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Statistics on Total Agricultural and Food Imports and Exports State of Hawai‘i, 2018 – 2024

From 2018 to 2024, Hawai‘i’s agricultural and food imports consistently exceeded exports, highlighting the state’s reliance on imported products. Hawai‘i’s total import values fluctuated between \$164 million in 2020 and \$243 million in 2022, with 2024 reaching \$233.8 million. In contrast, Hawai‘i’s total export values showed a general decline over the same period, down 47% from \$106.9 million in 2018 to \$56.8 million in 2024, indicating a widening trade gap in agricultural and food products.

From 2022 to 2024, Hawai‘i’s top 10 agricultural and food exports declined by 41% from \$70.0 million to \$41.2 million. Cold-water shrimp and macadamia nuts remained the leading export products in all three years, but both saw substantial decreases—shrimp exports dropped 35% from \$16.9 million in 2022 to \$10.9 million in 2024, while macadamia nuts declined 26% from \$15.6 million to \$11.5 million. Cocoa preparations, which ranked third in 2022 and 2023, disappeared from the top exports in 2024.

Additionally, papayas, roasted coffee, unroasted coffee, and live bees maintained a consistent presence across all three years, although most of these crops also experienced reduced export values. This trend reflects Hawai‘i’s consistent strengths in tropical fruits, specialty coffee, and apiculture. Other commodities like seaweed, fruit juices, and plants for medicament held lower but stable positions by 2024. Overall, Hawai‘i’s export profile shows a narrowing range of high-value products, declining quantities, and a continued reliance on specialty crops and aquaculture, alongside a steady downward trend in total export earnings.

From 2022 to 2024, Hawai‘i’s top 10 agricultural and food imports show some consistent patterns alongside notable shifts in value. Tuna (skipjack and yellowfin), various fresh and frozen fish, and boneless beef remained the highest-value imports throughout the three years, reflecting Hawai‘i’s continued reliance on protein imports. Total tuna imports decreased 31% in value from \$49.2 million in 2022 to \$33.8 million in 2024, while imports of Atlantic salmon and other chilled fish generally increased.

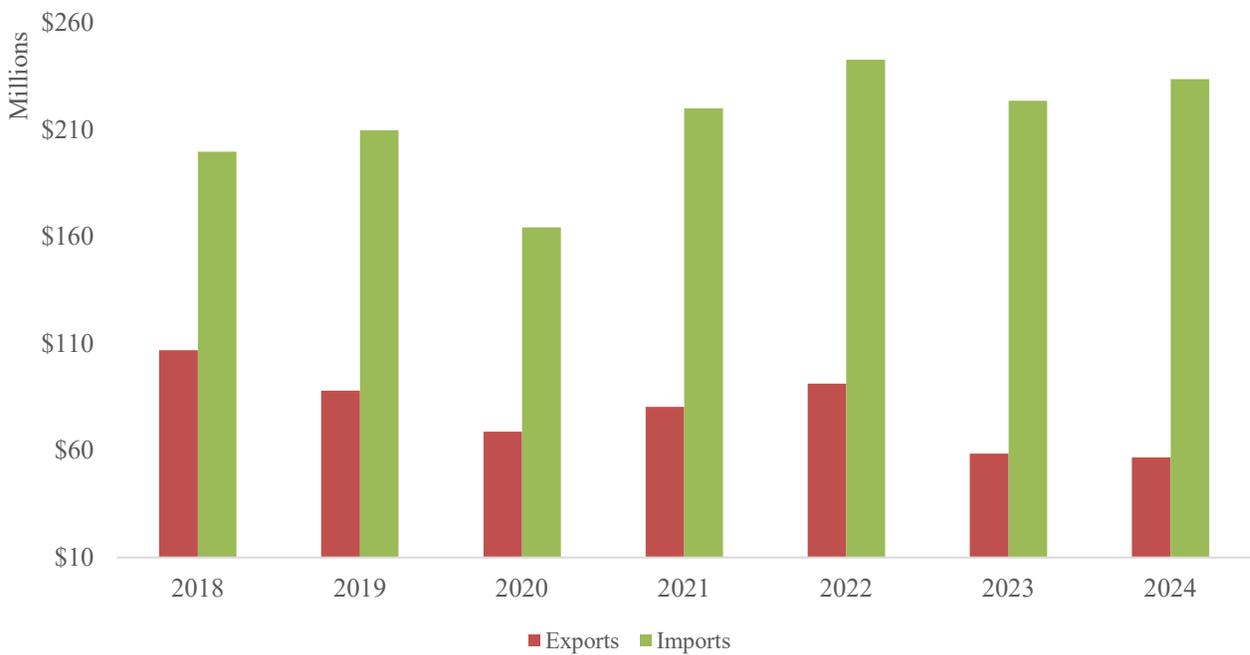
Hawai‘i’s top 10 agricultural and food imports declined by 11% from \$109.2 million in 2022 to \$96.7 million in 2024, suggesting a modest reduction in overall import expenditure, even as demand for specific staple commodities like fish and processed foods remained strong. Overall, the data show that Hawai‘i is maintaining its dependence on imported proteins and staple foods, with some shifts in emphasis within seafood categories.

