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WEST VIRGINIA COMMERCIAL TROUT PRODUCTION

Charleston, West Virginia – The total value of fish sold for 2022 was 1.19 million dollars, an increase of 22 percent from the 2021 total value of 978 thousand dollars.

The number of trout 12 inches and longer, and other size categories sold data during 2022 and 2021 comparison data were withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

The number of distributed trout 12 inches and longer during 2022 totaled 410,000 fish, down from 460,000 fish in 2021. The average value per pound was \$3.65 in 2022, up from \$3.21 per pound in 2021. The value of fish distributed totaled 1.46 million dollars in 2022, up from 1.45 million dollars in 2021.

The number of distributed trout 6" - 12" during 2022 was withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations, but was 480,000 fish in 2021. The average value per pound in 2022 was withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations, but was \$5.45 per pound in 2021. The value of fish distributed total in 2022 was withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations, but was 1.40 million dollars in 2021.

The number of distributed trout 1" - 6" during 2022 was withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations, but was 260,000 fish in 2021. The average value per 1,000 fish in 2022 was withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations, but was \$873 in 2021. The value of fish distributed total in 2022 was withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations, but was 227 thousand dollars in 2021.

Trout losses of all trout intended for sale were 14,000 fish during 2022, down 9,000 fish from the total of 23,000 fish in 2021.

United States – The total value of fish sales received by trout growers in the United States totaled 103 million dollars for 2022, up 4 percent from 2021.

The number of trout 12 inches and longer sold during 2022 totaled 27.2 million fish, up 3 percent from the previous year. The average price per pound was \$2.19, up 7 percent from the previous year. The value of sales for the 2022 marketing year was 94.7 million dollars, up 3 percent from 2021. For trout 12 inches or longer, 69.3 percent were sold to processors.

The number of 6"- 12" trout sold during 2022 totaled 5.01 million fish, up 3 percent from 2021. The average price per pound was \$4.39 during 2022, up slightly from the 2021 price. The total value of sales was 6.89 million dollars during 2022, up 14 percent from the previous year. The major sales outlets for 6"-12" trout were for recreational stocking accounting for 53.7 percent of total sales.

The number of 1"- 6" trout sold during 2022 totaled 5.21 million, up 4 percent from the previous year. The average value per 1,000 fish was \$246 during 2022, up from \$241 in 2021. The total value of sales was 1.28 million dollars, up 6 percent from last year's total.

Distributed Trout - Trout distributed for restoration, conservation, enhancement, or recreational purposes, primarily by State and Federal hatcheries, included 5.73 million 12" or longer fish, 64.8 million 6"- 12" fish, and 45.1 million 1"- 6" fish. The estimated value of fish distributed totaled 139 million dollars, up slightly from 2021.

Trout Loss - Total losses of all trout intended for sale were 10.1 million fish during 2022. Disease accounted for 66 percent of these losses.

TROUT VALUE OF SALES (excluding eggs), 2021-2022

State	12" and longer		6"- 12" Size		1"- 6" Size		Total Value of Fish Sold	
	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022
	Thousand Dollars							
AR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CA	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
CO	3,382	2,895	*	*	*	*	3,602	3,074
GA	*	*	*	*	0	0	*	*
ID	33,635	43,254	*	*	*	*	33,715	43,414
MI	*	*	194	219	*	*	1,059	1,105
MO	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	3,568
NY	*	*	133	135	*	*	865	868
NC	6,762	7,508	*	*	*	*	7,786	8,767
OR	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
PA	6,220	5,981	827	*	87	*	7,134	7,368
UT	838	1,179	*	*	*	*	1,128	1,419
VA	2,090	2,108	*	*	*	*	2,239	2,219
WA	*	*	*	472	*	*	*	*
WV	*	*	*	*	0	0	978	1,193
WI	1,605	1,671	*	*	*	*	1,694	1,752
Other States ^{1/}	37,032	30,153	4,908	6,065	1,125	1,280	38,638	28,173
United States	91,564	94,749	6,062	6,891	1,212	1,280	98,838	102,920

^{1/} Other States include State estimates not listed and States suppressed due to disclosure. * Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.