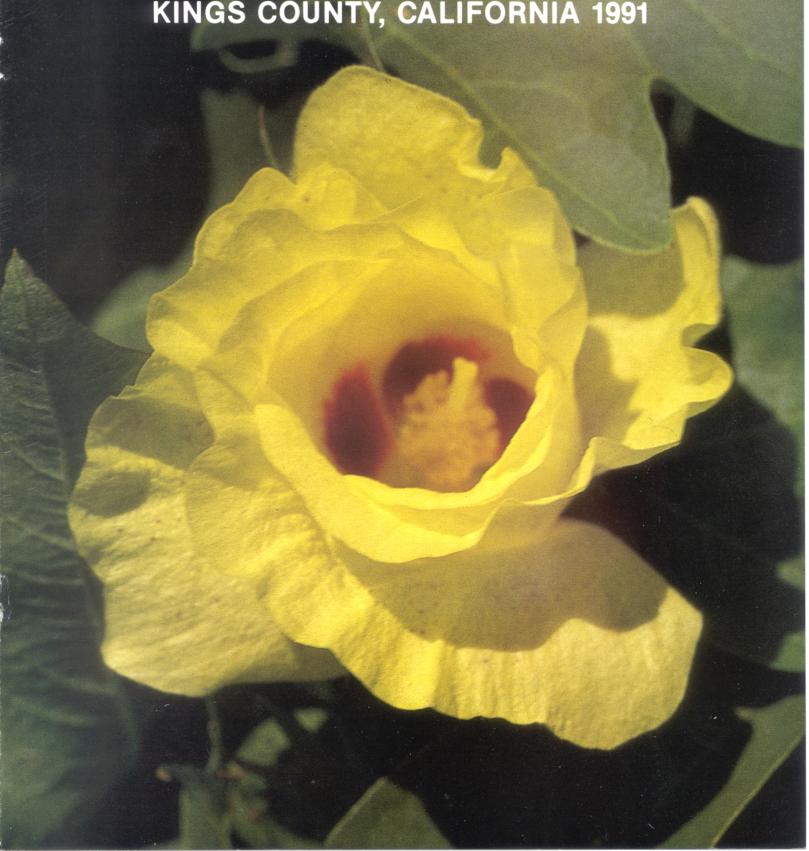


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"THE WORLD'S FINEST COTTON"

#### COUNTY OF KINGS



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Henry J. Voss, Director
California Department of Food and Agriculture
and
The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Kings

Gentlemen:

I am pleased to submit the 1991 Agricultural Crop Report, for the acreage, production and value of agricultural crops and products in Kings County, which was compiled in accordance with Section 2279 of the California Food and Agricultural Code.

The gross value of all agricultural crops and products for 1991 was \$738,316.000., down over 48 million dollars (-6.1%) from last year's (1990) record high.

The continued drought with an inadequate water supply for agricultural production, coupled with the severe freeze of December 1990 challenged producers with unfavorable odds.

Most crop categories reflected decreases in value, including field crops (-14.8%), livestock and poultry products (-3.7%) and seed crops (-3.2%).

However, apiary products (+42.7%), livestock and poultry (+5.9%), vegetable crops (+20.1%) and fruit and nut crops (+.89%) reflected substantial increased values.

Cotton continued to be Kings County's main crop with a value of \$244,753,000. including lint and seed.

All figures in this report are gross values and do not indicate net profit received by growers.

This report could not have been possible without the input received from individuals who contributed their time and information. I wish to extend a special thanks to Buzz Felleke of my staff who compiled the report.

Respectfully submitted,

M. Hugh Handley

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#### PIMA COTTON

The history of Pima Cotton started in the late 1600's, when it was introduced by the European settlers in the Sun Belt of the United States. In the late 1700's, Pima Cotton took the status of an important crop in American Agriculture. At the time Sea Island Pima Cotton, which was grown primarily on Hilton Head Island Georgia area, was the finest extra-long staple cotton. Most of it was exported to Europe. However, the Island Cotton didn't produce well due to the short growing season and the boll weevil problem. Later, there were crosses made between the Sea Island and other extra-long staple varieties in Egypt and other countries, and seed was brought back to the United States. In 1912, the first commercial crops of Pima Cotton named after the local Indians was harvested in the Yuma area and Salt River Valley in Arizona.

During World War I the Pima industry expanded to meet the demands for cotton used in the production of war materials such as parachute webbing, gun belts and cotton reinforcing of rubber tires. Pima Cotton was so well suited for use with rubber that in 1920, the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company of Akron, Ohio, established its own Arizona farms. Other companies, such as Firestone and Dunlop also came into the market.

