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# Humboldt County

2015-2016

# HUMBOLDT COUNTY

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE /WEIGHTS & MEASURES

## 2015 CROP REPORT

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Timber Production	\$ 71,338,000
Livestock Products	\$ 60,260,000
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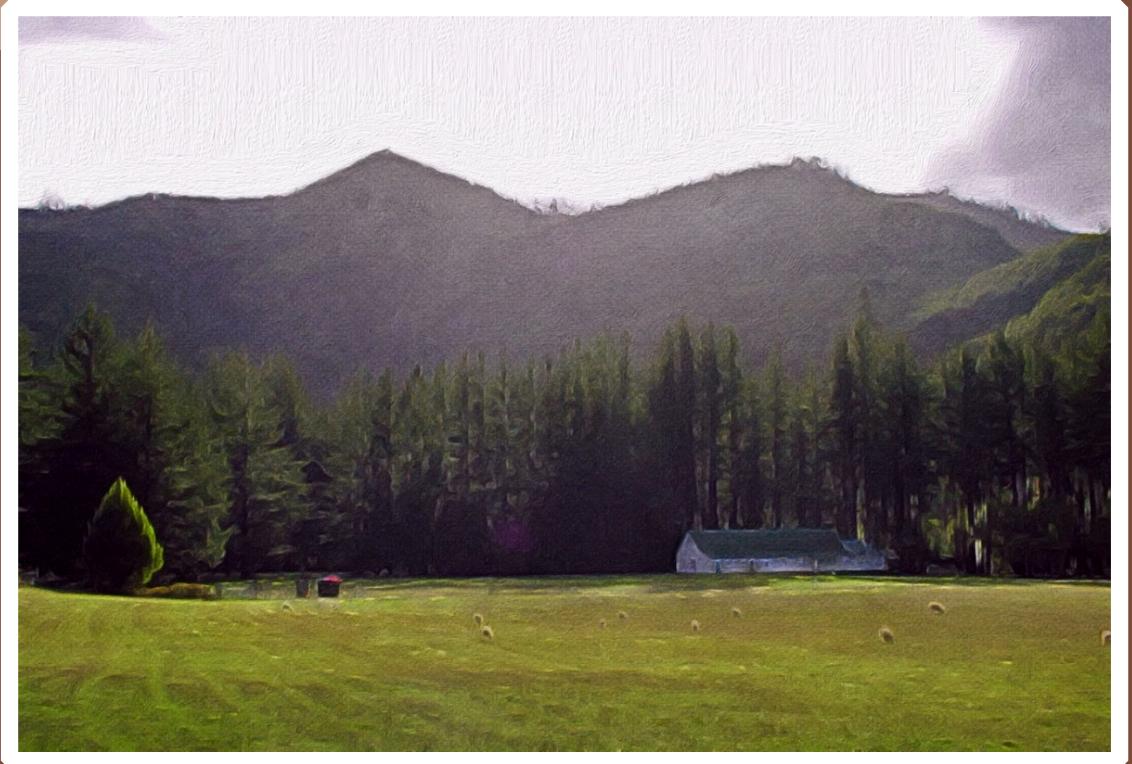
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## TIMBER

