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Humboldt County

1969-1977

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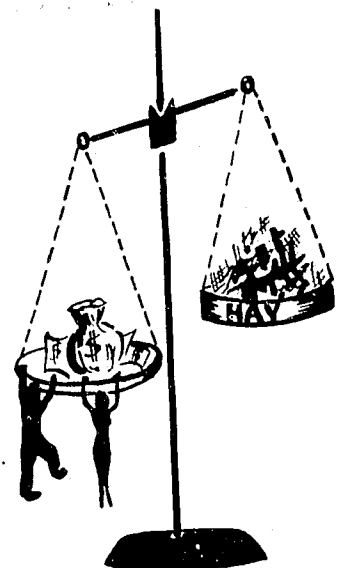
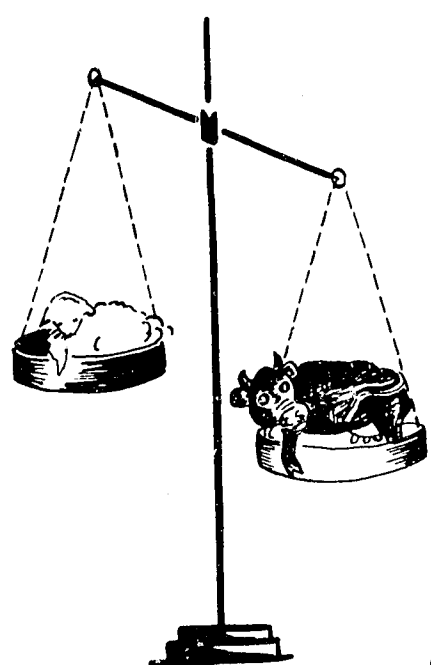
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Humboldt County AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS

To: MR. JERRY W. FIELDER
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Gentlemen:

In accordance with Section 2279 of the Agricultural Code of the State of California, I am pleased to present a report of the agricultural production of the County of Humboldt for 1969. These figures represent values of production, regardless of utilization.

As potato acreage almost doubled there was some resultant loss in hay and pasture acreage. Fruit and nut production and nursery stock production decreased somewhat.

Canine predation and land sales to developers caused loss of sheep herds with only a few switching to cattle. All livestock prices showed an increase of several dollars per hundredweight.

Respectfully submitted,

W. Donald Thomas

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Agricultural Commissioner
COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

FIELD CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Beans, dry	1969	4	13.7	75	cwt.	\$25.66	\$ 1,925
	1968	4	22.5	90	"	21.67	1,920
Hay, all	1969	1,817	3.1	5,617	ton	26.65	149,708
	1968	2,823	3.3	9,230	"	25.14	232,072
Alfalfa	1969	505	4.8	2,401	ton	29.28	70,252
	1968	511	5.4	2,778	"	27.69	76,923
Grass	1969	1,083	1.5	2,834	ton	23.28	65,990
	1968	1,380	2.8	3,808	"	24.40	92,924
Oat-clover	1969	229	1.7	382	ton	35.26	13,466
	1968	932	2.8	2,644	"	23.53	62,225
Silage	1969	590	10.4	6,136	ton	11.60	71,178
	1968	610	10.2	6,222	"	11.50	71,553
Pasture							
Irrigated	1969	8,500				60.60	515,100
	1968	9,000				60.56	545,040
Range	1969	240,000					1,900,800
	1968	250,000					1,965,000
TOTAL	1969						\$2,788,419
	1968						\$2,815,615

VEGETABLE CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION, AND VALUE

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Corn, sweet	1969	76	1.97	149.60	ton	162.56	\$ 24,351
	1968	79	1.68	132.84	"	144.30	19,182
Tomatoes	1969	33	.81	268.26	ton	119.32	32,008
	1968	22	4.99	109.84	"	154.60	16,987
Potatoes	1969	1,356	12.00	16,376.00	ton	54.68	895,410
	1968	862	13.35	11,538.00	"	48.61	560,900
Misc. Cucurbits	1969	11					24,349
	1968	32					20,514
Misc. Vegetables other	1969						35,052
	1968						27,192
TOTAL	1969						\$1,011,170
	1968						\$ 644,775

FRUIT AND NUTS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION, AND VALUE

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Apples, all	1969	26					\$19,787
	1968	32					22,145
Fresh	1969			120.70	ton	\$100.80	12,167
	1968			109.67	"	144.90	15,895
Process	1969						7,620
	1968						6,250
Misc. Fruits	1969						2,899
	1968						6,046
Misc. Nuts	1969						561
	1968						320
TOTAL	1969						\$23,247
	1968						\$29,154

NURSERY PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Item	Year	Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Cut flowers and decoratives							
Daffodils	1969	80	70.0	5,600	M	\$17.00	\$ 95,200
	1968	110	92.0	10,120	"	12.00	121,440
Other	1969						5,306
	1968						6,074
Bulbs							
Miscellaneous	1969						14,500
	1968						32,562
Plants							
Ornamental	1969			124,971			158,872
	1968			143,100			227,513
Tree, Forest Nursery	1969	12.25	551.4	6,700	M	22.03	147,601
	1968	9.25	844.3	7,810	"	21.96	171,700
TOTAL	1969						\$421,479
	1968						\$559,289

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY: PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Item	Year	Production		Unit	Value	
		No. of Head	Total Liveweight		Per unit	Total
Cattle and calves, all	1969	18,000	95,055			\$2,188,240
	1968	17,780	93,629			1,973,511
Cows	1969	5,310	43,542	cwt.	\$19.10	831,652
	1968	5,240	42,968	"	17.10	734,753
Steers	1969	3,420	29,070	cwt.	26.30	764,541
	1968	3,350	28,475	"	24.40	694,790
Bulls	1969	460	5,704	cwt.	22.80	130,051
	1968	450	5,580	"	21.30	118,854
Calves	1969	8,810	16,739	cwt.	27.60	461,996
	1968	8,740	16,606	"	25.60	425,114
Sheep and lambs, all	1969	42,626	34,138			661,894
	1968	36,386	29,170			499,087
Sheep	1969	8,600	10,320	cwt.	6.90	71,208
	1968	7,400	8,880	"	5.25	46,620
Lambs	1969	34,026	23,818	cwt.	24.80	590,686
	1968	28,986	20,290	"	22.30	452,467
Hogs	1969	634	1,312	cwt.	21.60	28,339
	1968	630	1,304	"	18.00	23,472
Chickens	1969	5,650		head	.26	1,450
	1968	10,465		"	.38	4,015
Misc.*	1969					2,435
	1968					1,060
TOTAL	1969					\$2,882,358
	1968					\$2,501,145

* Includes rabbits

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Item	Year	Production	Unit	Value	
				Per unit	Total
Milk, all	1969	1,399,000			\$6,954,000
	1968	1,438,000			6,900,000
Manufacturing	1969	866,000	cwt.	\$4.59	3,975,000
	1968	895,000	"	4.50	4,028,000
Market	1969	533,000	cwt	5.59	2,979,000
	1968	543,000	"	5.29	2,872,000
Eggs	1969	379,303	doz.	.46	174,808
	1968	592,910	"	.37	218,755
Wool	1969	498,912	lb.	.43	214,073
	1968	583,689	"	.42	243,928
TOTAL	1969				\$7,342,881
	1968				\$7,362,683

JANUARY 1 INVENTORIES OF LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY
(in number of head)

Item	January 1970	January 1969
Cattle and calves	65,600	65,650
Milk cows, 2 years and older	19,400	19,150
Beef cows and calves (excluding steers)	50,000	49,000
Sheep and lambs		
Sheep (breeding stock)	59,000	62,000
Poultry		
Hens and pullets of laying age	56,350	37,600

MISCELLANEOUS PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Item	Year	Production Total	Unit	Value	
				Per Unit	Total
Honey	1969	800 gal.		\$2.54	\$ 2,032
	1968	936 gal.		2.52	2,355
Fur, Mink	1969	8,200	pelt	19.50	159,900
	1968	8,000	"	18.00	144,000
TOTAL	1969				\$161,392
	1968				\$146,355

RECAPITULATION

	<u>1969</u>	<u>1968</u>
Field crops	\$2,788,419	\$2,815,615
Vegetable	1,011,170	644,775
Fruit and nut crops	23,247	29,154
Nursery stock	421,479	559,289
Livestock and poultry	2,882,358	2,501,145
Livestock and poultry products	7,342,881	7,362,683
Miscellaneous products	<u>169,392</u>	<u>146,355</u>
GRAND TOTAL	\$14,638,946	\$14,059,016

FIVE-YEAR AVERAGE

1966 - 1969	\$ 13,863,236
1961 - 1965	12,673,306
1956 - 1960	11,740,257
1951 - 1955	15,105,355
1946 - 1950	14,030,702

