

Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries

Crop Statistical Report Quarter 4, 2025

Multiplication, Distribution, Sales and Purchases of Planting Materials; Exports; Q4, 2025

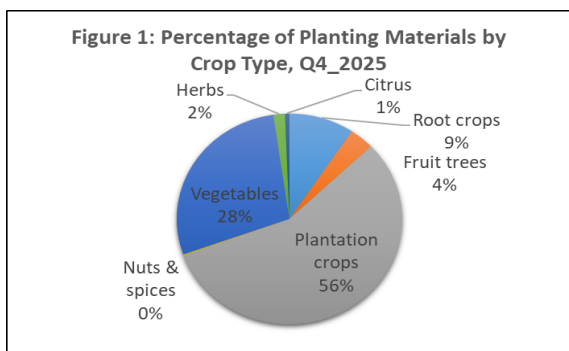
1. Introduction:

The Crops Division is one of the principal technical divisions within the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries (MAF). A core function of the Division is the multiplication and distribution of planting materials to farmers, based on demand and identified needs. While valuable information has been collected through this process, it has historically been reported only on an ad hoc basis and not systematically captured for timely policy development.

This report seeks to organize, tabulate, and analyze the data collected, providing both public information and, more importantly, supporting MAF management in evidence-based policy formulation.

2. Multiplication:

The multiplication of planting materials serves two purposes: distribution to farmers and use by MAF in demonstration plots and research activities.

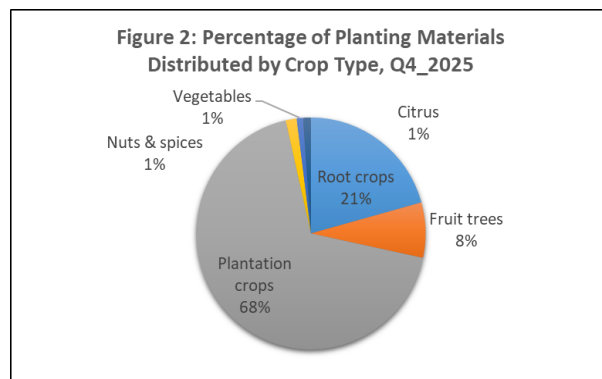


During the reporting period, plantation crops accounted for the largest share of planting materials multiplied, representing **56%** of the total. Vegetables comprised **28%**, root crops **9%**, fruit trees **4%**, herbs **2%**, and citrus **1%**. No records were reported for nuts and spices in this quarter.

Within the root crops category, taro dominated with **94%**, while yam accounted for the remaining **6%**. In plantation crops, cocoa continued to hold the largest share at **88%**, with coconut representing **12%**.

Overall, there was a **14% decline** in the total volume of planting materials multiplied when comparing Quarter 4 to Quarter 3 of 2025. Table 1 provides a detailed breakdown of crop varieties multiplied during Quarter 4.

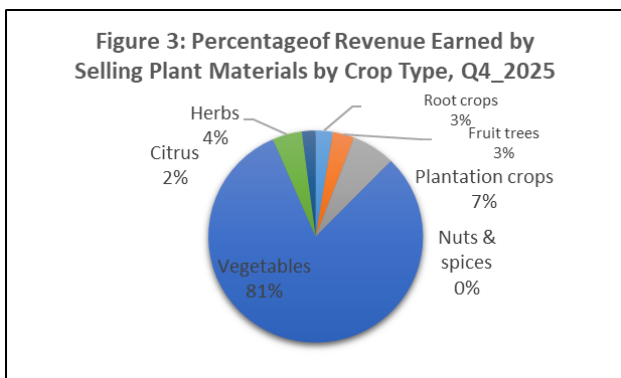
3. Distribution:



Distribution of planting materials supported several initiatives undertaken by the Ministry. Plantation crops comprised the majority of

distributed materials at **68%**, followed by root crops (**21%**), fruit trees (**8%**), and nuts & spices, vegetables, and citrus, each at **1%**.

4. Sales and Purchases:



Planting materials multiplied were made available for purchase by farmers through the main office in Nu'u and the Crops Division office in Salelologa.

Additionally, certain planting materials were procured directly from farmers to accelerate multiplication process.

The preceding Figure 3 illustrates that the main source of revenue was primarily driven by vegetable planting materials, which accounted for **81%** of total sales. The most significant contributions came from Chinese cabbage, cucumber, eggplant, and capsicum/green pepper. Plantation crops contributed **7%**, herbs **4%**, root crops and fruit trees **3%** each, and citrus **2%**. No sales were recorded for nuts and spices during this quarter.

