

Section 5

GEOGRAPHY AND ENVIRONMENT

This section relates to land and water areas, physical geography, climate, air and water quality, and other geographic and environmental measurements of Hawaii. Most statistics on land use and ownership, however, appear in Section 6.

Important sources of data include the U.S. Geological Survey, the National Ocean Survey, the National Climatic Data Center, the Division of Water Resource Management of the Hawaii State Department of Land and Natural Resources, the Hawaii State Department of Health, and the University of Hawaii Institute of Geophysics. Detailed information is given in *Atlas of Hawaii*, 3rd edition, published by the University of Hawaii Press in 1998. National data are reported in the *Statistical Abstract of the United States: 1999*, Section 6.