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>PRODUCTION</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Timber Production	2015	217,503,000	Board Ft	\$71,338,000
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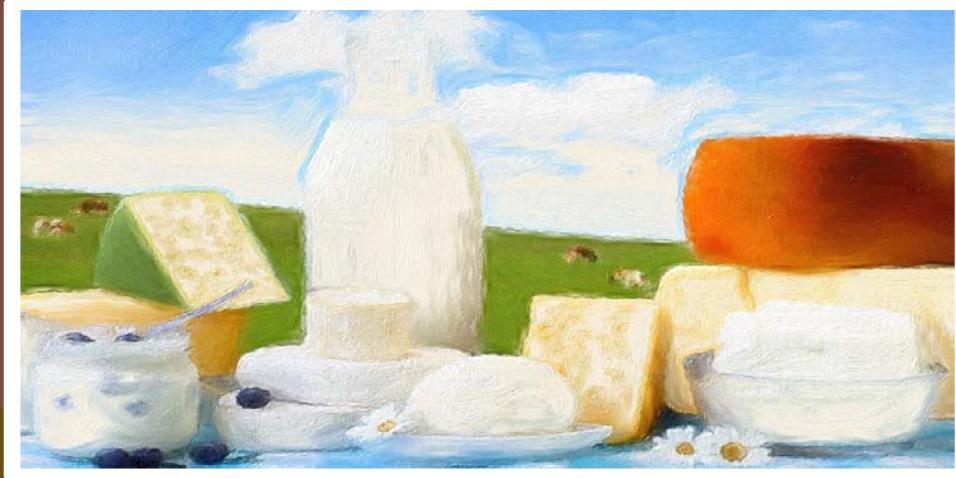
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## LIVESTOCK

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Beef cattle and calves	2015	54,000	405,000	CWT	\$148	\$ 59,940,000
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<i>Includes cows, calves, bulls, steers</i>						
Sheep and lambs	2015	3,000	4,500	CWT	\$124	\$ 558,000
	2014	3,000	4,500	CWT	\$113	\$ 339,000
Dairy	2015	14,248			\$2,030	\$ 28,923,000
	2014	13,500			\$1,500	\$ 20,250,000
Aquaculture (oysters & clams)	2015		300 ac			\$ 17,503,000
	2014		310 ac			\$ 9,661,000
<b>Miscellaneous</b>						
	2015					\$ 1,074,000
	2014					\$ 1,180,000
<i>Includes chickens, turkey, swine, goats, etc.</i>						
<b>TOTALS</b>						
	2015					\$107,998,000
	2014					\$ 90,658,000

## LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS



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	2014	1,918,467	\$24.76	CWT	\$47,501,000
<b>Manufacturing Milk</b>	2015	418,403	\$15.08	CWT	\$ 6,310,000
	2014	392,503	\$22.78	CWT	\$ 8,941,000
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	2015				\$ 26,000
	2014				\$ 63,000
<i>Includes wool, apiary and dairy goat products</i>					
<b>Goat Milk</b>	2015				\$ 327,000
	2014				\$ 266,000
<b>Cheese</b>	2015				\$20,990,000
	2014				\$22,073,000
<b>TOTALS</b>	2015				\$60,260,000
	2014				\$78,844,000

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Nursery Products	2015	\$56,714,000
	2014	\$52,926,000

*Includes cut flowers and decoratives, bedding plants, ornamentals, and forest nursery tree production.*

