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COUNTY OF HAWAII STATISTICS: **August**

	2003		2004		% Change	
	Month	YTD	Month	YTD	Month	YTD
BUILDING PERMITS						
Total value of building permits authorized \$1,000	64,732	467,090	79,134	609,215	22.2	30.4
Total number of building permits authorized	327	3,031	535	3,155	63.6	4.1
Valuation of private projects (\$1,000)	64,176	452,194	77,576	582,796	20.9	28.9
Number of private projects authorized	315	2,940	518	3,059	64.4	4.0
Valuation of public projects (\$1,000)	556	14,896	1,558	26,420	180.2	77.4
Number of public projects authorized	12	91	17	96	41.7	5.5
Total new housing authorizations	159	1,673	293	2,007	84.3	20.0
New single-family units authorized	120	1,310	261	1,338	117.5	2.1
New multi-family units authorized	39	363	32	669	-17.9	84.3
TOURISM						
Number of domestic visitor arrivals	85,572 *	646,074 *	86,715	654,936	1.3	1.4
Number of international visitor arrivals	29,659 *	185,006 *	32,892	200,140	10.9	8.2
Number of foreign cruise ship arrivals	9,792	151,363 *	17,390	125,241	77.6	-17.3
Hotel/Condominium Resort Occupancy (%)						
Hawai'i County average	81.1 *	70.5	78.2	74.8	-2.9	4.3
Hilo	75.8	64.2	77.0	67.9	1.2	3.7
Kona	77.3 *	76.8	71.2	77.3	-6.1	0.5
Kohala coast	83.0	69.4	80.0	75.4	-3.0	6.0
LABOR FORCE						
Civilian labor force	76,900 *	74,963 *	77,400	76,388	0.7	1.9
Number of unemployed	5,100 *	4,800 *	3,800	3,925	-25.5	-18.2
Unemployment rate	6.7 *	6.4 *	4.9	5.2		
Total employed	71,700 *	70,138 *	73,600	72,463	2.6	3.3
Total wage & salary jobs ***	57,000 *	56,788 *	58,400	58,388	2.5	2.8
Natural Resources, Mining & Construction	4,400 *	4,238 *	4,400	4,500	-	6.2
Manufacturing	1,400	1,425 *	1,500	1,475	7.1	3.5
Trade, Transportation, Utilities	12,200 *	12,025 *	12,700	12,425	4.1	3.3
Wholesale Trade	1,400	1,400	1,500	1,450	7.1	3.6
Retail Trade	8,200	8,063 *	8,500	8,350	3.7	3.6
Finance & Insurance	1,000	1,000 *	1,100	1,013	10.0	1.3
Leisure & Hospitality Services	12,800	12,675 *	13,200	13,138	3.1	3.7
Accommodation & Food Services	11,300	11,175 *	11,700	11,600	3.5	3.8
Government	11,100	11,388 *	11,200	11,450	0.9	0.5
TRANSPORTATION						
Gasoline consumption (1,000 gals.)	6,678	56,771	7,627	50,817	14.2	-10.5
TAX COLLECTIONS (\$1,000)						
	19,079	151,799	28,225	187,300	47.9	23.4
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (Honolulu, all items)						
(1982-84=100) (1st = 183.2) (2d = 185.7)		184.5		180.1		1.3
POPULATION (July 1, 2003)						
		158,423				

*Revised

**Duplex & apartment units

***Total wage & salary jobs incl. Multiple jobholders & excl. non-agric. Self-employed, unpaid family workers, domestics