



Agricultural Crop Report

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
SANTA BARBARA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

TO W.C. JACOBSEN, 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 value shown in this report is the F. O. B. value, which includes the costs of harvesting, grading and packaging, as well as the cost of production. The F. O. B. value is NOT the net income to the farmer but is the

gross valuation of agricultural production. Increases in the yields of some crops and in the acreage of others has resulted in a slightly higher gross valuation than last year.

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Walter S. Cummings
Agricultural Commissioner

FIELD CROPS

	Acreage		Yield		F.O.B. Value	
	1954	1955	1954	1955	1954	1955
Beans						
Baby limas	3,385	566	33,825 cwt	4,531 cwt \$	219,863.	35,114.
Small whites	8,468	10,647	104,976 cwt	102,088 cwt	1,063,423.	770,065.
Pinks	3,340	943	35,162 cwt	8,307 cwt	254,031.	56,440.
Limas	3,873	3,734	54,768 cwt	49,657 cwt	591,486.	497,456.
Garbanzos	3,742	4,423	21,275 cwt	20,183 cwt	223,388.	207,329.
Pinto	1,704	249	17,030 cwt	1,999 cwt	119,657.	11,461.
Seed beans	5,412	6,440	75,612 cwt	96,857 cwt	908,417.	1,162,284.
Misc.	1,008	586	9,035 cwt	4,244 cwt	77,336.	25,161.
SUB TOTAL	30,932	29,588	351,683 cwt	287,866 cwt	3,452,611.	2,765,310.
Alfalfa	5,711	7,026	40,298 tns	53,767 tns	973,052.	1,523,458.
Barley	13,716	14,605	181,667 cwt	211,598 cwt	445,858.	456,614.
Beets, Sugar	6,692	4,928	122,096 tns	94,498 tns	1,526,904.	1,215,894.
Corn, Field	1,383	1,335	4,070 tns	3,695 tns	266,350.	208,325.
Corn, Silage	559	1,231	12,831 tns	29,775 tns	122,079.	290,475.
Cut flowers	293	378	---	---	687,423.	848,735.
Grain Hay	13,103	13,510	19,281 tns	19,991 tns	533,460.	557,457.
Honey & wax	---	---	---	---	15,000.	15,744.
Mustard	665	1,060	6,654 cwt	10,600 cwt	67,916.	116,600.
Nursery Stock	---	---	---	---	588,826.	668,022.
Oats	1,994	2,255	25,330 cwt	28,316 cwt	82,748.	85,982.
Pasture, permanent	4,522	4,585	---	---	156,270.	160,475.
Peppers, Dried	520	410	748 tns	545 tns	317,900.	231,620.
Seed, Flower	2,203	2,503	---	---	1,431,950.	1,977,100.
Seed, Vegetable	18	38	---	---	10,800.	22,800.
Wheat	10,187	8,939	58,393 cwt	52,905 cwt	202,712.	191,888.
Misc.	170	245	---	---	38,676.	41,265.
TOTALS	92,668	92,636			\$10,922,537.	\$11,377,764.

FRUIT AND NUT CROPS

	Planted Acreage		Yield		F.O.B. Value	
	1954	1955	1954	1955	1954	1955
Avocados	1,397	1,446	82,041 flats	148,498 flats	\$ 196,240.	\$ 185,325.
Lemons	8,653	8,784	2,629,266 ctns	2,898,804 ctns	7,290,241.	7,352,143.
By-products			41,000 tons	22,319 tons	1,739,666.	669,570.
Oranges	113	72	16,684 bxs	9,521 bxs	26,092.	20,023.
Walnuts	2,964	2,924	1,493 tons	1,032 tons	642,458.	990,943.
Misc.	---	---			13,478.	34,096.
TOTALS	13,127	13,226			\$ 9,908,175	\$ 9,252,100