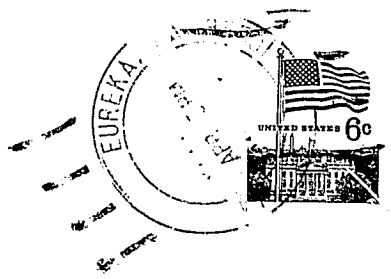
ADDENDA

ACP payment	\$79,186
ASC Lamb payment (1968) 1969 not available	17,880
ASC Wool payment (1968) 1969 not available	148,907
Bark products	4,000
Decorative greens	5,000
Christmas trees (Farm)	5,500 each
Timber cut	1,200,000 MBM

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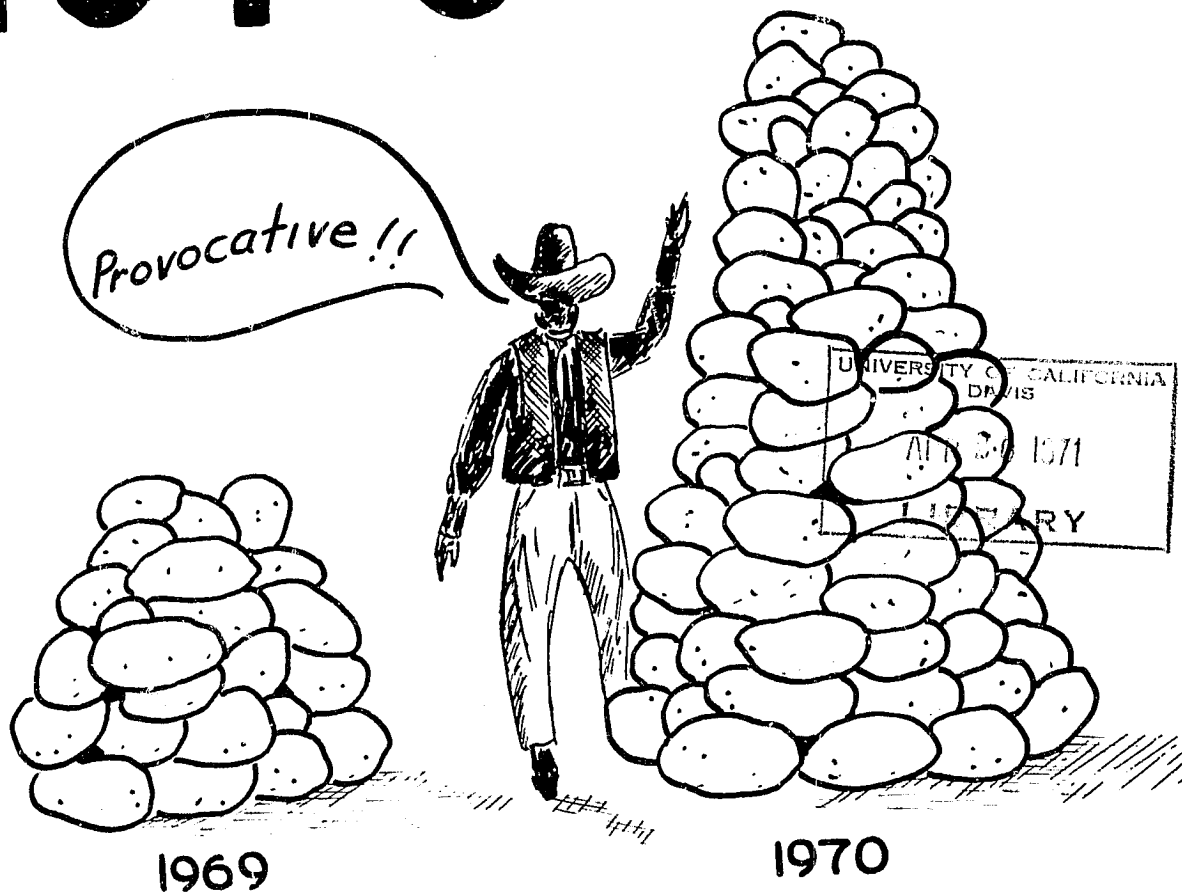


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AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS

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TO MR. JERRY W. FIELDER
Director of Agriculture

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Gentlemen:

Potato acreage again made a significant advance and when coupled with increased yield and a slightly higher price, reached a value of over one million and a half dollars.

Sheep numbers continued downward and value drop made a poor showing. Cattle price and numbers continued a gentle increase.

Daffodil acreage increased again as did tree and plant production.

Most vegetable and fruit production continued a slow downward spiral.

Respectfully submitted,

W. Donald Thomas
W. Donald Thomas,
AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER
COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

FIELD CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Per Acre	Total	Unit	Per Unit	Total
Beans, dry	1970	4	22.5	90	cwt.	\$24.17	\$ 2,175
	1969	4	18.8	75		25.66	1,925
Hay, all	1970	2,258	2.6	5,830	ton	29.70	173,109
	1969	1,817	3.1	5,617		26.65	149,708
Alfalfa	1970	998	2.9	2,941	ton	29.80	87,642
	1969	505	4.8	2,401		29.28	70,252
Grass-Clover	1970	952	2.40	2,281	ton	29.59	67,473
	1969	1,083	2.62	2,834		23.28	65,990
Oat	1970	308	2.0	608	ton	29.60	17,994
	1969	229	1.7	382		35.26	13,466
Silage	1970	630	10.4	6,552	ton	11.60	76,003
	1969	590	10.4	6,136		11.60	71,178
Pasture							
Irrigated	1970	8,700				60.70	528,090
	1969	8,500				60.60	515,100
Range	1970	235,000					1,900,800
	1969	240,000					1,900,800
TOTAL							
	1970						\$2,680,177
	1969						\$2,638,711

VEGETABLE CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION, AND VALUE

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Corn, sweet	1970	68	1.12	76.40	ton	\$156.30	\$ 11,942
	1969	76	1.97	149.60		162.56	24,351
Tomatoes	1970	26	5.26	136.63	ton	107.58	14,666
	1969	33	8.13	268.26		119.32	32,008
Potatoes	1970	2,088	14.23	29,713.00	ton	56.79	1,687,588
	1969	1,356	13.04	16,376.00		54.68	895,410
Misc. Cucurbits	1970						16,226
	1969						24,349
Misc. Vegetables others	1970						30,738
	1969						35,052
TOTAL	1970						\$1,761,160
	1969						\$1,011,170

FRUIT AND NUTS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION, AND VALUE

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Apples, all	1970	26					\$18,323
	1969	26					19,787
Fresh	1970			84.50	ton	\$136.36	11,523
	1969			120.70		100.80	12,167
Process	1970						6,800
	1969						7,620
Misc. Fruits	1970						3,889
	1969						2,899
Misc. Nuts	1970						733
	1969						561
TOTAL	1970						\$22,945
	1969						\$23,247

NURSERY PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Item	Year	Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Cut flowers and decoratives							
Daffodils	1970	187	27.9	5,235	M	\$30.54	\$159,900
	1969	80	70.0	5,600		17.00	95,200
Other	1970						600
	1969						5,306
bulbs							
Miscellaneous	1970						90,000
	1969						14,500
Plants							
Ornamental	1970						169,782
	1969						158,872
Tree, Forest Nursery	1970	13	665.5	8,652	M	21.07	182,300
	1969	12	551.4	6,700		22.03	147,601
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TOTAL	1970						\$602,582
	1969						\$421,479

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY: PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Item	Year	Production		Unit	Value	
		No. of Head	Total Live-weight		Per Unit	Total
Cattle and Calves, all	1970	18,410	97,111			\$2,377,562
	1969	18,000	95,055			2,188,240
Cows	1970	5,431	44,534	cwt.	\$20.30	904,044
	1969	5,310	43,542		19.10	831,652
Steers	1970	3,498	29,733	cwt.	26.70	793,871
	1969	3,420	29,070		26.30	764,541
Bulls	1970	460	5,704	cwt.	25.40	144,882
	1969	460	5,704		22.80	130,051
Calves	1970	9,021	17,140	cwt.	31.20	534,765
	1969	8,810	16,739		27.60	461,996
Sheep and lambs, all	1970	40,655	33,973			604,873
	1969	42,626	34,138			661,894
Sheep	1970	11,029	13,235	cwt.	7.00	92,644
	1969	8,600	10,320		6.90	71,208
Lambs	1970	29,626	20,738	cwt.	24.70	512,229
	1969	34,026	23,818		24.80	590,686
Hogs	1970	526	1,088	cwt.	21.70	23,631
	1969	634	1,312		21.60	28,339
Chickens	1970	6,650		head	.29	1,900
	1969	5,650			.26	1,450
Misc.*	1970					2,600
	1969					2,435
TOTAL	1970					\$3,010,566
	1969					\$2,882,358

* Includes rabbits

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Item	Year	Production	Unit	Value	
				Per Unit	Total
Milk, all	1970	1,481,000			\$ 7,773,000
	1969	1,405,000			6,974,000
Manufacturing	1970	913,000	cwt.	\$4.83	4,410,000
	1969	873,000		4.60	4,106,000
Market	1970	568,000	cwt.	5.92	3,363,000
	1969	532,000		5.56	2,958,000
Eggs	1970	412,894	doz.	.53	220,043
	1969	379,303		.46	174,808
Wool	1970	473,532	lb.	.38	179,789
	1969	498,912		.43	214,073
TOTAL	1970				\$ 8,172,832
	1969				\$ 7,362,881

