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COUNTY OF HAWAII STATISTICS: **May**

| | 2003 | | 2004 | | % Change | |
|--|----------|-----------|--------|---------|----------|-------|
| | Month | YTD | Month | YTD | Month | YTD |
| BUILDING PERMITS | | | | | | |
| Total value of building permits authorized \$1,000 | 51,725 | 295,756 | 26,323 | 331,288 | -49.1 | 12.0 |
| Total number of building permits authorized | 389 | 1,922 | 264 | 1,722 | -32.1 | -10.4 |
| Valuation of private projects (\$1,000) | 51,335 | 283,065 | 25,005 | 311,011 | -51.3 | 9.9 |
| Number of private projects authorized | 385 | 1,868 | 257 | 1,674 | -33.2 | -10.4 |
| Valuation of public projects (\$1,000) | 391 | 12,690 | 1,317 | 20,276 | 236.8 | 59.8 |
| Number of public projects authorized | 4 | 54 | 7 | 48 | 75.0 | -11.1 |
| Total new housing authorizations | 227 | 1,154 | 107 | 976 | -52.9 | -15.4 |
| New single-family units authorized | 227 | 858 | 107 | 673 | -52.9 | -21.6 |
| New multi-family units authorized | - | 296 | - | 303 | - | 2.4 |
| TOURISM | | | | | | |
| Number of domestic visitor arrivals | 72,503 | 381,058 | 73,047 | 379,916 | 0.8 | -0.3 |
| Number of international visitor arrivals | 16,440 | 116,346 | 21,835 | 119,626 | 32.8 | 2.8 |
| Number of foreign cruise ship arrivals | 28,144 | 119,557 * | 17,389 | 87,369 | -38.2 | -26.9 |
| Hotel/Condominium Resort Occupancy (%) | | | | | | |
| Hawai'i County average | 58.0 * | 67.8 | 65.4 | 73.4 | 7.4 | 5.6 |
| Hilo | 55.0 | 61.1 | 61.5 | 63.9 | 6.5 | 2.8 |
| Kona | 64.3 | 77.2 | 71.9 | 76.5 | 7.6 | -0.7 |
| Kohala coast | 56.1 * | 65.8 | 63.8 | 74.3 | 7.7 | 8.5 |
| LABOR FORCE | | | | | | |
| Civilian labor force | 74,500 * | 73,800 * | 75,800 | 75,700 | 1.7 | 2.5 |
| Number of unemployed | 5,000 * | 4,280 * | 3,600 | 3,800 | -28.0 | -11.2 |
| Unemployment rate | 6.8 * | 5.8 * | 4.7 | 5.0 | | |
| Total employed | 69,400 * | 69,500 * | 72,200 | 71,900 | 4.0 | 3.5 |
| Total wage & salary jobs *** | 56,900 * | 56,660 * | 58,500 | 58,300 | 2.8 | 2.9 |
| Natural Resources, Mining & Construction | 4,200 * | 4,180 * | 4,500 | 4,540 | 7.1 | 8.6 |
| Manufacturing | 1,500 * | 1,420 * | 1,500 | 1,460 | - | 2.8 |
| Trade, Transportation, Utilities | 12,000 * | 11,960 * | 12,400 | 12,300 | 3.3 | 2.8 |
| Wholesale Trade | 1,400 | 1,400 | 1,400 | 1,400 | - | |
| Retail Trade | 8,000 * | 8,000 * | 8,300 | 8,260 | 3.8 | 3.3 |
| Finance & Insurance | 1,000 | 1,000 * | 1,000 | 1,000 | - | - |
| Leisure & Hospitality Services | 12,600 | 12,640 * | 13,200 | 13,120 | 4.8 | 3.8 |
| Accommodation & Food Services | 11,100 * | 11,140 * | 11,600 | 11,580 | 4.5 | 3.9 |
| Government | 11,600 | 11,520 * | 11,600 | 11,540 | - | 0.2 |
| TRANSPORTATION | | | | | | |
| Gasoline consumption (1,000 gals.) | 7,338 | 35,642 | 5,445 | 30,393 | -25.8 | -14.7 |
| TAX COLLECTIONS (\$1,000) | | | | | | |
| | 24,182 | 95,140 | 27,888 | 112,694 | 15.3 | 18.5 |
| CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (Honolulu, all items) | | | | | | |
| (1982-84=100) (1st = 183.2) (2d = 185.7) | | 184.5 | | | | |
| 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