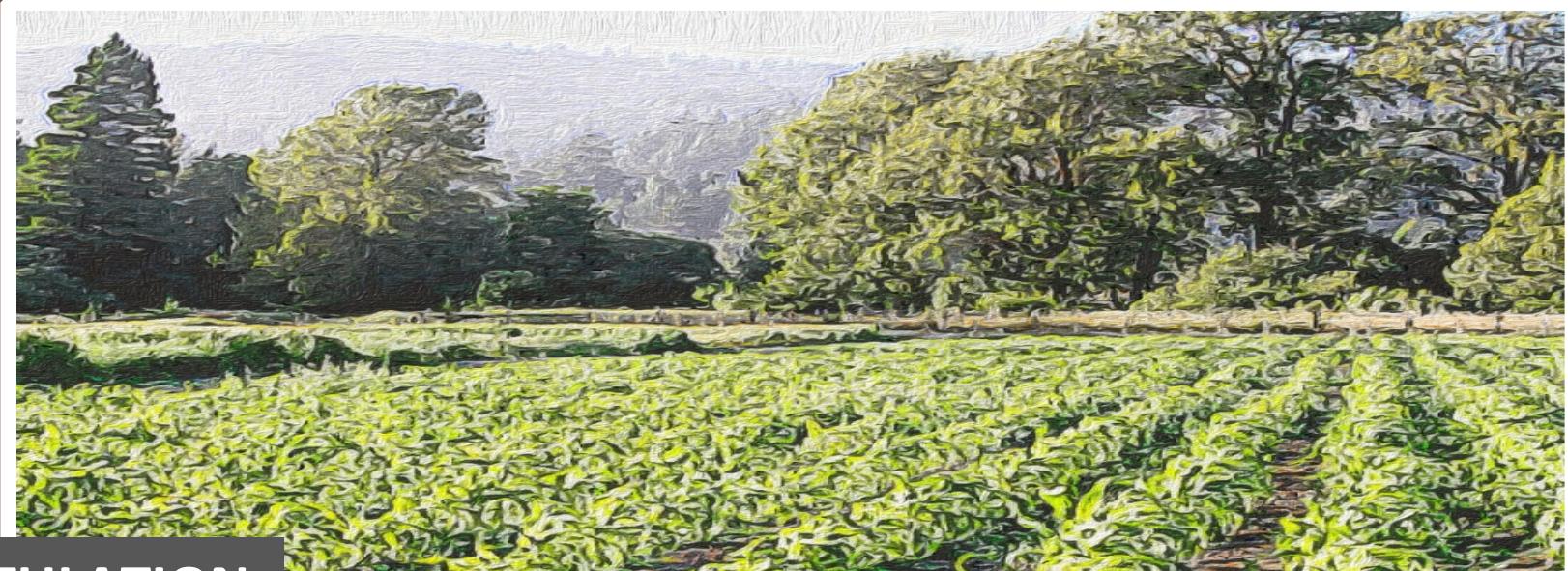
## FIELD AND VEGETABLE CROPS

ITEM	YEAR	PRODUCTION		PER ACRE	TOTAL	UNIT	HARVEST		TOTAL VALUE
		ACREAGE					PER UNIT		
Hay	2015	10,566		2.5	26,415	Ton	\$190		\$5,019,000
	2014	10,566		2.6	27,471	Ton	\$200		\$5,494,000
Vegetable	2015							\$1,712,000	
	2014							\$1,487,000	

*Includes corn, potatoes, pumpkins, tomatoes, squash, cabbage, beans, peppers, mushrooms, alfalfa sprouts, etc.*

# FRUIT & NUTS

ITEM	YEAR	TOTAL VALUE
Fruits & Nuts	2015	\$1,740,000
	2014	\$1,800,000



## RECAPITULATION

ITEM	2014	2015
Timber	\$ 81,513,000	\$ 71,338,000
Livestock & Aquaculture	\$ 90,658,000	\$107,998,000
Livestock Products	\$ 78,844,000	\$ 60,260,000
Nursery Production	\$ 52,926,000	\$ 56,714,000
Field Crops	\$ 5,494,000	\$ 5,019,000
Fruit & Nut Crops	\$ 1,800,000	\$ 1,740,000
Vegetable Crops	<u>\$ 1,487,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,712,000</u>
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$312,722,000</b>	<b>\$304,781,000</b>



# 2014-2015 SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE REPORT

## DIRECT MARKETING & ORGANIC FARMING

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ITEM	YEAR	# OF REGISTRANTS	ESTIMATED ACREAGE
Organic Registrants	2015	139	124,293
	2014	133	129,322
Certified Producers	2015	125	300
	2014	123	300
Farmers' Market	2015	10	11
	2014	10	11



## PEST MANAGEMENT – BIOLOGICAL CONTROL

The Biological Control Program seeks to minimize the economic and environmental impact of noxious weeds by introducing natural predators to control weed pests through natural mechanisms (predation, parasitism, herbivory). Bio-control can also be an important component of Integrated Pest Management (IPM) programs. Humboldt County has imported and released the following biological control organisms. Most have become widely distributed with locally varying population densities due to more or less favorable local environmental conditions.

