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# 2010 COMMODITY INSURANCE FACT SHEET

# **Tropical Fruit Pilot**

# Hawaii - Banana

# **Crop Insured**

The crop insured will be all banana grown for fresh market for which a premium rate is provided by the actuarial documents in which you have a share:

- Grown to produce a crop intended to be sold for human consumption;
- That, if the orchard is inspected and is considered acceptable by us;
- Banana acreage on January 1 following the year of tree setout.

Tree age will be determined on December 31<sup>st</sup> according to the following table:

Year	Months After
	Set Out
1	≤ 12
2	13 - 24
3	25 - 36
4	37+

#### **Causes of Loss**

Adverse weather conditions<sup>1</sup> Destruction of trees<sup>2</sup> Disease<sup>3</sup> Earthquake Fire<sup>4</sup>

Insects<sup>3</sup> Tsunami

Volcanic eruption

Wildlife<sup>5</sup>

#### **Counties Available**

Tropical fruits are insurable in Hawaii, Kauai, Honolulu and Maui counties in Hawaii.

#### **Insurance Period**

Insurance attaches January 1<sup>st</sup> for carryover policies and 30 days after we receive your application for new insureds, but no earlier than January 1<sup>st</sup>. The insurance period ends the earlier of May31<sup>st</sup> of the following crop year; or upon our determination of the total destruction of insured crop on the unit.

#### **Important Dates**

Sales Closing	December 31
Acreage Report Due	February 15

# **Coverage Levels and Premium Subsidies**

Yields are based on actual production records reported to your insurance agent. Growers can select a coverage level ranging from 50 to 75 percent of their average yield or Catastrophic Coverage Risk protection which offers a producer a 50-percent level of coverage, indemnified at 55 percent of the established price.

**Price Election** Price used to calculate your premium and indemnity.

#### **Cost of Crop Insurance**

CAT coverage:

- Pay an application fee of \$300
- 100 percent of the premiums subsidized.

Higher coverage levels

- Pay an application fee of \$30 and
- Premiums are subsidized at lower rates

For more detailed information about the amounts of coverage and premiums, please contact a crop insurance agent.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Natural perils such as frost, wind, drought, and excess moisture.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>If authorized by the insurance provider to contain the spread of disease.

<sup>3</sup>But not damage due to insufficient or improper application of control measures.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>Unless weeds and undergrowth are not controlled.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>Unless recommended wildlife control measures have not been taken.

#### Loss Example (Cavendish)

Premium based on one acre, 65-percent level of coverage, 100-percent share, and an average yield of 16,000 pounds per acre.

16,000	Pounds per acre average yield (APH)
x .65	Coverage level percentage
10,400	Pounds per acre guarantee
<u>-6,000</u>	Pounds per acre actually produced
4,400	Pounds per acre loss
x \$.376	Price election, per pound
\$1,654.40	Gross indemnity per acre

#### **Where to Purchase Crop Insurance**

All multi-peril crop insurance, including CAT coverage insurance policies, are available from private insurance agents. A list of crop insurance agents is available on the RMA Web site at: http://www3.rma.usda.gov/tools/agents/

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