



Food for All in Hawai'i

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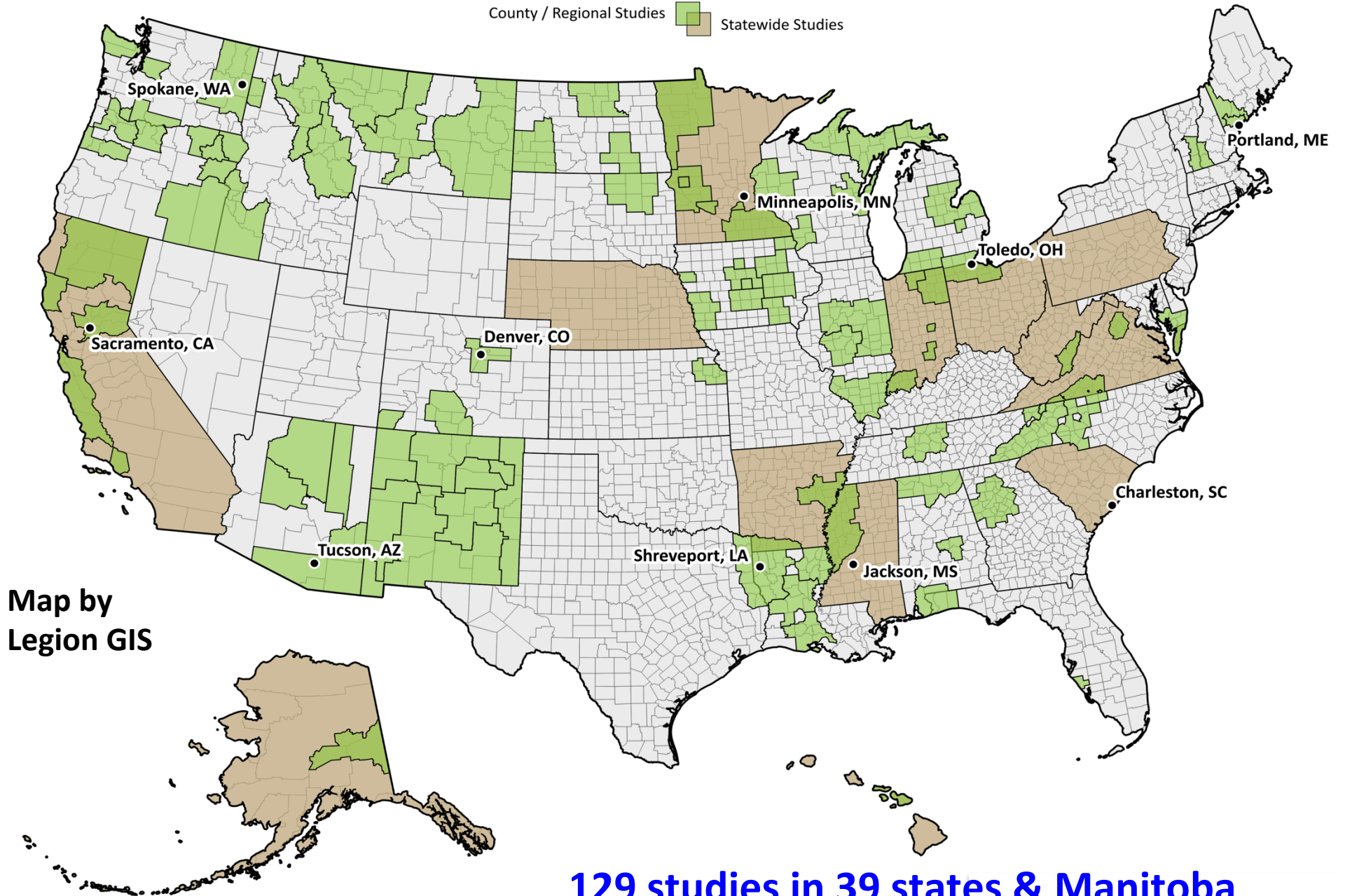
New Entry Community
Food Systems Conference
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CRC Farm & Food Economy Studies

County / Regional Studies

Statewide Studies



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129 studies in 39 states & Manitoba



Community-Based Food Systems

Systems of exchange that strive to bring food producers and food consumers into affinity with each other...

...For the purposes of fostering community health, wealth, connection, and capacity



Meter (2007). Evaluating Farm and Food Systems in the U.S.

