

Weather Bureau/National Weather Service History in Hawaii

Location	Type	Years	Details
Ewa Beach	TWC	1949-2014	A tsunami warning center was established on federal property in Ewa Beach in 1949, as a result of the devastating 1946 tsunami that affected Hilo. Operations were expanded in 1968 as part of an organized Pacific tsunami warning system, and around 2005 to include the Indian Ocean, South China Sea, and the Caribbean. Operations were moved to a new NOAA facility on Ford Island in 2014.
Hilo	WBAS WBO WSO DCO	1950-present	The Hilo Weather Bureau opened an airport office at Lyman Field on 1/1/1950, after operations were transferred from the Civil Aeronautics Administration. The office became a Data Collection Office during the NWS modernization of the 1990s.
Honolulu	WBO WBFO HC HQ TWC WSFO WSMO WFO	1904-present	<p>The first Weather Bureau office was established in the city in 1904; operations moved to the Honolulu airport 1/27/1946. The Central Pacific Hurricane Center was established as part of the office 6/1/1957. The office relocated on airport grounds 10/11/1962. In 1964, a separate regional headquarters office was established for the Pacific region. NOAA Weather Radio broadcasts began 11/15/1968. The forecast and observing sections of the office were split 1/10/1974. The forecast office moved to the Manoa Campus of the University of Hawaii on 6/16/1995. The observing office closed 11/1/1996.</p> <p>A separate office was established in the late 1960's, as part of the Weather Bureau support for the manned spaceflight program. This office provided support for recoveries in the Pacific Ocean during the Apollo program. The office was closed in 1975 after the end of the Apollo missions.</p> <p>The Pacific Tsunami Warning Center relocated from its old facility in Ewa Beach to the NOAA Daniel K. Inouye Regional Center on Ford Island in 2014.</p>
Kahului	WBAS WBO WSO	1962-1999	The Weather Bureau took over weather operations at the Kahului Airport from the FAA on 1/1/1962. The office operated part-time with the FAA taking observations overnight, beginning in 1965, and was operated by one person beginning in 1998. The office was closed in 1999.
Kilauea	WBO	1919-1924	The Weather Bureau took over operations of the Hawaiian Volcano Observatory at Kilauea, on the island of Hawaii. Operations were later transferred to the U.S. Geological Survey.
Lihue	WBAS WBO WSO DCO	1950-present	A Weather Bureau office was established at the Lihue Airport in January 1950, with upper-air observations beginning the next month. The office was designated a Data Collection Office during the NWS modernization of the 1990's.