# **Current Hawaii Economic Conditions**

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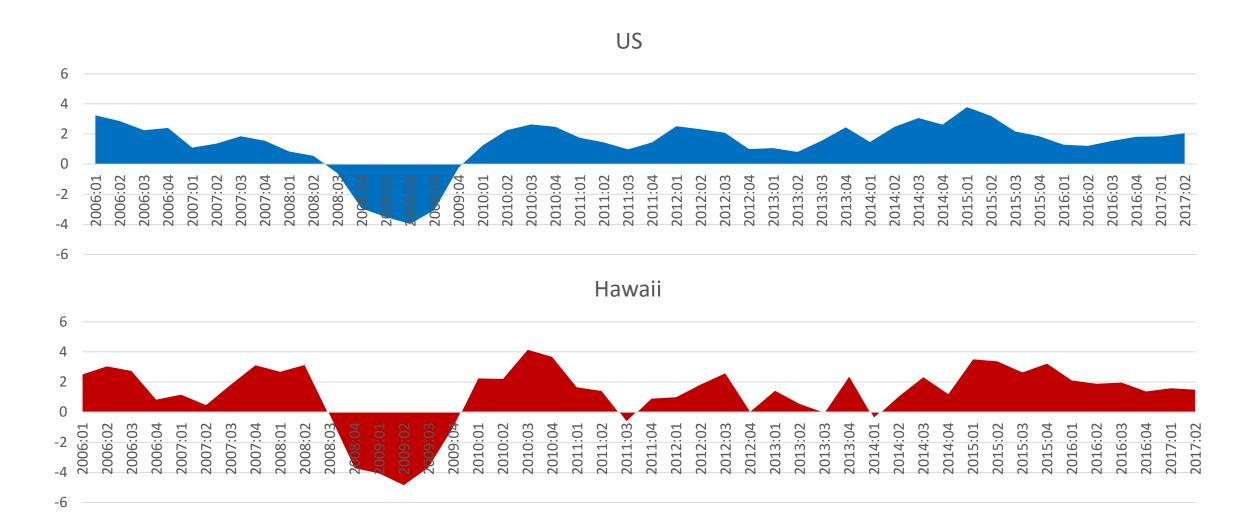
# Positive signs in the Economy

- ➤ We have the best labor market in the nation, lowest unemployment rate, record levels of labor force, employment, and job count
- ➤ All counties are fully recovered and gaining jobs
- ➤ Value of building permits issued during the first 11 months of 2017 increased, indicating construction industry will be busier in 2018
- Real estate market performing well, sales and median prices are up
- > Scheduled air seat capacity will increase 8.8% during the first 10 months of 2018, leading to another record year of visitor arrivals in 2018
- > TCJA will have positive impact on economic growth for both the nation and Hawaii
- ➤ Most economies in the world will have steady growth this year, U.S. growth rate will be better than last year
- > Hawaii's economy continues to be on a normal growth path

# Challenges in the Economy

- ➤ Many Hawaii industries are still recovering
- > Economic growth slower than the nation
- ➤ Higher consumer inflation rate than the nation
- ➤ General excise tax bases have been relatively flat in recent years

### **Quarterly Real GDP Growth**



### A Historical Review of Hawaii's Economic Growth

Indicator	Annual average growth, %				
Indicator	30 years, 1986 - 2016	20 years, 1996 -2016	2017	2018	
Real GDP	1.8	1.6	1.7	1.5	
Real personal income	1.8	2.1	1.7	1.5	
Honolulu inflation rate	3.0	2.2	2.5	2.3	
Non-Ag wage and salary jobs	1.3	1.0	1.0	0.9	
Unemployment rate 1/	4.5	4.8	2.6	2.9	
Visitor arrivals by air	1.5	1.4	4.6	2.3	

