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COUNTY OF HAWAII STATISTICS: **September**

	2002		2003		% Change	
	Month	YTD	Month	YTD	Month	YTD
BUILDING PERMITS						
Total value of building permits authorized \$1,000	41,109	378,145	47,196	514,286	14.8	36.0
Total number of building permits authorized	299	2,757	351	3,382	17.4	22.7
Valuation of private projects (\$1,000)	37,886	343,059	42,434	494,628	12.0	44.2
Number of private projects authorized	291	2,613	340	3,280	16.8	25.5
Valuation of public projects (\$1,000)	3,224	35,086	4,762	19,658	47.7	-44.0
Number of public projects authorized	8	144	11	102	37.5	-29.2
Total new housing authorizations	116	1,183	167	1,840	44.0	55.5
New single-family units authorized	98	924	131	1,441	33.7	56.0
New multi-family units authorized	18	259	36	399	100.0	54.1
TOURISM						
Number of domestic visitor arrivals	61,033 *	685,981 *	59,449	704,395	-2.6	2.7
Number of international visitor arrivals	24,872 *	236,176 *	23,929	209,673	-3.8	-11.2
Number of foreign cruise ship arrivals	24,112	154,337 *	15,704	169,700	-34.9	10.0
Hotel/Condominium Resort Occupancy (%)						
Hawaii County average	60.0 *	69.0	61.9	69.6	1.9	0.6
Hilo	63.4	61.0	51.9	62.9	-11.5	1.9
Kona	67.1	78.7	63.7	75.4	-3.4	-3.3
Kohala coast	55.7 *	67.0	63.6	68.9	7.9	1.9
LABOR FORCE						
Civilian labor force	69,300 *	70,222 *	72,800	73,078	5.1	4.1
Number of unemployed	3,800 *	4,178 *	4,100	4,244	7.9	1.6
Unemployment rate	5.5 *	6.0 *	5.6	5.8		
Total employed	65,500 *	66,067 *	68,700	68,844	4.9	4.2
Total wage & salary jobs ***	55,700 *	55,600 *	57,000	57,067	2.3	2.6
Natural Resources, Mining & Construction	3,900 *	3,844 *	4,100	4,000	5.1	4.1
Manufacturing	1,400 *	1,433 *	1,400	1,400	-	-2.3
Trade, Transportation, Utilities	11,900 *	11,633 *	12,100	12,122	1.7	4.2
Wholesale Trade	1,400 *	1,344 *	1,400	1,400	-	4.2
Retail Trade	8,100 *	7,867 *	8,200	8,256	1.2	4.9
Finance & Insurance	900 *	900 *	1,000	967	11.1	7.4
Leisure & Hospitality Services	12,200 *	12,322 *	13,000	12,744	6.6	3.4
Accommodation & Food Services	10,900 *	11,067 *	11,500	11,333	5.5	2.4
Government	11,100 *	11,322 *	11,100	11,378	-	0.5
TRANSPORTATION						
Gasoline consumption (1,000 gals.)	5,278	51,893	7,535	64,306	42.8	23.9
TAX COLLECTIONS (\$1,000)						
	22,642	164,743	25,101	176,900	10.9	7.4
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (Honolulu, all items)						
(1982-84=100) (1st = 180.1) (2d = 180.4)		180.3		180.1		1.3
POPULATION (July 1, 2002)						
		154,794				

*Revised

**Duplex & apartment units

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