JANUARY 1 INVENTORIES OF LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY
(in number of head)

Item	January 1971	January 1970
Cattle and calves	72,100	65,600
Milk cows, 2 years and older	19,750	19,400
Beef cows and calves (excluding steers)	35,000	50,000
Sheep and lambs		
Sheep (breeding stock)	50,600	59,000
Hogs	500	600
Poultry		
Hens and pullets of laying age	29,900	56,350

MISCELLANEOUS PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Item	Year	Production Total	Unit	Value	
				Per Unit	Total
Honey	1970	5,104 lbs.		\$.34	\$ 1,735
	1969	9,600		.21	2,032
Fur, Mink	1970	8,000	pelt	18.75	150,000
	1969	8,200		19.50	159,900
TOTAL	1970				\$151,735
	1969				\$161,932

	<u>RECAPITULATION</u>	
	<u>1970</u>	<u>1969</u>
Field crops	\$ 2,680,177	\$ 2,638,711
Vegetable	1,716,160	1,011,170
Fruit and nut crops	22,945	23,247
Nursery stock	602,582	421,479
Livestock and poultry	3,010,566	2,882,358
Livestock and poultry products	8,172,832	7,362,881
Miscellaneous products	151,735	161,932
GRAND TOTAL	<u>\$16,356,997</u>	<u>\$14,501,778</u>

FIVE-YEAR AVERAGE

1966-1970	14,334,554
1961-1965	12,673,306
1956-1960	11,740,257
1951-1955	15,105,355
1946-1950	14,030,702

ADDENDA

ACP payment		\$ 75,253.58
ASC Lamb payment (1969) 1970 not available		12,539.34
ASC Wool payment (1969) 1970 not available		140,998.22
ASC Mohair payment (1969) 1970 not available		55.75
Bark products		7,802
Decorative greens		5,000
Christmas trees (Farm)	5,500 each	
Timber cut	1,200,000 MBM	

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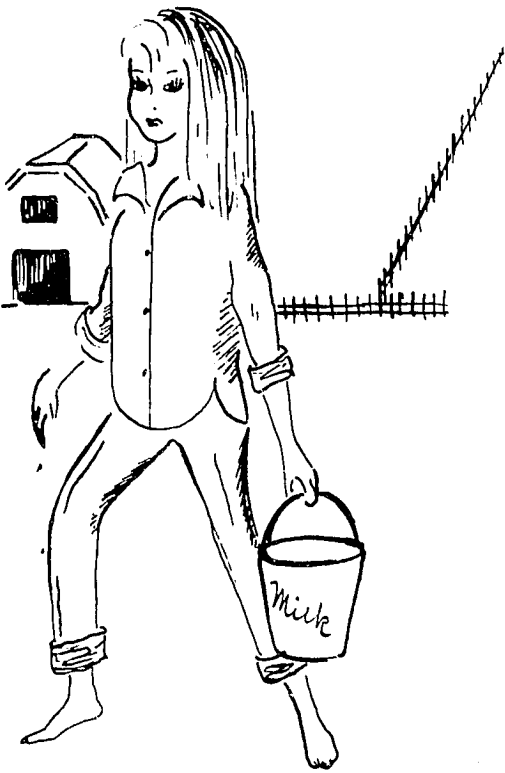
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Hay production declined somewhat; as did sileage and pasture.

Corn production was up as were tomatoes but potato acreage dropped by at least 200 acres and other vegetables also dropped. Fruit production continues to drop.

Daffodil production per acre more than doubled and nursery stock as a whole improved.

There is still some increase in beef production, while sheep production continues to decline. Milk continues to be a significant contributor with more increase in market milk. Egg production declined as did wool.

Mink fur is phasing out in Humboldt County. All these factors caused a loss of value in excess of one hundred thousand dollars. This causes a switch of emphasis by the Department to more consumer protection orientation.

Respectfully submitted,

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AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER
COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

FIELD CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Per Acre	Total	Unit	Per Unit	Total
Beans, dry	1971	6	20.0	120	cwt.	\$25.00	\$3,000
	1970	4	22.5	90	cwt.	24.17	2,175
Hay, all	1971	2,163	2.6	5,896	ton	29.69	167,504
	1970	2,258	2.6	5,830	ton	29.70	173,109
Alfalfa	1971	710	3.5	2,450	ton	29.90	73,261
	1970	998	2.9	2,941	ton	29.80	87,642
Grass-Clover	1971	1185	2.6	3,022	ton	26.99	81,564
	1970	952	2.4	2,281	ton	29.59	67,473
Oat	1971	268	1.6	424	ton	29.90	12,679
	1970	308	2.0	608	ton	29.60	17,994
Silage	1971	600	10.0	6,000	ton	11.80	70,800
	1970	630	10.4	6,552	ton	11.60	76,003
Pasture							
Irrigated	1971	8,600				60.80	522,880
	1970	8,700				60.70	528,090
Range	1971	233,000					1,901,000
	1970	235,000					1,900,800
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TOTAL	1971						\$2,665,184
	1970						\$2,680,177

VEGETABLE CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION, AND VALUE

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Corn, sweet	1971	70	.99	78.3	ton	\$206.50	\$ 16,162
	1970	68	1.12	76.40	ton	156.30	11,942
Tomatoes	1971	28	4.19	117.43	ton	174.63	20,507
	1970	26	5.26	136.63	ton	107.58	14,666
Potatoes	1971	1,897	12.20	23,130.00	ton	63.85	1,476,854
	1970	2,088	14.23	29,713.00	ton	56.79	1,687,588
Misc. Cucurbits	1971						12,165
	1970						16,226
Misc. Vegetables others	1971						8,543
	1970						30,738
TOTAL	1971						\$1,534,231
	1970						\$1,761,160

FRUIT AND NUTS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION, AND VALUE

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Apples, all	1971	24					\$ 14,375
	1970	26					18,323
Fresh	1971			33.82	ton	\$238.76	8,075
	1970			84.50	ton	136.36	11,523
Process	1971						6,300
	1970						6,800
Misc. Fruits	1971						1,295
	1970						3,889
Misc. Nuts	1971						1,641
	1970						733
TOTAL	1971						\$17,311
	1970						\$22,945

NURSERY PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Item	Year	Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Cut flowers and decoratives							
Daffodils	1971	109	77.4	8,435	M	\$27.10	\$228,610
	1970	187	27.9	5,235	M	30.54	159,900
Other	1971						9,650
	1970						600
Bulbs							
Miscellaneous	1971						77,510
	1970						90,000
Plants							
Ornamental	1971						144,532
	1970						169,782
Tree, Forest Nursery	1971	14	632.4	8,853	M	22.15	196,050
	1970	13	665.5	8,652	M	21.07	182,300
Bedding	1971						10,565
	1970						0
Certified Nursery Stock	1971						12,312
TOTAL	1971						\$679,229
	1970						\$602,582

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY: PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Item	Year	Production		Unit	Value	
		No. of Head	Total Live-weight		Per Unit	Total
Cattle and Calves, all	1971	18,920	99,799			\$2,596,530
	1970	18,410	97,111			2,377,562
Cows	1971	5,581	45,764	cwt.	\$20.80	951,895
	1970	5,431	44,534	cwt.	20.30	904,044
Steers	1971	3,545	30,557	cwt.	29.10	889,209
	1970	3,498	29,733	cwt.	26.70	793,871
Bulls	1971	473	5,863	cwt.	26.40	154,771
	1970	460	5,704	cwt.	25.40	144,882
Calves	1971	9,271	17,615	cwt.	34.10	600,655
	1970	9,021	17,140	cwt.	31.20	534,765
Sheep and lambs, all	1971	33,042	28,653			443,685
	1970	40,655	33,973			604,873
Sheep	1971	10,130	12,156	cwt.	6.10	74,152
	1970	11,029	13,235	cwt.	7.00	92,644
Lambs	1971	22,912	16,497	cwt.	22.40	369,533
	1970	29,626	20,738	cwt.	24.70	512,229
Hogs	1971	460	952	cwt.	16.70	15,902
	1970	526	1,088	cwt.	21.70	23,631
Chickens	1971	10,200		head	.14	1,510
	1970	6,650		head	.29	1,900
Misc.*	1971					1,239
	1970					2,600
TOTAL	1971					\$3,058,866
	1970					\$3,010,566

*Includes rabbits

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Item	Year	Production	Unit	Value	
				Per Unit	Total
Milk, all	1971	1,491,000	cwt.		\$7,999,000
	1970	1,481,000	cwt.		\$7,755,000
Manufacturing	1971	902,000	cwt.	\$4.87	\$4,393,000
	1970	913,000	cwt.	\$4.82	\$4,381,000
Market	1971	589,000	cwt.	\$6.12	\$3,606,000
	1970	568,000	cwt.	\$5.93	\$3,374,000
Eggs	1971	285,514	doz.	.40	\$ 114,813
	1970	412,894	doz.	.53	\$ 220,043
Wool	1971	460,000	lb.	.23	\$ 105,800
	1970	473,532	lb.	.38	\$ 179,789
TOTAL	1971				\$8,219,613
	1970				\$8,154,832

