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Section 6

LAND USE AND OWNERSHIP

General statistics on the use, ownership, and tenure of land appear in this section. Information on specific use or ownership categories is given elsewhere: parks in Section 7, military land in Section 10, agriculture in Section 19, forests in Section 20, sugar cane land in Section 22, and foreign ownership on Section 24.

Considerable caution is necessary in comparing statistics from different sources on land use, ownership, or tenure. Variations in definitions and survey dates seriously affect comparability in many instances, even where terminology is relatively unambiguous and misinterpretation seems unlikely.

Tabulations by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, U.S. General Services Administration, Hawaii State Department of Hawaiian Home Lands, Hawaii State Department of Land and Natural Resources, Hawaii State Department of Business, Economic Development & Tourism and its Land Use Commission, and Office of Planning and Sustainable Development, and City and County of Honolulu Budget and Fiscal Services Department provided the data for this section. *Historical Statistics of Hawaii*, Section 12, contains limited information for earlier years. National data on land use are available in Sections 6, 17, and 26 of the *Statistical Abstract of the United States: 2012*.

Table 6.01-- LAND OWNERSHIP, COVER, OR USE: 1992 TO 2017

[In thousands of acres, unless otherwise indicated. Based on sample data and subject to sampling variation. Small differences between reported values accordingly may not be statistically significant. Margins of error are available in the source. Margins of error involving values of zero are footnoted]

| Land ownership, cover, or use 1/ | 1992 | 1997 | 2002 | 2007 | 2012 | 2017 |
|---|---|--|---|--|---|---|
| Land ownership | | | | | | |
| Total surface area Federal land 2/ Water area Nonfederal land Developed Rural | 4,123.0 465.3 22.0 3,635.7 190.6 3,445.1 | 4,123.0 436.8 22.1 3,664.1 198.0 3,466.1 | 4,123.0 443.2 22.2 3,657.6 215.0 3,442.6 | 4,123.0 603.8 22.2 3,497.0 221.8 3,275.2 | 4,123.0 607.8 22.3 3,492.9 244.7 3,248.2 | 4,123.0 610.2 22.5 3,490.3 251.8 3,238.5 |
| Land cover or use 3/ | | | | | | |
| Nonfederal rural land Cropland CRP land 4/ Pastureland Rangeland Forest land Other rural land | 3,445.1 263.3 58.7 1,168.5 1,540.8 413.8 | 3,466.1 233.8 60.5 1,163.3 1,558.9 449.6 | 3,442.6 155.5 94.5 1,188.9 1,550.8 452.9 | 3,275.2 109.3 102.7 1,144.3 1,481.8 437.1 | 3,248.2 94.2 107.4 1,144.2 1,470.7 431.7 | 3,238.5 78.7 - 118.3 1,144.1 1,467.9 429.5 |
| Cropland use | | | | | | |
| Total cropland Cultivated cropland Irrigated Nonirrigated Noncultivated cropland Irrigated Nonirrigated | 263.3 216.9 107.7 109.2 46.4 27.8 5/ 18.6 | 233.8 186.8 73.8 113.0 47.0 25.6 5/ 21.4 | 155.5 104.0 66.8 37.2 51.5 22.8 28.7 | 109.3 77.1 62.9 14.2 32.2 5/ 7.5 5/ 24.7 | 94.2 59.8 46.3 13.5 34.4 5/ 7.8 5/ 26.6 | 78.7 5/ 48.7 5/ 35.6 5/ 13.1 5/ 30.0 5/ 7.0 5/ 23.0 |
| Prime farmland, by cover or use 6/ | | | | | | |
| Total rural land Cropland CRP land 4/ Pastureland Rangeland Forest land Other rural land | 230.6 150.9 - 31.5 14.1 31.5 5/ 2.6 | 229.4 135.0 - 31.5 17.2 34.5 11.2 | 224.3 87.6 - 47.7 35.0 39.0 5/ 15.0 | 203.5 65.2 - 45.2 39.1 38.7 5/ 15.3 | 193.0 55.1 - 51.9 36.8 33.9 5/ 15.3 | 187.0 46.0 54.1 39.0 32.5 5/ 15.4 |

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Table 6.01-- LAND OWNERSHIP, COVER, OR USE: 1992 TO 2017 -- Con.

