

Section 24

FOREIGN AND INTERSTATE COMMERCE

This section includes data on the flow of goods, services, and capital between Hawaii and the rest of the world, with particular emphasis on trade and investment involving foreign countries.

Imports to Hawaii from foreign nations rose from \$105 million in 1966 to \$876 million in 1976. Exports to foreign countries amounted to only \$40 million in 1966, but by 1976 exceeded \$66 million. (These figures, it should be noted, refer to merchandise imports for consumption and exports of domestic merchandise through the Honolulu Customs District. They do not necessarily represent exports of commodities originating in Hawaii, nor imports for direct consumption within the State.)

Trade with the Mainland United States has similarly risen in the past decade. Merchandise received from the Mainland increased from \$615 million in 1965 to \$1.8 billion in 1975, the most recent year available. Merchandise exported to the Mainland rose from \$297 million in 1965 to \$522 million in 1975.

Among the foreign nations, Hawaii's leading trading partners in 1975 were Indonesia for imports and Japan for exports. Imports from Indonesia amounted to \$208 million, or 27 percent of the total, while exports to Japan reached \$32 million, or 34 percent of all foreign exports. The Indonesian imports consisted mostly of crude oil.

Hawaii's Foreign-Trade Zone No. 9 received merchandise valued at \$12 million in 1976. Merchandise forwarded was valued at \$12 million.

Hawaii residents had out-of-State assets estimated at \$2,676 million in 1971. Assets of non-residents in the State at the same time amounted to approximately \$3,439 million.

Hawaii affiliates of foreign firms owned 51,000 acres (and leased another 60,000) in the Islands as of December 1974, reported property, plant, and equipment worth \$716 million, and employed 13,095 persons with an annual payroll of \$91 million. Major Japanese firms operating in Hawaii in September 1976 numbered 109.

Sources for statistics on interstate and foreign commerce include the U.S. Bureau of the Census (for foreign trade), the Bank of Hawaii (for interstate trade), Foreign Trade Zone No. 9, the Hawaii International Services Agency, a study of *Foreign Direct Investment in the United States* issued by the U.S. Department of Commerce in 1976, and a 1973 study by the University of Hawaii Economic Research Center on *The Economic and Social Impact of Foreign Investment in Hawaii*. Further information appears in cargo data by origin and destination, compiled by the Army Corps of Engineers and cited in Section 18.

Comparable data for the nation as a whole appear in Section 30 of *Statistical Abstract of the United States: 1976*.

Table 365.—IMPORTS AND EXPORTS: 1964 TO 1976
(In millions of dollars)

Calendar year	Imports			Exports		
	Total	From Main-land U.S.	From other areas ¹	Total	To Main-land U.S.	To other areas
1964.....	652.9	567.1	85.8	324.4	283.4	41.0
1965.....	711.0	615.1	95.9	331.8	296.7	35.1
1966.....	794.0	688.8	105.2	351.1	310.6	40.5
1967.....	942.5	822.4	120.1	372.7	325.3	47.4
1968.....	1,025.4	886.7	138.7	378.1	329.1	49.0
1969.....	1,196.4	1,029.1	167.3	368.1	321.7	46.4
1970.....	1,361.5	1,194.1	167.4	391.0	339.8	51.2
1971.....	1,416.9	1,201.4	215.5	412.0	365.7	46.3
1972.....	1,447.5	1,220.0	227.5	410.6	350.2	60.4
1973.....	1,868.4	1,563.5	304.9	454.6	381.8	72.8
1974.....	2,471.7	1,866.2	605.5	932.2	817.0	115.2
1975.....	2,531.5	1,773.9	757.6	618.1	522.4	95.7
1976.....	(NA)	(NA)	876.5	(NA)	(NA)	66.2

NA Not available.

¹Merchandise imports for consumption. Data refer to imports through the Honolulu Customs District, and may include merchandise destined for other areas. Similarly, imports entered through other customs districts and destined for Hawaii are excluded.

²Merchandise exports, including merchandise of foreign origin. Data refer to exports through the Honolulu Customs District, and may include merchandise originated in other areas. Similarly, exports originated in Hawaii but shipped from other customs districts are excluded.

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, *Foreign Commerce and Navigation of the United States, 1946-1965* and *Extracts from FT990, Dollar Value of U.S. Exports and Imports Through Customs District of Hawaii, Calendar Years 1966-1974*, and records; Bank of Hawaii, *Hawaii '68* (p. 45), *Hawaii '75* (p. 45), and *Hawaii '77* (p. 45).

