

AGRICULTURAL STATISTICAL REPORT FOR SACRAMENTO COUNTY

YEAR 1959

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The Agricultural statistical report covering agricultural production in Sacramento County for the year 1959 is set forth herein. These figures have been compiled as required by Section 65.61 of the Agricultural Code and represent gross receipts received by the producer at point of production. A substantial increase over 1958 is indicated. However, production costs were also higher in 1959 which will definitely influence the net returns to the farmer.

The greatest increase occurred with Bartlett pears which produced a record crop of $21\frac{1}{2}$ tons per acre for a total of 93,331 tons as compared to only 29,612 for 1958 with an increase in value of \$3,300,000. Sugar Beets also showed a higher value, mainly resulting from an increased acreage although the per acre production was greater than in 1958, due to more satisfactory growing conditions. The returns from alfalfa hay also showed a substantial increase, resulting from increased acreage and production per acre.

Increases are also noted in returns on beef resulting from a greater feed lot turnover, although the prices showed a definite weakening. Milk production was also above that of 1958.

The value of range was included for the first time and was not included in the 1958 figures. There was an increased interest in safflower and seed production.

Decreases occurred in corn for, in spite of a definite increase in acreage, production was down as was the price received. As a result, corn dropped from its position as the leading agricultural crop to second place, being replaced by pears. Tomatoes made a substantial drop from 4th to 9th place in the ten leading crops of the county. Acreage was substantially below 1958. This drop in acreage was caused by the controversy between growers and canneries and the lack of specific cannery contracts available to the growers. The season was also adverse to the production of a good crop with the yield per acre being off $\frac{1}{2}$ tons.

Poultry was also off mainly due to a lowering of the price of eggs although a decrease in the laying hens is also indicated.

SUMMARY OF PRODUCTION

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	1958		1959	
	Rank	Production	Rank	Production
Field Crops	1	\$21,853,305	1	23,545,336
Livestock & Dairy	2	15,972,085	2	16,527,980
Horticulture	4	5,355,289	3	9,247,550
Poultry & Products	5	4,893,398	4	4,632,700
Vegetables	3	5,601,379	5	3,248,017
Seed Crops	6	731,650	6	1,084,851
		\$54,407,106		\$58,286,435

TEN LEADING CROPS IN THE COUNTY

	Rank	1958	Rank	1959
Livestock, (Beef)	1	8,640,000	1	9,000,000
Dairy & Related Products	3	6,353,260	2	6,903,000
Pears	8	2,755,914	3	5,910,067
Corn	2	7,350,000	4	5,875,000
Alfalfa Hay	6	3,150,000	5	4,600,000
Sugar Beets	9	2,686,280	6	4,212,325
Poultry (Chickens, Eggs, Hatchery)	5	4,893,398	7	3,260,800
Hops	7	3,123,120	8	2,932,160
Tomatoes	4	4,914,554	9	2,211,335
Rice	11		10	1,832,640

YEARS 1954 to 1959

Year	Field Crops	Livestock Dairy	Orchard Fruit & Nuts	Poultry etc	Vegetables	Seeds	Total
1954	20,162,247	15,836,000	7,468,345	5,095,723	4,424,500	588,570	53,575,385
1955	19,852,428	14,794,140	9,698,778	5,544,000	7,347,207	806,780	58,043,333
1956	22,750,387	13,770,300	9,047,008	4,750,700	6,250,750	808,664	57,377,809
1957	20,680,608	15,308,000	7,688,206	4,996,525	4,329,871	463,923	53,447,133
1958	21,853,305	15,972,085	5,355,289	4,893,398	5,601,379	731,650	54,407,106
1959	23,545,337	16,527,980	9,247,550	4,632,700	3,248,017	1,084,851	58,286,435

RETURNS BY COMMODITY

ITEM	YEAR	HARVESTED		PRODUCTION		VALUE		TOTAL
		ACREAGE	PER ACRE	TOTAL	UNIT	PER UNIT	TOTAL	
ORCHARD CROPS:								
Almonds	'59	1185	3/4		Ton	\$ 750		\$ 666,563
	'58	1157	1/4	289	"	800		231,200
Apricots	'59	47	2 1/2	117 1/2	"	140		16,450
	'58	47	1	47	"	123		5,781
Cherries	'59	90	1	90	"	432		38,880
	'58	95	5	475	"	300		142,500
Figs	'59	30	1	30	"	225		6,750
	'58	30	-	-	"	-		7,800
Grapes- Wine	'59	245	1.7	414	"	52		21,520
	'58	426	3	1278	"	40		51,120
Grapes- Table	'59	445	2 1/2	998	(Winery)	52		51,896
				114	(Fresh)			12,249
'58	458	3	1274	Ton	45		60,629	
Olives	'59	1133	1	1133	Ton	225		254,925
	'58	1129	1	1693	"	106		179,458
Oranges	'59	194	8	1552	"	65		100,880
	'58	194	8	1552	"	60		93,120
Pears- Bartlett	'59	4381	21 1/2	93231	"	63.40		5,910,067
	'58	4345	6.35	29612	"	89		2,620,802
Baby Food	'59			6127 @ 45.00		275,715		
	'58			1937 @ 54.00		104,598		
Processing	'59			69906 @ 65.00		4,543,825		
	'58			24961 @ 90.00		2,246,490		
Fresh-East	'59			11930 @ 73.00		870,890		
	'58			1787 @ 98.00		175,126		
Fresh-Local	'59			2694 @ 73.00		196,662		
	'58			927 @ 102.00		94,588		
Dry Yard	'59			2575		22,975		
	'58			-		-		
Pears-Other	'59	191	10	1910	Ton	75		143,250
	'58	197	7.3	1432	"	100		143,200

