

Industry

A lthough Hawai'i farms are small, today's pork industry competes successfully with mainland pork for a unique niche producing "hot pork" for the local market. Beyond the farm gate value, swine production contributes to Hawai'i's economy through pork processing, retail, luaus, veterinary supply and more. Pig farms help the environment by recycling food and agricultural wastes (ever wonder what happens to the less than perfect macadamia nuts?) and producing a rich valuable fertilizer.

Pigs produce important products for the medical field as well. Pig heart valves from Hawai'i have been used to replace damaged heart valves in people. Pigs also produce insulin for diabetics, skin burn dressings and many other medical products. By-

products of pigs are even found in crayons, plastics, glass, anti-freeze, cosmetics, and much more!



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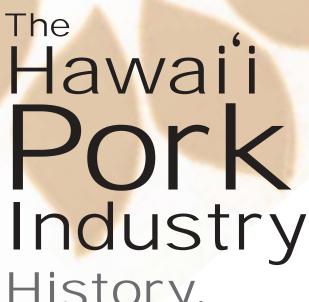
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Three little pigs from Moloka'i



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