JANUARY 1 INVENTORIES OF LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY
(in number of head)

Item	January 1972	January 1971
Cattle and calves	76,200	72,100
Milk cows, 2 years and older	18,300	18,100
Beef cows and calves (excluding steers)	37,000	35,000
Sheep and lambs		
Sheep (breeding stock)	41,900	50,600
Hogs	400	500
Poultry		
Hens and pullets of laying age	18,500	29,900

MISCELLANEOUS PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Item	Year	Production Total	Unit	Value	
				Per Unit	Total
Honey	1971	6,056	lbs.	\$.23	\$ 1,396
	1970	5,104	lbs.	.34	1,735
Fur, Mink	1971	4,000	Pelt	17.70	70,800
	1970	8,000	Pelt	18.75	150,000
TOTAL	1971				\$ 72,196
	1970				\$ 151,735

RECAPITULATION

	1971	1970
Field Crops	\$ 2,665,184	\$ 2,680,177
Vegetable	1,534,231	1,761,160
Fruit and Nut crops	17,311	22,945
Nursery stock	679,229	602,582
Livestock and poultry	3,058,866	3,010,566
Livestock and poultry products	8,219,613	8,154,832
Miscellaneous products	72,196	151,735
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 16,246,630	\$ 16,383,997

FIVE-YEAR AVERAGE

1966 - 1970	\$14,334,554
1961 - 1965	12,673,306
1956 - 1960	11,740,257
1951 - 1955	15,105,355
1946 - 1950	14,030,702


ADDENDA

ACP payment	\$ 65,034
ASC Lamb payment (1970) - 1971 figures not available	19,384
ASC Wool payment (1970) 1971 figures not available	190,663
ASC Mohair payment (1970) 1971 figures not available	217
Bark products	9,600
Decorative greens	6,000
Christmas trees (Farm) 4,500 each	
Timber cut 1,250,000 MBM	

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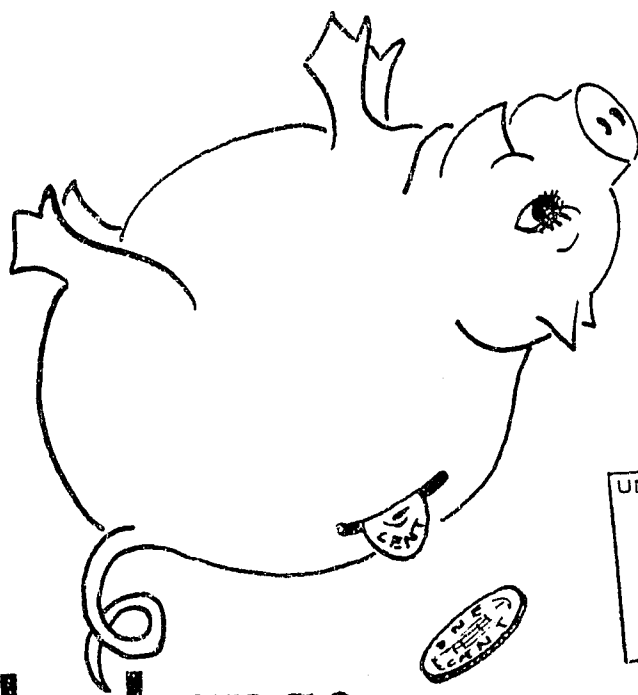
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Gentlemen:

In accordance with section 2279 of the Food and Agricultural Code of the State of California, I am pleased to present a report of the agricultural production of the County of Humboldt for 1972. These figures represent value of production, regardless of utilization.

In general hay yield and acreage was up but silage and pasture acreage decreased.

Corn and tomato acreage decreased as did potato acreage, whereas value of miscellaneous cucurbit and general went up. All production of fruit and nuts continues to decrease.

There is a general decline in production of all nursery stock.

There is a general shift upward of beef production and general downward shift of sheep numbers. Higher unit prices in general contributed to an overall 10% increase in value for livestock and poultry.

There was a general increase in milk production and unit value. A general decline in laying chickens and lessened production was offset by unit value increase. Along with lessened sheep numbers there was a reduction in pounds of wool.

Fur production in the county no longer exists.

Overall value remained relatively static. The Department activities are attempting to continue upgrading of environmental factors.

Respectfully submitted,

W. Donald Thomas
W. Donald Thomas,
AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER
COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

FIELD CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Per Acre	Total	Unit	Per Unit	Total
Beans, dry	1972	5	21.0	105	cwt.	\$25.40	\$2,567
	1971	6	20.0	120	cwt.	25.00	3,000
Hay, all	1972	2,148	3.8	8,064	ton	29.57	238,579
	1971	2,163	2.6	5,896	ton	29.69	167,504
Alfalfa	1972	567	5.6	3,149	ton	32.74	103,108
	1971	710	3.5	2,450	ton	29.90	73,261
Grass-clover	1972	1304	3.3	4,263	ton	26.98	114,942
	1971	1185	2.6	3,022	ton	26.99	81,564
Oat	1972	277	2.4	652	ton	31.53	20,549
	1971	268	1.6	424	ton	29.90	12,679
Silage	1972	580	10.0	5,800	ton	11.90	69,020
	1971	600	10.0	6,000	ton	11.80	70,800
Pasture Irrigated	1972	8,500				62.20	528,700
	1971	8,600				60.80	522,880
Range	1972	231,000					1,887,270
	1971	233,000					1,901,800
TOTAL	1972						\$ 2,726,256
	1971						2,665,984

VEGETABLE CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION, AND VALUE

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Corn, sweet	1972	46	1.39	63.80	ton	\$ 178.48	\$ 11,387
	1971	70	.99	78.3	ton	206.50	16,162
Tomatoes	1972	14	5.23	73.22	ton	253.05	18,528
	1971	28	4.19	117.43	ton	174.63	20,507
Potatoes	1972	1,628	14.03	22,844	ton	45.92	1,049,001
	1971	1,897	12.20	23,130	ton	63.85	1,476,854
Misc. Cucurbits	1972						20,231
	1971						12,165
Misc. Vegetables others	1972						17,411
	1971						8,543
TOTAL							\$ 1,116,558
							1,534,231

FRUIT AND NUTS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION, AND VALUE

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Apples, all	1972	21				\$	12,902
	1971	24					14,375
Fresh	1972			36.50	ton	293.89	10,727
	1971			33.82	ton	238.76	8,075
Process	1972						2,175
	1971						6,300
Misc. Fruits	1972						1,218
	1971						1,295
Misc. Nuts	1972						520
	1971						1,641
TOTAL							\$ 14,640
							17,311

NURSERY PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Item	Year	Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Cut flowers and decoratives							
Daffodils	1972	126	65.3	8,228	M	\$ 28.05	\$ 230,795
	1971	109	77.4	8,435	M	27.10	228,610
Other	1972						4,000
	1971						9,650
Bulbs							
Miscellaneous	1972						76,200
	1971						77,510
Plants							
Ornamental	1972						82,305
	1971						144,532
Tree, Forest Nursery	1972	14	630.79	8,831	M	21.98	194,082
	1971	14	632.4	8,853		22.15	196,050
Bedding	1972						2,715
	1971						10,565
Certified Nursery Stock	1972						27,560
	1971						12,312
TOTAL							\$ 617,657
							679,229

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY: PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Item	Year	Production		Unit	Value	
		No. of Head	Total Live-weight		Per Unit	Total
Cattle and Calves, all	1972	19,050	100,490			\$ 2,933,792
	1971	18,920	99,799			2,596,530
Cows	1972	5,620	46,082	cwt.	23.90	1,101,359
	1971	5,581	45,764	cwt.	20.80	951,895
Steers	1972	3,620	30,766	cwt.	31.80	978,351
	1971	3,545	30,557	cwt.	29.10	889,209
Bulls	1972	476	5,906	cwt.	28.40	167,716
	1971	473	5,863	cwt.	26.40	154,771
Calves	1972	9,335	17,736	cwt.	38.70	686,366
	1971	9,271	17,615	cwt.	34.10	600,655
Sheep and lambs, all	1972	28,701	25,141			436,283
	1971	33,042	28,653			443,685
Sheep	1972	9,326	11,191	cwt.	6.70	74,978
	1971	10,130	12,156	cwt.	6.10	74,152
Lambs	1972	19,375	13,950	cwt.	25.90	361,305
	1971	22,912	13,497	cwt.	22.40	369,533
Hogs	1972	435	900	cwt.	23.91	21,521
	1971	460	952	cwt.	16.70	15,902
Chickens	1972	7,950		head	.14	1,065
	1971	10,200		head	.14	1,510
Misc.*	1972					1,360
	1971					1,239
TOTAL	1972					\$ 3,394,021
	1971					3,058,866

