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Distribution of Farms by Area Operated and Industry State of Hawai'i, 2022

The USDA NASS uses the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) to categorize the agricultural sector into crop and animal production subsectors. These subsectors can be divided into industry groups, such as Oilseed and Grain, Vegetable and Melon, Fruit and Tree Nut, Greenhouse, Nursery, and Floriculture, Other Crop, Beef Cattle and Ranching, Cattle Feedlots, Dairy Cattle and Milk, Hog and Pig, Poultry and Egg, Sheep and Goat, and Aquaculture and Other Animal. Additionally, these industry groups can be further divided based on their area of operation by acreage scale.

According to the 2022 Census of Agriculture, Hawai'i had a total of 6,825 farms across 13 industry groups.¹ Among these groups, the Fruit and Tree Nut industry had the highest number of farms, at 2,688, accounting for 39% of the total. Approximately, 76% of the farms in the Fruit and Tree Nut industry (2,036) operated on less than 10 acres. Moreover, 20% of the farms in the Fruit and Tree Nut industry (533) operated on 10 to 49.0 acres of land. This suggests that the majority of farms in the Fruit and Tree Industry, or nearly 96% of the farms operated on less than 50 acres. A similar pattern can be observed among all other industry groups, except for the Beef Cattle and Ranching industries, where 41% of the farms operated on anywhere between 50 acres and 2,000 acres of land or more.

Table 1: Number of Farms by Area Operated (Acres) and Industry, Hawai'i, 2022

Industry/Area Operated	1.0 to 9.9	10.0 to 49.9	50.0 to 69.9	70.0 to 99.9	100 to 139	140 to 179	180 to 219	220 to 259	260 to 499	500 to 999	1,000 to 1,999	2,000 or More	Total
Fruit and Tree Nut	2,036	533	29	17	23	9	6	6	8	6	5	10	2,688
Greenhouse, Nursery, & Floriculture	887	253	13	4	4		1	2			3	2	1,169
Beef Cattle and Ranching	182	290	32	44	31	18	12	9	48	56	32	48	802
Vegetable and Melon	483	227	18	8	9	2	3	1	7			3	761
Aquaculture and Other Animal	179	104	8	5	3	16	1	2	10	3	1	3	335
Sheep and Goat	196	103	5	11	6		1		1	1		2	326
Sugarcane, hay, and all other crop	105	120	12	11	3				1	1	2	1	256
Other Crop	105	120	12	11	3				1	1	2	1	256
Poultry and Egg	100	36							1				137
Hog and Pig	57	7		1	2		1						68
Dairy Cattle and Milk	6	3	2								1	1	13
Oilseed and Grain		3	1		1					2	2	3	12
Cattle Feedlots											1	1	2
Total¹	4,336	1,799	132	112	85	45	25	20	77	70	49	75	6,825

Source: USDA NASS Agricultural Census Data, 2022.

¹ The total number of farms in Hawai'i according to the 2022 Agricultural Census report was 6,569, suggesting that there could be a double counting of farms across different industry groups.

