

# Inland Fisheries Service

## *Stocking Report 2022*



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### Introduction

The Inland Fisheries Service (IFS) recognises the value of maintaining wild fisheries as they are best suited to our environment and provide a much sought-after angling experience. We only stock waters when wild populations are not adequately maintained by natural recruitment, and we use wild fish whenever possible. Stockings are guided by the *Tasmanian Inland Recreational Fishery Management Plan 2018-28* and risk assessments for each water.

In 2022 the Inland Fisheries Service stocked fish from the Salmon Ponds hatchery, commercial fish farms and wild fish trapped from the Central Highlands spawning runs.

### Stocking of Public Waters

#### Stocking of inland waters for public fishing

Each year we stock selected private and public waters for public fishing. In 2022, we stocked 26,990 brown trout, 21,983 rainbow trout, 2,267 brook trout, and 518 Atlantic salmon.

Table 1. Stocking of inland waters for public fishing by age/size class for 2022

<b>Age/size class</b>	<b>Brown Trout</b>	<b>Rainbow Trout</b>	<b>Brook Trout</b>	<b>Atlantic Salmon</b>
Fry (1-5 g)	17,000	2,500	0	0
Fingerlings (6-50 g)	0	0	0	0
Yearling (51-300 g)	0	0	2,267	0
Adult (>301g)	9,990	19,483	0	581
<b>Total</b>	<b>26,990</b>	<b>21,983</b>	<b>2,267</b>	<b>581</b>

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In 2022, inland waters were stocked from:

- Liawenee Canal or Sandbanks Creek = yingina / Great Lake fish traps
- Tumbledown, Scotch Bobs and Hydro creeks = Arthurs Lake fish traps
- River Derwent = Lake King William fish trap
- Salmon Ponds = Salmon Ponds Heritage Hatchery, Plenty, Inland Fisheries Service
- Fish Farm #4 = Springfield, Huon Aquaculture Group
- Fish Farm #5 = Russell Falls, Tassal Group Pty Ltd
- Fish Farm #52 = Targa, Mountain Stream Fishery
- Fish Farm #65 = Millybrook, Huon Aquaculture Group
- Fish Farm #78 = Natone, Atkinson Aquaculture
- Langdon River = West Coast

### Brown trout stocking

Brown trout were stocked into assisted fisheries consistent with the *Tasmanian Inland Recreational Fishery Management Plan 2018-28* and other fisheries included in the *Tasmanian Tagged Trout Promotion*.

Fewer brown trout than expected were available for transfer this year due to the late start of the brown trout run and low flows in Liawenee Canal, combined with low lake level and low flow in River Derwent, Lake King William. This provided spawning opportunities for the brown trout below both traps.

Table 2. Brown trout stocking in public waters for 2022

Water	Fry	Fingerling	Adult
Big Waterhouse Lake			334
Bradys Lake			2,102
Briseis Hole (Derby Mine Hole)			2
Bronte Lagoon			2
Bruisers Lagoon			50
Camerons Lagoon			50
Carter Lakes			150
Craigbourne Lake			408
Curries River Reservoir			1,142
Emma Tarns			21

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<b>Water</b>	<b>Fry</b>	<b>Fingerling</b>	<b>Adult</b>
Four Springs Lake			3,071
Huntsman Lake			2
Lake Botsford			50
Lake Burbury			5
Lake Dulverton			150
Lake Duncan			30
Lake Leake			3
Lake Lynch			30
Lake Mackintosh			5
Lake Paget			30
Lake Parangana			2
Lake Pedder			5
Lake Rosebery			5
Lake Rowallan			2
Penstock Lagoon			1,000
Pet Reservoir			240
River Derwent			403
Rocky Lagoon			50
Second Lagoon			50
Tooms Lake			330

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### Rainbow trout stocking

Rainbow trout were stocked into assisted fisheries consistent with the *Tasmanian Inland Recreational Fishery Management Plan 2018-28*.

All domestic rainbow trout stocked were supplied by fish farms #65 and #4 under contract. Wild rainbow trout were sourced from Liawenee Canal and River Derwent, Lake King William.

