



Hawaii Vegetable and Melon Crops



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The farm gate value for Hawaii's vegetable and melon crops is estimated at \$39.8 million in 2014. Cumulative production for vegetables and melons was 44.0 million pounds. Rainfall in 2014 approached normal for most locations; however, there were still some areas that received less irrigation than would be normal. In addition, the heavy vog had a negative effect on some crops.

The top volume-producing vegetable crop during 2014 was head cabbage whose estimated production was 6.67 million pounds; however, this figure is down 3.05 million pounds from the previous year. Cucumbers were the second largest published vegetable volume crop, estimated at 5.78 million pounds.

Most vegetables showed a decrease in production compared to the revised figures for the previous year. However, kale showed an increase in production of 186% from the previous year to 630,000 pounds, while head lettuce showed a 95% increase in production to 1.25 million pounds. In addition, Chinese cabbage, mustard cabbage, Oriental squash, and watercress increased production.

The leading farm gate value was for cucumbers, estimated at \$4.3 million. Second is head cabbage, estimated at \$3.24 million. Leaf lettuce rounds out the top three farm gate values, at \$2.9 million, though it is down 34% from 2013's revised value of \$4.40 million.

Commodity	Area harvested (Acres)		Production (1,000 lbs)		Farm value (\$1,000)	
	2013 ^{1/}	2014	2013 ^{1/}	2014	2013 ^{1/}	2014
Cabbage, Chinese	150	140	2,670	2,900	\$1,310	\$1,500
Cabbage, head	520	450	9,720	6,670	\$4,180	\$3,240
Cabbage, mustard	80	50	530	600	\$780	\$390
Cucumbers	300	280	6,300	5,770	\$4,800	\$4,300
Eggplant	80	60	1,440	920	\$1,440	\$900
Kale	35	60	220	630	\$660	\$1,040
Lettuce, head	40	90	640	1,250	\$690	\$2,700
Lettuce, leaf	230	130	2,000	1,130	\$4,400	\$2,900
Lettuce, Romaine	140	130	1,360	1,150	\$1,480	\$2,000
Onions, green	110	80	1,000	980	\$1,590	\$1,500
Squash, Oriental	20	20	120	270	\$85	\$200
Snap beans	200	140	620	450	\$1,120	\$1,130
Watercress	40	40	720	760	\$1,290	\$1,330
Other ^{2/}	3,620	3,425	25,088	20,565	\$19,666	\$16,660
TOTAL	5,565	5,095	52,428	44,045	\$43,491	\$39,790

^{1/} All 2013 values were revised due to an overexpansion of reported data.

^{2/} Other vegetables were not published due to confidentiality reasons.