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California Department of Food and Agriculture

Agricultural Commissioners' Crop Reports

San Mateo County

1968-1972

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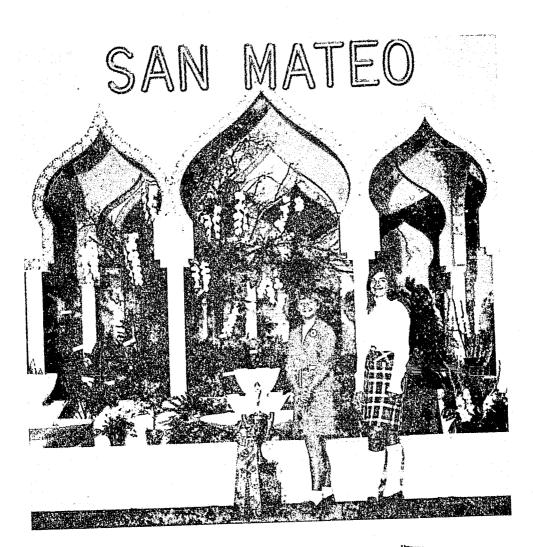
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AGRICULTURAL REPORT 1968



OUR 1968 STATE FAIR EXHIBIT

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SAN MATEO COUNTY

AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER



We dedicate this report to our good friend

T. LOUIS CHESS

who will retire as County Supervisor on May 31, 1969.

His many years of dedicated service

to San Mateo County will be an inspiration

to younger generations.

Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of San Mateo
and
Jerry W. Fielder, Acting Director
State Department of Agriculture

Gentlemen:

In accordance with the provisions of Section 2279 of the California Agricultural Code, I herewith submit the Annual Crop Report, indicating the value, acreage, and production of all agricultural commodities, including livestock, grown during 1968 in San Mateo County. Not taken into consideration is the cost of producing, harvesting, and packaging. Included in this report is a narrative section showing the functions, activities, and responsibilities of our department.

We reached another all time record of \$27,874,755, representing a gain of \$2,327,753 over 1967. Carnations, with a value of \$4,614,000, also set a new record for a single crop. Potted Flowering Plants remained second at \$3,593,000. Chrysanthemums rose to third at \$2,104,000 and Brussels Sprouts dropped to fourth with \$1,513,000.

Once again the Coastside led this increase with substantial gains in both glasshouse areas and production. Other important factors were the favorable weather, good marketing conditions, and the ever-increasing know-how of our growers.

Floriculture and Ornamental Crops increased \$2,038,320 to \$18,798,770.

Major gains were set by Carnations, Potted Plants, Chrysanthemums, Roses,
Marguerites and Yarrow, while declines were shown by Nursery Stock, Heather,
Cut Foliage and Violets.

Vegetables increased \$264,120 with Winter Squash up \$139,000 to \$218,000. Lettuce up \$131,000 to \$295,000, New Zealand Spinach up \$31,700 to \$68,200, Artichokes gained \$9,800 to \$439,650. However, Brussels Sprouts dropped \$219,000 to \$1,513,000, Peas were down \$35,000 to \$191,000 and Cabbage was down \$7,300 to \$34,400.

Livestock, Poultry and Apiary increased \$49,483 to \$2,027,895 with sheep and lambs, cattle and calves gaining, and hogs and pigs losing.

Field Crops and Seed decreased \$32,920 to \$533,720.

Fruit and Nut Crops increased \$8,850 to \$271,830 with substantial gains in Walnuts and Apples and a decrease in Strawberries.

Sincere appreciation is extended to all the individuals, firms and agencies who cooperated with us in gathering the information contained in this report.

Respectfully submitted,

Victor A. Canavese, Commissioner Department of Agriculture County of San Mateo

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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FUNCTIONS AND ACTIVITIES

SAN MATEO COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Year - 1968

The California State Statutes provide that the County Agricultural Commissioner shall have the responsibility of enforcing certain provisions of the Agricultural, Administrative, other State Government Codes, and certain Federal Regulations for the benefit and protection of the producer and consumer of agricultural commodities, under the general supervision of the Director of Agriculture.

The Board of Supervisors, to whom the Agricultural Commissioner is directly responsible may assign other duties in addition to those specified in the above mentioned statutes.

The following summary presents statistical information concerning the activities of the department and the gross value of the agricultural production for the year 1968.

APIARY

Beekeepers are required to register each year with their County Agricultural Commissioner. Inspections are made of all apiaries and bee colonies for detection of American Foul Brood, and other serious and highly contagious diseases. Apiaries or colonies found infected with American Foul Brood are required to be destroyed.

	APIARIES	COLONIES
Inspections	73	496
Diseased	6	15
Destroyed	5	11

CERTIFICATION

In compliance with regulations covering movement of plants and plant materials to foreign countries, other states and counties, the following certificates were issued.

Intrastate			35,288
Interstate	and	Foreign	63,118

CIVILIAN DEFENSE

As representatives of the California Disaster Office we maintain an inventory of the available food stocks in the county for use in the event of a serious emergency.

FAIRS

San Mateo County's floral exhibit at the 1968 Cal-Expo won the Feature Exhibit Award, the Sweepstakes Award and took first place in all of the 17 Cut Flower Classes shown. A new record of \$2,750 in prize money was deposited with the County Treasurer. The design, construction and maintenance of the Exhibit is the responsibility of this department. Flowers and ornamental plants were supplied by over 80 county growers.

The Agricultural Commissioner is an ex officio member of the Board of Directors of the San Mateo County Fair & Fiesta and assists in the judging and organizing of the Agricultural Division.

Calls 529

LABORATORY

Well water being used for irrigation may be submitted for salinity analysis. High saline content may cause plant injury.

Tests Made 16

6,486 pounds of poisoned grains for the control of pest animals was prepared in 1968.

Specimens of plant roots and foliage are prepared, processed and forwarded to the Bureau of Plant Pathology, Sacramento, for their determination as to the presence of Burrowing Nematode and other serious parasitic nematode pests.

Samples Taken and Tests Made		778
Times Plant Parasitic Nematodes	Found	106

NURSERY INSPECTION

State regulations require that all nurseries maintain set standards of pest cleanliness and quality grading. San Mateo County has 230 plant nurseries with an annual business in excess of \$3,105,000. It is the responsibility of this department to inspect and enforce these regulations.

Calls	1,533
Nurseries Inspected	243
Notices of Noncompliance	90
Intercounty Nursery Stock Certificates Issued	35,198
Nurseries Qualified to Use Intercounty	-1.
Certificates	74

Effective December 15, 1968 Intercounty Nursery Stock Certificates were replaced by California Nursery Stock Certificates.

PEST CONTROL ENFORCEMENT

Agricultural Pest Control Operators are required by state regulations to obtain a state license and register annually with the Agricultural Commissioner in whose county they may have operations.

Anyone buying or applying injurious and/or restricted chemicals must secure a permit from their County Agricultural Commissioner. Indiscriminate use of these chemicals could prove dangerous to human, animal and/or plant life.

Calls	243
Permits Issued	232
Pest Control Operators Registered	79

PEST CONTROL INFORMATION

Growers, nurserymen, park departments, schools, pest control operators and home owners may receive assistance and advice on horticultural and pest problems from our office. Identification of insects, plants, diseases and weeds, as well as information on the care of agricultural and ornamental plants, is offered.

Calls

2,185

PLANT QUARANTINE

Incoming plants and plant products are held for quarantine inspection at 184 air, rail and truck terminals, post offices, express agencies and other points of entry within the county. Agricultural inspection serves to prevent the introduction and spread of pests and diseases within the county and state.

Calls

9,519

	RELEASED	REJECTED
Shipments	14,228	109
Plants	6,464,834	48,985

PREDATORY ANIMAL CONTROL

Control of predators in the area is maintained by the utilization of the services of a full time and part time predatory animal hunters. This work is done in cooperation with the U. S. Department of the Interior and the California Department of Agriculture. During 1968 losses from these animals included 38 head of livestock and 175 domestic fowl. This service is of vital importance in the prevention of a rabies outbreak.

Calls	1,154
Bobcats Taken	24
Coyotes Taken	160
Foxes Taken	85
Others Taken (Raccoons, Skunks, etc.)	206

RODENT AND PEST ANIMAL CONTROL

Ground squirrels are known carriers of Tularemia and Bubonic Plague and this department conducts a year-round, countywide, eradication program.

Poison baits for control of rats, gophers, and field mice are sold to commercial growers at cost.

We also extend cooperation to the County Health Department in their urban area rodent control work.

Calls		995
Acres	Inspected	10,635
Acres	Treated	1,091

SEED INSPECTION

Agricultural and vegetable seed is inspected to insure compliance with labeling and germination standards as required by the California Seed Law.

Calls	307
Dealers	234
Lots Inspected	1,290
Lots in Violation	63
Official Samples Taken	31

STANDARDIZATION

For the protection of producers and consumers, inspections of fresh fruits, vegetables, eggs, honey, nuts and poultry meats are made at wholesale and retail markets, packing houses and in the fields. Substandard products are rejected and removed from sale.

Calls	11,387
Calls	11,50/

COMMODITIES	INSPECTIONS	VIOLATIONS
Produce (containers)	8,969,098	42,191
Eggs (dozens)	1,898,641	56,042
Poultry (packages)	188,622	2 80
Honey (containers)	175,378	15

The Golden Gate Produce Terminal in South San Francisco received over 8,399,238 containers of produce during 1968, with a reported sales gross of over 96 million dollars.

STATISTICS

Section 2279 of the California Agricultural Code requires that an annual report be prepared showing the acreage, production and value of crops grown in San Mateo County. This publication is available to agricultural, educational and governmental agencies, allied industries and interested parties.

SURVEY AND PEST DETECTION

Annual surveys and trapping programs are conducted throughout the county. These are undertaken to detect and prevent establishment of serious agricultural pests such as, Japanese Beetle, Gypsy and Brown Tail Moths, Citrus White Flies, Khapra Beetle and various Fruit Flies.

Calls	2,413
Traps Used	300

WEED CONTROL

Year-round surveillance of agricultural and suburban areas, and Southern Pacific's right-of-way, for the detection and eradication of primary and secondary noxious weeds is performed by this department. Under a service agreement with the State

Division of Highways, weed eradication work is performed along designated state highways. The county is reimbursed for this work.

Calls
Acres Inspected
Acres Treated

544
4,171
375

OTHER ACTIVITIES

- A total of 11,904 public service calls were received during 1968. Advice
 was given on agriculture and home garden culture practices, plant insect
 and disease control, and weed control.
- 291 meetings held by the State Department of Agriculture, the University
 of California, scientific panels and numerous agricultural agencies were
 attended by the Commissioner and various staff members.
- As representatives of the U. S. Commerce Department two Coastside weather stations were maintained.
- 4. Supervised a weed abatement program on unimproved properties in two residential districts and computed proportional costs for property assessments.
- At the request of garden, farm, school and service organizations various staff members presented talks regarding agricultural and cultural problems.
- Compiled and forwarded monthly and annual reports to the State Director
 of Agriculture. Also, a narrative and statistical report was given
 monthly to the Board of Supervisors.
- Reported weekly to California Crop and Livestock Service on crops harvested, weather effects and livestock conditions.
- 8. Post-entry quarantine inspections were given to the growing grounds of importers of foreign plant material
- As a control measure for the serious pest, Elm Leaf Beetle, insecticide sprays were applied to elm trees along county roads.
- 10. Two office libraries were maintained for pertinent information furnished by the University of California, U. S. Department of Agriculture and various other agencies.
- Cooperated with the State Department of Agriculture on problems related to poison residue on edible crops for human or animal consumption.
- 12. Marketing Orders guaranteeing a superior product, as well as an equitable return, are requested by the growers of various agricultural commodities. Assistance in enforcing these standards was given to the Artichoke, Brussels Sprout and Peach and Plum Advisory Boards.
- 13. Cooperated with the State Department of Agriculture in maintaining a seed potato disease test plot on the Coastside.

- 14. At the request of the Air Pollution Control Board, burning permits to control diseases and insects attacking agricultural and horticultural plantings were issued.
- 15. Cooperated with the County Health and Welfare Department and the State Division of Industrial Safety on investigations of possible injury to agricultural workers from the improper application or handling of injurious pesticides.

LEADING AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES

Carnations	\$ 4,614,000
Flowering Piants	3,593,000
Chrysanthemums	2,104,000
Brussels Sprouts	1,513,000
Roses	1,202,000
Marguerites	1,166,000
Cuttings & Liners	996,000
Ornamental Nursery Stock	896,000
Strawflowers	741,000
Cattle & Calves	646,000
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SAN MATEO COUNTY POPULATION

1940	112,000
1945	167,000
1950	239,000
1955	345,000
1960	444,000
1965	527,000
1968	568,000

ANNUAL CROP REPORT

VEGETABLE CROPS

			PRODUCTION			VALUE		
Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Per Acre	Total	Unit	Per Unit		Total
Artichoke Total	1968 1967	730 687	3.40 3.59	2,484 2,465	Ton	\$197.50 195.05	\$	490,600 480,800
Fresh Mkt.	1968 1967			2,360 2,220	- 11 - 11	200.00	(472,000) 444,000)
Processing	1968 1967			1 24 245	11	150.00 150.00	(18,600) 36,800)
Beans, Snap	1968 1967	20 21	4.00 3.81	80 80	- 11 - 11	320.00 280.00		25,600 22,400
Beets, Table	1968 1967	30 21	4.76 4.33	143 91	11	240.00 219.00		34,300 19,900
Broccoli, Sprouting	1968 1967	5 5	3.20 3.40	16 17	11	181.00 164.00		2,900 2,790
Brussels Spro Total	outs 1968 1967	1,260 1,220	4.92 6.48	6,200 7,911	11	244.00 219.00		1,513,000 1,732,000
Fresh Mkt.	1968 1967			930 791	11	210.00	(195,000) 166,000)
Processing	1968 1967			5,270 7,120	11 11	250.00 220.00	(1,318,000) 1,566,000)
Cabbage	1968 1967	56 83	9.91 9.37	555 778	11 11	62.00 53.60		34,400 41,700
Calabrasi	1968 1967	12 7	11.30 10.40	136 73	11 11	260.00 240.00		35,400 17,500
Carrots	1968 1967	6 7	11.30 9.00	68 63	11	133.00 167.00		9,040 10,500
Celery	1968 1967	8 6	32.00 28.70	256 172	. 11 H	92.00 94.40		23,600 16,200
Celery Root	1968 1967	10 6	6.50 4.00	65 2 4	11	175.00 168.00		11,400 4,030
Chard	1968 1967		22.20 22.00	511 551	: 11	135.00 106.00		69,000 58,400

VEGETABLE CROPS

			PRODUCTION			VALUE		
_		Harvested	Per	T- 4 - 1		Per	Total	
Crop	Year	Acreage	Acre	Total	Unit	Unit	10ta1	
Corn, Sweet	1968	16	5.00	80	Ton	\$125.00	\$ 10,000	
	1967	13	4.46	58	11	100.00	5,800	
Dandelion			4		1\$	050.00	12,000	
Root	1968	8 6	6.00 4.50	48 27	11	250.00 267.00	7,200	
	1967	6	4,50	2/		207.00	7,200	
Greenleaf					 H	176 00	62.000	
Vegetabl es *	1968	48	7.56	363 1/12	11	176.00 253.00	63,900 36,200	
	1967	22	6.50	143		255.00	50,200	
Leeks	1968	28	7.89	221	11	225.00	49,700	
	1967	17	8.00	136	11	219.00	29,800	
Lettuce					11	110.00	205 000	
All Var.	1968	350	7.14	2,500	11	118.00 84.00	295,000 164,000	
	1967	297	6.57	1,950		04.00	10-7,000	
Parsley	1968	10	9.00	90	11	375.00	33,800	
,	1967	9	9.00	79	11	375.00	29,600	
Peas, Market	1968	340	1.65	561	11	340.00	191,000	
reas, narket	1967	439	1.95	856	11	264.00	226,000	
Potatoes	1968	68	16.20	1,100	11	55.80	61,400	
. 5 (4 (5)	1967	111	11.30	1,250	11	50.40	63,000	
Radish	1968	250	4.04	1,010	11	130.00	131,000	
NGG 1 G 11	1967	226	4.00	904	11	120.00	108,000	
Spinach	1968	54	3.00	162	11	200.00	32,400	
351114311	1967	81	2.81	228	11	160.00	36,500	
Spinach		_		شاف	11		00.100	
New Zealand	1968	38	9.00	342	Ö	240.00 200.00	82,100 50,400	
	1967	28	9.00	252		200.00	50,400	
Squash	1000	ál. a	16 50	3,960	11	75.00	297,000	
Winter	1968	240 94	16.50 10.50	987	11	80.00	79,000	
	1967	דכ	10.50	,00				
Summer	1968	10	11.20	112	11	143.00	16,000	
	1967	12	10.00	120	11 .	140.00	16,800	

^{*} Includes Kale and Mustard Greens, Rapini and Turnip Greens.

