

KINGS COUNTY
AGRICULTURAL CROP REPORT

1958

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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Kings
Hanford, California

Gentlemen,

In compliance with Section 65.5 of the Agricultural Code, I hereby submit the Annual Kings County Crop Report, giving production and gross value of all crops produced in 1958.

The rainfall for 1958 of 13.5 inches was not the all time high but was so continuous during the winter and spring it had an adverse effect on some crops. The barley crop was disappointing in quantity and quality. Cotton got off to a late start, much of the acreage being planted in May, but the fall weather was so favorable that the crop averaged only ten pounds lighter than the 1957 record crop.

We are including permanent pasture this year the first time for a number of years. This is becoming a major crop of vital importance to the dairy and livestock industries of the county.

We wish to express our appreciation to all who furnished information to us which was used in the compilation of this report.

Respectively submitted,


L. O. Haupt
Agricultural Commissioner

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FRUIT AND NUT CROPS
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CROP	ACREAGE	YIELD	UNIT VALUE	TOTAL VALUE
Apricots	448.9			
Dried		36 tons *	\$ 22,320.00	
Shipped Fresh		91 tons	11,528.00	
Cannery and Freeze		520 tons	60,921.00	
Juice		300 tons	34,140.00	
Total Apricots				\$ 128,909.00
Grapes				
Juice and Table	583.6	4,400 tons	220,017.00	
Thompson and Sultana	1,607.4			
Dried		1,000 tons *	341,000.00	
Cannery		300 tons	22,500.00	
Winery		8,843 tons	442,168.00	
Shipped Fresh		182 tons	12,740.00	
Muscats	2,362.25			
Dried		112 tons *	39,200.00	
Shipped Fresh		6,048 tons	362,880.00	
Winery		8,973 tons	448,663.00	
Total Grapes				\$ 1,889,168.00
Nectarines	92.6	739 tons		46,029.00
Olives	391	1,748 tons		76,989.00

*Dry tons

FRUIT AND NUT CROPS
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CROP	ACREAGE	YIELD	UNIT VALUE	TOTAL VALUE
FRUIT				
Peaches				
Clingstone	661.2	10,698 tons	\$ 700,733.00	
Freestone	1,325.4			
		Dried 166 tons *	69,720.00	
		Shipped Fresh 2,992 tons	143,586.00	
		Cannery and Freeze 8,437 tons	411,809.00	
Total Peaches				\$ 1,325,848.00
Persimmons	2	500 lugs		1,375.00
Plums	141.2	626 tons		81,987.00
NUTS				
Walnuts	1,002.9	942 tons		376,972.00
TOTAL - ALL FRUIT AND NUT CROPS				\$ 3,927,277.00

*Dry tons

FIELD CROPS
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CROP	ACREAGE	YIELD	UNIT VALUE	TOTAL VALUE
Alfalfa				
Hay	51,000	327,420 tons	\$ 7,075,546.00	
Seed	6,916	2,432,275 lbs	834,391.00	
Total Alfalfa				\$ 7,909,937.00
Barley				
Seed	206,00	236,529 tons	9,610,181.00	
	3,913	5,987 tons	273,182.00	
Total Barley				\$ 9,883,363.00
Beans	931	476 tons		63,623.00
Cotton				
Lint	91,620	174,994 bales	31,087,720.00	
Seed		63,297 tons	2,658,467.00	
Planting Seed		2,326 tons	123,278.00	
Total Cotton				\$ 33,869,465.00
Corn				
Field	3,687	6,995 tons		\$ 347,153.00
Ensilage - Corn and Sorghum	4,205	61,183 tons		422,161.00
Flax	320	12,480 bushels		40,295.00

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CROP	ACERAGE	YIELD	TOTAL VALUE
Grain Hay	3,768	11,019 tons	\$ 253,440.00
Milo	9,441	10,417 tons	450,006.00
Oats	922	1,199 tons	58,959.00
Rice	254.8	563 tons	45,008.00
Safflower	260	193 tons	14,457.00
Straw		9,000 tons	55,880.00
Screenings Alfalfa and Barley		1,169 tons	21,920.00
Sugar Beets	787.4	10,024 tons	102,751.00
Wheat	2,500	4,225 tons	297,144.00
Permanent Pasture	60,000		\$ 2,695,200.00
TOTAL - ALL FIELD CROPS			\$ 56,530,762.00

