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COUNTY OF HAWAII STATISTICS: **April**

	2007		2008		% Change	
	Month	YTD	Month	YTD	Month	YTD
BUILDING PERMITS						
Total value of building permits authorized (\$1,000)	84,459	309,318	93,262	343,297	10.4	11.0
Total number of building permits authorized	362	1,622	457	1,537	26.2	-5.2
Valuation of private projects (\$1,000)	76,142	286,120	92,831	336,821	21.9	17.7
Number of private projects authorized	355	1,593	453	1,513	27.6	-5.0
Valuation of public projects (\$1,000)	8,316	23,197	431	6,475	-94.8	-72.1
Number of public projects authorized	7	29	4	24	-42.9	-17.2
Total new housing authorizations - Units	186	706	130	442	-30.1	-37.4
New single-family units authorized	168	618	130	433	-22.6	-29.9
New multi-family units authorized**	2	4	-	-	-	-
TOURISM						
Number of domestic visitor arrivals	107,960	428,667	81,456	388,319	-24.5	-9.4
Number of international visitor arrivals	20,970	105,928	24,836	109,575	18.4	3.4
Number of cruise ship arrivals	47,805	172,099	22,617	111,172	-52.7	-35.4
Hotel/Condominium Resort Occupancy (%)						
Hawai'i County average	64.3	71.9	59.4	69.9	-4.9	-2.0
Kohala coast	66.3	70.3	54.5	69.2	-11.8	-1.1
LABOR FORCE						
Civilian labor force	87,000 *	87,065 *	89,300	87,575	2.6	0.6
Number of unemployed	2,600 *	2,488 *	3,850	3,575	48.1	43.7
Unemployment rate	3.0	2.9 *	4.3	4.1		
Total employed	84,400 *	84,600 *	85,500	84,013	1.3	-0.7
Total wage & salary jobs ***	66,550 *	66,675 *	67,150	66,825	0.9	0.2
Leisure & Hospitality Services	14,750 *	14,813 *	14,550	14,513	-1.4	-2.0
Accommodation & Food Services	12,800	12,888 *	12,600	12,613	-1.6	-2.1
Trade, Transportation, Utilities	14,100 *	14,175 *	14,300	14,413	1.4	1.7
Wholesale Trade	1,700	1,713 *	1,750	1,750	2.9	2.2
Retail Trade	9,300 *	9,313 *	9,550	9,488	2.7	1.9
Government	12,200	12,138	12,650	12,550	3.7	3.4
Education and Health Services	7,300 *	7,250 *	7,550	7,438	3.4	2.6
Natural Resources, Mining & Construction	5,850 *	5,863 *	5,450	5,488	-6.8	-6.4
Manufacturing	1,700 *	1,700 *	1,700	1,700	-	-
Finance & Insurance	1,250	1,288 *	1,300	1,300	4.0	0.9
TRANSPORTATION						
Gasoline consumption (1,000 gals.)	6,272	24,520	5,758	24,880	-8.2	1.5
TAX COLLECTIONS (\$1,000)						
	28,616	95,068	22,785	94,404	-20.4	-0.7
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (Honolulu, all items)						
(1982-84=100) (1st = 216.6) (2d = 222.4)		219.5				
POPULATION (July 1, 2007)						
		173,057				

*Revised

**Duplex & apartment units

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