VEGETABLE CROPS

				PRODUCTION			VALUE		
Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Per Acre	Total	Uni t	Per Unit		Total	
	1001								
liscellaneous Vegetables, Field and Ir	1 –								
door Grown*	1968	65					\$	2,718,000	
	1967	90						2,720,000	
* Includes Ar Seasoning F	nise, G Plants	arlic, Mush and Tomatoe	rooms, Pa	rsnips, Tu	ırnips,				
				•				6,242,540	
TOTAL	1968 1967	3,685 3,533						5,978,520	
			FIELD	CROPS					
Beans, Dry				1.0		\$204.00	\$	2,450	
Edible	1968 1967	23 22	.52 .82	12 18	Ton	226.00	7	4,070	
Fava	1968 1967	15 54	.67 .93	10 50	11 Î1	220.00 240.00		2,200 12,000	
Barley	1968 1967	1,150 1,350	.69 .76	794 1,030	11 11	44.60 48.00		35,400 49,400	
Hay Grain	1968	4,320	1.85	7,990	H.	22.00		176,000	
	1967	4,690	1.89	8,880	11	24.00		213,000	
Other Tame	1968 1967	400 683	1.06 1.22	424 830	11	23.00 25.00		9,750 20, 800	
0ats	1968 1967	2,150 1,420	.63 .47	1,350 661	11	51.90 52.00		70,100 34,400	
Pasture Irrigated	1968 1967	650 8 2 5			Acre	65.00 57.00		42,200 47,000	
Other	1968 1967	40,100 36,200			11	4.50 4.50		180,000 163,000	
TOTAL	1968 1967	48,808 45, 2 44					•	\$ 518,100 543,670	

SEED CROPS

	<u>.</u>		PRODUCTION			VALUE		
Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Per Acre	Total	Unit	Per Unit	Тс	otal
Brussels Sprouts	1968 1967		·	350 295	Lb.	\$ 26.00 33.80	\$	9,100 9,970
Beans, Fava	1968 1967			221 520	Cwt.	28.00 25.00		6,200 13,000
Flower Seed	1968 1967			2 -	Lb.	160.00		320
TOTAL	1968 1967						\$	15,620 22,970
			FRUIT AND	NUT CROPS				
Apples Total	1968 1967	43 41	3.00 2.32	1 29 95	Ton	\$172.00 102.95	\$	22,200 9,780
Fresh	1968 1967			105 45	11	200.00 173.00	(21,000) 7,780)
Processing	1968 1967			2 ¹ 4 50	11	50.00 40.00	(1,200) 2,000)
Prunes	1968 1967	13 13	2.31 2.38	30 31	. 11	2/3.00 276.00		8,190 8,560
Strawberries Total	1968 1967	34 40	11.10 9.35	376 374	11	525.37 560.26		197,540 209,540
Fresh	1968 1967			360 369	11 11°	532.00 563.00	(192,000) 208,000)
Processing	1968 1967			16 5	11	346.00 308.00	(5,540) 1,540)
Walnuts	1968 1967		.583 .39	68.2 43	11	578.00 580.00		39,400 24,900

FRUIT AND NUT CROPS

Crop			Harvested Acreage	PROI Per Acre	Total	Unit	V A L U Per Unit		otal
	ellaneous uits**	1968 1967	19 35					\$	4,500 10,200
* **	Revised Includes	Apricot	s, Grapes,	Pears,	Plums and	Bushberr	ies.		
TOTA	AL .	1968 1967*	226 239					\$	271,830 262,980

FLORAL AND NURSERY CROPS OUTDOOR GROWN

	Р	RODUCTION	***		VALL	E
		Area			Per	
l tem	Year	Acres	Production	<u>Unit</u>	Unit	Total
Cut Flowers						
Acacia	1968 1967	19 2 0	83,600 80,000	Bag Bunch	\$.646 .65	\$ 54,000 52,000
Agapanthus	1968 1967	2 4	5,800 11,400	Doz.	.96 .95	5,570 10,800
Aster	1968 1967	2 1	358,000 179,000	Bloom	.04 .05	14,300 8,950
Calla Lily	1968 1967	19 9	118,000 54,400	Doz.	.95 .95	112,000 51,700
Chrysanthemur	n					199 000
Pompon	1968 1967*	14 14	298,000 308,000	Bunch	.63 .578	188,000 178,000
Cut Foliage	1968 1967	54 70	162,000 210,000	11	.80 .80	130,000 168,000
Dahlias	1968 1967	5 · 5	500,000 500,000	Bloom	.03 .025	15,000 12,500
Heather	1968 1967	115 1 2 4	363,000 388,000	Bunch	.52 .60	189,000 233,000
Iris	1968 1967	51 36	204,000 137,000	Doz.	.872 .79	178,000 108,000

FLORAL AND NURSERY CROPS OUTDOOR GROWN

	Pi	RODUCTION	VALUE				
		Area	Production	Uni t	Per Unit	Total	
tem	Year	Acres	Production	OIII C	Onre		
largueri t es	1968	175	3,150,000	Bunch	\$.37	\$ 1,166,000 802,000	
	1967	136	2,291,000	.,	.35	002,000	
Narcissus	1968	21	2,100,000	Bloom	.0281	59,000	
	1967	21	1,575,000		.0225	35,400	
Shasta Daisy	1968	47	6,110,000	. 11	.048	293,000	
onasca sars,	1967	39	5,070,000	11	.048	243,000	
Stocks	1968	3	13,800	Doz.	.65	9,000	
Stocks	1967	3 4	18,400	11	.67	12,300	
C4 £1 aa.ma	1968	124	39,000	Вох	19.00	741,000	
Strawflowers	1967	116	36,300	П	19.00	690,000	
	1069	7	35,000	Dz. Bunch	2.00	70,000	
Violets	1968 1967	7 9	45,000	II II	2.00	90,000	
		16	alia ana	Doz.	.60	144,000	
Yarrow	1968 1967	16 9	240,000 56,200	11	.28	15,700	
		•					
Miscellaneous	; 1968	73	365,000	Bunch	•55	201,000	
Flowers	1967	52	260,000	11	.50	130,000	
. D							
* Revised ** Includes	Marigol	ds, Sweet	William, Tulip	os.			
Sub-Total	1968	747				\$ 3,568,870	
Sub- local	1967*	669				2,841,350	
Ornamentals							
D. 1h-	1968	16	604,000	Bulb	.082	\$ 50,000	
Bulbs	1967	11	555,000	11	.08	44,400	
Bedding Plants	1968	43	34,000	Flat	2.25	76,500	
7 70.7.23	1967	43	30,800	, 11	2.25	69,300	
Herbaceous							
Perennials		7 7	600,000	Plant	. 25	150,000	
	1967	7	500,000		.23	115,000	
Christmas						منداف فيد	
Trees	1968	256	10,200	Tree	5.53 4.87	56,400 32,000	
	1967	230	6,580	••	7.0/	72,000	

FLORAL AND NURSERY CROPS OUTDOOR GROWN

	<u></u>	RODUCTION		VALUE			
l tem	Year	Area Acres	Production	Unit	Per Unit	Total	
Nursery Stock	1968 1967	55 76				\$ 896,000 1,242,000	
TOTAL	1968 1967*	1,124 1,036				\$ 4,797,770 4,344,050	

FLORAL AND NURSERY CROPS INDOOR GROWN

	PF	RODUCTION			VALU	<u>E</u>	
		Area			Per		Tetal
tem	Year	Sq. Ft.	Production	Unit	<u>Unit</u>		Total
Cut Flowers			72,091,000	Bloom	\$. 064	\$	4,614,000
Carnations	1967 2	,134,000 ,658,000	65,919,000	11	.063	,	4,153,000
Chrysanthemun Total	1968 4	,044,000 ,253,000					1,916,000 1,446,000
Standard	1968 (2 1967*(2	2,069,000) 2,094,000)	6,209,000 6,281,000	11	.165 .156	(1,024,000) 984,000)
All Other Types**	1968 (1967*(637,000) 502,000)	2,462,000 2,146,000	11	.115 .11	(283,000) 236,000)
Pompon	1968 (1 1967*((,338,000) (657,000)	870,000 370,000	Bunch	.70 .61	(609,000) 226,000)
Ferns	1968 1967	239,000 278,000	1,651,000 1,919,000	-11	.18 .185		297,000 355,000
Gardenias	1968 1967	113,000 123,000	1,698,000 1,846,000	Bloom	.14		238,000 240,000
Orchids	1968 1967	228,000 266,000	661,000 744,000	11	.53 .554		350,000 412,000
Roses	1968 1967	580,000 526,000	11,029,000 9,371,000	11 11	.109		1,202,000 805,900

FLORAL AND NURSERY CROPS INDOOR GROWN

	F	RODUCTION		<u>, i</u>	VALUE				
	-	Area			Per	Total			
Item	Year	Sq. Ft.	Production	Unit	<u>Unit</u>	10 Ca1			
Miscellaneous Cut Flowers*****	1968 1967*	168,000 163,000		Sq. Ft.	\$ 1.25 1.17	\$ 210,000 191,000			
Pot Plants									
Flowering		1,681,000 1,366,000	3,422,000 2,748,000	Plant	1.05 1.18	3,593,000 3,243,000			
Indoor Decorative	1968 1967	266,000 161,000		11 11	.68 .54	532,000 381,000			
* Revised አሉ Includes አሉት Includes	Fujii, Snapdr	Spiders, agon, Ste	Disbuds, Anem	none, etc. esia, etc.		(5)			
Sub-Total		10,453,000 8,794,000				\$12,952,000 11,226,900			
Propagated	<u></u>								
Bedding Plants	1968 1967	6,400 17,000			\$ 2.35 2.25	\$ 53,000 38,500			
Cuttings and Liners	1968 1967	387,000 288,00			.085	996,000 1,151,000			
TOTAL	1968 1967*	10,846,40 9,099,00	0			\$14,001,000 12,416,400			
Total Glass	and Pla	stic Area	7	,727,005 Sq	uare Feet.				
TOTAL VALUE	ALL FLO	ORAL CROPS	i		1968 1967*	\$16,520,870 14,068,250			
TOTAL VALUE	ALL NUF	RSERY CROF	PS .		1968 1967*	2,277,900 2,692,200			

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY

		PRODU			VALU	E
Item		Number of Head	Total Liveweight	Unit	Per Unit	Total
Cattle and Calves	1968 1967	4,690 4,250	28,700 29,200	Cwt.	\$ 22.50 22.00	\$ 646,009 642,000
Milkers Sold	1968 1967	1,200 1,200		Head	342.00 295.00	410,000 354,000
Sheep and Lambs	1968 1967	2,620 1,790	2,830 1,960	Cwt.	16.30 16.50	46,100 32,3 00
Hogs and Pigs	1968 1967*	26,400 25,200	23,400 23,300	11 11	19.70 20.70	461,000 482,000
Other Livestock차	1968 1967					1,710 1,850
* Revised ** Includes P	labbi ts	, Ducks a	nd Chickens.			
TOTAL	1968 1967*	*				\$ 1,564,810 1,512,150

LIVESTOCK, POULTRY AND APIARY PRODUCTS

				VALUE	
Item	Year	Production	Unit	Per Unit	Total
Milk, Market	1968 1967*	87,400 93,200	Cwt.	\$ 5.04 4.71	\$ 440,000 439,000
Milk, Manufacturing	1968 1967*	2,180 2,430	11 11	3.92 3.90	8,540 9,480
Wool	1968 1967*	17,500 18,400	Lb.	.324 .367	5,670 6,750
Eggs, Chicken	1968 1967	10,500 15,000	Doz.	. 33 ⁴ . 284	3,510 4,260
Honey	1968 1967	37,400 48,200	Lb.	.12	4,490 5,780

LIVESTOCK, POULTRY AND APIARY PRODUCTS

				VAL	U E	
ltem	Year	Production	Unit	Per Unit		Total
Beeswax	1968 1967	1,250 1,600	Lb.	\$.70 .62		875 99 2
* Revised						
TOTAL	1968 1967*				\$	463,085 466,262

JANUARY 1 INVENTORY OF LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY - 1968-1969

Item	January 1, 1968	January 1, 1969
Cattle and Calves All Milk Cows, 2 years and over	10,800 1,200	10,100 800
Sheep and Lambs Stock Sheep	2,600	1,800
Hogs and Pigs	4,300	3,200
Horses	110	100
Hens and Pullets	1,000	1,000

RECAPITULATION

PRODUCTION VALUES

	1967	1968
Vegetable Crops	\$ 5,978,520	\$ 6,242,540
Flower and Nursery Crops	16,760,450 *	18,798,770
Field Crops	543,670	518,100
Seed Crops	22,970	15,620
Fruit and Nut Crops	262,980 *	271,830
Livestock and Poultry	1,512,150 *	1,564,810
Livestock, Poultry and Apiary Products	466,262 *	463,085
* Revised		
TOTAL	\$ 25,547,002 *	\$ 27,874,755

COMPARATIVE	PRODUCTION VALUES
1959	\$ 17,817,818
1960	17,389,074
1961	16,394,412
1962	17,658,700
1963	17,747,870
1964	18,003,286
1965	18,633,251
1966	20,126,117

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SAN MATEO COUNTY

AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER

Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of San Mateo
and
Jerry W. Fielder, Director
State Department of Agriculture

Gentlemen:

Herewith I submit the Annual Crop Report, showing the gross value, acreage and production of all the agricultural commodities, including livestock, grown during 1969 in San Mateo County. This report was prepared under the provisions of Section 2279 of the California Agricultural Code. Not included in this report is the cost of producing, harvesting and packaging. Included in this report is a narrative section showing the duties, functions and activities of our department.

The new record value of \$31,831,590 represents a gain of \$2,538,545 over last year. Carnations returned \$4,492,000 down \$122,000 from 1968, but still the highest value crop. Flowering Potted Plants, in second place, increased \$659,000 to \$4,252,000. Ornamental Nursery Stock rose \$1,164,000 to \$3,541,000 for third place. Chrysanthemums followed with \$2,600,000 showing an increase of \$684,000. Brussels Sprouts were first in the vegetable group with a value of \$1,427,500 down \$85,500.

Floriculture and Ornamental Crops increased \$3,231,440 to \$23,511,210. Substantial gains were set by Flowering Potted Plants, Ornamental Nursery Stock, Chrysanthemums, and Roses, while losses were recorded in Cuttings and Liners, and Carnations.

Vegetables gained \$323,690 to \$6,566,230, with Swiss Chard up \$109,000 to \$178,000. Artichokes increased \$86,500 to \$577,100, and Greenleaf Vegetables up \$51,100 to \$115,000. Market Peas declined \$22,000 to \$169,000 and Lettuce dropped \$60,000 to \$235,000.

<u>Livestock</u>, <u>Poultry and Apiary</u> declined \$873,575 to \$1,091,610 with substantial losses in all categories.

Field Crops and Seed increased \$16,440 to \$550,160.

Fruit and Nut Crops decreased \$159,450 to \$112,380.

We wish to extend our sincere thanks and appreciation to all individuals, producers and agencies who supplied pertinent information for the compilation of this report.

Respectfully submitted,

Victor A. Canavese, Commissioner

Department of Agriculture

County of San Mateo

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FUNCTIONS AND ACTIVITIES

SAN MATEO COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Year - 1969

Under the general supervision of the State Director of Agriculture, and as provided by California State Statutes, the County Agricultural Commissioner has the responsibility of enforcing certain provisions of the Agricultural, Administrative, other State Government Codes, and certain Federal Regulations for the benefit and protection of the producers and consumers of agricultural commodities, also to protect human and animal safety, and the environment from contamination by agricultural pesticides.

The County Board of Supervisors, to whom the Agricultural Commissioner is directly responsibile, may assign additional duties.

The following summary presents statistical information on the activities of the department and the gross value of agricultural production for the year 1969.

APIARY

In compliance with the State Agricultural Code all beekeepers register with their County Agricultural Commissioner each year. Inspection of all bee colonies is made every spring to determine the presence of serious bee diseases. Any colonies found to be infected with American Foulbrood, an incurable disease, are required to be destroyed.

	APIARIES	COLONIES
Inspections	56	539
Diseased	7	7
Destroyed	6	6

CIVIL DEFENSE

Representing the Food Administration Division of the California Disaster office, we keep an inventory of the wholesale foods available in the event of a serious emergency.

FAIRS

San Matec County's floral exhibit at the 1969 Cal-Expo received top honors. We were awarded the Perpetual Trophy, a special trophy and fifty-five Excellence blue ribbons, which were distributed among our 75 contributing county growers. There was no prize money awarded, however a monetary reward for outstanding exhibits has been proposed for 1970.

The department assists in the organizing and judging of the Agricultural Division of the San Mateo County Fair & Fiesta under the direction of the Agricultural Commissioner, who is an ex officio member of the Board of Directors.

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LABORATORY

Well water samples may be submitted for salinity analysis. Irrigation water that has high saline content may cause plant injury.

Tests Made 10

We prepare plant root and foliage specimens in our laboratory for determination, by the State Bureau of Plant Pathology, of the presence of Burrowing Nematode and other serious parasitic nematode pests.

Samples Taken and Tests Made 841
Times Plant Parasitic Nematodes Found 205

NURSERY INSPECTION

San Mateo County has 236 plant nurseries with an annual business in excess of \$6,474,000. Standards for pest cleanliness, quality grading and labeling are set by the State. Each nursery is inspected not less than once a year to insure compliance with these regulations.

Calls	1,336
Nurseries Inspected	327
Notices of Noncompliance	80

PEST CONTROL ENFORCEMENT

State regulations require all Agricultural Pest Control Operators to obtain a state license, to register annually with the Agricultural Commissioner in all counties where they conduct business, and to submit monthly reports showing the locations and amounts of pesticides used.

Permits to buy or apply injurious and/or restricted chemicals must be secured from the County Agricultural Commissioner annually. Careless use of these chemicals could prove dangerous to human, animal and/or plant life.

Effective January 1, 1970 the State Legislature and Department of Agriculture issued new laws and regulations curtailing the use of many pesticides.

Calls	424
Permits Issued	216
Pest Control Operators Registered	85

PEST CONTROL INFORMATION

Advice and assistance on horticultural and pest problems is given to growers, nurserymen, park departments, schools, pest control operators and home owners. Identification of insects, plants, diseases and weeds, as well as the proper care of agricultural and ornamental plants, is available.

