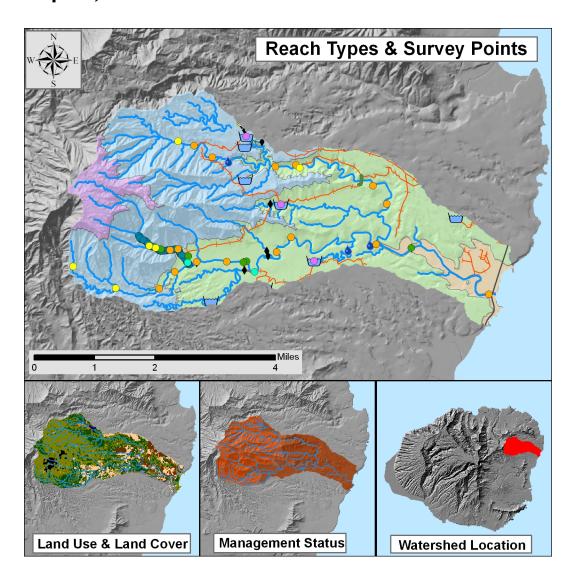
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WATERSHED FEATURES

Kapa'a watershed occurs on the island of Kaua'i. The Hawaiian meaning of the name is "the solid or the closing". The area of the watershed is 16.5 square mi (42.7 square km), with maximum elevation of 3251 ft (991 m). The watershed's DAR cluster code is 5, meaning that the watershed is medium size, steep in the upper watershed, and with little embayment. The percent of the watershed in the different land use districts is as follows: 43.1% agricultural, 53.3% conservation, 0.1% rural, and 3.5% urban.

Land Stewardship: Percentage of the land in the watershed managed or controlled by the corresponding agency or entity. Note that this is not necessarily ownership.

<u>Military</u>	<u>Federal</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>OHA</u>	County	Nature Conservancy	Other Private
0.0	0.0	52.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	47.7

Land Management Status: Percentage of the watershed in the categories of biodiversity protection and management created by the Hawaii GAP program.

Permanent Biodiversity	Managed for Multiple	Protected but	
<u>Protection</u>	<u>Uses</u>	<u>Unmanaged</u>	<u>Unprotected</u>
0.0	0.0	52.3	47.7

Land Use: Areas of the various categories of land use. These data are based on NOAA C-CAP remote sensing project.

	<u>Percent</u>	Square mi	Square km
High Intensity Developed	0.1	0.01	0.03
Low Intensity Developed	2.2	0.36	0.92
Cultivated	7.2	1.18	3.07
Grassland	12.0	1.97	5.11
Scrub/Shrub	48.1	7.93	20.53
Evergreen Forest	27.3	4.50	11.65
Palustrine Forested	0.1	0.01	0.03
Palustrine Scrub/Shrub	0.6	0.10	0.27
Palustrine Emergent	0.0	0.00	0.01
Estuarine Forested	0.0	0.00	0.00
Bare Land	0.1	0.01	0.03
Unconsolidated Shoreline	0.0	0.00	0.00
Water	0.4	0.07	0.19
Unclassified	2.0	0.34	0.87

STREAM FEATURES

Kapa'a is a perennial stream. Total stream length is 59.2 mi (95.3 km). The terminal stream order is 4.

Reach Type Percentages: The percentage of the stream's channel length in each of the reach type categories.

<u>Estuary</u>	Lower	Middle	<u>Upper</u>	Headwaters
0.0	0.0	45.0	50.7	4.3

The following stream(s) occur in the watershed:

Kapa'a Kapahi Keālia Maiaki'i Makaleha Mimino Moalepe

BIOTIC SAMPLING EFFORT

Biotic samples were gathered in the following year(s):

1928	1962	1965	1977	1979	1990	1992
1994	2001	2003				

Distribution of Biotic Sampling: The number of survey locations that were sampled in the various reach types.

Survey type	<u>Estuary</u>	Lower	<u>Middle</u>	<u>Upper</u>	<u>Headwaters</u>
Damselfly Surveys	0	0	1	11	0
DAR Point Quadrat	0	0	41	35	0
HDFG	1	1	12	2	0
Published Report	0	1	3	2	0
Reservoir	0	0	2	1	0
USGS Surveys	0	0	2	0	0

