



HAWAII BANANAS

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2004 HAWAII BANANAS UTILIZATION AND VALUE SLIP

In 2004, Hawaii banana utilization for fresh market totaled **16.5** million pounds, slipping 27 percent from 2003, according to the USDA, NASS, Hawaii Field Office formerly known as Hawaii Agricultural Statistics. Banana Bunchy Top Virus (BBTV) remains a concern for growers on all major islands, affecting acreage and output. Growers continued their ongoing monitoring and roguing programs to manage the disease. In 2004, an assessment of the disease spread was conducted on Hawaii island by Agricultural Officials. Large acreage in East Hawaii was affected by the disease and infected plantings were destroyed. Weather for 2004 was generally beneficial for orchards. Young plantings made favorable progress. In July 2004, a short lived interisland tug boat strike impacted bananas grown on Hawaii island.

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In 2004, total acreage decreased 200 acres, to 1360 and harvested acreage fell 350 acres to 1,000 when compared to the previous year. Hawaii and Honolulu counties accounted for the majority of the acreage with Maui and Kauai making up the remainder. Overall average for bananas was 16,500 pounds per acre, down 200 pounds from the 2003 average. Farm price for Hawaii bananas, a mix of varieties, averaged 49.0 cents per pound, up 8.0 cents from a year ago. A decline in total output lowered the overall banana value to \$8.1 million in 2004 compared with \$9.2 million in 2003.



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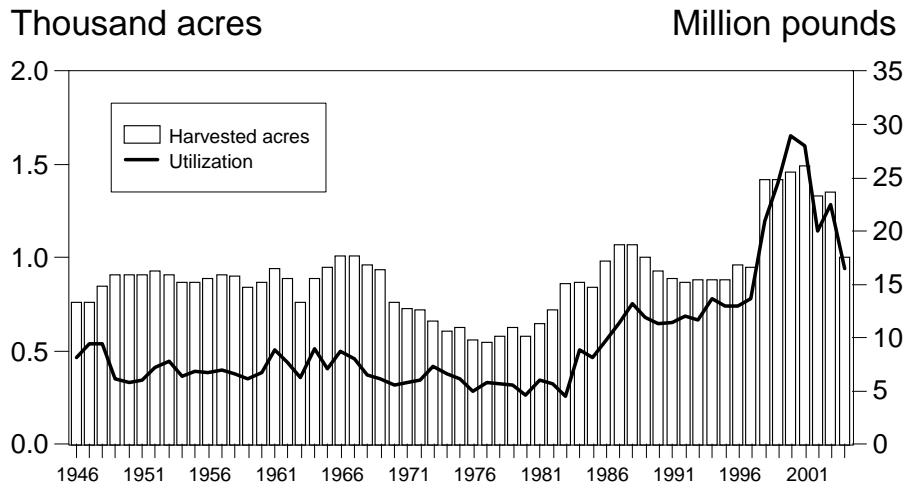
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BANANAS: Acres Harvested and Utilization, State of Hawaii, 1946-2004



