HAWAII PAPAYAS





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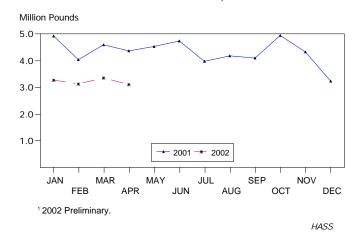
APRIL PRODUCTION BELOW PREVIOUS YEAR

Hawaii fresh papaya utilization is estimated at 3.12 million pounds for April 2002, down 7 percent from last month and 29 percent lower than a year ago. Year-to-date fresh sales trail the same 4-month period of 2001 by 28 percent.

Weather conditions in April were variable with showers and sunshine over major papaya producing areas. Non-irrigated orchards have adequate soil moisture.

Papaya growers are expected to receive an estimated 38.0 cents per pound for fresh fruit in April, 12 percent (4.0 cents) higher than last month, and 20 percent (6.3 cents) higher than a year ago.

FRESH PAPAYA UTILIZATION STATE OF HAWAII, 2001-2002



FRESH PAPAYA UTILIZATION, STATE OF HAWAII, MONTH OF: April 2002

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Island			Sales	Year ago	Year-to-date						
	Local 1	Intrastate	Out-of-State	Total fresh	rear ago	2001	2002				
	1,000 pounds										
Hawaii	174	881	1,400	2,455	3,255	13,560	10,290				
Kauai	59	46	10	115	175	690	415				
Maui/Molokai/Oahu ²	529	1	20	550	950	3,700	2,200				
State	762	928	1,430	3,120	4,380	17,950	12,905				

¹On island of production.

²Combined to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

PAPAYA ACREAGE, STATE OF HAWAII, 2002 WITH COMPARISONS

		Total acreage in crop March June September December										
Island	Ма	rch	Ju	ine	Septe	ember	December					
	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002				
Hawaii	2,270	2,200	3,000		2,360		2,275					
Kauai	120	75	105		75		80					
Maui/Molokai/Oahu	470	210	430		255		220					
State	2,860	2,485	3,535		2,690		2,575					
	Total bearing acres											
Hawaii	1,660	1,700	1,670		1,675		1,625					
Kauai	85	60	80		50		60					
Maui/Molokai/Oahu	280	175	285		200		150					
State	2,025	1,935	2,035		1,925		1,835					

FRESH PAPAYA FARM PRICE, STATE OF HAWAII, 2001-2002

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Average
	Cents per pound												
2001 ¹	21.0	28.0	32.0	37.0	35.0	32.0	33.0	30.0	27.0	25.0	25.0	26.0	
2002 ¹	34.0	35.0	34.0	38.0									

¹ Preliminary.