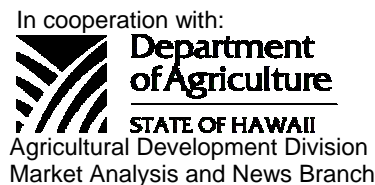




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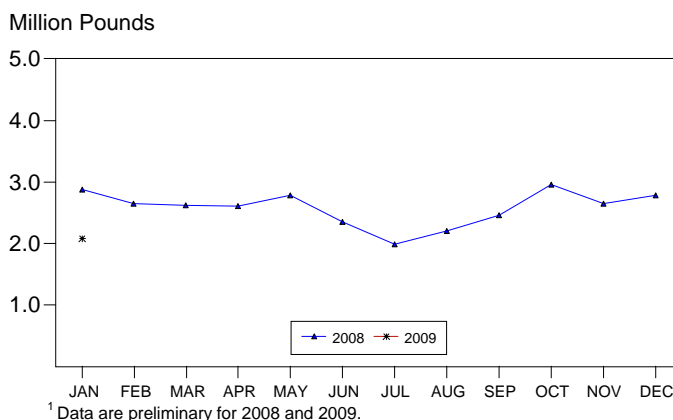
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## JANUARY FRESH PAPAYA LOWER

Hawaii fresh papaya utilization is estimated at 2.1 million pounds for January 2009, down 25 percent from December 2008 and 28 percent below January 2008.

Wet and cool weather continued into early January. Recovery was slow for plantings exposed to the heavy December rains and soil erosion. Output was lower. Growers were concerned about controlling fungal disease after weeks of rainy conditions. Intermittent clear days allowed usual field maintenance and schedules to resume. Fields that received proper care appeared healthier and are fairing well.

**PAPAYA: Fresh Utilization, State of Hawaii, 2008-2009<sup>1</sup>**



Papaya growers are expected to receive an estimated 46.0 cents per pound for fresh fruit in January, 21 percent (8.0 cents) more than last month and 12 percent (5.0 cents) above January a year ago.

## FRESH PAPAYA UTILIZATION, STATE OF HAWAII, 2009 WITH COMPARISONS<sup>1</sup>

Month	Sales				Year ago
	Local <sup>2</sup>	Intrastate	Out-of-State	Total fresh	
December 2008	243	1,177	1,365	2,785	2,810
January 2009	218	957	905	2,080	2,880

<sup>1</sup> Data are preliminary for 2008 and 2009.

<sup>2</sup> On island of production.

**PAPAYA ACREAGE, STATE OF HAWAII, 2009 WITH COMPARISONS <sup>1</sup>**

County	Total acreage in crop							
	March		June		September		December	
	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009
Hawaii.....	1,820		1,840		2,020		2,220	
Honolulu/Kauai/Maui <sup>2</sup> .....	200		200		185		190	
State.....	2,020		2,040		2,205		2,410	
<b>Total harvested acres <sup>3</sup></b>								
Hawaii.....	1,300		1,200		1,150		1,335	
Honolulu/Kauai/Maui <sup>2</sup> .....	125		130		130		130	
State.....	1,425		1,330		1,280		1,465	

<sup>1</sup> Data are preliminary for 2008 and 2009.

<sup>2</sup> Kauai and Maui combined with Honolulu to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

<sup>3</sup> Bearing acres where papayas were harvested.

**FRESH PAPAYA FARM PRICE, STATE OF HAWAII, 2008-2009 <sup>1</sup>**

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Average
	<i>Cents per pound</i>												
2008	41.0	43.0	50.0	51.0	53.0	51.0	52.0	50.0	47.0	43.0	39.0	38.0	
2009	46.0												

<sup>1</sup> Data are preliminary for 2008 and 2009.

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