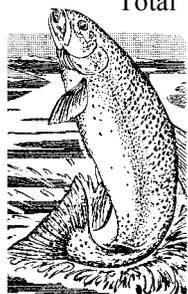


TROUT



Total value of trout and trout eggs sold in Washington state was \$9.7 million for 2002. Trout producers in Washington state had a total value of fish sold of \$5.4 million during the 12-month period from January 1, 2002 to December 31, 2002. This was an increase of 53 percent from \$3.5 million in total value of fish sold in 2001. Producers had a total value for distributed fish of \$5.1 million in 2002.

Effective in 1999, the September 1 through August 31 reference period for annual trout estimates was replaced with a January 1 through December 31 reference period. National Agriculture Statistical Service under USDA published annual trout estimates on February 28, 2003. This report is available on the Washington home page: www.nass.usda.gov/wa

Washington lead the nation in trout egg production. Washington trout producers sold 287 million eggs, 96 percent of the United States total production of 298 million eggs. This was down 9 percent from the 2001 estimate of 317 million eggs in Washington. The total value of eggs sold was \$4.3 million, down 9 percent from the 2001 value of \$4.8 million in trout egg sales. The average value per 1,000 eggs was \$15.00, no change from 2001.

Foodsize trout sales in Washington State totaled 4.6 million liveweight pounds during 2002, up 76 percent from the

previous year's total of 2.6 million pounds. The value of sales of foodsize trout for the 2002 marketing year was \$4.5 million, up 74 percent from last year's foodsize sales of \$2.6 million. This put the average value per pound of fish sold at \$.99, down from \$1.00 in 2001. The number of foodsize trout distributed in 2002 totaled 150,000 fish worth \$576,000. Total pounds of distributed foodsize trout was 180,000 pounds worth \$3.20 per pound.

Stocker trout sales in Washington state totaled 670 thousand fish during the 2002 marketing year. Total liveweight sold was 200,000 pounds for a total of \$492,000 in sales, worth \$2.46 per pound. The number of stocker fish distributed in 2002 totaled 4.2 million fish worth \$3.9 million. The total 1.1 million pounds of distributed stocker trout were worth \$3.50 per pound.

Sales of fingerlings in 2002 in Washington totaled 1.6 million fish at 39,000 pounds. The average price per 1,000 fish in 2002 was \$238.00. The number of fingerlings distributed during 2002 was 20.1 million fish worth a total \$620,000, or \$30.10 per 1,000 fish. Total pounds of distributed fingerling trout was 177,000 pounds.

Washington producers lost 84,000 fish, or 144,000 pounds of fish, intended for sale in 2002. Disease, theft, chemicals, flood, drought, and predators were common causes of fish loss for Washington producers.

Trout: Number of Operations, January 1, 2002-2003

State	Selling Trout		Distributed Trout 1/		Total 2/	
	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003
Idaho	30	28	23	24	53	52
Oregon	14	21	37	30	48	51
Washington	14	15	45	48	59	59
U. S. Total	403	378	261	258	637	606

1/ Fish distributed for restoration or conservation purposes primarily by State and Federal hatcheries.

2/ Totals may not be the sum of the types of operations.

Trout: Value of Fish Sold and Distributed, 2001-2002

State	Fish Sold		Eggs Sold		Total Sales 1/		Distributed Trout 2/ 3/	
	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002
	Thousand Dollars							
Idaho	34,823	30,456	NA	NA	NA	NA	2,794	3,949
Oregon	2,205	801	NA	NA	NA	NA	6,480	4,861
Washington	3,516	5,385	4,755	4,305	8,271	9,690	5,277	5,081
U. S. Total	71,128	65,151	5,113	4,446	76,241	69,597	66,634	60,332

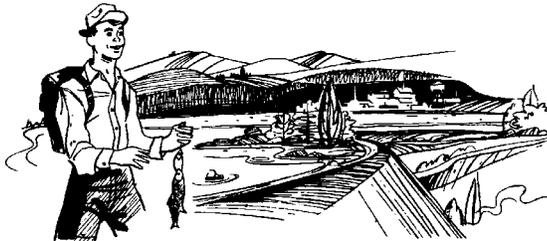
1/ Totals may not add due to rounding. 2/ Fish distributed for restoration or conservation purposes primarily by State and Federal hatcheries.

3/ Distributed trout U.S. totals include eggs sold.

Trout: Sales, Number, Weight, & Value, Washington, 1998-2002

Type and Year	Number of Fish	Total Pounds Sold--Liveweight	Total Value of Sales	Average Value Per Pound 4/
	Thousands	Thousands	Thousand Dollars	Dollars
FOODSIZE 1/				
1998	420	677	1,320	1.95
1999	313	872	1,718	1.97
2000	560	2,100	2,331	1.11
2001	480	2,590	2,590	1.00
2002	650	4,550	4,505	0.99
STOCKERS 2/				
1998	*	*	*	*
1999	1,380	278	678	2.44
2000	640	155	450	2.90
2001	1,370	275	729	2.65
2002	670	200	492	2.46
FINGERLINGS 3/				
1998	*	*	*	*
1999	430	9.0	70	162.00
2000	1,060	52.0	252	238.00
2001	940	16.0	197	210.00
2002	1,630	39.0	388	238.00

* Not published due to disclosure problems. 1/ Foodsize fish are defined as being 12 inches long or longer. 2/ Stockers are defined as being from 6 to 12 inches in length. 3/ Fingerlings are defined as being from 2 to 6 inches in length. 4/ Fingerling average values are per 1,000 fish.



Trout: Percent Sold By Outlet Type, Washington, 1998-2002

Type and Year	Live Haulers	Fee/Rec. Fishing	Other Producers	Government	Direct to Consumer	Processors	Restaurant & Retail 1/	Other
	Percent							
FOODSIZE 2/								
1998	12	9	6	14	7	40	-	12
1999	*	5	*	3	*	*	-	*
2000	*	9	*	*	*	83	-	1
2001	5	4	*	*	1	86	-	*
2002	1	3	*	*	-	91	-	*
STOCKERS 3/								
1998	*	*	*	*	-	-	-	-
1999	*	30	*	*	*	*	-	-
2000	*	77	*	*	*	-	-	*
2001	14	59	*	*	1	-	*	*
2002	*	49	*	*	2	-	-	*

1/Excludes distributed fish. 2/ Foodsize fish are defined as being 12 inches long or longer. 3/ Stockers are defined as being from 6 to 12 inches in length. * Not published to prevent disclosure of individual operations.