Calls 2,182

PLANT QUARANTINE

Quarantine regulations provide for the inspection of incoming plants, and plant products, at their point of entry into the county. Inspections are made at 182 air, rail and truck terminals, post offices, express agencies and nurseries. Plant Quarantine serves as an important deterrent to the introduction and spread of pests and diseases within the county and state.

Calls		9,347
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RELEASED	REJECTED
13,393 4 494 419	106 98,324

Shipment of plants, plant material and produce to foreign countries, and other states, must comply with State and Federal regulations. Farm machinery moving within the state is inspected and certified as being free of Club Root disease. In these connections the following certificates were issued.

Interstate and Foreign	1		1,764
Club Root		*	71

PREDATORY ANIMAL CONTROL

Under a cooperative agreement with the U. S. Department of the Interior, California Department of Agriculture and California Department of Public Health, San Mateo County has the services of a full time predatory animal hunter and a part time hunter. Maintaining control of small predators is important as a preventative of a rabies outbreak.

Calls	1,098
Bobcats Taken	31
Coyotes Taken	192
Foxes Taken	21
Others Taken (Raccoons, Skunks, etc.)	133

RODENT AND PEST ANIMAL CONTROL

Ground squirrel eradication is conducted on a year-round basis, throughout the county, as these animals are known carriers of Tularemia and Bubonic Plague.

Poison baits for control of rats, gophers, and field mice are sold to commercial growers at cost. 1,900 pounds of poisoned grains were prepared in 1969.

Cooperation was extended to the County Health Department in their urban area rodent control work.

Calls		699
Acres	Inspected	10,384
Acres	Treated	881

SEED INSPECTION

California Seed Law requires the inspection of agricultural and vegetable seed to insure compliance with labeling and germination standards.

Calls		270
Dealers		207
		1,018
Lots inspected		99
Lots in Violation		, 22

STANDARDIZATION

Inspections of fresh fruits, vegetables, eggs, honey, nuts and poultry meats are made at wholesale and retail markets, packing houses, and in the field for conformity to state standards, which protect both the producer and consumer. Products not meeting these standards are rejected and removed from sale.

Calls	14,1	230
COMMODITIES	INSPECTIONS	VIOLATIONS
Produce (containers) Eggs (dozens) Poultry (packages) Honey (containers)	8,477,108 1,156,598 136,080 118,756	39,475 32,888 24 1,115

14,230

The Golden Gate Produce Terminal received over 8,000,830 containers of produce during 1969, with a reported sales gross of over 96 million dollars.

STATISTICS

An annual report showing the acreage, production and value of crops grown in San Mateo County is published each year. This report is available to agricultural, educational and governmental agencies, allied industries and interested parties.

> 746 Calls

SURVEY AND PEST DETECTION

Surveys and trapping programs are conducted annually for the detection and prevention of serious agricultural pests, such as Japanese Beetle, Gypsy and Brown Tail Moths, Citrus White Flies, Khapra Beetle and various Fruit Flies from becoming established in the county.

> 3,276 Calls 383 Traps Used

WEED CONTROL

Detection and eradication of primary and secondary noxious weeds is a year-round program. Surveillance of agricultural and suburban areas, as well as Southern Pacific's right-of-way, is maintained.

Under a service agreement with the State Division of Highways, weed eradication work is performed along designated state highways. The county is reimbursed for this work.

Calls 347
Acres Inspected 2,442
Acres Treated 770

OTHER ACTIVITIES

- 1. Public service calls during 1969 totaled 10,970. Advice was offered on plant insect and disease control, weed control, and agricultural and home garden cultural practices.
- 2. The Commissioner and staff members attended 231 meetings sponsored by the State Department of Agriculture, the University of California, scientific panels and numerous agricultural agencies.
- 3. Two Coastside weather stations were maintained for the U. S. Commerce Department.
- 4. Supervised a weed abatement program on unimproved properties in one residential district and computed proportional costs for property assessments.
- Talks regarding agricultural and cultural problems were given by various staff members to garden, farm, school and service organizations.
- 6. Monthly and annual reports to the State Department of Agriculture were prepared. A narrative and statistical monthly report was compiled and forwarded to the Board of Supervisors.
- 7. Completed weekly report forms on crops harvested, weather and livestock conditions for the California Crop and Livestock Service.
- 8. Post-entry quarantine inspections were given to the growing grounds of importers of foreign plant material.
- 9. Elm trees along county roads were sprayed as a control measure for the serious pest, Elm Leaf Beetle.
- 10. Office libraries for related information, furnished by the University of California, U. S. Department of Agriculture, State Department of Agriculture and various other agencies, were maintained.
- 11. In conjunction with the State Department of Agriculture investigated problems regarding poison residue on edible crops used for human or animal consumption.
- 12. Marketing Orders are requested by the growers of various agricultural commodities to insure a superior product, as well as an equitable return. Assistance in enforcing these standards was given to the Artichoke, Brussels Sprout, and Peach and Plum Advisory Boards.

- 13. Cooperated with the State Department of Agriculture in maintaining a seed potato disease test plot on the Coastside.
- 14. Under the jurisdiction of the Air Pollution Control Board, 13 burning permits, to control diseases and insects attacking agricultural and horticultural plantings, were issued.
- 15. In cooperation with the County Health and Welfare Department and the State Division of Industrial Safety, investigated possible injury to agricultural workers from the improper application or handling of injurious pesticides.

LEADING AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES

Carnations	\$ 4,492,000
Flowering Plants	4,252,000
Ornamental Nursery Stock	3,541,000
Chrysanthemums	2,600,000
Brussels Sprouts	1,427,500
Roses	1,398,000
Marguerites	1,206,000
Cuttings & Liners	936,000
Strawflowers	909,000
Indoor Decoratives	871,000
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SAN MATEO COUNTY POPULATION

1940	112,000
1945	167,000
1950	239,000
1955	345,000
1960	444,000
1965	527,000
1969	550,400

ANNUAL CROP REPORT

VEGETABLE CROPS

			PRO_D L	JCTION		VALUE		
Сгор	Year	Harvested Acreage	Per Acre	Total	Unit	Per Unit		Total
Artichoke Total	1969 1968	684 730	4.04 3.40	2,764 2,484	Ton	\$208.79 197.50	\$	577,100 490,600
Fresh Mkt.	1969 1968			2,600 2,360	11 11	212.00 200.00	(551,000) 4 72, 000)
Processing	1969 1968			164 124	11	159.00 150.00	(26,100) 18,600)
Beans, Snap	1969 1968	47 2 0	2.32 4.00	109 80	11	336.00 320.00		36,600 2 5,600
Beets, Table	1969 1968	26 30	5.23 4.76	136 143	11 11	143.00 240.00		19,400 34,300
Broccoli, Sprouting	1969 1968	3 5	3.30 3.20	9.9 16	11	210.00 181.00		2,080 2,900
Brussels Spro Total	uts 1969 1968	1,010 1,260	6.73 4.92	6,800 6, 2 00	11	210.00 244.00		1,427,500 1,513,000
Fresh Mkt.	1969 1968			350 930	11	210.00 210.00	(73,500) 195,000)
Processing	1969 1968			6,450 5,270	11	210.00 250.00	(1,354,000) 1,318,000)
Cabbage	1969 1968		9.75 9.91	624 555	11	64.00 62.00		39,900 34,400
Calabrasi	1969 1968		11.20 11.30	134 136	11	278.00 260.00		37,300 35,400
Carrots	1969 1968		11.20 11.30	45 68	11 11	140.00 133.00		6,300 9,040
Celery	1969 1968		27.80 32.00	306 256	11 11	104.00 92.00		31,800 23,600
Celery Root	1969 1968		6.00 6.50	54 65	11 11	193.00 175.00		10,400 11,400
Chard	1969 1969		22.20 22.20	1,290 511	. II	138.00 135.00		178,000 69,000

VEGETABLE CROPS

			PRODUCTION			VALUL	
		Harvested	Per		- Unit_	Per Unit	Total
Crop	Year	Acreage	Acre	Total	UIII		
Corn, Sweet	1969 1968	24 16	5.00 5.00	120 80	Ton	\$120.00 \$ 125.00	14,400 10,000
Dandelion Root	1969 1968	8 8	6.00 6.00	48 48	#1 11	260.00 250.00	12,500
Greenleaf Vegetables*	1969 1968	35 48	8.46 7.56	296 363	11	387.00 176.00	115,000 63,900
Leeks	1969 1968	26 28	7.88 7.89	205 221	11	178.00 225.00	36,500 49,700
Lettuce All Var.	1969 1968	300 350	5.40 7.14	1,620 2,500	11 11	145.00 118.00	235,000 295,000
Parsley	1969 1968	10 10	11.30 9.00	113 90	f1 f1	311.00 375.00	35,100 33,800
Peas, Market	1969 1968	408 340	1.50 1.65	612 561	H	276.00 340.00	169,000 191,000
Potatoes	1969 1968	100 68	15.50 16. 2 0	1,550 1,100	11 11	50.00 55.80	77,500 61,400
Radish	1969 1968	252 250	3.40 4.04	857 1,010	11	184.00 130.00	158,000 131,000
Spinach	1969 1968	66 54	4.38 3.00	289 162	11	248.00 200.00	71,700 32,400
Spinach New Zealand	d 1969 1968	30 38	9.00 9.00	270 342	11	220.00 240.00	59,400 82,100
Squash Winter	1969 1968	284 2 40	13.20 16.50	3,750 3,960	11	80.00 75.00	300,000 297,000
Summer	1969 1968	<i>ц</i> 10	11.20 11.20	45 112	11	150.00 143.00	6,750 16,000

^{*} Includes Kale and Mustard Greens, etc.

VEGETABLE CROPS

· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			PRODUCTION			VALUE		
Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Per Acre	Total	<u>Uni t</u>	Per Unit		Total
Miscellaneous Vegetables, Field and In		-						
door Grown*	1969 1968	· 69 65					\$	2,909,000 2,718,000
* Includes An Seasoning P				rsnips,				
TOTAL	1969 1968	3,544 3,685					\$	6,566,230 6,242,540
			FIELD	CROPS				
Beans, Dry					_	.		
Edible*	1969 1968	70 38	.49 2 .579	34 22	Ton	\$210.00 211.36	\$	7,140 4,650
Barley	1969 1968	500 1,150	.816 .69	408 794	11 11	51.20 44.60		20,900 35,400
Нау								
Ğrain	1969 1968	3,350 4,320	1.91 1.85	6,400 7,990	11	24.50 22.00		157,000 176,000
Other Tame	1969 1968	840 400	1.40 1.06	1,180 424	11 11	25.50 23.00		30,100 9,750
0ats	1969 1968	1,900 2,150	.584 .63	1,110 1,350	11	51.20 51.90		56,800 70,100
Pasture								
Irrigated	1969 1968	700 650			Acre	72.00 65.00		50,400 42,200
Other	1969 1968	41,500 40,100			ti ti	5.00 4.50		208,000 180,000
* Includes Fa	ava Bea	ans, Dry						
TOTAL	1969 1968	48,860 48,808					\$	530,340 518,100

SEED CROPS

Crop Brussels Sprouts Seans, Fava Flower Seed	Year 1969 1968	Harvested Acreage	Per Acre	Total	Unit	Per Unit	To	otal
Brussels Sprouts Seans, Fava	1969	Mcreage	ACIE	.0.01	<u> </u>			
Sprouts Beans, Fava								
	-			296 350	Lb.	\$ 24.00 26.00	\$	7,100 9,100
Flower Seed	1969 1968			440 221	Cwt	28.00 28.00		12,300 6,200
	1969 1968			2.5 2	Lb.	168.00 160.00		420 320
TOTAL	1969 1968						\$	19,820 15,620
			FRUIT AND	NUT CROPS				
Apples						06		10 500
Total	1969 1968	43 43	3.93 3.00	169 1 2 9	Ton	\$115.86 172.00	\$	19,580 22,200
Fresh	1969 1968			107 105) () (160.00 200.00	(17,100) 21,000)
Processing	1969 1968			62 24	11	40.00 50.00		2,480) 1,200)
Prunes	1969 1968	16 13	3.13 2.31	50 3 0	11	302.00 273.00		15,100 8,190
Strawberries				-4	11	506.00		91 100
Total	1969 1968	3 3 ⁴	12.00 11.10	36 376	11	586.00 5 25. 37		21,100 197,540
Fresh	1969 1968			36 360	11	586.00 532.00	(21,100) 192,000)
Processing	1969 1968			- 16	11	346.00	(- 5,540
Walnuts	1969 1968	93 117	.667 .583	62 68.2	11	638.00 578.00		39,600 39,400

FRUIT AND NUT CROPS

Crop		Harvested Acreage	Per Acre	Total	O N Unit	Per	otal
Miscellaneou Fruits*	1969 1968	14 19 Grapes.	Pears.	Plums and I	Bushberri	es .	\$ 17,000 4,500
TOTAL	1969 1968	169 22 6					\$ 112,380 271,830

FLORAL AND NURSERY CROPS OUTDOOR GROWN

	PR ODUCTION				VALUE		
		Area	4		Per		
Item	Year	Acres	Production	Unit	Unit	Total	
Cut Flowers							
Acacia	1969 1968	19 19	77,900 83,600	Bag	\$.75 .646	\$ 58,400 54,000	
Agapanthus	1969 1968	4 2	9,600 5,800	Doz.	1.26 .96	12,100 5,570	
Aster	1969 1968	2	- 358,000	Bloom	.04	14,300	
Calla Lily	1969 1968	18 19	93,600 118,000	Doz.	1.00 .95	93,600 11 2, 000	
Chrysanthemum Pompon	1969 1968	14 14	294,000 298,000	Bunch	.69 .63	203,000 188,000	
Cut Foliage	1969 1968	37 54	111,000 162,000	H H	.91 .80	101,000 130,000	
Dahlias	1969 1968	4 5	400,000 500,000	Bloom	.037 .03	14,800 15,000	
Heather	1969 1968	116 115	425,000 363,000	Bunch	.612 .52	260,000 189,000	
Iris	1969 1968	56 51	196,000 204,000	Doz.	.893 .872	175,000 178,000	

FLORAL AND NURSERY CROPS OUTDOOR GROWN

	F	PRODUCTION			VALUE	
•	_	Area	Droduction	Unit	P er Unit	Total
Item	Year	Acres	Production	0117 C	OHIL	10 tu 1
Margueri tes	1969 1968	213 175	3,250,000 3,150,000	Bunch	\$.371 .37	\$ 1,206,000 1,166,000
Narcissus	1969 1968	22 21	2,750,000 2,100,000	Bloom	.036 .0281	99,000 59,000
Shasta Daisy	1969 1968	41 47	5,330,000 6,110,000	H H	.057 .048	304,000 293,000
Stocks	1969 1968	1 3	4,600 13,800	Doz.	.72 .65	3,310 9,000
Strawflowers	1969 1968	153 124	50,500 3 9,000	Box	18.00 19.00	909,000 741,000
Violets	1969 1968	7 7	38,500 35,000	Dz. Bunch	2.26 2.00	87,000 70,000
Yarrow	1969 1968	17 16	459,000 2 40,000	Doz.	.37 .60	170,000 144,000
Miscellaneous Flowersが	1969 1968	70 73	822,000 365,000	Bunch	• 3 ⁴ • 55	279,000 201,000
*** Includes	Begonia	s, Sweet Wil	lliam, Tulip	s, etc.		
Sub- To tal	1969 1968	792 747				\$ 3,975,210 3,568,870
Ornamentals						
Bulbs	1969 1968	7 16	350,000 604,000	Bulb !!	\$.14	\$ 49,000 50,000
Bedding Plants	1969 1968	14 43	11,000 34,000	Flat	2.45 2.25	27,000 76,500
Herbaceous Perennials	1969 1968	9 7	1,040,000 600,000	Plant "	. 245 . 25	255,000 150,000
Christmas Trees	1969 1968	310 256	21,100 10,200	Tree	5.78 5.53	122,000 56,400

FLORAL AND NURSERY CROPS OUTDOOR GROWN

	PR ODUC T I ON			VALUE		
ltem	Year	Area Ac res	Production	Unit	Per Unit	Total
Nursery Stock	1969 1968*	8 2 55				\$ 3,541,000 2,377,000
* Revised						
TOTAL	1969 1968*	1,214 1,124				\$ 7,969,210 6,278,770

FLORAL AND NURSERY CROPS INDOOR GROWN

		PR ODUC TI ON			VALU	E	
		Area	- 1	11-1-	Per Unit		Total
l tem	Year	Sq. Ft.	Production	<u>Unit</u>	Unit		Total
Cut Flowers			C				
Carnations	1969 1968	3,100,000 3,134,000	71,300,000 72,091,000	Bloom	\$.063 .064	\$	4,492,000 4,614,000
Chrysanthemums Total	1969 1968	4,639,000 4,044,000					2,397,000 1,916,000
Standard	1969 1968	(2,375,000) (2,069,000)	7,125,000 6,209,000	11	.178 .165	(1,268,000) 1,024,000)
All Other Types*	1969 1968		3,086,000 2,462,000	11 11	.127 .115	(392,000) 283,000)
Pompon	1969 1968	(1,490,000) (1,338,000)	969,000 870,000	Bunch	.761 .70	(737,000) 609,000)
Ferns	1969 1968	175,000 239,000	1,208,000 1,651,000	11	.25 .18		302,000 297,000
Gardenias	1969 1968	114,000 113,000	1,710,000 1,698,000	Bloom	. 148 . 14		253,000 238,000
Orchids	1969 1968		713,000 661,000	H H	.53 .53		378,000 350,000
Roses	1969 1968		11,362,000 11,029,000		.123		1,398,000 1,202,000

^{*} Includes Fujii, Spiders, Disbuds, Anemone, etc.