*Includes rabbits

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Item	Year	Production	Unit	Value	
				Per Unit	Total
Milk, all	1972	1,540,000	cwt.		\$ 8,467,000
	1971	1,491,000	cwt.		7,999,000
Manufacturing	1972	945,000	cwt.	\$5.07	4,790,000
	1971	902,000	cwt.	4.87	4,393,000
Market	1972	595,000	cwt.	6.18	3,677,000
	1971	589,000	cwt.	6.12	3,606,000
Eggs	1972	230,115	doz.	.50	115,058
	1971	285,514	doz.	.40	114,813
Wool	1972	335,539	lb.	.29	97,306
	1971	460,000	lb.	.23	105,800
TOTAL	1972				\$ 8,679,364
	1971				8,219,613

JANUARY 1 INVENTORIES OF LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY
(in number of head)

Item	January 1973	January 1972
Cattle and calves	77,300	76,200
Milk cows, 2 years and older	17,450	18,300
Beef cows and calves (excluding steers)	38,800	37,000
Sheep and lambs		
Sheep (breeding stock)	35,300	41,900
Hogs	426	400
Poultry		
Hens and pullets of laying age	16,000	18,500

MISCELLANEOUS PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Item	Year	Production Total	Unit	Value	
				Per Unit	Total
Honey	1972				\$ 2,175
	1971				1,396
Fur, Mink	1972				5,000
	1971				70,800
TOTAL	1972				\$ 7,175
	1971				72,196

RECAPITULATION

	1972	1971
Field Crops	\$ 2,726,256	\$ 2,665,984
Vegetable	1,116,558	1,534,231
Fruit and nut crops	14,640	17,311
Nursery stock	617,657	679,229
Livestock and poultry	3,394,021	3,058,866
Livestock and poultry products	8,679,364	8,219,613
Miscellaneous products	7,175	72,196
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 16,555,671	\$ 16,247,430

FIVE-YEAR AVERAGE

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1946 - 1950	14,030,702

ADDENDA

ACP payment	\$ 87,194
Lamb payment	17,710
Wool payment	228,348
Bark products	5,000
Decorative greens	9,600
Christmas trees cut	4,500 each
Timber cut	1,250,000 MBM

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There was a general increase in pasture acreage and hay yield while silage decreased.

Vegetable production and value took an upward swing. Corn and tomato acreage increased while potato acreage went downward. Production of all fruits and nuts has gained from last year.

Production of nursery stock increased. A local wholesale nursery has shifted from a single ornamental specialty to general ornamental production.

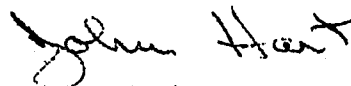
Beef production continues to increase whereas, sheep production continues to decline. Increased unit prices contributed to higher values.

General milk production declined somewhat but higher unit price gave increased value. Laying chickens continued to decline, lessening egg production. Declining sheep numbers had brought about a reduction in wool production. Higher unit prices for wool contributed to greater total value.

In general, all overall values increased.

We wish to acknowledge the 21 years of beneficial input that newly retired Agricultural Commissioner W."Don" Thomas has contributed to our office and the faithful service that he has rendered to the people of Humboldt County. It is our wish that we may continue with the same zeal. We also wish to extend our thanks to the many persons who furnished the information necessary for this report.

Respectfully submitted,



John F. Hart,
AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER
COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

FIELD CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Per Acre	Total	Unit	Per Unit	Total
Beans, dry	1973	4	30.5	122	cwt.	\$18.59	\$2,268
	1972	5	21.0	105	cwt.	25.40	2,667
Hay, all	1973	2,539	2.3	5,785	ton	35.96	208,015
	1972	2,148	3.8	8,064	ton	29.57	238,599
Alfalfa	1973	499	2.8	1,394	ton	38.25	53,318
	1972	567	5.6	3,149	ton	32.74	103,108
Grass-clover	1973	1,674	2.3	3,820	ton	33.75	128,943
	1972	1,304	3.3	4,263	ton	26.96	114,942
Oat	1973	366	1.6	571	ton	45.10	25,754
	1972	277	2.4	652	ton	31.53	20,549
Silage	1973	163	13.0	2,120	ton	10.85	23,000
	1972	580	10.0	5,800	ton	11.90	69,020
Pasture							
Irrigated	1973	10,000				63.60	636,000
	1972	8,500				62.20	528,700
Range	1973	415,000					3,456,950
	1972	231,000					1,887,270
TOTAL	1973						\$4,326,233
	1972						\$2,726,256

*includes barley

VEGETABLE CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION, AND VALUE

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Corn, sweet	1973	69	1.38	95.40	ton	195.55	\$18,656
	1972	46	1.39	63.80	ton	178.48	11,387
Tomatoes	1973	26	6.61	171.76	ton	127.92	21,972
	1972	14	5.23	73.22	ton	253.05	18,528
Potatoes	1973	1,559	11.95	18,633	ton	63.71	1,187,141
	1972	1,628	14.03	22,844	ton	45.92	1,049,001
Misc. Cucurbits	1973	24		150	ton		21,287
	1972						20,231
Misc. Vegetables	1973	20		30.67	ton		12,352
	1972						17,411
TOTAL	1973	1,698		19,081	ton		\$1,261,408
	1972						\$1,116,558

FRUIT AND NUTS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION, AND VALUE

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production	Unit	Value
			Total		Total
*Apples, all	1973	21	99.50	ton	\$13,782
	1972	21			12,902
Misc. Fruits	1973	19	36.30	ton	12,120
	1972				1,218
Misc. Nuts	1973	14	1.67	ton	1,212
	1972				520
TOTAL	1973	54	137.47	ton	\$ 27,114
	1972				\$ 14,640

*Includes processed

NURSERY PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Item	Year	Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Cut flowers and decoratives	1973	114					\$480,000
	1972	126					234,795
Bulbs							
Miscellaneous	1973						75,000
	1972						76,200
Plants							
Ornamental	1973						188,464
	1972						82,305
Tree, Forest Nursery	1973	14	1,379.21	19,309	M	23.00	444,107
	1972	14	630.79	8,831	M	21.98	194,082
Bedding	1973						7,568
	1972						2,715
Certified Nursery Stock	1973						14,000
	1972						27,560
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TOTAL	1973						\$1,209,139
	1972						\$ 617,657

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY: PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Item	Year	Production		Unit	Value	
		No. of Head	Live-Weight		Per Unit	Total
Cattle and Calves, all	1973	19,325	103,650			\$4,224,167
	1972	19,050	100,490			2,933,792
Cows	1973	5,701	48,458	cwt.	31.80	1,540,964
	1972	5,620	46,082	cwt.	23.90	1,101,359
Steers	1973	3,672	31,212	cwt.	47.63	1,486,627
	1972	3,620	30,766	cwt.	31.80	978,351
Bulls	1973	483	5,989	cwt.	38.21	228,840
	1972	476	5,906	cwt.	28.40	167,716
Calves	1973	9,469	17,991	cwt.	53.79	967,736
	1972	9,335	17,736	cwt.	38.70	686,366
Sheep and lambs, all	1973	30,044	28,380			562,284
	1972	28,701	25,141			436,283
Sheep	1973	14,060	16,872	cwt.	11.50	194,028
	1972	9,326	11,191	cwt.	6.70	74,978
Lambs	1973	15,984	11,508	cwt.	32.00	368,256
	1972	19,375	13,950	cwt.	25.90	361,305
Hogs	1973	400	828	cwt.	37.52	31,067
	1972	435	900	cwt.	23.91	21,521
Chickens	1973	6,200		head	.22	1,364
	1972	7,950		head	.14	1,065
Misc.*	1973					1,300
	1972					1,360
TOTAL	1973					\$4,820,182
	1972					\$3,394,021

* Includes rabbits

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Item	Year	Production	Unit	Value	
				Per Unit	Total
Milk, all	1973	1,502,000	cwt.		\$10,114,000
	1972	1,540,000	cwt.		8,467,000
Manufacturing	1973	881,000	cwt.	\$5.74	5,057,000
	1972	945,000	cwt.	5.07	4,790,000
Market	1973	621,000	cwt.	7.10	5,057,000
	1972	595,000	cwt.	6.18	3,677,000
Eggs	1973	195,260	doz.	.50	97,322
	1972	230,115	doz.	.50	115,058
Wool	1973	173,333	lbs.	.83	144,815
	1972	335,539	lbs.	.29	97,306
TOTAL	1973				\$10,356,137
	1972				\$ 8,679,364

JANUARY 1 INVENTORIES OF LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY
(in number of head)

Item	January 1974	January 1973
Cattle and calves	78,000	77,300
Milk cows, 2 years and older	17,200	17,450
Beef cows and calves (excluding steers)	38,600	38,200
Sheep and lambs		
Sheep (breeding stock)	25,200	35,300
Hogs	450	426
Poultry		
Hens and pullets of laying age	8,500	16,000

