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2024 CROP AND LIVESTOCK REPORT

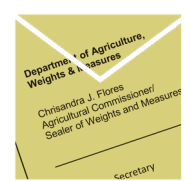
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AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER LETTER



We are proud to
feature a tribute
to retired Chief
Deputy Agricultural
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who dedicated over
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County.

Department of Agriculture,
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and The Honorable Board of Supervisors

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I am pleased to present the **2024 Sacramento County Crop and Livestock Report**, prepared in accordance with Section 2279 of the California Food and Agricultural Code. This report offers a detailed overview of acreage, yields, and production values for Sacramento County's diverse agricultural industry. Please note that all values reflect gross returns and do not represent net profits or losses.

In 2024, the gross production value of agricultural commodities in Sacramento County totaled **\$536,154,000**, representing an 8% decrease from the previous year. **Wine grapes** remained the County's top-valued commodity, with a gross value of **\$167,905,000** across more than 37,173 harvested acres. However, this reflects an 18% decline due to reduced yields and lower prices per ton.

Market milk reclaimed its position as the County's second-highest valued commodity at **\$51,213,000**, a 10% increase over 2023. **Pears** followed closely in third place, valued at **\$49,559,000**. Notable gains in 2024 included walnuts (↑55%), ryegrass (↑50%), almonds (↑42%), and corn for grain (↑37%).

This year's report is enclosed within a simple and elegant 2026 calendar, which also includes key programmatic highlights from the Department. We are proud to feature a tribute to retired Chief Deputy Agricultural Commissioner Parminder Malhi, who dedicated over 25 years of service to Sacramento County. His commitment to the Department of Agriculture, Weights and Measures, and to the residents and agricultural community of the County, is deeply appreciated.

I would like to extend my sincere thanks to Megan Thomas, Natalie Cunha, Laura McCready, and Kevin Martyn for their invaluable contributions to this report. I also wish to express my gratitude to the many agricultural businesses and producers who provided the essential data that made this report possible—your support is truly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Chrisandra J. Flores
Agricultural Commissioner,
Sealer of Weights & Measures

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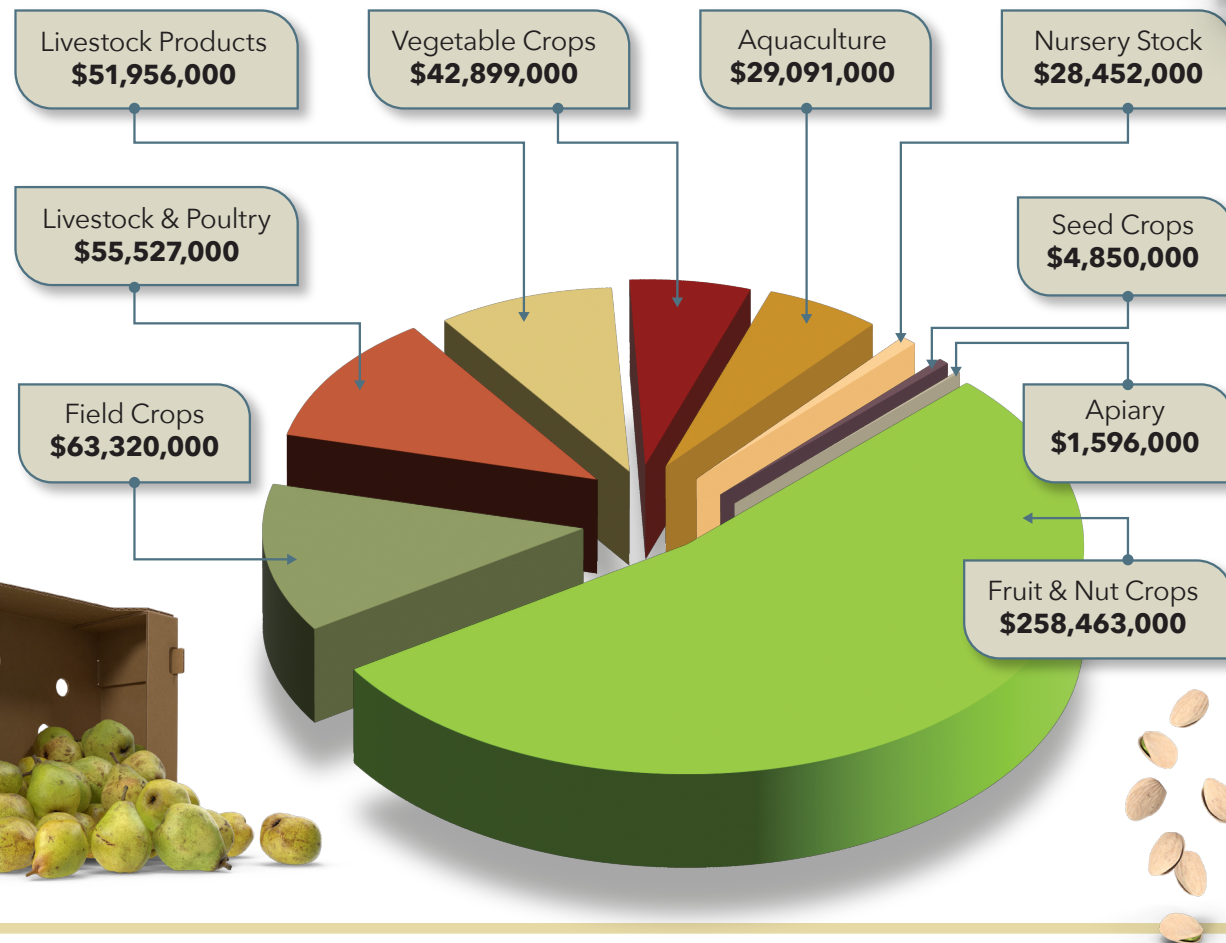


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2024 SUMMARY OF PRODUCTION

The 2024 Summary of Production for Sacramento County highlights a diverse agricultural landscape and showcases significant contributions from various sectors. Livestock products continue to thrive alongside robust vegetable crops, underscoring the county's dedication to a balanced agrarian economy. Aquaculture operations and the nursery stock industry also play vital roles, while livestock and poultry numbers remain strong. Field and seed crops contribute to the region's productivity, and apiary operations enhance pollination efforts for the county's booming fruit and nut crops, which have seen remarkable growth this year. Overall, Sacramento's agricultural sector demonstrates a vibrant, sustainable approach to farming and production.