VEGETABLE CROPS

	Acreage		Yield		F.O.B. Value	
	1954	1955	1954	1955	1954	1955
Anise	56	54	19,530 crts	17,656 crts	\$ 55,730.	\$ 39,462.
Artichokes	545	943	99,705 bxs	288,705 bxs	272,897.	439,558.
Beans, string	63	16	518 tons	102 tons	57,760.	27,792.
processed	---	144	---	916 tons	---	100,740.
Beans, lima,						
quick freeze	325	---	402 tons	---	64,396.	---
Bell peppers	148	80	33,504 crts	18,167 crts	85,848.	50,360.
Broccoli (incl.	5,295	5,146	689,936 crts	638,082 crts	2,080,657.	2,424,183.
quick freeze)	---	---	1,001 tons	2,269 tons	92,662.	246,877.
Cabbage	136	214	38,807 crts	65,963 crts	73,304.	168,752.
Carrots	1,155	1,363	121,272 crts	105,298 crts	383,533.	334,342.
			52,354 sxs	22,361 sxs	46,571.	24,698.
			12,324 tons	18,783 tons	230,792.	772,987.
Cauliflower	2,178	2,355	929,503 crts	873,534 crts	1,201,309.	1,295,947.
Quick freeze			37,050 crts	139,603 crts	32,369.	80,703.
Celery	1,203	1,174	851,608 crts	950,518 crts	1,705,081.	2,279,059.
Corn, sweet	22	13	3,290 crts	3,370 crts	10,475.	10,803.
Cucumbers	30	30	14,102 lugs	15,029 lugs	22,278.	26,344.
pickling	---	30	---	411 tons	---	18,885.
Endive	192	230	43,106 crts	46,091 crts	122,982.	131,104.
Lettuce	7,159	7,128	1,379,500 crts	1,172,994 crts	3,012,352.	2,822,145.
			258,995 ctns	452,933 ctns	361,580.	676,474.
Peas	52	227	3,914 hmpns	17,005 hmpns	9,976.	45,755.
Peppers, chili	---	33	---	264 tons	---	18,720.
Potatoes	3,463	3,440	813,704 sxs	769,606 sxs	2,157,112.	1,696,460.
Romaine	31	77	9,482 crts	24,440 crts	11,858.	42,252.
Strawberries	508	772	477,040 trays	642,450 trays	1,101,335.	1,606,125.
Quick freeze			3,624 tons	6,188 tons	1,160,373.	2,227,500.
Tomatoes	1,866	2,284	497,854 lugs	461,645 lugs	831,495.	869,123.
Canning	96	40	1,507 tons	1,492 tons	32,022.	35,748.
Mixed & Misc.	107	62			57,553.	35,031.
TOTALS	24,630	25,855			\$ 15,274,300.	\$18,547,929.

ANIMAL INDUSTRY

	Nos. Sold		Value	
	1954	1955	1954	1955
Beef Cattle and Calves	79,645	86,621	\$10,458,307.	\$11,716,293.
Hogs	7,353	7,651	216,967.	211,528.
Sheep	2,619	8,154	40,591.	84,941.
Wool	21,150 lbs.	77,735 lbs.	10,998.	32,353.
Poultry	822,180	730,492	743,222.	616,280.
Turkeys	11,371	21,310	69,368.	124,642.
Eggs	1,251,145 doz.	1,442,519 doz.	549,017.	712,557.
Milk	2,434,115 lbs. fat	2,410,000 lbs. fat	3,018,098.	2,912,000.
Misc. Livestock	---	---	71,859.	58,379.
TOTALS			\$18,187,427.	\$16,468,973.

SUMMARY

	Acreage		+ F.O.B. Value	
	1954	1955	1954	1955
Fruit and Nut Crops	13,127	13,226	\$ 9,908,175.	\$ 9,252,100.
Animal Industry	610,000	610,000	18,187,427.	16,468,973.
Field Crops	92,668	92,636	10,922,537.	11,377,764.
Vegetable Crops	24,630	25,855	15,274,300.	18,547,929.
TOTALS	740,425	741,717	\$54,292,439.	\$55,646,766.

+ This is NOT the farm value but includes value after being graded, packed and sold in Santa Barbara County points.

Total Number Farms 1950 Census	1,497
Total Value Agricultural Products	\$55,646,766.
Total Acreage, including Channel Islands	1,683,200
Total Acreage, U. S. Forest	754,380.
Total Population (estimate) 1955	110,000.
Total Assessed Valuation Property, including real estate, improvements, personal property and utilities	\$260,820,702.