Table 366.—IMPORTS AND EXPORTS, BY CONTINENT AND COUNTRY, FOR THE HONOLULU CUSTOMS DISTRICT: 1974 AND 1975

(In dollars. Data refer to the value of U.S. imports entered for consumption and exports of domestic merchandise through the Honolulu Customs District, which includes Honolulu and Pearl Harbor, Honolulu International Airport, Hilo, Kahului, and Nawiliwili-Port Allen. These data include all trade through the Honolulu District, and thus may include imports intended for consumption on the Mainland or exports originated on the Mainland.)

Continent and country	Exports of domestic merchandise		Imports for consumption	
	1974	1975	1974	1975
Total	113,056,122	94,044,196	581,672,420	757,603,313
North America:				
Canada	1,275,609	1,212,050	12,786,796	10,782,796
Mexico	677,500	—	65,432	76,714
Guatemala	—	—	12,776	828
El Salvador	—	158,748	—	—
Honduras	1,241	—	—	21,826
Nicaragua	—	—	1,352	—
Costa Rica	25,173	17,171	3,951	—
Panama	—	69,543	8,865	697,471
Bermuda	—	2,361	—	—
Bahamas (British)	4,100	—	6,950,939	21,000,482
Jamaica	—	—	23,832	100,800
Haiti	—	—	17,103	1,702
Dominican Republic	17,396	23,306	—	—
Trinidad and Tobago	—	—	6,876,664	3,034,941
Netherlands Antilles	20,266	8,527	1,709,916	8,880,025
South America:				
Colombia	—	—	4,874	106,372
Venezuela	365	—	3,744,018	14,869,964
Guyana	—	—	1,572	—
Peru	—	—	—	960
Bolivia	232,248	—	—	—
Chile	—	—	558	—
Brazil	—	—	118,376	158,956
Paraguay	—	—	—	12,428
Argentina	—	—	164,044	7,739
Europe:				
Iceland	2,549	—	—	954
Sweden	24,362	—	529,730	195,590
Norway	—	—	46,256	73,026
Finland	688	20,380	177,330	83,502
Denmark	—	30,406	902,331	711,361
United Kingdom	318,988	165,879	1,826,827	2,951,550
Ireland	—	—	6,968	3,601
Netherlands (Holland)	11,250	72,546	630,315	445,593
Belgium and Luxembourg	21,658	42,927	518,108	910,595
France	413,008	434,728	1,450,901	1,178,931
West Germany	587,573	1,026,466	11,928,785	13,042,342
East Germany	—	—	—	392

Table 366. — IMPORTS AND EXPORTS, BY CONTINENT AND COUNTRY, FOR THE HONOLULU CUSTOMS DISTRICT: 1974 AND 1975 (Continued)

Continent and country	Exports of domestic merchandise		Imports for consumption	
	1974	1975	1974	1975
Europe (continued):				
Austria	19,595	—	15,423	17,330
Czechoslovakia	—	—	—	251
Hungary	—	15,830	289	—
Switzerland	34,117	—	128,621	845,434
Latvia	439,090	197,056	—	—
Poland	—	—	519	44,031
U.S.S.R.	—	—	1,474	—
Spain	—	17,730	61,981	61,637
Portugal	—	—	142,377	80,267
Italy	1,588	68,832	581,561	878,934
Yugoslavia	—	—	5,670	8,387
Greece	—	—	2,105,464	5,782
Turkey	—	—	670	—
Asia:				
Lebanon	—	1,723	5,142	32,152
Iraq	—	68,461	—	—
Iran	13,518	7,248	17,181,407	2,668,419
Israel	—	—	16,515	105,566
Jordan	5,603	—	—	—
Kuwait	—	23,250	—	—
Saudi Arabia	43,411	79,250	46,037,565	17,644,822
United Arab Emirates	11,205	47,852	—	—
Yemen Arab Emirates	—	—	7,367	—
Oman	—	164,760	7,137,371	46,462,602
Bahrain	—	—	11,620,861	19,415,665
Afghanistan	832	—	1,701	1,078
India	77,861	364,435	132,913	169,683
Pakistan	600	213,365	3,085	33,345
Nepal	—	111,761	5,365	907
Bangladesh	179,479	644,131	—	—
Ceylon	—	9,425	23,737	14,416
Burma	—	66,092	12,269	78,101
Thailand	1,092,347	2,815,917	847,615	1,275,350
South Vietnam	593,828	143,333	222,234	38,603
Laos	—	2,234	593	5,258
Cambodia (Khmer Republic)	6,184	80,000	8,212	3,724
Malasia	5,399,744	2,653,094	66,112,110	32,443,827
Singapore	2,342,126	2,970,018	30,826,085	63,323,493
Indonesia	216,271	4,199,303	146,808,186	207,749,486
Philippines	2,555,012	5,293,159	5,114,444	10,655,960
Macao	—	—	236,710	474,069
Southern & Southeast Asia	—	1,200	7,759,535	70,445,298
People's Republic of China	—	2,678	748,374	669,647