Over the years, there has been continuing interest to develop a Pima Cotton in specific growing areas. Today, Pima S-6 has the best combination of highest yield, earliest maturity, greatest heat tolerance and longest fiber of any previous variety of extra-long staple cotton.

By the 1940's Pima production had expanded to New Mexico and the El Paso region of west Texas. The San Joaquin Valley of California joined its neighboring state in Pima production in 1989. The increase in acreage of Pima Cotton is due to the increased demand from mills, manufacturers, designers, retailers and consumers for an extra-long staple cotton with a dependable and excellent performance. Pima is the premier cotton for comfortable and fashionable clothing. Its extra-long staple cotton guarantees that it will remain durable and resilient for a prolonged period of wear. Its silky finish makes Pima attractive to the eye and to the touch.

Pima Cotton has had excellent performance and has made Kings County its home with the largest roller gin in California. New varieties are being developed to further adapt to the local environment and soil condition. A new generation of cotton which started three years ago in the San Joaquin Valley captured the interest of cotton growers and has grown strong with future promising success.

## **ANNUAL CROP REPORT FOR YEAR 1991**

#### KINGS COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

M. HUGH HANDLEY
AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER
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## FIELD CROPS

		HARVESTEI					ALUE
CROP	YEAR	ACREAGE	PER ACRE	TOTAL	UNIT	PER UNIT	TOTAL
Barley	1991	26,701	2.15	57,407	Ton	106.00	6,085,158
Duricy	1990	34,666	2.00	69,332	Ton	121.00	\$ 17,814,000
	1770	54,000	2.00	09,332	1011	121.00	\$ 17,814,000
Beans Dry a/	1991	2,640	0.89	2,350	Ton	532.00	1,249,987
	1990	1,819	1.12	2,037	Ton	570.00	1,161,250
Corn Silage	1991	19,074	22.55	430,119	Ton	16.00	6,881,899
	1990	13,293	23.19	308,265	Ton	19.00	5,857,029
Cotton							
Acala-Lint b/	1991	218,335	2.39	521,821	495 lb	378.00	197,248,206
Acaia Lint 0/	1990	245,763	2.40	589,831	495 lb	386.00	
	1990	243,703	2.40	309,031	493 10	380.00	227,674,843
Acala-Seed	1991			214,968	Ton	140.00	30,095,520
	1990			228,992	Ton	180.00	41,218,560
Cotton	1991	15,490	2.03	31,445	495 lb.	500.00	15,722,350
Pima-Lint b/	1990	6,670	2.17	14,474	495 lb.	652.00	
Tima-Lint 0/	1990	0,070	2.17	14,474	493 10.	032.00	9,436,983
Pima-Seed	1991			12,969	Ton	130.00	1,685,970
	1990			5,961	Ton	160.00	953,760
Hay							
Alfalfa	1991	39,982	7.53	301,064	Ton	83.00	24,988,350
	1990	38,257	8.04	307,586	Ton	107.00	32,911,732
	1770	30,237	0.04	507,500	1011	107.00	32,711,732
Other c/	1991	1,100	3.75	4,125	Ton	57.00	235,125
	1990	1,285	3.90	5,012	Ton	85.00	425,978
Pasture							
Irrigated	1991	11,000			Acre	107.00	1,177,000
	1990	12,500			Acre	108.00	1,350,000
	1770	12,300			Acio	100.00	1,550,000
Range	1991	100,000			Acre	2.00	200,000
	1990	150,000			Acre	2.00	300,000
Alfalfa	1991	47,000			Acre	20.00	040,000
Stubble	1990	52,000					940,000
Studdie	1990	32,000			Acre	19.00	988,000
Safflower	1991	34,734	1.20	41,681	Ton	249.00	10,378,519
	1990	35,734	1.36	48,598	Ton	264.00	12,829,935
Curan Donto	1001	£ 400	20.61	112 100		27.00	
Sugar Beets	1991	5,488	20.61	113,108	Ton	35.00	3,958,769
	1990	659	29.26	19,282	Ton	32.51	626,869

## FIELD CROPS

		HARVESTED	PRODUC	TION		V	ALUE
CROP	YEAR	ACREAGE	PER ACRE	TOTAL	UNIT	PER UNIT	TOTAL
Wheat	1991	27,323	2.57	70,220	Ton	\$ 102.00	\$ 7,162,000
	1990	41,596	3.13	130,195	Ton	138.28	18,003,000
Other d/	1991	12,664					4,368,000
	1990	8,763					4,352,000
TOTAL	1991	561,531					\$ 312,378,000
	1990	643,005					366,480,000

a/ Blackeye beans and other dry beans.

