



Agricultural Crop
Report
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Department of Agriculture
SANTA BARBARA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

TO A. A. Brock, Director of the California State Department 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.

The scarcity of rainfall materially reduced the yield and quality of many crops. Farm prices for most crops fell below those of previous years, although cost for material, labor, transportation, etc., have remained at a high level.

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	
	1947	1948	1947	1948	1947	1948
Beans						
Baby Limas	7,588	6,055	30,502 cwt.	30,178 cwt.	\$ 328,422.	\$ 301,424.
Small Whites	8,774	20,184	58,369 "	100,917 "	887,602.	810,803.
Pinks	1,231	839	4,368 "	6,437 "	90,695.	57,333.
Common Limas	1,782	2,341	12,585 "	21,147 "	263,374.	370,372.
Garbanzo	2,454	353	7,664 "	1,029 "	79,452.	9,210.
Seed Beans	10,636	5,079	64,703 "	33,051 "	1,695,389.	1,009,810.
Misc.	234	1,846	939 "	6,634 "	13,183.	69,472.
Total Beans	32,177	38,568	202,263 "	222,353 "	3,265,614.	2,620,124.
Alfalfa	4,095	4,632	29,618 tons	33,213 tons	744,063.	926,290.
Barley	10,339	14,204	124,803 cwt.	118,604 cwt.	453,617.	315,215.
Beets, Sugar	3,454	7,911	10,300 crts.	120,135 tons	**2,228,283.	**1,600,202.
Cauliflower & Broccoli (Quick Freeze)	33	1,235	130,323 tons	304,250 crts.	11,617.	328,509.
Cucumbers, Pickles	182	43	1,005 tons	518 tons	45,247.	25,300.
Cut Flowers	189	223	.....	.....	290,259.	490,379.
Grain Hay	11,712	8,371	10,912 tons	3,972 tons	385,782.	107,244.
Honey Products .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7,615.
Bees and Queens .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5,345.	585.
Limas (Quick Freeze)	170	370	107 tons	465 tons	35,460.	97,041.
Mustard	1,313	613	12,439 cwt.	5,340 cwt.	163,508.	83,404.
Oats	2,718	3,408	27,178 "	27,251 "	93,123.	90,239.
Peppers, Dried & Canned	223	307	629 tons	1,429 tons	125,610.	311,323.
Potatoes	4,341	4,331	1,631,637 cwt.	690,691 cwt.	3,045,567.	2,404,695.
Seed, Flower	3,700	2,534	.....	.....	1,671,600.	1,124,500.
Seed, Vegetable	189	68	.....	.....	88,315.	17,600.
Spinach, Canning	253	.....	691 tons	.....	27,630.	.....
Tomatoes, Canning	1,247	72	12,519 "	1,068 tons	363,752.	30,615.
Wheat	13,032	4,117	65,038 cwt.	40,789 cwt.	273,424.	153,000.
Misc. Field Crops	300	13	.....	.....	29,849.	1,050.
Total	94,728	69,561			\$13,395,048.	\$10,732,692.

FRUIT AND NUT CROPS

	Planted Acreage		Yield		F.O.B. Value	
	1947	1948	1947	1948	1947	1948
Apricots, fresh & dried.....	57	61	4,709 lugs 19 tons	7,350 lugs 11 tons	\$ 14,925.	\$ 21,200.
Avocados	487	505	238 tons	463 tons	132,687.	191,272.
Lemons	9,248	9,445	1,352,771 boxes	1,594,069 boxes	7,592,870.	6,828,426.
Olives	266	286	47 tons	47 tons	8,830.	4,700.
Oranges	219	142	69,050 boxes	65,007 boxes	86,553.	68,097.
Peaches	57	30	9,010 lugs	7,367 lugs	11,312.	11,191.
Walnuts	2,591	2,561	1,235 1/4 tons	1,108 tons	641,676.	506,734.
Miscellaneous .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	29,691.	17,489.
Total.....	12,925	13,955			\$8,915,093.	\$7,727,209.

ANIMAL INDUSTRY

	Nos. Sold 1947	Nos. Sold 1948	Value 1947	Value 1948
Beef Cattle and Calves.....	79,000	70,000	\$12,870,000.	\$12,650,000.
Hogs.....	2,848	4,852	109,729.	222,540.
Sheep and Wool.....	5,216 & 55,030#	4,362 & 23,123#	100,931.	99,194.
Poultry.....	165,701	462,379	239,314.	534,008.
Eggs.....	503,064 doz.	751,469 doz.	244,650.	449,394.
Dairy Products.....	2,579,769 lbs. fat	2,409,843 lbs. fat	3,232,945.	3,503,745.
Misc Livestock.....	.....	.....	76,047.	79,154.
Total.....			\$16,823,622.	\$17,580,115.

VEGETABLE CROPS

	Acreage		Yield		F.O.B. Value	
	1947	1948	1947	1948	1947	1948
Anise	102	46	26,378 crts.	14,046 crts.	\$ 57,324.	\$ 22,755.
Artichokes	292	230	37,386 boxes	50,721 boxes	83,370.	103,603.
Asparagus	90	91	6,840 crts.	4,377 crts.	24,966.	12,737.
Bell Peppers	137	139	19,769 "	21,749 "	67,858.	46,555.
Broccoli	2,220	3,624	303,863 "	430,563 "	1,204,672.	1,633,697.
Cabbage	322	607	19,631 sacks	89,331 sacks	189,423.	209,072.
Carrots	1,738	2,634	73,847 crts.	44,504 crts.	2,386,396.	1,519,570.
Cauliflower	6,163	6,717	43,960 sacks	42,632 sacks	3,457,681.	3,085,801.
Celery	1,160	1,110	512,943 crts.	545,628 crts.	1,237,613.	1,237,351.
Chicory	184	243	516,197 "	552,616 "	99,912.	112,532.
Cucumbers	30	13	30,742 "	42,481 "	16,375.	4,955.
Green Limas	229	112	12,082 lugs	3,075 lugs	86,867.	56,560.
Lettuce	11,423	14,249	24,314 hampers	19,499 hampers	5,034,563.	6,141,180.
Peas	623	171	1,937,248 crts.	2,434,744 crts.	294,169.	37,367.
Radishes .....	.....	6	63,124 "	14,947 "	.....	18,884.
Romaine .....	.....	44	.....	4,867 "	.....	7,293.
Strawberries	239	208	.....	3,523 "	.....	.....
String Beans	69	26	305,459 trays	492,529 trays	1,516,291.	1,231,322.
Tomatoes	5,010	5,417	3,621 crts.	2,036 crts.	18,977.	6,870.
Mixed and Misc.	113	35	915,832 lugs	1,037,289 lugs	2,863,615.	2,684,480.
Total.....	29,805	33,162			\$18,659,049.	\$17,632,582.

SUMMARY

	Acreage		*F.O.B. Value	
	1947	1948	1947	1948
Fruit and Nut Crops	12,925	12,055	\$ 8,915,052.	\$ 7,727,209.
Animal Industry	610,000	610,000	16,923,622.	17,269,115.
Field Crops	54,723	59,561	13,236,946.	10,732,692.
Vegetable Crops	29,894	33,162	18,639,819.	17,638,333.
Total	747,549	747,798	\$57,695,490.	\$53,368,399.

*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	1,201
Total Value Agricultural Products	\$ 53,358,299.
Total Acreage, including Channel Islands	1,683,200
Total Acreage, U. S. Forest	754,300
Total Population (1940 Census—70,558). Present estimate	89,415
Total Assessed Valuation Property, including real estate, improvements, personal property and utilities	\$163,405,674.