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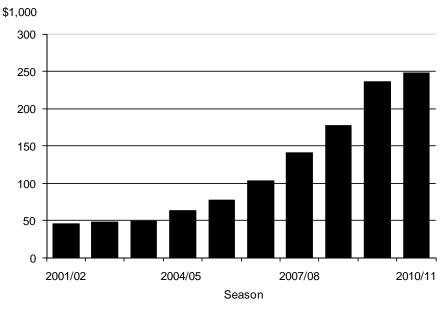
Hawaii Seed Crops

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The Hawaii Field Office of the United States Department of Agriculture's National Agricultural Statistics Service estimates the value of Hawaii's seed industry at a new record high of \$247.2 million for the 2010/11 season. This preliminary estimate represents a 5-percent increase from the 2009/10 revised estimate of \$236.4 million. Seed corn is estimated to account for \$236.4 million or 96 percent of the total value in 2010/11. A variety of other seed crops accounted for the remaining 4 percent.

Outshipments of seed are projected to total 9.8 million pounds during the 2010/11 season, down 19 percent from the revised 12.0 million shipped during the previous season.

Acreage harvested for all seed crops is expected to total a record high 7,100 acres during the 2010/11 season, up 9 percent from the previous season. ■



Value of Seed Crops State of Hawaii, 2001/02-2010/11

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SEED CROPS Number of farms, acreage, outshipments, and value State of Hawaii, 2001/02-2010/11

Crop year ¹	Farms	Acreage by use				Total	Value ²		
		Total	Nursery	Seed increase	Grow-out or observation	outshipments of seed	Total	Seed corn	Other seed crops
				- acres		1,000 pounds		\$1,000	·
2001/02	7	3,100	730	2,240	130	5,600	45,000	43,900	1,100
2002/03	7	3,900	1,210	2,580	110	5,850	48,145	47,060	1,085
2003/04	10	3,900	1,045	2,730	125	6,500	49,160	47,435	1,725
2004/05	10	3,680	1,090	2,450	140	6,900	62,600	60,200	2,400
2005/06	10	4,140	1,360	2,740	40	7,550	77,330	74,800	2,530
2006/07	10	4,260	1,295	2,910	55	10,470	103,040	98,050	4,990
2007/08	10	5,300	1,830	3,470	0	8,380	140,710	135,580	5,130
2008/09	10	5,990	1,920	4,060	10	11,275	176,990	169,275	7,715
2009/10 ³	11	6,500	2,190	4,290	20	12,000	236,410	224,490	11,920
2010/11 4	10	7,100	2,005	5,030	65	9,770	247,220	236,440	10,780

¹ Seed crops are grown year-round in Hawaii with the main season from November to June.
² Value is based on sales or gross operational budgets.
³ Revised.

⁴ Preliminary.