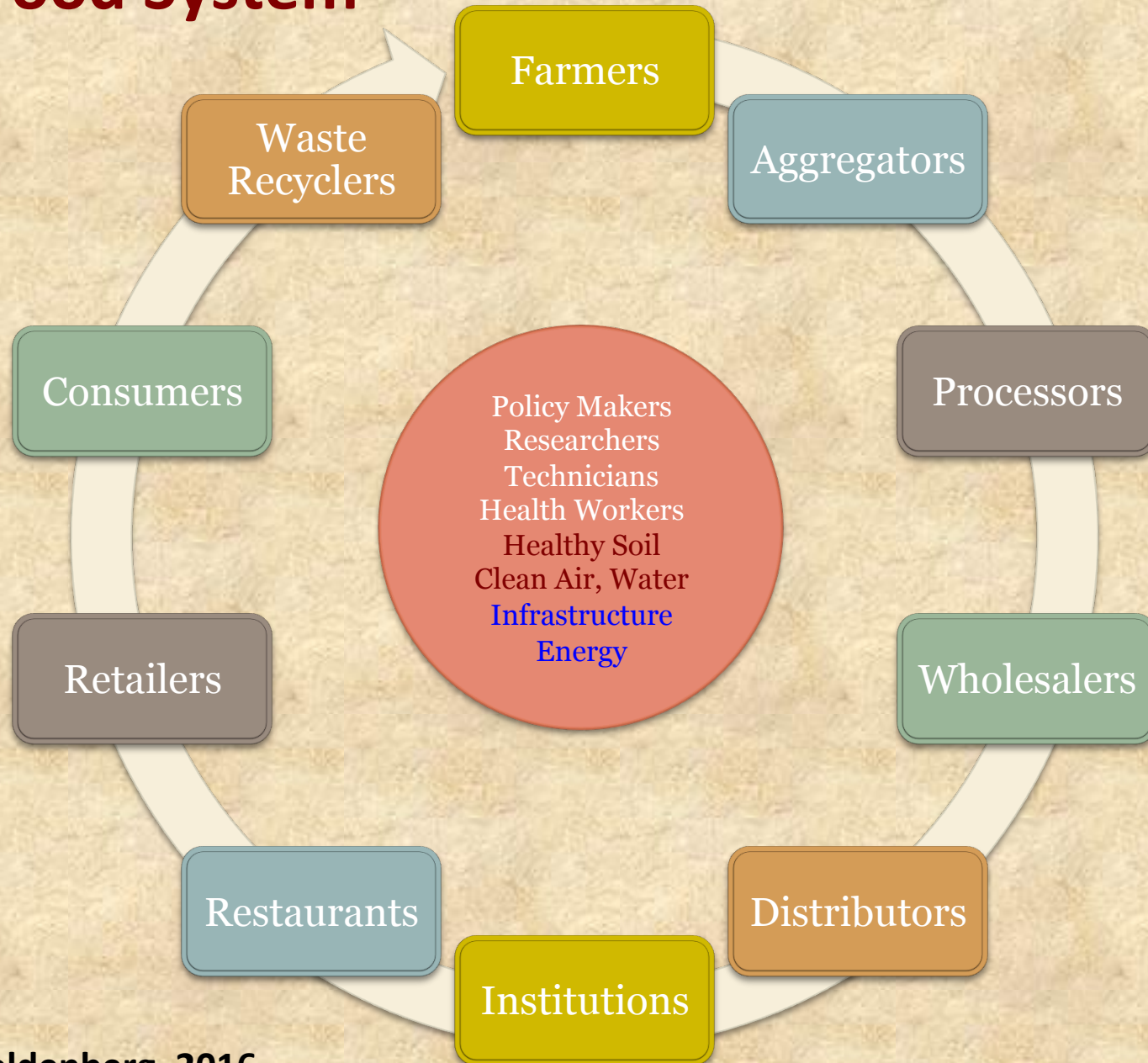


What Differentiates “Local” Food Economically is that it Builds Community Connections

