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TROUT PRODUCTION

The total value of fish sales received by trout growers in the United States totaled 100 million dollars for 2023, down 5 percent from 2022.

The number of trout 12 inches and longer sold during 2023 totaled 27.2 million fish, up 1 percent from the previous year. The average price per pound was \$2.16, down 4 percent from the previous year. The value of sales for the 2023 marketing year was 93.1 million dollars, down 5 percent from 2022. For trout 12 inches or longer, 66.4 percent were sold to processors.

The number of 6"- 12" trout sold during 2023 totaled 3.00 million fish, down 40 percent from 2022. The average price per pound was \$4.64 during 2023, up 5 percent from the 2022 price. The total value of sales was 5.75 million dollars during 2023, down 18 percent from the previous year. The major sales outlets for 6"-12" trout were for recreational stocking accounting for 52.6 percent of total sales.

The number of 1"- 6" trout sold during 2023 totaled 5.48 million, up 3 percent from the previous year. The average value per 1,000 fish was \$260 during 2023, up from \$245 in 2022. The total value of sales was 1.42 million dollars, up 9 percent from last year's total.

Distributed Trout

Trout distributed for restoration, conservation, enhancement, or recreational purposes, primarily by State and Federal hatcheries, included 6.99 million 12" or longer fish, 66.3 million 6"- 12" fish, and 37.6 million 1"- 6" fish. The estimated value of fish distributed totaled 145 million dollars, up 3 percent from 2022.

Trout Losses

Total losses of all trout intended for sale were 9.63 million fish during 2023. Disease accounted for 73 percent of these losses.

For a full copy of the *Trout Production* report, please visit www.nass.usda.gov. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact your USDA NASS State Statistician at 1-800-392-3202.

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