FLORAL AND NURSERY CROPS INDOOR GROWN

		PR ODUC TION			VALU	I E	
	•	Area	Dundunki on	Uni t	Per Unit	Total	
Item	Year	Sq. Ft.	Production	UITE	OH C		
Miscellaneous							
Cut		160 000	151 000	Bunch	\$ 1.25	\$ 189,000	
Flowers**	1969	168,000 168,000	151,000 128,000	11	1.64	210,000	
	1968	100,000	120,000				
Pot Plants							
	1060	1,824,000	3,730,000	Plant	1.14	4,252,000	
Flowering	1969 1968	1,681,000	3,422,000	11	1.05	3,593,000	
	1300	1,001,000	3,,				
Indoor			(n(000	11	1.37	871,000	
Decorative	1969	320,000	636,000 782,000	u	.68	532,000	
	1968	266,000	702,000		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •		
** Includes	Snapdra	agon, Stepha	notis, Freesia	, etc.			
Sub-Total	1969	11,185,000				\$14,532,000	
3ub- 10 ta 1	1968	10,453,000				12,952,000	
			1				
Propaga ted			•				
1 Topaga ceu							
Bedding	1060	7 000	25,000	Flat	\$ 2.96	\$ 74,000	
Plants	1969 1968	7,000 6,400	22,500	11	2.35	53,000	
	1300	0,.00	,-				
Cuttings and			1. 702 000	Plant	. 199	936,000	
Liners	1969	192,000 387,000	4,703,000 11,717,000	Hant	.085	996,000	
	1968	307,000	11,717,000				
		22 201 200				\$15,542,000	
TOTAL	1969 1968	11,384,000 10,846,400				14,001,000	
	1300	10,010,100					
	_		7 00	8,000 Squa	re Feet		
Total Glass	and Pla	astic Area	/,990	o,ooo aque			
TOTAL VALUE	ALL FL	ORAL CROPS			1969	\$18,629,210	
1011.2					1968***	16,577,270	
		něčěny chone			1969	4,882,000	
TOTAL VALUE	ALL NU	KSEKY LKUPS			1968****	3,702,500	
					•		
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LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY

		PRODU	CTION		VALU	E
		Number	Total		Per	* - 4 - 1
Item	Year	of Head	Liveweight	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Unit</u>	Total
Cattle and Calves	1969 1968	3,540 4,690	18,600 28,700	Cwt.	\$ 28.70 22.50	\$ 534,000 646,000
Milkers Sold	1969 1968	760 1,200		Head	375.00 342.00	285,000 410,000
Sheep and Lambs	1969 1968	1,000 2,620	1,000 2,830	Cwt.	27.40 16.30	27,400 46,100
Hogs and Pigs	1969 1968	7,850 26,400	7,850 23,400	11 11	23.6 0 19.70	185,000 461,000
Other Livestock*	1969 1968					1,100 1,710
* Includes Ra	bbits	, Ducks and	i Chickens.			
TOTAL	1969 1968					\$ 1,032,500 1,564,810

LIVESTOCK, POULTRY AND APIARY PRODUCTS

				VALU	E
l tem	Year	Production	Unit	Per Unit	Total
Milk, Market	1969 1968*	8,800 75,200	Cwt.	\$ 5.09 5.01	\$ 44,800 377,000
Milk, Manufacturing	1969 1968*	1,070 2,230	t1 11	4.42 3.96	4,730 8,830
Wool	1969 1968	11,600 17,500	Lb.	.303 .324	3,520 5,670
Eggs, Chicken	1969 1968	10,500 10,500	Doz.	.387 .334	4,060 3,510
Honey	1969 1968	10,800 37,400	Lb.	.12	1,300 4,490

LIVESTOCK, POULTRY AND APIARY PRODUCTS

				VAL	U E	
l tem	Year	Production	Unit	Per Unit		Total
Beeswax	1969 1968	1,000 1,250	Lb.	\$.70 .70	\$	700 875
* Revised		•				
TOTAL	1969 1968*				\$	59,110 400,375

JANUARY 1 INVENTORY OF LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY - 1969-1970

Item	January 1, 1969*	January 1, 1970
Cattle and Calves All Milk Cows, 2 years and over	10,400 300	9,400 100
Sheep and Lambs	2,000	2,300
Hogs and Pigs***	3,300	2,400
Horses	100	75
Hens and Pullets	1,000	900

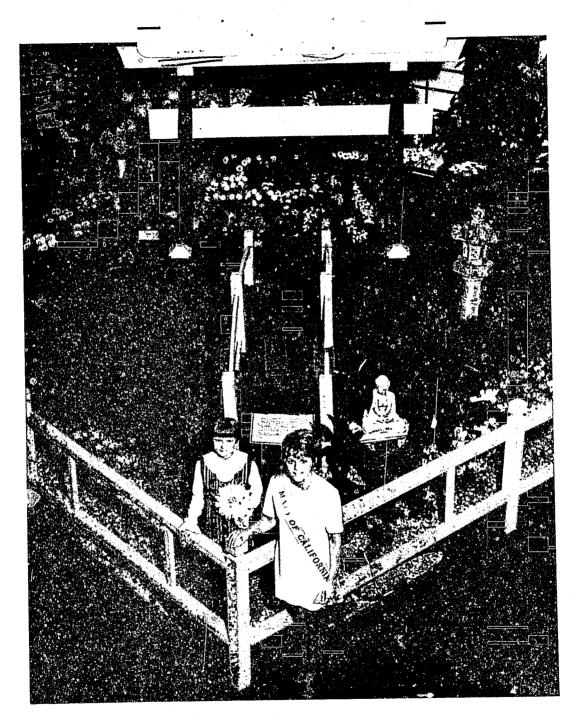
^{*} Revised

RECAPITULATION

PRODUCTION VALUES

		1968	1969		
Vegetable Crops		\$ 6,242,540	\$ 6,566,230		
Flower and Nursery Crops		20,279,770 *	23,511,210		
Field Crops		518,100	530,340		
Seed Crops		15,620	19,820		
Fruit and Nut Crops		271,830	112,380		
Livestock and Poultry		1,564,810	1,032,500		
Livestock, Poultry and Apiary Products		400,375 *	59,110		
* Revised					
TOTAL	 	\$ 29,293,045 *	\$ 21,831,590		
	COMPARATI	VE PRODUCTION VALUES			
	1960	\$ 17,389,074			
	1961	16,394,412			
	1962	17,658,700			
	1963	17,747,870			
	1964	18,003,286			
	1965	18,633,251			
	1966	20,126,117			
	1967	25,547,002			

AGRICULTURAL REPORT 1970



OUR 1970 STATE FAIR EXHIBIT

SAN MATEO COUNTY

AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER

Honorable Board of Supervisors County of San Mateo and Jerry W. Fielder, Director State Department of Agriculture

Gentlemen:

With great pleasure I hereby submit the Annual Agricultural Report, prepared in accordance with Section 2279 of the California Agricultural Code, showing the gross value, acreage and production of all agricultural commodities, including livestock, grown during 1970 in San Mateo County. Not included in this report is the cost of producing, harvesting, packaging and shipping. Included is a narrative section showing the major duties, functions and responsibilities of our department.

The record gross value of \$33,300,660 represents a gain of \$1,450,500 over the record set last year. We are pleased that this increase was attained, notwithstanding the economic slowdown of 1970. Flowering Potted Plants led all crops with \$4,564,000, up \$312,000 from 1969. Carnations dropped to second with \$4,288,000 and Ornamental Nursery Stock remained third with \$4,260,000. Chrysanthemums in fourth place increased \$217,000 to \$2,817,000 and Brussels Sprouts retained the lead in the vegetable category with \$1,457,000, up \$29,500.

Floriculture and Ornamental Crops increased \$924,190 to \$24,435,400, with substantial gains recorded by Ornamental Nursery Stock, Yarrow, Strawflowers, Flowering Plants and Chrysanthemums, however, losses were shown by Cuttings and Liners, Carnations, Roses and Marguerites.

Vegetables increased to \$7,130,900, a gain of \$564,670, with Miscellaneous Vegetables (which includes mushrooms, garlic, tomatoes, etc.) gaining \$693,000 to \$3,602,000. Beans up \$49,400 to \$86,000 and Lettuce climbed \$38,000 to \$273,000. Winter Squash dropped \$139,000 to \$161,000; Artichokes declined \$75,900 to \$501,200, and Greenleaf Vegetables lost \$73,000 to \$42,000.

Livestock and Poultry had a modest increase of \$13,200 to \$1,045,700.

<u>Livestock, Poultry and Apiary Products</u> also showed a slight gain of \$12,800 to \$90,480.

Field and Seed Crops lost \$49,340 to \$500,820.

Fruit and Nut Crops declined to \$97,360, a loss of \$15,020.

To the individuals, producers and agencies who assisted us by furnishing the necessary information I express my sincere appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

Victor A. Canavese, Commissioner Department of Agriculture County of San Mateo

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FUNCTIONS AND ACTIVITIES

SAN MATEO COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Year - 1970

The County Agricultural Commissioner, under the general supervision of the State Director of Agriculture and as provided by California State Statutes, is responsible for enforcing certain provisions of the Agricultural, Administrative, and other State Government Codes, as well as certain Federal Regulations, for the benefit and protection of the producers and consumers of agricultural commodities. Under certain provisions the Agricultural Commissioner is responsible for protection of the environment, human and animal safety from contamination by agricultural pesticides.

Additional duties may be assigned by the County Board of Supervisors, to whom the Agricultural Commissioner is directly responsible.

The following summary presents statistical information on the activities of the department and the gross value of agricultural production for the year 1970.

APIARY

The State Agricultural Code requires all beekeepers to yearly register with their County Agricultural Commissioner. Each spring an inspection of apiaries is made to determine the presence of serious bee diseases. Any colonies found infected with American Foulbrood, an incurable disease, are destroyed.

	APIARIES	COLONIES		
Inspections	66	423		
Diseased	3	13		
Destroyed	3	13		

CIVIL DEFENSE

Representing the Food Administration Division of the California Disaster Office, we maintain an inventory of the wholesale foods available in the event of a serious emergency.

FAIRS

The San Mateo County Exhibit featured a floral Japanese garden in 1970 at the California State Fair. It won the Exhibit Trophy and 60 Excellence Blue Ribbons. Monetarily we won \$1600, plus \$300 for exhibiting perishable commodities. The blue ribbons were distributed among our 72 contributing county growers.

We assist in the organizing and judging of the Agricultural Division of the San Mateo County Fiesta under the direction of the Agricultural Commissioner, who is an ex officio member of the Board of Directors.

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LABORATORY

Samples of well water used for irrigation may be submitted for salinity analysis. A high saline content may cause plant injury.

Tests Made 21

Burrowing nematode host plant roots and foliage specimens are prepared, processed and forwarded to the State Bureau of Plant Pathology for determination of burrowing nematode and other serious parasitic nematode pests.

Samples Taken and Tests Made 529
Times Plant Parasitic Nematodes Found 107

NURSERY INSPECTION

To insure compliance with State regulations, regarding quality grading, pest cleanliness and labeling, each San Mateo County nursery is inspected not less than once a year. San Mateo County has 244 plant nurseries with an annual business in excess of \$6,806,000.

Calls
Nurseries Inspected
Notices of Noncompliance

1,181
234
85

PEST CONTROL ENFORCEMENT

Agricultural Pest Control Operators are required by law to obtain a State license and register with the Agricultural Commissioner in each county where they perform pest control. Monthly reports, giving locations and quantities of pesticides used, must be sent to the applicable Agricultural Commissioner.

Permits to buy or apply injurious materials must be obtained annually from the Agricultural Commissioner. All users of the injurious materials must submit monthly use reports.

In 1970 a citation for illegal use of a dangerous chemical resulted in a court hearing and conviction. Careless use of pesticides could prove harmful to human, animal, and/or plant life.

Calls
Permits Issued
Pest Control Operators Registered
275
84

PEST CONTROL INFORMATION

Assistance and advice on horticultural and pest problems is given to growers, nurserymen, park departments, schools, pest control operators and home owners. Identification of insects, plants, diseases and weeds, as well as information on the cultural aspects of agricultural and ornamental plants, is offered.

Calls 2,363

PLANT QUARANTINE

In compliance with State and Federal regulations, all incoming plants and plant products are inspected upon their entry into the county. Inspection points are air, rail and truck terminals, post offices, express agencies and nurseries.

Calls		9,476
	RELEASED	REJECTED
Shipments Plants	12,693 5,385,443	117 47,592

Interstate and foreign shipments of plants, plant material and produce must conform to State and Federal regulations. Intrastate movement of farm machinery requires prior inspection and certification as to its being free of Club Root, a serious disease of some crucifers.

Interstate and Foreign Certi	ficates 1,757
Club Roct Certificates	91

PREDATORY ANIMAL CONTROL

Under a cooperative agreement with the U. S. Department of the Interior, California Department of Agriculture and California Department of Public Health, San Mateo County has the services of a full time predatory animal hunter and a part time hunter. Maintaining control of small predators protects domestic livestock and poultry, as well as preventing a rabies outbreak.

Calls	1,033
	37
Bobcats Taken	214
Coyotes Taken	19
Foxes Taken	
Others Taken (Raccoons, Skunks, etc.)	59
Others laken (Raccoolis, Skulks, etc.)	*

RODENT AND PEST ANIMAL CONTROL

The eradication of ground squirrels, carriers of Tularemia and Bubonic Plague, is conducted on a year-round program throughout the county.

As a service to commercial growers, poison baits, for control of rats, gophers and field mice, are sold at cost. In 1970 3700 pounds of poisoned grains were prepared.

Cooperation was given to the County Health Department in their urban area rodent control work.

Calls	735 9.844
Acres Inspected	691
Acres Treated	160

SEED INSPECTION

Agricultural and vegetable seed is inspected to insure its compliance with labeling and germination standards as set forth in the California Seed Law.

Calls	257
Dealers	217
Lots Inspected	1,135
Lots in Violation	69

STANDARDIZATION

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Inspections of fresh fruits, vegetables, eggs, honey and nuts are made at wholescle and retail markets, packing houses and in the fields, to insure compliance with State standards. Failure to comply results in removal from sale. These standards protect both the producer and consumer against inferior products.

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COMMODITIES	INSPECTIONS	VIOLATIONS		
Produce (containers) Eggs (dozens) Honey (containers)	7,809,863 1,936,062 159,556	41,288 26,442		

The Golden Gate Produce Terminal received over 7,163,413 containers of produce during 1970 with a reported sales gross of over 88 million dollars.

STATISTICS

Each year a report is published giving the acreage, production and value of crops grown in San Mateo County. This report is available to agricultural, educational and governmental agencies, allied industries and interested parties.

Calls 596

SURVEY AND PEST DETECTION

Trapping and survey programs are conducted annually for the detection and prevention of serious agricultural pests, such as Japanese Beetle, Khapra Beetle, Gypsy and Brown Tail Moths, Citrus White Flies and various Fruit Flies, from becoming established in the county.

Calls 3,324
Traps Used 497

WEED CONTROL

Detection and eradication of primary and secondary noxious weeds is a year-round program in agricultural and suburban areas, as well as Southern Pacific's right-of-way.

Reimbursable service agreements were made with the State Division of Highways

and Southern Pacific Company for weed eradication work.

Calls		368
Acres Inspected		2,917
Acrea Treated		493

OTHER ACTIVITIES

- 1. In 1970 public service calls totaled 12,520. Advice was given on plant insect and disease control, weed control, and agricultural and home garden cultural problems.
- Meetings sponsored by the State Department of Agriculture, the University of California, scientific panels and numerous agricultural agencies were attended by the Commissioner and staff members.
- 3. Two Coastside weather stations were maintained for the U. S. Commerce Department.
- 4. Supervised a weed abatement program on unimproved properties in one residential district and computed proportional costs for property assessments.
- Various staff members were requested to give talks regarding agricultural and cultural problems before garden, farm, school and service organizations.
- 6. Monthly and annual reports to the State Department of Agriculture were prepared. A narrative and statistical monthly report was compiled and forwarded to the Board of Supervisors, Director of State Department of Agriculture and the Regional Coordinator.
- 7. Weekly report forms on crops harvested, weather and livestock conditions completed and forwarded to California Crop and Livestock Service.
- Growing grounds of importers of foreign plant material were given postentry quarantine inspections.
- As a control measure for the serious pest, Elm Leaf Beetle, elm trees along county roads were sprayed.
- 10. Information furnished by the University of California, U. S. Department of Agriculture, State Department of Agriculture and various other agencies is maintained in our office libraries.
- In cooperation with the State Department of Agriculture investigated problems regarding poison residue on edible crops used for human or animal consumption.
- 12. Growers of various agricultural commodities request Marketing Orders to insure high standards and equitable returns. Assistance in enforcing these Orders is given to the Artichoke, Brussels Sprout and Peach and Plum Advisory Boards.

- 13. Assisted the State Department of Agriculture in maintaining a seed potato disease test plot on the Coastside.
- 14. To control diseases and insects attacking agricultural and horticultural plantings, 12 burning permits were issued under the jurisdiction of the Air Pollution Control Board.
- 15. In cooperation with the County Health Department, the Agricultural Extension Office and the State Division of Farm Labor, formed a committee to protect the health and safety of agricultural workers.