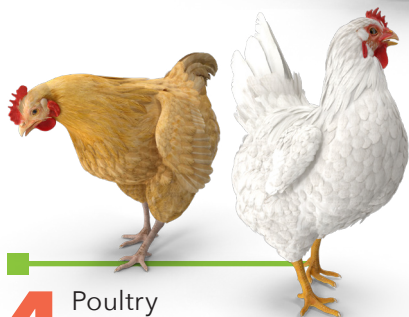


2024 TOP 10 COMMODITIES

6 Nursery Stock
\$28,452,000



4 Poultry
\$32,511,000



7 Cattle & Calves
\$22,419,000



1 Grapes, Wine
\$167,905,000



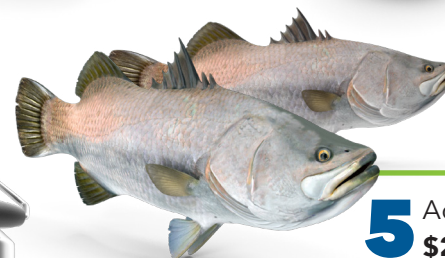
3 Pears
\$49,559,000



8 Rice
\$15,627,000



5 Aquaculture
\$29,091,000



2 Milk-Market
\$51,213,000



9 Almonds
\$14,806,000



10 Cherries
\$13,059,000





2024 OTHER MILLION \$ CROPS



A Tribute to Parminder Malhi

THIS YEAR'S CROP REPORT CARRIES A SPECIAL NOTE OF APPRECIATION FOR AN INDIVIDUAL WHOSE CAREER HAS LEFT A LASTING IMPRINT ON SACRAMENTO COUNTY'S AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE. AFTER MORE THAN 25 YEARS OF SERVICE, PARMINDER MALHI RETIRED IN JANUARY 2025, MARKING THE END OF A DISTINGUISHED CAREER DEVOTED TO THE PROTECTION AND ADVANCEMENT OF AGRICULTURE, CONSUMER FAIRNESS, AND PUBLIC SERVICE.

Parminder graduated from Punjab Agricultural University in India in 1996, majoring in Plant Protection. A couple of years later, on June 8, 1998, he began his career with Sacramento County's Agricultural Commissioner's Office. Parminder climbed through the ranks over the years, promoting from Inspector to Deputy Sealer and then to Chief Deputy.

Throughout his career, Parminder contributed to many significant projects

and programs. Early on, he led efforts to digitize old agricultural field boundary maps. As Chief Deputy, he was instrumental in developing a penalty matrix for the Automated Point of Sale System program. The matrix ensures consistent and equitable enforcement. These contributions reflect not only technical skill but also a deep commitment to fairness and innovation.

He leaves behind not just a legacy of service, but also years of friendships. "I will miss my office and my coworkers, some of whom I have worked with for over 20 years," he said. "I will also miss the business entities and ag industry which I served in my career."

We thank Parminder for his years of dedicated service, his quiet leadership, and his unwavering commitment to Sacramento County's mission. **His presence is deeply missed, but we wish him the best!**

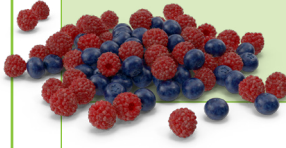




FRUITS, NUTS
& VEGETABLES



FRUIT & NUTS	YEAR	HARVESTED ACREAGE	PER ACRE YIELD	TOTAL YIELD	UNIT	PRICE PER UNIT	TOTAL VALUE
ALMONDS	2024	4,656	0.8	3,725	TON	\$3,974.80	\$14,806,000
	2023	3,846	0.7	2,692	TON	\$3,186.20	\$8,577,000
CHERRIES	2024	1,548	2.5	3,870	TON	\$3,374.30	\$13,059,000
	2023	1,463	4.9	7,169	TON	\$1,444.80	\$10,358,000
*GRAPES, WINE	2024	37,173	8.3	308,536	TON	\$544.20	\$167,905,000
	2023	36,806	9.2	338,615	TON	\$603.80	\$204,456,000
PEARS	2024	4,848	17.8	86,294	TON	\$574.30	\$49,559,000
	2023	4,982	19.8	98,644	TON	\$563.70	\$55,606,000
WALNUTS	2024	2,525	1.5	3,788	TON	\$1,860.10	\$7,046,000
	2023	2,177	1.9	4,136	TON	\$775.40	\$3,207,000
MISCELLANEOUS	2024	1,251	Apples, apricots, avocados, blackberries, blueberries, cantaloupe, chestnuts, citrus, figs, melons, nectarines, olives, peaches, pistachios, plums, pluots, pomegranates, strawberries, table grapes, and watermelons.				\$6,088,000
	2023	1,005					\$6,461,000
TOTAL	2024	52,001					\$258,463,000
	2023	50,279					\$288,665,000



*Reported wine varieties grown include: Albarino, Barbera, Cabernet Franc, Cabernet Sauvignon, Chardonnay, Chenin Blanc, Dornfelder, Durif, French Colombard, Gewurtztraminer, Graciano, Grenache, Grenache Blanc, Lagren, Malbec, Merlot, Monastrell, Muscat, Petite Syrah, Petite Verdot, Pinot Noir, Pinot Gris, Primitivo, Sauvignon Blanc, Semillon, Souzao, Syrah, Tannat, Tempranillo, Teroldego, Verdejo, Viogner, White Riesling, and Zinfandel.

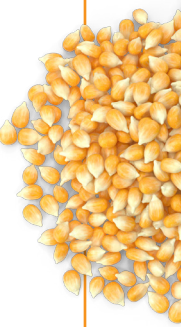


VEGETABLES	YEAR	HARVESTED ACREAGE	PER ACRE YIELD	TOTAL YIELD	UNIT	PRICE PER UNIT	TOTAL VALUE
TOMATOES,	2024	Included in miscellaneous			TON		
PROCESSED	2023	6,609	41.3	272,952	TON	\$138.00	\$37,667,000
MISCELLANEOUS	2024	11,725	Asparagus, beans, beets, broccoli, cabbage, celery, corn, cucumbers, eggplants, garlic, gourds, herbs, leafy greens, leeks, okra, onions, peas, peppers, potatoes, pumpkins, squash, and tomatoes.				\$42,899,000
	2023	2,187					\$21,207,000
TOTAL	2024	11,888					\$42,899,000
	2023	8,796					\$58,874,000





