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COUNTY OF HAWAII STATISTICS: **December**

	2004		2005		% Change	
	Month	YTD	Month	YTD	Month	YTD
BUILDING PERMITS						
Total value of building permits authorized \$1,000	63,348	912,787	70,512	1,077,023	11.3	18.0
Total number of building permits authorized	478	4,974	364	5,663	-23.8	13.9
Valuation of private projects (\$1,000)	58,199	872,118	70,207	1,005,779	20.6	15.3
Number of private projects authorized	473	4,855	363	5,567	-23.3	14.7
Valuation of public projects (\$1,000)	5,149	40,671	305	71,243	-94.1	75.2
Number of public projects authorized	5	119	1	96	-80.0	-19.3
Total new housing authorizations	307	3,113	233	3,483	-24.1	11.9
New single-family units authorized	176	2,179	161	2,698	-8.5	23.8
New multi-family units authorized**	131	926	-	156	-	-83.2
TOURISM						
Number of domestic visitor arrivals	91,569 *	977,956 *	107,735	1,151,219	17.7	17.7
Number of international visitor arrivals	26,907 *	297,688 *	31,527	336,528	17.2	13.0
Number of foreign cruise ship arrivals	23,998	235,447 *	33,924	307,858	41.4	30.8
Hotel/Condominium Resort Occupancy (%)						
Hawai'i County average	63.6	71.5 *	67.4	71.7	3.8	0.2
Hilo	60.4	67.7	70.3	74.5	9.9	6.8
Kona	72.6	76.4	71.1	74.2	-1.5	-2.2
Kohala coast	60.9	70.5 *	65.5	70.3	4.6	-0.2
LABOR FORCE						
Civilian labor force	79,000 *	78,567 *	82,800	81,208	4.8	3.4
Number of unemployed	2,450 *	3,017 *	2,300	2,671	-6.1	-11.5
Unemployment rate	3.1 *	3.8 *	2.8	3.3		
Total employed	79,000 *	75,746 *	80,500	78,546	1.9	3.7
Total wage & salary jobs ***	61,250 *	59,525 *	63,100	61,438	3.0	3.2
Natural Resources, Mining & Construction	4,550	4,438 *	5,000	4,750	9.9	7.0
Manufacturing	1,550 *	1,475 *	1,500	1,525	-3.2	3.4
Trade, Transportation, Utilities	13,450 *	12,896 *	13,650	13,158	1.5	2.0
Wholesale Trade	1,550 *	1,529 *	1,600	1,571	3.2	2.7
Retail Trade	9,050 *	8,583 *	9,200	8,783	1.7	2.3
Finance & Insurance	1,050	1,046 *	1,150	1,079	9.5	3.2
Leisure & Hospitality Services	13,700 *	13,421 *	14,000	13,954	2.2	4.0
Accommodation & Food Services	12,150 *	11,883 *	12,450	12,383	2.5	4.2
Government	11,750 *	11,508 *	11,850	11,604	0.9	0.8
TRANSPORTATION						
Gasoline consumption (1,000 gals.)	6,222	75,930	5,500	72,758	-11.6	-4.2
TAX COLLECTIONS (\$1,000)						
	17,889	263,302	18,250	270,293	2.0	2.7
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (Honolulu, all items)						
(1982-84=100) (Jan.-June)		189.2		195.0		1.3
POPULATION (July 1, 2004)						
		162,971				

*Revised

**Duplex & apartment units

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