

SONOMA COUNTY  
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

TO: The State Director of Agriculture  
The Honorable Board of Supervisors of Sonoma County

In compliance with Section 65.5 of the Agricultural Code of California, I herewith submit the annual 1946 acreage, crop, and valuation report for Sonoma County.

The commodity production is given in the commonly accepted unit as box, bale, ton, or pound when ready for sale or shipment. The valuation is based on the average price paid the producer for these commodities as delivered to the processing plant, packing house, etc.

We wish to express our appreciation to the various agencies for their cooperation in compiling this report.

Respectfully submitted,

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SONOMA COUNTY  
ACREAGE, CROP AND VALUATION REPORT

- 1946 -

| CROP                        | ACREAGE | PRODUCTION                        | VALUATION   | TOTALS             |
|-----------------------------|---------|-----------------------------------|-------------|--------------------|
| <b>LES:</b>                 |         |                                   |             |                    |
| Gravenstein                 | 9186    | 1,125,000 boxes @ \$2.70          | \$3,037,500 |                    |
| Late Apples                 | 4775    | 187,048 " @ 2.35                  | 439,562     |                    |
| <b>Dried:</b>               |         |                                   |             |                    |
| Gravenstein                 |         | 22,525 tons @ \$46.50             | 1,047,412   |                    |
| Late                        |         | 7,875 " @ 46.50                   | 366,187     |                    |
| Canned, Pies, Frozen        |         | 12,246 " @ 70.00                  | 857,220     |                    |
| Juice & Cider               |         | 7,267 " @ 15.00                   | 109,005     |                    |
| Vinegar & Other By-Products |         | 17,658 " @ 10.00                  | 176,580     |                    |
| Cores & Peelings            |         | 11,750 " @ 10.00                  | 117,500     |                    |
|                             |         |                                   |             | <u>\$6,150,966</u> |
| <b>APRICOTS:</b>            |         |                                   |             |                    |
|                             | 35      | 33 tons @ \$100.00                | 3,300       |                    |
|                             |         | 15 " @ 200.00                     | 3,000       |                    |
|                             |         |                                   |             | <u>6,300</u>       |
| <b>CHERRIES:</b>            |         |                                   |             |                    |
| Whites                      | 1170    | Barrelled, 1 35 tons @ \$300.00   | 325,500     |                    |
|                             |         | Canned, 337 tons @ \$310.00       | 104,470     |                    |
|                             |         | Shipped, 45 tons @ 325.00         | 14,625      |                    |
| Blacks                      |         | 120 tons @ \$300.00               | 36,000      |                    |
|                             |         |                                   |             | <u>480,595</u>     |
| <b>APES:</b>                |         |                                   |             |                    |
| Black                       | 22879   | 40,710 tons @ \$122.50            | 4,986,975   |                    |
| White                       |         | 5,117 " @ 137.50                  | 703,587     |                    |
|                             |         |                                   |             | <u>5,690,562</u>   |
| <b>PEACHES:</b>             |         |                                   |             |                    |
| Clings                      | 55      | 140 tons @ \$55.00                | 7,700       |                    |
| Freestone                   | 265     | 450 " @ 60.00                     | 2,700       |                    |
|                             |         |                                   |             | <u>10,400</u>      |
| <b>PEARS:</b>               |         |                                   |             |                    |
|                             | 3154    | Canned, 8,359 tons @ \$85.00      | 713,515     |                    |
|                             |         | Dried, 1,710 " @ 17.50            | 29,925      |                    |
|                             |         | Shipped, 565 @ 100.00             | 56,500      |                    |
|                             |         |                                   |             | <u>799,940</u>     |
| <b>PLUMS:</b>               |         |                                   |             |                    |
|                             | 300     | Canned, 410 tons @ \$60.00        | 24,600      |                    |
|                             |         | Frozen & Puree, 70 tons @ \$70.00 | 4,900       |                    |
|                             |         |                                   |             | <u>29,500</u>      |
| <b>PRUNES:</b>              |         |                                   |             |                    |
| French                      | 18378   | 24,374 tons @ \$260.00            | 6,337,240   |                    |
| Imperial                    | 3784    | 3,044 " @ 310.00                  | 943,640     |                    |
|                             |         |                                   |             | <u>7,280,880</u>   |
| <b>BERRIES:</b>             |         |                                   |             |                    |
| Boysen & Young              | 113     | 600 tons @ \$440.00               | 264,000     |                    |
| Blacks                      | 30      | 30 " @ 300.00                     | 9,000       |                    |
| Logan                       | 35      | 30 " @ 300.00                     | 9,000       |                    |
|                             |         |                                   |             | <u>282,000</u>     |