FIELD CROPS

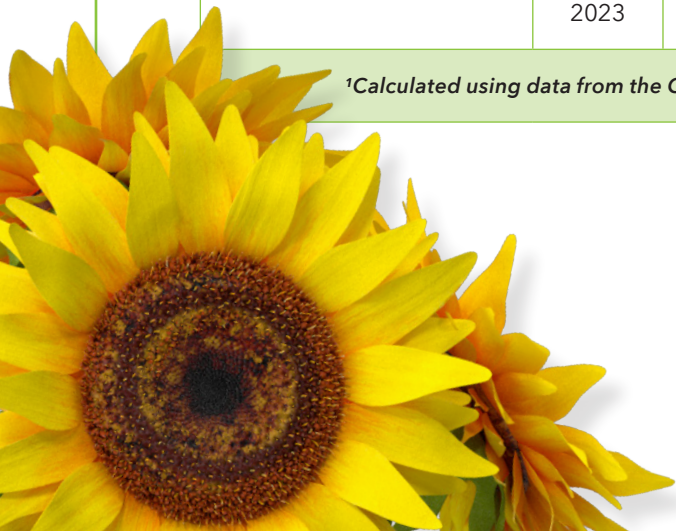


FIELD CROPS	YEAR	HARVESTED ACRES	PER ACRE YIELD	TOTAL YIELD	UNIT	PRICE PER UNIT	TOTAL VALUE
BEAN, DRIED	2024	470	1.0	470	TON	\$1,670.00	\$785,000
	2023	888	0.9	799	TON	\$1,500.00	\$1,199,000
CORN, GRAIN	2024	13,561	4.4	59,668	TON	\$174.80	\$10,430,000
	2023	7,872	4.7	36,998	TON	\$176.40	\$6,527,000
CORN, SILAGE	2024	7,007	25.9	181,481	TON	\$38.30	\$6,951,000
	2023	10,696	24.8	265,261	TON	\$46.00	\$12,202,000
HAY, ALFALFA	2024	9,116	5.3	48,315	TON	\$181.30	\$8,759,000
	2023	9,037	5.5	49,704	TON	\$207.30	\$10,304,000
HAY, OTHER (CLOVER, FORAGE, ORCHARDGRASS, AND PASTURE HAY.)	2024	3,715	4.4	16,346	TON	\$103.60	\$1,693,000
	2023	4,416	2.1	9,274	TON	\$222.30	\$2,062,000
OAT SILAGE	2024	3,199	12.0	38,388	TON	\$24.90	\$956,000
	2023	3,117	14.2	44,261	TON	\$28.40	\$1,257,000
RANGELAND ¹	2024	147,789			ACRE	\$45.00	\$6,651,000
	2023	147,789			ACRE	\$27.50	\$4,064,000
RICE	2024	9,620	4.4	42,328	TON	\$369.20	\$15,627,000



	2023	8,437	4.3	36,279	TON	\$455.80	\$16,536,000
RYEGRASS	2024	3,963	3.5	13,871	TON	\$84.70	\$1,175,000
	2023	2,307	1.9	4,383	TON	\$134.80	\$591,000
SAFFLOWER	2024	2,621	1.0	2,621	TON	\$500.00	\$1,311,000
	2023	1,252	1.0	1,252	TON	\$728.80	\$912,000
TRITICALE	2024	2,258	2.9	6,548	TON	\$214.80	\$1,407,000
	2023	5,484	2.9	15,904	TON	\$211.60	\$3,365,000
WHEAT	2024	5,993	2.7	16,181	TON	\$194.60	\$3,149,000
	2023	4,345	2.8	12,166	TON	\$227.20	\$2,764,000
WHEAT SILAGE	2024	Included in miscellaneous			TON		
	2023	2,965	13.9	41,214	TON	\$31.60	\$1,302,000
MISC. FIELD	2024	7,824	Barley, dry beans, hops, irrigated pasture, oats, rye, miscellaneous silage, sorghum, sudangrass, and sunflower.				\$4,426,000
	2023	3,609					\$1,074,000
TOTAL	2024	217,136					\$63,320,000
	2023	212,214					\$64,159,000

¹Calculated using data from the California Department of Conservation, Farmland Mapping & Monitoring Program 2018-2020



LIVESTOCK
& POULTRY

LIVESTOCK & POULTRY	YEAR	NO. OF HEAD	LIVEWEIGHT	UNIT	PRICE PER UNIT	TOTAL VALUE
CATTLE & CALVES	2024	18,568	126,444	CWT	\$177.30	\$22,419,000
	2023	18,811	127,124	CWT	\$160.50	\$20,403,000
POULTRY	2024	Chickens and turkeys.				\$32,511,000
	2023					\$34,386,000
LIVESTOCK, OTHER	2024	Goats, hogs, and sheep.				\$597,000
	2023					\$559,000
TOTAL	2024					\$55,527,000
	2023					\$55,348,000

LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS	YEAR	PRODUCTION	UNIT	PRICE PER UNIT	TOTAL VALUE
MILK	2024	2,382,000	CWT	\$21.50	\$51,213,000
	2023	2,380,000	CWT	\$19.40	\$46,172,000
MISCELLANEOUS	2024	Poultry manure and Sheep wool			\$743,000
	2023				\$649,000
TOTAL	2024				\$51,956,000
	2023				\$46,821,000

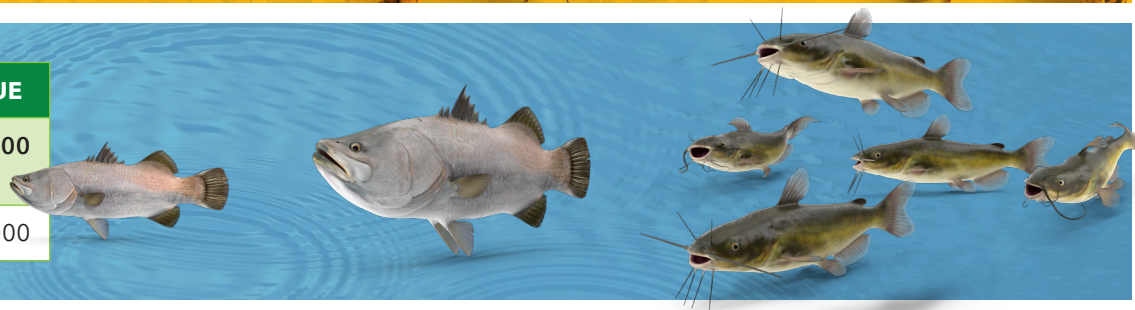
APIARY, AQUACULTURE, NURSERY & SEED PRODUCTION



YEAR	APIARY	TOTAL VALUE
2024	*Honey and pollination	\$1,596,000
2023	Honey and pollination	\$1,206,000
* Includes honey, pollination, package bees, queens, and wax.		



YEAR	AQUACULTURE	TOTAL VALUE
2024	Bass, catfish, carp, crayfish, sturgeon and caviar.	\$29,091,000
2023		\$25,679,000



SEED	YEAR	HARVESTED ACREAGE	PER ACRE YIELD	TOTAL YIELD	UNIT	PRICE PER UNIT	TOTAL VALUE
	2024	714	Cucumber, oat, onion, pumpkin, sorghum, watermelon, and wheat seed.				\$4,850,000
	2023	1,084					\$4,977,000



NURSERY STOCK	YEAR	HARVESTED ACREAGE	PER ACRE YIELD	TOTAL YIELD	UNIT	PRICE PER UNIT	TOTAL VALUE
	2024	365	Ornamental trees and shrubs, christmas trees, and turf grass.				\$28,452,000
	2023	488					\$39,073,000