| Land ownership, cover, | | | | | | |
|------------------------|------|------|---------|---------|--------|--------|
| or use 1/ | 1992 | 1997 | 2002 | 2007 | 2012 | 2017 |
| Sheet or rill erosion, | | | | | | |
| tons per acre | | | | | | |
| Nonfederal rural land | | | | | | |
| Cropland | 4.49 | 2.82 | 3.16 | 3.21 | 2.58 | 2.60 |
| Cultivated | 5.05 | 2.93 | 3.65 | 3.79 | 2.94 | 2.84 |
| Noncultivated | 1.86 | 2.60 | 2.17 | 1.84 | 1.96 | 2.22 |
| CRP land 4/ | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Pastureland | 0.66 | 0.50 | 0.63 | 0.74 | 0.82 | 0.77 |
| On water areas & | | | | | | |
| nonfederal land | | | | | | |
| Total wetlands & | | | | | | |
| deepwater habitats | 94.3 | 96.4 | 97.1 | 97.2 | 97.2 | 97.4 |
| Palustrine & estuarine | | | | | | |
| wetlands | 79.8 | 81.9 | 82.6 | 82.6 | 76.3 | 76.3 |
| Palustrine | 71.7 | 73.8 | 74.5 | 74.5 | 74.5 | 74.5 |
| Estuarine | 8.1 | 8.1 | 8.1 | 8.1 | 5/ 1.8 | 5/ 1.8 |
| Other aquatic habitats | 14.5 | 14.5 | 14.5 | 14.6 | 20.9 | 21.1 |
| Lacustrine | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.1 | 2.0 | 2.0 |
| Other 7/ | 12.5 | 12.5 | 5/ 12.5 | 5/ 12.5 | 18.9 | 19.1 |
| Total Palustrine & | | | | | | |
| estuarine wetlands | 79.8 | 81.9 | 82.6 | 82.6 | 76.3 | 76.3 |
| Cropland, pastureland, | | | | | | |
| CRP land 4/5 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.5 |
| Rangeland | 5.0 | 5.0 | 5/ 5.0 | 5/ 5.0 | 5/ 5.0 | 5/ 5.0 |
| Forest land | 58.1 | 60.1 | 60.0 | 60.1 | 60.5 | 60.4 |
| Other rural land 5/ | 5.8 | 5.8 | 6.5 | 6.5 | 6.0 | 5.5 |
| Developed land 5/ | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.3 |
| Water areas | 8.7 | 8.8 | 8.9 | 8.8 | 2.6 | 2.6 |
| | | | | | | |

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Table 6.01-- LAND OWNERSHIP, COVER, OR USE: 1992 TO 2017 -- Con.

- 1/ The 2017 NRI provides nationally consistent data for the 35-year period 1982–2017, with measures at 1982, 1987, 1992, 1997, and annually from 2000 to 2017. Statistical estimation and quality assurance procedures employed for the NRI survey program help ensure that trends reported using NRI data reflect true changes in resource conditions.
 - 2/ Includes ceded land; excludes leased land and submerged land.
- 3/ Land cover is the vegetation or other kind of material that covers the land surface. Land use is the purpose of human activity on the land; it is usually, but not always, related to land cover. The NRI uses the term land cover/use to identify categories that account for all the surface area of the United States.
- 4/ Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) Land under a federal program established under the Food Security Act of 1985 to assist private landowners to convert highly erodible cropland to vegetative cover for 10 years.
- 5/ These estimates are not reliable. The margin of error is equal to or greater than the estimate so the confidence interval includes zero.
- 6/ Prime farmland has the best combination of physical and chemical characteristics for producing food, feed, forage, fiber, and oilseed crops and is also available for these uses.
 - 7/ Includes estuarine deepwater, and all Riverine and Marine systems.
- Source: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Natural Resources Conservation Service, 2017 National Resources Inventory Summary Report, Tables 1, 2, 9, 13, 14, 18, and 19
- http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/national/technical/nra/nri/ accessed March 11, 2022.

Table 6.02-- ESTIMATED ACREAGE OF LAND USE DISTRICTS: 1993 TO 2023

[Total acreage, including inland water, as classified by the Hawaii State Land Use Commission under the provisions of Chapter 205, Hawaii Revised Statutes, as amended. Reflects changes in classification resulting from court decisions on past Commission actions. Data are approximate]