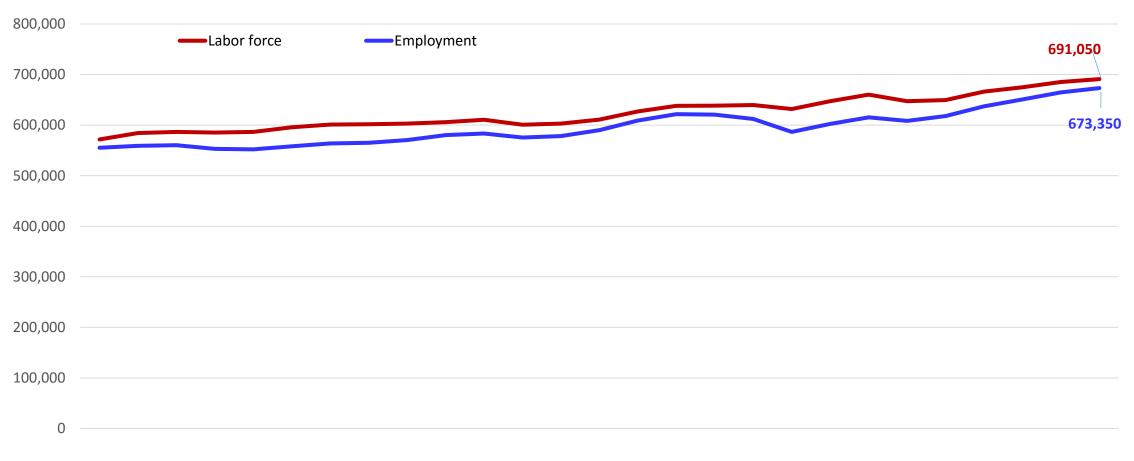
1/ Average of 30 years, 1986 – 2016.

Source: DBEDT

# Most of the world economies had good year in 2017 and will have steady growth in 2018

Economy	2015	2016	2017	2018
USA.	2.9	1.5	2.3	2.6
Canada	0.9	1.4	2.9	2.1
Japan	1.2	1.0	1.6	1.3
S. Korea	2.6	2.7	3.1	2.9
Hong Kong	2.4	1.9	3.4	2.5
Taiwan	0.7	1.5	2.5	2.3
China	6.9	6.7	6.6	6.3
United Kingdom	2.2	1.8	1.5	1.3
Germany	1.5	1.7	2.4	2.1
France	1.2	1.1	1.8	1.8
Eurozone	1.9	1.7	2.2	1.9
Australia	2.4	2.5	2.3	2.6
Brazil	-3.8	-3.6	0.8	2.3

# Statewide labor force & employment continue to set records



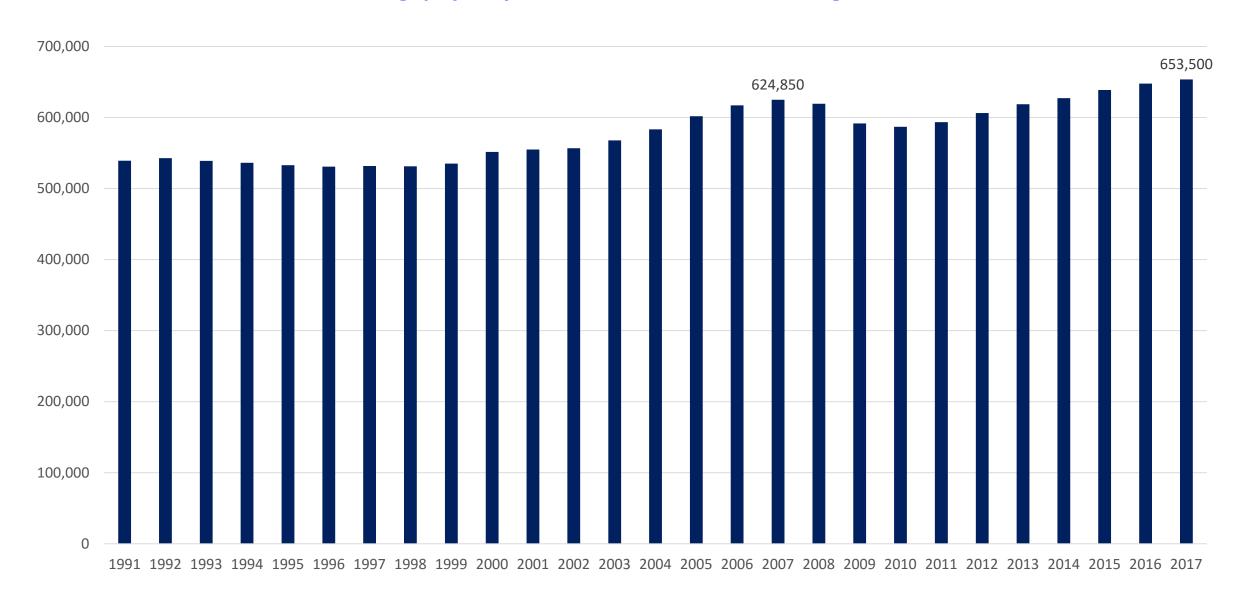
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2017 are year-to-date (YTD) November averages.

Source: Hawaii State Department of Labor and Industrial Relations.