Consistent with a policy to maintain biosecurity, wild rainbow trout fry are used to stock waters on the Central Plateau. This policy has changed the approach to managing Penstock Lagoon and Little Blue Lagoon. In exception to this policy, domestic rainbow trout were used to stock Dee Lagoon and the Bradys Chain of Lakes.

The initiative to establish a population of wild rainbow trout in Lake Sorell commenced this year with 100 wild adult fish trapped from the Liawenee Canal and transferred to Mountain Creek and Silver Plains Creek.

Table 3. Rainbow trout stocking in public waters for 2022

Water	Fry	Yearling	Adult
Blackmans Lagoon			500
Bradys Lake			5,100
Briseis Hole (Derby Mine Hole)			575
Brumbys Creek			400
Brushy Lagoon			2,182
Craigbourne Lake			1,856
Curries River Reservoir			1,000
Dee Lagoon			800
Four Springs Lake			2,107
Lake Kara			215
Lake Leake			2,100
Lake Sorell			100
Little Blue Lagoon	500		
Penstock Lagoon			87
Pet Reservoir			1,011
Pioneer Lake			650
Tooms Lake			800

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### Brook trout stocking

Brook trout were stocked into assisted fisheries consistent with the *Tasmanian Inland Recreational Fishery Management Plan 2018-28*.

This year 2,247 yearlings were collected from Fish Farm #52. Two hundred and twenty-seven of these were stocked into Lake Selina and 2,000 were stocked into Lake Plimsoll.

Twenty wild brook trout were transferred from the Langdon River to Clarence Lagoon. This transfer was undertaken to maintain a wild brook trout population in Clarence Lagoon.

Table 4. Brook trout stocking in public waters for 2022

<b>Water</b>	<b>Fry</b>	<b>Yearling</b>	<b>Adult</b>
Clarence Lagoon		20	
Lake Plimsoll		2,000	
Lake Selina		247	

### Atlantic salmon stocking

Atlantic salmon are stocked into assisted fisheries consistent with the *Tasmanian Inland Recreational Fishery Management Plan 2018-28*.

Commercial fish farms supplied Atlantic salmon as ad hoc donations of surplus fish.

Table 5. Atlantic salmon stocking in public waters for 2022

<b>Water</b>	<b>Fry</b>	<b>Yearling</b>	<b>Adult</b>
Brushy Lagoon			140
Craigbourne Lake			441

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### All stocking of public waters

The full list of stocking movements into public waters including the date, number, species, and size of fish, including the location where fish were stocked from, is detailed in *table 6* below. The stocking of private dams for public fishing, junior angling development and club activities are listed separately.

Table 6. All stocking of public waters in 2022

Water	Stocking Date	Brown Trout	Rainbow Trout	Atlantic Salmon	Brook Trout	Size (g)	Stocked from (origin)
Big Waterhouse Lake	Jun-27	334				363	Tumbledown Creek
Blackmans Lagoon	May-19		500			400	Fish Farm #65
Bradys Lake	Feb-02		1,500			1,300	Fish Farm #65
Bradys Lake	May-11	74				617	River Derwent
Bradys Lake	May-16	161				617	River Derwent
Bradys Lake	May-19	58				617	River Derwent
Bradys Lake	May-30	26				617	River Derwent
Bradys Lake	Jun-17	45				472	River Derwent
Bradys Lake	Jun-23		2,100			444	Fish Farm #65
Bradys Lake	Jun-23	80				472	River Derwent