| | | Classification by State Land Use Commission 2/ | | | | | | |
|-------------------|---------------|--|--------------|--------------|--------|--|--|--|
| Year and month | Total area 1/ | Urban | Conservation | Agricultural | Rural | | | |
| 1993: December | 4,112,388 | 187,697 | 1,958,897 | 1,955,704 | 10,090 | | | |
| 1994: December | 4,112,388 | 189,418 | 1,974,549 | 1,938,505 | 9,916 | | | |
| 1995: December | 4,112,388 | 190,257 | 1,976,016 | 1,936,197 | 9,918 | | | |
| 1996: December | 4,112,388 | 191,941 | 1,974,994 | 1,935,526 | 9,927 | | | |
| 1997: December | 4,112,388 | 192,158 | 1,974,994 | 1,935,305 | 9,931 | | | |
| 1998: December | 4,112,388 | 193,001 | 1,974,994 | 1,934,423 | 9,970 | | | |
| 1999: December | 4,112,388 | 194,592 | 1,974,994 | 1,932,792 | 10,010 | | | |
| 2000: December | 4,112,388 | 193,308 | 1,976,004 | 1,933,066 | 10,010 | | | |
| 2001: December | 4,112,388 | 194,556 | 1,974,106 | 1,933,687 | 10,039 | | | |
| 2002: December | 4,112,388 | 195,495 | 1,973,973 | 1,932,862 | 10,058 | | | |
| 2003: December | 4,112,388 | 196,215 | 1,973,636 | 1,932,429 | 10,108 | | | |
| 2004: December | 4,112,388 | 196,991 | 1,973,636 | 1,931,378 | 10,383 | | | |
| 2005: December 3/ | 4,112,388 | 197,085 | 1,973,636 | 1,930,797 | 10,870 | | | |
| 2006: December 3/ | 4,112,388 | 197,663 | 1,973,631 | 1,930,224 | 10,870 | | | |
| 2007: December 3/ | 4,112,388 | 198,141 | 1,973,631 | 1,929,746 | 10,870 | | | |
| 2008: December 3/ | 4,112,388 | 198,296 | 1,973,631 | 1,928,860 | 11,602 | | | |
| 2009: December 3/ | 4,112,388 | 198,492 | 1,973,631 | 1,928,663 | 11,602 | | | |
| 2010: December 3/ | 4,112,388 | 198,549 | 1,973,846 | 1,928,391 | 11,602 | | | |
| 2011: December 3/ | 4,112,388 | 198,622 | 1,973,846 | 1,928,318 | 11,602 | | | |
| 2012: December 3/ | 4,112,388 | 199,970 | 1,973,846 | 1,926,971 | 11,602 | | | |
| 2013: December 3/ | 4,112,388 | 200,434 | 1,973,846 | 1,926,507 | 11,602 | | | |
| 2014: December 3/ | 4,112,388 | 200,439 | 1,973,846 | 1,926,502 | 11,602 | | | |
| 2015: December 3/ | 4,112,388 | 200,439 | 1,973,846 | 1,926,502 | 11,602 | | | |
| 2016: December 3/ | 4,112,388 | 200,439 | 1,973,846 | 1,926,502 | 11,602 | | | |
| 2017: December 3/ | 4,112,388 | 200,700 | 1,973,846 | 1,926,240 | 11,602 | | | |
| 2018: December 3/ | 4,112,388 | 200,843 | 1,973,846 | 1,925,952 | 11,747 | | | |
| 2019: December 3/ | 4,112,388 | 200,603 | 1,973,846 | 1,926,924 | 11,015 | | | |
| 2020: December 3/ | 4,112,388 | 200,657 | 1,973,793 | 1,926,924 | 11,015 | | | |
| 2021: December 3/ | 4,112,388 | 200,698 | 1,973,792 | 1,926,883 | 11,015 | | | |
| 2022: December 3/ | 4,112,388 | 200,698 | 1,973,792 | 1,926,883 | 11,015 | | | |
| 2023: December 3/ | 4,112,388 | 200,898 | 1,973,792 | 1,926,683 | 11,015 | | | |

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Table 6.02-- ESTIMATED ACREAGE OF LAND USE DISTRICTS: 1993 TO 2023 -- Con.

- 1/ These totals differ somewhat from the official figures based on measurements by the Geography Division of the U.S. Bureau of the Census, cited in Section 5. There had been an increase in the 1983 total area to reflect additions to the Urban District on Oahu at Honolulu International Airport (Reef runway and South Ramp refill) created from former submerged lands.
 - 2/ For definitions, see Hawaii Revised Statutes, Section 205-2.
 - 3/ May be revised, pending updates of county records.

Source: Hawaii State Department of Business, Economic Development & Tourism, Land Use Commission, records.

