

Food and Drug Administration Fact Sheet – Hawaii

FDA Presence: 10 FDA employees in Hawaii

Resident Post: Honolulu

reports to: San Francisco District, Alameda, California, who

reports to: Pacific Region, Oakland, California

Industry Presence in State

There are 585 FDA-regulated establishments in the State of Hawaii

(Some firms are in more than one category)

Food establishments (includes cosmetics) - 59 percent

Medical device and radiological establishments - 28 percent

Human drug establishments - 6 percent

Biologic establishments (includes blood banks) - 4 percent

Animal drug and feed establishments - 3 percent

Industry Highlights

- Staff an International Mail Facility in conjunction with DHS/CBP (Customs and Border Protection) to detain counter drugs via international mail.
- Seafood, domestic and imports, is the largest industry on the Islands.
- Importation of goods to and through Hawaii to the mainland accounts for 1/3 of FDA resources covering the review, inspection and sampling of products primarily from Asia.

Contracts, Partnerships & Local Activities

State contracts

Hawaii Department of Health

- Conduct inspections of mammography facilities.
- Conduct diagnostic x-ray field tests.

State Partnerships

Hawaii Department of Health

- Conduct inspections of new x-ray assemblies or re-assemblies.
- Support for a Food Safety Task Force for food safety.

Hawaii Department of Agriculture & Department of Health

- Support the Egg Quality Assurance Plan, an integrated voluntary food safety program designed to ensure quality and safety of eggs (with USDA, University of Hawaii and industry).

Local Activities

Ongoing public affairs cooperation with the

- Hawaii Food Manufacturers Association,
- University of Hawaii,
- Hawaii Cooperative Extension Service,
- Hawaii Dietetic Association,
- Hawaii Section/Institute of Food Technologists, and

- Hawaii Department of Health.