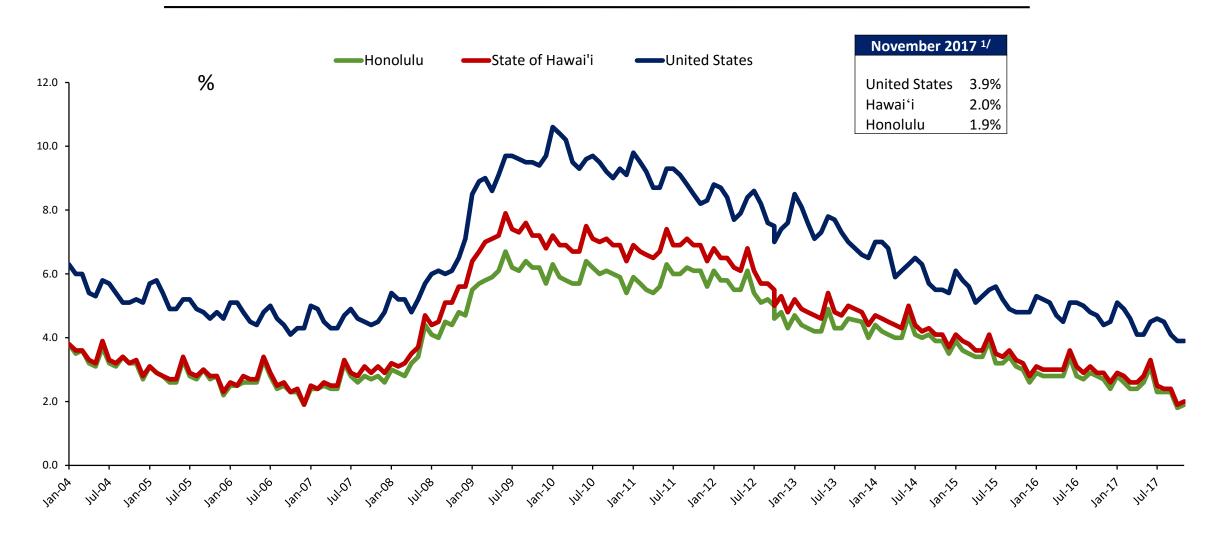
### Non-ag. payroll job count is also record setting



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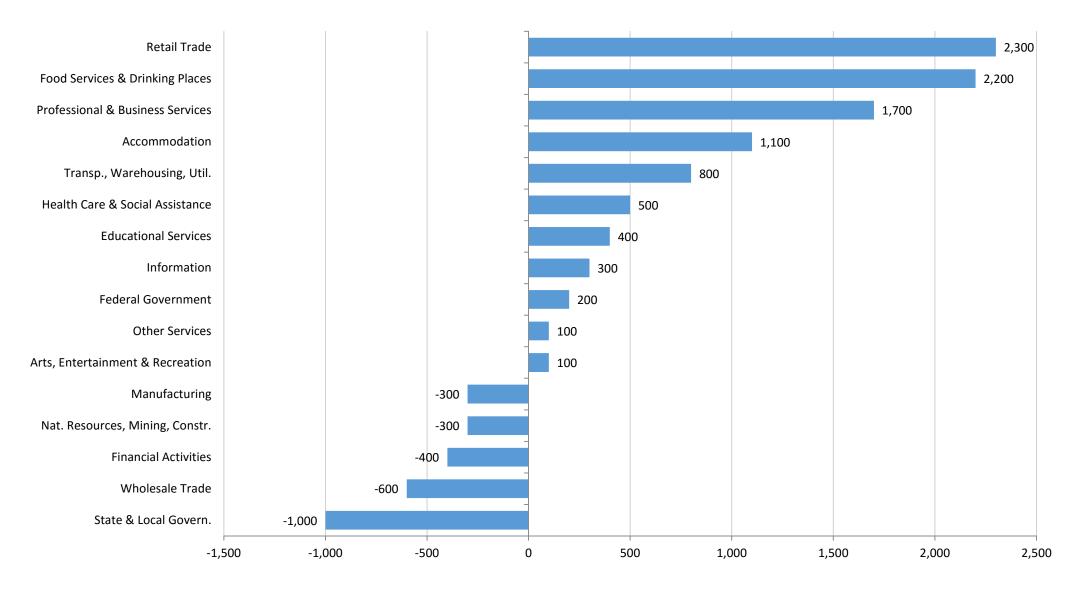
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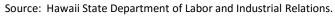
# **Unemployment rate**



Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Hawaii State Department of Labor & Industrial Relations. 1/ Not seasonally adjusted.