|  | ACREAGE | PRODUCTION | VALUATION | TOTALS |
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|                                    |      |                             |           |             |
|------------------------------------|------|-----------------------------|-----------|-------------|
| ORANGES                            | 19   | 2,850 boxes @ \$2.00        | \$ 5,700  |             |
| QUINCE:                            | 10   | 45 tons @ \$40.00           | 1,800     |             |
| HC :                               | 2600 | 22,014 bales @ \$105.00     | 2,311,470 |             |
| VEGETABLE SEED:                    | 3000 | 985,000 pounds              | 1,965,900 |             |
| WALNUTS:                           | 1218 | 650 tons @ 28¢ per lb.      | 364,000   |             |
| POTATOES:                          | 335  | 16,750 sacks @ \$3.00       | 50,250    |             |
| ARTICHOKES:                        | 65½  | 14,500 boxes @ \$1.50       | 21,750    |             |
| RHUBARB:                           | 15   | 3,250 boxes @ \$1.00        | 3,250     |             |
| SWEET CORN:                        | 355  | 15,000 crates @ \$2.00      | 30,000    |             |
| TOMATOES:                          | 350  | 2,119 tons canned @ \$30.00 | 63,570    |             |
|                                    |      | 70 " " @ 150 00             | 10,500    |             |
| BANANA SQUASH:                     |      | 490 tons @ \$20.00          | 9,800     |             |
| OTHER VEGETABLES:                  |      |                             | 45,500    |             |
| Cabbage, onion, etc.               |      |                             |           |             |
| NURSERY STOCK, FRUIT TREES & VINES |      |                             | 60,250    |             |
| ORNAMENTAL & VEGETABLE PLANTS      |      |                             | 85,000    |             |
| HAY AND GRAIN                      |      |                             | 750,000   |             |
|                                    |      |                             |           | \$5,678,740 |

|                |              |                   |        |        |
|----------------|--------------|-------------------|--------|--------|
| BEES AND HONEY | Honey        | 100,300 lbs @ 20¢ | 20,060 |        |
|                | Wax          | 1750 lbs @ 48¢    | 840    |        |
|                | Package Bees | 150 @ \$4.50      | 675    |        |
|                | Queens       | 500 @ 1.00        | 500    |        |
|                |              |                   |        | 22,075 |

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| POULTRY:           |                 |          |              |            |
| Hens               | 3,925,500       |          |              |            |
| Eggs               | 46,125,200 doz. | @ 44¢    | \$20,295,088 |            |
| Hatching Eggs      | 2,321,300 doz.  | @ 59¢    | 1,369,567    |            |
| Turkeys            | 135,000         |          |              |            |
| Live               | 2,328,750 lbs.  | @ 34¢    | 791,775      |            |
| Dressed            | 776,250 lbs.    | @ 42¢    | 326,025      |            |
| Turkey Eggs        | 816,700         | @ 28¢    | 228,676      |            |
| Dressed Poultry    | 5,650,550 lbs.  | @ 1.00   | 2,542,747    |            |
| Live Poultry       | 20,250,500 lbs. | @ 3.50   | 7,087,675    |            |
| Ducks              | 32,000          |          | 59,000       |            |
| Geese & Pigeons    |                 |          | 1,550        |            |
| Rabbits            | 1,200,000 lbs.  | @ 25¢    | 300,000      |            |
| Rabbit fertilizer  | 250 tons        | @ \$4.00 | 1,000        |            |
| Rabbit hides       |                 |          | 2,400        |            |
| Chicken fertilizer | 75,000 tons     | @ \$4.00 | 300,000      |            |
|                    |                 |          |              | 33,305,503 |

| CROP   | PRODUCTION                         | VALUATION          | TOTALS                     |
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| <b>LIVESTOCK</b>   |                                    |                    |                            |
| DAIRY CATTLE:  | 7,136,000 lbs. Grade A milk fat -  |                    |                            |
|  | @ \$1.10                           | \$7,849,600        |                            |
|  | 3,220,000 lbs. manufacturing milk- |                    |                            |
|  | @ 92¢                              | 2,962,400          |                            |
|  | Butter, Fat, Cream                 | 435,000            |                            |
|  | Skim Milk                          | 14,375             |                            |
|  | Slaughtered Cows & Vealers         | 612,000            |                            |
|  | Milk Subsidies                     | 1,191,559          |                            |
|  |                                    |                    | <u>\$13,064,934</u>        |
| SADDLE HORSES:   | 450 @ \$250.00                     | 118,750            |                            |
|  |                                    |                    | <u>118,750</u>             |
| HOGS:  | 12,000 @ \$36.00                   | 392,000            |                            |
|  |                                    |                    | <u>392,000</u>             |
| SHEEP:   | 125,000 Lambs, Wool, Pelts, etc.   | 1,278,800          |                            |
| Subsidies  |                                    | 72,268             |                            |
|  |                                    |                    | <u>1,351,068</u>           |
| BEEF CATTLE:   | 17,750                             | 825,500            |                            |
| Subsidies  |                                    | 1,967              |                            |
|  |                                    |                    | <u>827,467</u>             |
| FARM PAYMENTS:   |                                    | 116,063            |                            |
|  |                                    |                    | <u>116,063</u>             |
| KLAMATH WEED PAYMENTS:   |                                    | 2,736              |                            |
|  |                                    |                    | <u>2,736</u>               |
| ESTIMATED SALES TO SAN FRANCISCO FARMERS MARKET,<br>ROADSIDE MARKETS, FARM TO CONSUMER, Etc. |                                    | 255,000            |                            |
|  |                                    |                    | <u>255,000</u>             |
|  |                                    | <b>GRAND TOTAL</b> | <b><u>\$75,865,479</u></b> |