Table 366. — IMPORTS AND EXPORTS, BY CONTINENT AND COUNTRY, FOR THE HONOLULU CUSTOMS DISTRICT: 1974 AND 1975 (Continued)

Continent and country	Exports of domestic merchandise		Imports for consumption	
	1974	1975	1974	1975
Asia (continued):				
Republic of Korea	1,046,165	530,459	4,008,071	1,856,578
Hong Kong	4,345,474	5,043,427	13,600,760	12,283,274
Republic of China	783,035	729,248	17,409,903	33,465,959
Japan	61,123,985	31,801,277	107,863,318	110,200,396
Australia and Oceania:				
Australia	21,365,729	14,372,906	8,008,481	10,035,260
Papua New Guinea	11,634	1,336,501	6,450	1,640
New Zealand	2,763,556	5,271,981	9,277,787	7,786,650
Western Samoa	21,028	61,616	710	3,815
British Pacific Islands	146,878	60,759	5,322,250	1,352,409
French Pacific Islands	2,042,698	2,563,592	45,877	1,027,853
Trust Territory (Pac. Is.)	2,167,460	7,447,403	1,588,662	216,859
Other Pacific Islands	570,621	1,243,696	1,990,773	443,261
Africa:				
Morocco	—	—	24,203	36,149
Algeria	—	—	66,400	—
Nigeria	—	5,138	17,484,084	10,150,594
Angola	—	—	—	10,135,761
Liberia	—	28,500	—	16,863
Burundi	—	—	470,611	3,455,016
Kenya	—	—	1,712	1,053
Tanzania	—	—	4,445	—
Malagasy Republic	—	—	40,759	20,970
Republic of So. Africa	1,474	518	35,100	107,988

Source: Data from U.S. Bureau of the Census, cited in the Hawaii International Services Agency, *Hawaii's Foreign Trade, 1974-1975* (in preparation).

**Table 367.—IMPORTS AND EXPORTS, BY COMMODITY, FOR THE HONOLULU
CUSTOMS DISTRICT: 1974 AND 1975**

(In dollars. Data refer to the value of U.S. imports entered for consumption and exports of domestic merchandise through the Honolulu Customs District, and may include imports intended for consumption on the Mainland or exports originated on the Mainland.)

Commodity groupings	1974	1975
IMPORTS FOR CONSUMPTION		
All imports for consumption	581,672,420	757,603,313
Animal and vegetable products	42,404,347	36,667,374
Wood and paper; printed matter	13,289,327	7,097,023
Textile fibers and textile products	11,231,922	11,204,969
Chemicals and related products (including petroleum)	340,722,622	482,759,440
Nonmetallic minerals and products	5,647,802	5,970,745
Metals and metal products	142,580,399	178,199,915
Metals	25,874,389	27,716,969
Metal products	7,712,545	8,329,891
Machinery and mechanical equipment; and electrical machinery and equipment	60,693,318	94,512,851
Transportation equipment	48,300,147	47,640,204
Miscellaneous products	23,691,696	32,422,803
Special classification provisions	2,104,305	3,281,044
EXPORTS OF DOMESTIC MERCHANDISE		
All exports of domestic merchandise	113,056,122	94,044,196
Food and live animals	4,997,088	22,293,360
Sugar and honey	466,843	16,646,520
Inedible crude materials, except fuels	5,664,013	5,020,482
Petroleum products	1,145,260	1,610,662
Animal and vegetable oils and fats	345,088	861,696
Chemicals	2,108,810	1,226,146
Manufactured goods classified by material	2,666,379	3,299,855
Machinery and transport equipment	87,353,251	52,237,315
Nonelectric machinery	14,478,011	20,941,289
Electric machinery and apparatus	6,948,959	10,094,926
Transport equipment	65,926,281	21,201,100
Aircraft and parts	65,068,370	20,230,562
Miscellaneous manufactured goods	7,886,809	6,009,370
Unclassified commodities and transactions	822,153	1,127,592

Source: Data from U.S. Bureau of the Census, cited in the Hawaii International Services Agency, *Hawaii's Foreign Trade, 1974-1975* (in preparation).