### **SEED CROPS**

		HARVESTEI	) PRODUC	CTION		\	ALUE
CROP	YEAR	ACREAGE	PER ACRE	TOTAL	UNIT	PER UNIT	TOTAL
Alfalfa							
Certified	1991	16,568	768	12,724,224	lb.	\$ 1.40	\$ 17,814,000
	1990	22,016	538	11,844,608	lb.	1.40	16,582,000
Non-certified	1991	1,300	712	925,600	lb.	1.06	981,000
	1990	1,600	538	860,800	lb.	1.20	1,033,000
Total	1991	17,868		13,649,824	lb.		18,795,000
	1990	23,616		12,705,408	lb.		17,615,000
Barley, Certified	1991	2,014	5,240	10,553,360	lb.	0.05	528,000
	1990	3,927	5,000	19,635,000	lb.	0.07	1,374,000
Cotton, Certified a/	1991	4,594		3,715	Ton	209.00	776,000
-	1990	6,593		3,436	Ton	214.00	735,000

b/ 495 lb. 1 bale.

c/ Includes hay and green chop from barley, oats and wheat.

d/ Includes corn grain, oat silage, millet, screening, straw, sudangrass wheat silage, and winter forage.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Revised

## **SEED CROPS**

		HARVESTEI	) PRODUC	CTION			V	ALU	JE
CROP	YEAR	ACREAGE	PER ACRE	TOTAL	UNIT	PE	R UNIT		TOTAL
Wheat, Certified	1991	12,908	6,120	78,996,960	lb.	\$	0.05	\$	3,950,000
,	1990	15,229	4,260	64,875,540	lb.	_	0.08	*	5,190,000
Vegetable b/	1991	304							570,000
	1990	314							438,000
Other c/	1991	915							3,681,000
	1990	523							3,229,000
TOTAL	1991	38,603						\$	28,300,000
	1990	50,202							28,581,000

a/ Not included in total acreage for "Seed Crops".

## FRUIT AND NUT CROPS

		<b>BEARING</b>	PRODUC'	TION		V	ALU	E
CROP	YEAR	ACREAGE	PER ACRE	TOTAL	UNIT	PER UNIT		TOTAL
	1001	1 000	0.72	1 107		A 2 252 22		
Almonds	1991	1,900	0.63	1,197	Ton	\$ 2,252.00	\$	1,255,000
	1990	3,061	0.76	2,326	Ton	1,973.00		4,590,000
Almond Hulls	1991			1,071	Ton	68.00		73,000
	1990			1,045	Ton	72.00		75,000
Apples								
Fresh	1991			1,579	Ton	741.00		1,170,000
	1990			1,769	Ton	569.00		1,007,000
Processed	1991			1,364	Ton	124.00		169,000
	1990			1,258	Ton	72.00		91,000
Apples Total	1991	327	9.00	2,943	Ton			1,339,000
	1990	252	7.02	1,769	Ton			1,098,000

b/ Cauliflower, chinese cabbage, lettuce, onion, turnip, and watermelon.

c/ Garbanzo beans, flowers, oats, and turf.

## FRUIT AND NUT CROPS

an an		BEARING	PRODUC			VALUE		
CROP	YEAR	ACREAGE	PER ACRE	TOTAL	UNIT	PER UNIT	TOTAL	
Apricots								
Fresh	1991			1,094	Ton	\$ 1,147.00	\$ 1,255,000	
	1990			1,439	Ton	831.00	,,	
	1770			1,439	1011	831.00	1,196,000	
Processed	1991			274	Ton	165.00	45,000	
	1990			360	Ton	150.00	54,000	
Apricots Total	1991	262	5.22	1,368	Ton		1,300,000	
1	1990	250	7.20	1,800	Ton		1,250,000	
	1220	250	7.20	1,800	1011		1,230,000	
Firewood a/	1991			630	Cord	100.00	63,000	
	1990			600	Cord	105.00	63,000	
Grapes Raisin Varieties								
Fresh	1991			2,950	Ton	760.00	2,242,000	
Dried				1,920	Ton	975.00	1,872,000	
Crushed				8,757	Ton	148.00	1,296,000	
Canned				980	Ton	220.00	215,600	
Total		2,800		14,607			5,625,600	
Grapes Raisin Varieties								
Fresh	1990			2,126	Ton	922.00	1,960,000	
Dried				1,814	Ton	900.00	1,633,000	
Crushed				8,239	Ton	126.00	1,038,000	
Canned				855	Ton	214.00	183,000	
Total		2,500		13,034		211100	4,814,000	
Table Varieties								
Table varieues	1991	531	8.01	4,253	Ton	833.00	3,543,000	
	1990	491	8.65	4,247	Ton	864.00	3,670,000	
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Wine Varieties	1001	1 111	0.11	10 101				
	1991	1,111	9.11	10,121	Ton	147.00	1,488,000	
Tranca Total	1990	1,111	8.74	9,710	Ton	155.00	1,505,000	
Grapes Total	1991	4,442					10,657,000	
	1990	4,102					9,989,000	
Liwifruit	1991	315	3.09	973	Ton	1,571.00	1,529,000	
	1990	315	4.08	1,285	Ton	1,286.00	1,653,000	
				0	2 044	1,200.00	1,000,000	
lectarines	1991	1,990	7.42	14,766	Ton	755.00	11,148,000	
	1990	1,414	7.58	10,718	Ton	776.00	8,317,000	

