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2009 Papaya Utilization Down

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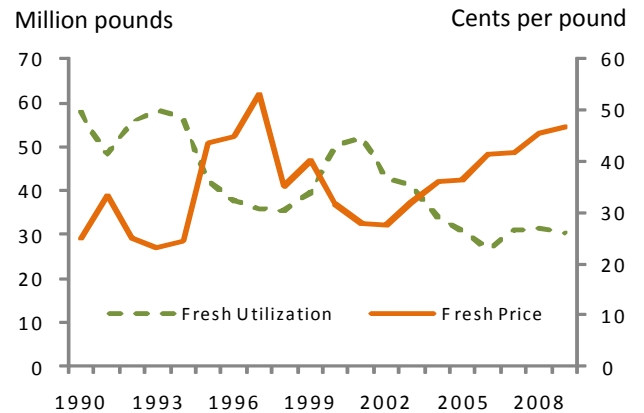


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In 2009, Hawaii papaya utilization was estimated at 31.5 million pounds, down 6 percent from the previous year. Weather for 2009 began cool and wet. Controlling fungal diseases and the associated problems were concerns after weeks of continuous rain. Spraying efforts and field maintenance were done intermittently despite the soggy conditions. Weather turned drier and warmer with the summer season aiding fruit development, ripening, and normal field activities. Gaps were noticed in the fruit columns due to heavier rains earlier in the year. New field preparation and plantings were ongoing. Irrigation was stepped up for drier areas. Some

PAPAYAS: Fresh Utilization and Price, State of Hawaii, 1990-2009



orchards depending on natural rainfall experienced drought conditions affecting crop progress. From the annual fruit survey, growers commented on the weather, prices, pest and disease control, and the rising cost of inputs, mainly fertilizers and chemicals. The production area fell 4 percent to 1,325 acres when compared to 2008. Value of sales totaled \$14.2 million, falling 1 percent from 2008. ■

PAPAYAS: Number of Farms, Acreage, Utilization, Farm Price, and Value, State of Hawaii, 2005-2009

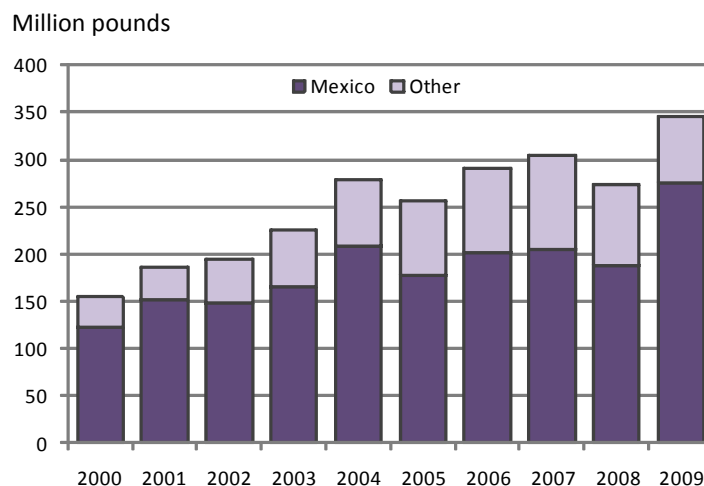
Year	Farms	Production area	Utilization			Farm price			Value of sales
			Processed	Fresh mkt	All	Processed	Fresh mkt	All	
	Number	Acres	1,000 pounds			Cents per pound			\$,000
2005	207	1,480	2,200	30,700	32,900	3.0	36.4	34.2	11,241
2006	170	1,530	2,100	26,600	28,700	3.0	41.3	38.5	11,049
2007	178	1,310	2,200	31,200	33,400	3.8	41.7	39.2	13,094
2008	177	1,380	2,000	31,500	33,500	3.0	45.5	43.0	14,393
2009	177	1,325	1,200	30,300	31,500	3.0	46.7	45.0	14,186

Papayas: U.S. Fresh Imports Up in 2009

Fresh papaya imports from foreign sources into the United States totaled 344.8 million pounds in 2009, up 26 percent from the previous year, according to the Department of Commerce. Mexico continued to dominate as the largest exporter of fresh papayas to the U.S. market, accounting for 80 percent of the total or 275.0 million pounds. Belize was a distance second contributing 15 percent of the total or 52.4 million pounds in 2009.