Table 6.03-- ESTIMATED ACREAGE OF LAND USE DISTRICTS, BY ISLAND: 2021 TO 2023

[As of December 31. Total acreage, including inland water, as classified by the Hawaii State Land Use Commission under the provisions of Chapter 205, Hawaii Revised Statutes, as amended. Data are approximate]

| | | Classification by State Land Use Commission 2/ | | | | | | | |
|--|---|--|---|--|---|--|--|--|--|
| Island | Total area 1/ | Urban | Conservation | Agricultural | Rural | | | | |
| 2021 and 2022 | | | | | | | | | |
| State total | 4,112,388 | 200,698 | 1,973,792 | 1,926,883 | 11,015 | | | | |
| Hawaii Maui Kahoolawe Lanai Molokai Oahu Kauai 3/ Niihau 3/ Kaula and Lehua Other islands 4/ | 2,573,400 465,800 28,800 90,500 165,800 386,188 353,900 45,700 400 1,900 | 54,161 24,043 - 3,406 2,539 101,715 14,834 - - | 1,304,347 194,836 28,800 38,197 49,768 156,776 198,769 - 400 1,900 | 1,213,602 242,723 - 46,490 111,627 127,698 139,044 45,700 | 1,291 4,198 - 2,407 1,866 - 1,253 - - | | | | |
| 2023 State total | 4,112,388 | 200,898 | 1,973,792 | 1,926,683 | 11,015 | | | | |
| Hawaii Maui Kahoolawe Lanai Molokai Oahu Kauai 3/ Niihau 3/ Kaula and Lehua Other islands 4/ | 2,573,400 465,800 28,800 90,500 165,800 386,188 353,900 45,700 400 1,900 | 54,161 24,043 - 3,606 2,539 101,715 14,834 - - | 1,304,347 194,836 28,800 38,197 49,768 156,776 198,769 - 400 1,900 | 1,213,602 242,723 46,290 111,627 127,698 139,044 45,700 | 1,291 4,198 - 2,407 1,866 - 1,253 - - | | | | |

^{1/} These totals differ somewhat from the official figures based on measurements by the Geography Division of the U.S. Bureau of the Census, cited in Section 5.

^{2/} For definitions, see Hawaii Revised Statutes, Section 205-2.

^{3/} May be revised, pending updates of County records.

^{4/} The Northwestern Hawaiian Islands, from Nihoa to Kure Atoll, excluding Midway.

Source: Hawaii State Department of Business, Economic Development & Tourism, Land Use Commission, records.

Table 6.04-- NUMBER OF LAND RECORDS, BY COUNTY: 1991 TO 2025

[For fiscal year ending June 30. Beginning with 1993 report, does not include non-taxable properties]

| Year | State total | City and County of Honolulu | County of Maui | County of Hawaii | County of Kauai |
|------|----------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| 1004 | 400.000 | 204 222 | 54 505 | 105 770 | 04.440 |
| 1991 | 426,392 | 224,880 | 51,585 | 125,779 | 24,148 |
| 1992 | 433,618 | 228,025 | 52,997 | 127,379 | 25,217 |
| 1993 | 441,747 | 233,464 | 54,039 | 128,337 | 25,907 |
| 1994 | 449,744 | 237,815 | 55,994 | 129,434 | 26,501 |
| 1995 | 456,003 | 242,285 | 56,726 | 129,856 | 27,136 |
| 1996 | 463,137 | 246,933 | 57,665 | 130,623 | 27,916 |
| 1997 | 471,212 | 251,731 | 58,624 | 131,981 | 28,876 |
| 1998 | 475,122 | 253,886 | 59,505 | 132,605 | 29,126 |
| 1999 | 478,737 | 255,589 | 60,490 | 133,322 | 29,336 |
| 2000 | 483,879 | 258,121 | 61,897 | 134,308 | 29,553 |
| 2001 | 487,646 | 259,456 | 62,873 | 135,499 | 29,818 |
| 2002 | (NA) | 260,662 | (NA) | (NA) | 30,097 |
| 2003 | 474,660 | 252,435 | 60,472 | 133,321 | 28,432 |
| 2004 | 478,628 | 255,029 | 60,537 | 134,290 | 28,772 |
| 2005 | 482,645 | 258,415 | 61,273 | 134,021 | 28,936 |
| 2006 | 489,308 | 262,479 | 62,521 | 134,885 | 29,423 |
| 2007 | 500,481 | 268,441 | 64,597 | 136,612 | 30,831 |
| 2008 | 507,900 | 271,859 | 65,938 | 138,281 | 31,822 |
| 2009 | 514,029 | 274,483 | 67,981 | 139,167 | 32,398 |
| 2010 | 518,031 | 276,582 | 68,930 | 139,649 | 32,870 |
| 2011 | 520,822 | 277,581 | 70,365 | 139,883 | 32,993 |
| 2012 | 523,957 | 278,825 | 71,101 | 140,008 | 34,023 |
| 2013 | 525,356 | 279,754 | 71,234 | 140,196 | 34,172 |
| 2014 | 527,359 | 281,463 | 71,515 | 140,257 | 34,124 |
| 2015 | 530,705 | 285,092 | 71,907 | 140,336 | 33,370 |
| 2016 | 533,067 | 287,115 | 71,992 | 140,753 | 33,207 |
| 2017 | 536,346 | 289,564 | 72,421 | 140,858 | 33,503 |
| 2018 | 540,426 | 291,069 | 73,418 | 140,370 | 35,569 |
| 2019 | 540,913 | 292,664 | 74,000 | 140,490 | 33,759 |
| 2020 | 543,335 | 294,287 | 74,467 | 140,698 | 33,883 |
| 2021 | 546,052 | 296,816 | 74,456 | 140,709 | 34,071 |
| 2022 | 536,308 | 298,625 | 62,725 | 140,693 | 34,265 |
| 2023 | 552,289 | 302,092 | 75,018 | 140,905 | 34,274 |
| 2024 | 554,347 | 303,750 | 75,320 | 140,918 | 34,359 |
| 2025 | 553,773 | 306,176 | 72,396 | 141,001 | 34,200 |

