughout the state, primarily by state hatcheries and private fishing clubs.

Sales of trout 12 inches or longer by the State's growers totaled 1.67 million pounds, or 60 percent of the total production sold during the period. Averaging \$2.54 per pound, the trout were valued at \$4.26 million. Fee fishing/recreational sales accounted for 50 percent of the sales, with restaurant and retail sales accounting for 28 percent.

Sales of trout 6"-12" long by Pennsylvania growers totaled 760,000 fish, or 319,000 pounds live weight during the period. At an average of \$3.30 a pound, sales were valued at \$1.05 million, with 79 percent of the volume sold to fee and recreational establishments.

Trout distributed for restoration or conservation purposes, primarily by the state fish commission but also by private

fishing clubs, included 330 thousand 12" or longer fish, 5.8 million 6"-12" fish, and 200,000 fish less than 6" long.

Commercial trout growers in the Commonwealth lost 236,000 pounds of trout due to various causes. These causes included disease, theft, chemicals, drought, flood and predators.

The *National Agricultural Statistics Service* surveyed all known commercial trout growers in Pennsylvania and 19 other states: Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Georgia, Idaho, Maine, Massachusetts, Michigan, Missouri, New York, North Carolina, Oregon, Tennessee, Utah, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia, and Wisconsin. Information was collected by mail, telephone and personal interview.

For the 20 selected states, all trout sales during the year ending December 31, 2000, totaled 62.6 million pounds valued at \$75.9 million. Sales of trout 12 inches or longer accounted for 95 percent of the pounds sold, with 67 percent of that amount purchased by processors.

**Pennsylvania: Trout Sales, 1999-2000**

Type	Number of Fish		Total Pounds Sold		Total Value of Sales		Average Value	
	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000
	(000)				(000) Dollars		Dollars	
12" or longer	1,500	1,670	1,510	1,677	3,941	4,260	2.61/lb.	2.54/lb.
6"-12"	1,250	760	372	319	1,246	1,053	3.35/lb.	3.30/lb.
1"-6"	430	350	15	14	198	126	460.00/thou	360.00/thou
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,180</b>	<b>2,780</b>	<b>1,897</b>	<b>2,010</b>	<b>5,385</b>	<b>5,439</b>	-	-

**United States: Trout Sales, 1999-2000**

Type	Number of Fish		Total Pounds Sold		Total Value of Sales		Average Value	
	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000
	(000)				(000) Dollars		Dollars	
12" or longer	60,990	58,531	60,190	59,164	64,687	63,690	1.07/lb.	1.08/lb.
6"-12"	6,936	7,551	2,180	3,146	5,476	6,678	2.51/lb.	2.12/lb.
1"-6"	9,926	9,832	256	248	1,398	1,393	141.00/thou	142.00/thou
<b>Total</b>	<b>77,852</b>	<b>75,914</b>	<b>62,626</b>	<b>62,558</b>	<b>71,561</b>	<b>71,761</b>	-	-

**United States: Number & Value of Egg Sales, 1999-2000**

	Number Sold		Value of Sales		Average Value Per 1,000	
	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000
	(000)		(000) Dollars		Dollars	
Eggs	311,764	286,837	4,945	4,029	15.90	14.00