Total imports by type for 2009 increased 24 percent from 2008 to 361.8 million pounds due to more fresh papayas. Fresh imports continued to account for the majority or 95 percent of total imports. ■

PAPAYAS: U.S. Fresh Imports, 2000-2009



PAPAYAS: U.S. Fresh Imports, by Country, 2005-2009

Country	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
	<i>Million pounds</i>				
Mexico	176.8	201.0	204.2	187.2	275.0
Belize	61.1	74.7	73.8	62.1	52.4
Brazil	10.1	8.1	9.2	8.4	6.4
Jamaica	2.3	2.9	2.2	2.4	1.7
Dominican Republic	2.4	2.2	11.3	4.7	3.9
Guatemala	2.7	2.2	3.4	8.2	4.7
Other	.5	.3	.4	1.2	.7
Total	255.9	291.4	304.5	274.2	344.8

* = Less than 100,000 pounds. Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census.

PAPAYAS: U.S. Fresh Imports, by Type, 2005-2009

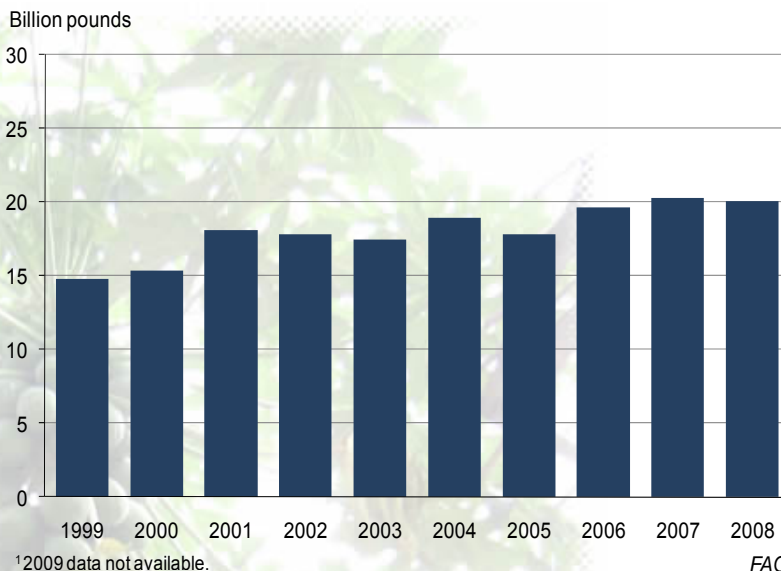
Type	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
	<i>Million pounds</i>				
Fresh	255.9	291.4	304.5	274.2	344.8
Frozen	2.6	2.7	2.2	3.7	5.7
Dried	4.0	3.3	4.8	4.4	3.9
Paste & Puree	.8	.5	.4	.8	.4
Pulp	1.1	1.4	1.5	1.4	.5
Other	7.4	9.4	7.9	8.4	6.6
Total ¹	271.8	308.6	321.3	292.8	361.8

¹ Total may not add due to rounding. Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census.

Papayas: World Production

PAPAYAS: World Production, 1999-2008¹

Information for 2009 was not available at the time of printing. Revisions to the papaya data series indicate India as the top world producer of papayas followed by Brazil. Together these two countries account for nearly half of the world's papaya production. ■



PAPAYAS: World Production, by Country, 2005-2009¹

Country	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
	<i>Million pounds</i>				
Brazil	3,470	4,184	3,994	4,189	N.A.
Colombia	² 309	² 363	² 494	458	N.A.
Congo, Dem Republic of	476	480	485	493	N.A.
Ethiopia	573	573	573	573	N.A.
India	² 4,716	² 5,472	² 5,921	5,921	N.A.
Indonesia	1,210	1,419	1,370	1,440	N.A.
Mexico	1,564	1,761	2,027	1,407	N.A.
Nigeria	1,666	1,673	1,687	1,687	N.A.
Peru	377	387	348	348	N.A.
Philippines	323	346	362	403	N.A.
Thailand	289	289	289	289	N.A.
USA	33	28	33	34	N.A.
Venezuela, Bolivarian Republic of	260	334	291	291	N.A.
Other	² 2,517	² 2,341	² 2,433	2,520	N.A.
Total ³	² 17,783	² 19,650	² 20,306	20,053	N.A.

N.A. = Not available. ¹ Data quality can be official, semi-official, estimates, or calculated. ² Revised. ³ Total may not add due to rounding. Source: Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), FAOSTAT data, <http://faostat.fao.org> accessed on 6/23/2010.