NA Not available.

Source: City and County of Honolulu, Department of Budget & Fiscal Services, Real Property Assessment Division, Real Property Tax Valuations, Tax Rates, & Exemption By Year, "Number of Records by Land Use Class for Tax Year 2024 - 2025" https://realproperty.honolulu.gov/state-reports/2024/ accessed September 13, 2024; and earlier reports, and reports as the Department of Finance.

Table 6.05-- REAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS FOR CEMETERIES, CHURCHES, HOSPITALS, AND SCHOOLS, BY COUNTY: 2023 TO 2025

[For fiscal year ending June 30]

| Category | State | Honolulu | Maui | Hawaii | Kauai |
|--|---|---|--|--|---------------------------------------|
| 2023 | | | | | |
| Number Cemeteries Churches Hospitals Schools | 114 1,577 162 224 | 42 883 136 136 | 7 255 13 16 | 51 302 7 64 | 14 137 6 8 |
| Amount (\$1,000) Cemeteries Churches Hospitals Schools | 72,155 3,607,755 1,597,868 1,722,364 | 49,307 2,754,546 1,296,884 1,337,645 | 1,669 420,625 226,668 195,413 | 11,959 288,718 51,035 142,344 | 9,220 143,865 23,281 46,961 |
| 2024 | | | | | |
| Number Cemeteries Churches Hospitals Schools | 123 1,580 167 231 | 42 887 142 142 | 17 255 13 17 | 50 303 7 64 | 14 135 5 8 |
| Amount (\$1,000) Cemeteries Churches Hospitals Schools | 83,369 4,044,340 1,713,832 1,920,004 | 55,404 3,065,998 1,371,777 1,484,972 | 1,670 493,393 264,373 237,804 | 13,171 301,490 53,993 149,163 | 13,124 183,459 23,690 48,065 |
| 2025 | | | | | |
| Number Cemeteries Churches Hospitals Schools | 122 1,575 148 231 | 42 884 125 145 | 15 250 11 17 | 51 306 7 62 | 14 135 5 7 |
| Amount (\$1,000) Cemeteries Churches Hospitals Schools | 84,814 3,966,431 1,643,483 2,222,925 | 55,640 3,019,512 1,300,603 1,776,451 | 1,917 438,794 264,102 250,655 | 13,907 309,743 54,279 147,644 | 13,350 198,382 24,499 48,175 |

Source: City and County of Honolulu, Department of Budget and Fiscal Services, Real Property Assessmer Division, Real Property Tax Valuations, Tax Rates & Exemptions By Year, "Number and Amount of Exemptic by Type and County for Tax Year" (annual) https://realproperty.honolulu.gov/state-reports/2024/ accessed September 13, 2024.

Table 6.06-- MAJOR LANDOWNERS, BY TYPE AND BY ISLAND: 2017

[In acres. As of March 2017 for Honolulu County, April 2017 for Hawaii County and Maui County, and August 2017 for Kauai County. Acreages are based on GIS calculations where all public lands (no minimum) and private landowners with a minimum of 1,000 acres total statewide are included]