# Statewide gained 7,100 non-ag payroll jobs in the 1st 11 months of 2017







# **Real Estate Sales**

(% change btw. 2016-11 YTD and 2017-11 YTD)

	Single Family Homes		Condo Homes	
Island	Closed sales	Median price	Closed sales	Median price
Oahu	5.8%	3.1%	7.6%	4.1%
Maui	3.3%	9.4%	10.3%	7.7%
Hawaii	8.7%	4.5%	20.6%	1.1%
Kauai	-0.8%	8.8%	20.8%	8.2%

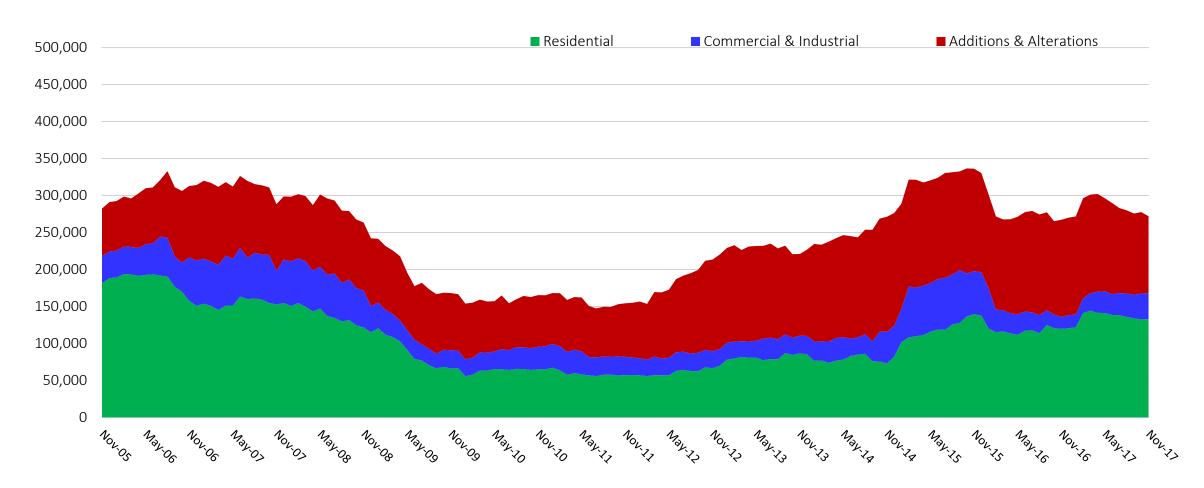
Source: Hawaii Information Service on behalf of Hawaii Island Realtors and the Kauai Board of Realtors, the Honolulu Board of Realtors, and Realtors Association of Maui.

# Median Home Prices: 2016-11 YTD and 2017-11 YTD

Island	Single Family Homes		Condo Homes	
	2016	2017	2016	2017
Oahu	\$735,000	\$758,000	\$389,000	\$405,000
Maui	\$635,000	\$695,000	\$415,000	\$447,000
Hawaii	\$335,000	\$350,000	\$307,750	\$311,250
Kauai	\$615,000	\$669,000	\$397,500	\$430,000

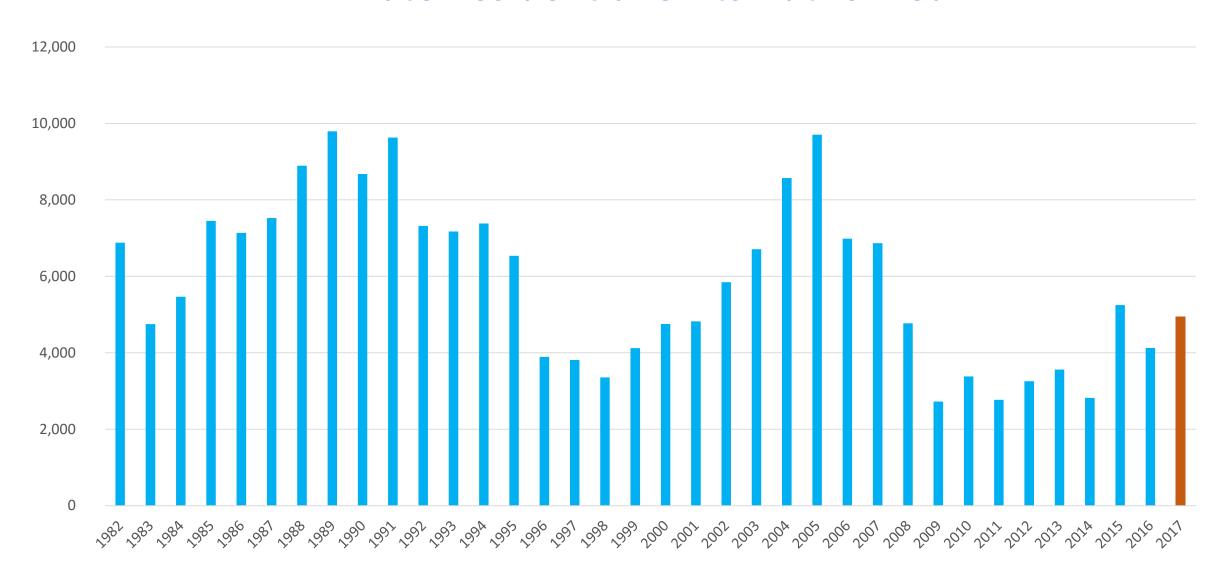
# Value of private construction permits increasing slightly in 2017