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Water	Stocking Date	Brown Trout	Rainbow Trout	Atlantic Salmon	Brook Trout	Size (g)	Stocked from (origin)
Bradys Lake	Jul-27		1,500			1,500	Fish Farm #65
Bradys Lake	Jun-29	36				348	River Derwent
Bradys Lake	Oct-08	153				460	River Derwent
Bradys Lake	Oct-14	308				472	River Derwent
Bradys Lake	Oct-19	178				472	River Derwent
Bradys Lake	Oct-24	607				472	River Derwent
Bradys Lake	Oct-26	72				472	River Derwent
Bradys Lake	Oct-29	127				472	River Derwent
Bradys Lake	Oct-31	177				472	River Derwent
Briseis Hole (Derby Mine Hole)	Feb-01		75			1,300	Fish Farm #65
Briseis Hole (Derby Mine Hole)	Jun-10		500			400	Fish Farm #65
Briseis Hole (Derby Mine Hole)	Jul-20	2				936	Liawenee Canal
Bronte Lagoon	Jul-04	2				926	Liawenee Canal
Bruisers Lagoon	Jun-29	50				926	Liawenee Canal

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Brumbys Creek	Oct-07		400			650	Fish Farm #65
Brushy Lagoon	Feb-03		750			1,300	Fish Farm #65
Brushy Lagoon	May-31		857			400	Fish Farm #65
Brushy Lagoon	Jun-14		500			400	Fish Farm #65
Brushy Lagoon	Aug-01		75			1,500	Fish Farm #65
Brushy Lagoon	Oct-12			140		1,500	Fish Farm #05
Camerons Lagoon	Jun-01	6				800	Liawenee Canal
Camerons Lagoon	Jun-09	44				926	Liawenee Canal
Carter Lakes	May-31	150				800	Liawenee Canal
Clarence Lagoon	May-27				20	180	Langdon River
Craigbourne Lake	Feb-01		759			1,300	Fish Farm #65
Craigbourne Lake	May-27		500			400	Fish Farm #65
Craigbourne Lake	Jun-02	240				800	Liawenee Canal
Craigbourne Lake	Jun-03		97			1,500	Fish Farm #65

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Craigbourne Lake	Jun-16		500			410	Fish Farm #65
Craigbourne Lake	Aug-03	168				636	Tumbledown Creek
Craigbourne Lake	Oct-10			140		1,500	Fish Farm #05
Craigbourne Lake	Dec-06			200		2,000	Salmon Ponds Fish Farm (Fish Farm #5)
Craigbourne Lake	Dec-12			101		2,000	Salmon Ponds Fish Farm (Fish Farm #5)
Curries River Reservoir	May-23	967				800	Liawenee Canal
Curries River Reservoir	Jun-08		250			400	Fish Farm #65
Curries River Reservoir	Jun-08		250			400	Fish Farm #65
Curries River Reservoir	Jun-13		500			400	Fish Farm #65
Curries River Reservoir	Jul-13	20				796	Sandbanks Creek
Curries River Reservoir	Jul-13	155				926	Liawenee Canal
Dee Lagoon	Jun-23		800			444	Fish Farm #65
Emma Tarns	Jun-27	21				926	Liawenee Canal
Four Springs Lake	May-04	240				800	Liawenee Canal

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Four Springs Lake	May-05	480				800	Liawenee Canal
Four Springs Lake	May-06	251				800	Sandbanks Creek
Four Springs Lake	May-10	1,440				800	Liawenee Canal
Four Springs Lake	May-13	240				800	Sandbanks Creek
Four Springs Lake	May-17	240				800	Sandbanks Creek
Four Springs Lake	May-20	180				800	Sandbanks Creek
Four Springs Lake	May-31		2,107			400	Fish Farm #65
Huntsman Lake	Jul-06	2				926	Liawenee Canal
Lake Botsford	May-05	50				800	Liawenee Canal
Lake Burbury	Jul-05	5				926	Liawenee Canal
Lake Dulverton	Jun-30	150				623	Hydro Creek
Lake Duncan	May-26	5				800	Sandbanks Creek
Lake Duncan	Jun-29	25				926	Liawenee Canal
Lake Kara	Feb-03		140			1,300	Fish Farm #65

