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COUNTY OF HAWAII STATISTICS: **December**

	2003		2004		% Change	
	Month	YTD	Month	YTD	Month	YTD
BUILDING PERMITS						
Total value of building permits authorized \$1,000	57,914	655,728	63,348	912,787	9.4	39.2
Total number of building permits authorized	423	4,507	478	4,974	13.0	10.4
Valuation of private projects (\$1,000)	55,551	630,394	58,199	872,118	4.8	38.3
Number of private projects authorized	411	4,366	473	4,855	15.1	11.2
Valuation of public projects (\$1,000)	2,363	25,334	5,149	40,671	117.9	60.5
Number of public projects authorized	12	141	5	119	-58.3	-15.6
Total new housing authorizations	206	2,389	307	3,113	49.0	30.3
New single-family units authorized	174	1,932	176	2,179	1.1	12.8
New multi-family units authorized	32	457	131	926	309.4	102.6
TOURISM						
Number of domestic visitor arrivals	79,712 *	924,579 *	91,328	973,946	14.6	5.3
Number of international visitor arrivals	25,736 *	282,921 *	27,704	303,662	7.6	7.3
Number of foreign cruise ship arrivals	22,466	227,832 *	23,998	200,921	6.8	-11.8
Hotel/Condominium Resort Occupancy (%)						
Hawai'i County average	63.4	67.3	63.6	71.6	0.2	4.3
Hilo	57.4	61.2	60.4	67.7	3.0	6.5
Kona	71.2	74.4	72.6	76.4	1.4	2.0
Kohala coast	61.7	66.0	60.9	70.7	-0.8	4.7
LABOR FORCE						
Civilian labor force	76,350 *	75,379 *	76,950	76,604	0.8	1.6
Number of unemployed	4,150 *	4,713 *	2,900	3,775	-30.1	-19.9
Unemployment rate	5.4 *	6.3 *	3.8	4.9		
Total employed	72,200 *	70,650 *	74,000	72,825	2.5	3.1
Total wage & salary jobs ***	58,650 *	57,179 *	61,100	59,025	4.2	3.2
Natural Resources, Mining & Construction	4,450 *	4,296 *	4,550	4,496	2.2	4.7
Manufacturing	1,450 *	1,421 *	1,500	1,483	3.4	4.4
Trade, Transportation, Utilities	12,600	12,133 *	13,500	12,667	7.1	4.4
Wholesale Trade	1,450 *	1,404 *	1,500	1,467	3.4	4.5
Retail Trade	8,650 *	8,163 *	9,250	8,529	6.9	4.5
Finance & Insurance	1,000	1,000 *	1,050	1,004	5.0	0.4
Leisure & Hospitality Services	12,850 *	12,704 *	13,750	13,313	7.0	4.8
Accommodation & Food Services	11,350 *	11,204 *	12,200	11,758	7.5	4.9
Government	11,550 *	11,363 *	11,800	11,517	2.2	1.4
TRANSPORTATION						
Gasoline consumption (1,000 gals.)	4,220	82,148	6,222	75,930	47.4	-7.6
TAX COLLECTIONS (\$1,000)						
	21,677	236,191	17,889	263,302	-17.5	11.5
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