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AGRICULTURAL CROP REPORT

of

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

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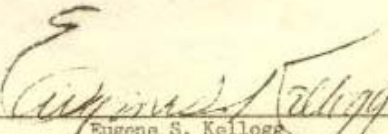
Santa Barbara County, California

Many requests are received at the County Agricultural Commissioner's office for figures dealing with the agricultural output of Santa Barbara County. These requests come from government agencies, Chambers of Commerce, transportation companies, banking institutions, farmers' co-operative organizations, marketing agencies and investigators from various institutions throughout the country. The figures found in this report have been secured from various agencies, including the several large warehouses of the county, the railroads and other common carriers, the various agricultural cooperative marketing associations, the University of California Extension Service, the Federal Agricultural Census, various farmers' organizations, packers, shippers and many individuals in close touch with the movement of agricultural commodities.

It is somewhat difficult to arrive at the production figures on many commodities, such as grain and alfalfa hay since a large tonnage remains on farms, but such of this appears in the form of animal industry products shipped later.

While this is a commodity production report, there is a very strong demand for valuation figures. Those shown here are on an f.o.b. basis, not what the farmer received. The figures given represent products sold, and in the case of animal industry should not be taken to mean a census of animals in the county.

The acreage of the county has been divided very roughly into three main districts: The Santa Maria, including Guadalupe, Casmalia, Orcutt, Los Alamos and Sisquoc; the Lompoc, including all of the Santa Ynez and Lompoc Valleys and the coast north of Gaviota; the Santa Barbara, including Carpinteria, Montecito, Goleta and the coast south of Gaviota. Allocation of production figures to each district in the case of Animal Industry is estimated. Acreage figures for field crops and vegetables are also estimated.


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Total Number Farms	1,408
Total Value Agricultural Products	\$13,016,523.
Total Acreage	1,683,200
Total Acreage U.S.Forest Reserve Area	754,380
Total Acreage Agricultural Area	775,191
Estimated Total Population	65,075
Estimated Total Population Outside Incorporated Cities	21,552
Estimated Value Petroleum Products	\$8,205,000.
Estimated Value Other Mineral Products	\$1,000,000.
Assessed Valuation (including operative property)	\$157,000,000.

Due to its geographic position Santa Barbara County represents a variety of climatic and soil types. From Point Concepcion, the great continental headland, the coast line runs north in one instance and south in the other, exposing approximately 100 miles of coast line.

Two main streams traverse the county from east to west: the Santa Maria River on the county's north boundary, and the Santa Ynez River to the south of the Santa Maria. These streams have laid down large deltas where vegetable growing and other intensive crops are grown.

On the south is a long, narrow coastal plain with a southern exposure where orchard crops and general farms are found. Citrus and semi-tropic fruits are grown in this area.

The islands off the coast are devoted to the production of livestock.

Approximately one half the area of the county is made up of United States Forest lands.

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OUTLINE MAP OF SANTA BARBARA COUNTY
 SHADED AREA SHOWING SANTA BARBARA
 NATIONAL FOREST

C R O P R E P O R T

Santa Barbara County

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C R O P	A C R E A G E				V A L U E			
	1929	1930	1931	1932	1933	1934	1935	1936
Field Crops	134,369	146,663	84,249	\$ 5,415,598.	\$ 4,970,890.			\$ 2,916,661.
Animal Industry	610,500	610,500	610,500	5,500,865.	5,119,160.			3,135,255.
Vegetable Crops	22,115	20,164	16,028	5,886,823.	6,787,140.			5,250,175.
Orchard Crops	8,127	8,272	8,372	2,273,149.	2,251,417.			1,694,512.
Bulbs	80	85	30	80,000.	47,000.			15,000.
Apiculture	--	--	--	4,500.	5,000.			5,120.
T O T A L S	775,191	785,684	719,179	\$17,160,935.	\$17,160,616.			\$15,016,523.

LOS ALAMOS-GUADALUPE-SANTA MARIA DISTRICT

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CROP	ACREAGE	YIELD	VALUE
Animal Industry (Estimate 40%)	244,200	---	\$1,254,102.
Bulbs	10	---	5,000.
Field Crops	42,244	---	1,103,416.
Vegetables	14,998	Cars 2,917	4,816,701.
T O T A L S	301,452	---	\$7,279,219.