SACRAMENTO
COUNTY 2025
CERTIFIED
FARMERS
MARKETS

TUESDAY

Fair Oaks Farmers' Market

Fair Oaks Park, 11549 Fair Oaks Blvd., Fair Oaks
Tuesdays, 9am – 2pm, Year Round

Kaiser Folsom Farmers' Market

2155 Iron Point Road, Folsom
Tuesdays, 9:30am – 1:30pm, Year Round

WEDNESDAY

Capitol Mall Farmers' Market

600 Capitol Mall, Sacramento
Wednesdays, 8:30am – 1:30pm, May – October

Folsom Palladio Farmers' Market

260 Palladio Parkway, Folsom
Wednesdays, 9am – 1pm, Year Round

THURSDAY

SATURDAY

Arden-Arcade Certified Farmers' Market

2405 Butano Dr, Sacramento
Saturdays, 8am – 12pm, Year Round

Laguna-Elk Grove Certified Farmers' Market

8245 Laguna Boulevard, Elk Grove
Saturdays, 8am – 12pm, Year Round

Rancho Cordova Certified Farmers' Market

11164 Folsom Boulevard, Rancho Cordova
Saturdays, 8am – 12pm, Year Round

ONE Natomas Farmers' Market

2501 New Market Dr, Sacramento
Saturdays, 8:30am – 12:30pm, May – September

Midtown Farmers' Market

1050 20th St, Sacramento
Saturdays, 8am – 1pm, Year Round

Historic Folsom Farmers' Market

915 Sutter Street, Folsom
Saturdays, 8am – 1pm, Year Round



Florin Certified Farmers' Market

3019 Florin Road, Sacramento

Thursdays, 7am – 1pm, Year Round

Orangevale Farmers' Market

6826 Hazel Ave., Orangevale

Thursdays, 3pm – 8pm, May – October

Sutter Medical Center Farmers' Market

2825 Capitol Avenue, Sacramento

Thursdays, 2:30pm – 5:30pm, Year Round

FRIDAY**Kaiser Morse Farmers' Market**

2025 Morse Avenue, Sacramento

Fridays, 9:30am – 1:30pm, Year Round

Kaiser South Sacramento Farmers' Market

6600 Bruceville Road, Sacramento

Fridays, 9am – 2pm, Year Round

Greenhaven Pocket Farmers' Market

6446 Riverside Blvd., Sacramento

Sundays, 9am – 1pm, April – October

Sunrise Mall Farmers' Market

6041 Sunrise Boulevard, Citrus Heights

Saturdays, 8am – 1pm, Year Round

Oak Park Farmers' Market

3500 5th Avenue, Sacramento

Saturdays, 9am – 1pm, April – October

SUNDAY**Sacramento Central Sunday Certified Farmers' Market**

700 W Street, Sacramento

Sundays, 8am – 12pm, Year Round

Carmichael Farmers' Market

Carmichael Park, 5750 Grant Ave., Carmichael

Sundays, 9am – 2pm, Year Round

McKinley Park Farmers' Market

601 Alhambra Blvd., Sacramento

Sundays, 10am – 2pm, Year Round

Meadowview Certified Farmers' Market

3501 Meadowview Road, Sacramento

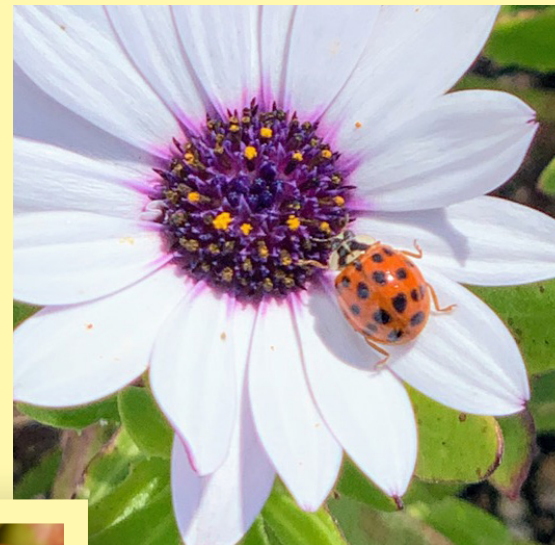
Sundays, 8am – 1pm, Year Round





COUNTY IMAGES







JANUARY

Apiary:
Registration
Due!



S	M	T	W	T	F	S
Sunday 28	Monday 29	Tuesday 30	Wednesday 31	Thursday 1 <small>New Year's Day County Observed Holiday</small>	Friday 2	Saturday 3
Sunday 4	Monday 5	Tuesday 6	Wednesday 7	Thursday 8	Friday 9	Saturday 10 <small>PUE: 10th of the Month PUR's are Due!</small>
Sunday 11	Monday 12	Tuesday 13	Wednesday 14	Thursday 15	Friday 16	Saturday 17
Sunday 18	Monday 19 <small>Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Birthday County Observed Holiday</small>	Tuesday 20	Wednesday 21	Thursday 22	Friday 23	Saturday 24
Sunday 25	Monday 26	Tuesday 27	Wednesday 28	Thursday 29	Friday 30	Saturday 31
Sunday 1	Monday 2	Tuesday 3	Wednesday 4	Thursday 5	Friday 6	Saturday 7

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, WEIGHTS & MEASURES OVERVIEW

The Sacramento County Department of Agriculture is proud to serve the community through a wide range of programs that touch everyday life in ways many people don't realize.

From supporting farmers and beekeepers to protecting consumers at the gas pump and grocery store, our team works behind the scenes to promote fairness, safety, and quality across the county.

Our Agricultural Biologists monitor for invasive pests by inspecting plant shipments and maintaining a network of insect traps throughout the region. These efforts help stop harmful pests before they can spread and damage crops, landscapes, or ecosystems. We also support healthy pollination by working with local beekeepers to prevent the spread of bee diseases and pests. When it comes to pesticides, our department ensures they're used safely—whether on a farm or in your own backyard—protecting people, pollinators, and the environment.

On the consumer protection side, our Weights and Measures Inspectors test gas pumps, grocery store scales, taxi meters, and thousands of packaged goods to confirm you're getting exactly what you pay for. We respond to complaints, help resolve disputes, and work hard to keep local commerce honest and transparent.

Whether in the field, the marketplace, or the lab, we're proud to serve the people of Sacramento County every day.





FEBRUARY



2024
HONEY AND
POLLINATION

\$1,599,000
\$1,206,000

2023
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Sunday 15	Monday 16 George Washington's Birthday County Observed Holiday	Tuesday 17	Wednesday 18	Thursday 19	Friday 20	Saturday 21
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APIARY PROGRAM



Honeybees play a vital role in Sacramento County's agricultural success.

With more than 200 crops in California depending on pollination, healthy bee populations are essential—not just for farmers, but for our entire food system. The Sacramento County Department of Agriculture takes this responsibility seriously and works closely with local beekeepers and growers to help protect these important pollinators.

One of the key tools we use is California's "BeeWhere" system, which promotes early and open communication between pesticide applicators and beekeepers. When beekeepers register their hives each January, they become part of a confidential system that allows them to receive notifications if any pesticide applications that are toxic to bees are planned within a one-mile radius of their hives. This helps them take necessary precautions to protect their colonies.

Beyond digital tools, our Agricultural Biologists are out in the field, inspecting hives for signs of disease or harmful pests that could threaten bee health. These inspections provide valuable information and peace of mind to local beekeepers.

Whether it's helping a grower plan a safe treatment or checking a hive for issues, we're proud to support the hardworking beekeepers who make California agriculture thrive.

Through strong relationships, smart technology, and hands-on support, we're doing our part to keep pollinators safe and our crops productive.





MARCH

PUE: Pesticide Dealer
Out-of-County reports **Due!**

2024 PESTICIDE USE ENFORCEMENT (PUE) INFORMATION

OF INVESTIGATIONS:

38

OF PRIVATE APPLICATOR
CERTIFICATES ISSUED:

56

OF PRIVATE APPLICATOR
EXAMS PROCTORED:

79

OF RESTRICTED
MATERIAL PERMITS:

212

OF OPERATOR ID'S:




325

OF PUE INSPECTIONS:

381

OF REGISTRATIONS:

726

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Sunday 22	Monday 23	Tuesday 24	Wednesday 25	Thursday 26	Friday 27	Saturday 28
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Sunday 22	Monday 23	Tuesday 24	Wednesday 25	Thursday 26	Friday 27	Saturday 28
Sunday 29 Palm Sunday	Monday 30	Tuesday 31 Cesar Chavez Day County Observed Holiday 	Wednesday 1	Thursday 2	Friday 3	Saturday 4

PESTICIDE USE ENFORCEMENT

The Sacramento County Department of Agriculture puts the safety of our community, those who work with pesticides, and the environment at the core of its pesticide-related work. Our



Pesticide Use Enforcement (PUE) team is made up of knowledgeable, highly trained inspectors who spend time in the field - on farms, in warehouses, with pest control operators, and even at public places like parks and golf courses. Their job is to make sure pesticides are being used properly, safely, and according to the law.