MISCELLANEOUS PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Item	Year	Value	
		Per Unit	Total
Honey	1973		\$2,323
	1972		2,175
Fur, Mink	1973		-0-
	1972		5,000
TOTAL	1973		\$ 2,323
	1972		\$ 7,175

RECAPITULATION

	1973	1972
Field Crops	\$4,326,233	\$2,726,256
Vegetable	1,261,408	1,116,558
Fruit and nut crops	27,114	14,040
Nursery stock	1,209,139	617,657
Livestock and poultry	4,820,182	3,394,021
Livestock and poultry products	10,356,137	8,679,364
Miscellaneous products	<u>2,323</u>	<u>7,175</u>
GRAND TOTAL	\$22,002,536	\$16,555,671

FIVE-YEAR AVERAGE

1971-- 1973	\$18,371,292
1966 - 1970	14,334,554
1961 - 1965	12,673,306
1956 - 1960	11,740,257
1951 - 1955	15,105,355
1946 - 1950	14,030,702

ADDENDA

ACP payment	(Program inactive most of year)	\$16,108.83
Lamb payment	(incentive programs were down due to	
Wool payment	high prices)	
Bark products		2,976
Decorative greens		5,000
Christmas trees cut	4,000	
Timber cut	1,100,000 MBM	

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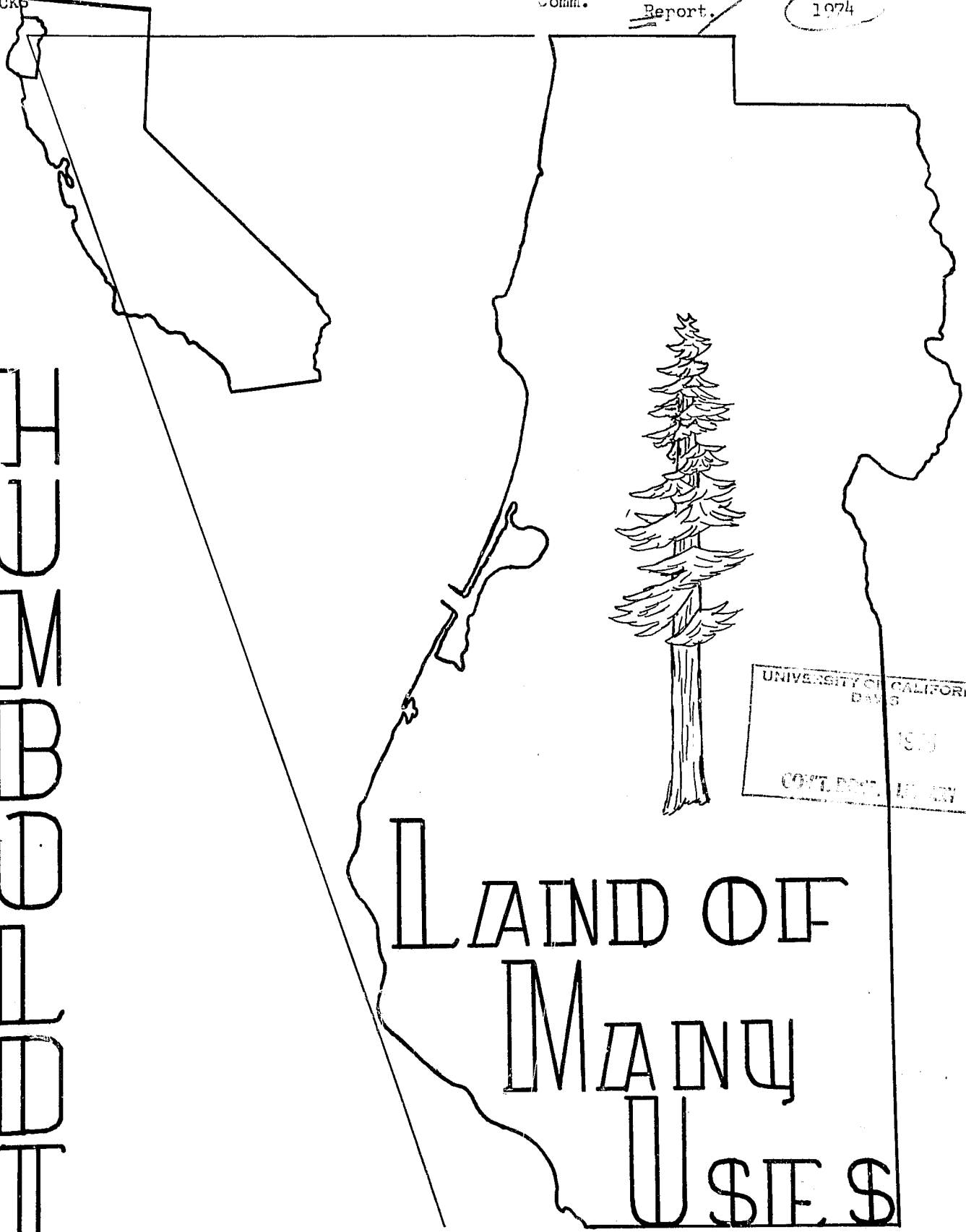


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To: MR. TIM WALLACE
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Gentlemen:

In accordance with section 2279 of the Food and Agriculture Code of the State of California, I am pleased to present a report of the agricultural production of the County of Humboldt for 1974. These figures represent value of production, regardless of utilization.

There was a general reduction in hay acreage. The decline however, was offset by higher yields per acre. Production of silage increased considerably over the previous years.

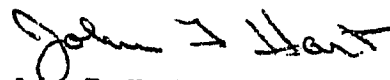
Vegetable acreage was also down, mostly in commercial potatoes and sweet corn. Yields per acre though were greater, negating the reduced acreage. Fruit and nut production was slightly higher on the average. Apples showed the largest gain while other fruits went down sharply.

Nursery production made general gains. Bulb acreage and forest stock had significant increases. Two large timber companies began growing containerized forest nursery stock in large greenhouses.

The production of beef rose somewhat over the previous year. Sheep production continued to decline. As a result, wool production dropped sharply. Although, the number of chickens increased not all of them were laying, which accounted for the drop in egg production.

Basically all production reflected higher values from the previous year. The only exception was livestock which plunged downward.

Respectfully submitted,


John F. Hart,
AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER
COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

FIELD CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Per Acre	Total Unit	Per Unit	Total
Beans, dry	1974	5	24.6	123	cwt.	\$27.76 \$3,415
	1973	4	30.5	122	cwt.	18.59 2,268
Hay, all	1974	2,119	4.0	8,557	ton	32.55 278,506
	1973	2,539	2.3	5,785	ton	35.96 208,015
Alfalfa	1974	375	2.9	1,092	ton	56.26 61,435
	1973	499	2.8	1,394	ton	38.25 53,318
Grass-clover	1974	1,538	4.6	7,052	ton	26.91 189,793
	1973	1,674	2.3	3,820	ton	33.75 128,943
*Oat	1974	206	2.0	413	ton	66.05 27,278
	1973	366	1.6	571	ton	45.10 25,754
Silage	1974	233	16.2	3,780	ton	15.51 58,615
	1973	163	13.0	2,120	ton	10.85 23,000
Pasture						
Irrigated	1974	10,000				73.60 736,000
	1973	10,000				63.60 636,000
Range	1974	415,000				3,500,000
	1973	415,000				3,456,950
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TOTAL	1974					\$4,576,536
	1973					2,726,256

*Includes barley

VEGETABLE CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION, AND VALUE

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Corn, sweet	1974	40	1.79	71.81	ton	\$224.84	\$16,146
	1973	69	1.38	95.40	ton	195.55	18,656
Tomatoes	1974	21	6.99	146.72	ton	178.26	26,155
	1973	26	6.61	171.76	ton	127.92	21,972
Potatoes	1974	1,522	12.70	19,335	ton	74.43	1,439,185
	1973	1,559	11.95	18,633	ton	63.71	1,187,141
Misc. Cucurbits	1974	18		79	ton		11,274
	1973	24		150	ton		21,287
Misc. Vegetable	1974	12		15.32	ton		5,386
	1973	20		30.67	ton		12,352
TOTAL	1974	1,613		19,648	ton		\$1,498,146
	1973	1,698		19,081	ton		1,261,408

FRUIT AND NUTS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION, AND VALUE

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production	Unit	Value
			Total		Total
*Apples, all	1974	27	129.34	ton	\$25,412
	1973	21	99.50	ton	13,782
Misc. Fruits	1974	4	6.40	ton	3,112
	1973	19	36.30	ton	12,120
Misc. Nuts	1974	14	1.93	ton	1,463
	1973	14	1.67	ton	1,212
TOTAL	1974	45	137.67	ton	\$29,987
	1973	54	137.47	ton	27,114