5. Export of Fresh and Frozen Taro:

Months	Destination	Fresh Taro			Frozen Taro	
		Number of Bags	Number of Taro	Total Weight (kg)	Destination	Total Weight (kg)
Q2		1270	18835	25435		2000
	NZ, USA, HAWAII				AUS/NZ/USA	
Q3		1020	20400	18542		0
	NZ, USA, HAWAII				AUS/NZ/USA	
Q4		2657	35483	51628		2440
	NZ, USA, HAWAII				AUS/NZ/USA	
Total		4,947	74,718	95,605		4,440

Exports of taro to overseas markets have been revitalized following the industry's recovery from the taro leaf blight of the early 1990s. All taro destined for export undergoes rigorous inspection at the Atele packhouse or other MAF-certified

facilities to ensure compliance with export standards.

Table 2 outlines the total number of bags and cumulative weight of fresh and frozen taro exported to Australia, New Zealand, the United States, and Hawaii during Quarters 2, 3, and 4 of 2025.

Fortunately, Fresh taro exports increased by **26%** in Quarter 4 compared to Quarter 3 of 2025.

Additionally, there were no frozen taro exports recorded in Quarter 3. However, Quarter 4 exports showed a **10% increase** compared to Quarter 2, which had reported 2,000 frozen taro exports.

6. Way Forward

The Ministry's Agricultural Statistics Unit (ASU) will continue to assist the Crops Division staff in improving data quality and statistical skills through training. It is anticipated that ASU will produce a quarterly report in collaboration with the Crops Division which is the primary data source.

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Table 2: Number of Planting Materials Multiplied by Type of Planting Material by Crop Type , Quarter 2, 3 & 4 2025

Crop Type	Crop Name	Suckers			Seedlings			Seeds			Trays			Cuttings			Airlayer			Grafting			
		Q2	Q3	Q4	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q2	Q3	Q4	
Root Crops	Taro	4297	322	2655	420	302	320		823	2640					115			100					
	Cassava	4292	245			286			586	2640					55								
	Sweet potatoes		17						17														
	Taamu	5				16			120						60								
	Cocoyam																						
	Yam				420		320			100									100				
Fruit Trees	Abiu	18			1637	2445	2082		201	58					125			64	88				
	Avocado				79	61	158		110														
	Breadfruit	18			257	120												64	88				
	Mango																						
	Papaya				1160	714	450																
	Rambutan					10	5																
	Rollinia				110	105	289																
	Soursop				31	832	775																
	Star apple																						
	Star fruit					155																	
	Guava					178																	
	Dragon fruit						10								125								
	Cashew nut						110		91	58													
	Mangosteen																						
	Durian																						
Wallnut																							
Passion fruit					270	285																	
Jack fruit																							
Plantation Crops	Cocoa	70			4485	3300	14080		19950	9963		19510	9973		20							60	
	Coffee				2,556	2,490	9,900		19,950	9,963		19510	9973										
	Pineapple																						
	Lemon																						
	Banana	70													20							60	
	Coconut				1850	810	4180																
Nuts & Spices	Black pepper				30	920	93								55								
	Chili				10		61								10								
	Ginger					900																	
	Vanilla				20	20	5								25								
	Ava																						
	Tumeric						27								20								
Vegetables	Green pepper/Capsicum		14		21077	28483	14292		1957	2407		340	451	272									
	Chinese cabbage				3680	3884	2835																
	Cucumber				1100	4600	1004					228	250	145									
	Eggplant				3267	4415	3020																
	Head cabbage				3333	5221	4005					112	201	127									
	Lettuce				870	1741	1800																
	Okra																						
	Pumpkin				379	350	20		454	463													
	Watermelon				698	300			189	565													
	Corn				200	600			600	779													
	Carrot																						
	Cauliflower				520	200	102																
	Broccoli				700	300	300																
	Beans				1230	1260	15		700	600													
Gourd (new variety)					200																		
Laupele		14						14															
Zucchini					842																		
Tomato				5100	4570	1191																	
Herbs	Basil				1660	890	1000																
	Mint				320	200	300																
	Coriander				20																		
	Parsley				440	190	300																
	Spring onion				880	500	400																
	Thyme																						
Citrus	Lime				94	43		12							20	27	424	335	352	84	20		
	Lemon					43									17	140	51	86					
	Orange														20	10	284	284	266	84	20		
Total		4385	336	2655	29403	36383	31867	12	22931	15068	340	19961	10245	75	260	27	488	523	352	144	20	0	

