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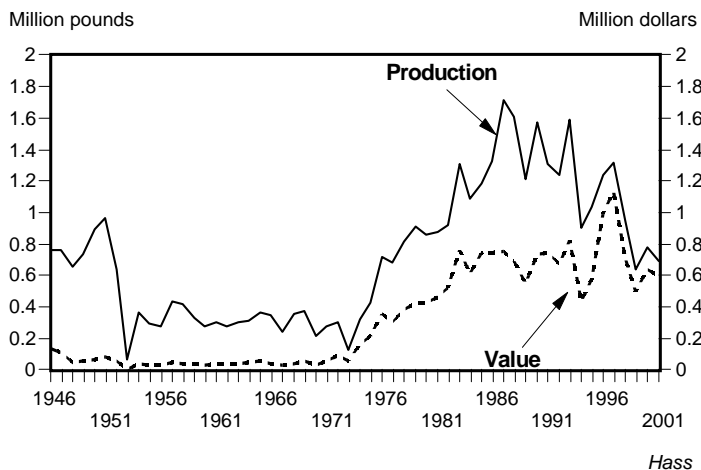
2000 Hawaii Honey Production Higher

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Hawaii honey production is estimated at **784,000** pounds for 2000, up 23 percent from the 1999 total, according to the *Hawaii Agricultural Statistics Service*. Although production was higher than the previous year's 24 year low, prolonged dry weather still resulted in lower yields. The number of colonies producing honey numbered 7,000 colonies, down 1,000 from the previous year. Only colonies producing honey are included in this total. Honey yield per colony averaged 112 pounds compared to 80 pounds produced in 1999. Producers received an average 81.0 cents per pound in 2000, up 1 cent from the 1999 average. The higher production helped increase farm value to \$635,000, up 24 percent from the 1999 value. In 2000, beeswax production amounted to 8,000 pounds, down 47 percent from the previous year. The average price of beeswax was \$2.00 per pound, 27 cents more 1999. Beeswax value totaled \$16,000, down 38 percent from last year's total. The value of queen bee sales is not included in this release to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

Honey: Production and Value
State of Hawaii 1946-2001



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United States Honey Production Up 8 Percent

Honey production in 2000 from producers with five or more colonies totaled 221 million pounds, up 8 percent from 1999. There were 2.63 million colonies producing honey in 2000, down 2 percent from 1999. Yield per colony averaged 83.9 pounds, up 7.5 pounds from the 76.4 pounds in 1999. Colonies which produced honey in more than one State were counted in each State and yields per colony may therefore be understated. Colonies were not included if honey was not harvested. Producer honey stocks were 86.2 million pounds on December 15, 2000, up 9 percent from a year earlier.

Honey Prices Down 1 Percent

Prices for the 2000 crop averaged 59.4 cents per pound, down 1 percent from 60.1 cents in 1999. Prices are based on retail sales by producers and sales to private processors and cooperatives. State level honey prices reflect the portions of honey sold through retail, co-op and private channels. U.S. honey prices for each color class are derived by weighing quantities sold for each marketing channel at the U.S. level. Co-op and private prices were lower for all color classes except 'Other Honey' in 2000.

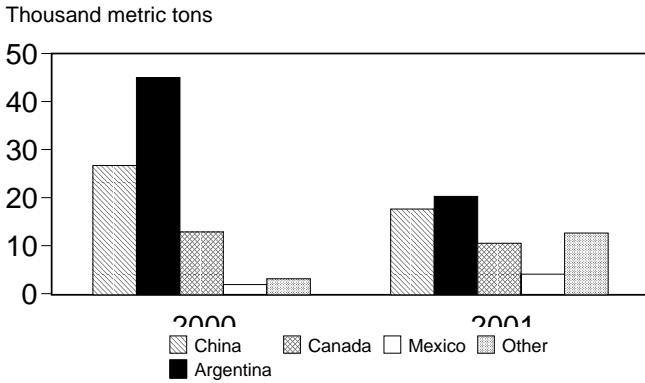
Honey: Number of colonies, honey and beeswax production, price and value, State of Hawaii, 1949-2000