## FRUIT AND NUT CROPS

,		BEARING	PRODUC'	TION		VALUE			
CROP	YEAR	ACREAGE	PER ACRE	TOTAL	UNIT	PER UNIT		TOTAL	
Olives	1991	427	2.60	1,110	Ton	\$ 606.00	\$	673,000	
	1990	1,142	4.89	5,584	Ton	532.00	Ť	2,971,000	
Peaches									
Clingstone	1991	1,298	15.70	20,379	Ton	219.00		4,463,000	
	1990	959	18.39	17,636	Ton	187.00		3,298,000	
Freestone	1991	2,659	10.72	28,504	Ton	546.00		15,563,000	
	1990	2,064	9.17	18,927	Ton	783.00		14,820,000	
Peaches Total	1991	3,957						20,026,000	
	1990	3,023						18,118,000	
Pistachios	1991	5,682	0.81	4,602	Ton	2,670.00		12,288,000	
	1990	5,218	1.38	7,201	Ton	2,323.00		16,728,000	
Plums	1991	1,990	5.21	10,368	Ton	668.00		6,926,000	
	1990	1,794	5.19	9,311	Ton	877.00		8,166,000	
Pomegranates	1991	349	2.50	873	Ton	1,312.00		1,145,000	
	1990	347	2.06	715	Ton	872.00		623,000	
Walnuts	1991	5,898	1.99	11,737	Ton	1,140.00		13,380,000	
	1990	4,978	1.71	8,512	Ton	1,029.00		8,759,000	
Other b/	1991	501						1,647,000	
	1990	386						1,779,000	
Other c/	1991							850,000	
	1990							.800,000	
TOTAL	1991	28,040					\$	85,739,000	
	1990	26,282						84,979,000	

a/ Includes all varieties.

b/ Includes Asian pears, jojoba, pecans, persimmons, prunes, and quince.

c/ Black walnut stumps.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Revised

### **VEGETABLE CROPS**

		HARVESTEI	) PRODUC	TION	VALUE				
CROP	YEAR	ACREAGE	PER ACRE	TOTAL	UNIT	PER UNIT	TOTAL		
Broccoli									
Fresh	1991			4,635	Ton	\$ 860.00	\$ 3,986,000		
	1990			2,484	Ton	500.00	1,242,000		
Processed	1991			360	Ton	380.00	137,000		
	1990			360	Ton	370.00	133,000		
Broccoli Total	1991	1,030	4.60				4,123,000		
	1990	552	4.50				1,375,000		
Cantaloupes	1991	2,551	11.60	29592	Ton	188.00	5,563,000		
	1990	1,485	10.48	15,563	Ton Ton	254.00	3,953,000		
Sweet Corn	1991	142	6.20	880	Ton	200.00	176,000		
	1990	573	10.53	6,034	Ton	217.00	1,309,000		
Tomatoes									
Fresh	1991	800	25.00	20,000	Ton	350.00	7,000,000		
	1990	1,200	20.00	24,000	Ton	340.00	8,160,000		
Processed	1991	7,500	28.40	213,000	Ton	54.00	11,502,000		
	1990	3,300	27.30	99,090	Ton	55.20	4,973,000		
Tomatoes Total	1991	8,300					18,502,000		
	1990	4,500					13,133,000		
Other a/	1991	2,430					5,506,000		
	1990	3,141					7,088,000		
TOTAL	1991	14,453					\$ 33,870,000		
	1990	10,251					26,858,000		

a/ Includes Asparagus, chinese cabbage, eggplants, misc. melons, peanuts, processed carrots, processed garlic, snap beans, squash, watermelon.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Revised

