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Re: Opening day angler counts

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I am with Maurice on this one. I think that PA does an excellent job and I am very pleased with the quality, distribution, and quantity of fish stocked. Maryland on the other hand had to close three of its hatcheries due to Whirling disease which it got because it did not have a good facility to raise fish from eggs and had to buy fingerlings elsewhere, had a major pump failure at one of the good hatcheries it has left and lost many of its larger fish, and ended up overcrowding its remaining facilities to compensate which led to smaller and skinner fish than in past years. To make matters even worse their new procurement process was so onerous that no private hatcheries wanted to sell them any fish. The one bright spot was the larger and very robust rainbows it got from the Freshwater Institute in West VA which the put and take guys complained bitterly about because they are not as easy to catch as the regular stocked trout. I had a blast catching them and they tend to holdover well, but I am in the minority. So if you don't like PA program just come over and try Maryland on opening day. Then maybe you might develop an appreciation for what you have.