

HAWAII PAPAYAS



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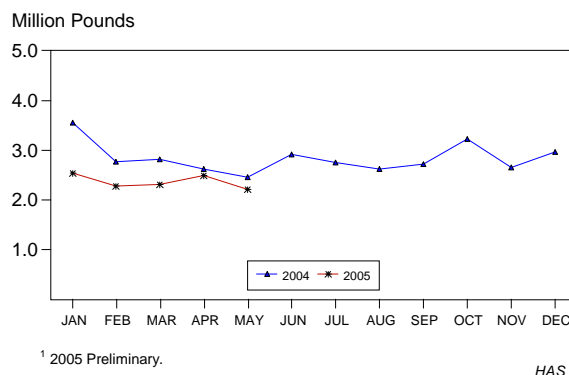
MAY FRESH UTILIZATION FORECAST AT 2.2 MILLION POUNDS

Hawaii fresh papaya utilization is estimated at 2.22 million pounds for May 2005, down 11 and 10 percent from last month and a year ago, respectively. Lower output was a result of irregular rainfall in the beginning of the year which affected flower production. Irregular rainfall in April and May has also affected fruit maturation. Year-to-date fresh sales trail the same 5-month period of 2004 by 17 percent.

Weather conditions were a mix of very light rainfall and sunny periods over major papaya producing areas during May.

Papaya growers are expected to receive an estimated 44.0 cents per pound for fresh fruit in May, 5 percent (2.0 cents) more than last month, but 17 percent (9.0 cents) less than a year ago.

FRESH PAPAYA UTILIZATION STATE OF HAWAII, 2004-2005¹



FRESH PAPAYA UTILIZATION, STATE OF HAWAII, MONTH OF: May 2005

Island	Sales				Year ago	Year-to-date	
	Local ¹	Intrastate	Out-of-State	Total fresh		2004	2005
	<i>1,000 pounds</i>						
Hawaii.....	113	977	800	1,890	2,130	12,550	10,355
Kauai.....	37	3	0	40	50	210	180
Maui/Molokai/Oahu ²	216	4	70	290	280	1,480	1,315
State.....	366	984	870	2,220	2,460	14,240	11,850

¹ On island of production.

² Combined to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

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PAPAYA ACREAGE, STATE OF HAWAII, 2005 WITH COMPARISONS

Island	Total acreage in crop							
	March		June		September		December	
	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005
Hawaii.....	1,900	2,265	1,800		1,920		2,050	
Kauai.....	50	35	40		40		40	
Maui/Molokai/Oahu.....	160	190	160		150		140	
State.....	2,110	2,490	2,000		2,110		2,230	

Total bearing acres								
Hawaii.....	1,000	1,270	900		1,220		1,245	
Kauai.....	35	25	30		25		25	
Maui/Molokai/Oahu.....	125	140	125		125		130	
State.....	1,160	1,435	1,055		1,370		1,400	

FRESH PAPAYA FARM PRICE, STATE OF HAWAII, 2004-2005

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Average
	<i>Cents per pound</i>												
2004 ¹	30.0	31.0	39.0	45.0	53.0	37.0	41.0	37.0	37.0	35.0	33.0	30.0	
2005 ¹	31.0	37.0	40.0	42.0	44.0								

¹ Preliminary.