TRUCK CROPS
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CROP	ACREAGE	YIELD	UNIT	TOTAL VALUE
Asparagus	70	5,500	Crates	\$ 15,125.00
Bush Berries	.5	1.5	tons	240.00
Strawberries	.75	500	crates	1,000.00
Cabbage	8	1,500	crates	3,000.00
Cauliflower	.5	100	crates	200.00
Lettuce	3	900	crates	1,530.00
Potatoes	1,014	193,938	sacks	498,420.00
Yams	55	20,000	lugs	64,000.00
Tomatoes	15	14,500	lugs	24,250.00
Melons				
Cantaloupes	1,640	341,825	crates	769,107.00
Persians, Crenshaws, Casabas & Honeydews	115	36,656	crates	67,447.00
Watermelons	278	1,690	tons	59,285.00
TOTAL - ALL TRUCK CROPS				\$ 1,503,604.00

DAIRY, LIVESTOCK AND
LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS
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ITEM	PRODUCTION	ITEM VALUE	TOTAL VALUE
DAIRY			
Manufacturing Milk	2,847,000 lbs	\$ 2,391,480.00	
Market Milk	5,844,000 lbs	6,369,960.00	
Total Dairy Products			\$ 8,761,440.00
LIVESTOCK			
Cattle			
Beef, Dairy Cows and Calves Sold		5,874,704.00	
Cattle in Feed Yards - Gains		<u>3,329,934.00</u>	
Total Cattle		9,204,638.00	
Other Livestock and Products			
Hogs		208,950.00	
Sheep and Lambs		678,657.00	
Wool		<u>159,728.00</u>	
Total Other Livestock and Products		1,047,335.00	
Total - Livestock and Livestock Products			\$ 10,251,973.00
TOTAL - DAIRY, LIVESTOCK AND LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS			\$ 19,013,413.00

POULTRY
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ITEM	PRODUCTION	ITEM VALUE	TOTAL VALUE
Chickens			
Eggs	1,643,745 dozens	\$ 523,204.00	
Meat Birds	839,376 birds	516,132.00	
Baby Chicks	160,000 birds	30,400.00	
Total Chickens			\$ 1,069,736.00
Geese	12,000 birds		17,400.00
Turkeys			
Eggs	947,400 eggs	218,900.00	
Meat Birds - Toms	138,450 birds	665,944.00	
Meat Birds - Hens	140,500 birds	476,295.00	
Poults	587,000 birds	381,550.00	
Breeding Stock Sold	4,000 birds	14,080.00	
Total Turkeys			\$ 1,756,769.00
TOTAL - ALL POULTRY			\$ 2,843,905.00

APIARY PRODUCTS
 and
 NURSERY STOCK
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APIARY	Colonies	YIELD	UNIT VALUE	TOTAL VALUE
Bees	12,640			
Honey		481 tons	\$ 96,290.00	
Wax		15,792 lbs	6,632.00	
Pollination			37,750.00	
 TOTAL APIARY				 \$ 140,672.00

NURSERY

Bedding Plants and Nursery Stock			11,358.00	
 TOTAL NURSERY				 \$ 11,358.00

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RECAPITULATION

APIARY	\$	140,672.00
DAIRY PRODUCTS	\$	8,761,440.00
FIELD CROPS	\$	56,530,762.00
FRUIT AND NUT CROPS	\$	3,927,277.00
LIVESTOCK AND LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS	\$	10,251,973.00
NURSERY STOCK	\$	11,358.00
POULTRY AND POULTRY PRODUCTS	\$	2,843,905.00
TRUCK CROPS	\$	1,503,604.00
TOTAL FARM VALUE	\$	83,970,991.00

Farm Values

1957	\$	82,335,333.00
1956	\$	72,587,911.00
1955	\$	67,579,193.00
1954	\$	70,153,371.00
1953	\$	65,928,548.00
1952	\$	72,253,385.00
1951	\$	82,087,866.00
1950	\$	58,832,106.00
1949	\$	54,816,308.00