When we visit a site, we're not just looking at equipment and checking records—we're building relationships. We talk with growers, applicators, and business owners about what they're using, how they're using it, and what can be improved. We also issue permits for restricted-use materials and investigate any reports of misuse or pesticide-related illnesses.

Behind the scenes, we work closely with the California Department of Pesticide Regulation (DPR) to register licenses and offer guidance to professionals in the industry. DPR provides ongoing training and regulatory support, and we bring that knowledge to the ground level.

Every inspection, conversation, and permit we issue is part of a larger effort to support safe and responsible pesticide use - protecting the health of our community and the natural resources we all depend on.





APRIL

PUE: School
Notifications
Are **Due!**



S	M	T	W	T	F	S
Sunday _____ 29 _____ _____ Palm Sunday	Monday _____ 30 _____ _____ _____	Tuesday _____ 31 _____ _____ Cesar E. Chavez	Wednesday _____ 1 _____ _____ _____	Thursday _____ 2 _____ _____ _____	Friday _____ 3 _____ _____ Good Friday	Saturday _____ 4 _____ _____ _____
Sunday _____ 5 _____ _____ Easter Sunday	Monday _____ 6 _____ _____ Easter Monday	Tuesday _____ 7 _____ _____ _____	Wednesday _____ 8 _____ _____ _____	Thursday _____ 9 _____ _____ _____	Friday _____ 10 _____ _____ PUE: 10th of the Month PUR's are Due!	Saturday _____ 11 _____ _____ _____
Sunday _____ 12 _____ _____ _____	Monday _____ 13 _____ _____ _____	Tuesday _____ 14 _____ _____ _____	Wednesday _____ 15 _____ _____ Tax Day	Thursday _____ 16 _____ _____ _____	Friday _____ 17 _____ _____ _____	Saturday _____ 18 _____ _____ _____
Sunday _____ 19 _____ _____ _____	Monday _____ 20 _____ _____ _____	Tuesday _____ 21 _____ _____ _____	Wednesday _____ 22 _____ _____ Earth Day	Thursday _____ 23 _____ _____ _____	Friday _____ 24 _____ _____ Arbor Day	Saturday _____ 25 _____ _____ _____
Sunday _____ 26 _____ _____ _____	Monday _____ 27 _____ _____ _____	Tuesday _____ 28 _____ _____ _____	Wednesday _____ 29 _____ _____ _____	Thursday _____ 30 _____ _____ _____	Friday _____ 1 _____ _____ _____	Saturday _____ 2 _____ _____ _____
Sunday _____ 3 _____ _____ _____	Monday _____ 4 _____ _____ _____	Tuesday _____ 5 _____ _____ Cinco de Mayo	Wednesday _____ 6 _____ _____ _____	Thursday _____ 7 _____ _____ _____	Friday _____ 8 _____ _____ _____	Saturday _____ 9 _____ _____ _____

JAPANESE BEETLE



The Japanese beetle may look harmless, but it's one of the most destructive invasive pests threatening California's agriculture and environment.

These beetles feed on over 300 types of plants - including fruit trees, roses, vegetables, and turf - causing serious damage to gardens, farms, and landscapes if not controlled.

In 2024, the Sacramento County Department of Agriculture teamed up once again with the California Department of Food & Agriculture (CDFA) to stop this pest. A concerning outbreak in Carmichael led to the trapping of 180 beetles (84 males and 96 females), signaling a real risk to local ecosystems. In response, we launched an emergency eradication effort focused on pesticide treatment, intensive trapping, and public education to prevent further spread.

Thanks to the cooperation of homeowners, CDFA applied Acelepryn, a selective insecticide, to infested areas and nearby properties. This quick, coordinated action shows the power of local-state partnerships in tackling invasive species before they take hold.

Through early detection, community involvement, and science-based treatments, our team is committed to protecting Sacramento County's green spaces, agriculture, and quality of life.

With continued vigilance and public support, we're keeping this destructive pest at bay.



MAY



S	M	T	W	T	F	S
Sunday 26	Monday 27	Tuesday 28	Wednesday 29	Thursday 30	Friday 1	Saturday 2
Sunday 3	Monday 4	Tuesday 5 	Wednesday 6	Thursday 7	Friday 8	Saturday 9
Sunday 10  PUE: 10th of the Month PUR's are Due!	Monday 11	Tuesday 12	Wednesday 13	Thursday 14	Friday 15	Saturday 16 
Sunday 17	Monday 18	Tuesday 19	Wednesday 20	Thursday 21	Friday 22	Saturday 23
Sunday 24	Monday 25  County Observed Holiday	Tuesday 26	Wednesday 27	Thursday 28	Friday 29	Saturday 30
Sunday 31	Monday 1	Tuesday 2	Wednesday 3	Thursday 4	Friday 5	Saturday 6

NURSERY PROGRAM

Nurseries play a big role in California's rich agricultural landscape, providing everything from fruit trees to flowering plants that brighten homes, farms, and communities.

But along with all that beauty comes the challenge of protecting plants from pests and diseases that can spread quickly if left unchecked. That's where the Sacramento County Department of Agriculture steps in.

Our team works directly with local nursery growers and sellers to help keep their plants healthy, pest-free, and ready for sale. We visit growing grounds, greenhouses, and retail sites throughout the year to check for insects, weeds, and plant diseases. These visits aren't just inspections - they're conversations. We share updates on emerging pest issues, talk through solutions, and help growers stay current with state requirements.

We also partner with the California Department of Food & Agriculture (CDFA) on nursery licensing, certification, and quarantine guidelines.










This collaboration helps keep Sacramento-grown nursery stock moving smoothly across California and beyond.

Whether we're in the field identifying pests or helping a grower prepare for certification, our focus is on supporting the people behind the plants. **We're proud to be part of the work that keeps Sacramento County's nursery industry thriving and its plants healthy and ready to grow.**





2024 CERTIFIED PRODUCER INFORMATION:

		
		
		
Acres farmed by Certified Producers	Commodities Grown	Certified Producers in 2024






JUNE



PUE: Pesticide Dealer
Out-of-County reports **Due!**



S	M	T	W	T	F	S
Sunday 24	Monday 25	Tuesday 26	Wednesday 27	Thursday 28	Friday 29	Saturday 30
Sunday 31	Monday 1	Tuesday 2	Wednesday 3	Thursday 4	Friday 5	Saturday 6
Sunday 7	Monday 8	Tuesday 9	Wednesday 10 <small>PUE: 10th of the Month PUR's are Due!</small>	Thursday 11	Friday 12	Saturday 13
Sunday 14 <small>Flag Day</small> 	Monday 15	Tuesday 16	Wednesday 17	Thursday 18	Friday 19 <small>Juneteenth County Observed Holiday</small> 	Saturday 20
Sunday 21 <small>Father's Day</small> 	Monday 22	Tuesday 23	Wednesday 24	Thursday 25	Friday 26	Saturday 27
Sunday 28	Monday 29	Tuesday 30	Wednesday 1	Thursday 2	Friday 3	Saturday

DIRECT MARKETING



Direct marketing brings the farm straight to the community - and the Sacramento County Department of Agriculture is proud to support this important connection through its work with Certified Farmers' Markets and Certified Producers. At its core, direct marketing allows local farmers to sell what they grow directly to the public, often offering fresh, tree-ripened produce and specialty items that aren't suited for large-scale shipping. This not only supports small and mid-sized farms but also helps residents connect with the people growing their food.

