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# Hawaii Herbs

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## Farm production sets new record high

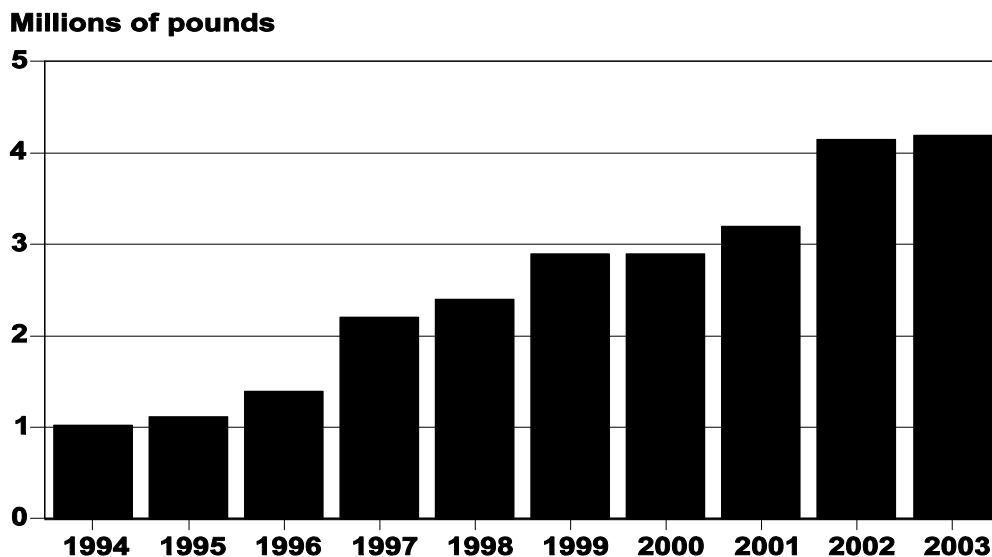
The Hawaii Agricultural Statistics Service estimates production of fresh herb sales at a record high 4.2 million pounds for 2003, up 1 percent from 2002. Farm revenues were also at a new record high of \$7.2 million, up 4 percent from 2002.

**Sweet (Italian) basil** production totaled 2.0 million pounds, unchanged from 2002. Farm prices rose 3 percent to an average of \$2.00 per pound. Sales of **Asian basil** are estimated at a record 1.2 million pounds for 2003, up 20 percent from 2002. Farm prices averaged 80 cents per pound in 2003, down 6 percent from 2002.

**Parsley** production is estimated at 310,000 pounds for 2003, up 3 percent from 2002. Farm prices averaged \$2.20 per pound, up 29 percent from 2002. **Chinese parsley** (more commonly known as Cilantro) decreased to 250,000 pounds in 2003, down 17 percent from 2002. Farm prices averaged of \$2.10 per pound in 2003, up 40 percent from 2002.

Production of all **other herbs** totaled 440,000 pounds and had a farm value of \$1.1 million in 2003. Mint, chives, arugula, and rosemary are some of the major herbs in this combined category. Separate totals for these herbs were not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations. ❖

Herbs: Fresh Farm Production  
State of Hawaii, 1994-2003



## FRESH HERBS

Production, farm price, and farm value by types, State of Hawaii, 1998-2003.

Year	Basil			Parsley	Chinese Parsley (Cilantro)	Other herbs <sup>1</sup>	All herbs
	Sweet (Italian)	Asian	Total				
<b>Production - 1,000 pounds</b>							
1999	1,500	600	2,100	190	90	520	2,900
2000	1,600	500	2,100	220	80	500	2,900
2001	1,500	650	2,150	330	100	620	3,200
2002	2,000	1,000	3,000	300	300	550	4,150
<b>2003</b>	<b>2,000</b>	<b>1,200</b>	<b>3,200</b>	<b>310</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>440</b>	<b>4,200</b>
<b>Farm price - \$ per pound</b>							
1999	2.00	.70		2.00	2.15	2.70	
2000	2.00	.80		2.00	3.00	2.20	
2001	2.00	.80		2.00	2.10	2.45	
2002	1.95	.85		1.70	1.50	2.30	
<b>2003</b>	<b>2.00</b>	<b>.80</b>		<b>2.20</b>	<b>2.10</b>	<b>2.45</b>	
<b>Farm value - \$1,000</b>							
1999	3,000	420	3,420	380	194	1,404	5,398
2000	3,200	400	3,600	440	240	1,100	5,380
2001	3,000	520	3,520	660	210	1,519	5,909
2002	3,900	850	4,750	510	450	1,265	6,975
<b>2003</b>	<b>4,000</b>	<b>960</b>	<b>4,960</b>	<b>682</b>	<b>525</b>	<b>1,078</b>	<b>7,245</b>

<sup>1</sup> Includes spearmint, dill, and other herbs; some of which cannot be published separately to avoid disclosure. Also includes small amount of basil and parsley for which an individual total could not be obtained.