## INVENTORIES OF LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY

ITEM	January 1, 1992	January 1, 1991
	NUMBER OF HEAD	NUMBER OF HEAD
Cattle and Calves		
All	210,000	222,000
Dairy Cows 2 Years and Over	86,000	87,000
Cattle and Calves on Feed	3,500	3,900
Other	128,500	128,500
Sheep and Lambs	17,000	19,000
Goats	1,700	1,400
Hogs and Pigs	5,900	5,900
Turkeys	850,000	800,000

## LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY

		PRODUCT	ION		VAL	UE
ITEM	YEAR	NO. OF HEAD T	OTAL LIVEWEIGHT	UNIT	PER UNIT	TOTAL
Breeding	1991					\$ 1,344,000
Stock a/	1990					3,415,000
Cattle and	1991	140,843	857,734	Cwt.	\$ 70.38	60,367,000
Calves	1990	141,841	861,619	Cwt.	70.33	60,598,000
Hogs and Pigs	1991	9,346	19,533	Cwt.	50.02	977,000
	1990	8,500	18,275	Cwt.	47.00	859,000
Sheep and Lambs	1991	12,812	14,478	Cwt.	59.00	854,000
	1990	9,522	10,664	Cwt.	66.00	704,000
Turkeys	1991	3,402,617	79,893,447	lb.	0.55	43,941,000
	1990	3,200,315	72,455,131	lb.	.48	34,778,000
Other b/	1991					2,018,000
	1990					3,020,000
TOTAL	1991				-	\$ 109,501,000
	1990					103,374,000

a/ For All Animals Except Horses.

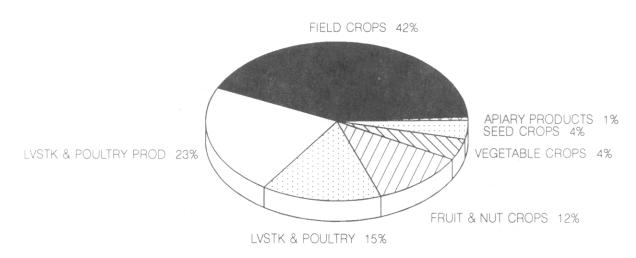
b/ Includes Catfish, Chickens, and Goats.

### LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY PRODUCTS

				VALUE			
ITEM	YEAR	PRODUCTION	UNIT	PER UNIT	TOTAL		
Eggs-Chicken	1991	1,988,780	Doz.	\$ 0.80	\$ 1,591,000		
Market	1990	1,492,824	Doz.	0.80	1,194,000		
Manure	1991	354,455	Ton	4.32	1,531,000		
	1990	302,080	Ton	6.10	1,843,000		
Milk							
Milk, Goats	1991	15,417	Cwt.	27.03	417,000		
	1990	12,647	Cwt.	25.37	321,000		
Market	1991	14,801,506	Cwt.	10.93	161,780,000		
	1990	14,415,544	Cwt.	11.72	168,950,000		
Manufacturing	1991	75,896	Cwt.	10.44	792,000		
	1990	51,651	Cwt.	11.04	570,000		
Milk Total	1991	14,892,819			162,989,000		
	1990	14,479,842			169,841,000		
Wool	1991	133,245	lb.	0.70 *	93,000		
	1990	99,028	lb.	0.78 *	77,000		
TOTAL	1991				\$ 166,204,000		
	1990				172,955,000		

<sup>\*</sup> Not including wool incentive payment.

## KINGS COUNTY 1991 TOTAL CROP VALUE

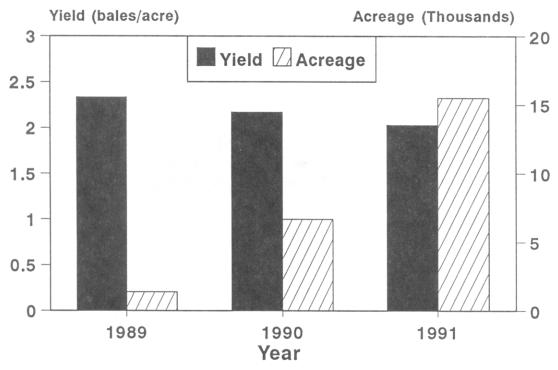


## **APIARY PRODUCTS**

			VALUE					
ITEM	YEAR	TOTAL PRODUCTION	UNIT	PER UNIT	TOTAL			
A								
Apiary Products								
Honey	1991	3,442,985	lb.	\$ .66	\$ 2,272,000			
	1990	1,559,840	1b.	.58	905,000			
Beeswax	1991	57,383	lb.	1.00	57,000			
	1990	25,997	lb.	.95	25,000			
Pollination								
Seed Alfalfa	1991	60,633	Colonies	22.00	1,334,000			
	1990	66,048	Colonies	23.00	1,519,000			
Tree Fruit a/	1991	7,222	Colonies	30.00	217,000			
	1990	9,716	Colonies	28.51	277,000			
Cantaloupe	1991	3,827	Colonies	14.00	54,000			
	1990	2,228	Colonies	14.00	31,000			
TOTAL	1991			-	\$ 3,934,000			
	1990				2,757,000			

a/ Almonds and Plums.

