HAWAII **PAPAYAS**





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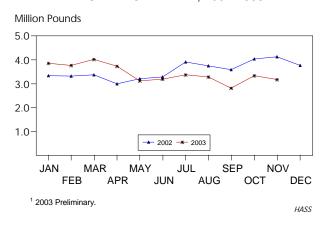
NOVEMBER FRESH UTILIZATION **5 PERCENT LOWER**

Hawaii fresh papaya utilization is estimated at 3.18 million pounds for November 2003, 5 percent lower than last month, and 23 percent lower than November 2002.

Weather conditions were variable during the month of November. Cooler temperatures, shorter day length, and cloudy skies slowed crop progress. Soil moisture has been adequate in non-irrigated orchards.

Papaya growers are expected to receive an estimated 29.0 cents per pound for fresh fruit in

FRESH PAPAYA UTILIZATION STATE OF HAWAII, 2002-20031



November, 6 percent (2.0 cents) lower than last month, but 15 percent (3.7 cents) higher than a year ago.

FRESH PAPAYA UTILIZATION, STATE OF HAWAII, MONTH OF: November 2003

Island			Sales	Year ago	Year-to-date						
	Local 1	Intrastate	Out-of-State	Total fresh	rear ago	2002	2003				
	1,000 pounds										
Hawaii	124	1,386	1,250	2,760	3,710	32,540	33,050				
Kauai	30	15	5	50	60	1,050	585				
Maui/Molokai/Oahu 2	346	4	20	370	365	5,345	4,055				
State	500	1,405	1,275	3,180	4,135	38,935	37,690				

¹On island of production.

²Combined to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

PAPAYA ACREAGE, STATE OF HAWAII, 2003 WITH COMPARISONS

		Total acreage in crop										
Island	Ма	rch	Ju	ne	Septe	mber	December					
	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003				
Hawaii	2,200	2,015	1,920	1,925	1,925	2,165	1,925					
Kauai	80	55	75	65	60	95	55					
Maui/Molokai/Oahu	210	185	210	185	185	105	170					
State	2,490	2,255	2,205	2,175	2,170	2,365	2,150					
Total bearing acres												
Hawaii	1,700	1,600	1,490	1,440	1,385	1,430	1,465					
Kauai	60	40	60	40	40	80	35					
Maui/Molokai/Oahu	170	95	175	95	75	55	80					
State	1,930	1,735	1,725	1,575	1,500	1,565	1,580					

FRESH PAPAYA FARM PRICE, STATE OF HAWAII, 2002-2003

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Average
	Cents per pound												
2002	29.4	29.5	28.3	30.2	30.4	28.3	27.9	27.5	26.9	24.9	25.3	26.1	27.7
2003 ¹	28.0	32.0	35.0	36.0	38.0	38.0	35.0	32.0	34.0	31.0	29.0		

¹ Preliminary.