Table 1: Total Value of Hawai‘i Agricultural and Food Imports and Exports, 2018 – 2024

Year	Imports	Exports
2018	\$199,811,578	\$106,886,791
2019	\$209,697,889	\$88,021,308
2020	\$164,349,101	\$68,790,227
2021	\$219,994,314	\$80,452,399
2022	\$242,793,821	\$91,226,097
2023	\$223,641,406	\$58,605,371
2024	\$233,755,458	\$56,752,993

Source: U.S. Census Bureau. Available at <https://usatrade.census.gov/> (accessed October 16, 2025).

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Table 2: Top 10 Hawai‘i’s Export Commodities to the World by HS Code¹, 2024

Rank	HS Code and Item	Value (\$)	Quantity (kg)
1	080261 Macadamia Nuts, In Shell, Fresh Or Dried	11,515,863	3,679,588
2	030635 Cold-water Shrimp And Prawns, Live, Fresh Or Chilled	10,928,611	523,136
3	080720 Papayas (papaws), Fresh	3,704,654	435,581
4	090121 Coffee, Roasted, Not Decaffeinated	3,703,565	244,003
5	090111 Coffee; Not Roasted, Not Decaffeinated	3,690,740	71,858
6	080550 Lemons And Limes, Fresh Or Dried	2,913,182	
7	010641 Bees, Live	2,260,633	5,153
8	121221 Seaweeds And Other Algae Fit For Human Consumption	901,824	83,222
9	200990 Mixtures Of Fruit And/or Vegetable Juices	803,014	576,073
10	121190 Plants & Parts Etc. For Medicaments Etc. Nesoi ²	773,140	135,301
	Total	\$41,195,226	5,752,915

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¹ The Harmonized System (HS) is a standardized numerical method of classifying traded products. The HS Codes are commonly used throughout the import and export process for the classification of goods. Available at <https://www.trade.gov/harmonized-system-hs-codes>.

² Nesoi means not elsewhere specified or indicated.

Table 3: Top 10 Hawai‘i’s Export Commodities to the World by HS Code, 2023

Rank	HS Code and Item	Value (\$)	Quantity (kg)
1	030635 Cold-water Shrimp And Prawns, Live, Fresh Or Chilled	11,754,651	557,691
2	080261 Macadamia Nuts, In Shell, Fresh Or Dried	8,993,583	2,824,884
3	180690 Cocoa Preparations, Not In Bulk Form, Nesoi ¹	6,922,391	1,794,609
4	090111 Coffee; Not Roasted, Not Decaffeinated	5,842,363	77,453
5	080720 Papayas (papaws), Fresh	4,419,506	506,580
6	090121 Coffee, Roasted, Not Decaffeinated	3,792,435	276,170
7	010641 Bees, Live	2,863,352	6,248
8	121221 Seaweeds And Other Algae Fit For Human Consumption	999,130	111,944
9	200989 Juice Of Any Other Single Fruit, Nut Or Vegetable	760,477	184,865
10	200990 Mixtures Of Fruit And/or Vegetable Juices	652,924	491,126
	Total	\$47,000,812	6,831,570

