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COUNTY OF HAWAII STATISTICS: **April**

	2008		2009		% Change	
	Month	YTD	Month	YTD	Month	YTD
<b>BUILDING PERMITS</b>						
Total value of building permits authorized (\$1,000)	93,262	343,297	33,659	132,646	-63.9	-61.4
Total number of building permits authorized	457	1,537	302	1,080	-33.9	-29.7
Valuation of private projects (\$1,000)	92,831	336,821	21,165	98,935	-77.2	-70.6
Number of private projects authorized	453	1,513	245	986	-45.9	-34.8
Valuation of public projects (\$1,000)	431	6,475	12,494	33,711	2,798.8	420.6
Number of public projects authorized	4	24	57	94	1,325.0	291.7
Total new housing authorizations - Units	130	442	60	272	-53.8	-38.5
New single-family units authorized	130	433	57	263	-56.2	-39.3
New multi-family units authorized**	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>TOURISM</b>						
Number of domestic visitor arrivals	81,456	388,319	81,826	319,442	0.5	-17.7
Number of international visitor arrivals	24,836	109,575	26,439	99,810	6.5	-8.9
Number of cruise ship arrivals	22,617	111,172	24,267	80,175	7.3	-27.9
Hotel/Condominium Resort Occupancy (%)						
Hawai'i County average	59.3 *	69.9	54.9	58.2	-4.4	-11.7
Kohala coast	54.8 *	68.9 *	57.6	58.3	2.8	-10.6
<b>LABOR FORCE</b>						
Civilian labor force	87,850 *	86,988 *	86,100	85,938	-2.0	-1.2
Number of unemployed	3,700 *	3,513 *	8,350	8,013	125.7	128.1
Unemployment rate	4.2 *	4.0 *	9.7	9.4		
Total employed	84,150 *	83,500 *	77,750	77,925	-7.6	-6.7
Total wage & salary jobs ***	66,778 *	66,880 *	63,250	63,450	-5.3	-5.1
Leisure & Hospitality Services	14,426 *	14,563 *	13,000	13,125	-9.9	-9.9
Accommodation & Food Services	12,502 *	12,618 *	11,250	11,400	-10.0	-9.7
Trade, Transportation, Utilities	14,485 *	14,540 *	13,450	13,525	-7.1	-7.0
Wholesale Trade	1,761 *	1,768 *	1,700	1,700	-3.5	-3.8
Retail Trade	9,624 *	9,585 *	9,150	9,188	-4.9	-4.1
Government	12,645 *	12,550	13,050	12,963	3.2	3.3
Education and Health Services	7,470 *	7,440 *	7,550	7,625	1.1	2.5
Natural Resources, Mining & Construction	5,452 *	5,488	4,500	4,625	-17.5	-15.7
Manufacturing	1,537 *	1,609 *	1,450	1,488	-5.7	-7.5
Finance & Insurance	1,218 *	1,237 *	1,200	1,200	-1.5	-3.0
<b>TRANSPORTATION</b>						
Gasoline consumption (1,000 gals.)	5,758	24,880	6,286	24,175	9.2	-2.8
<b>TAX COLLECTIONS (\$1,000)</b>						
	22,785	94,404	21,357	87,331	-6.3	-7.5
<b>CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (Honolulu, all items)</b>						
(1982-84=100) (Jan. - June)		216.6		227.3		4.9
<b>POPULATION (July 1, 2008)</b>						
		175,784				

\*Revised

\*\*Duplex & apartment units

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