BIOTA INFORMATION

Species List

Native Species	Native Species
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Crustaceans	Amphipod sp.	Insects	Empidid sp.
	Atyoida bisulcata		Ephydrid sp.
	Copepod sp.		Hydroptila sp.
	Macrobrachium grandimanus		Hyposmocoma sp.
	Ostracod sp.		Megalagrion heterogamias
Fish	Awaous guamensis		Megalagrion oresitrophum
	Eleotris sandwicensis		Megalagrion orobates
	Gobiid sp.		Megalagrion sp.
	Kuhlia xenura		Megalagrion vagabundum
	Lentipes concolor		Megalagrion williamsoni
	Sicyopterus stimpsoni		Orthocladius sp.
	Stenogobius hawaiiensis		Procanace sp.
Snails	Ferrissia sharpi		Scatella kauaiensis
	Neritina granosa		Scatella sp.
Worms	Hirudinean sp.		Tipulid sp.
	Oligochaete sp.		
	unidentified worm		

Introduced Sp	ecies	Introduced	Species
Amphibians	<i>Bufo marinus</i> <i>Rana rugosa</i> Ranid sp.	Insects	Cheumatopsyche analis Chironomid larvae Enallagma civile
Crustaceans	Macrobrachium lar Procambarus clarkii		Hydroptila potosina Ischnura posita
Fish	Carassius auratus Clarias fuscus Gambusia affinis Lepomis sp. Micropterus dolomieu Micropterus salmoides Micropterus sp. Misgurnus anguillicaudatus Oreochromis mossambicus Poecilia reticulata		Ischnura ramburi Trichoptera larvae

Poecilia sphenops unidentified cyprinid Xiphophorus helleri

Snails Cipangopaludina chinensis

Gastropod sp. Lymnaeid sp.

Melanoides tuberculata

Worms Dugesia sp.

Species found in Impoundments

Fish Carassius auratus

Clarias fuscus Lepomis sp. Micropterus sp. unidentified cyprinid

Species Size Data: Species size (inches) observed in DAR Point Quadrat Surveys.

Scientific Name	<u>Status</u>	Minimum Size	Maximum Size	Average Size
Bufo marinus	Introduced	1	2	1.3
Rana rugosa	Introduced	0.5	2.5	1.3
Ranid sp.	Introduced	2	2	2.0
Atyoida bisulcata	Endemic	1	1.5	1.1
Lentipes concolor	Endemic	1	7	2.7
Sicyopterus stimpsoni	Endemic	3	6	4.1
Awaous guamensis	Indigenous	1	8	3.9
Poecilia reticulata	Introduced	0.75	2	1.0

Average Density: The densities (#/square yard) for species observed in DAR Point Quadrat Surveys averaged over all sample dates in each reach type.

Scientific Name	<u>Status</u>	<u>Estuary</u>	<u>Low</u>	Mid	<u>Upper</u> <u>Headwaters</u>
Atyoida bisulcata	Endemic			0.14	
Lentipes concolor	Endemic			0.09	0.25
Sicyopterus stimpsoni	Endemic			0.09	0.05
Awaous guamensis	Indigenous			0.68	0.66
Bufo marinus	Introduced			0.09	0.27
Poecilia reticulata	Introduced			0.45	
Rana rugosa	Introduced			0.86	0.29
Ranid sp.	Introduced				0.02

Species Distributions: Presence (P) of species in different stream reaches.

Scientific Name	<u>Status</u>	<u>Estuary</u>	Lower	<u>Middle</u>	<u>Upper</u>	<u>Headwaters</u>
Atyoida bisulcata	Endemic	Р	Р	Р	Р	
Macrobrachium grandimanus	Endemic	Р	Р	Р	Р	
Eleotris sandwicensis	Endemic		Р			
Kuhlia xenura	Endemic		Р			

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Lentipes concolor	Endemic			Р	Р
Sicyopterus stimpsoni	Endemic			Р	Р
Stenogobius hawaiiensis	Endemic		Р		
Hyposmocoma sp.	Endemic				Р
Megalagrion heterogamias	Endemic				Р
Megalagrion oresitrophum	Endemic				Р
Megalagrion orobates	Endemic				Р
Megalagrion sp.	Endemic			Р	Р
Megalagrion vagabundum	Endemic				Р
Megalagrion williamsoni	Endemic				Р
Orthocladius sp.	Endemic			Р	
Scatella kauaiensis	Endemic				Р
Ferrissia sharpi	Endemic			Р	
Neritina granosa	Endemic				Р
Amphipod sp.	Indigenous			Р	
Awaous guamensis	Indigenous		Р	Р	Р
Gobiid sp.	Indigenous	Р		Р	
Procanace sp.	Indigenous			Р	
Scatella sp.	Indigenous			Р	
Bufo marinus	Introduced			Р	Р
Rana rugosa	Introduced			Р	Р
Ranid sp.	Introduced				Р
Macrobrachium lar	Introduced		Р	Р	
Procambarus clarkii	Introduced	Р	Р	Р	
Carassius auratus	Introduced			Р	
Clarias fuscus	Introduced			Р	Р
Gambusia affinis	Introduced		Р		Р
Lepomis sp.	Introduced		Р	Р	Р
Micropterus dolomieu	Introduced		Р		
Micropterus salmoides	Introduced		Р		
Micropterus sp.	Introduced			Р	Р
Misgurnus anguillicaudatus	Introduced			Р	
Oreochromis mossambicus	Introduced		Р		
Poecilia reticulata	Introduced		Р	Р	
Poecilia sphenops	Introduced		Р		
unidentified cyprinid	Introduced			Р	
Xiphophorus helleri	Introduced	Р	Р	Р	

