HAWAII PAPAYAS





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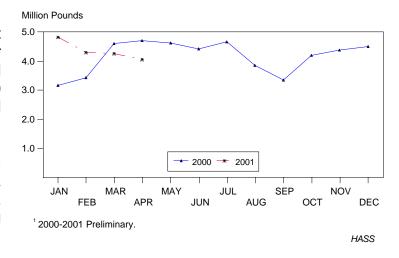
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APRIL FRESH PAPAYA PRODUCTION 5 PERCENT LOWER THAN MARCH

Hawaii fresh papaya production is estimated at 4.07 million pounds for April, 5 percent lower than March and 14 percent lower than April 2000. Year-to-date fresh sales were 10 percent higher than the same 4-month period of 2000.

April weather conditions were variable with showers and sunshine over major papaya producing areas. Incidence of Papaya Ringspot virus was low due to close monitoring and roguing of infected trees.

FRESH PAPAYA UTILIZATION STATE OF HAWAII, 2000-2001



Papaya growers are expected to receive an estimated 37.0 cents per pound for fresh fruit in April, 16 percent (5.0 cents) higher than March and 6 percent (2.0 cents) higher than last year.

FRESH PAPAYA UTILIZATION, STATE OF HAWAII, MONTH OF: April 2001

Island			Sales	Voor ogo	Year-to-date						
	Local 1	Intrastate	Out-of-State	Total fresh	Year ago	2000	2001				
	1,000 pounds										
Hawaii	121	1,079	1,750	2,950	3,130	10,000	13,110				
Kauai	40	45	80	165	570	1,840	655				
Maui/Molokai/Oahu ²	542	4	404	950	1,000	4,085	3,700				
State	703	1,128	2,234	4,065	4,700	15,925	17,465				

¹On island of production.

²Combined to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

PAPAYA ACREAGE, STATE OF HAWAII, 2001 WITH COMPARISONS

	Total acreage in crop March June September December											
Island	Ма	rch	Jι	ine	Septe	ember	December					
	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001				
Hawaii	2,100	2,270	1,600		2,050		2,040					
Kauai	325	120	340		235		185					
Maui/Molokai/Oahu	665	470	635		470	470						
State	3,090	2,860	2,575		2,755 2,695							
				Total bear	ring acres							
Hawaii	1,010	1,660	950		1,190		1,495					
Kauai	185	85	200		160		125					
Maui/Molokai/Oahu	460	280	435		260		255					
State	1,655	2,025	1,585		1,610		1,875					

FRESH PAPAYA FARM PRICE, STATE OF HAWAII, 2000-2001

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Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Average
	Cents per pound												
2000 ¹	37.0	41.0	36.0	35.0	37.0	32.0	28.0	27.0	33.0	29.0	26.0	20.0	
2001 ¹	21.0	28.0	32.0	37.0									

¹ Preliminary.