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# Hawaii Avocados

An annual report on number of farms, acreage, yield, production, farm price, and value.

# Output increases 7 percent

The Hawaii Agricultural Statistics Service (HASS) estimates the State's 2000 avocado crop at 640,000 pounds, up 7 percent from 1999 and the largest harvest in eight years. Farm prices averaged 58 cents per pound in 2000 down 3 percent from the previous year.

Avocado yields continued to show improvement with the 2000 crop averaging 2,900 pounds per harvested acre, up 12 percent from the previous season. Greater output from commercial orchards fitted with irrigation is the main reason for the recent increase in yields. Despite the increase in average yields, overall production levels remained relatively low as dry weather in the Kona district of Hawaii island, the State's major growing area, and sluggish sales in a limited local market continued to hamper farm production.

Farm prices averaged 58 cents per pound in 2000, down 3 percent from the previous year. Some farmers cited low market demand and prices for their variety as reasons not to harvest their fruit. Total farm revenue is estimated at \$371,000 for the 2000 crop, up 3 percent from 1999. •

# Production of Hawaii Avocados State of Hawaii, 1990-2000

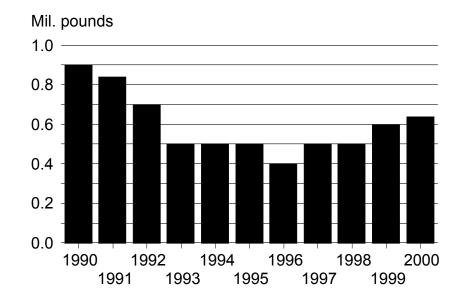
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**AVOCADOS:** Number of farms, acreage, yield, production, price, and value. State of Hawaii, 1981-2000

Year	Farms	Acreage <sup>1</sup>		Yield per acre	Production	Farm price	Value of
		In crop	Bearing	(Bearing)	i ioduction	i aiiii piice	sales
	Number	Acres		1,000 Pounds		Cents per pound	\$1,000
1981	155	370	200	6.0	1,200	26.4	317
1982	160	440	240	6.7	1,600	22.5	360
1983	160	450	250	4.7	1,170	26.1	305
1984	165	505	270	4.3	1,150	25.9	298
1985	160	525	320	3.8	1,220	24.5	299
1986	160	540	330	3.9	1,300	25.6	333
1987	145	500	300	3.0	900	31.5	284
1988	145	580	290	4.1	1,200	36.5	438
1989	140	550	250	4.4	1,100	38.0	418
1990	120	500	250	3.6	900	45.0	405
1991	110	550	280	3.0	840	47.0	395
1992	100	500	220	3.2	700	46.0	322
1993	90	460	250	2.0	500	44.0	220
1994	80	440	220	2.3	500	50.0	250
1995	80	350	210	2.4	500	54.5	273
1996	110	330	180	2.2	400	53.5	214
1997	95	340	250	2.0	500	53.0	265
1998	95	330	240	2.1	500	52.0	260
1999	120	360	230	2.6	600	60.0	360
2000	130	360	220	2.9	640	58.0	371

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> At end of year.

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