Year	Honey producing colonies	Production		Yield per colony	Average price		Value of production	
		Honey (extracted)	Beeswax		Honey (extracted)	Beeswax	Honey (extracted)	Beeswax
	<i>Thousands</i>	<i>----- 1,000 pounds -----</i>		<i>Pounds</i>	<i>----- Cents per pound -----</i>		<i>----- 1,000 dollars -----</i>	
1949	8.5	738	12	87	7.5	38	55	5
1950	10	890	18	89	7.5	41	67	7
1951	11	968	13	88	8.5	52	82	7
1952	13	637	8	49	9.5	45	61	4
1953	10	70	7	7	10.4	40	7	3
1954	10	370	7	37	10.3	42	38	3
1955	8	296	8	37	11.2	46	33	4
1956	8	280	6	35	11.5	53	32	3
1957	8	432	9	54	10.8	59	47	5
1958	8	416	7	52	10.1	46	42	3
1959	7	329	6	47	11.3	41	37	2
1960	7	280	5	40	11.4	44	32	2
1961	7	301	5	43	14.7	42	44	2
1962	7	280	5	40	12.8	42	36	2
1963	7	308	5	44	12.6	42	39	2
1964	7	315	4	45	15.8	40	50	2
1965	6	366	9	61	14.6	45	53	4
1966	6	348	6	58	11.1	44	39	3
1967	6	246	4	41	11.0	63	27	3
1968	6	354	8	59	12.5	73	44	6
1969	5	375	7	75	14.3	68	54	5
1970	5	215	4	43	15.0	78	32	3
1971	4	276	6	69	21.7	65	60	4
1972	4	300	6	75	30.1	75	90	5
1973	3	132	5	44	44.1	90	58	5
1974	4	320	8	80	50.1	123	160	10
1975	6	426	16	71	51.4	110	219	18
1976	7	714	9	102	50.5	130	361	12
1977	7	679	11	97	45.4	126	308	14
1978	7	812	11	116	47.6	183	387	20
1979	7	910	15	130	47.2	180	430	27
1980	7	861	20	123	49.6	172	427	34
1981	7	875	16	125	53.3	186	466	30
1982	8	920	14	115	56.5	210	520	29
1983	9	1,305	21	145	58.1	230	758	48
1984	9	1,089	17	121	56.1	195	611	33
1985	9	1,188	18	132	62.9	190	747	34
1986	9	1,323	18	147	56.0	155	741	28
1987	9	1,710	19	190	44.0	145	752	28
1988	9	1,611	24	179	43.0	132	693	32
1989	9	1,215	18	135	45.0	124	547	22
1990	10	1,570	17	157	47.0	119	738	20
1991	10	1,310	22	131	57.0	116	747	26
1992	9	1,242	29	138	54.0	115	671	33
1993	9	1,593	18	177	52.0	222	828	40
1994	9	900	15	100	48.0	167	432	25
1995	8	1,032	16	129	56.0	106	578	17
1996	8	1,240	18	155	81.0	217	1,004	39
1997	9	1,314	17	146	86.0	224	1,130	38
1998	8	944	15	118	75.0	173	708	26
1999	8	640	15	80	80.0	173	512	26
2000	7	784	8	112	81.0	200	635	16

United States Honey Imports Up 9 Percent

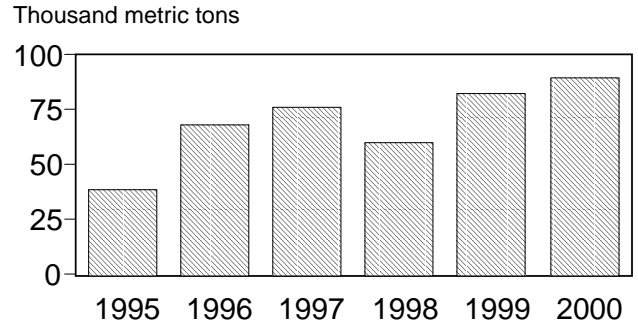
U.S. honey imports totaled 89.9 thousand metric tons in 2000, up 9 percent from the 1999 total. The value of 2000 imports pegged at \$89.5 million compared to 1999's value of \$86.7 million. Imports from Argentina accounted for nearly half of the total.

U.S. Honey Imports by Country of Origin, 2000-2001



Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census.

U.S. Honey Imports by Year, 1995-2000



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