| Rank | Landowner | Total acres | Hawaii | Kahoolawe | Kauai | Lanai | Maui | Molokai | Niihau | Oahu |
|------|---------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-----------|--------------|----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|
| 1 | Gov't - State total | 1,574,530.8 | 1,092,502.5 | 28,537.5 | 155,770.0 | 592.3 | 154,150.9 | 49,052.8 | 127.1 | 93,797.7 |
| | Gov't - State (excludes DHHL) | 1,375,634.9 | 975,196.4 | 28,537.5 | 135,915.8 | 542.0 | 122,208.7 | 23,947.0 | 127.1 | 89,160.3 |
| | Gov't - State Dept. of Hawaiian | | | | | | | | | |
| | Home Lands (DHHL) | 198,896.0 | 117,306.1 | - | 19,854.2 | 50.3 | 31,942.2 | 25,105.7 | - | 4,637.4 |
| 2 | Gov't Federal | 531,444.0 | 432,339.3 | 23.7 | 3,443.4 | 7.2 | 33,660.3 | 175.3 | 271.7 | 61,523.1 |
| 3 | Kamehameha Schools | 363,244.5 | 297,008.6 | - | 10,876.6 | - | 2,615.5 | 4,937.3 | - | 47,806.5 |
| 4 | Parker Ranch | 105,995.6 | 105,995.6 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 5 | Robinson Family | 101,287.7 | - | - | 55,244.9 | - | - | - | 46,042.8 | - |
| 6 | Pulama Lanai | 89,075.1 | - | - | - | 89,075.1 | - | - | - | - |
| 7 | Alexander & Baldwin | 86,514.4 | 9.6 | - | 21,015.6 | - | 65,451.3 | - | - | 37.8 |
| 8 | Molokai Ranch | 53,797.5 | - | - | - | - | - | 53,797.5 | - | - |
| 9 | Gov't - County total | 38,127.7 | 9,846.7 | - | 975.9 | 209.6 | 8,158.7 | 264.4 | - | 18,672.4 |
| | Gov't - County of Honolulu | 18,672.4 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 18,672.4 |
| | Gov't - County of Hawaii | 9,846.7 | 9,846.7 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| | Gov't - County of Maui 1/ | 8,632.7 | - | - | - | 209.6 | 8,158.7 | 264.4 | - | - |
| | Gov't - County of Kauai 1/ | 975.9 | - | - | 975.9 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 10 | Grove Farm | 30,837.2 | - | - | 30,837.2 | - | | - | - | - |
| 11 | Haleakala Ranch | 29,167.3 | - | - | - | - | 29,167.3 | - | - | - |
| 12 | Maui Land & Pine | 22,354.9 | <u>-</u> | - | - | - | 22,354.9 | - | - | - |
| 13 | Yee Hop | 21,636.4 | 21,636.4 | - | - | - | - | - | - | |
| 14 | Dole Food Company | 19,782.9 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 19,782.9 |
| 15 | Ulupalakua Ranch | 18,372.2 | | - | - | - | 18,372.2 | - | - | - |
| 16 | W.H. Shipman | 16,798.9 | 16,798.9 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 17 | Kahuku Aina Properties | 16,423.1 | 16,423.1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 18 | McCandless Ranch | 15,365.4 | 14,922.1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 443.3 |
| 19 | E.C. Olson | 13,744.2 | 12,471.9 | - | - | - | | - | - | 1,272.2 |
| 20 | The Nature Conservancy | 13,357.6 | 11,956.9 | - | - | - | 7.9 | 1,392.8 | - | - |

^{1/} Maui County includes the islands of Maui, Molokai, Lanai, and Kahoolawe; and Kauai County includes Kauai and Niihau.

The State of Hawaii Data Book 2024 http://dbedt.hawaii.gov/

Source: Hawaii State Department of Business, Economic Development & Tourism, Office of Planning, GIS Program, "Large Landowners, 2. Tables" (September 29, 2017) http://files.hawaii.gov/dbedt/op/gis/data/large_landowners_tables_2017.xls accessed October 3, 2017.

Table 6.07-- GOVERNMENT LAND OWNERSHIP, BY ISLAND: 2022

[In acres. File created July 26, 2013 and updated as of December 14, 2022. Acreages are based on GIS calculations where all public lands (no minimum) are included]

| Landowner | Total acres | Hawaii | Kahoolawe | Kauai | Lanai | Maui | Molokai | Niihau | Oahu |
|---------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|-------|-----------|----------|--------|-----------|
| Coult State total | 1 500 061 1 | 1 000 062 0 | 20 527 5 | 155 700 0 | 592.2 | 150 000 0 | EO 116 6 | 127.1 | 102 011 0 |
| Gov't - State total | 1,590,061.1 | 1,092,263.2 | 28,537.5 | 155,702.8 | | 158,809.8 | 50,116.6 | | 103,911.8 |
| Gov't - State (excludes DHHL) | 1,385,312.9 | 973,518.0 | 28,537.5 | 135,196.4 | 542.0 | 125,837.0 | 24,476.3 | 127.1 | 97,078.5 |
| Gov't - State Dept. of Hawaiian | | | | | | | | | |
| Home Lands (DHHL) | 204,748.3 | 118,745.2 | - | 20,506.4 | 50.2 | 32,972.8 | 25,640.3 | - | 6,833.3 |
| Gov't Federal | 546,905.1 | 447,504.6 | 23.7 | 3,522.9 | 7.2 | 33,867.5 | 89.7 | 271.7 | 61,617.7 |
| Gov't - County total | 39,968.0 | 10,188.2 | - | 1,015.0 | 208.9 | 9,288.2 | 266.1 | - | 19,001.6 |
| Gov't - County of Honolulu | 19,001.6 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 19,001.6 |
| Gov't - County of Hawaii | 10,188.2 | 10,188.2 | - | - | - | - | = | - | - |
| Gov't - County of Maui 1/ | 9,763.2 | - | - | - | 208.9 | 9,288.2 | 266.1 | - | - |
| Gov't - County of Kauai 1/ | 1,015.0 | - | - | 1,015.0 | - | - | - | - | - |
| | | | | | | | | | |