LEADING AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES

Flowering Plants	\$ 4,564,000
Carnations	4,288,000
Ornacental Nursery Stock	4,260,000
Chrysanthemums	2,817,000
Brussels Sprouts	1,457,000
Strawflowers	1,224,000
Roses	1,224,000
Marguerites	1,133,000
Indoor Decoratives	824,000
Cattle and Calves	568,000
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SAN MATEO COUNTY POPULATION

1940	112,000
1945	167,000
1950	239,000
1955	345,000
1960	444,000
1965	527,000
1970	556,234

ANNUAL CROP REPORT

VEGETABLE CROPS

			PRODUCTION			VALUE		
		Harvested	Per			Per		 1
Crop	Year	Acreage	Acre	Total	Unit	Unit		Total
Artichoke								
Total	1970	593	3.97	2,355	Ton	\$212.82	\$	501,200
	1969	684	4.04	2,764	11	208.79		577,100
Fresh Mkt.	1970			2,120	11	220.00	(466,000)
rresti incer	1969			2,600	11	212.00	(551,000)
Processing	1970			235		150.00	(35,200)
,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	1969			164	11	159.00	(26,100)
Beans, Snap	1970	59	4.51	26 6	11	323.00		86,000
,,	1969	47	2.32	109	11	336.00		36,600
Beets, Table	1970	20	5.25	105	11	143.00		15,000
	1969	26	5.23	136	. 11	143.00		19,400
Broccoli,								
Sprouting	1970	2	4.00	8	11 11	187.00 210.00		1,500 2,080
	1969	3	3.30	9.9	.,	210.00		2,000
Brussels Spro			= al.	e 077	н	248.00		1,457,000
Total	1970 1969	1,100 1,010	5.34 6.73	5,877 6,800	11	210.00		1,427,500
				•	11	020.00	,	125 000)
Fresh Mkt.	1970 1969			587 350	"	230.00 210.00	(135,000) 73,500)
							`,	
Processing	1970 1969			5,290 6,450	- 11 .	250.00 210.00	}	1,322,000) 1,354,000)
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Cabbage	1970	64	9.75	624	18 H	88.00		55,000
	1969	64	9.75	624	••	64.00		39,900
Calabrasi	1970	14	11.30	158	11	272.00		43,000
	1969	12	11.20	134	11	278.00		37,300
Carrots	1970	4	11.20	45	it	167.00		7,500
	1969	4	11.20	45	11	140.00		6,300
Celery	1970	11	28.90	318	щ	107.00		34,000
•	1969	11	27.80	306	11	104.00		31,800
Celery Root	1970	5	6,20	31	11	190.00		5,900
	1969	5 9	6.00	54	H	193.00		10,400

VEGETABLE CROPS

			PRODU	CTION		VALUE	
		Harvested	Per			Per	T-4-1
Crop	Year	Acreage	Acre	Total	Unit	Unit	Total
Chard	1970 1969	58 58	22.20 22.20	1,290 1,290	Ton	\$135.00 138.00	174,000 178,000
Corn, Sweet	1970 1969	30 24	7.20 5.00	216 120	11	120.00	26,000 14,400
Dandelion Root	1970 1969	4 8	6.00 6.00	24 48	11	250.00 260.00	6,000 12,500
Greenleaf Vegetables*	1970 1969	42 35	7.00 8.46	294 2 96	11	143.00 387.00	42,000 115,000
Leeks	1970 1969	24 26	7.88 7.88	189 205	11 11	354.00 178.00	67,000 36,500
Lettuce All Var,	1970 1969	320 300	6.94 5.40	2,220 1,620	81 81	123.00 145.00	273,000 235,000
Parsley	1970 1969		11.30 11.30	102 113	11	238.00 311.00	24,300 35,100
Peas, Market	1970 1969		1.75 1.50	546 612	11	293.00 276.00	160,000 169,000
Potatoes	1970 1969		22.10 15.50	1,500 1,550	11	57.00 50.00	85,500 77,500
Radish	1970 1969		3.60 3.40	86 4 857	18 18	133.00 184.00	115,000 158,000
Spinach	1970 1969		4.95 4.38	312 289	16	244.00 248.00	76,000 71,700
Spinach New Zealand	1 197 196		9.00 9.00	270 270	11 11.	300.00 220.00	81,000 59,400
Squash Winter	197 196		10.90 13.20	2,010 3,750	## ##	80.10 80.00	161,000 300,000
Summer	197 196		12.00	120 45	; 11 ; 11	267.00 150.00	32,000 6,750

^{*} Includes Kale and Mustard Greens, etc.

VEGETABLE CROPS

			PRODU	CTION	1	VALUE		
		Harvested	Per			Per Unit	To	tal
rop	Year	Acreage	Acre	Total	Unit	<u> </u>		
discellaneous Vegetables, Field and In-	_						\$ 3	,602,000
door Grown*	1970 1969	60 69					3	,909,000
* Includes An Seasoning P	ise, G lants,	arlic, Mus Tomatoes,	hrooms, Par etc.	snips,				
TOTAL	1970 1969	3,326 3,544			ί. 		\$ 7 6	,130,900 ,566,230
			FIELD (ROPS				
Beans, Dry Edible*	1970 1969	31 70	.484 .492	15 34	Ton	\$255.00 210.00	\$	3,820 7,140
Barley	1970 1969	400 500	.825 .816	330 408	() 11	47.00 51.20		15,500 20, 900
Hay Grain	1970 1969	2,850 3,350	1.5 4 1.91	4,400 6,400	11	27.00 24.50		119,000 157,000
Other Tame	1970 1969		1.01	200 1,180	11	28.30 25.50		5,660 30,100
0ats	1970 1969		. 66 . 584	924 1,110	11	48.60 51.20		44,900 56,800
Pasture Irrigated	1970 1969				Acre	79.60 72.00		51,500 50,400
Other	1979 1969	0 43,600 9 41,500			11 11	5.53 5.00		241,000 208,000
* Includes	Fava B	eans, Dry						
TOTAL		0 49,126 9 48,860					\$	481,386 530,34

SEED CROPS

			PRODU	JCTION		VALUE		
	V	Harvested	Per Acre	Total	Unit	Per Unit	To	tal
Prop	Year	Acreage	ACTE	10,41	<u> </u>		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
Brussels Sprouts	1970 1969			326 296	Lb.	\$ 26.40 24.00	\$	8,600 7,100
Beans, Fava	1970 1969			400 440	Cwt.	25.00 28.00		10,000 12,300
Flower Seed	1970 1969			5.0 2.5	Lb.	168.00 168.00		840 420
TOTAL	1970 1969						\$	19,440 19,820
			FRUIT AND	NUT CROPS				
Apples Total	1970 1969	38 43	4.18 3.93	159 169	Ton	\$110.44 115.86	\$	17,560 19,580
Fresh	1970 1969			102 107	11 21	150.00 160.00	(15,300) 17,100)
Processing	1970 1969			57 62	11	39.60 40.00	(2,260) 2,480)
Prunes	1970 1969		3.44 3.13	55 50	fl	305.00 302.00		16,800 15,100
Strawberries	1970 1969	3	12.67 12.00	38 36	## ##	558.00 586.00		21,200 21,100
Walnuts	1970 1969		.716 .667	58 62	- 11	410.00 638.00		23,800 39,600
Miscellaneous Fruits*	1970 1969							18,000 17,000
* includes A	pricot	s, Grapes,	Pears, Pl	ums and Bu	shberr	ies	·	
TOTAL	1970						\$	97,360 112,380

FLORAL AND NURSERY CROPS OUTDOOR GROWN

	PR	ODUCTION		VALUE				
	-11	Area		•	Per	T- 4-1		
ltem	Year	Acres	Production	<u>Uni t</u>	Uni t	Total		
Cut Flowers								
Acacia	1970 1969	18 19	82,800 77,900	Bag 11	\$.75 \$.75	62,100 58,400		
Agapanthus	1970 1969	3 4	7,200 9,600	Doz.	.90 1.26	6,500 12,100		
Aster	1970 1969	2 -	388,000	Bloom	. 04 -	15,600		
Calla Lily	1970 1969	8 18	41,600 93,600	Doz.	1.00 1.00	41,600 93,600		
Chrysanthemum Pompon	1970 1969	12 14	252,000 294,000	Bunch	.682 .69	172,000		
Cut Foliage	1970 1969	50 37	150,000 111,000	11 11	1.00 .91	150,00 101,00		
Dahlia	1970 1969	4 4	400,000 400,000	Bloom	.04 .037	16,00 14,80		
Heather	1970 1969	105 116	384,000 425,000	Bunch	.60 .612	230,00 260,00		
Iris	1970 1969	45 56	135,000 196,000	Doz.	.95 .893	128,00 175,00		
Marguerites	1970 1 9 69	213 213	2,982,000 3,250,000	Bunch	.38 .371	1,133,00 1,206,0		
Narcissus	1970 1969	27 22	3,375,000 2,750,000	Bloom	.037 .036	125,0 99,0		
Shasta Daisy	1970 1969	22 41	2,860,000 5,330,000	11	.05 .057	143,0 304,0		
Stocks	1970 1969	3 1	9,400 4,600	Doz.	.66 .72	6,2 3,3		
Strawflowers	1970 1969	190 153	72,000 50,500	Box	17.00 18.00	1,224,0 909,0		
Violets	1970 1969	8 7	44,000 38,500	Dz.Bunch	2.23 2.26	98,0 87,0		

FLORAL AND NURSERY CROPS OUTDOOR GROWN

· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	PF	ODUCTION			VALUE			
	Area			Uni t	Per Uni t	Total		
ltem	Year	Acres	Production	UNIE	Unit	10141		
Yarrow	1970	16	1,334,000	Doz.	\$.48			
1311011	1969	17	459,000	11	.37	170,000		
Miscellaneous		***	1.11. 000	Bunch	.63	261,000		
Flowers*	1970 1969	77 70	414,000 822,000	H	.34	279,000		
* Includes Be	gonias,	Sweet Wi	lliam, Tulips,	etc.				
Sub-Total	1970	803				\$ 4,452,000		
Sub- loca i	1969	792				3,975,210		
Ornamentals								
Bulbs	1970	3	118,000	Bulb	. 14	16,500		
DUTUS	1969	3 7	350,000	H	. 14	49,000		
Bedding		_		Flat	2.46	5,900		
Plants	1970 1969	3 14	2,400 11,000	riat II	2.45	27,000		
Herbaceous						272,000		
Perennials	1970 1969	11 9	1,184,000 1,040,000	Plant	. 23 . 245	255,000		
Christmas			16.000	T	6.00	96,000		
Trees	1970 1969	320 310	16,000 21,100	Tree	5.78	122,000		
Nursery Stock	1970	76				4,260,000		
	1969	82				3,541,000		
TOTAL	1970	1,216				\$ 9,102,400		
IVIAL	1969	1,214				7,969,210		

FLORAL AND NURSERY CROPS INDOOR GROWN

	RODUCTION		VALUE				
	<u>.</u>	Area			Per		
l tem	Year		roduction	Unit	<u>Unit</u>		Total
Cut Flowers							
Carnations	1970 1969	3,160,000 7 3,100,000 7	72,680,000 71,300,000	Bloom	\$.059 \$.063	4,288,000 4,492,000
Chrysanthemums							o (l.5 000
Total	1970 1969	5,146,000 4,639,000					2,645,000 2,397,000
Standard	1970	(2,712,000)	8.136.000	11		.175(1,424,000)
Standard	1969	(2,375,000)	7,125,000	11		.178(1,268,000)
All Other			_			3 ol. /	506,000)
Types*	1970	(971,000)	4,078,000 3,086,000	11 11		.124(.127(392,000)
	1969	(//4,000)	3,000,000			• / \	
Pompon	1970	(1,463,000)	951,000	Bunch		.752(715,000)
	1969	(1,490,000)	969,000	11		.761(737,000)
Ferns	1970	104,000	719,000	11		. 30	216,000
rems	1969	175,000	1,208,000	11		. 25	302,000
			. (00 000			. 155	260,000
Gardenias	1970 1969	112,000 114,000	1,680,000 1,710,000	B loom		.148	253,000
	1909	114,000	1,710,000				
Orchids	1970	245,000	711,000	11 11		. 58	412,000 378,000
	1969	247,000	713,000	••		.53	3/0,000
Roses	1970	664.000	12,616,000	11		.097	1,224,000
KOSES	1969		11,362,000	11		.123	1,398,000
			207 000	Bunch		1.92	398,000
Snapdragons	1970 1969*	207,000	207,000	Bunch		-	-
	13034						
Miscellaneous							
Cut	1970	51,000	76,000	11		.803	61,000
Flowers	1969	168,000	151,000	11		1.25	189,000
	. , ,						

^{*} Includes Fujii, Spiders, Disbuds, Anemone, etc.

^{**} Formerly included with Miscellaneous Cut Flowers.

^{***} Includes Lilies, Stephanotis, Fresia, etc.

FLORAL AND NURSERY CROPS INDOOR GROWN

	Р	RODUCTION			-	VALUE			
	_	Area			Pe			T-1-1	
l tem	Year	Sq. Ft. P	roduction	<u>Unit</u>	Un	it		Total	
Pot Plants									
Flowering	1970 1969	1,850,000 1,824,000		Plant	\$	1.18 1.14		4,564,000 4,252,000	
Indoor Decorative	1970 1969	328,000 320,000	698,000 636,000	H H		1.18		824,000 871,000	
Sub-Total	1970 1969	11,867,000 11,185,000						4,892,000 4,532,000	
Propagated									
Bedding Plants	1970 1969	8,800 7,000	32,000 25,000		\$	2.94 2.96	\$	94,000 74,000	
Cuttings and Liners	1970 1969		8,896,000 4,703,000			.039 1.99	•	347,000 936,000	
TOTAL	1970 1969	12,153,800 11,384,000						15,333,000 15,542,000	
Total Glass a	nd Plas	tic Area		8,392,000 Squar	e F	eet.			
TOTAL VALUE A	LL FLOR	AL CROPS		· 197				19,440,000 18,629,210	
TOTAL VALUE A	ALL NURS	ERY CROPS		197 196				4,995,400 4,882,000	

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY

		D D O D II	CTION	VALUE				
ltem	Year	Number of Head	Total Livewaight	Unit	Per Unit	Total		
Cattle and Calves	1970 1969	3,530 3,540	18,500 18,600	Cwt.	\$ 30.70 28.70	\$ 568,000 534,000		
Milkers Sold	1970 1969	725 760		Head	372.00 375.00	270,000 285,000		
Sheep and Lambs	1970 1969	1,800 1,000	1,820 1,000	Cwt.	27.20 27.40	49,500 27,400		
Hogs and Pigs	1970 1969	3,560 7,850	6,400 7,850	11	24.50 23.60	157,000 185,000		
Other Livestock#	1970 1969					1,200 1,100		
* Includes R	abbi ts,	Ducks and	Chickens.					
TOTAL	1970 1969					\$ 1,045,700 1,032,500		

LIVESTOCK, POULTRY AND APIARY PRODUCTS

				VALUE	
I tem	Year	Production	Unit	Per Unit	Total
Milk, Market	1970 1969*	14,100 12,200	Cwt.	\$ 5.30 \$ 5.04	74,700 61,500
Milk, Manufacturing	1970 1969*	1,100 1,560	11	4.50 4.23	4,950 6,600
Wool	1970 1969	15,500 11,600	Lb.	.287	4,450 3,520
Eggs, Chicken	1970 1969	8,000 10,500	Doz.	.37	2,960 4,060
Honey	1970 1969	25,400 10,800	Lb.	.11	2,800 1,300

LIVESTOCK, POULTRY AND APIARY PRODUCTS

				VALUE			
l tem	Year	Production	Unit	Per Un			otal
Beeswax	1970 1969	1,000 1,000	Lb.	\$.62 .70	\$	620 700
TOTAL	1970 1969*					\$	90,480 77,680

JANUARY 1 INVENTORY OF LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY - 1970-1971

! tem	January 1, 1970*	January 1, 1971
Cattle and Calves All Milk Cows, 2 years and over	9,400 100	9,500 100
Sheep and Lambs	2,300	1,900
Hogs and Pigs**	2,400	700
Hens and Pullets	900	770

* Revised

** As of December 1, 1969 and 1970

RECAPITULATION

PRODUCTION VALUES

	1969	1970
Vegetable Crops	\$ 6,566,230	\$ 7,130,900
Flower and Nursery Crops	23,511,210	24,435,400
Field Crops	530,340	481,380
Seed Crops	19,820	19,440
Fruit and Nut Crops	112,380	97,360
Livestock and Poultry	1,032,500	1,045,700
Livestock, Poultry and Apiary Products	77,680*	90,480
* Revised		
TOTAL	\$ 31,850,160	\$ 33,300,666
COMPA	RATIVE PRODUCTION VALUES	
1940	\$ 7,724,811	
1945	19,752,883	
1950	15,765,707	
1955	14,689,756	
1960	17,389,074	
1965	18,633,251	
1966	20,126,117	
1967	25,547,002	
1968	29,293,045	



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AGRICULTURAL CROP REPORT

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Mr. Jerry W. Fielder, Director State of California Pepartment of Agriculture

and

Honorable Board of Supervisors San Mateo County

Gentlemen:

In accordance with Section 2279 of the California Agriculture Code, I herewith submit the 1971 Agricultural Crop Report of San Mateo County. Additional information covering the major duties and responsibilities of the department is covered in the narrative section of the report and a "Million Dollar Crop" section has been added.

The total gross crop value of \$36,782,805.00 again sets a record for the county, exceeding last years value by \$3,484,335.00. Every major crop category except Livestock and Poultry Products and Seed Crops experienced a value increase. Exceptional increases occured in Floral and Nursery Crops accounting for almost two and one-half million dollars. Although production increases occured in a few crops, for the most part, a general overall price rise was responsible for the record value.