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Lake Kara	Jul-29		75			1,500	Fish Farm #65
Lake Leake	Jun-07		2,100			400	Fish Farm #65
Lake Leake	Jul-15	3				926	Liawenee Canal
Lake Lynch	May-26	30				800	Liawenee Canal
Lake Mackintosh	Jul-05	5				926	Liawenee Canal
Lake Paget	May-31	30				800	Liawenee Canal
Lake Parangana	Jul-06	2				926	Liawenee Canal
Lake Pedder	Jul-08	5				926	Liawenee Canal
Lake Plimsoll	Jul-12				1,100	180	Fish Farm #52
Lake Plimsoll	Jul-18				900	180	Fish Farm #52
Lake Rosebery	Jul-05	5				926	Liawenee Canal
Lake Rowallan	Jul-06	2				926	Liawenee Canal
Lake Selina	Jul-18				247	180	Fish Farm #52
Lake Sorell	Sep-06		100			1,072	Liawenee Canal

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Little Blue Lagoon	Dec-08		500			1	Liawenee Canal
Penstock Lagoon	May-05	120				800	Liawenee Canal
Penstock Lagoon	May-11	120				800	Liawenee Canal
Penstock Lagoon	Jun-07	166				800	Sandbanks Creek
Penstock Lagoon	Jun-17	325				617	Tumbledown Creek
Penstock Lagoon	Jun-17	18				734	Sandbanks Creek
Penstock Lagoon	Jun-22	76				926	Liawenee Canal
Penstock Lagoon	Jun-22	175				636	Tumbledown Creek
Penstock Lagoon	Sep-12		6			312	River Derwent
Penstock Lagoon	Sep-20		5			312	River Derwent
Penstock Lagoon	Sep-29		39			312	River Derwent
Penstock Lagoon	Oct-08		20			450	River Derwent
Penstock Lagoon	Oct-14		17			312	River Derwent
Pet Reservoir	Jun-03		511			400	Fish Farm #65

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Pet Reservoir	Jun-06		500			400	Fish Farm #65
Pet Reservoir	Jun-28	145				734	Sandbanks Creek
Pet Reservoir	Jun-28	95				926	Liawenee Canal
Pioneer Lake	Feb-02		150			1,300	Fish Farm #65
Pioneer Lake	Jun-08		500			400	Fish Farm #65
River Derwent	Jun-16	3				936	Liawenee Canal
River Derwent	Jul-01	400				623	Hydro Creek
Rocky Lagoon	May-05	50				800	Liawenee Canal
Second Lagoon	May-31	50				800	Liawenee Canal
Tooms Lake	Jun-07		800			400	Fish Farm #65
Tooms Lake	Jun-24	330				636	Tumbledown Creek

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## Stocking of Private Dams for Public Fishing

The IFS currently waives the stocking application fee and provides brown trout fry or fingerlings free of charge to stock dams on private property with reasonable public access. Anglers Access signage including hazard warnings and conditions of entry are provided and installed by the IFS. The property owner retains the right to restrict or suspend access due to farming operations. The full details including location of dams, conditions of entry and contact details are available from the IFS website.

Table 7. Stocking of private dams for public fishing in 2022

<b>Dam name / landholder</b>	<b>Area</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Brown Trout</b>	<b>Rainbow Trout</b>	<b>Size</b>	<b>Stocked from (Origin)</b>
Field	Ridgley	20-Dec	1,000		Fry	Salmon Ponds (Liawenee Canal)
Field	Ridgley	20-Dec	1,000		Fry	Salmon Ponds (Liawenee Canal)
Lamberts Dam	Railton	1-Dec		2,000	Fry	Salmon Ponds (Fish Farm #4)
Lamberts Dam	Railton	2-Dec	5,000		Fry	Salmon Ponds (Liawenee Canal)
Lauriston Reservoir	Bell Bay	13-Jul	26		Adult	Liawenee Canal
McKewans	Penguin	20-Dec	1,000		Fry	Salmon Ponds (Liawenee Canal)
Radcliff	Camena	20-Dec	1,000		Fry	Salmon Ponds (Liawenee Canal)
Radcliff	Camena	20-Dec	500		Fry	Salmon Ponds (Liawenee Canal)
Radcliff	Camena	20-Dec	500		Fry	Salmon Ponds (Liawenee Canal)
Radcliff	Camena	20-Dec	2,000		Fry	Salmon Ponds (Liawenee Canal)
Rockliff	Sassafras	20-Dec	1,000		Fry	Salmon Ponds (Liawenee Canal)
Rostrevor Reservoir	Triabunna	29-Jun	240		Adult	Liawenee Canal
Shepherd	Natone	20-Dec	1,000		Fry	Salmon Ponds (Liawenee Canal)
Shepherd	Natone	20-Dec	1,000		Fry	Salmon Ponds (Liawenee Canal)
Skriving	Sassafras	20-Dec	1,000		Fry	Salmon Ponds (Liawenee Canal)
Skriving	Sassafras	20-Dec	1,000		Fry	Salmon Ponds (Liawenee Canal)

