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- Some fish farmers get eggs from their own fish and hatch them. Then they raise the fish to "market size," which means the fish are big enough to sell. Some farmers buy eggs or young fish from other fish farmers, and feed them until they are market size.
- Some fish become food for people. Some become bait for fishing. Some are placed in lakes and streams for people to catch. This is called "stocking." Sometimes fish farmers want you to come to their farms to catch their fish. This is called "fee fishing."

For more information about Wisconsin's farm-raised fish and aquaculture, contact us:

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