

Table 5.17-- VOLCANIC ERUPTIONS: 1969 TO 1999

[Four volcanoes have erupted in historical times: Haleakala, last active around 1790; Hualalai, last active in 1800-1801; and Kilauea and Mauna Loa, both active in recent years and included in this table. Complete through December 31, 1999]

Volcano and date of outbreak	Repose period since previous eruption (months)	Duration (days)	Location 1/	Elevation (meters)	Area (square km.)	Volume (mil. cubic meters)
Mauna Loa:						
1975: July 5	301	<1	S	3,900	13.5	30.0
1984: March 25	104	22	S, ER	4,030-2,870	28.5	176.0
Kilauea:						
1969: Feb. 22	4.0	6	ER	930-870	6.0	16.1
May 24	2.0	874	ER	940	50.0	185.0
1971: Aug. 14	-	<1	C	1,100-1,080	3.1	9.1
Sept. 24	-	5	C, SWR	1,120-820	3.9	7.7
1972: Feb. 3	4.3	900	ER	940	46.0	162.0
1973: May 5	-	<1	ER	1,000-980	0.3	1.2
Nov. 10	-	30	ER	980-870	1.0	2.7
1974: July 19	-	3	C, ER	1,080-980	3.1	6.6
Sept. 19	2.0	<1	C	1,100	1.0	10.2
Dec. 31	3.4	<1	SWR	1,080	7.5	14.3
1975: Nov. 29	11.0	<1	C	1,080-1,060	0.3	0.2
1977: Sept. 13	21.5	18	ER	620-480	7.8	32.9
1979: Nov. 16	26.3	1	ER	980-960	0.3	0.6
1982: April 30	29.5	<1	C	1,080	0.3	0.5
Sept. 25	4.8	<1	C	1,080	0.8	3.0
1983: Jan. 3 2/	3.3	6,206	ER	780-650	105.5	1,893.8

1/ C, caldera; ER, east rift; S, summit; SWR, southwest rift.

2/ Still in progress. There have been 55 separate episodes, they destroyed 181 housing units and added 205 hectares to the area of the island.

Source: Gordon A. Macdonald, Agatin T. Abbott, and Frank L. Peterson, *Volcanoes in the Sea*, 2nd ed. (1983), pp. 64-65 and 80-81; U.S. Geological Survey, Hawaiian Volcano Observatory, records; and <http://hvo.wr.usgs.gov/>.