Our staff works closely with farmers and market managers to issue Certified Producer Certificates and verify that the produce being sold is truly locally grown. We also provide market oversight, making sure rules are followed and products meet quality and safety standards. These efforts help maintain fairness for both growers and consumers while keeping the markets honest and vibrant.

Certified Farmers' Markets do more than just sell produce - they build community. They serve as gathering places where people from all walks of life come together to share food, stories, and local culture. **We're honored to play a role in keeping these markets thriving and true to their purpose: farmer to consumer, face to face.**





JULY

2024 Pest Detection Information

Asian Citrus Psyllid
Champ Trap - Rural
European Grapevine Moth
Glassy-Winged Sharpshooter (Nursery)
Glassy-Winged Sharpshooter (Urban)
Japanese Beetle
McPhail Traps - Exotic Fruit Fly
Mediterranean Fruit Fly
Melon Fruit Fly
Oriental Fruit Fly
Spongy Moth

Total:

of traps deployed

1,384
13
1,020
447
1,262
511
577
1,318
577
569
573

8,251

Total #of trap servicings

6,407
58
9,807
4,733
4,933
2,236
8,269
10,477
3,810
4,284
2,515

57,529



S	M	T	W	T	F	S
Sunday <div>28</div>	Monday <div>29</div>	Tuesday <div>30</div>	Wednesday <div>1</div>	Thursday <div>2</div>	Friday <div>3</div>	Saturday <div>4</div>
Sunday <div>5</div>	Monday <div>6</div>	Tuesday <div>7</div>	Wednesday <div>8</div>	Thursday <div>9</div>	Friday <div>10</div>	Saturday <div>11</div>
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Sunday <div>19</div>	Monday <div>20</div>	Tuesday <div>21</div>	Wednesday <div>22</div>	Thursday <div>23</div>	Friday <div>24</div>	Saturday <div>25</div>
Sunday <div>26</div>	Monday <div>27</div>	Tuesday <div>28</div>	Wednesday <div>29</div>	Thursday <div>30</div>	Friday <div>31</div>	Saturday <div>1</div>
Sunday <div>2</div>	Monday <div>3</div>	Tuesday <div>4</div>	Wednesday <div>5</div>	Thursday <div>6</div>	Friday <div>7</div>	Saturday <div>8</div>

PEST DETECTION PROGRAM

Each May, Sacramento County launches a vital initiative to safeguard California's agriculture and environment by deploying tens of thousands of insect traps as part of the statewide pest detection program.

This effort aims to intercept destructive invasive species, such as exotic fruit flies and harmful moths, before they spread. The department places and monitors traps in urban and rural areas within a network coordinated by the California Department of Food and Agriculture. This proactive approach helps prevent widespread infestations that could threaten California's agricultural economy and ecosystems. Target pests include the Oriental Fruit Fly, Japanese Beetle, and Glassy-Winged Sharpshooter, all known for their potential to damage crops and native plants.

In 2024, Sacramento County responded to two significant pest threats. The first was the conclusion of an Oriental Fruit Fly quarantine, initiated in 2023. The final fly was detected on September 20, 2023, and following intensive treatment and regulatory controls, the quarantine was officially lifted on May 31, 2024. The second involved a Japanese Beetle infestation in Carmichael. A total of 529 traps were deployed, capturing 180 beetles. Emergency eradication measures were swiftly implemented, including treatments, public outreach, and quarantine enforcement.

Through early detection, rapid response, and community engagement, CDFA and our department remain committed to safeguarding Sacramento County's agricultural integrity and ecological health.





AUGUST

NO

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
Sunday 26	Monday 27	Tuesday 28	Wednesday 29	Thursday 30	Friday 31	Saturday 1
Sunday 2	Monday 3	Tuesday 4	Wednesday 5	Thursday 6	Friday 7	Saturday 8
Sunday 9	Monday 10 <small>PUE: 10th of the Month PUR's are Due!</small>	Tuesday 11	Wednesday 12	Thursday 13	Friday 14	Saturday 15
Sunday 16	Monday 17	Tuesday 18	Wednesday 19	Thursday 20	Friday 21	Saturday 22
Sunday 23	Monday 24	Tuesday 25	Wednesday 26	Thursday 27	Friday 28	Saturday 29
Sunday 30	Monday 31	Tuesday 1	Wednesday 2	Thursday 3	Friday 4	Saturday 5

PEAR HARVEST IN SACRAMENTO COUNTY



Sacramento County is proud to be home to one of California's most historic and celebrated pear-growing regions. The rich Delta soil, cool evening breezes, and generations of farming knowledge come together each season to produce pears of exceptional flavor, color, and texture—especially the beloved Bartlett. These pears aren't just fruit; they're a symbol of local heritage and agricultural excellence.

Behind the scenes, the Sacramento County Department of Agriculture plays an essential role in helping these pears reach markets around the world. Our staff carefully reviews and issues phytosanitary certificates that allow this premium fruit to be shipped across state and international borders, assuring buyers that Sacramento County pears meet strict export standards. It's a quiet but important job that helps connect our local farms to global tables.

The people who grow, harvest, pack, and ship our pears take deep pride in their work, and that care is evident in every bite. Each summer, the pear harvest is celebrated by the community with local events, like the Delta Pear Fair, where visitors enjoy fresh fruit, live music, and a taste of Sacramento's farming spirit.

We're honored to support this tradition and help share Sacramento County's exceptional pears with the world.





SEPTEMBER

PUE: Pesticide Dealer
Out-of-County reports **Due!**



S	M	T	W	T	F	S
Sunday 30	Monday 31	Tuesday 1	Wednesday 2	Thursday 3	Friday 4	Saturday 5
Sunday 6	Monday 7 	Tuesday 8	Wednesday 9	Thursday 10 	Friday 11 Patriot Day Rosh Hashanah Begins	Saturday 12
Sunday 13 Grandparents' Day	Monday 14	Tuesday 15	Wednesday 16	Thursday 17	Friday 18	Saturday 19
Sunday 20 Yom Kippur Begins	Monday 21	Tuesday 22	Wednesday 23	Thursday 24	Friday 25	Saturday 26
Sunday 27	Monday 28	Tuesday 29	Wednesday 30	Thursday 1	Friday 2	Saturday 3
Sunday 4	Monday 5	Tuesday 6	Wednesday 7	Thursday 8	Friday 9	Saturday 10



ORGANIC PROGRAM

Supporting Sacramento County's organic growers is a shared passion of Sacramento County Department of Agriculture and California Department of Agriculture (CDFA). We work closely with farmers who register as organic producers, conducting spot checks at growing sites, farmers' markets, and retail outlets to make sure their practices and records align with state organic standards. These visits aren't about paperwork - they're about celebrating the careful stewardship and care these growers pour into every crop.