CARPINTERIA-GOLETA-SANTA BARBARA DISTRICT

CROP	ACREAGE	YIELD	VALUE
Animal Industry (Estimate 14%)	85,470	---	\$ 458,936.
Avocados	70	Lbs. 146,000	19,000.
Citrus	2,802	Cars 1,005	1,497,694.
Field Crops	15,117	---	601,240.
Vegetables	234	Cars 57	69,000.
Walnuts	5,500	Tons 1,143	177,418.
Bulbs	20	---	10,000.
T O T A L S	107,213	---	\$2,813,486.

SANTA YNEZ-LONPOC DISTRICT

CROP	ACREAGE	YIELD	VALUE
Animal Industry (Estimate 46%)	280,830	---	\$1,442,217.
Apiculture	---	Tons 6	5,120.
Field Crops	29,888	---	1,212,005.
Vegetables	796	Cars 537	264,474.
T O T A L S	311,514	---	\$2,923,816.

FIELD CROPS

1931

CROP	ACREAGE			YIELD				VALUE		
	1929	1930	1931	1929	1930	1931	1929	1930	1931	
Alfalfa	9,202	8,232	7,956	Tons 55,212	Tons 45,276	Tons 39,094	\$ 990,978.	\$ 679,140.	\$ 508,222.	
Barley	15,966	9,632	2,792	Cwt. 319,354	Cwt. 177,198	Cwt. 22,837	452,314.	169,352.	21,425.	
Beans	67,774	86,319	59,756	Cwt. 268,655	Cwt. 229,106	Cwt. 250,659	2,449,734.	2,251,090.	986,676.	
Flower Seed	2,450	2,675	2,023	Lbs. 685,600	Lbs. 1,215,000	Lbs. 730,926	486,500.	820,000.	509,692.	
Grain Hay	27,500	24,875	24,000	Tons 35,272	Tons 35,347	Tons 20,250	445,000.	494,658.	250,000.	
Mustard	3,311	3,341	1,667	Cwt. 23,176	Cwt. 23,387	Cwt. 15,128	175,820.	165,708.	85,975.	
Oats	2,978	6,975	1,640	Cwt. 25,739	Cwt. 85,704	Cwt. 9,841	45,045.	87,689.	8,302.	
Onions	297	162	79	Cwt. 51,869	Cwt. 25,944	Cwt. 7,899	154,107.	45,454.	11,846.	
Sugar Beets	3,047	1,640	3,710	Tons 16,284	Tons 22,500	Tons 63,138	182,840.	241,850.	529,507.	
Wheat	1,844	912	606	27,632	13,678	4,244	55,264.	20,517.	4,216.	
TOTALS	124,369	146,663	84,249	---	---	---	\$5,415,596.	\$4,970,899.	\$2,916,661.	

ANIMAL INDUSTRY

1931

	N U M B E R				V A L U E				
	1929	1930	1931	1929	1930	1931	1929	1930	1931
Beef Cattle	23,089	29,613	32,182	\$1,962,565.	\$1,776,780.	\$1,608,100.			
Calves	4,740	10,674	7,141	97,800.	213,480.	107,115.			
Hogs	5,000	5,000	5,500	100,000.	100,000.	60,500.			
Sheep	50,000	51,000	52,784	400,000.	306,000.	211,000.			
Poultry	50,000 Doz.	40,000 Doz.	50,000 Doz.	20,000.	12,000.	13,500.			
Eggs	500,000	500,000	600,000	175,000.	134,500.	137,400.			
Butter	Lbs.	Lbs.	Lbs.						
Fat	1,722,500	1,806,500	1,742,000	1,033,500.	843,900.	980,640.			
Mules & Horses	300	300	300	27,000.	18,000.	15,000.			
Goats	1,000	1,000	500	5,000.	5,000.	2,000.			
TOTALS	- - -	- - -	- - -	\$3,820,665.	\$3,409,630.	\$3,155,255.			