^{1/} Maui County includes the islands of Maui, Molokai, Lanai, and Kahoolawe; and Kauai County includes Kauai and Niihau.

Source: Hawaii State Department of Business, Economic Development & Tourism, Office of Planning and Sustainable Development, Hawaii Statewide GIS Program, Government Land Ownership in the State of Hawaii as of 2022 (December 14, 2022) https://geoportal.hawaii.gov/maps/7c094da64209411b9318e0ede5ab9a65 accessed July 14, 2024.

The State of Hawaii Data Book 2024 http://dbedt.hawaii.gov/

Table 6.08-- REAL PROPERTY OWNED BY OR LEASED TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT: 2014 TO 2024

[As of September 30. On February 4, 2004, President George W. Bush issued Executive Order 13327, which redefined federal real property to exclude, among other classifications, the national parks, and created a Federal Real Property Council to oversee federal real property assets, and also stipulated which agencies are required to report their real property data. See source for list]

| | В | uilding area | a (1,000 so | դ. ft.) | Federal Gov't land acreage | | | | |
|--|---|---|---|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| Year | Total | Owned | Leased | Otherwise managed 1/ | Total | Owned | Leased | Otherwise managed 1/ | |
| 2014 2015 2016 2/ 2017 3/ 2018 3/ 2019 2020 2021 3/ 2022 2023 2024 | 47,653 48,919 48,183 4,354 4,351 50,329 51,048 4,341 50,486 50,376 50,641 | 46,723 47,188 45,757 3,413 3,421 48,267 48,941 3,430 48,261 48,108 48,255 | 930 1,731 1,291 721 710 906 874 691 1,019 1,058 1,172 | (NA) (NA) 1,135 220 220 1,156 1,232 220 1,206 1,210 1,213 | 241,106 429,370 77,383 2,563 2,560 224,860 232,135 2,400 249,866 249,463 258,225 | 186,974 325,459 48,207 1,277 1,281 175,952 175,806 1,091 175,428 175,475 184,442 | 54,132 103,911 21,999 1,280 1,278 47,859 55,273 1,308 73,384 72,869 72,664 | (NA) (NA) 7,177 5 1 1,049 1,056 1 1,054 1,120 | |

NA Not available.

- 2/ Response to inquiry re: significant decline in 'Federal Gov't land acreage' awaited from GSA.
- 3/ Department of Defense data are not included in FY2017, FY2018, and FY2021 totals. Comparisons to prior or subsequent fiscal year data are not recommended for this reason.

Source: U.S. General Services Administration, Federal Real Property Council, Federal Real Property Profile, FY 2014 Real Property Open Data Set, FY 2014 Summary Data Set, and FRPP Summary of Findings and FY 2014 Real Property Open Data Set, FY 2014 Summary Data Set, and FRPP Summary of Findings and Open Data Set (annual FY2015 to FY2024) https://www.gsa.gov/policy-regulations/policy/real-property-policy-division-overview/data-collection-and-reports/frpp-summary-report-library accessed July 25, 2025.

^{1/} Indicates that a U.S. state government holds title to the real property asset, but rights for use have been granted to a Federal Government entity in a method other than a leasehold arrangement. Includes state government owned, museum trust, and withdrawn land but does not include public domain land.

Table 6.09-- DEPARTMENT OF HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS HOMESTEAD LESSEES AND APPLICANTS, BY ISLAND: 2021 TO 2023