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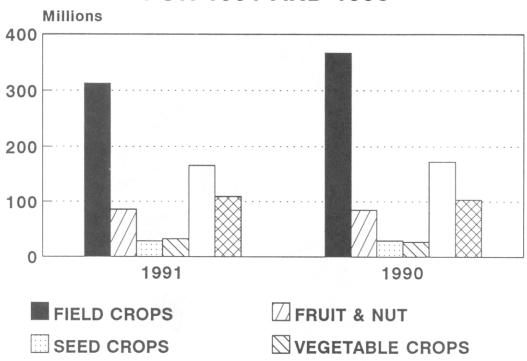


### FIVE YEAR COMPARISON OF ACREAGE AND CROP VALUE

	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991
Apiary Products	3,129,000	2,991,000	2,168,000	2,757,000	3,934,000
Field Crops	336,001,000	290,385,000	351,926,000	366,480,000	312,378,000
Acreage	645,314	618,026	632,968	621,762	561,531
Fruit and Nut Crops	53,537,000	75,361,000	67,970,000	84,979,000	85,739,000
Acreage	24,522	23,555	23,555	25,990	28,040
Livestock and Poultry	69,265,000	79,913,000	98,050,000	103,374,000	109,501,000
Livestock and Poultry Products	133,286,000	131,004,000	161,825,000	172,625,000	166,204,000
Seed Crops	19,810,000	24,918,000	31,321,000	29,246,000	28,300,000
Acreage	34,623	32,396	39,862	50,476	38,603
Vegetable Crops	21,351,000	28,293,000	29,823,000	26,858,000	32,260,000
Acreage	12,230	7,986	7,986	10,251	14,453
TOTAL	\$ 636,379,000	\$ 632,865,000	\$ 743,083,000	\$ 786,319,000	* \$ 738,316,000

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## COMPARISON OF CROP VALUES FOR 1991 AND 1990



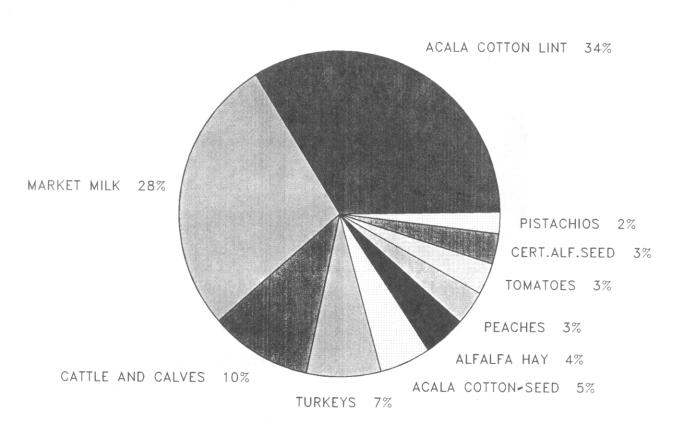
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LIVESTOCK PROD.

### KINGS COUNTY TEN LEADING CROPS

CROP	1991 RANK	1991 DOLLAR VALUE	1990 RANK	1989 RANK	1988 RANK
Alcala Cotton Lint	1	197,248,000	1	1	1
Milk Total	2	162,989,000	2	2	2
Cattle and Calves	3	60,367,000	3	3	3
Turkey	4	43,941,000	5	5	5
Acala Cotton Seed	5	30,096,000	4	4	4
Hay Alfalfa	6	24,988,000	6	6	7
Peaches Total	7	20,026,000	7	8	5
Tomatoes Total	8	18,502,000	11	11	8
Cert. Alfalfa Seed	9	17,814,000	9	10	10
Pistachios	10	12,287,000	8	15	12

