

Layer Name: Medically Underserved Areas / Populations  
File Name: mua\_medically\_underserved\_areas  
Layer Type: Polygon  
Status: Complete  
Geog. Extent: Main Hawaiian Islands  
Projection/Datum: Universal Trans Mercator, Zone 4 (Meters), NAD 83 HARN

Description: Medically Underserved Areas/Populations in Hawaii as of March 2025. These data describe geographic areas and populations with a lack of access to primary care health services. Medically Underserved Areas (MUAs) may be a whole county or a group of contiguous counties, a group of county or civil divisions or a group of urban census tracts in which residents have a shortage of personal health services. Medically Underserved Populations (MUPs) may include groups of persons who face economic, cultural or linguistic barriers to health care. HRSA's Bureau of Health Workforce develops shortage designation criteria and uses them to decide whether or not a geographic area or population group is a MUA or MUP.

Source: US Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), March 2025

History: Hawaii Statewide GIS Program staff downloaded data from <https://data.hrsa.gov/data/download> March 2025. Projected to UTM Zone 4 NAD 83 HARN.

Attributes:

Please see attached data dictionary (.xlsx format) for attribute definitions:  
[https://files.hawaii.gov/dbedt/op/gis/data/mua\\_medically\\_underserved\\_areas\\_attributes.xlsx](https://files.hawaii.gov/dbedt/op/gis/data/mua_medically_underserved_areas_attributes.xlsx)

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