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MINK PRODUCTION – 2019

UTAH HIGHLIGHTS

In 2019, mink pelt production in Utah totaled 556,710 pelts. The number of pelts by color class as a percent of the State total is as follows: Mahogany at 35 percent and Black at 33 percent. The remaining color classes accounted for 32 percent.

Female mink bred to produce kits in 2020 totaled 103,500. Percent of the state total of females bred to produce kits in 2020 by color class is as follows: Black at 34 percent and Mahogany at 26 percent. The remaining color classes accounted for 40 percent.

UNITED STATES HIGHLIGHTS

Mink pelt production in the United States in 2019 totaled 2.70 million pelts, down 15 percent from 2018. Wisconsin, the largest mink producing State, produced 1.02 million pelts. Utah, the second largest producing State, produced 556,710 pelts.

The number of pelts by color class as a percent of the total United States production in 2019 is as follows: Black at 52 percent, Mahogany at 17 percent, White at 8 percent, and Sapphire at 6 percent. The remaining color classes accounted for 17 percent.

Value of pelts produced during the 2019 crop year was \$59.2 million, down 30 percent from \$84.3 million the prior year. The average price per pelt for the 2019 crop year was \$21.90, down \$4.70 from \$26.60 in 2018.

Female mink bred to produce kits in 2020 totaled 359,850, down 48 percent from the previous year. Percent of total females bred to produce kits in 2020 by color class as is follows: Black at 52 percent, Mahogany at 20 percent, White at 6 percent, and Sapphire at 5 percent. The remaining classes accounted for 17 percent.

For a full copy of the *Mink* report please visit www.nass.usda.gov.

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