



DEPARTMENT OF RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT
25 Aupuni Street, Hilo, HI 96720 -- (808) 961-8366

COUNTY OF HAWAI'I STATISTICS: **December**

	2005		2006		% Change	
	Month	YTD	Month	YTD	Month	YTD
BUILDING PERMITS						
Total value of building permits authorized (\$1,000)	70,512	1,077,023	52,812	979,070	-25.1	-9.1
Total number of building permits authorized	364	5,663	377	5,348	3.6	-5.6
Valuation of private projects (\$1,000)	70,207	1,005,779	49,418	927,071	-29.6	-7.8
Number of private projects authorized	363	5,567	372	5,290	2.5	-5.0
Valuation of public projects (\$1,000)	305	71,243	3,394	51,999	1,012.8	-27.0
Number of public projects authorized	1	96	5	58	400.0	-39.6
Total new housing authorizations - Units	233	3,483	122	2,754	-47.6	-20.9
New single-family units authorized	161	2,698	106	2,484	-34.2	-7.9
New multi-family units authorized**	0	156	-	4	-	-97.4
TOURISM						
Number of domestic visitor arrivals	108,541 *	1,168,087 *	109,460	1,259,913	0.8	7.9
Number of international visitor arrivals	33,776 *	338,463 *	26,438	330,582	-21.7	-2.3
Number of foreign cruise ship arrivals	35,260 *	307,768 *	42,025	401,882	19.2	30.6
Hotel/Condominium Resort Occupancy (%)						
Hawai'i County average	67.4	71.7	N/A	N/A	-	-
Hilo	70.3	74.5	N/A	N/A	-	-
Kona	71.1	74.2	N/A	N/A	-	-
Kohala coast	65.5	70.3	N/A	N/A	-	-
LABOR FORCE						
Civilian labor force	81,950 *	81,300 *	85,350	83,650	4.1	2.9
Number of unemployed	2,200 *	2,650	1,600	2,350	-27.3	-11.3
Unemployment rate	2.7 *	3.2	1.9	2.8		
Total employed	79,750 *	78,650	83,750	81,300	5.0	3.4
Total wage & salary jobs ***(2005/2006 Annual)	63,500 *	62,200	65,900	64,400	3.8	3.5
Natural Resources, Mining & Construction	5,050 *	4,850	5,450	5,250	7.9	8.2
Manufacturing	1,500	1,500	1,550	1,550	3.3	3.3
Trade, Transportation, Utilities	14,000 *	13,450	14,650	14,000	4.6	4.1
Wholesale Trade	1,650 *	1,650	1,800	1,750	9.1	6.1
Retail Trade	9,400 *	8,900	9,700	9,200	3.2	3.4
Finance & Insurance	1,150	1,150	1,250	1,200	8.7	4.3
Leisure & Hospitality Services	14,050 *	13,950	14,300	14,250	1.8	2.2
Accommodation & Food Services	12,450	12,350	12,600	12,600	1.2	2.0
Government	11,900 *	11,600	12,300	11,950	3.4	3.0
TRANSPORTATION						
Gasoline consumption (1,000 gals.)	5,500	72,758	6,214	80,714	13.0	10.9
TAX COLLECTIONS (\$1,000)						
	18,250	270,293	20,527	307,687	12.5	13.8
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (Honolulu, all items)						
(1982-84=100) (1st=206.4) (2nd=212.3)		209.4				
POPULATION (July 1, 2006)						
		171,191				

*Revised

**Duplex & apartment units

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

N/A = Not Available