**Table 368.—OPERATIONS OF FOREIGN-TRADE ZONE NO. 9, HONOLULU:
1974 TO 1976**
(Years ended June 30)

Subject	1974	1975	1976
Area of primary zone in square feet, June 30	235,766	235,766	235,766
Firms using zone during year	139	148	179
Continuously	21	82	86
Merchandise received: Value (\$1,000)	12,598	15,553	12,348
Weight (short tons)	6,001	7,092	4,608
Merchandise forwarded: Value (\$1,000)	12,796	14,275	12,048
Weight (short tons)	6,112	6,288	5,251
Occupancy (annual average, percent)	73	78	78
Total income (\$1,000)	411	536	575
Total expenses (\$1,000)	381	489	523
Net income (\$1,000)	30	48	52
Assets (\$1,000)	1,345	1,474	1,552

Source: *Annual Report, Foreign-Trade Zone No. 9, Honolulu, Hawaii* for 1974, 1975 and 1976.

Table 369.—FOREIGN DIRECT INVESTMENT IN HAWAII: 1974

Subject	All Hawaii affiliates of foreign parents	Hawaii affiliates of Japanese parents	Hawaii affiliates of other foreign parents
Land controlled, Dec. 31 (1,000 acres)	110	(D)	(D)
Owned	51	6	45
Leased from others	60	(D)	(D)
Property, plant, and equipment owned (\$ million)	716	483	233
Agricultural and timberland	11	(D)	(D)
Other natural resources	—	—	—
Transient lodging, residential, and recreational	423	354	69
Industrial	44	(D)	(D)
Other commercial and business	147	66	81
Other	90	57	33
Employees	13,095	(NA)	(NA)
Wages and salaries (\$ million)	91	(NA)	(NA)

D Data suppressed to avoid disclosure of information for individual firms.

NA Not available.

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, *Foreign Direct Investment in the United States, Vol. 2, Report of the Secretary of Commerce: Benchmark Survey, 1974* (April 1976), pp. 124, 129, 150 and 155.

**Table 370.—MAJOR JAPANESE FIRMS IN OPERATION IN HAWAII:
SEPTEMBER 1976**

(Includes major Japanese firms registered to do business in Hawaii and actually in operation. Excludes smaller retail and service establishments.)

Kind of business and SIC code	Number of firms
All listed firms	109
Agriculture (01-09)	1
Construction (15, 16, 17)	1
Printing & publishing (27)	4
Airlines (45)	1
Travel & tour services (47)	20
Wholesale (50, 51)	27
Retail (52-59)	20
Banking, insurance, & other finance (60-64)	6
Real estate, development, and investment (65-67)	13
Hotel (70)	8
Laundry (721)	1
Misc. business services (73)	3
Golf courses (79)	3
Educational services (82)	1

Source: Hawaii International Services Agency, *Directory of Japanese Firms and Representatives in Hawaii, September 1976* (International Business Series No. 3, September 1976).

Table 371.—BALANCE OF INDEBTEDNESS: 1960 TO 1971
(In millions of dollars)

Subject	1960	1965	1971
Out of State assets of Hawaii residents	1,244	2,296	2,676
Hawaii assets of non-residents	1,167	2,483	3,439

Source: H. Robert Heller and Emily E. Heller, *The Economic and Social Impact of Foreign Investment in Hawaii* (University of Hawaii, Economic Research Center, December 1973), p. 16.

Table 372.—BALANCE OF PAYMENTS, EXCLUDING CAPITAL MOVEMENTS: 1970 TO 1975
(In millions of dollars)

Year	Earnings from overseas					Expenditures to overseas				
	Total	Commodity exports	Federal expenditures	Services performed	Return on overseas investments	Total	Commodity imports	Payments to Federal government	Services performed	Return on investments in Hawaii
1970.....	3,217	391	1,071	727	128	2,805	1,534	672	446	153
1971.....	2,601	412	1,220	825	144	2,756	1,425	696	450	185
1972.....	2,819	411	1,301	953	154	2,935	1,464	744	507	220
1973.....	3,309	455	1,526	1,152	176	3,608	1,904	846	606	252
1974.....	4,307	930	1,694	1,488	195	4,449	2,488	951	707	303
1975.....	4,351	616	1,979	1,543	213	4,864	2,558	1,215	779	312

Source: Bank of Hawaii, *Hawaii '77, 27th Annual Economic Review* (July 1977), p. 45.