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2006 HAWAII FRUIT OUTPUT AND VALUE DECLINE

Hawaii fruit growers harvested 435.2 million pounds of fruit for fresh and processed utilization in 2006, an 11 percent decline from the previous year, according to the USDA, NASS, Hawaii Field Office. Total value fell 3 percent to \$101.7 million, with guava, lemon, papaya, pineapple, and the tropical specialty group recording declines in value of sales. Fruit acreage totaled 19,740 acres, a 2 percent decrease from 2005. Harvested area decreased 6 percent to 4,090 acres. Almost continuous rainfall from late February through March contributed to losses in some crops due to soil erosion, flooding, disease outbreaks, and fruit and tree losses. The lengthy rainy

period slowed fruit maturation in some crops.

Pineapple, still Hawaii's largest fruit commodity, represented 70 percent of total fruit acreage and 74 percent of the total fruit value. Total utilized pineapple production fell 11 percent to 376 million pounds. Since records were kept by the Hawaii Field Office, 2006 was the first year fresh market utilization outweighed processed utilization. Also establishing a record was the average farm price. In late 2006, operations ended prematurely for one major company which had previously announced their phase-out of pineapple production.

papaya production, a decrease of 13 percent from the previous year. Harvested area totaled 1,530 acres, 3 percent more than 2005. Papaya output declined 13 percent to 28.7 million pounds while value of sales dropped 2 percent to \$11.0 million.

Total banana acreage rose 5 percent in 2006 while harvested acreage increased 2 percent to 1,000 acres. Utilized production was pegged at 20.0 million pounds, 4 percent less than 2005. However, higher average prices helped push total value of sales to \$9.8 million, 7 percent higher than the previous year.

The state's papaya producers devoted 2,095 acres toward

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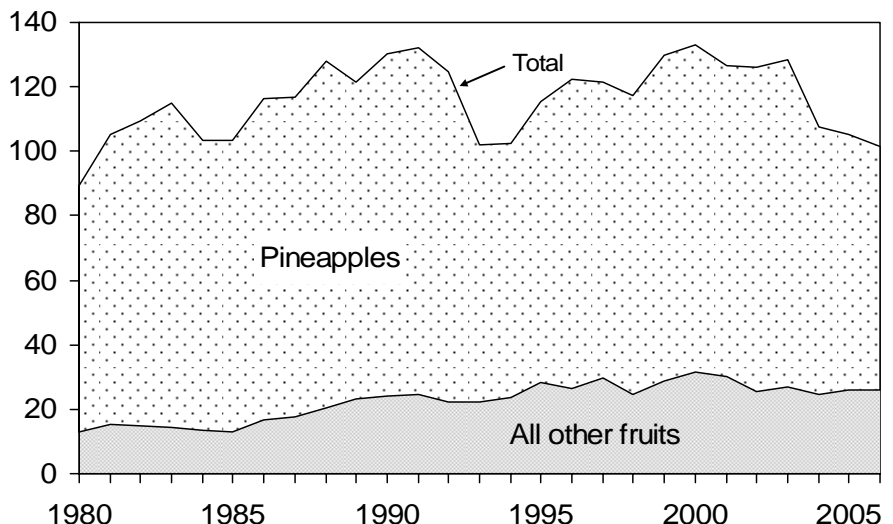
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ALL FRUIT VALUE, STATE OF HAWAII, 1980-2006



**FRUITS: Number of farms, acreage, yield, production, price and value,
State of Hawaii, 2002-2006**

Year	Farms ¹	Acreage		Yield ²	Utilized production	Farm price	Value of sales
		In crop	Harvested				
	<i>Number</i>	<i>Acres</i>		<i>1,000 pounds</i>		<i>Cents per pound</i>	<i>\$1,000</i>
Avocado							
2002	140	370	250	2.8	700	56.0	392
2003	150	390	300	2.5	760	62.0	471
2004	150	380	270	2.7	740	63.0	466
2005	175	390	300	2.7	800	66.0	528
2006	225	380	280	3.1	880	68.0	598
Banana							
2002	220	1,510	1,330	15.0	20,000	43.0	8,600
2003	230	1,560	1,350	16.7	22,500	41.0	9,225
2004	210	1,360	1,000	16.5	16,500	49.0	8,085
2005	190	1,145	980	21.3	20,900	43.9	9,175
2006	200	1,200	1,000	20.0	20,000	49.0	9,800
Grapefruit ³							
2002							
2003							
2004							
2005	80	22	16	2.4	40	68.0	27
2006	75	25	15	3.3	50	68.0	34
Guava							
2002	85	640	550	17.6	9,700	15.0	1,455
2003	75	610	530	12.6	6,700	13.8	925
2004	75	610	525	15.4	8,100	14.4	1,166
2005	55	665	620	13.1	8,100	13.9	1,126
2006	50	575	365	20.3	7,400	14.2	1,051
Lemon ³							
2002							
2003							
2004							
2005	105	38	28	1.9	54	75.0	40
2006	95	35	20	2.3	45	80.0	36
Lime ³							
2002							
2003							
2004							
2005	109	48	34	1.7	59	85.0	50
2006	105	50	40	3.1	125	87.0	109

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Papaya							
2002	164	2,320	1,720	26.7	45,900	26.0	11,924
2003	163	2,240	1,565	27.2	42,600	30.7	13,069
2004	207	2,105	1,235	29.0	35,800	34.5	12,361
2005	207	2,395	1,480	22.2	32,900	34.2	11,241
2006	170	2,095	1,530	18.8	28,700	38.5	11,049
Pineapple							
2002	25	19,100			640,000	15.7	100,616
2003	25	16,000			600,000	16.9	101,470
2004	30	13,000			440,000	18.9	83,104
2005	30	14,000			424,000	18.7	79,288
2006	30	13,900			376,000	20.1	75,542
Tangerine ³							
2002							
2003							
2004							
2005	93	38	18	2.8	51	53.0	27
2006	85	35	20	4.5	90	57.0	51
Tropical Specialty Fruit							
2002	160	1,170	560		962		1,760
2003	170	1,260	600		1,154		2,128
2004	220	1,220	640		1,041		1,945
2005	265	1,270	730		1,456		2,730
2006	265	1,240	690		1,452		⁴ 2,613
Total							
2002		25,691	4,647		718,847		125,883
2003		22,409	4,525		674,935		128,289
2004		19,025	3,808		502,700		107,637
2005		20,230	4,340		488,875		105,035
2006		19,740	4,090		435,245		101,680

¹ Total is unduplicated count.

² Utilized production divided by harvested acres.

³ Prior to 2005, included in Total.

⁴ Revised.

Total guava production area declined 14 percent to 575 acres in 2006 while area harvested declined 41 percent to 365 acres. Value of sales declined 7 percent to \$1.1 million. Hawaii's guavas, which are mainly for the processed market, recorded a 2 percent increase in price. However, this was not enough to offset the 9 percent lower output.

Area devoted to tropical specialty fruit totaled 1,240 acres in 2006, 2 percent less than 2005. Area harvested totaled 690 acres, 5 percent lower than the previous year. Hawaii's growers of tropical specialty fruit produced and sold an estimated 1.45 million pounds of fruit in 2006, relatively unchanged from 2005. Compared with 2005, higher output was registered for longan, lychee, mango, and persimmon. Value of sales was pegged at \$2.6 million in 2006, 4 percent lower than 2005.

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