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COUNTY OF HAWAII STATISTICS: **February**

	2003		2004		% Change	
	Month	YTD	Month	YTD	Month	YTD
BUILDING PERMITS						
Total value of building permits authorized \$1,000	63,306	126,065	62,783	117,603	-0.8	-6.7
Total number of building permits authorized	260	640	369	666	41.9	4.1
Valuation of private projects (\$1,000)	59,442	120,283	60,079	114,014	1.1	-5.2
Number of private projects authorized	251	623	366	661	45.8	6.1
Valuation of public projects (\$1,000)	3,863	5,780	2,704	3,589	-30.0	-37.9
Number of public projects authorized	9	17	3	5	-66.7	-70.6
Total new housing authorizations	157	356	196	329	24.8	-7.6
New single-family units authorized	79	235	192	325	143.0	38.3
New multi-family units authorized	78	121	4	4	-94.9	-96.7
TOURISM						
Number of domestic visitor arrivals	72,066	145,006	73,244	144,174	1.6	-0.6
Number of international visitor arrivals	28,920	60,069	26,065	50,394	-9.9	-16.1
Number of foreign cruise ship arrivals	17,117 *	35,557 *	15,277	29,274	-10.7	-17.7
Hotel/Condominium Resort Occupancy (%)						
Hawaii County average	71.0 *	67.6 *	74.3	72.9	3.3	5.3
Hilo	69.0	61.2 *	66.4	62.1	-2.6	0.9
Kona	85.5 *	80.2 *	85.1	81.8	-0.4	1.6
Kohala coast	68.1	66.1 *	73.4	73.1	5.3	7.0
LABOR FORCE						
Civilian labor force	72,700 *	73,200 *	75,200	75,800	3.4	3.6
Number of unemployed	3,600 *	3,650 *	3,900 *	3,950	8.3	8.2
Unemployment rate	5.0 *	5.0 *	5.2 *	5.3		
Total employed	69,100 *	69,500 *	71,300 *	71,850	3.2	3.4
Total wage & salary jobs ***	56,400 *	56,450 *	58,100 *	58,100	3.0	2.9
Natural Resources, Mining & Construction	4,200 *	4,150 *	4,600 *	4,500	9.5	8.4
Manufacturing	1,400	1,400	1,400	1,400	-	-
Trade, Transportation, Utilities	12,000 *	12,000 *	12,200 *	12,300	1.7	2.5
Wholesale Trade	1,400	1,400	1,400	1,400	-	-
Retail Trade	8,000 *	8,000 *	8,200	8,300	2.5	3.8
Finance & Insurance	1,000 *	1,000 *	1,000	1,000	-	-
Leisure & Hospitality Services	12,600 *	12,600 *	13,100	13,000	4.0	3.2
Accommodation & Food Services	11,100 *	11,100 *	11,600	11,500	4.5	3.6
Government	11,400 *	11,450 *	11,500	11,450	0.9	-
TRANSPORTATION						
Gasoline consumption (1,000 gals.)	6,533	14,802	5,955	11,841	-8.8	-20.0
TAX COLLECTIONS (\$1,000)						
	19,226	40,985	23,494	47,840	22.2	16.7
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (Honolulu, all items)						
(1982-84=100) (1st = 183.2) (2d = 185.7)		184.5				
POPULATION (July 1, 2003)						
		158,423				

*Revised

**Duplex & apartment units

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