*Includes processed

NURSERY PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Item	Year	Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Cut flowers and decoratives	1974	134					\$562,319
	1973	114					480,000
Bulbs							
Miscellaneous	1974						74,800
	1973						75,000
Plants							
Ornamental	1974						496,398
	1973						188,464
Tree, Forest Nursery	1974	20	551,550	11,031	M	\$38.24	421,860
	1973	14	1,379.21	19,309	M	23.00	444,107
Bedding	1974						62,058
	1973						7,568
Certified Nursery Stock	1974						-----
	1973						14,000
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TOTAL	1974						\$1,617,435
	1973						1,209,139

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY: PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Item	Year	Production		Unit	Value	
		No. of head	Live-Weight		Per Unit	Total
Cattle and Calves, all	1974	19,500	102,863			\$3,523,622
	1973	19,325	103,650			4,224,167
Cows	1974	5,752	47,170	cwt.	\$26.77	1,262,741
	1973	5,701	48,458	cwt.	31.80	1,540,964
Steers	1974	3,705	31,492	cwt.	41.74	1,314,476
	1973	3,672	31,212	cwt.	47.63	1,486,627
Bulls	1974	487	6,045	cwt.	35.43	214,174
	1973	483	5,989	cwt.	38.21	228,840
Calves	1974	9,556	18,156	cwt.	40.33	732,231
	1973	9,469	17,991	cwt.	53.79	967,736
Sheep and Lambs, all	1974	18,561	17,764			414,481
	1973	30,044	28,380			562,284
Sheep	1974	8,000	10,160	cwt.	12.43	126,289
	1973	14,060	16,872	cwt.	11.50	194,028
Lambs	1974	10,561	7,604	cwt.	37.90	288,192
	1973	15,984	11,508	cwt.	32.00	368,256
Hogs	1974	375	776	cwt.	33.97	26,361
	1973	400	828	cwt.	37.52	31,067
Chickens	1974	9,200		head	.22	2,024
	1973	6,200		head	.22	1,364
Misc.*	1974					1,702
	1973					1,300
TOTAL	1974					\$3,968,190
	1973					4,820,182

*Includes rabbits

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Item	Year	Production	Unit	Value	
				Per Unit	Total
Milk, all	1974	1,362,000	cwt.		\$10,321,000
	1973	1,502,000	cwt.		10,114,000
Manufacturing	1974	709,000	cwt.	\$6.61	4,686,000
	1973	881,000	cwt.	5.74	5,057,000
Market	1974	653,000	cwt.	8.63	5,635,000
	1973	621,000	cwt.	7.10	5,057,000
Eggs	1974	142,723	doz.	.64	91,157
	1973	195,260	doz.	.50	97,322
Wool	1974	94,083	lbs.	.50	47,041
	1973	173,333	lbs.	.83	144,815
TOTAL	1974				\$10,459,198
	1973				10,356,137

JANUARY 1 INVENTORIES OF LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY
(in number of head)

Item	January 1975	January 1974
Cattle and calves	56,200	78,000
Milk cows, 2 years and older	16,200	17,200
Beef cows and calves (excluding steers)	40,000	38,600
Sheep and lambs		
Sheep (breeding stock)	21,500	25,200
Hogs	350	450
Poultry		
Hens and pullets of laying age	9,500	8,500

MISCELLANEOUS PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Item	Year	Value	
		Per Unit	Total
Honey	1974		\$3,157
	1973		2,323
TOTAL	1974		\$3,157
	1973		7,175

RECAPITULATION

	<u>1974</u>	<u>1973</u>
Field Crops	\$4,576,536	\$4,326,233
Vegetable	1,498,146	1,261,408
Fruit and nut crops	29,987	27,114
Nursery stock	1,617,435	1,209,139
Livestock and poultry	3,968,190	4,820,182
Livestock and poultry products	10,459,198	10,356,137
Miscellaneous products	3,157	2,323
GRAND TOTAL	<u>\$22,152,649</u>	<u>\$22,002,536</u>

FIVE-YEAR AVERAGE

1971 - 1974	\$19,237,571
1966 - 1970	14,334,554
1961 - 1965	12,673,306
1956 - 1960	11,740,257
1951 - 1955	15,105,355
1946 - 1950	14,030,702

ADDENDA

ACP payment		\$16,108.00
Lamb payment	(incentive programs were down due	
Wool payment	to high prices)	
Bark products		7,841.10
Decorative greens		5,500.00
Christmas trees cut	11,250	
Timber cut	1,000,000 MBM	

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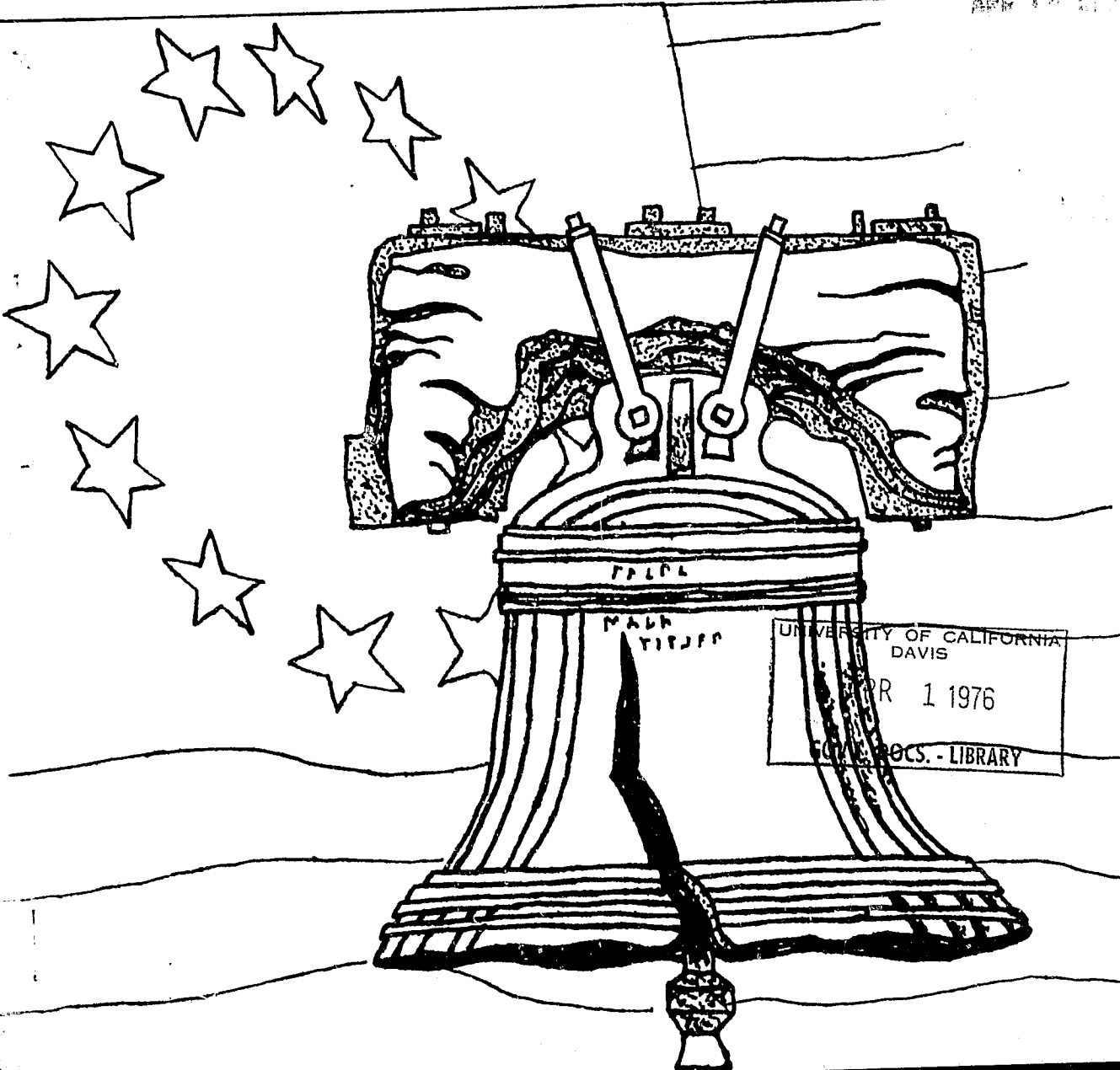
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Gentlemen:

In accordance with Section 2279 of the Food and Agriculture Code of the State of California, I am pleased to present a report of the agricultural production of the County of Humboldt for 1975. These figures represent value of production, regardless of utilization.

Hay acreage nearly doubled last year's with alfalfa and oat leading production, despite a per acre yield decline. Reduced yield of grass and clover resulted, in part, by growers extending allotted grazing time. Silage was on par with hay with a slight increase in acreage and a contradictory drop in production. The large acreage gain in irrigated pasture represents a correction of previous low estimates, not additional land.

Vegetable production was mixed. Sweet corn gained while tomato production dropped. Commercial potatoes continued their downward trend, despite a rise in acre yield. Some fields remained unharvested due to early rains that prevented entry of harvesting machinery. There was a general upward trend in fruit and nut production as new trees began bearing. Apples were the exception with a production decline.