ITEM	HARVESTED		PRODUCTION		UNIT	VALUE	
	YEAR	ACREAGE	PER ACRE	TOTAL		PER UNIT	TOTAL
ORCHARD CROPS (Continued)							
Plums	'59	106	3	318	Ton	220	\$ 69,960
	'58	130	3	390	"	225	87,750
Peaches, Cling	'59	120	6	720	"	60	43,200
	'58	120	9	1080	"	66	71,280
Peaches, Free	'59	60	5	300	"	70	52,500
	'58	60	9	540	"	70	37,800
Pistacheo	'59	42					6,500
	'58	42					6,000
Prunes	'59	475	1	475	"	400	190,000
	'58	492	.75	351	"	355	124,605
Strawberries	'59	158	453	71574	Crate	1.53	109,508
	'58	185	514	95069	"	1.58	140,244
Bush Berries	'59	10	235	2,350	"	1.55	3,642
	'58	- -	-	- -	- -	- -	- - -
Walnuts	'59	1324	.66	861	Ton	450	387,450
	'58	1300	1.1	2,860	"	400	572,000
Quince	'59	71	1.00	7,100	Lug	- -	11,360
	'58	110	-	-	-	- -	30,000
Nursery	'59	107					1,150,000
	'58	75					750,000
						1959	\$ 9,247,550
						1958	5,335,289

FIELD CROPS

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ITEM	YEAR	HARVESTED ACREAGE	PRODUCTION		UNIT	VALUE	
			PER ACRE	TOTAL		PER UNIT	TOTAL
Barley	1959	5,000	17	85,000	Cwt	2.25	191,250
	1958	5,000	15	75,000	Cwt	2.20	165,000
Beans, Dry	1959	2,000	16	32,000	Cwt	9.00	288,000
	1958	2,000	20	40,000	Cwt	8.00	320,000
Beets, Sugar	1959	12,981	25	324,025	Ton	13.00	4,212,325
	1958	11,785	19	223,915	Ton	12.00	2,686,980
Corn, Field	1959	50,000	$2\frac{1}{2}$	125,000	Ton	47.00	5,875,000
	1958	42,000	$3\frac{3}{4}$	147,000	Ton	50.00	7,350,000
Hay, Alfalfa	1959	23,000	8	184,000	Ton	25.00	4,600,000
	1958	18,000	7	126,000	Ton	25.00	3,150,000
Hay Grain	1959	7,000	$1\frac{1}{2}$	10,500	Ton	19.00	199,500
	1958	7,000	2	14,000	Ton	19.00	266,000
Hops	1959	3,332	1600	5,331,200	Lbs.	.55	2,932,160
	1958	3,380	1540	5,205,200	Lbs.	.60	3,123,120
Milo	1959	7,000	$2\frac{1}{2}$	17,500	Ton	45.00	787,500
	1958	10,000	3	30,000	Ton	43.00	1,290,000
Oats	1959	1,000	11	11,000	Cwt	2.25	24,750
	1958	1,200	12	14,400	Cwt	3.90	56,160
Pasture, Irr.	1959	40,000				30.00	1,200,000
	1958	33,000				40.00	1,320,000
Range	1959	200,000	1	200,000		1.20	240,000
	1958		(Not included)				
Rice	1959	9,545	48	458,160	Cwt	4.00	1,832,640
	1958	6,000	$42\frac{1}{2}$	255,000	Cwt	4.25	1,083,750
Safflower	1959	6,540	1	6,540	Ton	75.00	490,500
	1958	4,800	1	4,800	Ton	75.00	360,000
Sunflower	1959	250	1600	400,000	Lbs.	.12	48,000
	1958	200	1600	320,000	Lbs.	.07	22,400
Wheat	1959	12,994	16	207,904	Cwt	3.00	623,712
	1958	12,727	17	216,359	Cwt	3.05	659,895
Totals						1959	23,545,337
						1958	21,853,305