I wish to emphasize the fact that this report is based on gross production and value only, and in no way reflects net income to the grower. It is entirely possible that, in some instances, losses were sustained.

To the many growers, agencies and had iduals who contributed to this report I extend my sincere getitude and to my entire staff a very special thanks.

Respectfully submitted,

Claude W. Bridges, Commissioner
Department of Agriculture

Department of Agriculture County of San Mateo

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FUNCTIONS AND ACTIVITIES

SAN MATEO COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Year - 1971

The principal responsibility of the County Agricultural Commissioner is to promote and protect the agricultural industry, protect and benefit both grower and consumer by enforcing certain provisions of the Agricultural, Administrative and other California State Codes under the general supervision of the State Director of Agriculture as provided by California State Statutes. Also, within the authority delegated to him, to protect our environment and the health and safety of man and animal. Additional responsibilities are assigned by the County Board of Supervisors.

The following resume outlines the activities of the Department plus the harvested acreage, production and gross value for the year:

APIARY

All owners of bees must register with the Agricultural Commissioner each year. This is to prevent the spread of diseases detrimental to bee colonies including American Foul Brood disease, which is not only highly contagious, but incurable. Staff members perform an annual inspection of each Apiary and when American Foul Brood is found, the bees are required to be destroyed.

	APIARIES	COLONIES
Inspections	65	<i>կ</i> կ8
Diseased	8	10
Destroyed	8	10

CIVIL DEFENSE

As the Counties representative to the Food Administration Division of the California Disaster Office, an inventory is maintained by this department of the wholesale foods available for utilization in event of a serious emergency.

FAIRS

Participation in the California State Fair is an important function of this department. The exhibit for the year 1971 featured a Victorian Garden which again won the Exhibit Trophy together with 80 Excellence Blue Ribbons and a cash award of \$1,044.30.

The department also assists with the organization and judging of the Agricultural Division of the County Fair and Floral Fiesta; the Agricultural Commissioner is a member of its Board of Directors.

Calls

LABORATORY

Upon request, well water samples are analyzed to determine if their saline content could cause plant injury.

Tests Made 30

We prepare and process plant root and foliage specimens in our laboratory and submit them to the State Pathology Laboratory in Sacramento for determination of Burrowing Nematode and other serious plant parasitic nematodes.

Samples Taken & Tests Made 598
Times Plant Parasitic Nematodes Found 84

NURSERY INSPECTION

A total of 241 plant nurseries, doing a gross annual combined wholesale and retail business in excess of \$15,350,000 are located in San Mateo County. Each location is inspected at least once annually in order that the required degree of cleanliness, as provided for by State Nursery Inspection Regulations, is maintained.

Calls	1,140
	2 45
Nurseries Inspected	56
Notices of Noncompliance	70

PEST CONTROL ENFORCEMENT

Agricultural Pest Control Operators must conform with all county and State laws and regulations governing the conduct of their business. They must annually secure a State License and register with the Agricultural Commissioner. The Department regulates the use of all agricultural chemicals designated as injurious or restricted. Users, in order to buy or apply these chemicals, must secure a permit from this department and submit monthly reports. These products, if improperly used, could be dangerous to human, animal and plant life.

Calls	1,863
Permits Issued	275
reinii ta Taaded	75
Pest Control Operators Registered	15

PEST CONTROL INFORMATION

Assistance and advice including the identification of insects, plants, diseases and weeds, as well as information on the cultural care of agricultural and ornamental plants, is provided to growers, nurserymen, parks departments, schools, pest control firms and home owners on horticultural and pest control problems.

Calls 2,931

PLANT QUARANTINE

To prevent the introduction and spread of harmful agricultural pests within the County and State, all incoming plants, plant products and certain animals are required to be held for agricultural inspection. This work is performed at air, rail and truck terminals, post offices, express agencies and other points of entry within the county.

Calls

9,232

	RELEASED	REJECTED
Shipments	14,672	85
Plants	3,998,075*	70, 046

Plants, plant material and produce being shipped to other states and foreign countries are also required to comply with State and Federal Regulations. Certain farm machinery before being moved into another county requires inspection, treatment and certification as to freedom from Club Root, a serious disease of some crucifers.

Interstate and Foreign	Certificates	1,782
Club Root Certificates		98

PREDATORY ANIMAL CONTROL

To protect our livestock industry and because many small predatory animals are potential rabies carriers, the department, in cooperation with the United States Department of Interior and the California Department of Public Health, maintains the services of a full time predatory animal hunter.

Calls	881
	7
Bobcats Taken	137
Coyotes Taken	• • •
Foxes Taken	12
Others Taken (Raccoons, Skunks, etc.)	113
Others laken (Raccooms, Skunks, etc.)	

RODENT AND VERTEBRATE PEST CONTROL

Ground squirrels are not only serious agricultural pests, but are known carriers of diseases transmissible to humans, such as Tularemia and Bubonic Plague. Because of this, the department conducts a countywide ground squirrel eradication program.

Poison baits to control rats, gophers and field mice are sold to commercial growers, as a service, on a cost basis.

Our cooperation is also extended to the County Health Department in support of their urban area rodent control program.

Calls	579
Acres Inspected	7,178
Acres Treated	459

*Decrease this year due to a different method of reporting

SEED INSPECTION

For the purpose of insuring compliance with the California Seed Law quality standards, agricultural and vegetable seed is inspected.

Calls	258
	218
Dealers	975
Lots Inspected	
Lots in Violation	54

STANDARD I ZATION

A major activity of our department is the inspection of fresh vegetables, fruits, nuts, eggs and honey to insure compliance with State quality standards thereby protecting both the producers and consumers of these products.

Inspections are made in the field, in packing houses, and in both wholesale and retail markets.

Calls	14,625	
COMMODITIES	INSPECTIONS	VIOLATIONS
Produce (Containers) Eggs (Dozens) Honey (Containers)	7,655,417 2,121,505 163,625	31,985 35,576

The Golden Gate Produce Terminal continues to be one of the foremost whole-sale outlets for fruits and vegetables in Northern California. Produce at the terminal is received and sold throughout the State of California, the United States and many foreign countries. During 1971 the Terminal received over 6,517,195 containers and reported a gross sales volume in excess of 85 million dollars.

STATISTICS

In compliance with the California Agricultural Code, the department publishes an annual report showing the acreage, production and gross value of crops grown in San Mateo County. Upon request, copies are furnished to other agricultural, educational and governmental agencies, allied industries and interested parties. Additional statistical data regarding specific crops is also furnished upon request.

Calls 665

SURVEY AND PEST DETECTION

Countywide annual surveys and insect trapping programs are undertaken to detect and prevent the establishment of serious agricultural pests, such as Japanese Beetle, Gypsy and Brown Tail Moths, Citrus White Fly, Khapra Beetle and various fruit flies.

Calls 3,255
Traps Used 502

WEED CONTROL

Surveys and eradication programs are conducted to detect and control primary and secondary noxious weeds in the agricultural areas of the County. Under a reimbursable service agreement with the State Division of Highways and Southern Pacific Company, control work is done along designated State Highways and railroad rights-of-ways.

	296
Calls	1,962
Acres Inspected	127
Acres Treated	127

OTHER ACTIVITIES

- Public service calls during 1971 totaled 12,489. These calls involved a multitude of problems including insect and disease control, weed control, agricultural practices and home garden cultural problems.
- Members of the department attended 271 meetings which were sponsored by the State Department of Agriculture, University of California, scientific groups and agricultural organizations.
- Weather stations were maintained in Half Moon Bay and Pescadero for the United States Commerce Department.
- 4. Supervised the abatement of weeds on unimporved properties in a residential district and computed proportional costs for property assessment.
- Staff members spoke before garden, farm and service organizations and school groups.
- Prepared and issued monthly and annual narrative and statistical reports to the Board of Supervisors and various agencies of the State Department of Agriculture
- 7. The harvesting and handling of crops and livestock and the effects of weather upon them, were reported weekly to the California State Crop and Livestock Reporting Service.
- Post-entry quarantine inspections were made in growing grounds of importers of foreign plant material.
- Sprayed elm trees along county roads to control the serious pest, Elm Leaf Beetle.
- 10. Maintain a library of technical publications issued by the University of California, United States Department of Agriculture, State Department of Agriculture and various other agencies.
- Investigated reports of poison residue on edible crops grown for human or animal consumption in cooperation with the State Department of Agriculture.

- 12. Assisted in enforcing Marketing Orders for the Artichoke, Brussels Sprouts and Peach and Plum Advisory Boards.
- 13. Assisted in maintaining a seed potato disease test plot on the Coastside with the State Department of Agriculture.
- 14. In cooperation with, and under the jurisdiction of, the Air Pollution Control Board, issue burning permits to control diseases and insects attacking agricultural and horticultural plantings.
- 15. The department is a member of the San Mateo County Farm Labor and Safety Committee. This committee meets quarterly to review mutual problems and to initiate needed action programs designed to improve the health, safety and working conditions of the farm laborer.

MILLION DOLLAR CROPS

Flowering Plants	\$ 6,011,000	up	\$ 1,447,000
Ornamental Nursery Stock	4,780,000	up	520,000
Carnations	4,314,000	up	26,000
Chrysanthemums	2,663,000	down	154,000
Strawflowers	1,584,000	up	360,000
Brussels Sprouts	1,506,000	up°	49,000
Roses	1,381,000	up	157,000
Indoor Decoratives	1,204,000	up	380,000
Margueri tes	1,093,000	down	40,000

SAN MATEC COUNTY POPULATION

1940	112,000
1945	167,000
1950	239,000
1955	345,000
1960	<i>444</i> ,000
1965	527,000
1970	556,234
1971	556,601

ANNUAL CROP REPORT

VEGETABLE CROPS

			PRODUCTIO	ON	VALUE			
		Harvested	Per			Per	7	otal
Crop	Year	Acreage	Acre	Total	Unit	<u>Unit</u>		Otal
Artichoke								
Total	1971	560	4.45	2,493	Ton	\$231.49	\$	577,100
10 ta 1	1970	593	3.97	2,355	11	212.82		501,200
	1071			2,260	11	240.00	(542,000)
Fresh Mkt.	1971 1970			2,120	31	220.00	(466,000)
	1970			- -		151 00	,	35,100)
Processing	1971			233	11 11	151.00 150.00	(35,100) 35,200)
_	1970			235		150.00	•	35,2007
S	1971	47	4.43	208	11	375.00		78,000
Beans, Snap	1970	59	4.51	266	t!	323.00		86,000
				(2	11	171.00		10,800
Beets, Table	1971	12	5.25	63 105	11	143.00		15,000
	1970	20	5.25	105				
Broccoli,						011 00		823
Sprouting	1971	1	3.90	3.9 8	11 11	211.00 187.00		1,500
,	1970	2	4.00	0	••	107.00		1,,000
Brussels Spro	+e							
Total	1971	1,310	5.00	6,555	11	230.00		1,506,000 1,457,000
, 0 0	1970	1,100	5.3 ⁴	5,877	11	248.00		1,457,000
	1071			655	11	224.00	(147,000)
Fresh Mkt.	1971 1970			587	п	230.00	(135,000)
	1570				11	020.00	,	1,359,000)
Processing	1971			5,900	11	230.00 250.00	}	1,322,000)
	1970			5 ,29 0		2,0,00	`	• • •
Cabbaga	1971	40	9.18	367	11	71.00		26,100
Cabbage	1970		9.75	6 2 4	11	88.00		55,000
			10.40	83	11	332.00		27,600
Calabrasi	1971		11.30	158	11	272.00		43,000
	1970	, 1-	111,00	.,,,				l. 11.0
Carrots	1971	2	11.00	22	11	188.00		4,140
V	1970		11.20	45	11	167.00		7,500
	1071	1 9	34.70	312	11	98.40		30,700
Celery	1971 1970		28.90	318	11	107.00		34,000
	127			• • •	••	105.00		2 /100
Celery Root	197		6.13	18.4	- 11	185.00 190.00		3,400 5,900
•	1970	5	6.20	31		130.00		, ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,

VEGETABLE CROPS

		المعمريم ما	PRODUCT Per	PRODUCTION		VALUE Per	
Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Acre	Total	Unit	rer Unit	Total
Chard	1971 1970	48 58	19.20 22.20	9 22 1 ,2 90	Ton	\$125.00 135.00	\$ 115,000 174,000
Corn, Sweet	1971 1970	27 30	7.18 7. 20	194 216	11	121.00 120.00	23,500 26,000
Dandelion Root	1971 1970	6 4	6. 0 0 6. 0 0	36 24	8 B	300.00 250.00	10,800 6,000
Greenleaf Vegetables%	1971 1970	2 ¹ +	7.6 2 7.00	183 2 94	11	268.00 143.00	49,000 42,000
Leeks	1971 1970	14 24	8. 0 7 7.88	113 189	11	260.00 354.00	2 9,400 67,000
Lettuce All Var.	1971 1970	280 320	4.64 6.94	1,300 2,200	11	162.00 123.00	211,000 273,000
Parsley	1971 1970	9	9.78 11.30	88 102	+ 11 11	193.00 238.00	17,000 2 4,300
Peas, Market	1971 1970	573 312	2.09 1.75	1 ,2 00 546	11	250.00 293.00	300,000 160,000
Potatoes	1971 1970	77 68	11.90 22.10	916 1,500	11	56.00 57.00	51,000 85,500
Radish	1971 1970	180 2 40	3.60 3.60	648 864	H. H	167.00 133.00	108,000 115,000
Spinach	1971 1970	60 63	5.13 4.95	308 312	11	302.00 244.00	93,000 76,000
Spinach New Zealand	1971 1970	30 30	9.00 9.00	270 270	11 11	300.00 300.00	81,000 81,000
Squash Winter	1971 1970	251 184	10.32 10.90	2,590 2,010	11 11	92.70 80.10	240,000 161,000
Summer	1971 1970	10 10	9.60 12.00	96 120	11 11	333.00 267.00	32,000 32,000

^{*} Includes Kale, Mustard Greens, etc.

VEGETABLE CROPS

			PRODUCTION			VALUE		
		Harvested	Per			Per	To	ta i
rop	Year	Acreage	Acre	Total	Unit	Unit		<u> </u>
Niscellaneous Vegetables, Field and In-	.						.	l-10 000
door Grown*	1971 1970	64 6 0						410,000 602,000
* Includes Ani Seasoning Pl	se, Gai	rlic, Mush Tomatoes,	rooms, Pau etc.	rsnips,				
TOTAL	1971 1970	3,645 3,326					\$ 8, 7,	035,363 130,900
			FIELD	CROPS				
Beans, Dry Edible*	1971 1970	32 31	.812 .484	26 15	Ton	\$248.00 255.00	\$	6,450 3,8 2 0
Barley	1971 1970	150 400	1. 0 0 .825	150 330	11 11	54.60 47. 0 0		8,190 15,500
Hay Grain	1971 1970	2,780 2,850	1.63 1.54	4,520 4,400	11 ·	28.50 27.00		129,000 119,000
Other Tame	1971 1970	2 77 198	1.60 1.01	443 20 0	11 11	28.50 28.30		12,600 5,660
Oa ts***	1971 1970	2,380 1,400	.98 .66	2,340 9 2 4	11	65.80 48.60		154,000 44,900
Pasture Irrigated	1971 1970				Acre	83.60 79.60		39,100 51,500
Other		41,100 43,600			11	5.81 5.53		239,000 241,000
* Includes ** 1971 Incl	Fava Be udes Oa	eans, Dry its Sold Fo	or Seed					
Total	1971	47,187 49,1 2 6					\$	588,340 481,380

SEED CROPS

	-		PRODUCT	ION	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , 	VALUE		
Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Per Acre	Total	Unit	Per Unit		Total
Brussels Sprouts	1971 1970	`		180 326	Lb.	\$ 24.40 26.40	\$	4,400 8,600
Beans, Fava	1971 1970			346 400	Cwt.	20.00 25.00		6,900 10,000
Flower Seed	1971 1970			7.5 5.0	Lb.	267.00 168.00		2,000 840
TOTAL	1971 1970						\$	13,300 19,440
		<u> </u>	RUIT AND	NUT CROPS				
Apples Total	1971 1970	36 38	5.53 4.18	199 159	Ton	149.00 110.44	\$	2 9,700 17,560
Fresh	1971 1970			1 <i>5</i> 4 102	11 11	175.00 150.00	(27,000) 15,300)
Processing	1971 1970			45 57	11 11	60.00 39.60	(2,700) 2,260)
^o runes	1971 1970	18 16	3.50 3.44	63 55	11	229.00 305.00		14,400 16,800
Strawberries	1971 1970	3 3	13.00 12.67	39 38	11 11	608.00 558.00		23,700 21,200
/ainuts	1971 1970	51 81	.863 .716	44 58	/1 []	407.00 410.00		17,900 23,800
liscellaneous Fruits*	1971 1970	18 13						33,000 18,000
Includes Apr	icots,	Grapes, Pea	ars, Plums	s and Bushb	erries			
OTAL	1971 1970	126 151					\$	118,700 97,360