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## Stocking of Private Dams for Junior Angling Development

We support Anglers Alliance Tasmania to coordinate and conduct junior angling development activities by stocking waters.

Table 8. Private dams stocked for junior angling development in 2022

Name	Area	Date	Rainbow Trout	Size (g)	Stocked from (Origin)
Bushy Park Estate Dam	Bushy Park	3-Oct	100	100	Salmon Ponds (Fish Farm #65)
Frombergs Dam	Ulverstone	4-Feb	250	1,300	Fish Farm #65
Taylor's Dam	Latrobe	29-Sep	150	750	Fish Farm #65
Taylor's Dam	Latrobe	4-Feb	250	1,300	Fish Farm #65

## Stocking of Private Dams for Angling Club Activities

The IFS supports the stocking of private dams for angling club activities. Angling clubs must maintain appropriate public liability insurance covering the proposed activities. Dams do not need to meet the criteria for public fishing. The landowner must provide written permission for the club to use the dam for the club activities.

Table 9. Private dams stocked for angling club activities in 2022

Name	Area	Date	Brown Trout	Rainbow Trout	Size	Stocked from (Origin)
Bloomfield	Sheffield	14-Dec	1,000		Fry	Salmon Ponds (Liawenee Canal)
Johnson	Preston	20-Dec		500	Fingerling	Salmon Ponds (Fish Farm #5)
Johnson	Preston	20-Dec		500	Fingerling	Salmon Ponds (Fish Farm #5)
Johnson	Preston	20-Dec		500	Fingerling	Salmon Ponds (Fish Farm #5)
Johnson	Preston	20-Dec		500	Fingerling	Salmon Ponds (Fish Farm #5)
Lamprey	Sassafras	14-Dec	800		Fry	Salmon Ponds (Liawenee Canal)
Longford Angling Club	Cressy	29-Sep	150		Adult	Fish Farm #65
Longford Angling Club	Cressy	3-Feb	250		Adult	Fish Farm #65

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Name	Area	Date	Brown Trout	Rainbow Trout	Size	Stocked from (Origin)
North Moton Rearing Unit Dam (Ulverstone Club)	North Motton	20-Dec		150	Fingerling	Salmon Ponds (Fish Farm #5)
Williams	St Helens	20-Oct	165		Adult	Fish Farm #65
Wilmot Club Dam Phillip Richards	Wilmot	20-Dec		500	Fingerling	Salmon Ponds (Fish Farm #5)
Wright	West Pine	14-Dec	500		Fry	Salmon Ponds (Liawenee Canal)
Wright	West Pine	14-Dec	500		Fry	Salmon Ponds (Liawenee Canal)

## Stocking of Private Farm Dams for Private Fishing

IFS manages the stocking of farm dams on private property with sterile rainbow trout by permit. Access to these dams for fishing is available to the owner and anyone invited onto the property. All angling rules and regulations apply including the need to hold an angling licence. The Inland Fisheries Service and Fish Farm #78 supplied the 6,360 rainbow trout that were approved for stocking into 37 private farm dams in 2022.

## Stocking of Registered Private Fisheries

Registered private fisheries provide recreational fishing opportunities without being subject to angling licence provisions and angling regulations.

IFS approved the stocking of 2,860 rainbow and 20,677 brown trout into five of the eleven registered private fisheries in 2022.