Our inspectors also validate that no prohibited substances have been used in the past three years, reviewing pesticide-use logs to affirm purity and protection for both consumers and the land. At farmers' markets, we regularly perform spot inspections and take samples to analyze for pesticide residue - this gives shoppers confidence that what they're buying truly meets organic standards.

If concerns arise, we're ready to investigate complaints about label claims or possible contamination. Our goal is to uphold the integrity of the organic label while nurturing a community of growers rooted in honesty, health, and sustainable relationships.

Together with organic farmers, market managers, and CDFA staff - Sacramento County Department of Agriculture is proud to support a local agricultural community where organic produce can flourish, trusted by consumers, and celebrated by the families who grow it.



FROM OUR PHYTOSANITARY CERTIFICATION PROGRAM:

1 2024 Top 3 Export Countries:



India




China




French Polynesia

2 Total Number of Export Certificates Issued in 2024:



3 Number of Countries Who Received Exported Ag Commodities From Sacramento County in 2024:



OCTOBER



S	M	T	W	T	F	S
Sunday 27	Monday 28	Tuesday 29	Wednesday 30	Thursday 1	Friday 2	Saturday 3
Sunday 4	Monday 5	Tuesday 6	Wednesday 7	Thursday 8	Friday 9	Saturday 10 <small>PUE: 10th of the Month PUR's are Due!</small>
Sunday 11	Monday 12 <small>Indigenous Peoples' Day County Observed Holiday</small>	Tuesday 13	Wednesday 14	Thursday 15	Friday 16	Saturday 17
Sunday 18	Monday 19	Tuesday 20	Wednesday 21	Thursday 22	Friday 23	Saturday 24
Sunday 25	Monday 26	Tuesday 27	Wednesday 28	Thursday 29	Friday 30	Saturday 31 <small>Halloween</small>
Sunday 1	Monday 2	Tuesday 3 <small>Election Day</small>	Wednesday 4	Thursday 5	Friday 6	Saturday 7

PHYTOSANITARY CERTIFICATION

In 2024, the Sacramento Agricultural Weights and Measures Phytosanitary Certification played a vital role in facilitating the export of agricultural commodities, showcasing its unwavering commitment to maintaining quality and safety standards in the food supply chain.



The certification process ensures that all exported agrarian products meet the necessary health and safety regulations, thereby protecting both consumers and producers. This year, Sacramento County issued an impressive total of 3,754 export certificates, reflecting the thriving agricultural industry and the diligence of local producers to meet international standards. Among the countries that imported these commodities, India, China, and French Polynesia emerged as the top three export destinations, highlighting the diverse and growing demand for Sacramento's agricultural products across global markets. The varying climates and farming practices of these countries provide ample opportunity for Sacramento's high-quality produce to find a niche. Overall, the county successfully established trade connections with 64 different countries, underscoring the extensive network of trade connections and the county's strategic importance in global agricultural exports.

This successful year not only strengthens Sacramento's economy but also emphasizes the significance of collaboration between local agricultural stakeholders and international trade partners.



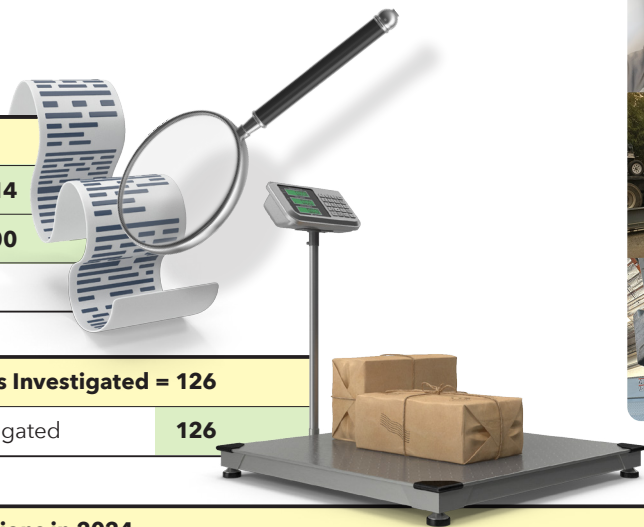


2024 Price Verification	
Locations Inspected	2,014
Products Inspected	33,900

9% of inspections had overcharges

2024 Consumer Complaints Investigated = 126

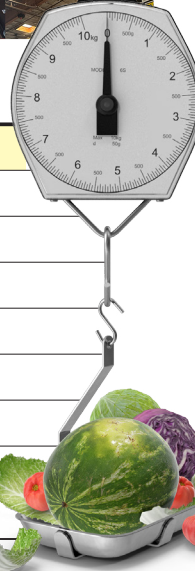
Number Received and Investigated	126
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Commercial Device Inspections in 2024

Weighing Devices		Measuring Devices	
	Inspected		Inspected
Computing/Counter/Hanging Scales	2,986	Retail Motor Fuel Meters	11,374
Livestock/Vehicle Scales	142	Retail Water Meters	170
Dormant/Platform Scales	632	LPG Meters	17
Class II Scales 286	286	Vapor/Water/Electric Submeters	6,194
Miscellaneous	44	Miscellaneous	227
Total	4,090	Total	17,982

90% Device Compliance



NOVEMBER

PUE: Permit/
Registration
Season Opens for
Following Year.



S	M	T	W	T	F	S
Sunday 25	Monday 26	Tuesday 27	Wednesday 28	Thursday 29	Friday 30	Saturday 31 Halloween
Sunday 1	Monday 2	Tuesday 3 Election Day	Wednesday 4	Thursday 5	Friday 6	Saturday 7
Sunday 8	Monday 9	Tuesday 10 PUE: 10th of the Month PUR's are Due!	Wednesday 11 Veterans Day County Observed Holiday	Thursday 12	Friday 13	Saturday 14
Sunday 15	Monday 16	Tuesday 17	Wednesday 18	Thursday 19	Friday 20	Saturday 21
Sunday 22	Monday 23	Tuesday 24	Wednesday 25	Thursday 26 Thanksgiving Day County Observed Holiday	Friday 27 County Observed Holiday	Saturday 28
Sunday 29	Monday 30	Tuesday 1	Wednesday 2	Thursday 3	Friday 4	Saturday 5

WEIGHTS & MEASURES PROGRAM

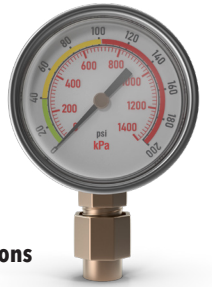
In a world where most of us no longer know the butcher, grocer, or gas station owner personally, trust in everyday transactions matters more than ever.

That's where the Sacramento County Sealer of Weights and Measures comes in. Our job is to help make sure every ounce, gallon, and dollar exchanged in our local marketplace is fair and accurate—for both buyers and sellers.

