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Hawaii Seed Crops

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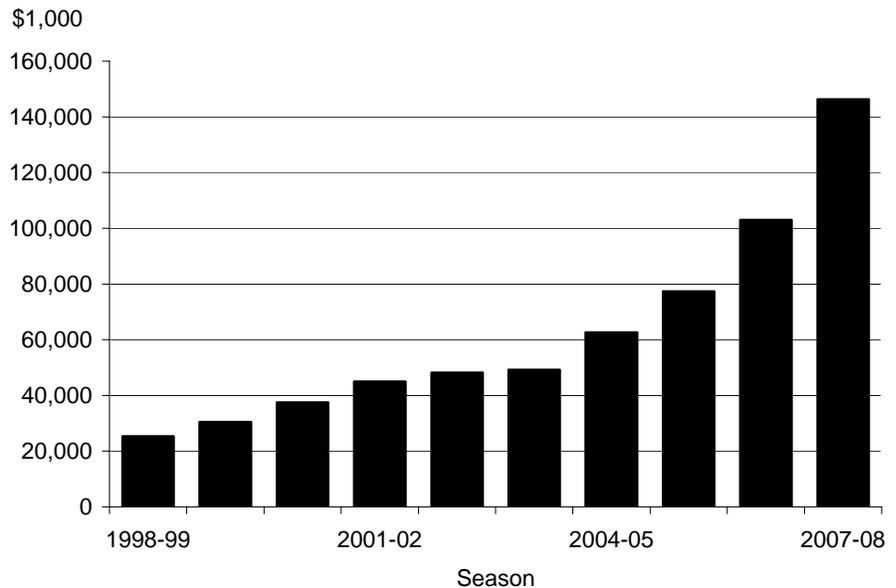
**Seed Crop
industry
valued at
\$146.3
million**

The Hawaii Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service estimates the value of Hawaii's seed industry at a record high \$146.3 million for the 2007/08 season. This preliminary estimate represents a 42-percent increase from 2006/07's revised estimate of \$103.0 million. Seed corn is expected to account for \$140.6 million, or 96 percent, of the total value in 2007/08. A variety of other seed crops will account for the remaining 4 percent.

Outshipments of seed are anticipated to total a record high 16.1 million pounds during the 2007/08 season, up 54 percent from the 10.5 million pounds shipped during the 2006/07 season.

Acreage harvested for all seed crops is expected to total a record high 6,010 acres during the 2007/08 season, up 41 percent from the 2006/07 season.■

**Value of Seed Crops
State of Hawaii, 1998/99-2007/08**



SEED CROPS

Number of farms, acreage, outshipments, and value
State of Hawaii, 1998/99-2007/08

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 -----		
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	10	3,680	1,090	2,450	140	6,900	62,600	60,200	2,400
2005-06	10	4,140	1,360	2,740	40	7,550	77,330	74,800	2,530
2006-07 ³	10	4,260	1,295	2,910	55	10,470	103,040	98,050	4,990
2007-08 ⁴	10	6,010	1,810	4,140	60	16,140	146,270	140,560	5,710

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.