## TOP TEN CROPS OF KINGS COUNTY FOR 1991



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Pest	Agent/Mechanism	Scope of Program
COUNTY BIOLOGICAL CONTROL		
Puncture Vine	Stem Mining Weevil	
Tribulus terrestris	Microlarinus lypriformis	Generally distributed
	Seed Head Weevil	,
	Microlarinus lareynil	Generally distributed
Yellow Starthistle	Seed Head Weevil	
Centaurea solstitialis	Bangasternus orientalis	2 sites
Comstock Mealybug	Parasitic Wasps	
Pseudoccus comstocki	Pseudathycus malimus	
	Allotropa burrelli	
	Allotropa convexifroms	2 sites
Codling Moth	Parasitic Wasp	
Carpocapsa pomonella	Ascogaster quadridentata	1 site
Ash Whitefly	Parasitic Wasp	
Siphoninus phillyreae	Encarsia partenorea	4 sites
COUNTY PEST ERADICATION		
Pink Bollworm	Mechanical/Host	233,825 acres
Pectinophora gossypiella	Free Period	
COUNTY PEST EXCLUSION		
European Corn Borer	Railroad Corn	
Ostrinia nubilalis	Shipments	1,606 inspections
Various	Truck Shipments	1,502 inspections
Gypsy Moth	Household Goods	
Lymantria dispar	Shipments	81 inspections
COLINTY DEST DETECTION		
COUNTY PEST DETECTION	Variana Data di a	
Various Insect Pests	Various Detection	1 470 4
	Insect Traps	1,472 traps
ORGANIC FARMING STATISTICS		
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Crop	Number of Farms	Estimated Acres
Broccoli	1	5
Cantalope	1	15
Cotton	1	80
Honeydew	1	15
Walnut	1	20
Watermelon	1	7

## **GENERAL KINGS COUNTY INFORMATION**

County Seat Hanford

County Population (1991) 104,432

Population per Square Mile 66.0

Total Assessed Value (1990) \$2,477,722,000

Land Area (Square Miles) 1,396

Total Acres 918,790

Number of Farms (1988) 1,187

Land in Farms (Acres - 1988) 808,000

Foreign Ownership (10 parcels - 1990) 7,284 (acres)

(value-\$ 2,198,000)

Total Cropland (Acres - 1988) 614,000

Irrigated Cropland (Acres - 1982) 554,114

Total Agricultural Work Force 6,420

Public Ownership of Land (Acres - 1977)

Federal 30,974 (3.4%)
State 5,016 (.5%)
County & City 9,544 (1.0%)
School & Special Districts 4,426 (.4%)

Agricultural production ranked 12th among California counties and 18th among U.S. counties. (Based on 1989 total value.)

Railroads - Santa Fe, Southern Pacific.

Major Roads - Interstate 5, Highway 41, Highway 43 & Highway 198.

Water Sources - Kings River, Tule River, Kaweah River, Kern River, California Aqueduct.

Elevation - 225 to 250 feet above sea level. (800 feet in the Kettleman Hills.)

Average length of growing season: 257 days.

Average date of last spring frost: March 3.

Average climate: 196 sunny clear days, 74 partly cloudy days, 95 cloudy days.

Average date of first fall frost: November 18.