Pennsylvania Association for Sustainable Agriculture: 1Local

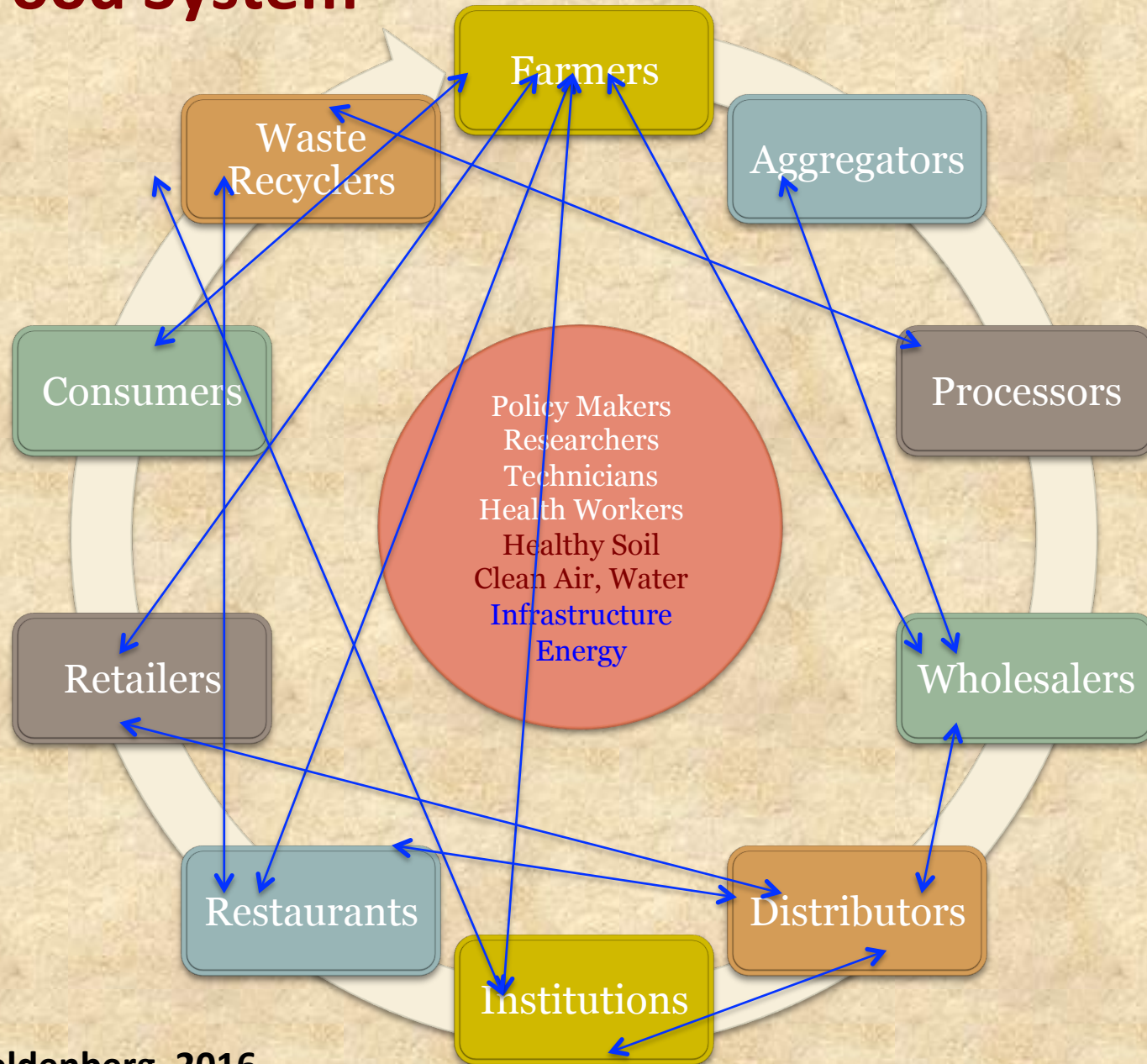


Food System





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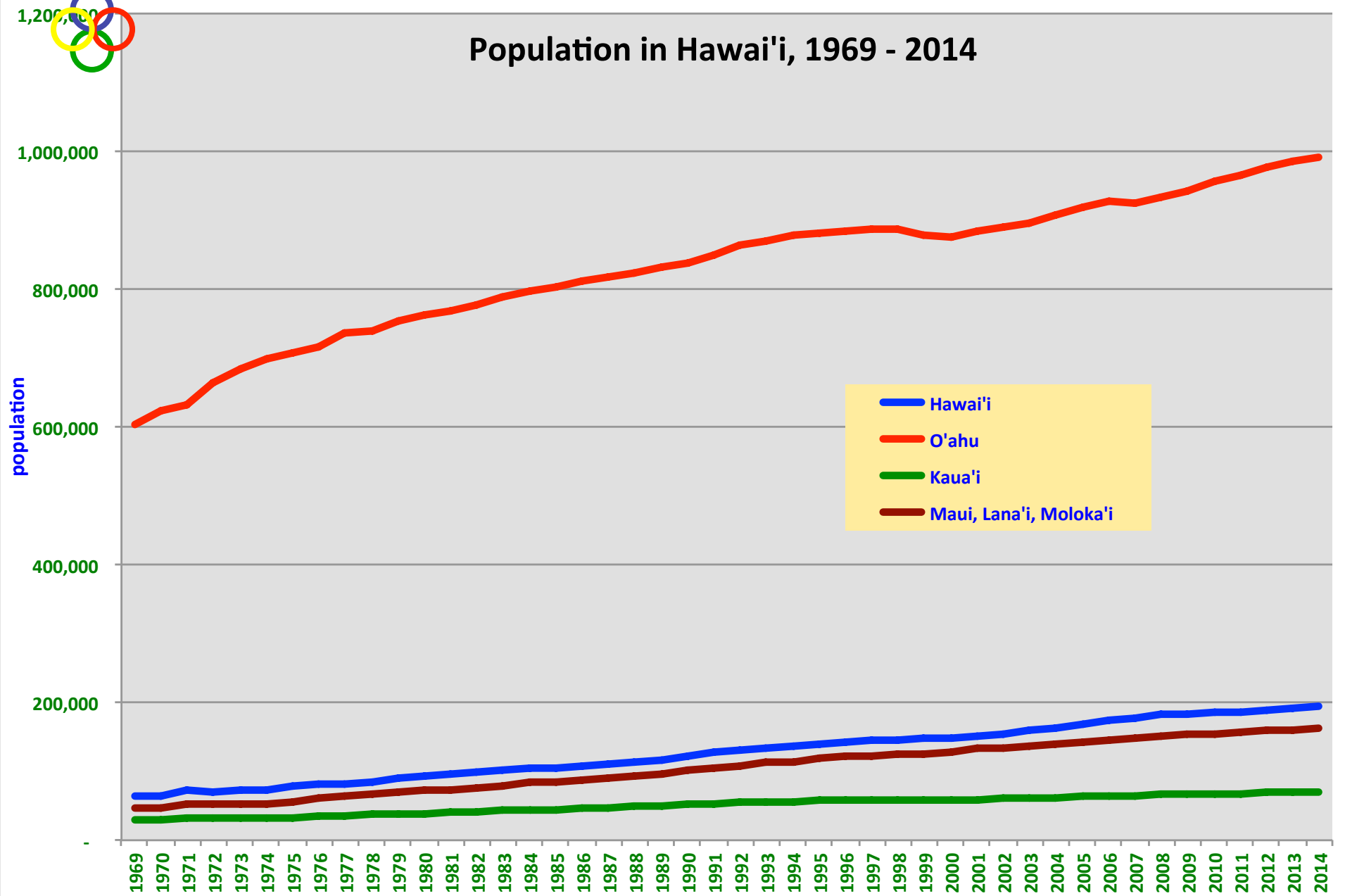
Food Systems are Networks

