

# A Look at Hawaii Agriculture



## Hawaii

**Capital:** Honolulu  
**Population:** 1,211,537 (2000 census)  
**Statehood:** August 21, 1959 (50<sup>th</sup> state)  
**State Bird:** Nene (Hawaiian goose)  
**State Tree:** Kukui  
**State Flower:** Yellow hibiscus  
**Number of Counties:** 5  
**Largest City:** Honolulu **Population:** 365,272

## Soil

- The soil is very rich due to heavy rainfall.



## Climate



- Cool trade winds keep the climate of Hawaii mild all year.
- State average temp in July is 77°F, and in January 71°F.
- The average of amount precipitation is 400" in the mountains to less than 10" in the lowlands.
- Snow sometimes covers the highest points on the islands of Hawaii and Maui.

## General



- Farmland covers about 40% of Hawaii.
- Sugarcane is Hawaii's most valuable crop.
- Pineapples, grow mainly in Maui, are the second most important crop.

## Crops



- Two percent of the gross state product is agriculture.
- The Alphabet for the native Hawaiian language only has 12 letters A E H I K L M N O P U W.
- Hawaii has about 4,400 farms.

## Animals



- The island of Hawaii has several large cattle ranches.
- On the island of Oahu, dairy and egg farms are a major source of farm income.
- The islands of Maui and Kauai raise cattle and hogs.



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