#### 12 Month Moving Average of Building Authorization



Source: County Building Departments and U.S. Census Bureau.

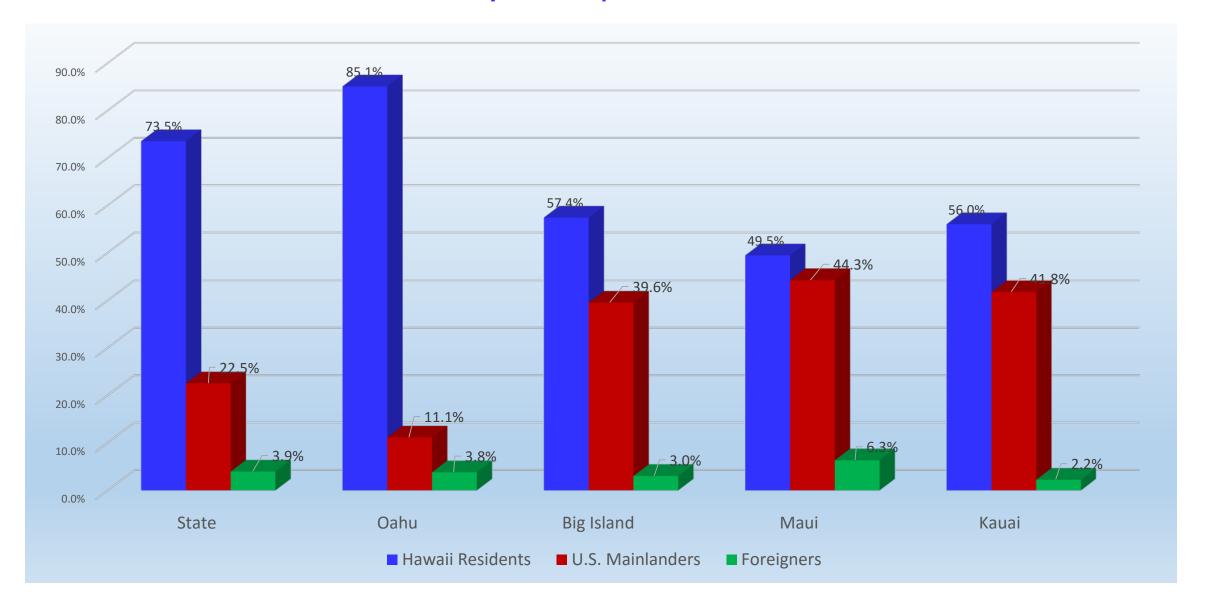
# **Private Residential Units Authorized**



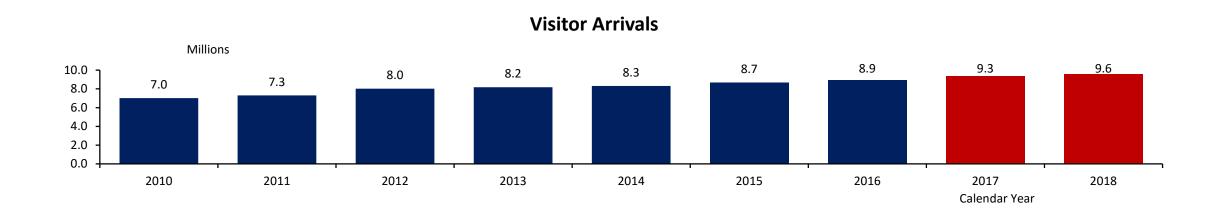
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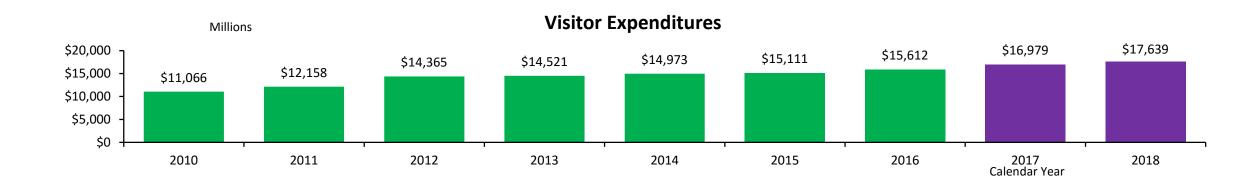
Source: County Building Departments and U.S. Census Bureau.