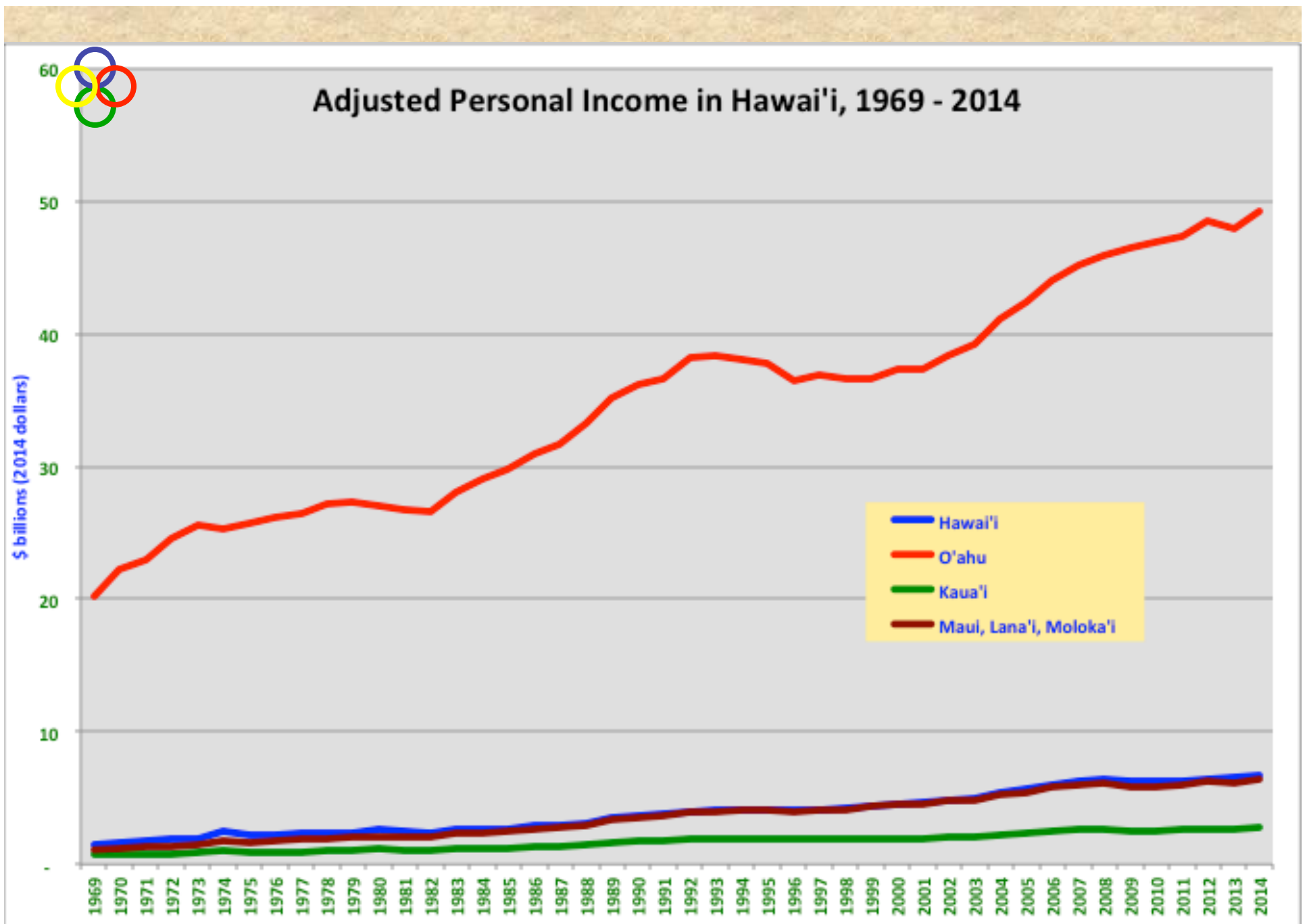
Trellis Growing Systems – Fort Wayne



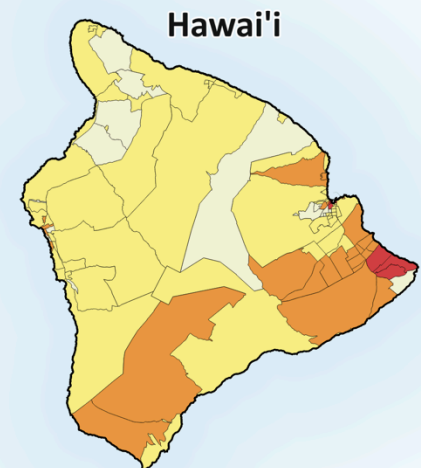
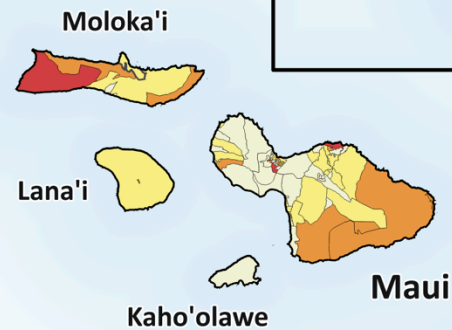
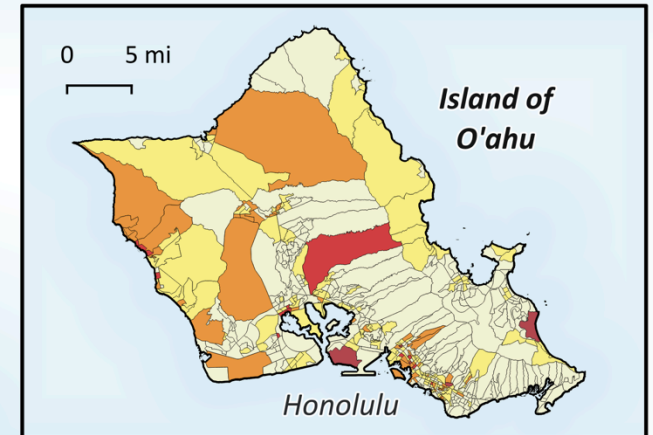
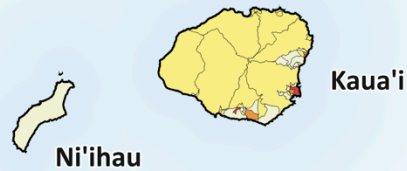
Kahua Ranch, 2003