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Table 4: Top 10 Hawai‘i’s Export Commodities to the World by HS Code, 2022

Rank	HS Code and Item	Value (\$)	Quantity (kg)
1	030635 Cold-water Shrimp And Prawns, Live, Fresh Or Chilled	16,913,562	848,667
2	080261 Macadamia Nuts, In Shell, Fresh Or Dried	15,642,472	5,043,797
3	180690 Cocoa Preparations, Not In Bulk Form, Nesoi ¹	7,674,171	2,052,828
4	090111 Coffee; Not Roasted, Not Decaffeinated	7,469,927	137,247
5	080720 Papayas (papaws), Fresh	6,083,156	737,070
6	090121 Coffee, Roasted, Not Decaffeinated	5,656,864	472,264
7	121221 Seaweeds And Other Algae Fit For Human Consumption	4,745,897	475,227
8	010641 Bees, Live	2,614,171	5,125
9	200819 Nuts (exc Peanuts) And Seeds, Prepared Etc. Nesoi ¹	1,721,834	217,662
10	200989 Juice Of Any Other Single Fruit, Nut Or Vegetable	1,463,542	367,681
	Total	69,985,596	10,357,568

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Chart 2: Rank Changes of Top 10 Hawai‘i’s Export Commodities to the World, 2022 - 2024