### Residential home sales by owner's place of residence: 1Q 2008 – 3Q 2017



### **Total Visitor Arrivals and Expenditures**





Source: HTA and DBEDT

# New air seats added in 2018 (Through October) on scheduled flights

MARKET	STATE	% change
TOTAL	10,950,717	8.8
US WEST	6,782,922	11.5
US EAST	939,893	11.9
JAPAN	1,629,710	-2.7
CANADA	362,184	2.0
OTHER ASIA	526,172	13.6
OCEANIA	450,123	12.2
OTHER	259,713	6.5

Source: Hawaii Tourism Authority

# Direct flights to the neighbor islands are expected to increased by more than 22%

Airport	2017 J-O Seats	2018 J-O Seats	% change
TOTAL	10,060,599	10,950,717	8.8
Honolulu	6,688,199	6,807,384	1.8
Kahului	1,920,319	2,131,845	11.0
Lihue	617,600	866,908	40.4
Hilo	39,276	50,477	28.5
Kona	795,205	1,094,103	37.6

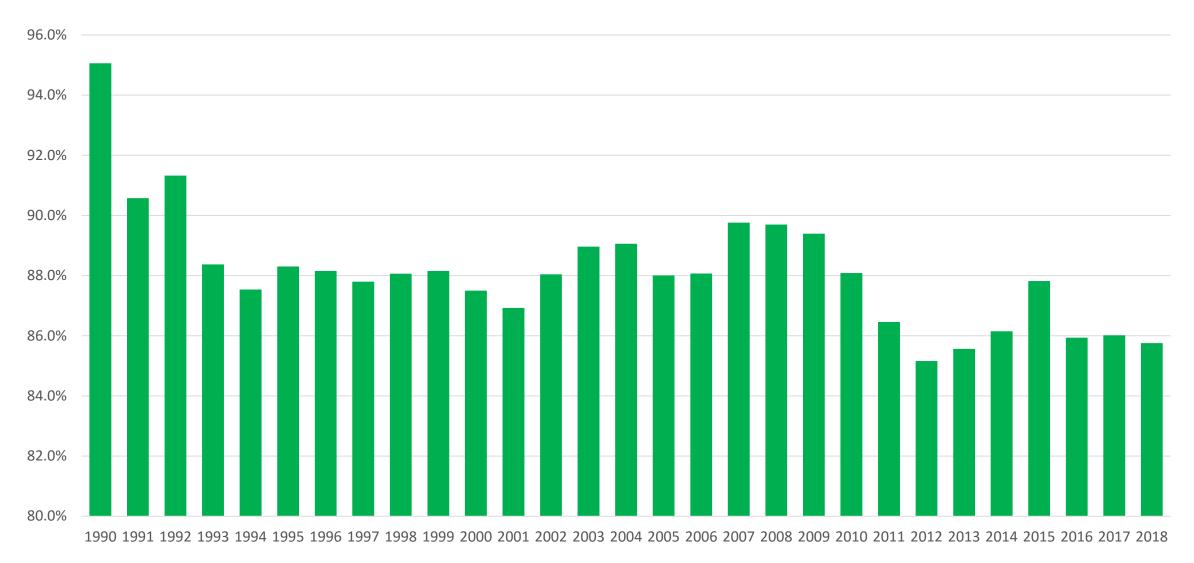
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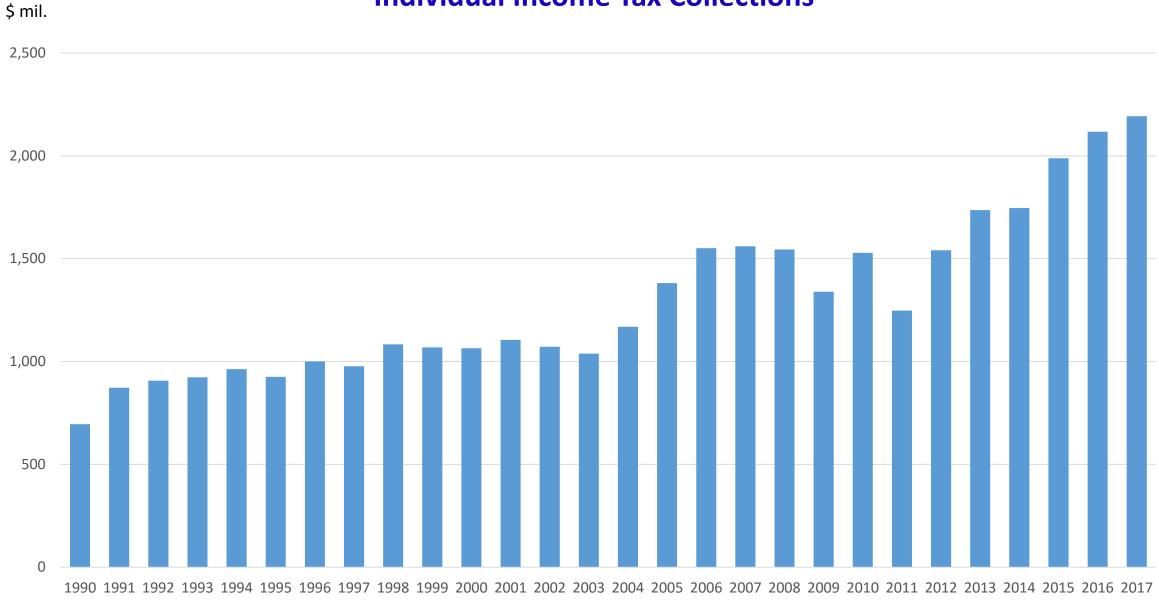
# Personal transfer receipts contributes more to personal income growth