Population in Hawai'i, 1969 - 2014

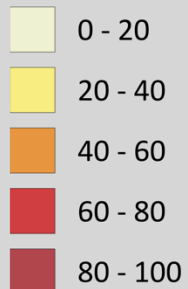




Population Below Livable Wage



**Population Living Below
185% of Poverty Level : ***



County Boundaries

0 25 50 75 mi

* Census data represent 5-year
mean averages from 2010 to 2014

Projected in Hawaii Albers Equal Area Conic
Scale : 1:2,500,000

Sources :

US Census Bureau Census Tracts
& Block Groups (TIGER/Line 2015)
US Federal Census Statistics 2010 - 2014
NRCS State & County Boundaries

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Poverty in Hawai'i

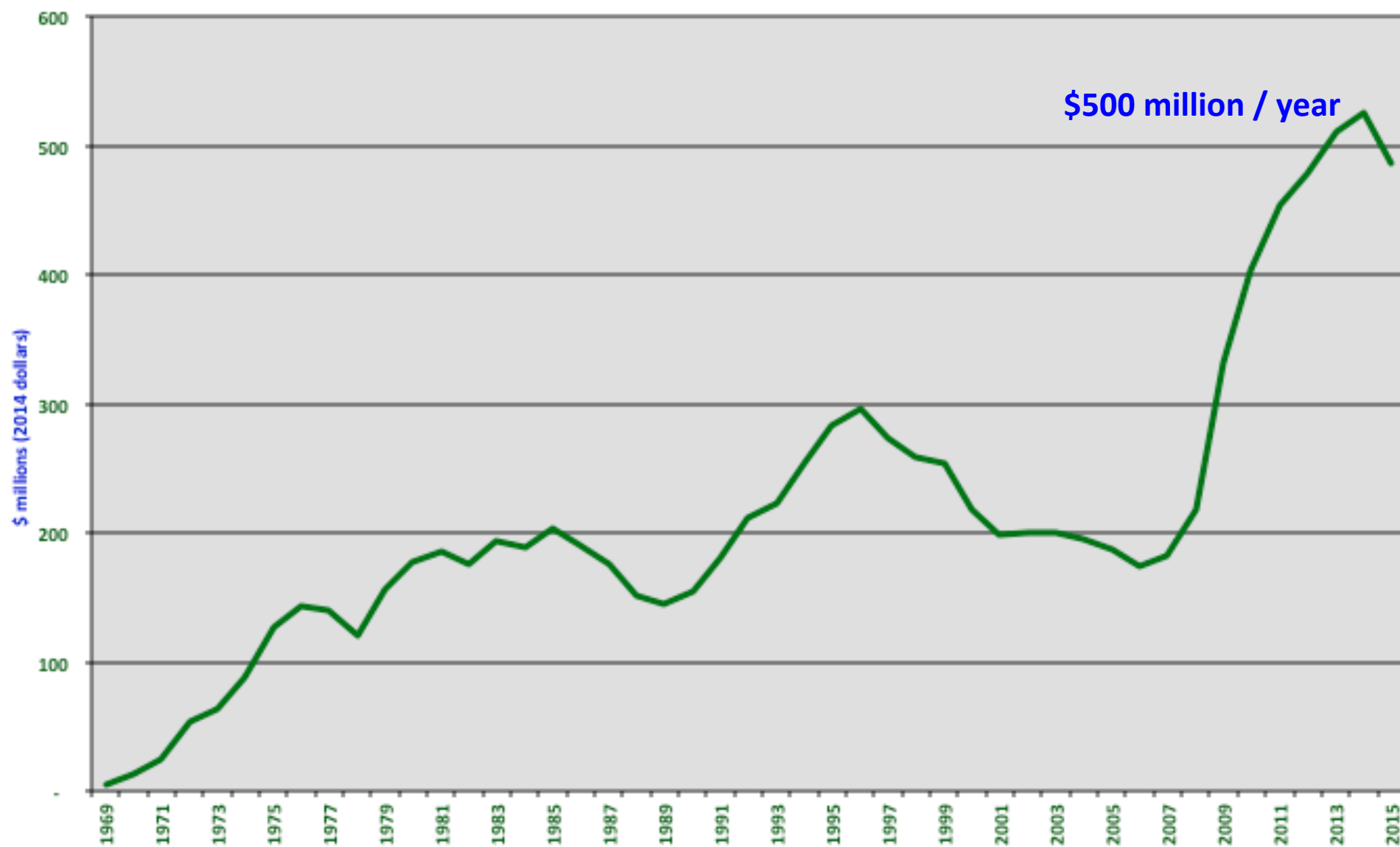
23% of Population Lives Below a Livable Wage
(about 320,000 people)

