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COUNTY OF HAWAII STATISTICS: **December**

	2007		2008		% Change	
	Month	YTD	Month	YTD	Month	YTD
BUILDING PERMITS						
Total value of building permits authorized (\$1,000)	81,445	963,980	54,730	803,002	-32.8	-16.7
Total number of building permits authorized	438	4,768	425	4,566	-3.0	-4.2
Valuation of private projects (\$1,000)	78,050	915,736	20,039	706,995	-74.3	-22.8
Number of private projects authorized	432	4,681	413	4,432	-4.4	-5.3
Valuation of public projects (\$1,000)	3,395	48,242	34,690	96,006	921.8	99.0
Number of public projects authorized	6	87	12	134	100.0	54.0
Total new housing authorizations - Units	147	2,167	53	1,551	-63.9	-28.4
New single-family units authorized	129	1,852	53	1,105	-58.9	-40.3
New multi-family units authorized**	-	8	-	6	-	-25.0
TOURISM						
Number of domestic visitor arrivals	114,057 *	1,300,779 *	80,963	1,023,452	-29.0	-21.3
Number of international visitor arrivals	30,520 *	311,517 *	25,563	300,850	-16.2	-3.4
Number of cruise ship arrivals	42,367 *	488,515 *	21,327	255,908	-49.7	-47.6
Hotel/Condominium Resort Occupancy (%)						
Hawaii County average	60.7	67.5	48.2	59.8	-12.5	-7.7
Kohala coast	60.2	65.7	45.3	57.9	-14.9	-7.8
LABOR FORCE						
Civilian labor force	85,300 *	86,304 *	88,400	88,683	3.6	2.8
Number of unemployed	3,000	2,892 *	6,300	4,892	110.0	69.2
Unemployment rate	3.5 *	3.4 *	7.1	5.5		
Total employed	82,250 *	83,421 *	82,050	83,792	-0.2	0.4
Total wage & salary jobs ***	67,000 *	66,571 *	65,850	66,525	-1.7	-0.1
Leisure & Hospitality Services	14,350 *	14,696 *	13,700	14,271	-4.5	-2.9
Accommodation & Food Services	12,450 *	12,796 *	11,900	12,358	-4.4	-3.4
Trade, Transportation, Utilities	14,550 *	14,288 *	14,150	14,263	-2.7	-0.2
Wholesale Trade	1,750	1,733 *	1,650	1,725	-5.7	-0.5
Retail Trade	9,650 *	9,400 *	9,700	9,546	0.5	1.6
Government	12,700 *	12,192 *	13,100	12,733	3.1	4.4
Education and Health Services	7,400 *	7,308 *	7,600	7,496	2.7	2.6
Natural Resources, Mining & Construction	5,700 *	5,767 *	5,150	5,363	-9.6	-7.0
Manufacturing	1,700 *	1,679 *	1,600	1,650	-5.9	-1.7
Finance & Insurance	1,300	1,275 *	1,200	1,242	-7.7	-2.6
TRANSPORTATION						
Gasoline consumption (1,000 gals.)	5,776	78,091	6,737	74,582	16.6	-4.5
TAX COLLECTIONS (\$1,000)						
	27,807	340,899	26,132	324,442	-6.0	-4.8
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (Honolulu, all items)						
(1982-84=100) (Jan. - June)		216.6		227.3		4.9
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