Table 23.15-- CHARACTERISTICS OF WHOLESALE ESTABLISHMENTS, FOR THE STATE, 1987 AND 1992, AND OAHU AND THE NEIGHBOR ISLANDS, 1992

Subject	1987	1992		
		State total	Oahu	Neighbor Islands
Number of establishments	1,998	2,202	1,690	512
Sales (\$1,000)	5,362,490	8,001,621	6,757,480	1,244,141
Annual payroll (\$1,000)	415,114	624,541	520,472	104,069
First quarter payroll (\$1,000)	100,963	150,772	(NA)	(NA)
Paid employees for pay period		·	` ,	` ,
including March 12 (number)	20,157	23,308	18,847	4,461
Operating expenses (\$1,000)	883,223	1,332,892	(NA)	(NA)
Inventories (\$1,000):			` ,	` ,
Beginning of year	472,167	794,259	(NA)	(NA)
End of year	579,212	787,828	(NA)	(NA)

NA Not available.

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, 1987 Census of Wholesale Trade, Hawaii, WC87-A-12 (April 1989), table 1; 1992 Census of Wholesale Trade, Hawaii, WC92-A-12 (November 1994), tables 1, 3, 7, and 8.