Whether you're filling your gas tank, weighing produce at the grocery store, or picking up a prescription, chances are a Weights and Measures Inspector has already checked that scale, pump, or package. Each year, our team tests over 11,000 fuel pumps, inspects more than 4,000 commercial scales, and verifies the contents of over 30,000 packaged products to make sure what's on the label is what's actually inside.

We even test things you might not expect—like taxi meters, firewood bundles, and rolls of plastic wrap. If you think you didn't get what you paid for, we'll look into it. We respond quickly to complaints and work with businesses to resolve problems and keep things fair.

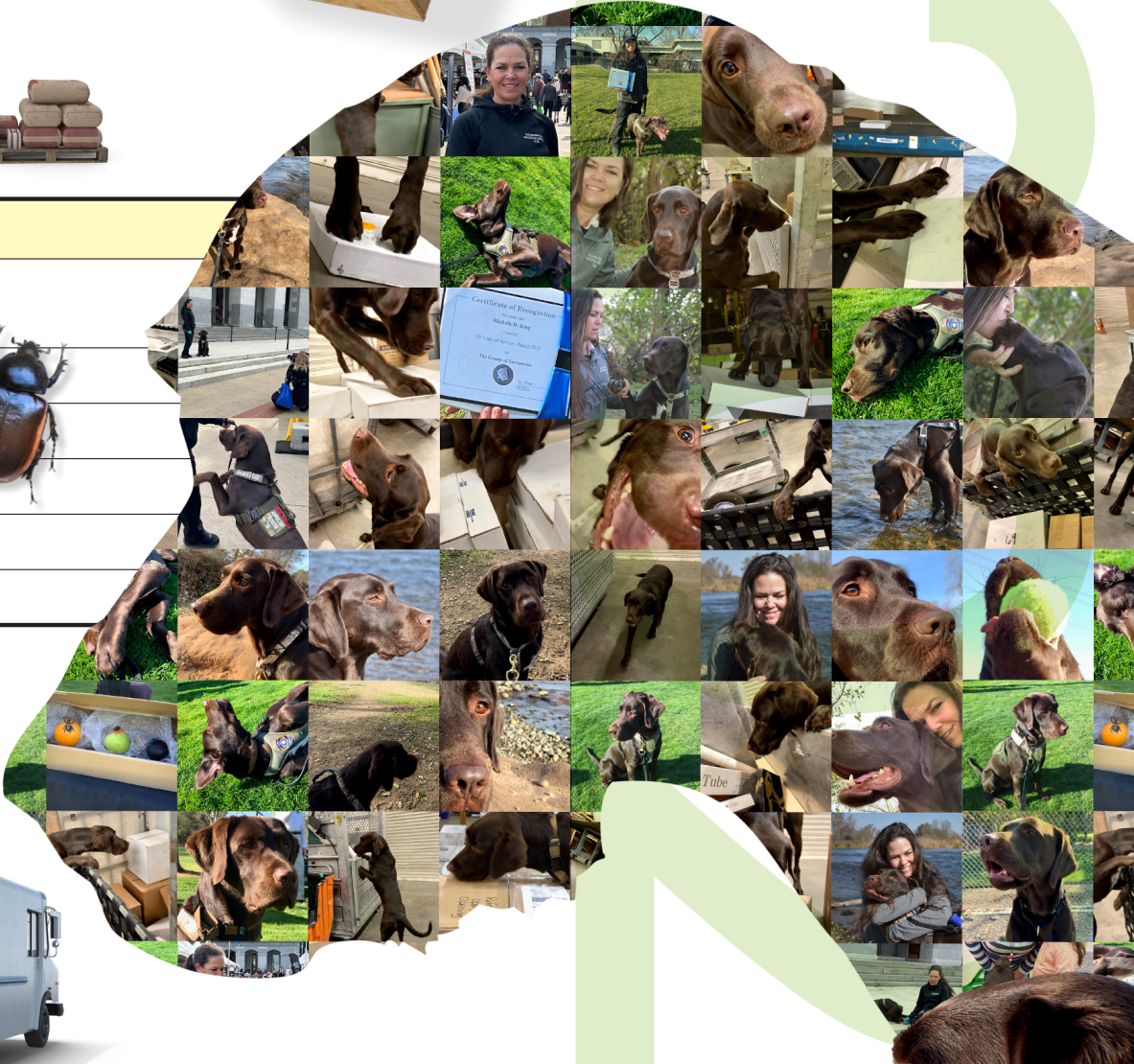
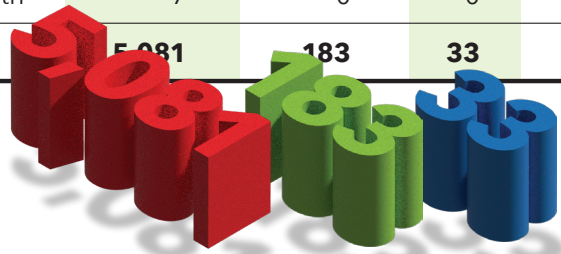
Look for our county "seal" the next time you're out shopping—it's your sign that someone's watching out for accuracy, value, and trust in every transaction.





From our Pest Exclusion Program:

	Shipments inspected	Notice of Rejections	Pest
Air Freight	141	3	5
Parcel Facilities	4,593	174	28
Truck	340	6	0
Spongy Moth	7	0	0
Totals	5,081	183	33



DECEMBER

PUE: Pesticide Dealer
Out-of-County reports **Due!**



S	M	T	W	T	F	S
Sunday 29	Monday 30	Tuesday 1	Wednesday 2	Thursday 3	Friday 4 	Saturday 5
Sunday 6	Monday 7	Tuesday 8	Wednesday 9	Thursday 10 	Friday 11	Saturday 12
Sunday 13	Monday 14	Tuesday 15	Wednesday 16	Thursday 17	Friday 18	Saturday 19
Sunday 20	Monday 21	Tuesday 22	Wednesday 23	Thursday 24 	Friday 25 	Saturday 26 
Sunday 27	Monday 28	Tuesday 29	Wednesday 30	Thursday 31 	Friday 1	Saturday 2
Sunday 3	Monday 4	Tuesday 5	Wednesday 6	Thursday 7	Friday 8	Saturday 9



PEST EXCLUSION PROGRAM

Every morning, Sacramento County agriculture inspectors begin their important work inspecting incoming shipments of plants, fruits, and vegetables from around the world. These inspections occur at key shipping points like parcel carriers and mail facilities to ensure compliance with state and federal quarantine laws and to prevent invasive pests and plant diseases.

At the forefront of this effort is the Detector Dog Team, a vital component of Sacramento's Pest Exclusion Program. This program serves as the first line of defense against non-native pests that threaten regional agriculture and natural resources.

In 2024, Dog Handler Michelle King and her canine partner Kernul played a vital role in their mission. Kernul, specially trained to detect plant materials in unmarked parcels, helped identify high-risk shipments that could easily go unnoticed. Together, Michelle and Kernul conducted numerous inspections in Sacramento County and neighboring regions, successfully intercepting packages with undeclared fruits, vegetables, and plant materials that posed pest threats.

Their work not only complements the efforts of human inspectors but also significantly enhances the county's ability to detect and prevent the spread of exotic pests. Michelle and Kernul exemplify the dedication and precision required to protect California's agricultural integrity.



SACRAMENTO



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