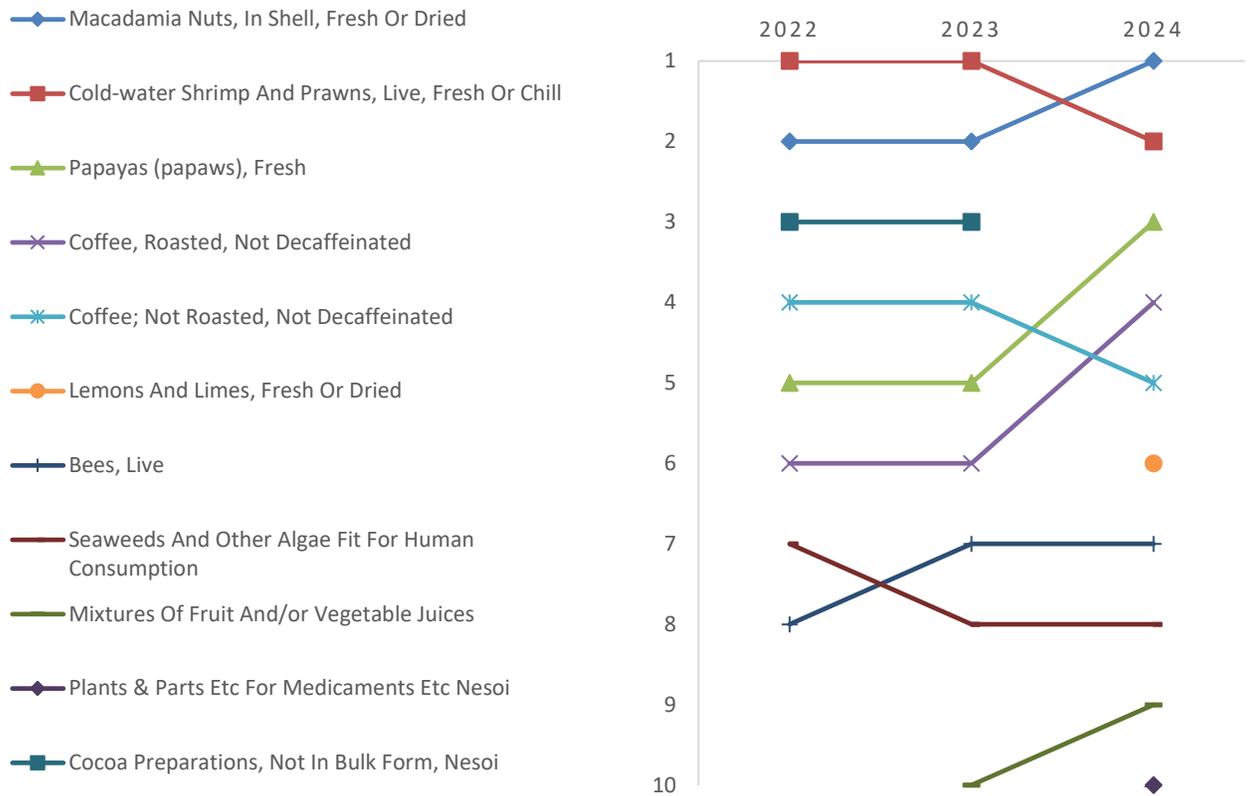


Table 5: Top 10 Hawai‘i’s Import Commodities from the World by HS Code, 2024

Rank	HS Code and Item	Value (\$)	Quantity (kg)
1	030487 Tuna (Genus Thunnus), skipjack Tuna (Strip-bel), Frozen	\$20,670,566	2,122,362
2	030342 Yellowfin Tuna Except Fillets, Liver & Roes Frozen	\$13,125,911	1,496,917
3	190590 Bread, Pastry, Cakes, Etc Nesoi & Puddings	\$12,646,782	2,776,921
4	200899 Fruit & Edible Plant Parts Nesoi, Prep Etc. Nesoi ¹	\$9,235,949	2,608,964
5	030214 Atlantic Salmon And Danube Salmon Fresh Or Chilled	\$9,090,634	798,044
6	020230 Meat Of Bovine Animals, Boneless, Frozen	\$6,776,845	1,180,536
7	100630 Rice, Semi- Or Wholly Milled, Polished Etc Or Not	\$6,491,916	6,004,375
8	030289 Fish, Fresh Or Chilled, Nesoi ¹	\$6,309,512	631,894
9	030489 Fish Fillets, Frozen, Nesoi ¹	\$6,235,558	604,338
10	210390 Sauces Etc. Mixed Condiments And Seasonings Nesoi ¹	\$6,156,265	2,745,217
	Total	\$96,739,938	20,969,568

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Table 6: Top 10 Hawai‘i’s Import Commodities from the World by HS Code, 2023

Rank	HS Code and Item	Value (\$)	Quantity (kg)
1	030487 Tuna (Genus Thunnus), skipjack Tuna (Strip-bel), Frozen	23,725,104	2,300,881
2	190590 Bread, Pastry, Cakes, Etc Nesoi & Puddings	11,939,957	2,737,366
3	200899 Fruit & Edible Plant Parts Nesoi, Prep Etc. Nesoi ¹	9,817,795	2,861,073
4	030214 Atlantic Salmon And Danube Salmon Fresh Or Chilled	8,963,953	853,435
5	030342 Yellowfin Tuna Except Fillets, Liver & Roes Frozen	7,788,334	808,189
6	100630 Rice, Semi- Or Wholly Milled, Polished Etc Or Not	7,315,871	7,280,671
7	030489 Fish Fillets, Frozen, Nesoi ¹	7,077,325	638,833
8	210390 Sauces Etc. Mixed Condiments And Seasonings Nesoi ¹	6,512,120	2,850,022
9	051191 Products & Dead Fish, Molluscs Etc, inedible Nesoi ¹	6,370,842	4,696,846
10	020230 Meat Of Bovine Animals, Boneless, Frozen	6,363,606	1,078,943
	Total	\$95,874,907	26,106,259