ITEM SEED CROPS	YEAR	HARVESTED ACREAGE	PRODUCTION		UNIT	VALUE	
			PER ACRE	TOTAL		PER UNIT	TOTAL
Beans, Blackeye	1959	150	16	2,400	Cwt	9.50	22,800
	1958	178	18	3,204	Cwt	10.00	32,040
Canary Grass	1959	60	1100	66,000	Lb.	.06	3,960
	1958	140	600	84,000	Lb.	.04 $\frac{1}{2}$	4,000
Clover	1959	3,042	400	1,216,800	Lb.	.56	671,408
	1958	2,000	407	814,000	Lb.	.52	423,280
Rice	1959	33	45	1,485	Cwt	4.50	6,683
	1958	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sudan	1959	600	3000	1,800,000	Lb.	.06	108,000
	1958	220	1450	319,000	Lb.	.07	22,330
Trefoil	1959	1,100	275	302,500	Lb.	.80	242,000
	1958	500	380	190,000	Lb.	1.00	190,000
Vegetable	1959	100	-	-	-	-	30,000
	1958	200	-	-	-	-	60,000
Totals						1959	1,084,851
						1958	731,650

VEGETABLE CROPS

Asparagus	1959	1,700	3600	6,120,000	Lb.	.10 $\frac{1}{2}$	642,600
	1958	1,500	3200	4,800,000	Lb.	.09	432,000
Peas	1959	170	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	425	Ton	100.00	42,500
	1958	350	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	525	Ton	71.00	37,275
Tomatoes, Round	1959	7,090	14 $\frac{1}{2}$	102,805	Ton	21.51	2,211,335
	1958	10,427	19	198,113	Ton	22.50	4,457,542
Tomatoes, Pear	1959	470	12	5,640	Ton	24.66	139,082
	1958	1,510	12	18,120	Ton	26.19	474,563
Misc. Vegetables	1959	500	-	500	Acre	425.00	212,500
	1958	500	-	500	Acre	400.00	200,000
Totals						1959	3,248,017
						1958	5,601,380

ITEM	YEAR.	NO. OF HEAD	TOTAL UNITS	UNIT	PRICE PER UNIT	TOTAL
LIVESTOCK AND DAIRY:						
Cattle-Calves	1959	67,400	360,000	Cwt	\$ 25.00	\$ 9,000,000
	1958	54,000	54,000	Head	160.00	8,640,000
Dairy	1959	22,500				6,903,000
	1958	21,000				6,354,460
Mkt Milk	1959		776,140	Cwt	4.71	\$ 3,656,000
	1958		678,400	"	4.59	3,137,200
Mfg. Milk	1959		621,380	"	3.25	2,022,000
	1958		695,840	"	3.12	2,167,260
Veal, etc.	1959					1,225,000
	1958					1,050,000
Sheep-Lambs	1959	27,200	13,600	"	21.50	292,400
	1958	25,000	12,500	"	22.00	275,000
Wool	1959		163,200	Lb.	.40	65,280
	1958		187,500	Lb.	.35	65,625
Swine	1959	6,300	12,600	Cwt	18.00	226,800
	1958	7,500	-	-	44.00	330,000
Horses	1959	900			45.00	40,500
	1958	800			40.00	32,000
Total						
						1959
						\$16,527,980
						1958
						15,697,085

ITEM	YEAR	NUMBER	PRODUCTION		VALUE		
			EACH	TOTAL UNITS	UNIT	PER UNIT	TOTAL
POULTRY: etc.							
Hens, Laying	1959	525,000	16 $\frac{1}{2}$				
	1958	550,000	16				
Eggs	1959			8,320,000	doz	.33	\$ 2,755,600
	1958			8,800,000	"	.355	3,124,000
Chickens (Stew)	1959	300,000	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	750,000	Lbs.	.10	75,000
	1958	400,000	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	1,000,000	"	.17	170,000
Fryers	1959	20,000	2	40,000	"	.18	7,200
	1958	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hatchery	1959	900,000		9,000	C	\$ 47.00	423,000
	1958	1,500,000		15,000	C	17.50	262,500
Turkeys	1959	50,000	22	1,100,000	Lbs.	.24	264,000
	1958	60,000	18	1,080,000	"	.19 $\frac{1}{2}$	210,600
Hatchery	1959	1,700,000		17,500	C	60.00	1,050,000
	1958	1,700,000		17,500	C	60.00	1,050,000
Rabbits	1959	50,000		50,000		1.00	50,000
	1958	50,000		- -		1.00	50,000
Bees	1959	3,000					
	1958	2,300					
Honey	1959	- -	21 $\frac{1}{3}$	64,000	Lbs.	.10	6,400
	1958	- -	-	184,000	"	.11	20,240
Queens	1959	1,500	-	1,500	Each	1.00	1,500
	1958	* -	-	- -	-	-	- -
Total						1959	\$ 4,632,700
						1958	4,887,340