# GET and individual income tax share in general fund tax revenues

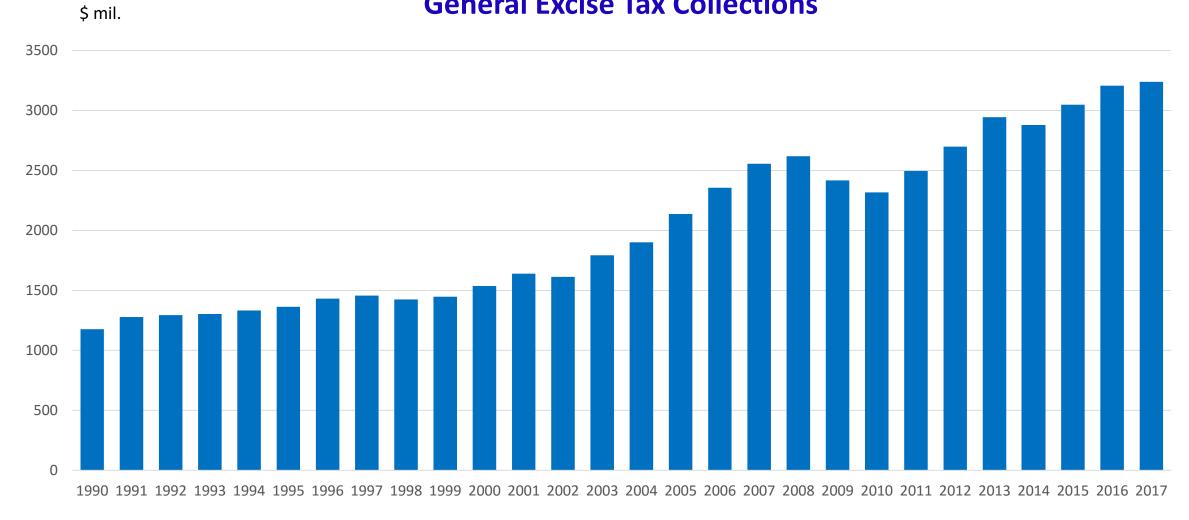


### **Individual Income Tax Collections**



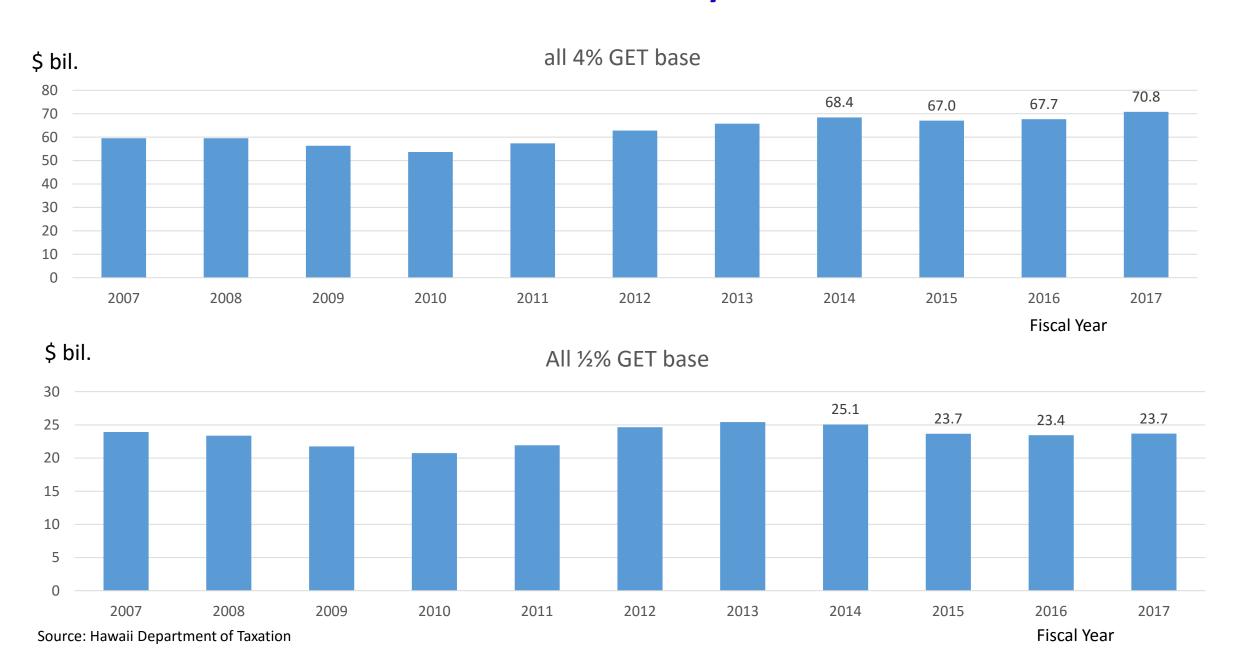
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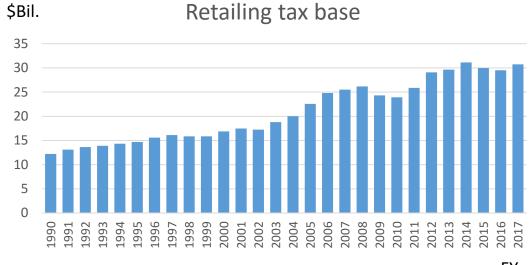