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HAWAII BANANA STATISTICS

Table 1. BANANAS: State of Hawaii, 1949-2004

Year	Farms	Acreage		Yield per acre (harvested)	Utilization Fresh	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 dollars</i>
1949	NA	1,010	910	6.7	6,115	7.6	464
1950	NA	1,020	910	6.5	5,870	7.2	424
1951	NA	990	910	6.7	6,085	7.4	451
1952	NA	1,010	930	7.8	7,250	6.7	489
1953	NA	980	910	8.5	7,760	6.5	503
1954	NA	930	870	7.4	6,430	6.8	436
1955	NA	950	870	7.9	6,850	6.5	444
1956	NA	1,000	890	7.6	6,725	6.8	454
1957	NA	1,050	910	7.7	6,985	5.7	398
1958	NA	1,050	900	7.4	6,665	6.8	435
1959	NA	1,010	840	7.4	6,210	7.1	438
1960	NA	1,130	970	7.8	6,810	6.4	435
1961	NA	1,160	940	9.4	8,835	6.7	592
1962	NA	1,110	890	8.7	7,710	6.6	509
1963	NA	1,040	760	8.2	6,245	7.8	484
1964	246	1,090	890	10.1	9,010	7.7	690
1965	243	1,160	950	7.5	7,160	7.7	545
1966	229	1,150	1,010	8.6	8,730	7.7	668
1967	216	1,155	1,010	8.0	8,095	7.0	567
1968	207	1,115	965	6.7	6,485	7.7	499
1969	170	1,038	933	6.6	6,170	9.4	580
1970	182	820	760	7.4	5,600	10.6	594
1971	172	810	725	8.1	5,865	11.6	680
1972	172	795	720	8.3	6,000	12.0	720
1973	171	730	660	11.1	7,295	10.6	773
1974	173	670	610	10.8	6,600	13.1	865
1975	154	690	630	9.8	6,200	13.8	856
1976	152	615	560	9.0	5,030	15.5	780
1977	153	610	550	10.5	5,800	15.6	905
1978	147	660	580	9.8	5,700	18.5	1,055
1979	148	690	630	8.8	5,550	20.5	1,138
1980	159	730	580	7.9	4,600	23.9	1,099
1981	152	760	650	9.2	6,000	25.7	1,542
1982	179	940	720	8.0	5,750	28.6	1,645
1983	183	1,100	860	5.2	4,470	31.2	1,395
1984	180	990	870	10.2	8,900	30.0	2,670
1985	178	1,060	840	9.7	8,160	30.3	2,472
1986	185	1,140	980	9.9	9,700	30.0	2,910
1987	175	1,220	1,070	10.7	11,400	29.7	3,386
1988	160	1,220	1,070	12.3	13,200	33.0	4,356
1989	150	1,150	1,000	11.9	11,900	36.5	4,344
1990	150	1,000	930	12.2	11,300	38.0	4,294
1991	145	970	890	12.8	11,400	41.0	4,674
1992	135	960	870	13.8	12,000	41.0	4,920
1993	130	980	830	14.1	11,700	38.0	4,446
1994	145	1,020	880	15.6	13,700	37.0	5,069
1995	170	1,120	880	14.8	13,000	40.0	5,200
1996	170	1,240	960	13.5	13,000	40.0	5,200
1997	170	1,590	950	14.4	13,700	38.0	5,206
1998	200	1,600	1,420	14.8	21,000	35.0	7,350
1999	210	1,760	1,420	17.3	24,500	35.0	8,575
2000	210	1,710	1,460	19.9	29,000	36.0	10,440
2001	200	1,660	1,490	18.8	28,000	38.0	10,640
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

