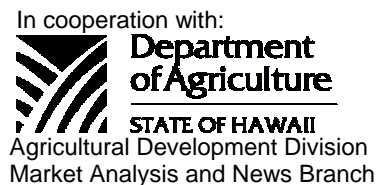




HAWAII PAPAYAS



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FRESH PAPAYAS HIGHER FOR JUNE BUT LOWER FOR 1ST HALF OF 2009

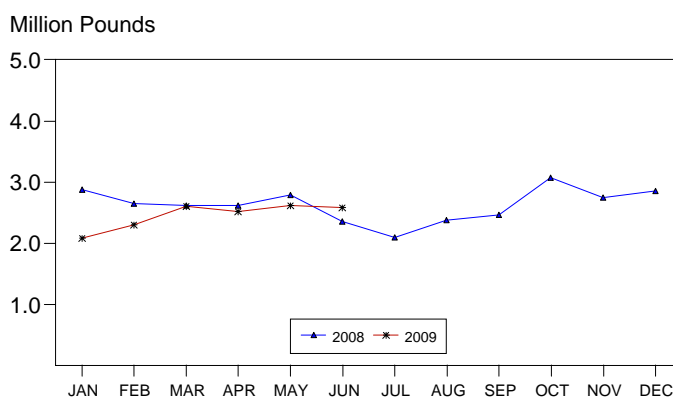
Hawaii fresh papaya utilization is estimated at 2.6 million pounds for June 2009, down 1 percent from May 2009, but up 10 percent from June 2008. Fresh utilization for January to June of 2009 is 8 percent lower than the same period in 2008.

Total in crop acreage for June is estimated at 2,075, down 11 percent from March 2009, but 2 percent above June a year ago. Harvested area totaled 1,315 acres in June, 11 percent less than March 2009, but unchanged from last year.

Sunny weather and higher temperatures prevailed during June, aiding fruit development and ripening. Field preparation for new plantings was ongoing. Trade wind showers helped replenish soil moisture levels. Irrigation was stepped up in the drier areas. Orchards were in good to fair condition during the month.

Papaya growers are expected to receive an estimated 44.0 cents per pound for fresh fruit in June, unchanged from last month, but 11 percent (5.2 cents) lower than June a year ago.

**PAPAYA: Fresh Utilization,
State of Hawaii, 2008-2009¹**



¹ Data are preliminary for 2009.

FRESH PAPAYA UTILIZATION, STATE OF HAWAII, 2009 WITH COMPARISONS¹

Month	Sales				Year ago	Year-to-date	
	Local ²	Intrastate	Out-of-State	Total fresh		2008	2009
	<i>1,000 pounds</i>						
May.....	228	1,327	1,060	2,615	2,785	13,545	12,115
June.....	252	1,163	1,170	2,585	2,350	15,895	14,700

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² On island of production.

PAPAYA ACREAGE, STATE OF HAWAII, 2009 WITH COMPARISONS ¹

County	Total acreage in crop								
	March		June		September		December		
	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	
Hawaii.....	1,820	2,150	1,840	1,900	2,110			2,220	
Honolulu/Kauai/Maui ²	220	180	200	175	195			190	
State.....	2,040	2,330	2,040	2,075	2,305			2,410	
	Total harvested acres ³								
Hawaii.....	1,275	1,350	1,185	1,200	1,185			1,330	
Honolulu/Kauai/Maui ²	155	120	130	115	135			130	
State.....	1,430	1,470	1,315	1,315	1,320			1,460	

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² Kauai and Maui combined with Honolulu to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

³ Bearing acres where papayas were harvested.

FRESH PAPAYA FARM PRICE, STATE OF HAWAII, 2008-2009 ¹

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Average
	<i>Cents per pound</i>												
2008	43.0	44.8	47.4	47.8	49.7	49.2	50.3	49.4	47.4	42.1	39.1	39.0	45.5
2009	46.0	50.0	48.0	45.0	44.0	44.0							

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