



Agricultural Crop
Report
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Department of Agriculture
SANTA BARBARA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

TO A. A. Brock, Director of the California State Dept. of Agriculture, and the Honorable Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County, California

The acreages shown in this report are the planted acres of fruit and orchard crops and harvested acres of field and vegetable crops. Yields are given in commercial packages or by weight. The valuation is the F.O.B. value, and includes the cost of production, harvesting, grading and packaging. The valuation, therefore, is not the income to the farmer but the gross valuation of agricultural production.

In comparison of the returns of 1946 with those of previous years, consideration should be given to increased costs of all operations from production to packaging. In some cases, low yields per acre, high operating costs, etc., have left little for the farmer.

My thanks are extended to the many individuals, companies and organizations for their very fine cooperation in giving to the various inspectors the necessary data from which this Crop Report is compiled.

Walter S. Cummings,
Agricultural Commissioner

FIELD CROPS

	Acreage		Yield		F.O.B. Value	
	1945	1946	1945	1946	1945	1946
Beans						
Baby Limas	5,203	6,361	72,663 cwt.	54,321 cwt.	\$ 550,330.	\$ 738,268.
Small Whites	7,213	5,952	57,710 "	45,213 "	388,150.	682,073.
Pinks	1,780	2,058	12,004 "	14,359 "	87,300.	222,304.
Common Limas	2,228	1,627	26,741 "	11,304 "	223,167.	130,830.
Garbanzos	2,252	4,525	14,014 "	25,103 "	30,834.	291,030.
Seed Beans	7,378	10,925	73,537 "	81,382 "	658,304.	1,620,058.
Misc.	126	70	1,430 "	403 "	8,850.	10,000.
Total Beans	30,350	31,219	259,109 "	232,671 "	\$2,060,009.	\$ 3,680,661.
Beta, Sugar	4,613	5,013	78,843 tons	92,100 tons	**1,002,452.	**1,396,937.
Alfalfa	4,850	4,319	19,270 "	16,088 "	366,408.	418,288.
Barley	12,960	11,630	221,631 cwt.	206,530 cwt.	506,338.	643,647.
Cabbage, Dried & Canned	130	71	4,576 tons	426 tons	50,572.	6,395.
Carrots, Dried & Canned	43	102	1,304 "	3,020 "	24,080.	40,000.
Cucumbers, Pickles		91		385 "		13,500.
Cut Flowers		32				65,621.
Grain Hay	12,100	13,176	22,574 tons	23,475 "	516,423.	593,985.
Honey Products			10 "	25 "	4,880.	14,170.
Bees and Queens					6,220.	6,530.
Limas, Frozen Green		54		32 tons		10,300.
Mustard	467	1,634	9,527 cwt.	18,035 cwt.	63,295.	249,193.
Oats	4,178	5,239	60,310 "	81,437 "	171,950.	173,963.
Onions		27		5,250 cwt.		10,342.
Peppers, Dried & Canned	2,038	940	2,560 tons	920 tons	1,053,000.	487,800.
Potatoes	3,512	4,283	617,533 cwt.	880,562 cwt.	1,410,464.	2,139,281.
Seed, Flower	2,744	5,225			934,116.	2,110,335.
Seed, Vegetable	1,140	142			406,343.	42,707.
Spinach, Canning	338	206	2,478 tons	374 tons	75,880.	28,325.
Squash		100		534 tons		18,650.
Tomatoes, Canning	589	1,430	8,643 tons	8,691 tons	230,500.	230,500.
Wheat	11,125	14,478	75,653 cwt.	84,252 cwt.	208,455.	314,697.
Misc. Field Crops	220	20		155 tons	33,232.	10,200.
	93,844	99,731			\$3,206,306.	\$12,721,027.

FRUIT AND NUT CROPS

	Planted Acreage		Yield		F.O.B. Value	
	1945	1946	1945	1946	1945	1946
Apricots, fresh & dried	55	55	3,277 lugs	9,615 lugs 5½ tons	\$ 5,145.	\$ 26,610.
Avocados	358	355	253 tons	225 tons	131,304.	69,026.
Lemons	8,978	9,135	1,490,638 boxes	2,003,105 boxes	6,559,041.	6,463,320.
Olives	266	266	194 tons	58 tons	38,520.	37,541.
Oranges	270	219	54,023 boxes	70,034 boxes	154,063.	162,594.
Peaches	57	57	6,410 lugs	3,499 lugs	8,050.	12,635.
Strawberries	.....	151	.....	130,444 trays	.....	464,237.
Walnuts	3,514	3,537	1,436 tons	1,399 tons	340,033	330,516.
Miscellaneous	133	155	.....	.....	31,038.	16,675.
Total	13,642	13,981			\$7,788,594.	\$8,162,608.