OUT-OF-STATE INSHIPMENTS

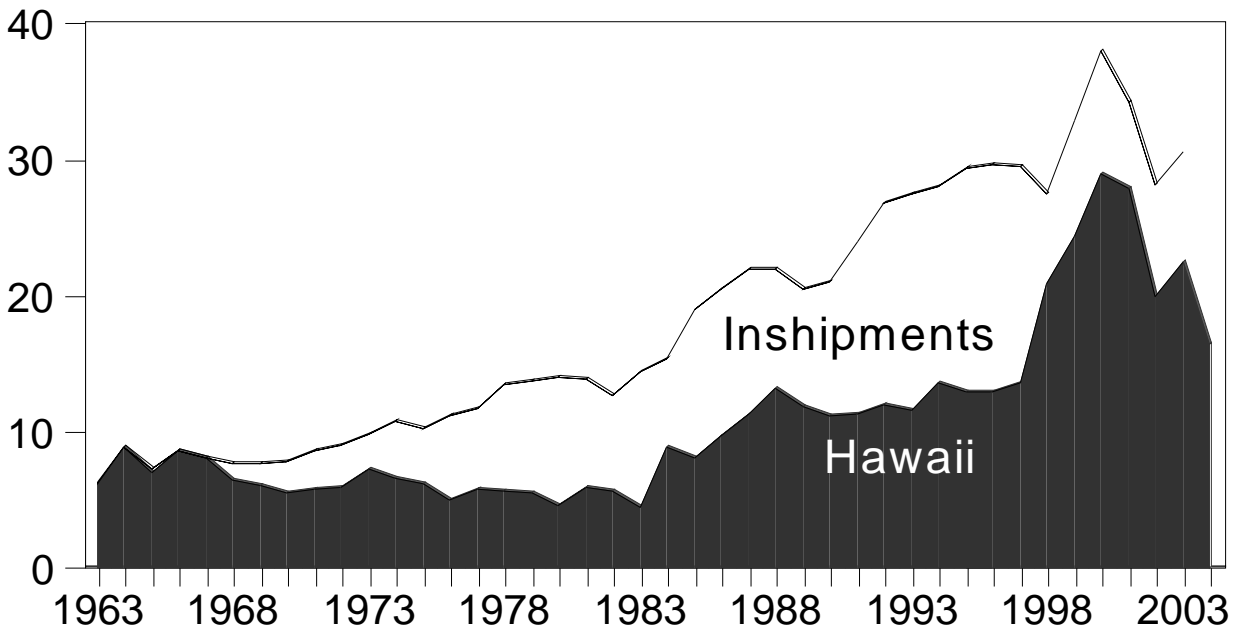
Table 2. BANANAS: Fresh Cavendish banana inshipments into Honolulu, 2000-2004¹

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Honolulu	State ¹
<i>1,000 pounds</i>														
2000	974	920	1,085	709	1,014	678	528	465	714	708	723	492	9,010	9,055
2001	580	604	566	613	588	532	494	532	508	369	326	553	6,265	6,321
2002	902	762	797	794	952	591	574	491	599	530	395	750	8,137	8,211
2003	420	671	1,119	704	668	516	615	662	652	706	418	868	8,019	8,091
2004	961	786	1,391	999	1,153	1,149	1,093	1,116	895	1,569	1,106	1,221	13,439	N.A.

¹Annual totals for 1997, 1999-2002 were estimated to include direct inshipments to the outer islands. NA = Not available. Source: Hawaii Department of Agriculture, Market Analysis and News Branch.

MARKET SUPPLY: Fresh Market Bananas, State of Hawaii, 1963-2004

Million pounds



Inshipments data source: Market Analysis and News Branch.
Out-of-State inshipments are included in the graph.
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U.S. FRESH BANANA IMPORTS

Table 3. BANANAS: U.S. fresh banana imports, quantity and value, 2000-2004

Year	Quantity	Custom value
	<i>Metric tons</i>	<i>1,000 dollars</i>
2000	4,030,618	1,026,390
2001	3,840,623	1,069,351
2002	3,906,939	1,064,309
2003 ¹	3,879,151	1,038,150
2004	3,881,468	1,010,211

The conversion for 1 metric ton = 2,204.6 pounds. Source: U.S. Department of Commerce. ¹ Revised.

Table 4. BANANAS: U.S. fresh banana imports, quantity and value, by country, 2004¹
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Country	Quantity	Custom value
	<i>Metric tons</i>	<i>1,000 dollars</i>
Mexico	33,586	11,470
Guatemala	1,024,075	260,535
Honduras	509,861	128,940
Costa Rica	868,125	236,878
Panama	612	177
Dominican Republic	5,201	2,480
Colombia	464,592	122,796
Venezuela	2,008	637
Ecuador	919,484	231,214
Nicaragua	41,502	10,617
Philippines	39	26
Peru	12,384	4,441
Total	3,881,468	1,010,211

The conversion for 1 metric ton = 2,204.6 pounds.

¹ Data may not add due to rounding.

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce

In 2004, the U.S. imported 3.9 million metric tons of fresh bananas from foreign sources, slightly up from the previous year. Guatemala, Ecuador, and Costa Rica respectively were the top three exporters of bananas to the U.S. The value posted \$1.0 billion, 3 percent less than the 2003 value.