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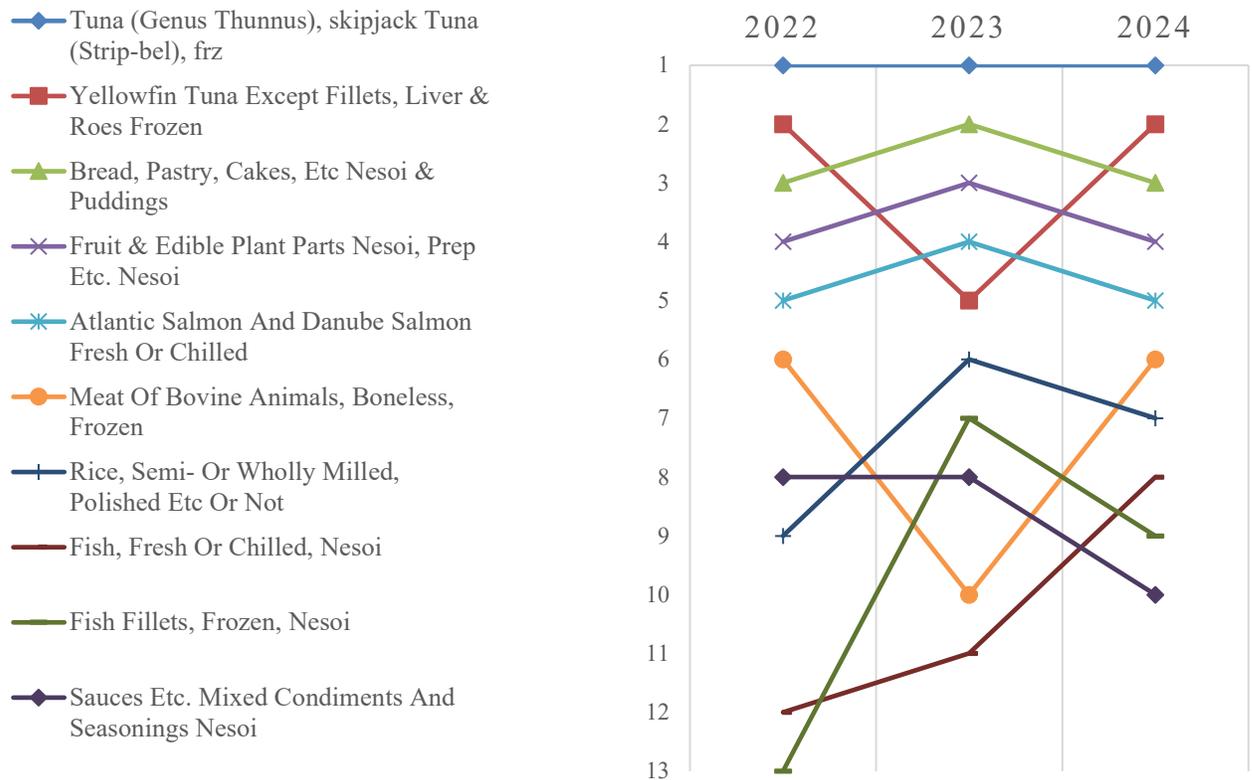
Table 7: Top 10 Hawai‘i’s Import Commodities from the World by HS Code, 2022

Rank	Hs Code and Item	Value (\$)	Quantity (kg)
1	030487 Tuna (Genus Thunnus), skipjack Tuna (Strip-bel), Frozen	34,312,936	2,869,402
2	030342 Yellowfin Tuna Except Fillets, Liver & Roes Frozen	14,923,248	1,344,629
3	190590 Bread, Pastry, Cakes, Etc Nesoi & Puddings	12,377,030	2,732,827
4	200899 Fruit & Edible Plant Parts Nesoi, Prep Etc. Nesoi ¹	10,452,019	3,109,049
5	030214 Atlantic Salmon And Danube Salmon Fresh Or Chilled	7,094,358	599,008
6	020230 Meat Of Bovine Animals, Boneless, Frozen	6,783,784	1,032,581
7	051191 Products & Dead Fish, Molluscs Etc, inedible Nesoi ¹	6,782,679	4,753,353
8	210390 Sauces Etc. Mixed Condiments And Seasonings Nesoi ¹	6,443,274	3,088,149
9	100630 Rice, Semi- Or Wholly Milled, Polished Etc Or Not	5,063,568	5,517,903
10	160250 Prepared Or Preserved Bovine Meat Etc. Nesoi ¹	4,930,623	1,260,749
	Total	109,163,519	26,307,650

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Chart 3: Rank Changes of Top 10 Hawai‘i’s Import Commodities from the World, 2022 – 2024



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