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	PRO	DUCTION Area			Per	· .
• .	Year	Acres	Production	<u>Unit</u>	Jni t	Total
Item	Teat	ACICS				
Cut Flowers					. 0.7	\$ 84,000
Acacia	1971 1970	21 18	96,600 82,800	Bag \$.87 .75	62,100
Agapanthus	1971 1970	4 3	8,000 7,200	Doz.	1.50 .90	12,000 6,500
Aster	1971 1970	4 2	840,000 388,000	Bloom	.046 .04	38,600 15,600
Calla Lily	1971 1970	8	41,600 41,600	Doz.	1.25 1.00	52,000 41,600
Chrysanthemum Pompon	1971 1970	10 12	210,000 252,000	Bunch	.50 .682	105,000 172,000
Cut Foliage	1971 1970	40 50	100,000 150,000	11	.75 1.00	75,000 150,000
Dahlia	1971 1970	3 4	300,000 400,000	B100m	.033 .04	9,900 16,000
Heather	1971 1970	83 105	274,000 384,000	Bunch	.63 .60	173,000 230,000
Iris	1971 1970	2 9 45	109,000 135,000	Doz.	1.00 .95	109,000 128,000
Margueri tes	1971 1970	2 44 213	3,416,000 2,982,000	Bunch	.32 .38	1,093,000 1,133,000
Narcissus	1971 1970	17 27	2,125,000 3,375,000	Bloom	.05 .037	106,000 125,000
Shasta Daisy	1971 1970	27 22	3,510,000 2,860,000	11 11	.06 .05	211,000 143,000
Stocks	1971 1970	3 3	6,000 9,400	Doz.	.60 .66	3,600 6,200
Strawflowers	1971 1970	205 190	72,000 72,000	Box	22.00 17.00	1,584,000 1,224,000
Violets	1971 1970	6	33,000 44,000	Dz.Bunc	th 3.00 2.23	99,000 98,000

	PF	RODUCTION			VALUE	
l tem	Year	Area Acres	Production	Unit	Per Unit	Total
Yarrow	1971 1970	16 16	54,000 1,334,000	Doz.	\$.56 .48	\$ 30,000 640,000
Miscellaneous Flowers*	1971 1970	92 77	520,000 414,000	Bunch	.63 .63	326,000 261,000
* Includes Beg	onias,	Sweet Wil	liam, Tulips, etc.			
Sub-Total	1971 1970	812 803				\$4,111,100 4,452,000
Ornamentals						
Bulbs	1971 1970	3	118,000	Bulbs	.14	\$ 16,500
Bedding Plants	1971 1970	 3	 2,400	 Flat	2.46	 5,900
Herbaceous Perennials	1971 1970	12 11	1,255,000 1,184,000	Plant	.23	291,000 272,000
Christmas Trees	1971 1970	226 320	27,000 16,000	Tree	6.96 6.00	188,000 96,000
Nursery Stock	1971 1970	88 76				4,780,000 4,260,000
TOTAL	1971 1970	1138 1216				\$9,370,100 9,102,400

FLORAL AND NURSERY CROPS INDOOR GROWN

	RODUCTION	VALUE				
	_	Area			Per	***
l tem	Year	Sq. Ft.	Production	Unit	Unit	Total
Cut Flowers						
Carnations	1971 1970	3,025,000 3,160,000	69,575,000 72,680,000	Bloom	\$.062 .059	\$ 4,314,000 4,288,000
Chrysanthemums Total	1971 1970	4,801,000 5,146,000				2,558,000 2,645,000
Standard	1971 1970	(2,803,000) (2,712,000)	8,409,000 8,136,000	11 11	.187 .175	(1,573,000) (1,424,000)
All Other Types*	1971 1970	(909,000) (971,000)	3,818,000 4,078,000	11 11	.128 .124	(489,000) (506,000)
Pompon	1971 1970	(1,089,000) (1,463,000)	708,000 951,000	Bunch	.70 .752	(496,000) (715,000)
Ferns	1971 1970	69,400 104,000	480,000 719,000	1;	.35 .30	168,000 216,000
Gardenias	1971 1970	98,000 112,000	1,470,000 1,680,000	Bloom	.14 .155	206,000 260,000
Orchids	1971 197 0	270,000 245,000	783,000 711,000	11	.63 .58	493,000 412,000
Roses	1971 1970	673,000 664,000	12,787,000 12,616,000	11 11	.108 .097	1,381,000 1,224,000
Snapdragons	1971 1970	207,000 207,000	207,000 207,000	Bunch	1.50 1.92	311,000 398,000
Miscellaneous						
Cut Flowers**	1971 1970	81,000 51,000				83,400 61,000

Includes Fujii, Spiders, Disbuds, Anemone, etc. Includes Lilies, Stephanotis, Fresia, etc.

	 -	PR ODUCTION	/ <u></u>		VALUE	
14	Vann	Area Sq. Ft.	Production	Unit	Per Unit	Total
Item	Year	oq. rt.	Production	OIII C	OHIL	iotai
Pot Plants						
Flowering	1971 1970	2,151,000 1,850,000				\$ 6,011,000 4,564,000
Indoor Decorative	1971 1970	388,000 328,000				1,204,000 824,000
Sub-Total	1971 1970	11,763,400 11,867,000				\$ 16,729,400 14,892,000
Propagated						
Bedding Plants	1971 1970	10,700 8,800	31,000 32,000	Flat	\$3.06 2.94	\$ 95,000 94,000
Cuttings and Liners	1971 1970	249,000 278,000	18,254,000 8,896,000	Plant	.038	694,000 347,000
TOTAL	1971 1970	12,023,100 12,153,800				\$17,518,400 15,333,000
Total Glass and Plastic Area			8,51	2,000 Squa	are Feet	
TOTAL VALUE ALL FLORAL CROPS				197 1970		\$21,028,500 19,440,000
TOTAL VALUE A	LL NURS	ERY CROPS		197 1970		\$ 5,860,000 4,995,400

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY

tem	Year	PRODUCTION Number of Head	Total Liveweight	Unit	VALUE Per Unit	Total
Cattle and Calves	1971 1970	4,240 3,530	22,300 18,500	Cwt.	\$ 31.90 30.70	\$ 711,000 568,000
Milkers Sold	1971 1970	600 725		Head	420.00 372.00	252,000 270,000
Sheep and Lambs	1971 1970	1,520 1,800	1,520 1,820	Cwt.	26.70 27.20	40,600 49,500
Hogs and Pigs	1971 1970	1,800 3,560	2,160 6,400	11 H	22.30 24.50	48,200 157,000
Other Livestock*	1971 1970					1,200
* Includes Ra	abbits,	Ducks and (Chickens			
TOTAL	1971 1970					\$1,051,800 1,045,700

LIVESTOCK, POULTRY AND APIARY PRODUCTS

				VALUE Per	
tem	Year	Production	Unit	<u>Unit</u>	Total
Milk, Market	1971 19 70 *	14,500 13,500	CWT.	\$5.45 5.28	\$79,100 71,300
Milk, Manufacturing	1971 197 0 *	370 1,240	11 11	4.88 4.97	1,800 6,160
Woo1	1971 1970	12,300 15,500	Lb.	. 144 . 287	1,770 4,450
Eggs, Chicken	1971 1970	3,000 8,000	Doz.	.31 .37	930 2,960
Honey	1971 1970	16,600 25,400	Lb.	.181	3,000 2,800

LIVESTOCK, POULTRY AND APIARY PRODUCTS

				VALUE Per	
l tem	Year	Production	Uni t	Unit	Total
Beeswax	1971 1970	332 1,000	Lb.	\$.61 .62	\$ 202 620
OTAL	i971 1970*				\$86,802 88,290

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Item	January 1, 1971	January 1, 1972
Cattle and Calves All Milk Cows, 2 years and over	9,500 100	10,500 100
Sheep and Lambs	1,900	1,600
Hogs and Pigs*	700	500

^{*} As of December 1, 1970 and 1971

RECAPITULATION

PRODUCTION VALUES

1970	1971
\$ 7,130,900	\$ 8,035,363
24,435,400	26,888,500
481,380	588,340
19,440	13,300
97,360	118,700
1,045,700	1,051,800
88,290*	86,802
\$ 33,298,470	\$ 36,782,805
ATIVE PRODUCTION VALUES	
\$ 7,724,811	
19,752,883	
15,765,707	
14,689,756	
17,389,074	
18,633,251	
20,126,117	
25,547,002	
29,293,045	
31,850,160	
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Agricultural Crop Report 1972



SAN MATEO COUNTY

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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Mr. C. B. Christensen, Director State of California Department of Food and Agriculture

and

Honorable Board of Supervisors San Mateo County

Gentlemen:

In accordance with Section 2279 of the California Agricultural Code, I herewith submit a report of the condition, acreage, production and value of the agricultural products in San Mateo County for the year 1972. Additional information regarding the major duties and responsibilities of the department is covered in the narrative section of this report, and, our "Million Dollar Crops" section is included.

The total gross value of \$42,816,710.00 which exceeds last years value by \$6,039,965.00 can be attributed to an expanding nursery and floral industry, increased production and increased prices. All categories are up except "Seed Crops" and "Fruit and Nut Crops" which are both down somewhat. Most of the increase is reflected by those crops within our "Million Dollar Crops" section and our "Miscellaneous Vegetables, Field and Indoor Grown" subsection. Floral and Nursery Crops value increased almost four million dollars over last year and Vegetable Crops increased nearly two million dollars.

This report is based on gross production and gross value entirely, and in no manner reflects net income to the grower. The cost of producing, harvesting, packaging, marketing, etc. are not considered in our compilation of figures.

To all of those many agencies and individuals who supplied information for this report I extend my sincere thanks. Grateful appreciation is also extended to my entire staff for their long hours and generous contributions.

Respectfully submitted,

Claude W. Bridges, Commissioner

Department of Agriculture

County of San Mateo

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FUNCTIONS AND ACTIVITIES

SAN MATEO COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Year -- 1972

The general purposes and responsibilities of this department are to promote and protect the agricultural industry; protect and benefit both the grower and consumer by enforcing certain provisions of the Agricultural, Administrative and other State Codes, and, within the authority delegated to the Agricultural Commissioner, to further and protect the health and welfare of our citizens.

Additional regulatory duties, from time to time, may be assigned by the County Board of Supervisors under whose direct supervision this department conducts all programs.

The reader will note that many of our functions have been retitled. These changes were made by County Departments of Agriculture at the suggestion of the State Department of Food and Agriculture and the State Association of County Agricultural Commissioners to better define our responsibilities. Previous functional titles are given in parenthesis or as sub-headings.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

Pest Detection (Survey and Pest Detection)

To detect and prevent the introduction and spread of such serious agricultural pests as Japanese Beetle, Gypsy and Brown Tail Moths, various Fruit Flies, and other serious pests, annual surveys are conducted throughout the County. High hazard areas such as airports and rail and truck terminals receive special attention in making these surveys.

Trapping programs are used extensively as another means of insect detection. Traps baited with distinctive lures and scents are placed strategically in all areas of the County where they are serviced and maintained during the entire optimum season.

Nurserymen, pest control operators, parks departments, home owners and others are helpful in Pest Detection by virtue of their quest for assistance in identification and control.

Calls Traps Used 4,823 491

Pest Eradication

Qualified staff members assist and advise pest control operators, growers and others in regards to problems relating to the eradication of any agricultural pest.

At this time the department is directing eradicative measures toward five species of noxious weeds; namely, Skeleton Weed, Artichoke Thistle, Dalmation Toadflax, Perennial Peppercress and Klamath Weed. Under service agreements with the Southern Pacific Railroad Company and the State Division of Highways, eradicative measures are directed toward several such primary noxious weeds. The County receives reimbursement for this work.

Should the County be invaded by any other serious or quarantined pest, the department will instigate eradicative measures immediately.

Calls	103
Acres Inspected	72.7
Acres Treated	5.1

Pest Management

This activity is dedicated to the control of established pests rather than total eradication. Properly applied, the program should hold pests down to population levels which agriculture can sustain without suffering great financial losses. Biological control is considered an integral part of Pest Management and can often decrease the target species to a point where eradicative measures are feasible. As in other departmental activities, advice and assistance is extended to agriculturalists and to the general public in their efforts to control certain pests.

Calls 1,137

A. Rodent and Vertebrate Pest Control

A Countywide program of treatment to control ground squirrels is conducted which is entirely financed with County funds. Ground squirrels are known carriers of human diseases such as Bubonic Plague and Tularemia, as well as being serious pests of agricultural crops.

The County Public Health Department, on occassion, requests our cooperation in their urban area rodent control program.

	Inspected	553 6,959 21 0
Acres	Treated	210

B. Weed Control

Certain weeds, although not classified by the State Department of Food and Agriculture as being a serious agricultural threat statewide, are quite noxious and a definite threat to areas free from such pests. A continuing control program is directed toward keeping our uninfested coastal farm areas from becoming contaminated by several such weeds, resulting in considerable savings to farmers in that area.

Calls	3 ¹ 43
Acres Inspected	1,847.7
Acres Treated	90.1

Pest Exclusion (Quarantine)

Plant material is inspected at locations of entry, such as Post Offices, Express Offices, Air Terminals, Railroad and Truck depots, and Nurseries to prevent the introduction into or spread within the State of serious agricultural pests.

Calls	9	, 202
	RELEASED	REJECTED
Shipments Plants	11,496 6,61 2, 841	88 44, 185

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Shipments of plants, plant material and produce to foreign countries, and other states, must comply with State and Federal regulations. In this work, the following certificates were issued:

Interstate and Foreign	1,677
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Insects, diseased plant material, roots and foliage specimens are prepared and processed in our laboratory for determination by the State Laboratory Services Division in Sacramento.

Number	of	Samples	Submitted	308
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Pesticide Use Enforcement (Pest Control Enforcement)

Pest Control Operators are licensed by the State and registered annually by the Agricultural Commissioner in whose County they conduct business. This department enforces County and States laws and regulations governing agricultural pest control. Furthermore, if they, or the growers, plan to purchase and/or use certain pesticides which have been designated by the State as restricted materials or herbicides, they are required to obtain a permit from the Agricultural Commissioner permitting such use.

We cooperate with the State Department of Food and Agriculture on problems involving injurious spray residues on crops.

Calls	5/1 8
Permits Issued	259
Pest Control Operators Registered	76

CONSUMER PROTECTION REGULATION

Seed Inspection

The California Seed Law provides that agricultural and vegetable seed be properly labeled and that it meet the specifications stated on the label.

In cooperation with this office, the State Department of Food and Agriculture maintained a seed potato disease test plot on the Coastside.

Calls	$(-1)^{-1} = (-1)^{-1} = (-1)^{-1}$	66
Dealers		166
Lots Inspected		283
Lots in Violation		15

Nursery Inspection

In San Mateo County there are 242 licensed locations where plants are grown and/or sold. Their annual business is in excess of \$17,000,000. Plants are inspected at these locations, periodically, to determine the presence of insect pests, diseases and over-all pest cleanliness as provided for by State Nursery Inspection Regulations.

As in Pest Exclusion, specimen samples are processed for final determination or identification by the State Laboratory Services Division in Sacramento.

Calls	Submitted	1,018 1,343
Number of Samples	Submicted	,,,,,

Fruit, Vegetable and Honey Quality Control

In order to protect both producers and consumers, a major activity of our department is the inspection of fresh fruits, vegetables, honey and nuts. During 1972 the following field, packing house, wholesale and retail market inspections were made:

Calls	11,2	53
COMMODITIES	INSPECTED	VIOLATIONS
Produce (Containers) Honey (Containers)	8,220,378 181,614	27,639

- A. The Golden Gate Produce Terminal in South San Francisco continues to be one of the largest wholesale fruit and vegetable outlets in Northern California. Produce at the terminal is received and sold throughout California, the United States and many foreign countries. The gross receipts for 1972 were reportedly in excess of \$85,100,000 covering a total of 7,326,758 containers.
- B. Agricultural Marketing Orders: Certain agricultural commodities are controlled through Marketing Orders. These orders, which the industry itself requests, provide superior quality for the consumer and more return to the producer. This department cooperates with the Artichoke, Brussels Sprouts, Peach and Plum Advisory Boards.

Egg Quality Control

During the year 1972, egg inspections were categorized under a separate quality control program. Inspections are now made under a cooperative agreement with the United States Department of Agriculture, the California

Department of Food and Agriculture, and San Mateo County.

Calls		1,186	
	INSPECTED		VIOLATIONS
Dozens	2,154,397		29,572

SPECIAL SERVICES

Apiary Inspection

In order to prevent the spread of diseases detrimental to bee colonies, including American Foul Brood disease, which is not only highly contagious but incurable, all owners of bees must register with the Agricultural Commissioner each year. Annual inspections of each Apiary are performed by staff members and when American Foul Brood is found, the bees are required to be destroyed.

	APIARIES	COLONIES
Inspected	55	386
Diseased	7	7
Destroyed	7	7

Crop Statistics

The Agricultural Code requires that the Agricultural Commissioner's office compile and publish an annual report showing the acreage and value of all crops grown in the County. This information is obtained by our staff. The report is furnished other government agencies, educational institutions, private individuals, and to industry allied to agriculture. Statistical data regarding specific crops is furnished upon request.

Calls 562

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Fairs

An important function of this department is participation in the California Exposition wherein the exhibit is designed, constructed and manned by members of our staff. A Bavarian Castle surrounded by ferns and plants, many donated by nurseries in our County, once again returned to us the Exhibit Trophy, 84 Excellence Blue Ribbons and a deposit to the County Treasury in the sum of \$1,100.00.

196 Calls

As an Ex-Officio member of the Board of Directors for the San Mateo County Fair and Floral Fiesta, the Agricultural Commissioner and his staff assist with the organization and judging of the Agricultural Division.

Civil Defense

An inventory is maintained by the department, the County's representative to the Food Administration Division of the California Disaster Office, of the wholesale foods available in the event of a serious emergency.

Predatory Animal Control

Predatory Animal Control is primarily for the protection of livestock. Many of the small predators, however, are potential rabies carriers. This control is accomplished by one full time hunter whose services are maintained through a cooperative effort of the United States Department of Interior, the California Department of Public Health and San Mateo County.

