

## **HAWAII HERBS**

Fresh production, farm price, and farm value

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## Production and farm value up

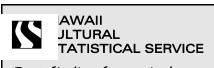
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The Hawaii Agricultural Statistics Service estimates the farm value of fresh herb sales at \$1.9 million for 1995, up 6 percent from 1994. Total fresh herb production is estimated at 1.1 million pounds, up 9 percent from 1994.

Basil made up the bulk of Hawaii's herb industry with 1995 production estimated at 630,000 pounds, up 21 percent from 1994. Total farm value of basil was pegged at \$965,000 for 1995, up 12 percent from 1994. Production of sweet basil increased 34 percent to 390,000 pounds in 1995. Sweet basil had a farm value of \$761,000 in 1995, up 14 percent from 1994. Asian basil production increased 4 percent to 240,000 pounds in 1995. Total farm value of Asian basil is estimated at \$204,000 for 1995, up 4 percent from 1994.

**Parsley** was one of the few herbs that showed a decrease in production during 1995 at 230,000 pounds, down 12 percent from 1995. Farm value of parsley was estimated at \$299,000 for 1995, down 7 percent from 1994. **Chinese parsley** (more commonly known as Cilantro) production totaled 60,000 pounds, up 28 percent from 1994. Farm value of Chinese parsley is estimated at \$102,000 for 1995, up 1 percent from 1994.

A combined category of **other herbs** had 1995 production of 200,000 pounds in 1995, down 1 percent from 1994. Total farm value of all herbs in this category was estimated at \$520,000 for 1995, up 7 percent from 1994.



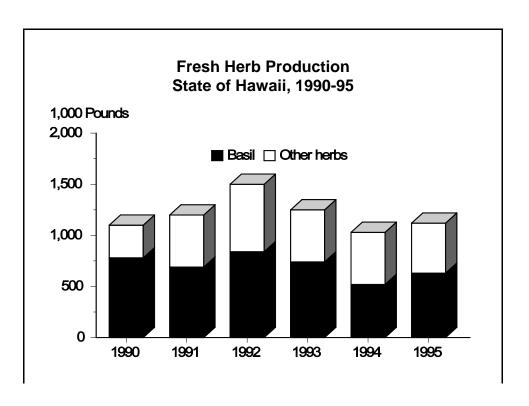
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## FRESH HERBS: Production, farm price, and farm value by types State of Hawaii, 1990-95

	Basil				Chinese	Other	All
Year	Sweet (Italian)	Asian	Total	Parsley	Parsley (Cilantr o)	herbs <sup>1</sup>	herbs
Production - 1,000							
	440 260 340 355 290 <b>390</b>	70 130 500 385 230 <b>240</b>	510 390 840 740 520 <b>630</b>	180 220 310 230 260 <b>230</b>	50 130 95 60 47 <b>60</b>	90 160 255 220 203 <b>200</b>	830 900 1,500 1,250 1,030 <b>1,120</b>
Farm price - \$ per pound							.,
	2.25 2.35 2.60 1.87 2.30 <b>1.95</b>	0.80 0.80 0.95 1.05 0.85 <b>0.85</b>		0.95 0.94 1.18 1.37 1.23 <b>1.30</b>	1.70 1.05 1.15 2.06 2.14 <b>1.70</b>	2.90 2.35 1.15 2.35 2.40 <b>2.60</b>	
Farm value - <i>\$1,000</i>		0.00			•		
	990 611 884 664 667 <b>761</b>	56 104 475 404 196 <b>204</b>	1,046 715 1,359 1,068 863 <b>965</b>	171 207 366 315 320 <b>299</b>	85 137 109 124 101 <b>102</b>	261 376 620 517 487 <b>520</b>	1,563 1,435 2,454 2,024 1,771 <b>1,886</b>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Includes spearmint, dill, and other herbs; some of which cannot be published separately to avoid disclosure. Also includes small amount of basil and parsley for which an individual total could not be obtained.