ANIMAL INDUSTRY

	Nos. Sold 1945	Nos. Sold 1946	Value 1945	Value 1946
Beef Cattle and Calves	64,362	76,198	\$ 7,269,764.	\$ 9,067,355.
Hogs	6,120	3,425	179,255.	118,562.
Sheep and Wool	10,523 & 116,712#	3,069 & 67,000#	97,732.	64,770.
Poultry	179,094	129,378	322,459.	232,534.
Eggs	571,341 doz.	464,322 doz.	231,473.	229,507.
Dairy Products	2,467,763 lbs. fat	2,301,604 lbs. fat	**2,819,452.	**3,412,461.
Misc. Livestock	.....	.....	30,040.	42,434.
			\$11,400,197.	\$13,737,049.

VEGETABLE CROPS

	Acreage		Yield		F.O.B. Value	
	1945	1946	1945	1946	1945	1946
Anise	55	98	19,727 crts.	24,485 crts.	\$ 55,433.	\$ 75,720.
Artichokes	156	307	24,719 boxes	43,309 boxes	71,191.	151,737.
Asparagus	92	92	7,750 crts.	3,761 crts.	27,358.	17,053.
Bell Peppers	102	30	21,833 "	9,129 "	68,711.	25,034.
Chili Peppers	42	50	9,493 "	4,774 "	24,104.	13,129.
Broccoli	1,916	2,511	331,420 "	401,325 "	1,344,695.	1,342,421.
Cabbage	459	508	207,198 sacks	71,357 sacks	342,676.	301,948.
Carrots	1,299	2,079	46,317 crts.	131,987 crts.	1,320,194.	1,440,609.
Cauliflower	5,428	5,726	135,977 sacks	53,899 sacks	4,285,031.	3,759,402.
Celery	1,499	1,454	631,743 crts.	572,114 crts.	2,113,239.	1,980,793.
Chicory	223	296	2,426,613 crts.	2,608,259 crts.	802,090 "	1,080,793.
Corn	59	27	803,022 crts.	902,090 "	115,963.	139,254.
Cucumbers	30	25	37,234 "	44,055 "	10,961.	4,628.
Green Limas	491	407	4,769 "	1,097 "	18,807.	3,710.
Lettuce	11,113	13,252	15,894 lugs	2,570 lugs	208,444.	295,983.
Peas	1,717	760	58,569 hprs.	56,514 hprs.	5,118,177.	3,509,393.
Radishes	.....	11	1,616,177 crts.	1,031,360 crts.	284,303.	201,055.
String Beans	29	32	99,723 crts.	65,160 crts.	.....	8,694.
Tomatoes	5,524	5,304	.....	2,470 crts.	.....	4,773.
Mixed & Misc.	119	291	3,318 "	1,526 crts.	13,394.	2,883,779.
Totals	30,344	33,729	1,010,898 lugs	1,382,855 lugs	23,509.	25,350.
					\$17,354,546.	\$15,087,444.

SUMMARY

	Acreage		*F.O.B. Value	
	1945	1946	1945	1946
Fruit and Nut Crops	13,442	13,981	\$ 7,788,594.	\$ 8,162,680.
Animal Industry	610,000	610,000	11,406,197.	13,767,648.
Field Crops	93,844	89,751	9,206,898.	12,721,627.
Vegetable Crops	30,344	33,720	17,854,048.	15,087,444.
Total	747,630	757,452	\$46,238,033.	\$49,739,407.

*THIS IS NOT THE FARM VALUE but includes value after being graded, packed and sold in Santa Barbara County points.

**Includes Government Subsidy.

Total Number Farms, 1945 Census	1,381
Total Value Agricultural Products	\$49,739,407.
Total Acreage, including Channel Islands	1,603,320
Total Acreage, U. S. Forest	754,320
Total Population (1940 Census—70,555) Present Estimate (California Taxpayers Association)	88,400
Total Assessed Valuation Property, including real estate, improvements, personal property and utilities...	\$133,305,094.