Chart 1: Percentage Distribution of Farms by Industry, Hawai‘i, 2022

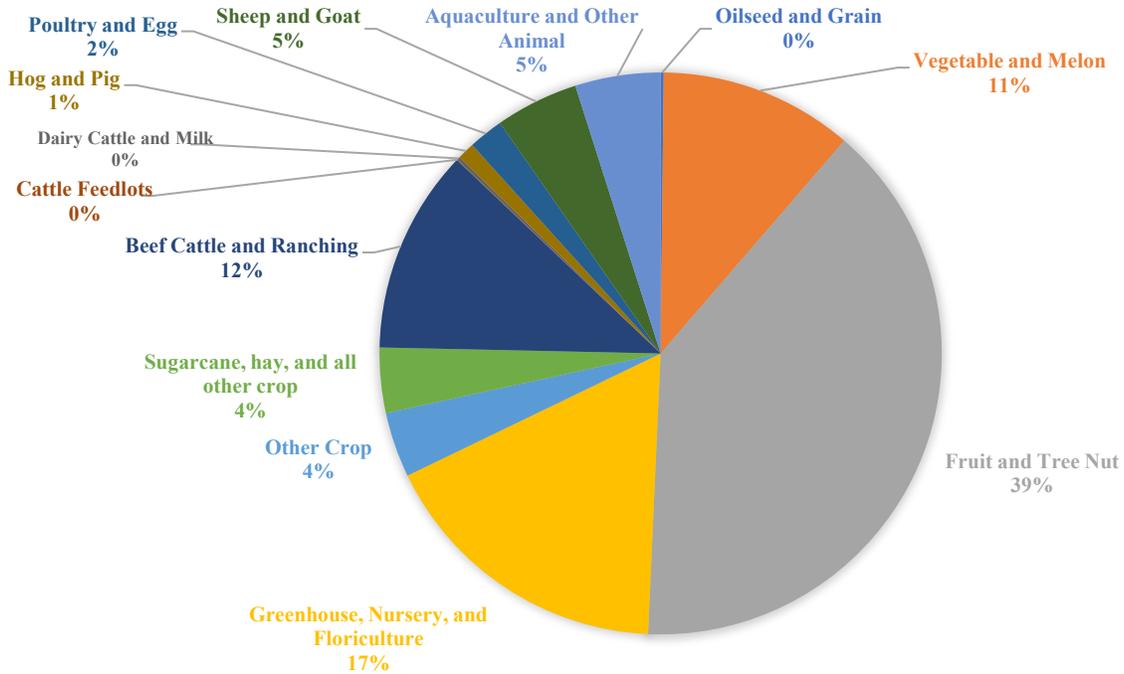
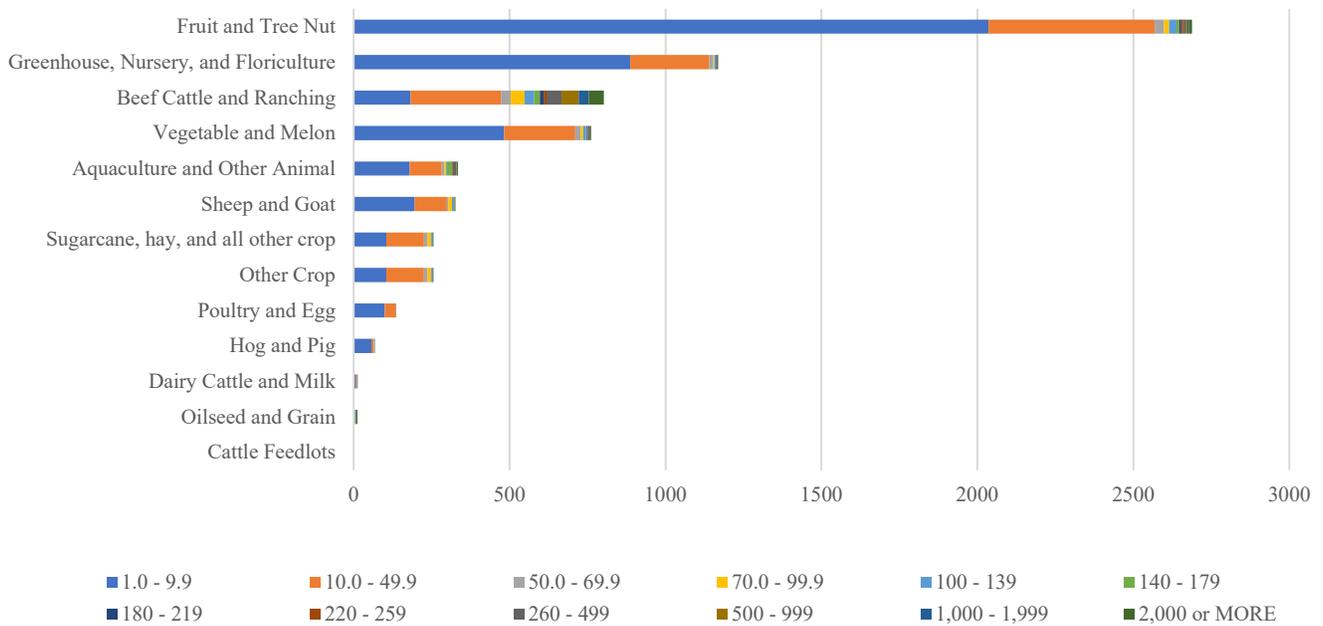


Chart 2: Number of Farms by Area Operated (Acres) and Industry, Hawai‘i, 2022



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