Not all SNAP Eligible

Approx. 179,000 People Receive SNAP



SNAP Benefits in State of Hawai'i, 1969 - 2015

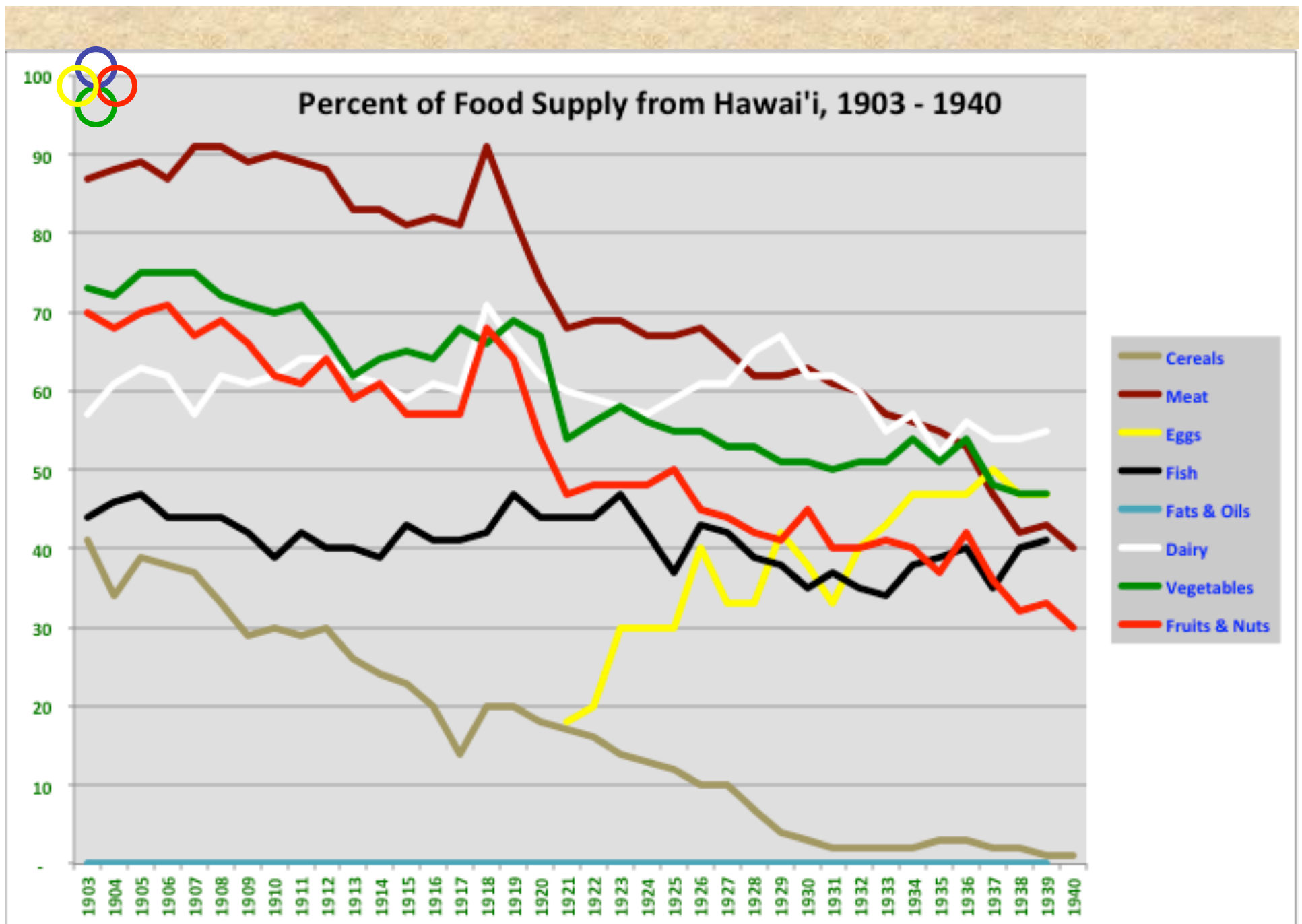




Hawai'i Once Fed Itself



Earth Matters Farm, Waiohinu



Schmitt (1997), Historical Statistics of Hawai'i



**Hawai'i Now Imports
85 – 90% of its Food**

Moloka'i, 2016

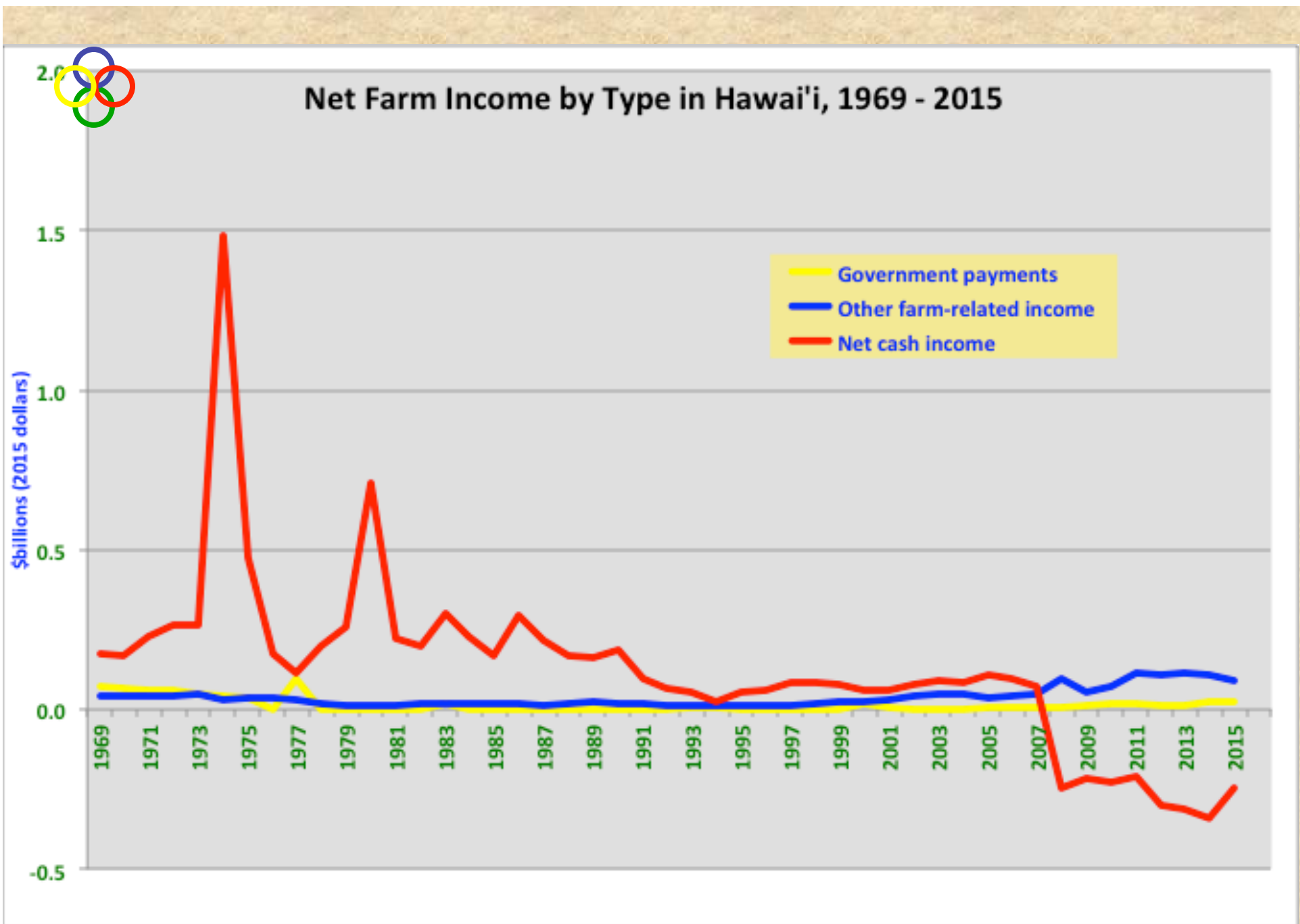


Legacy of Self-Sufficiency is Gone

Hawai'i Imports \$8 Billion of Food

