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Hawaii Seed Crops

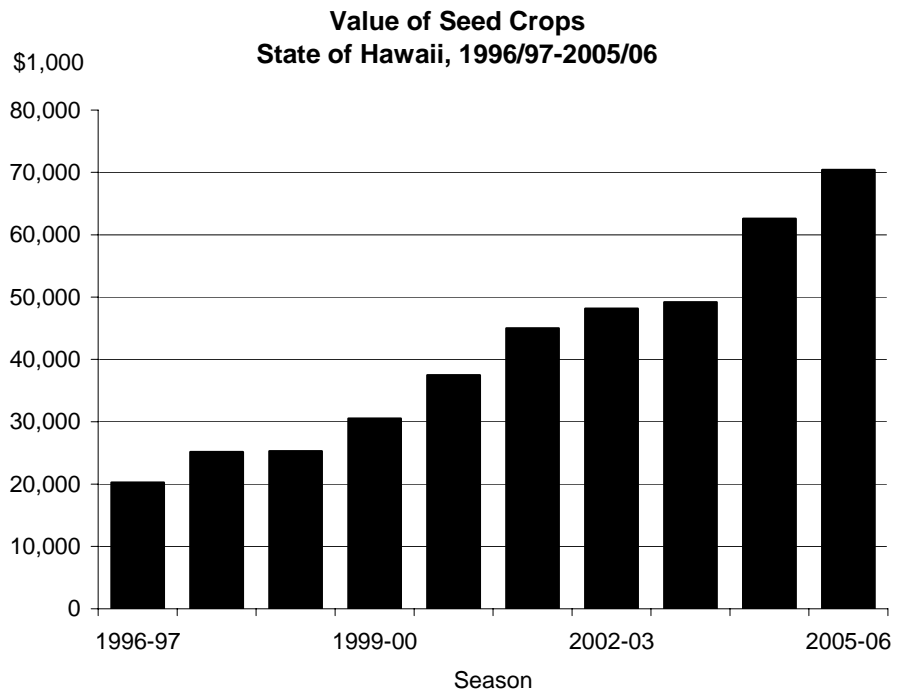
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Value of seed industry at \$70.4 million

The Hawaii Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service estimates the value of Hawaii's seed industry at a record high \$70.4 million for the 2005/06 season. This preliminary estimate represents a 12-percent increase from 2004/05's revised estimate of \$62.6 million. Seed corn is expected to account for \$68.1 million, or 97 percent, of the total value in 2005/06. A variety of other seed crops will account for the remaining 3 percent.

Outshipments of seed are anticipated to total a record high 8 million pounds during the 2005/06 season, up 16 percent from the previous record of 6.9 million pounds shipped during the 2004/05 season.

Acreage harvested for all seed crops is expected to total a record high 4,220 acres during the 2005/06 season, up 15 percent from the 2004/05 season.■



SEED CROPS

Number of farms, acreage, outshipments, and value
State of Hawaii, 1996/97-2005/06

Crop year ¹	Farms	Acreage by use				Total outshipments of seed	Value ²		
		Total	Nursery	Seed increase	Grow-out or observation		Total	Seed corn	Other seed crops
		----- acres -----				1,000 pounds	----- \$1,000 -----		
1996-97	6	1,780	625	1,060	95	3,160	20,250	19,030	1,220
1997-98	8	2,960	1,040	1,830	90	4,050	25,150	24,684	466
1998-99	8	3,070	1,120	1,870	80	5,000	25,300	24,620	680
1999-00	8	2,450	1,045	1,300	105	3,500	30,500	28,700	1,800
2000-01	7	2,900	655	2,130	115	4,800	37,500	36,400	1,100
2001-02	7	3,100	730	2,240	130	5,600	45,000	43,900	1,100
2002-03	7	3,900	1,210	2,580	110	5,850	48,145	47,060	1,085
2003-04	10	3,900	1,045	2,730	125	6,500	49,160	47,435	1,725
2004-05 ³	10	3,680	1,090	2,450	140	6,900	62,600	60,200	2,400
2005-06 ⁴	10	4,220	1,290	2,800	130	8,000	70,400	68,100	2,300

¹ Seed crops are grown year-round in Hawaii with the main season from November to June.

² Value is based on sales or gross operational budgets.

³ Revised.

⁴ Preliminary.