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Hawaii's 2005 banana utilization for fresh market totaled 20.9 million pounds, 4.4 million pounds more than 2004, according to USDA, NASS, Hawaii Field Office. Banana Bunchy Top Virus (BBTV) remained a concern for growers on all major islands, affecting acreage and output. Growers continued their ongoing monitoring and roguing programs to manage the disease. Weather, for most of 2005, was generally favorable towards banana orchards.

Statewide total banana acreage was estimated at 1,145 acres, down 16 percent from 2004. Harvested acreage declined 2 percent to 980 acres. Improved yields, which topped 21,000 pounds per acre, along with generally favorable weather conditions contributed to the 27 percent increase in utilized production over 2004.

Hawaii's banana producers received an average of 43.9 cents per pound for fresh banana, 10 percent (5.1 cents) lower than 2004. Total value of sales was \$9.2 million compared to \$8.1 million in the previous year.



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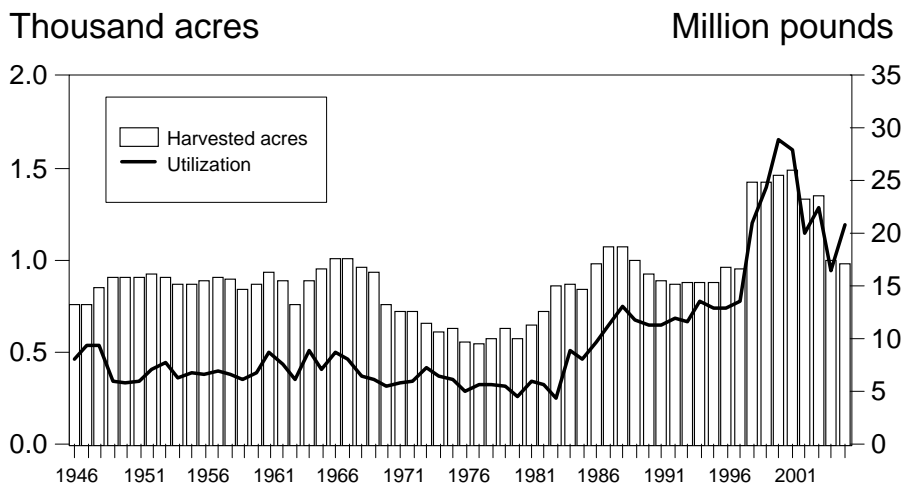
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BANANAS: Acres Harvested and Utilization, State of Hawaii, 1946-2005



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HAWAII BANANA STATISTICS

Table 1. BANANAS: State of Hawaii, 1949-2005

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

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Table 1. BANANAS: State of Hawaii, 1949-2005 -- Continued

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		In crop	Harvested				
	<i>Number</i>	<i>----- Acres -----</i>		<i>----- 1,000 pounds -----</i>		<i>Cents per pound</i>	<i>1,000 dollars</i>
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
2005	190	1,145	980	21.3	20,900	43.9	9,175

INSHIPMENTS

Table 2. BANANAS: Fresh Cavendish banana inshipments into Honolulu, 2001-2005¹

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Honolulu	State ¹
<i>1,000 pounds</i>														
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.
2005 ²														

NA = Not available. ¹Annual totals for 1997, 1999-2002 were estimated to include direct inshipments to the outer islands. ² Data not available at time of printing.

Source: Hawaii Department of Agriculture, Market Analysis and News Branch.

U.S. FRESH BANANA IMPORTS

Table 3. BANANAS: U.S. fresh banana imports, quantity and value, 2001-2005

Year	Quantity	Custom value
	<i>Metric tons</i>	<i>1,000 dollars</i>
2001	3,840,623	1,069,351
2002	3,906,939	1,064,309
2003	3,879,151	1,038,150
2004 ¹	3,872,826	1,008,000
2005	3,824,401	1,036,834

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, 2005¹
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Country	Quantity	Custom value
	<i>Metric tons</i>	<i>1,000 dollars</i>
Mexico	33,796	11,352
Guatemala	1,029,280	269,571
Honduras	453,011	119,559
Costa Rica	822,731	230,316
Panama	2,019	488
Dominican Republic	4,428	2,190
Colombia	513,748	145,950
Venezuela	670	322
Ecuador	904,306	238,604
Nicaragua	38,067	9,503
Peru	22,345	8,978
Total	3,824,401	1,036,834

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 2005, the U.S. imported 3.8 million metric tons of fresh bananas from foreign sources, down 1 percent from the previous year. Guatemala, Ecuador, and Costa Rica respectively were the top three exporters of bananas to the U.S. The value posted was \$1.0 billion, 3 percent more than the 2004 value.