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COUNTY OF HAWAII STATISTICS: **February**

	2008		2009		% Change	
	Month	YTD	Month	YTD	Month	YTD
<b>BUILDING PERMITS</b>						
Total value of building permits authorized (\$1,000)	101,647	164,361	41,838	76,115	-58.8	-53.7
Total number of building permits authorized	364	748	245	550	-32.7	-26.5
Valuation of private projects (\$1,000)	96,946	158,937	28,734	61,862	-70.4	-61.1
Number of private projects authorized	354	733	233	533	-34.2	-27.3
Valuation of public projects (\$1,000)	4,700	5,423	13,104	14,253	178.8	162.8
Number of public projects authorized	10	15	12	17	20.0	13.3
Total new housing authorizations - Units	115	217	65	154	-43.5	-29.0
New single-family units authorized	115	217	65	148	-43.5	-31.8
New multi-family units authorized**	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>TOURISM</b>						
Number of domestic visitor arrivals	98,337	202,900	79,505	157,650	-19.2	-22.3
Number of international visitor arrivals	27,322	58,579	23,897	46,237	-12.5	-21.1
Number of cruise ship arrivals	23,844	59,081	16,229	35,551	-31.9	-39.8
Hotel/Condominium Resort Occupancy (%)						
Hawaii'i County average	77.2	74.0	63.9	60.1	-13.3	-13.9
Kohala coast	77.2 *	74.7 *	61.4	59.7	-15.8	-15.0
<b>LABOR FORCE</b>						
Civilian labor force	86,100 *	86,625 *	86,050	86,025	-0.1	-0.7
Number of unemployed	3,400	3,425	7,800	7,500	129.4	119.0
Unemployment rate	3.9	3.9	9.1	8.8		
Total employed	82,750 *	83,225 *	78,250	78,525	-5.4	-5.6
Total wage & salary jobs ***	66,800 *	66,650 *	63,650	63,575	-4.7	-4.6
Leisure & Hospitality Services	14,550 *	14,550 *	13,250	13,225	-8.9	-9.1
Accommodation & Food Services	12,650 *	12,600 *	11,500	11,500	-9.1	-8.7
Trade, Transportation, Utilities	14,450 *	14,525 *	13,500	13,550	-6.6	-6.7
Wholesale Trade	1,750	1,775 *	1,700	1,700	-2.9	-4.2
Retail Trade	9,400	9,525 *	9,150	9,175	-2.7	-3.7
Government	12,500	12,400	12,900	12,850	3.2	3.6
Education and Health Services	7,450	7,400 *	7,700	7,650	3.4	3.4
Natural Resources, Mining & Construction	5,550 *	5,500	4,650	4,725	-16.2	-14.1
Manufacturing	1,700	1,650 *	1,500	1,500	-11.8	-9.1
Finance & Insurance	1,300	1,250 *	1,200	1,200	-7.7	-4.0
<b>TRANSPORTATION</b>						
Gasoline consumption (1,000 gals.)	6,706	13,361	8,681	14,057	29.5	5.2
<b>TAX COLLECTIONS (\$1,000)</b>						
	21,235	50,266	16,796	47,037	-20.9	-6.4
<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