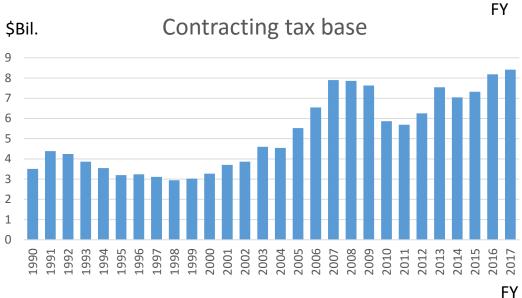
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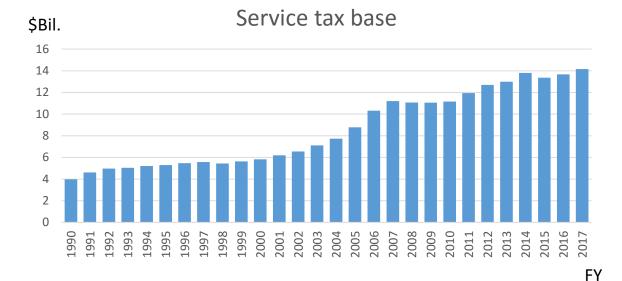
# Tax base relatively flat

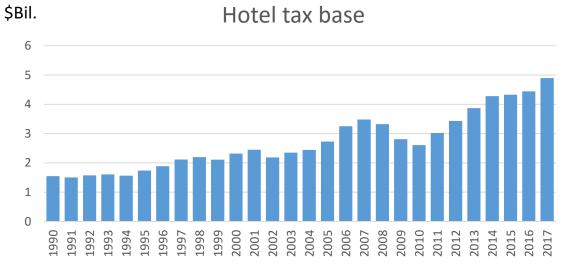


# **Retailing tax base flat**









# 1/2% GET base either flat or declining in recent years