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Cheumatopsyche analis	Introduced	Р	Р
Chironomid larvae	Introduced	Р	
Enallagma civile	Introduced		Р
Hydroptila potosina	Introduced	Р	
Ischnura posita	Introduced	Р	P
Ischnura ramburi	Introduced		P
Trichoptera larvae	Introduced	Р	
Gastropod sp.	Introduced		P
Lymnaeid sp.	Introduced		P
Melanoides tuberculata	Introduced	Р	
Dugesia sp.	Introduced	Р	P
Copepod sp.	Undetermined		P
Ostracod sp.	Undetermined	Р	P
Empidid sp.	Undetermined	Р	
Ephydrid sp.	Undetermined	Р	P
Hydroptila sp.	Undetermined		P
Tipulid sp.	Undetermined	Р	P
Hirudinean sp.	Undetermined		P

HISTORIC RANKINGS

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Historic Rankings: These are rankings of streams from historical studies. "Yes" means the stream was considered worthy of protection by that method. Some methods include non-biotic data in their determination. See Atlas Key for details.

Multi-Attribute Prioritization of Streams - Potential Heritage Streams (1998): No Hawaii Stream Assessment Rank (1990): Outstanding U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service High Quality Stream (1988): Yes The Nature Conservancy- Priority Aquatic Sites (1985): No

National Park Service - Nationwide Rivers Inventory (1982): No

Undetermined

Current DAR Decision Rule Status: The following criteria are used by DAR to consider the biotic importance of streams. "Yes" means that watershed has that quality.

Native Insect Diversity > 19 spp.	Native Macrofauna <u>Diversity > 5 spp.</u>	Absence of Priority 1 Introduced		
No	Yes	No		
Abundance of Any Native Species	Presence of Candidate Endangered Species	Endangered Newcomb's Snail Habitat		
Yes	No	Yes		

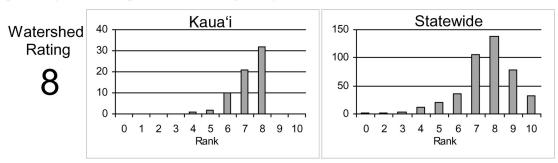
Oligochaete sp.

CURRENT WATERSHED AND STREAM RATINGS

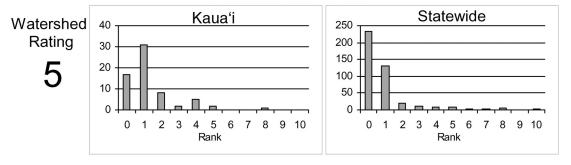
The current watershed and stream ratings are based on the data contained in the DAR Aquatic Surveys Database. The ratings provide the score for the individual watershed or stream, the distribution of ratings for that island, and the distribution of ratings statewide. This allows a better understanding of the meaning of a particular ranking and how it compares to other streams. The ratings are standardized to range from 0 to 10 (0 is lowest and 10 is highest rating) for each variable and the totals are also standardized so that the rating is not the average of each component rating. These ratings are subject to change as more data are entered into the DAR Aquatic Surveys Database and can be automatically recalculated as the data improve. In addition to the ratings, we have also provided an estimate of the confidence level of the ratings. This is called rating strength. The higher the rating strength the more likely the data and rankings represent the actual condition of the watershed, stream, and aquatic biota.

WATERSHED RATING: Kapa'a, Kaua'i

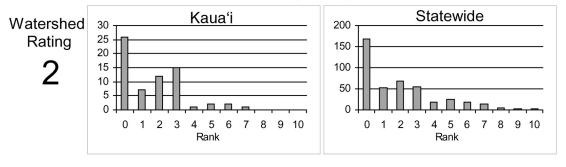
<u>Land Cover Rating</u>: Rating is based on a scoring system where in general forested lands score positively and developed lands score negatively.



<u>Shallow Waters Rating</u>: Rating is based on a combination of the extent of estuarine and shallow marine areas associated with the watershed and stream.



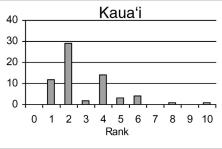
<u>Stewardship Rating</u>: Rating is based on a scoring system where higher levels of land and biodiversity protection within the watershed score positively.