### Noxious Weeds:

**Tansy Ragwort, *Senecio jacobaea***

### Treated by:

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**Gall Fly, *Uropha sirunaseva***  
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## PEST EXCLUSION

The County's High Risk Pest Exclusion Program conducts inspections of incoming plant material and other agricultural products to prevent the introduction into Humboldt County of any serious plant diseases or insect pests that could be harmful to agriculture or the environment. See summary below of Pest Exclusion Inspection activities.

YEAR	METHOD OF CONVEYANCE	# INSPECTIONS	#REJECTIONS
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2014	UPS, PO, FED EX	1993	6



## PEST DETECTION

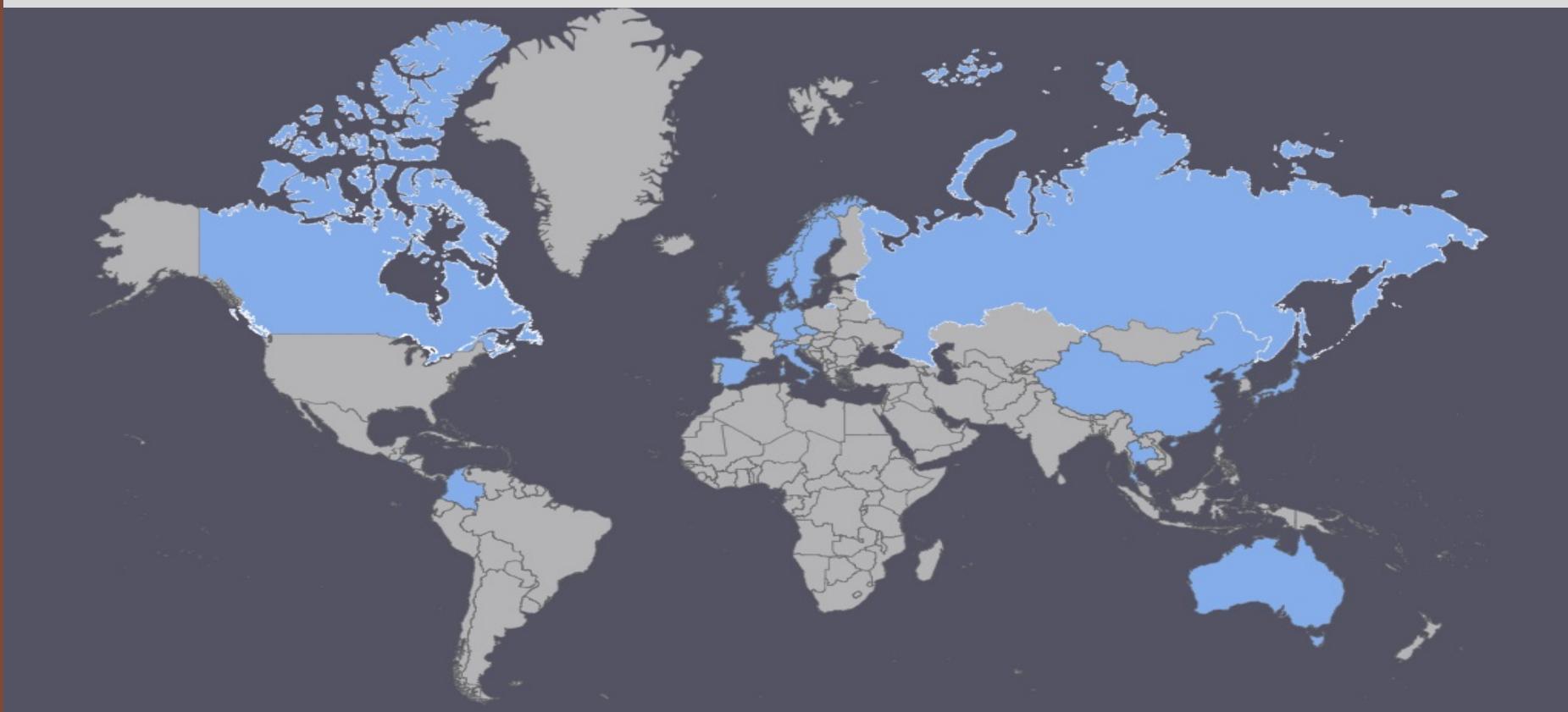
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### Insect Traps Deployed:

