



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 have tended to offset lower returns resulting in a slightly higher gross valuation than last year.

My sincere thanks are extended to the many individuals, companies and organizations for their very fine cooperation in making available the necessary data from which this Crop Report is compiled.

Walter S. Cummings
Agricultural Commissioner

FIELD CROPS

	Acreage		Yield		F.O.B. Value	
	1953	1954	1953	1954	1953	1954
Beans						
Baby limas	3,028	3,385	30,891 cwt	33,825 cwt	\$ 262,574.	\$ 219,863.
Small whites	7,240	8,468	69,810 cwt	104,976 cwt	610,838.	1,063,423.
Pinks	1,873	3,340	22,018 cwt	35,162 cwt	198,162.	354,031.
Limas	3,733	3,873	51,854 cwt	54,768 cwt	596,321.	591,495.
Garbanzos	1,086	3,742	7,247 cwt	21,275 cwt	97,835.	223,389.
Pinto	118	1,704	1,228 cwt	17,030 cwt	10,163.	119,657.
Seed beans	4,223	5,412	60,145 cwt	75,612 cwt	842,030.	908,417.
Misc.	299	1,008	3,379 cwt	9,035 cwt	33,604.	72,336.
SUB TOTAL	21,600	30,932	246,572 cwt	351,683 cwt	2,651,527.	3,452,611.
Alfalfa	5,510	5,711	40,799 tons	40,298 tons	979,176.	973,052.
Barley	11,940	13,716	176,378 cwt	181,667 cwt	485,469.	445,858.
Beets, Sugar	4,541	6,692	81,147 tons	122,096 tons	1,158,546.	1,526,904.
Corn, Field	1,206	1,383	2,770 tons	4,070 tons	180,915.	266,350.
Corn, Silage	---	559	---	12,831 tons	---	122,079.
Cut flowers	181	293	---	---	617,782.	687,425.
Grain Hay	11,640	13,103	17,063 tons	19,281 tons	446,683.	533,460.
Honey Products	---	---	---	---	8,000.	15,000.
Mustard	792	665	7,920 cwt	6,654 cwt	84,520.	67,916.
Nursery Stock	---	---	---	---	458,649.	588,826.
Oats	3,108	1,994	30,455 cwt	25,330 cwt	91,365.	82,748.
Peppers, Dried	600	520	750 tons	748 tons	318,700.	317,900.
Seed, Flower	2,326	2,203	---	---	1,591,900.	1,431,950.
Seed, Vegetable	30	18	---	---	18,000.	10,800.
Wheat	12,940	10,187	86,607 cwt	58,393 cwt	312,805.	202,712.
Misc.	637	170	---	---	79,460.	38,676.
TOTALS	77,051	88,146			\$9,483,497.	\$10,764,267.

FRUIT AND NUT CROPS

	Planted Acreage		Yield		F.O.B. Value	
	1953	1954	1953	1954	1953	1954
Avocados	1,246	1,397	86,141 flats	82,041 flats	\$ 213,901.	\$ 196,240.
Lemons, fresh	9,239	8,653	1,105,681 pk. bx	1,314,663 pk. bx	6,589,892.	7,290,241.
By-products			22,462 tons	41,000 tons	1,748,725.	1,739,666.
Oranges	88	65	21,535 bxs	16,684 bxs	21,805.	26,092.
Walnuts	2,909	2,964	1,235 tons	1,493 tons	512,525.	642,456.
Misc.	---	---	---	---	10,149.	13,478.
TOTALS	13,482	13,079			\$9,096,998.	\$9,908,175.

The readjustment of acreage figures for fruit and nut crops is the result of a complete survey made this year with the assistance of the Federal and State Departments of Agriculture.