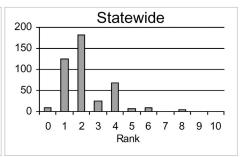


WATERSHED RATING (Cont): Kapa'a, Kaua'i

<u>Size Rating</u>: Rating is based on the watershed area and total stream length. Larger watersheds and streams score more positively.



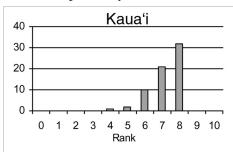


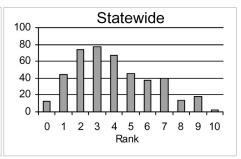


<u>Wetness Rating</u>: Rating is based on the average annual rainfall within the watershed. Higher rainfall totals score more positively.

Watershed Rating

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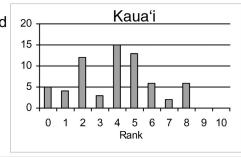


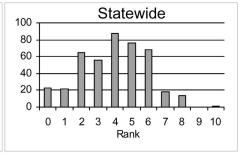


<u>Reach Diversity Rating</u>: Rating is based on the types and amounts of different stream reaches available in the watershed. More area in different reach types score more positively.

Watershed Rating

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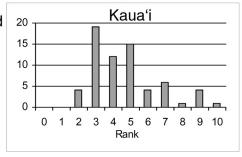


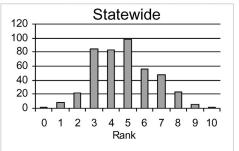


<u>Total Watershed Rating</u>: Rating is based on combination of <u>Land Cover Rating</u>, <u>Shallow Waters Rating</u>, <u>Stewardship Rating</u>, <u>Size Rating</u>, <u>Wetness Rating</u>, and <u>Reach Diversity Rating</u>.

Watershed Rating

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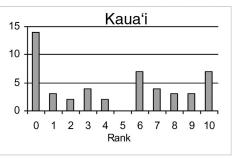


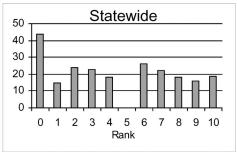
BIOLOGICAL RATING: Kapa'a, Kaua'i

<u>Native Species Rating</u>: Rating is based on the number of native species observed in the watershed.

Stream Rating

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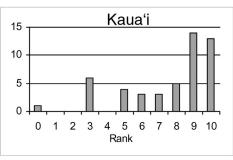


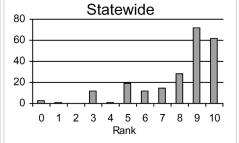


<u>Introduced Genera Rating</u>: Rating is based on the number of introduced genera observed in the watershed.

Stream Rating

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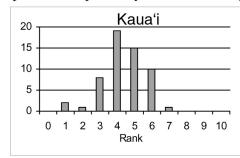


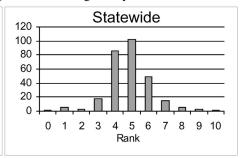


<u>All Species' Score Rating:</u> Rating is based on the Hawaii Stream Assessment scoring system where native species score positively and introduced species score negatively.

Stream Rating

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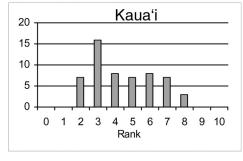


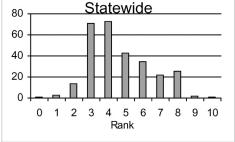


<u>Total Biological Rating</u>: Rating is the combination of the <u>Native Species Rating</u>, <u>Introduced Genera Rating</u>, and the <u>All Species' Score Rating</u>.

Stream Rating

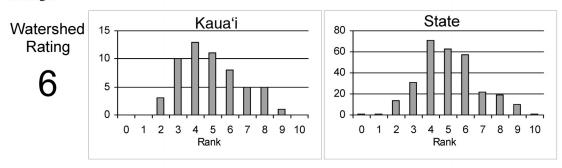
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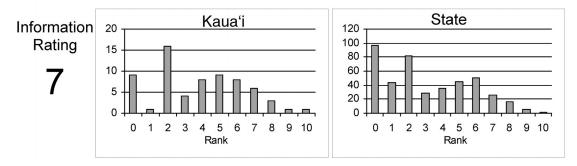
OVERALL RATING: Kapa'a, Kaua'i

Overall Rating: Rating is a combination of the <u>Total Watershed Rating</u> and the <u>Total Biological</u> Rating.



RATING STRENGTH: Kapa'a, Kaua'i

<u>Rating Strength:</u> Represents an estimate of the overall study effort in the stream and is a combination of the number of studies, number of different reaches surveyed, and the number of different survey types.



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