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COUNTY OF HAWAII STATISTICS: **March**

	2008		2009		% Change	
	Month	YTD	Month	YTD	Month	YTD
BUILDING PERMITS						
Total value of building permits authorized (\$1,000)	85,674	250,035	22,872	98,987	-73.3	-60.4
Total number of building permits authorized	332	1,080	228	778	-31.3	-28.0
Valuation of private projects (\$1,000)	85,053	243,990	15,908	77,770	-81.3	-68.1
Number of private projects authorized	327	1,060	208	741	-36.4	-30.1
Valuation of public projects (\$1,000)	621	6,044	6,964	21,217	1,021.4	251.0
Number of public projects authorized	5	20	20	37	300.0	85.0
Total new housing authorizations - Units	95	312	58	212	-39.0	-32.1
New single-family units authorized	86	303	58	206	-32.6	-32.0
New multi-family units authorized**	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOURISM						
Number of domestic visitor arrivals	103,963	306,863	79,966	237,616	-23.1	-22.6
Number of international visitor arrivals	26,160	84,739	27,134	73,371	3.7	-13.4
Number of cruise ship arrivals	29,474	88,555	20,357	55,908	-30.9	-36.9
Hotel/Condominium Resort Occupancy (%)						
Hawai'i County average	72.1 *	73.5 *	56.7	59.0	-15.4	-14.5
Kohala coast	71.5 *	73.7 *	54.3	58.0	-17.2	-15.7
LABOR FORCE						
Civilian labor force	86,850 *	86,700 *	85,600	85,883	-1.4	-0.9
Number of unemployed	3,500 *	3,450 *	8,700	7,900	148.6	129.0
Unemployment rate	4.0 *	3.9 *	10.2	9.2		
Total employed	83,400 *	83,283 *	76,900	77,983	-7.8	-6.4
Total wage & salary jobs ***	67,443 *	66,914 *	63,400	63,517	-6.0	-5.1
Leisure & Hospitality Services	14,724 *	14,608 *	13,050	13,167	-11.4	-9.9
Accommodation & Food Services	12,769 *	12,656 *	11,350	11,450	-11.1	-9.5
Trade, Transportation, Utilities	14,626 *	14,559 *	13,550	13,550	-7.4	-6.9
Wholesale Trade	1,760 *	1,770 *	1,700	1,700	-3.4	-4.0
Retail Trade	9,666 *	9,572 *	9,250	9,200	-4.3	-3.9
Government	12,753 *	12,518 *	13,100	12,933	2.7	3.3
Education and Health Services	7,489 *	7,430 *	7,650	7,650	2.1	3.0
Natural Resources, Mining & Construction	5,501 *	5,500	4,550	4,667	-17.3	-15.1
Manufacturing	1,600 *	1,633 *	1,500	1,500	-6.3	-8.1
Finance & Insurance	1,228 *	1,243 *	1,200	1,200	-2.3	-3.5
TRANSPORTATION						
Gasoline consumption (1,000 gals.)	5,761	19,122	3,832	17,889	-33.5	-6.4
TAX COLLECTIONS (\$1,000)						
	21,353	71,619	18,937	65,974	-11.3	-7.9
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (Honolulu, all items)						
(1982-84=100) (Jan. - June)		216.6		227.3		4.9
POPULATION (July 1, 2008)						
		175,784				

*Revised

**Duplex & apartment units

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