
ABOUT THIS EDITION

This 2015 County of Hawai'i Data Book is intended to serve as a convenient collection of statistics on the social, economic, demographic and other information of the County. It concentrates local data in a single, convenient reference source and may be used both as a statistical reference and as a guide to other statistical publications and sources.

This publication represents a part of the continuous effort by the Department of Research and Development to provide informational services to County departments, other governmental agencies and the general public. This 2015 edition of the Data Book is produced by the Hawai'i SBDC Network, Hawai'i Business Research Library (HBRL) under a grant from the County of Hawai'i, administered by Department of Research and Development. In addition to the print version, the Data Book is also available online via the Internet (<http://www.hawaiicounty.gov/databook>). You may call the Department of Research and Development Library at (808) 961-8366.

The publications cited as sources at the end of each table usually contain additional statistical detail and a more comprehensive discussion of relevant definitions and concepts than can be presented here. We encourage users to consult these sources when in need of more detailed information, most of which are available in our Department of Research and Development Library.

Several other publications complement the Hawai'i County Data Book for individuals needing more data about Hawai'i. The State of Hawai'i publishes The State of Hawai'i Data Book (<http://dbedt.hawaii.gov/economic/databook>) annually through the Hawai'i State Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism. The Hawai'i State Office of Hawaiian Affairs publishes the Native Hawaiian Data Book (<http://www.ohadatabook.com>).

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