\$4.5 Billion of Household Food / Year

Plus \$3 billion for Restaurants





Maui, 2003



Emerging Community Initiatives

MA'O Farms

Waipā Farms

Indigenous Farming Collaboratives

GoFarm

OK Farms

KKV Farm Site

Kamehameha Schools Leases Land

'Ulu Co-op

'Ulu Processing

Sharwil Avocado Exports from Small Farms

Nutrition Education (DHS, DOH & partners)

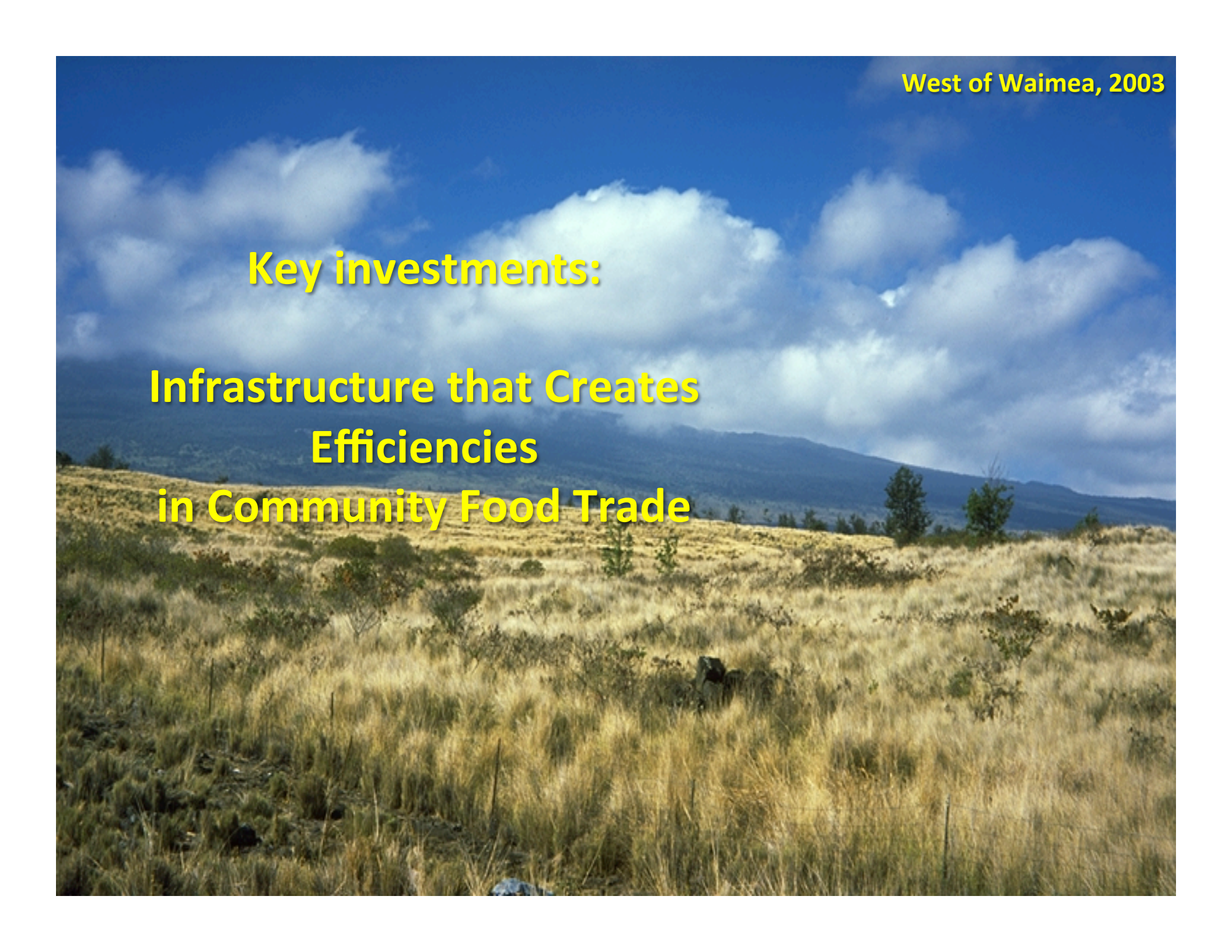
AND MANY MORE!