VEGETABLE CROP

1931

KINDS	ACREAGE		YIELD		VALUE	
	1930	1931	1930	1931	1930	1931
Anise	40	97	Cars	Cars	\$ 19,358.	\$ 20,057.
Bell Peppers	265	59	109	52	47,260.	27,064.
Broccoli	96	213	60	153	34,320.	76,560.
Cabbage	135	36	90	24	44,756.	5,500.
Carrots	5,136	5,610	4,696	5,095	2,550,450.	1,436,557.
Cauliflower	4,912	4,725	2,870	2,769	1,328,123.	1,223,357.
Celery	112	178	186	298	78,094.	124,040.
Chicory	16	76	13	63	4,605.	30,105.
Lettuce	4,616	5,234	2,693	2,196	1,503,200.	1,036,170.
Limas (Green)	113	176	24	48	42,800.	80,000.
Mixed Veg.	1,648	953	1,206	806	705,536.	405,576.
Parsley	12	26	18	35	9,830.	11,925.
Peas	1,995	1,111	109	171	123,817.	164,729.
Spinach	28	50	19	20	7,925.	7,545.
Tomatoes	1,040	1,444	520	722	266,580.	550,610.
TOTALS	20,164	16,028	12,670	10,511	\$6,787,140.	\$5,250,175.

NOTE: Vegetable acreage surveys are made quarterly, but total yearly acreage is estimated. Prices figured are f.o.b.

ORCHARD CROPS

1931

	ACREAGE				YIELD				VALUE		
	1929	1930	1931	1929	1930	1931	1929	1930	1931	1930	1931
Walnuts	5,500	5,500	5,500	Tons 2,212	Tons 1,584	Tons 1,143	\$ 774,200.	\$ 609,840.	\$ 177,418.		
Citrus	2,562	2,702	2,802	Cars 750 Lbs. 140,000	Cars 881 Lbs. 34,600	Cars 1,003 Lbs. 148,000	1,468,149.	1,629,294.	1,437,894.		
Avocados	65	70	70				50,800.	12,265.	19,000.		
TOTALS	8,127	8,272	8,372	---	---	---	\$2,273,149.	\$2,251,417.	\$1,694,312.		

APICULTURE

	YIELD			VALUE	
	1929	1930	1931	1930	1931
APICULTURE (Honey)	Tons 18	Tons 30	Tons 6	\$5,000.	\$5,120.

FIELD CROPS

BEANS

1951

CROP	DISTRICT	KINDS	ACREAGE	YIELD Cwt.	VALUE
B E A N S	Los Alamos- Santa Maria	Baby Limas	2,180	8,721	\$ 26,165.
		Small Whites	15,603	34,008	102,024.
		Pinks	2,273	5,682	18,466.
		Misc.	737	2,949	8,847.
	Lompoc- Santa Ynez	Small Whites	1,898	14,232	40,561.
		Pinks	255	1,909	5,441.
		Misc.	250	1,875	5,625.
		Baby Limas	8,872	66,541	192,969.
	Santa Barbara	Limas	71	550	1,590.
		Common Limas	6,290	59,344	278,942.
Baby Limas		391	3,437	10,759.	
Seed Beans		2,956	29,880	295,289.	
T O T A L S			39,756	229,108	\$986,676.

NOTE: Acreage is estimated. Yield and value are actual.

TOTAL ACREAGE, YIELD AND VALUE
of each Variety of Beans

BEANS	ACREAGE		YIELD		VALUE	
	1930	1931	1930	1931	1930	1931
Pinks	21,347	2,528	Cwt. 59,535	Cwt. 7,591	\$ 223,249.	\$ 23,907.
Small Whites	32,692	15,501	91,776	48,240	445,114.	142,585.
Baby Limas	22,387	11,443	112,654	78,699	591,066.	229,891.
Common Limas	6,172	6,361	47,852	59,874	352,490	280,532.
Seed Beans	4,680	2,936	41,869	29,880	628,035.	295,289.
Miss.	1,041	987	2,674	4,824	11,136.	14,472.
TOTALS	88,319	39,756	356,358	229,108	\$2,251,090.	\$986,676.

NOTE: Acreage is estimated. Yield and value are actual.

CROP	DISTRICT	ACREAGE	YIELD	VALUE
O N I O N S	Lompoc	79	Cwt. 7,899	\$11,848.

CROP	DISTRICT	KINDS	ACREAGE	YIELD	VALUE
A N D F L O G W A R D S E R D E N	Santa Maria	(Misc.)	1,255	Lbs.	\$350,000.
		(Nast.)		125,000	
		(Sw. Peas)		210,000	
	Lompoc	(Sw. Peas)	200	72,876	47,589.
		(Misc.)	500	148,246	96,400.
(Garden)		88	24,804	16,123.	
T O T A L S		- - -	2,023	730,928	\$509,892.