Calls	1,195
Bobcats Taken	3
Coyotes Taken	170
Foxes Taken	4
Others Taken (Raccoons, Skunks, Etc.)	123

<u>Laboratory</u>

In order to more fully assist nursery and home gardeners, a laboratory is maintained by the department for the purpose of testing well water, on request, to determine the saline content which could cause injury to plants.

Tests Made 16

COOPERATIVE ACTIVITIES

- 1. Service calls, from the public regarding plant pest control and other home garden and agricultural problems, numbered 13,260.
- 2. At the request of the State Department, the University of California, scientific groups and various agricultural organizations, staff members attended 217 meetings involving professional problems.
- 3. As United States Department of Commerce representatives, this department was responsible for the operation and maintenance of two Coastside weather stations.
- 4. The department is responsible for the contracting and supervision of weed abatement for fire prevention on unimproved properties within a Weed Abatement District. Proportional assessments are computed for assessment purposes.
- 5. Educational talks on various phases of agriculture were given to farm, garden, and service organizations, as well as to school children and other youth groups.
- 6. Annual and monthly reports were prepared and sent to the State Director of Food and Agriculture. A narrative and statistical report was sent monthly to the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors.

- A weekly report was forwarded to the California State Crop and Livestock Reporting Service as to the harvesting and handling of crops and livestock, and the effects of weather upon them.
- 8. Growing grounds of importers of foreign plant material were given periodic post-entry quarantine inspections.
- Along County reads, elm trees are surveyed and sprayed to control the Elm Leaf Beetle.
- 10. Technical publications issued by the University of California, United States Department of Agriculture, State Department of Food and Agriculture and various other agencies are maintained in a library.
- II. We cooperate with the Bay Area Pollution Board and, under their jurisdiction, issued permits to burn for the control of diseases and insects attacking agricultural and horticultural plantings.
- 12. Extended assistance is given to the San Mateo County Farm Labor and Safety Committee in an effort to initiate needed action programs designed to improve the health, safety and working conditions of the farm laborer.

MILLION DOLLAR CROPS

\$8,074,000	up	\$2,063,000
5,247,000	up	933,000
4,113,000	down	667,000
2,517,000	down	146,000
1,672,000	up	88,000
1,658,000	up	565,000
1,630,000	up	124,000
1,613,000	up	409,000
1,398,000	up	17,000
	5,247,000 4,113,000 2,517,000 1,672,000 1,658,000 1,630,000 1,613,000	5,247,000 up 4,113,000 down 2,517,000 down 1,672,000 up 1,658,000 up 1,630,000 up 1,613,000 up

SAN MATEO COUNTY POPULATION

1940	112,000
1945	167,000
1950	239,000
1955	345,000
1960	444,000
1965	527,000
1970	556,234
1971	556,601
1972	560,400

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VEGETABLE CROPS

			PRODUCTI	ON		VALUE		
Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Per Acre	Total	Unit	Per Unit		Total
Artichoke Total	1972 1971	610 560	5.31 4.45	3,240 2,493	Ton	\$209.81 231.49	\$	685,700 577,100
Fresh Mkt.	1972 1971			2,930 2,260	11	216.00 240.00	(633,000) 542,000)
Processing	1972 1971			310 233	11 11	170.00 151.00	(52,700) 35,100)
Beans, Snap	1972 1971	75 47	4.40 4.43	330 208	11 11	321.00 375.00		106,000 78,000
Beets, Table	1972 1971	12 12	5.25 5.25	63 63	11 11	186.00 171.00		11,700 10,800
Brussels Sprou Total	ts 1972 1971	1,260 1,310	4.7 5.00	5,920 6,555	11 F1	275.00 230.00		1,630,000 1,506,000
Fresh Mkt.	1972 1971			300 655	11	380.00 224.00	(114,000) 147,000)
Processing	1972 1971			5,620 5,900	11	270.00 230.00		1,516,000) 1,359,000)
Cabbage	1972 1971	32 40	8.97 9.18	287 367	H H	68.00 71.00		19,500 26,100
Celery	1972 1971	14 9	29.30 34.70	410 312	11 11	80.00 98.40		32,800 30,700
Celery Root	1972 1971	3	6.13	18.4	-	185.00		3,400
Chard	1972 1971	46 48	15.4 19.20	708 922	†1 }	150.00 125.00		106,000 115,000
Corn, Sweet	1972 1971	43 27	7.21 7.18	310 194	11	111.00 121.00		34,400 23,500
Greenleaf Vegetables*	1972 1971	16 24	7.75 7.62	124 183	!! !!	558.00 268.00		69,200 49,000

^{*} Includes Kale, Mustard Greens, Seasoning Plants, Etc.

VEGETABLE CROPS

		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	PRODUCTI	ON		VALUE	
_	Vons	Harvested Acreage	Per Acre	Total	Unit	Per Unit	Total
Crop Leeks	Year 1972 1971	22 14	8.05 8.07	177 113	Ton	\$252,00 260.00	\$ 44,600 29,400
Lettuce All Var.	1972 1971	260 280	4.62 4.64	1,200 1,300	11	146.00 162.00	175,000 211,000
Parsley	1972 1971	4 9	7.75 9.78	31 88	11 11	258.00 193.00	8,000 17,000
Peas, Mkt.	1972 1971	660 5 7 3	1.70 2.09	1,120 1,200	t 1 11	250.00 250.00	280,000 300,000
Potatoes	1972 1971	76 77	14.20 11.90	1,080 916	. 11	45.00 56.00	48,600 51,000
Radish	1972 1971	160 180	3.69 3.60	590 648	11 11	178.00 167.00	105,000 108,000
Spinach	1972 1971	148 60	4.17 5.13	617 308	11 11	335.00 302.00	207,000 93,000
Squash Winter	1972 1971	320 251	6.00 10.32	1,920 2,590	11	54.20 92.70	104,000 240,000
Summer	1972 1971	36 10	9.61 9.60	346 96	11	341.00 333.00	118,000 32,000
Miscellaneou Vegetables Field and	,						A
door Grown							\$ 6,060,000 4,410,000
* Includes A	unise, G	arlic, Mus	hrooms, Pa	arsnips, T	oma toe:	s, etc.	
TOTAL	1972 197						\$ 9,845,500 8,035,363

FIELD CROPS

			PRODUCTI	ON		VALUE		
rop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Per Acre	Total	Unit	Per Unit	To	tal
Beans, Dry Edible*	1972 197 1	23 32	.48 .812	11 26	Ton	\$260.00 248.00	\$	2,860 6,450
Barley	1972 1971	433 150	1.11	480 150	11	50.00 54.60		24,000 8,190
day Grain	1972 1971	3,430 2,780	1.7 ⁴ 1.63	5,970 4,520	n H	35.00 28.50		209,000 129,000
Other Tame	1972 1971	121 277	1.89 1.60	229 443	t1 11	35.00 28.50		8,000 12,600
Oats***	1972 1971	2,620 2,380	.65 .98	1,700 2,340	11	90.00 65.80		153,000 154,000
Pasture Irrigated	197 2 1971	509 468			Acre	85.30 83.60		43,400 39,100
Other		40,000 41,100			11 11	6.10 5.81		244,000 239,000
* Includes F	ava Be	ans, Dry ts Sold For	Seed					
13/2 111010								
TOTAL	1972	47,136 47,187					\$	684,260 588,340
	1972		SEED CR	OPS			\$	
	1972	47,187	SEED CR	162 180	Lb.	\$ 21.00 24.40	\$	588, 340 3,40
TOTAL	1972 1971	47,187	SEED CR	162		24,40		3,40 4,40 8,10
Prussels Sprouts	1972 1971 1972 1971	47,187	SEED CR	162 180 405	Cwt	2 ⁴ , ⁴ 0		

FRUIT AND NUT CROPS

			PRODUCT	<u>'N</u>	·	VALUE		
Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Per Acre	Total	Unit	Per Unit	•	Total
Apples Total	1972 1971	36 36	5.06 5.53	182 199	Ton	\$161.00 149.00	\$	29,250 29,700
Fresh	1972 1971			147 1 <i>5</i> 4	11 ²	177.00 175.00	(26,000) 27,000)
Processing	1972			35 45	и Ц	92.90 60.00	(3,250) 2,700)
Prunes	1972 1971	16 18	3.38 3.50	54 63	, 14	248.00 229.00		13,390 14,400
Strawberries	1972 1971	3	12.00 13.00	36 39	11 11	517.00 608.00		18,600 23,700.
Walnuts	1972 1971	23 51	.35 .863	8 44	11	532.00 407.00		4,260 17,900
Miscellaneous Fruits*	1972 1971	20 18						36,000 33,000
* Includes Apr	icots,	Grapes, Pe	ears, Plum	ns, and Bu	shberri	es		
TOTAL	1972 1971	98 1 26					\$	101,500

		PRODUCTION Area		VALUE Per				
1 tem	Year	Sq. Ft.	Production		Uni t	Total		
Cut Flowers								
Acacia	1972 1971	19 21	87,400 96,600	Bag \$.87 .87	\$	76,000 84,000	
Agapanthus	1972 1971	5 4	10,000 8,000	Doz.	1.42		14,200 12,000	

		PRODUCTION			VALUE	
Item	Year	Area Acres	Production	Unit	Per Unit	Total
Aster	1972 1971	3 4	630,000 840,000	Bloom \$.045	\$ 28,300 38,600
Calla Lily	1972 1971	7 8	36,500 41,600	Doz.	.99 1.25	36,000 52,000
Chrysanthemum Pompon	1972 1971	10 10	209,000 210,000	Bunch	.65 .50	136,000 105,000
Cut Foliage	1972 1971	50 40	125,000 100,000	11 11	1.08 .75	135,000 75,000
Dahlia	1972 1971	<i>L</i> ₁ 3	400,000 300,000	Bloom	.06 .033	2 4,000 9,900
llea the r	1972 1971	142 83	487,000 274,000	Bunch	.75 .63	365,000 1 7 3,000
Iris	1972 1971	3 ^L . 2 9	127,000 109,000	Doz.	1.25	159,000 109,000
Margueri tes	1972 1971	282 244	3,948,000 3,416,000	Bunch	.42 .32	1,658,000 1,093,000
Narcissus	1972 1971	10 17	1,250,000 2,125,000	Bloom	.043 .05	53,800 106,000
Shasta Daisy	1972 1971	27 27	3,510,000 3,510,000	11 11	.062 .06	218,000 211,000
Stocks	1972 1971	2 3	4,000 6,000	Doz.	.75 .60	3,000 3,600
Strawflowers	1972 1971	239 205	83,600 72, 000	Box	20.00 22.00	1,672,000 1,584,000
Violets	1972 1971	8 6	44,000 33,000	Dz.Bunch	1.75 3.00	77,000 99,000
Yarrow	1972 1971	23 16	76,700 54.000	Doz.	1.00	76,700 30,000

		PRODUCTION			VALUE	40
	••	Area	Duaduation	Unit	Per Unit	Total
l tem	Year	Acres	Production	UIII L	OTTE	
Miscellaneous Flowers*	1972 1971	64 92	427,000 520,000	Bunch	\$.82 .63	\$ 350,000 326,000
* Includes Beg	onias, S	Sweet William	, Tulips, etc.			
Sub-Total	1972 1971	929 812				\$ 5,082,000 4,111,100
Ornamentals						
Herbaceous Perennials	1972 1971	14 12	1,520,000 1,255,000	Plant	.25 .23	380,000 291,000
Christmas Trees	1972 1971	232 2 2 6	32,000 27,000	Tree	7.25 6.96	232,000 188,000
Nursery Stock	1972 1971	88 88				4,113,000 4,780,000
TOTAL	1972 1971	1,259 1,138				\$ 9,807,000 9,370,100
	FLC	DRAL AND NURSE	RY CROPS INDO	OOR GROWN		
Cut Flowers						
Carnations	1972 1971	3,002,000 3,025,000	69,046,000 69,575,000	Bloom	.076 .062	5,247,000 4,314,000
Chrysanthemum Total	s 1972 1971	4,580,000 4,801,000				2,517,000 2,558,000
Standard	1972 1971	(2,630,000) (2,803,000)	7,890,000 8,409,000	11 31	. 189 . 187	(1,491,000) (1,573,000)

FLORAL AND NURSERY CROPS INDOOR GROWN

		PRODUCTION			VALUE	
		Area			Per	
I tem	Year	Sq. Ft.	Production	Unit	Unit	Total
All Other Types*	1972 1971	(966,000) (909,000)	4,057,000 3,818,000	Bloom	\$.13 .128	\$ (527,000) (489,000)
Pompon	1972 1971	(984,000) (1,089,000)	640,000 708,000	Bunch	. 78 , 70	(499,000) (496,000)
Ferns	1972 1971	25,600 69,400	177,000 480,000	11	.50 .35	88,500 168,000
Gardenias	1972 1971	112,000 98,000	1,684,000 1,470,000	Bloom	.16 .14	269,000 206,000
Orchids	1972 1971	235,000 270,000	682,000 783,000	11	.65 .63	443,000 493,000
Roses	1972 1971	669,000 673,000	12,706,000 12,787,000	11 11	.11 .108	1,398,000 1,381,000
Snapdragons	1972 1971	207,000 207,000	207,000 207,000	Bunch	1.75 1.50	362,000 311,000
Miscellaneous						
Cut Flowersが	1972 1971	82,000 81,000				95,900 83,400
Pot Plants						
Flowering	1972 1971	2,673,000 2,151,000				8,07 ¹ 4,000 6,011,000
Indoor Decorative	1972 1971	523,000 388,000				1,613,000 1,204,000
Sub-Total	1972 1971	12,108,600 11,763,400	, and the second			\$ 20,107,400 16,729,400

^{*} Includes Fujii, Spiders, Disbuds, Anemone, etc.
** Includes Lilies, Stephanotis, Fresia, etc.

FLORAL AND NURSERY CROPS INDOOR GROWN

		PRODUCTION				ALUE		
ltem	Year	Area Sq. Ft.	Production	Unit	•	er nit		otal
Propagated								
Bedding Plant	s 1972 1971	6,300 10,700	18,400 31,000	Flat	\$	3.21 3.06	\$	59,000 95,000
Cuttings and Liners	1972 1971	279,000 249,000	18,599,000 18,254,000	Plant		.0 ¹ 4 .038		744,000 694,000
5 STAL	1972 1971	12,393,900 12,023,100					\$2 1	0,910,400 7,518,400
Total Glass a	nd Plas	tic Area	8,579	9,000 Squ	ıare	Feet		
TOTAL VALUE				197 197			\$ 2 2	5,421,400 1,028,500
TOTAL VALUE	ALL NURS	ERY CROPS		19 ¹			\$	5,296,000 5,860,000

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY

ltem	Year	PRODUCTION Number of Head	Total Liveweight	Unit	VALUE Per Unit	Total /
Cattle and Calves	1972 1971	5,170 4,240	27,100 22,300	Cwt.	\$ 35.10 31.90	\$ 951,000 711,000
Milkers Sold	1972 1971	702 600		Head	500.00 4 20. 00	351,000 252,000
Sheep and Lambs	1972 1971	1,230 1,520	1,230 1,520	Cwt.	29.70 26.70	36,500 40,600
Hogs & Pigs	1972 1971	500 1,800	900 2,160	11	30.30 22.30	27,300 48,200
TOTAL	1972 1971					\$ 1,365,800 1,051,800

LIVESTOCK, POULTRY AND APIARY PRODUCTS

				P	VALUE Per Unit		otal
l tem	Year	Production	Unit	U	nit		J.Ca.
Milk, Market	1972 1971*	12,500 13,000	Cwt.	\$	5.62 5.46	\$	70,300 71,000
Mi'k, Manufacturiṅg	1972 1971*	1,330 710	ti 11		5.10 5.41		6,800 3,840
Wool	1972 1971	10,400 12,300	Lb.		.33 .144		3,430 1,770
Eggs, Chicken	1972 1971	3,000	Doz.		.31		930
Honey	1972 1971	23,300 16,600	Lb.		.30 .181		7,000 3,000
Beeswax	1972 1971	2,700 332	ti ti		.60 .61		1,620 202
TOTAL	1972 1971*					\$	89,150 80,742
*Revised							

JANUARY 1 INVENTORY OF LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY - 1972-1973

l tem	January 1, 1972*	January 1, 1973
Cattle and Calves All Milk Cows, 2 years and over	15,200% 100	14,600 100
Sheep and Lambs	1,600	1,400
Hogs and Pigs*	100%	100

^{*} As of December 1, 1971 and 1972 ** Revised by 1970 Census

RECAPITULATION

PRODUCTION VALUES

	1971	1972
Vegetable Crops	\$ 8,035,363	\$ 9,845,500
Flower and Nursery Crops	26,888,500	30,717,400
Field Crops	588,3 ⁴ 0	684,260
Seed Crops	13,300	13,100
Fruit and Nut Crops	118,700	101,500
Livestock and Poultry	1,051,800	1,365,800
Livestock, Poultry and Apiary Products	80,742*	89,150
*Revised		
TOTAL	\$ 36,776,745	\$42,816,710

COMPARATIVE	PRODUCTION VALUES
1940	\$ 7,724,811
1945	19,752,883
1950	15,765,707
1955	14,689,756
1960	17,389,074
1965	18,633,251
1966	20,126,117
1967	25,547,002
1968	29,293,0 45
1969	31,850,160
1970	33,298,470

RECAPITULATION

PRODUCTION VALUES

	1971	1972
Vegetable Crops	\$ 8,035,363	\$ 9,845,500
Flower and Nursery Crops	26,888,500	30,717,400
Field Crops	588,340	684,260
Seed Crops	13,300	13,100
Fruit and Nut Crops	118,700	101,500
Livestock and Poultry	1,051,800	1,365,800
Livestock, Poultry and Apiary Products	80,742*	89,150
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