GoFarm, Waimanalo



Olson Trust, Ka'u

A landscape photograph showing a field of tall, dry, yellowish-brown grass in the foreground. In the background, there are rolling hills and mountains under a bright blue sky with scattered white clouds. The text is overlaid on the image.

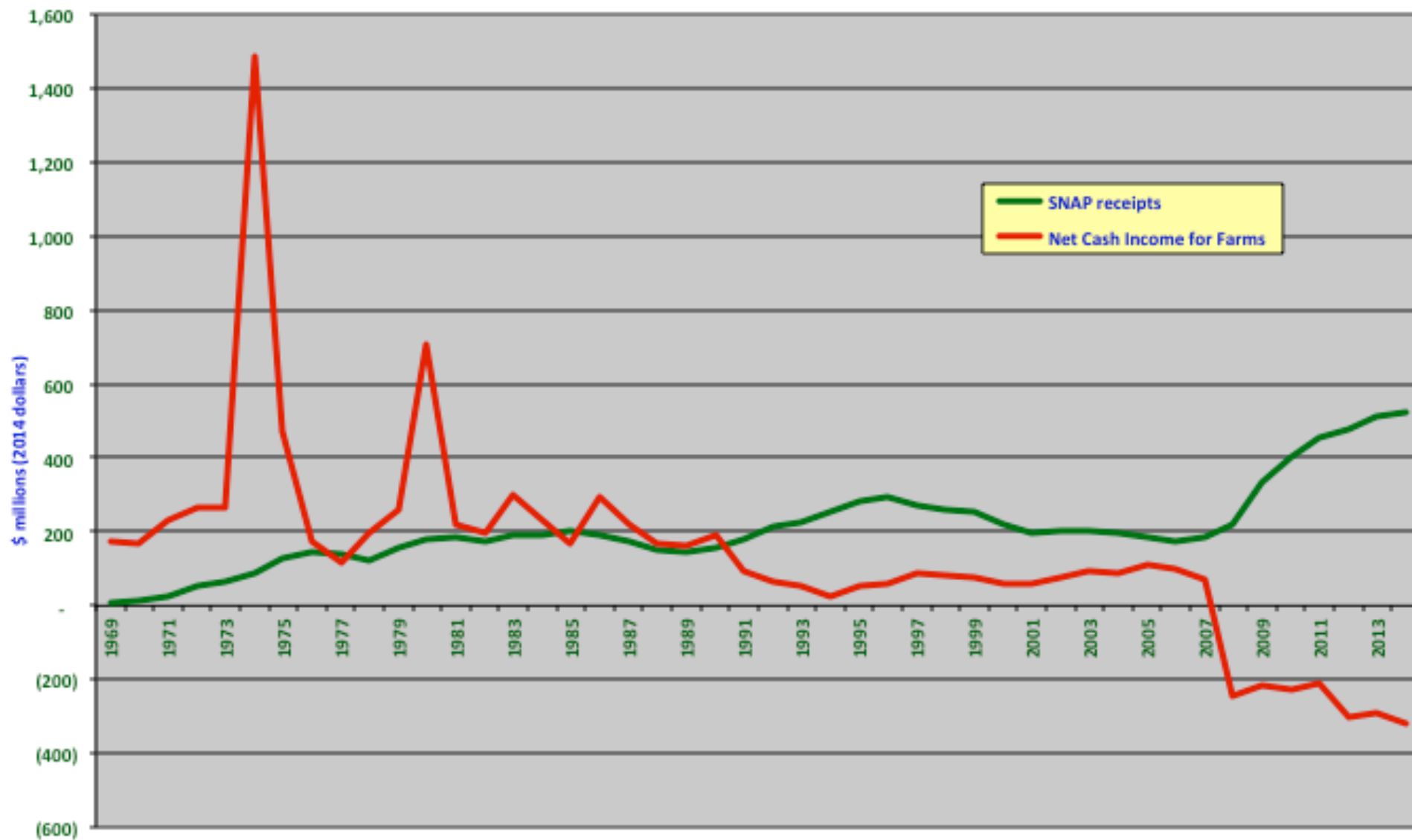
West of Waimea, 2003

Key investments:

**Infrastructure that Creates
Efficiencies
in Community Food Trade**



SNAP Receipts Compared to Net Farm Income State of Hawai'i, 1969 - 2014





Hawai'i Food Systems

Recommendations:

- **Improve SNAP Enrollment – Brings \$50 to \$100 million into state**
- **Build Stronger Network of Community-Based Foods Initiatives**
- **Establish Community Food Systems as Public Trust**

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