CROP	DISTRICT	ACREAGE	YIELD	VALUE
G R A I N	Lompoc-	10,000	Tons	\$ 90,000.
	Santa Ynez		7,500	
	Santa Barbara	2,500	1,250	16,250.
	Santa Maria	11,500	11,500	143,750.
T O T A L S		24,000	20,250	\$250,000.

CROP	DISTRICT	ACREAGE	YIELD	VALUE
M U S T A R D	Lompoc	1,687	Cwt.	\$85,973.
			15,128	
T O T A L S		1,687	15,128	\$85,973.

CROP	DISTRICT	ACREAGE	YIELD	VALUE
S U B G E A R T S	Lompoc	2,959	Tons.	\$466,634.
	Santa Maria	751	6,917	62,873.
	T O T A L S		3,710	63,138

CROP	DISTRICT	ACREAGE	YIELD	VALUE
B A R L E Y			Cwt.	
	Lompoc- Santa Ynez	539	4,310	\$ 4,300.
	Santa Maria	2,253	16,027	17,125.
	T O T A L S	2,792	22,337	\$21,425.

CROP	DISTRICT	ACREAGE	YIELD	VALUE
O A T S			Cwt.	
	Lompoc- Santa Ynez	152	913	\$ 887.
	Santa Maria	1,498	8,928	8,035
	T O T A L S	1,640	9,841	\$ 8,902.

CROP	DISTRICT	ACREAGE	YIELD	VALUE
W H E A T			Cwt.	
	Lompoc- Santa Ynez	285	1,998	\$ 2,083.
	Santa Maria	321	2,248	2,133.
	T O T A L S	606	4,244	\$ 4,216.

CROP	DISTRICT	ACREAGE	YIELD	VALUE
A L F A L F A			Tons	
	Lompoc- Santa Ynez	2,053	11,094	\$144,222.
	Santa Maria	5,903	28,000	364,000.
	T O T A L S	7,956	39,094	\$508,222.

VEGETABLE CROPS

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DISTRICT	KINDS	ACREAGE	YIELD		VALUE
			Cars	Rob	
GUADALUPE- SANTA MARIA	Anise	97	59		\$ 26,037.
	Bell Peppers	57	50		26,634.
	Broccoli	213	153		76,560.
	Cabbage	36	24		5,300.
	Carrots	3,432	2,942		1,368,185.
	Cauliflower	4,478	2,624		1,155,532.
	Celery	108	180		77,150.
	Chicory	76	63		30,105.
	Lettuce	3,279	2,186		1,093,860.
	Mixed Veg.	889	751		378,696.
	Parsley	26	55		14,925.
	Peas	891	137		148,112.
	Spinach	30	20		7,545.
	Tomatoes	1,586	693		510,060.
	TOTAL	14,998	9,917		\$4,916,701.
LOMPOC	Bell Peppers	2	2		\$ 1,030.
	Carrots	178	153		68,372.
	Cauliflower	247	145		67,825.
	Celery	70	118		46,890.
	Lettuce	15	10		5,310.
	Mixed Veg.	64	55		26,880.
	Peas	162	25		27,617.
	Tomatoes	58	29		20,550.
	TOTAL	796	557		\$264,474.
SANTA BARBARA	Green Limas	176	48		\$ 60,000.
	Peas	58	9		9,000.
	TOTAL	234	57		\$ 69,000.
T O T A L S		16,028	10,511		\$5,250,175.

NOTE: Actual survey of acreage taken quarterly shows that an average of 20% of acreage credited above to Santa Maria-Guadalupe originated in Oso Flaco, San Luis Obispo County, but was packed in Santa Barbara County.

ORCHARD CROPS

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DISTRICT	KINDS	ACREAGE	YIELD	VALUE
Santa Barbara	Walnuts	5,500	Tons 1,143	\$ 177,418.
Santa Barbara	Lemons	2,326	Cars 956	\$1,481,800.
	Oranges	466	45	15,194.
	Grapesfruit	10	2	900.
Totals	Citrus	2,802	1,003	\$1,497,894.
Santa Barbara	Avocados	70	Lbs. 146,000	\$ 19,000.
TOTALS (All Orchard Crops)		8,372	- - -	\$1,694,312.

APICULTURE

CROP	YIELD	VALUE
Honey	6 tons	\$5,120.

BULBS

CROP	ACRES	VALUE
Bulbs	30	\$15,000.