TYPE	2014	2015	Delimitation
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Japanese Beetle	24	24	198
Asian Defoliating Moth	60	60	
European Pineshoot Moth	6	6	

# COUNTRIES OF EXPORT

In 2015, departmental staff inspected and certified 103 shipments of agricultural products shipped nationally and internationally to 26 countries.



- Australia
- Belgium
- Canada
- China
- Columbia
- Czech Republic
- Denmark
- El Salvador
- Faroe Islands
- Germany
- Hong Kong
- Ireland
- Italy
- Japan
- Korea
- Netherlands
- Norway
- Russia
- Singapore
- Slovenia
- Spain
- Sweden
- Switzerland
- Taiwan
- Thailand
- United Kingdom

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**AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS 10 YEAR SUMMARY**



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Livestock Products	\$99,695,000
Livestock	\$90,488,000
Timber Production	\$70,395,000
Nursery Stock	\$55,945,000
Field Crops	\$ 5,278,000
Vegetable Crops	\$ 2,477,000
Fruit and Nut Crops	\$ 1,798,000

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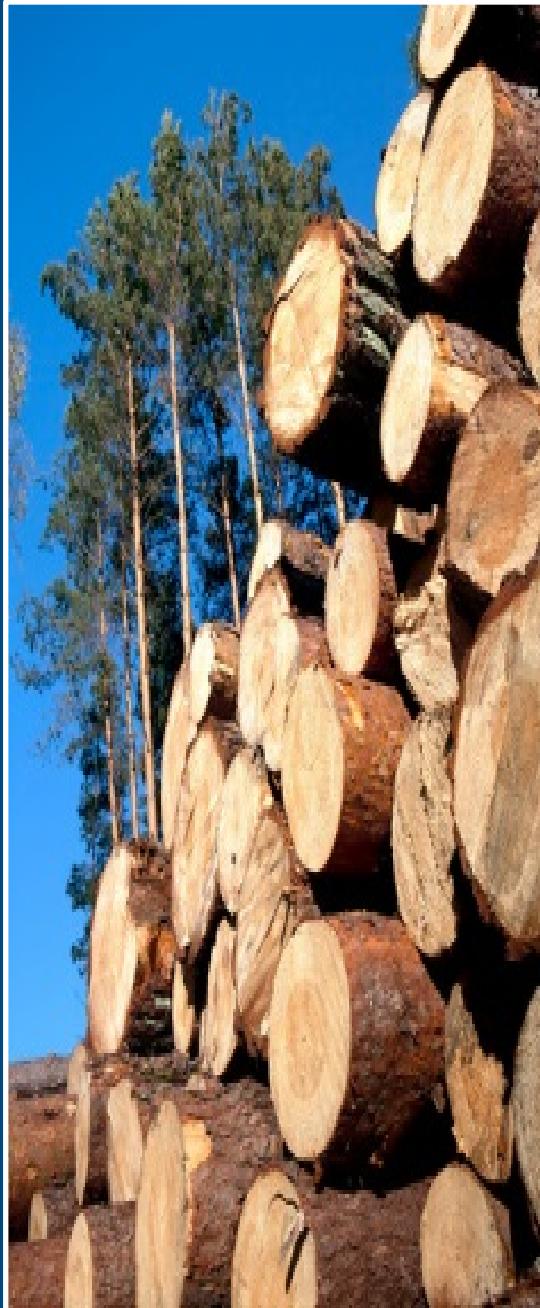
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	2015	217,503,000	Board Ft	\$71,338,000