[As of June 30. The Department of Hawaiian Home Lands administers land set aside for the benefit of qualified native Hawaiians, who are eligible to receive homestead leases and financial assistance from the Department]

| Subject | State total | Hawaii | Maui | Lanai | Molokai | Oahu | Kauai |
|---|---|---|--|-------------------------------------|---|--|---|
| 2021 | | | | | | | |
| Homestead leases 1/ Residential Agricultural Pastoral Applications 1/ Residential Agricultural Pastoral | 9,967 8,465 1,092 410 46,255 23,624 19,455 3,176 | 2,529 1,719 503 307 15,287 5,945 7,335 2,007 | 1,405 1,265 65 75 9,278 3,891 4,748 639 | 44 44 - - 71 71 - | 837 392 418 27 2,139 814 1,123 202 | 4,409 4,349 60 - 15,165 11,196 3,969 | 743 696 46 1 4,315 1,707 2,280 328 |
| 2022 | · | ŕ | | | | | |
| Homestead leases 1/ Residential Agricultural Pastoral Applications 1/ Residential Agricultural Pastoral | 9,981 8,478 1,090 413 46,560 23,787 19,585 3,188 | 2,522 1,711 501 310 15,362 5,991 7,356 2,015 | 1,403 1,264 64 75 9,310 3,907 4,764 639 | 44 44 - - 71 71 - | 839 394 418 27 2,148 815 1,132 201 | 4,431 4,370 61 - 15,321 11,285 4,036 | 742 695 46 1 4,348 1,718 2,297 333 |
| 2023 | | | | | | | |
| Homestead leases 1/ Residential Agricultural Pastoral Applications 1/ Residential Agricultural Pastoral | 9,989 8,485 1,091 413 46,935 23,993 19,758 3,184 | 2,524 1,712 502 310 15,434 6,031 7,384 2,019 | 1,400 1,261 64 75 9,373 3,945 4,805 623 | 44 44 - - 69 69 - | 839 394 418 27 2,151 814 1,135 202 | 4,435 4,374 61 - 15,533 11,407 4,126 | 747 700 46 1 4,375 1,727 2,308 340 |

^{1/} Homestead lease activity for the month ending June 30. Residence, agriculture, or pasture. Since applicants may apply for two types of leases, duplications occur. For example, the Department estimates that as of June 30, 2021, 46,210 Statewide applications are held by some 28,904 individual applicants. As of June 30, 2022, there were 46,307 applications by 28,904 individual applicants, and as of June 30, 2023, there were 47,011 and 29,384, respectively.

Source: Hawaii State Department of Hawaiian Home Lands, *Annual Report* (annual) http://dhhl.hawaii.gov/icro/annual-reports/ accessed July 10, 2025, "Application Waiting List Summary" (annual, as of June 30) https://dhhl.hawaii.gov/applications/ accessed May 8, 2024, and calculations by Hawaii State Department of Business, Economic Development & Tourism.

Table 6.10-- STATE PUBLIC AND SET-ASIDE LAND DISPOSITIONS, BY COUNTY: 2022 TO 2024

[As of December 31. In acres]

| Type of document | State total | City and County of Honolulu | County of Hawaii | County of Kauai | County of Maui |
|---|--|--|--|---|---|
| 2022 | | | | | |
| Revocable permits General leases/term easements Executive orders-set asides Executive orders- | 35.005 7.941 8,612.212 | 0.212 0.077 4,164.792 | 27.320 - 4,434.444 | 7.174 7.809 12.752 | 0.299 0.055 0.224 |
| cancellations/withdrawals Perpetual easements Public utilities Fee conveyances Quitclaims of interest Subleases | 3,432.707 0.107 0.010 3,718.206 1.031 2.811 | 148.240 0.107 0.010 3,718.206 | 3,281.715 - - - - 2.741 | 2.752 - - - - - | - - - 1.031 - |
| 2023 | | | | | |
| Revocable permits General leases/term easements Executive orders-set asides Executive orders- cancellations/withdrawals Perpetual easements Public utilities Fee conveyances Quitclaims of interest Subleases | 90.872 7.485 5,916.159 16.099 1.389 - 0.294 15.855 0.100 | 0.051 5.019 4.671 14.099 1.154 - 0.263 - 0.100 | 90.300 0.047 5,109.792 2.000 - - - 15.855 | 0.521 0.346 1.279 - - - 0.031 | 2.073 800.417 - 0.235 - - - |
| 2024 | | | | | |
| Revocable permits General leases/term easements Executive orders-set asides Executive orders- | 13.349 1.658 615.852 | 1.654 0.493 8.411 | 1.965 - 325.415 | 9.730 1.165 23.204 | - - 258.822 |
| cancellations/withdrawals Perpetual easements Public utilities | 33.572 313.928 | 22.573 1.737 - | 0.249 - - | 0.521 0.077 - | 10.229 312.114 - |
| Fee conveyances Quitclaims of interest Subleases | 168.423 535.260 4.112 | 0.045 0.013 0.972 | 5.410 3.140 | 0.011 - | 168.378 529.826 - |

Source: Hawaii State Department of Land and Natural Resources, Land Management Division, Reports to the Legislature, *Land Dispositions Made Of Public Lands For Calendar Year* (annual) https://dlnr.hawaii.gov/reports/ accessed January 21, 2025.