

# Trout and Aquaculture Census, 2010

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Pennsylvania's trout growers produced trout valued at \$16.9 million in 2010. Commercial trout producers sold 1.59 million pounds of trout, valued at \$5.2 million during 2010, ranking third nationally behind Idaho and North Carolina. Pennsylvania farmers also produced trout valued at \$11.7 million for conservation and recreational purposes.

Pennsylvania remains first for the value of trout distributed for conservation and recreational purposes, ahead of California's \$11.4 million. Pennsylvania accounts for 11.2 percent of the nation's distributed trout value. These trout were produced primarily by the state fish commission, its cooperative nurseries, and private fishing clubs. These conservation related producers grew 55,000 fish 12 inches or longer, and 4.5 million 6-12" fish, compared to 4.2 million 6-12" fish a year ago.

Sales of food fish trout 12 inches or longer in Pennsylvania totaled 1.3 million pounds. Averaging \$3.13 per pound, compared to \$2.87 last year and \$1.39 nationally. The 12 inch and larger trout were valued at \$3.98 million.

Sales of food fish trout 6 to 12 inches long by Pennsylvania growers totaled 660,000 fish or 304,000 pounds live weight during 2010. This was up 15,000 lbs from the same period a year ago.

They were sold at an average of \$3.55 a pound, which is down \$0.59/lb from last year. Six to twelve inch trout in Pennsylvania were valued at \$1.1 million.

Sales of trout 1 to 6 inches long by Pennsylvania growers totaled 380,000 fish or 11,000 pounds live weight during 2010. These fish were sold at an average of \$514 per thousand fish, compared to \$367.00 last year and \$218.00 nationally. Total sales of 1 to 6 inch trout were valued at \$195,000. Total losses of all Pennsylvania trout intended for sale were 1,390,000 fish during 2010 or 180,000 pounds of fish.

The National Agricultural Statistics Service surveyed all known commercial trout growers in Pennsylvania and 24 other states: Arkansas, California, Connecticut, Colorado, Georgia, Idaho, Massachusetts, Michigan, Missouri, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, Oregon, Tennessee, Utah, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia, Wisconsin, and Wyoming. Information was collected by mail, telephone and personal interview.

**Nationally**, the total value of fish sales received by trout growers in the United States totaled 71.3 million dollars for 2010, a decrease of 5 percent from 2009. Idaho accounted for 49 percent of the total value of fish sold.

## Pennsylvania and U.S.: Trout Sales and Value by Size, 2009-2010

Size category	Number of fish		Total pounds sold		Total value of sales		Average value	
	2009 (1,000)	2010 (1,000)	2009 (1,000)	2010 (1,000)	2009 (1,000 dollars)	2010 (1,000 dollars)	2009 (dollars)	2010 (dollars)
<b>Pennsylvania</b>								
12" or longer	1,240	1,210	1,320	1,270	3,788	3,975	2.87/lb.	3.13/lb.
6" - 12"	630	660	289	304	1,196	1,079	4.14/lb.	3.55/lb.
1" - 6"	450	380	5	11	165	195	367.00/thou	514.00/thou
Total	2,320	2,250	1,614	1,585	5,149	5,249	-	-
<b>United States</b>								
12" or longer	40,822	38,675	48,714	45,248	67,207	63,066	1.38/lb.	1.39/lb.
6" - 12"	5,553	5,265	2,288	2,021	6,580	6,339	2.88/lb.	3.14/lb.
1" - 6"	6,995	8,780	194	234	1,626	1,917	232.00/thou	218.00/thou
Total	53,370	52,720	51,196	47,503	75,413	71,322	-	-

## Pennsylvania: Trout Sales and Value, 1998-2008

State and year	Number of fish (1,000)	Total pounds sold (1,000)	Total value of sales (1,000 dollars)	Average value 6" - 12" (dollars/lb.)
<b>Pennsylvania</b>				
1998		3,350	2,009	5,447
1999		3,180	1,897	5,385
2000		2,620	1,850	5,032
2001		2,500	1,878	4,894
2002		2,380	1,613	4,865
2003		2,150	1,679	4,678
2004		1,800	1,371	4,223
2005		2,070	1,515	4,807
2006		2,290	1,610	4,790
2007		1,890	1,635	5,212
2008		2,420	1,668	5,427