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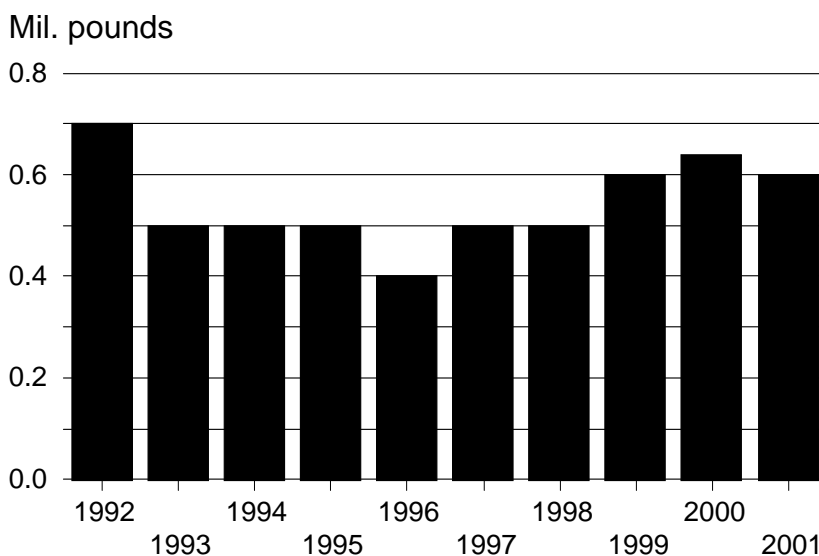
Output and farm prices decline

The Hawaii Agricultural Statistics Service (HASS) estimates the State's 2001 avocado crop at 600,000 pounds, down 6 percent from 2000. Two major factors that contributed to the decline in production were adverse weather and a soft local market.

Dry weather was detrimental for fruit set and survival particularly for farmers in the major growing area of Kona on Hawaii Island. In addition, some farmers that had fruits, but no established marketing venue, were having difficulty selling their harvest due to a local market made soft by increased imports from the U.S. mainland. Statewide, avocado yields averaged 2,600 pounds per harvested acre in 2001, down 10 percent from the previous year.

Farm prices averaged 57 cents per pound in 2001, down 2 percent from the previous year. Total farm revenue is estimated at \$342,000 for the 2001 crop, down 8 percent from 2000 and the lowest total in 3 years. ❖

**Production of Hawaii Avocados
State of Hawaii, 1992-2001**



AVOCADOS: Number of farms, acreage, yield, production, price, and value.
State of Hawaii, 1981-2001

Year	Farms	Acreage ¹		Yield per acre (Bearing)	Production	Farm price	Value of sales
		In crop	Bearing				
	<i>Number</i>	<i>----- Acres -----</i>		<i>----- 1,000 Pounds -----</i>		<i>Cents per pound</i>	<i>\$1,000</i>
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
2001	140	360	230	2.6	600	57.0	342

¹ At end of year.