## RAINFALL — HANFORD, CALIFORNIA

YEAR	JUNE	JULY	AUG.	SEPT.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.	JAN.	FEB.	MAR.	APR.	MAY	TOTAL
1942-43	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.43	0.86	2.74	1.14	3.36	0.84	0.00	9.37
1943-44	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.03	0.21	1.03	1.30	2.80	0.39	0.86	0.28	6.90
1944- <b>45</b>	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.02	0.23	2.25	1.05	0.27	2.69	1.81	0.16	0.10	8.58
1945-46	0.18	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.62	1.15	1.61	0.34	1.52	2.57	0.07	0.41	8.48
1946-47	0.00	0.11	0.00	0.00	1.49	1.10	1.64	0.33	0.49	0.51	0.66	0.33	6.66
1947-48	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.47	0.29	0.51	0.00	0.43	1.49	1.56	0.55	5.31
1948-49	0.53	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.03	0.01	0.99	0.51	0.85	1.94	0.07	4.93
1949-50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.60	0.68	1.48	1.13	1.10	0.40	5.39
1950-51	0.07	0.00	0.08	0.00	0.00	0.34	0.63	1.06	1.24	0.76	0.22	1.17	5.57
1951-52	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.08	1.11	2.39	3.03	0.27	2.18	0.79	0.01	9.88
1952-53	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.17	0.05	0.65	2.96	1.10	0.27	0.34	0.83	0.29	6.68
1953-54	0.08	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.02	1.01	0.09	1.89	0.78	2.21	0.52	0.34	6.94
1954-55	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.66	1.61	3.25	1.31	0.43	0.69	0.90	8.85
1955-56	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.02	0.92	4.67	1.10	0.38	0.10	0.73	0.77	8.69
1956-57	0.07	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.73	0.00	0.15	1.39	1.22	0.05	0.88	0.61	5.10
1957-58	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.20	1.19	1.41	1.85	2.30	3.93	2.38	0.24	13.50
1958-59	0.00	0.00	0.11	0.11	0.00	0.23	0.16	1.35	1.90	0.11	0.52	0.00	4.49
1959-60	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.11	0.00	0.00	0.17	0.80	1.71	0.61	0.57	0.00	3.97
1960-61	0.00	0.02	0.00	0.53	0.00	2.61	0.03	1.34	0.22	0.67	0.22	0.37	6.01
1961-62	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.11	1.28	0.71	4.88	1.06	0.00	0.11	9.15
1962-63	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.10	0.00	0.19	1.19	1.68	1.37	2.88	0.56	7.98
1963-64	0.17	0.00	0.00	0.33	0.75	1.23	0.31	0.61	0.02	0.94	0.64	0.20	5.20
1964-65	0.00	0.00	0.34	0.00	0.95	1.31	1.44	1.18	0.33	0.33	1.57	0.00	7.45
1965-66	0.00	0.00	0.05	0.07	0.05	2.15	1.97	0.63	0.71	0.10	0.00	0.07	5.80
1966-67	0.06	0.04	0.00	0.29	0.09	1.28	2.57	1.41	0.05	2.42	2.95	0.07	11.23
1967-68	0.23	0.00	0.00	0.31	0.00	1.99	0.50	0.62	0.64	1.00	0.50	0.08	5.87
1968-69	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.33	0.98	1.64	6.69	4.54	0.79	0.85	0.32	17.14
1969-70	0.21	0.07	0.00	0.15	0.05	0.51	0.70	1.60	1.33	1.42	0.14	0.00	6.18
1970-71	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.40	1.23	0.35	0.19	0.23	0.40	1.44	6.24
1971-72	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.04	0.06	0.41	1.87	0.04	0.35	0.00	0.23	0.00	3.00
1972-73	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.24	0.21	2.90	0.65	2.44	2.29	2.20	0.12	0.00	11.05
1973-74	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.76	0.46	0.94	2.97	0.13	1.75	0.03	0.00	7.04
1974-75	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.65	0.24	1.40	0.09	2.26	1.24	0.49	0.00	6.37
1975-76	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.98	0.76	0.05	0.22	0.00	2.94	0.19	1.47	0.03	6.64
1976-77	0.01	0.00	0.22	1.47	0.00	1.15	0.96	0.96	0.03	0.43	0.00	0.01	5.24
1977-78	0.07	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.05	0.06	2.85	2.22	5.05	4.12	1.71	0.00	16.13
1978-79	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.10	0.00	0.79	0.50	1.84	1.61	1.16	0.03	0.00	7.03
1979-80	0.00	0.04	0.00	0.08	0.41	0.62	0.41	2.90	2.71	1.28	0.05	0.04	8.54
1980-81	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.09	0.00	0.21	1.80	0.86	2.10	0.68	0.17	5.91
1981-82	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.76	1.08	0.29	0.84	0.33	3.52	1.75	0.00	8.57
1982-83	0.45	0.18	0.00	0.64	1.03	2.15	0.71	3.74	2.59	3.39	1.63	0.04	16.55
1983-84	0.00	0.00	0.05	0.82	0.43	1.66	1.22	0.01	0.42	0.27	0.18	0.00	5.06
1984-85	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.52	1.41	1.66	0.59	0.61	0.68	0.12	0.01	5.61
1985-86	0.00	0.05	0.00	0.00	0.54	2.11	0.56	1.46	2.60	3.40	0.45	0.00	11.17
1986-87	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.15	0.00	0.21	0.77	1.77	2.04	2.02	0.06	0.13	7.15
1987-88	0.05	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.86	0.72	1.74	1.37	0.40	0.93	2.65	0.07	8.79
1988-89	0.06	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.33	2.29	1.02	2.03	0.85	0.02	0.39	7.99
1989-90	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.67	0.32	0.20	0.53	1.79	1.02	0.30	0.97	0.87	6.67
1990-91	0.00	0.00	0.66	0.00	0.01	0.22	0.09	0.37	1.32	6.67	0.19	0.66	10.19
1991-92	0.36	0.00	0.00	0.11	0.38	0.14	1.32					2.30	_ ~ /
AVERAGE		0.01	0.03	0.17	0.30	0.90	1.09	1.36	1.37	1.39	0.77	0.24	7.64
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