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Hawaii Seed Crops

Annual report of acreage, outshipments of seed, and value

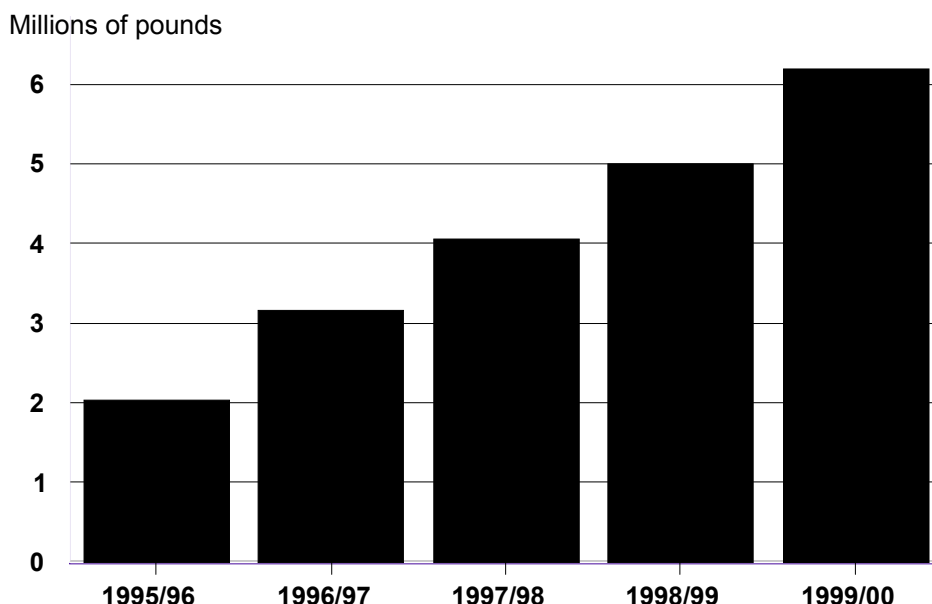
Seed industry's valued at \$28 million

The Hawaii Agricultural Statistics Service estimates the value of Hawaii's seed industry at a record high \$28.0 million for the 1999/2000 season, up 11 percent from 1998/99. The growing of corn seed dominates all others with its 1999/2000 value pegged at \$26.8 million or 96 percent of the grand total. A variety of seed crops make up the remainder of the industry with sunflower and soybean being the principal seed crops. In addition to value, the seed industry posted record high numbers for seed outshipments and acreage.

Outshipments of seed were a new record high 6.2 million pounds during the 1999/00 season, up 24 percent from the previous season and more than double the amount shipped out 5 years ago.

Acreage harvested for all seed crops totaled a record high 3,500 acres during the 1999/00 season, up 14 percent from the previous season. The increase in acreage was a major contributor to the record amount of seed shipped out and value.

Outshipments of Seeds State of Hawaii, 1995/96 - 1999/00



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SEED CROPS

Number of farms, acreage, outshipments, and value
State of Hawaii, 1995-99

Crop year ¹	Farms	Acreage				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 dollars -----		
1995-96	6	1,600	630	910	60	2,025	13,000	12,475	525
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	3,500	1,100	2,290	110	6,200	28,000	26,840	1,160

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.

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