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# LIVESTOCK

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<i>Includes cows, calves, bulls, steers</i>						
Sheep and lambs	2016	3,000	4,500	CWT	\$155	\$ 698,000
	2015	3,000	4,500	CWT	\$124	\$ 558,000
Dairy	2016	14,900			\$1,800	\$ 26,820,000
	2015	14,248			\$2,030	\$ 28,923,000
Aquaculture (oysters & clams)	2016		300 ac			\$ 10,280,000
	2015		300 ac			\$ 17,503,000
<b>Miscellaneous</b>						
2016						\$ 1,052,000
2015						\$ 1,074,000
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<b>TOTALS</b>						
2016						\$ 90,488,000
2015						\$107,998,000



# LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS

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Market Milk (Conventional)	2016	474,668	\$15.84	CWT	\$ 7,519,000
	2015	1,843,238	\$17.69	CWT	\$32,607,000
Market Milk (Organic)	2016	1,596,811	\$36.25	CWT	\$57,884,000
Manufacturing Milk (Conventional)	2016	64,727	\$16.80	CWT	\$ 1,087,000
	2015	418,403	\$15.08	CWT	\$ 6,310,000
Manufacturing Milk (Organic)	2016	217,747	\$38.42	CWT	\$ 8,367,000
Miscellaneous	2016				\$ 84,000
	2015				\$ 26,000
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Goat Milk	2016				\$ 503,000
	2015				\$ 327,000
Cheese	2016				\$24,251,000
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TOTALS	2016				\$99,695,000
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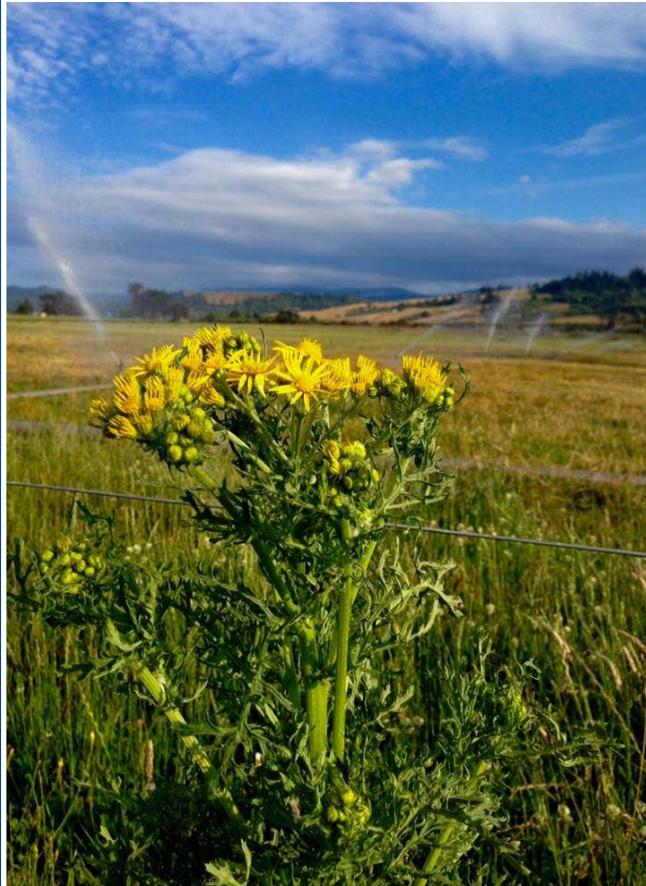
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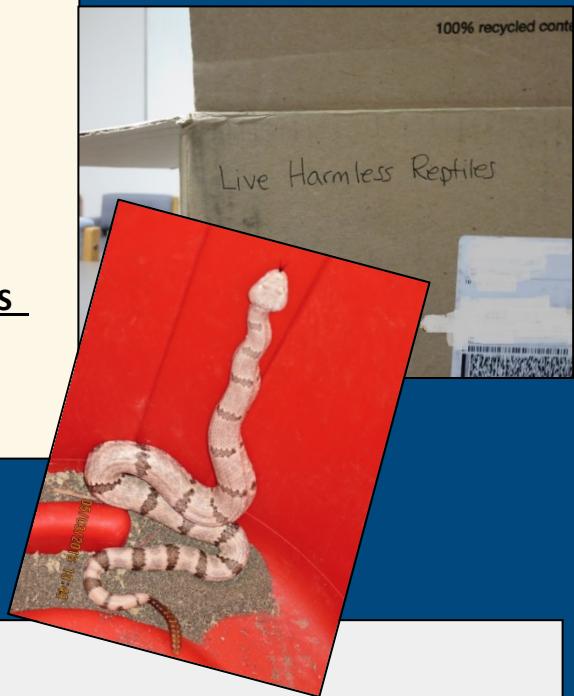
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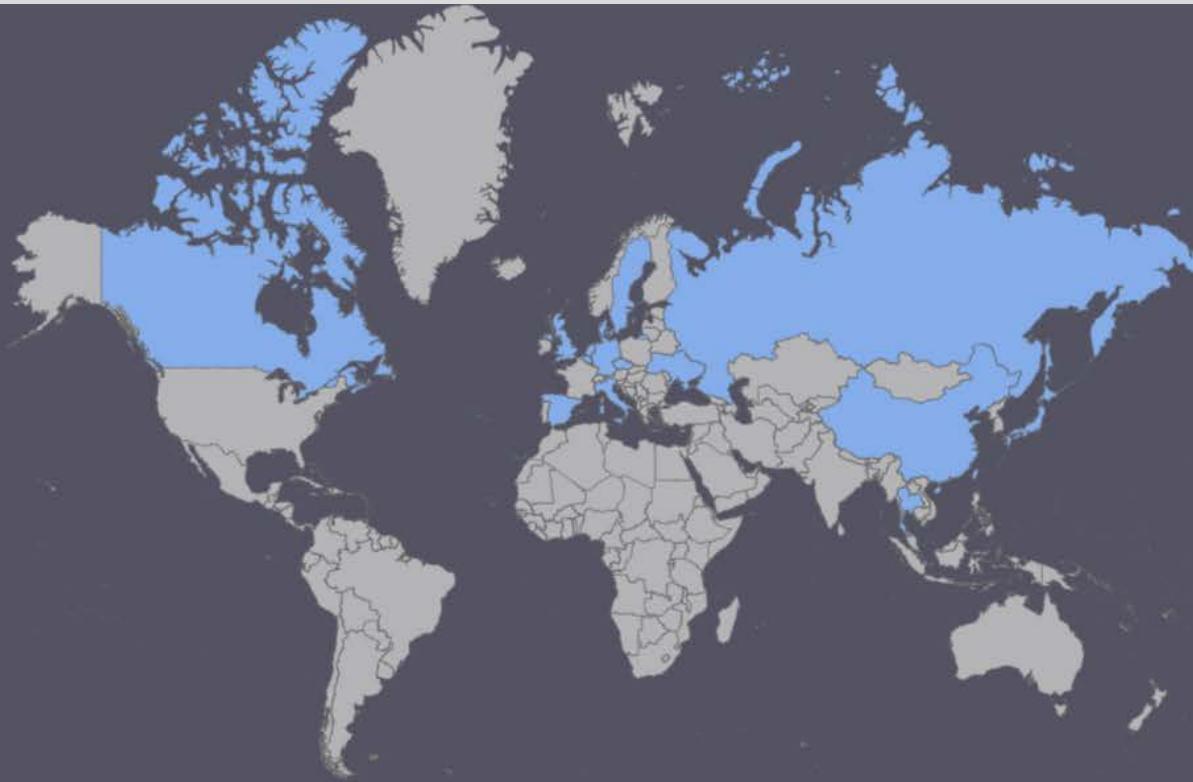
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