Table 3: No. of Planting Materials of Selected Crops by Variety, Quarter 2, 3 & 4, 2025

Crop Name	Variety	Suckers			Seedlings			Airlayer			Trays			
		Q2	Q3	Q4	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q2	Q3	Q4	
Taro	Cycle 9		245	2655		286								
	Folasa													
	Samoa 1													
	Vave		35	330										
	Cycle05													
	Salani		50	665		70								
	Taro pauni													
	Fusi		140	675		216								
	Talo fola													
	Tuisuga													
Putemu														
Nu'u														
Samoa 2			20	985										
Breadfruit	Aveloloa	18						64	88					
	Fiti													
	Maafala	1						64	58					
	Manua													
	Maopo	3												
	Momolega	7												
	Puou													
	Ulua									30				
	Ulu hawaii													
	Ulu tala													
Ulusina														
Ulu falaoa	7													
Cocoa	Samoan				2556	2490	9900					19510	9973	
	Trinitario				2556	2490	9900					19510	9973	
Capsicum/Green pepper	Sweet pepper				3680	3884	2835							
	Red rapid													
	Roma													
	Califonia													
	Green pepper													
	Alice				50	290	50							
	Chili				1400	500								
	Long people													
	Wonder bell					1994								
	Green variety (new variety)						1500							
Green chili (new variety)						985								
Red chili (new variety)						300								
Yolo wonder				2230	1100									
Chinese Cabbage	Pak choi				1100	4600	1004					228	250	145
	Saladeer				1100	3000	900					216	127	8
	White stem					1600	900					12	123	
	Kwang moon													
	Short stem													
	BOK choi (new variety)						104							137
	Green stem													
Cucumber	Bonanza				3267		3020							
	Slice master													
	Local				152									
	Tupevave													
	Supermarket													
	Zipangu						2573							
Chinese variety (new variety)						447								
Money maker				3115		4005								
Eggplant	Black beauty				2848		2000							
	Florida													
	Local													
	Pritam													
	V1037671													
	Pritam				85		605							
	Black king						600							
Money maker (TBC from Nesse)						800								
Early long				400										
Head Cabbage	F-S-Cross											112	127	
	KK- Cross											112	127	
	Chinese variety													
	Pacific Green													
Lettuce	Tropical				870		1800							
	Red rapid				70									
	Chinese variety (new variety)						200							
	Kaiser						100							
	Seven wonder				800		1500							
Pumpkin	Queensland				379		20							
	Auro				379									
	Samoa Auro						20							
	Panderosa													
Tomato	Beef stake				5100		1191							
	Local													
	Head master													
	Lapani													
	Raising sun													
	Real gold													
	Roma						291							
	Alafua large													
	Black beauty				300									
Tropic boy				4800		900								
Total		18	245	2655	20285	11260	23775	64	88	0	340	19760	10245	

Table 5: Number of Planting Materials Distributed for Main Crop by Variety for Selected Crops, Quarter 2, 3 & 4_2025

Crop Name	Variety	Seedlings			Suckers		
		Q2	Q3	Q4	Q2	Q3	Q4
Abiu	Z-2	15	20	56			
	Abiu		20				
	Z-4	15		56			
Avocado	Hass (new variety)	5	60	228			
	Avocado		60	225			
		5		3			
Black Pepper		20					
	Black pepper	20					
Breadfruit	Fiti						
	Hawaii						
	Maafala						
	Puou						
	Local						
	Sina						
Cocoa		6212	10	5200			
	Local						
	Criollo	112					
	Trinitario	6100	10	5200			
Eggplant		90	110	52			
	Black beauty	90	110				
	Pritam			52			
	V1037671						
	Local						
	Early long						
Ginger		50		25			
	Ginger	50		25			
	Local						
Rambutan		15		10			
	Rambutan	15		10			
	R156 red						
Rollinia			48	12			
	Rollinia		48	12			
Tomato		140	320				
	Alafua large		95				
	Roma		105				
	Cherry						
	Tropic boy	140	120				
	Raising sun						
Vanilla	Vanilla						
Coconut		612	4	3010			
	Hybrid						
	Samoan tall						
	Local	612	4	3010			
Taro					8000		1016
	Fusi						166
	Salani						
	Folasa						
	Vave						550
	Cycle 9						
	Export (Variety)				8000		
	Samoa 1						
Samoa 2						300	
Total		7,139	572	8,593	8,000	0	1,016