VEGETABLE CROPS

	Acreage		Yield		F.O.B. Value	
	1953	1954	1953	1954	1953	1954
Anise	87	56	21,948 crts	19,530 crts	\$ 46,076.	\$ 55,730.
Artichokes	546	545	58,329 bxs	99,705 bxs	160,469.	272,897.
Beans, green	4	63	11 tons	518 tons	1,274.	57,760.
Beans, quick freeze	630	325	6,055 tons	402 tons	99,280.	64,396.
Bell peppers	200	148	42,968 crts	33,504 crts	84,919.	85,848.
Broccoli (incl. quick freeze)	5,848	5,295	754,479 crts	689,936 crts	2,250,292.	2,080,657.
Cabbage			984 tons	1,001 tons	102,482.	92,662.
Cabbages	116	136	30,730 crts	36,807 crts	63,049.	73,304.
Carrots (incl. Cello pack and canning)	1,298	1,155	69,991 crts	121,272 crts	272,630.	383,533.
Cauliflower			88,754 sxs	52,354 sxs	110,635.	46,571.
Quick freeze	2,029	2,178	13,396 tons	12,324 tons	215,520.	230,792.
Celery			920,358 crts	929,503 crts	1,253,170.	1,201,309.
Celery	1,304	1,203	13,266 crts	37,050 crts	3,330.	32,369.
Corn, sweet	55	22	690,374 crts	851,608 crts	1,250,404.	1,705,081.
Cucumbers	33	30	5,240 crts	3,290 crts	11,500.	10,475.
Endive	283	192	6,880 lugs	14,102 lugs	8,848.	22,278.
Lettuce	8,550	7,159	48,220 crts	43,106 crts	114,842.	122,982.
			1,794,304 crts	1,379,500 crts	4,397,188.	3,012,352.
Peas	85	52	285,748 cartons	258,995 cartons	395,811.	361,580.
Potatoes	3,757	3,463	8,906 hmprs	3,914 hmprs	24,964.	9,975.
Romaine	61	31	717,937 sxs	813,704 sxs	1,530,010.	2,157,112.
Strawberries	664	508	19,653 crts	9,482 crts	47,164.	11,858.
Quick freeze			533,471 trays	477,040 trays	1,087,059.	1,101,335.
Tomatoes	2,451	1,866	4,276 tons	3,624 tons	1,454,950.	1,160,373.
Canning	69	96	408,178 lugs	497,854 lugs	810,601.	831,495.
Mixed & Misc.	56	107	329 tons	1,507 tons	7,227.	32,022.
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TOTALS	28,126	24,630			\$15,842,788.	\$15,274,300.

ANIMAL INDUSTRY

	Nos. Sold		Value	
	1953	1954	1953	1954
Beef Cattle and Calves	91,470	79,645	\$14,635,200.	\$13,458,307.
Hogs	5,737	7,353	162,237.	216,967.
Sheep	1,510	2,619	26,345.	49,591.
Wool	16,300 lbs.	21,150 lbs.	8,027.	10,998.
Poultry	875,177	822,180	761,925.	743,222.
Turkeys	9,510	11,371	68,172.	69,368.
Eggs	1,053,590 doz.	1,251,145 doz.	607,729.	549,017.
Milk	2,149,000 lbs. fat	2,434,115 lbs. fat	3,074,000.	3,018,098.
Misc. Livestock	---	---	126,914.	71,859.
TOTALS			\$19,470,549.	\$18,187,427.

SUMMARY

	Acreage		+ F.O.B. Value	
	1953	1954	1953	1954
Fruit and Nut Crops	13,482	13,079	\$ 9,096,998.	\$ 9,908,175.
Animal Industry	610,000	610,000	\$19,470,549.	18,187,427.
Field Crops	77,051	88,146	9,483,497.	10,764,267.
Vegetable Crops	28,128	24,630	15,842,788.	15,274,300.
TOTALS	728,659	735,855	\$53,893,832.	\$54,134,169.

+ 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	\$ 54,134,169.
Total Acreage, including Channel Islands	1,683,200
Total Acreage, U. S. Forest	754,380
Total Population (estimate) 1954	109,400
Total Assessed Valuation Property, including real estate, improvements, personal property and utilities	\$260,527,239