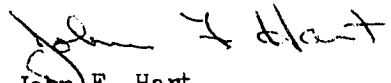
There was a general reduction in nursery production, the two exceptions were ornamentals and forest nursery stock. These made the only market increases.

The increase in forest nursery stock was the addition of a new nursery and the expansion of two others.

The production of beef declined, partly the result of the previous years depressed market. The trend in sheep production continued to fall, as more ranchers dropped out of business or reverted to beef production.

Generally all production showed increased values from 1974.

Respectfully submitted,


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COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

FIELD CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage (hectare)	Per Acre (per hectare)	Total	Unit	Per Unit	Total
Beans, dry	1975	2 0.80	43.5 3,152.88	87 3,941.10	cwt. kg	\$33.28 0.735	\$2,895 ---
	1974	5	24.6	123	cwt.	27.76	3,415
Hay, all	1975	2,773 1,109.20	2.6	7,227 6,547,662	ton kg	48.62 0.054	351,368 ---
	1974	2,119	4.0	8,557	ton	32.55	278,506
Alfalfa	1975	378 151.20	3.8 8,604.60	1,436 1,301,016	ton kg	61.51 0.068	88,335 ---
	1974	375	2.9	1,092	ton	56.26	61,435
Grass-clover	1975	2,032 812.80	2.5 5,688.14	5,103 4,623,318	ton kg	42.81 0.047	218,487 ---
	1974	1,538	4.6	7,052	ton	26.91	189,793
* Oat	1975	363 145.20	1.9 4,292.89	688 623,328	ton kg	64.75 0.071	44,546 ---
	1974	206	2.0	413	ton	66.05	27,278
Silage	1975	240 96.00	11.7 26,585.44	2,817 2,552,202	ton kg	18.38 0.020	51,774 ---
	1974	233	16.2	3,780	ton	15.51	58,615
Pasture							
** Irrigated	1975	20,000 8,000				80.00 200.00	1,600,000 ---
	1974	10,000				73.60	736,000
Range	1975	415,000 166,000				8.50 21.25	3,527,500 ---
	1974	415,000				8.43	3,500,000
TOTAL	1975						\$ 5,533,537
	1974						4,576,536

* Includes barley

** Higher figure due to receipt of new data and does not reflect new land conversion.

VEGETABLE CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION, AND VALUE

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage (hectare)	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre (per hectare)	Total		Per Unit	Total
Corn, sweet	1975	59	1.75	103.56	ton	\$ 229.91	\$ 23,810
		23.60	3,975.65	13,825.36	kg	0.254	---
	1974	40	1.79	71.80	ton	224.84	16,146
Tomatoes	1975	21	5.38	113.01	ton	190.40	21,517
		8.40	12,188.93	102,387.06	kg	0.210	---
	1974	21	6.99	146.72	ton	178.26	26,155
Potatoes	1975	1,199	13.05	15,642	ton	73.00	1,144,506
		479.60	29,548.90	14,171,652.00	kg	0.081	---
	1974	1,522	12.70	19,335	ton	74.43	1,439,185
Misc. Cucurbits	1975	26	---	89.49	ton	---	17,057
		10.40	---	81,077.94	kg	---	---
	1974	18	---	79	ton	---	11,274
Misc. Vegetable	1975	10	---	5.01	ton	---	4,647
		4.00	---	4,539.06	kg	---	---
	1974	12	---	15.32	ton	---	5,386
TOTAL	1975	1,315	---	15,953.07	ton		\$1,211,537
		526.00	---	14,373,480.00	kg		
	1974	1,613	--	19,648	ton		\$1,498,146

FRUIT AND NUTS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION, AND VALUE

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage (hectare)	<u>Production</u> Total	Unit	<u>Value</u> Total
* Apples, all	1975	37	125.28	ton	\$24,826
		14.80	113,503.68	kg	---
	1974	27	129.34	ton	25,412
Misc. Fruits	1975	25	41.48	ton	17,961
		10.00	37,580.88	kg	---
	1974	4	6.40	ton	3,112
Misc. Nuts	1975	14	2.53	ton	1,751
		5.60	2,292.18	kg	---
	1974	14	1.93	ton	1,463
TOTAL	1975	76	169.29	ton	\$14,538
		30.40	153,376.74	kg	---
	1974	45	137.67	ton	\$29,987

*Includes processed

NURSERY PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Item	Year	Acreage (hectare)	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per acre (per hectare)	Total		Per unit	Total
Cut flowers and decoratives	1975	136 54.40					\$324,787
	1974	134					562,319
Bulbs							
Miscellaneous	1975						73,000
	1974						74,800
Plants							
Ornamental	1975						637,827
	1974						496,398
Tree, Forest Nursery	1975	24 9.60	546,875 1,367,187	13,125 ---	M	\$ 41.69 ---	547,220 ---
	1974	20	551,550	11,031	M	38.24	421,860
Bedding	1975						2,000
	1974						62,058
Certified Nursery Stock	1975						---
	1974						---
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TOTAL	1975						\$1,584,834
	1974						1,617,435

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY: PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Item	Year	Production		Unit	Value	
		No. of head	Live-Weight		Per Unit	Total
Cattle and Calves, all	1975	14,050	74,113 3,368,806.70	cwt. kg		\$1,942,136 ---
	1974	19,500	102,863	cwt.		3,523,622
Cows	1975	4,145	33,987 1,544,861.30	cwt. kg	\$23.00 0.506	781,700 ---
	1974	5,752	47,170	cwt.	26.77	1,262,741
Steers	1975	2,669	22,691 1,031,397.70	cwt. kg	30.00 0.660	680,722 ---
	1974	3,705	31,492	cwt.	41.74	1,314,476
Bulls	1975	352	4,355 197,977.27	cwt. kg	26.06 0.573	113,485 ---
	1974	487	6,045	cwt.	35.43	214,174
Calves	1975	6,884	13,080 594,570.45	cwt. kg	28.00 0.616	366,229 ---
	1974	9,556	18,156	cwt.	40.33	732,231
Sheep & Lambs all	1975	15,015	13,396 608,899.99	cwt. kg		414,856 ---
	1974	18,561	17,764	cwt.		414,481
Sheep	1975	4,700	5,969 271,318.18	cwt. kg	16.00 0.352	95,504 ---
	1974	8,000	10,160	cwt.	12.43	126,289
Lambs	1975	10,315	7,427 337,581.81	cwt. kg	43.00 0.946	319,352 ---
	1974	10,561	7,604	cwt.	37.90	288,192
Hogs	1975	350	700 31,818.18	cwt. kg	50.00 1.100	35,000 ---
	1974	375	776	cwt.	33.97	26,361
Chickens	1975	9,000		head	.24	2,160
	1974	9,200		head	.22	2,024
Misc.*	1975					2,457
	1974					1,702
TOTAL	1975					\$2,396,609
	1974					4,820,182

* Includes rabbits

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Item	Year	Production	Unit	Value	
				Per Unit	Total
Milk, all	1975	1,388,000	cwt.		\$12,056,000
		62,876,400	kg		
	1974	1,362,000	cwt.		10,321,000
Manufacturing	1975	697,000	cwt.	\$7.86	5,478,000
		31,574,100	kg	0.17	---
	1974	709,000	cwt.	6.61	4,686,000
Market	1975	691,000	cwt.	9.52	6,578,000
		31,302,300	kg	0.21	---
	1974	653,000	cwt.	8.63	5,635,000
Eggs	1975	118,664	doz.	.67	79,283
	1974	142,723	doz.	.64	91,157
Wool	1975	67,605	lb.	.45	30,422
		30,729.54	kg	.990	
	1974	94,083	lbs.	.50	47,041
TOTAL	1975				\$ 12,165,705
	1974				10,459,198

JANUARY 1 INVENTORIES OF LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY
(in number of head)

Item	January 1976	January 1975
Cattle and Calves	60,100	56,200
Milk cows, 2 years and older	15,000	16,200
Beef cows and calves (excluding steers)	45,100	40,000
Sheep and lambs		
Sheep (breeding stock)	21,300	21,500
Hogs	400	350
Poultry		
Hens and pullets of laying age	9,000	9,500

MISCELLANEOUS PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Item	Year	Value	
		Per Unit	Total
Honey	1975		\$2,504
	1974		3,157
TOTAL	1975		2,504
	1974		3,157

RECAPITULATION

	<u>1975</u>	<u>1974</u>
Field Crops	\$5,533,537	\$4,576,536
Vegetable	1,211,537	1,498,146
Fruit and nut crops	14,538	29,987
Nursery stock	1,584,834	1,617,435
Livestock and poultry	2,396,609	3,968,190
Livestock and poultry products	12,165,705	10,459,198
Miscellaneous products	2,504	3,157
GRAND TOTAL	\$22,939,264	\$22,152,649

FIVE-YEAR AVERAGE

1971 - 1975	\$19,979,350
1966 - 1970	14,334,554
1961 - 1965	12,673,306
1956 - 1960	11,740,257
1951 - 1955	15,105,355
1946 - 1950	14,030,702

ADENDA

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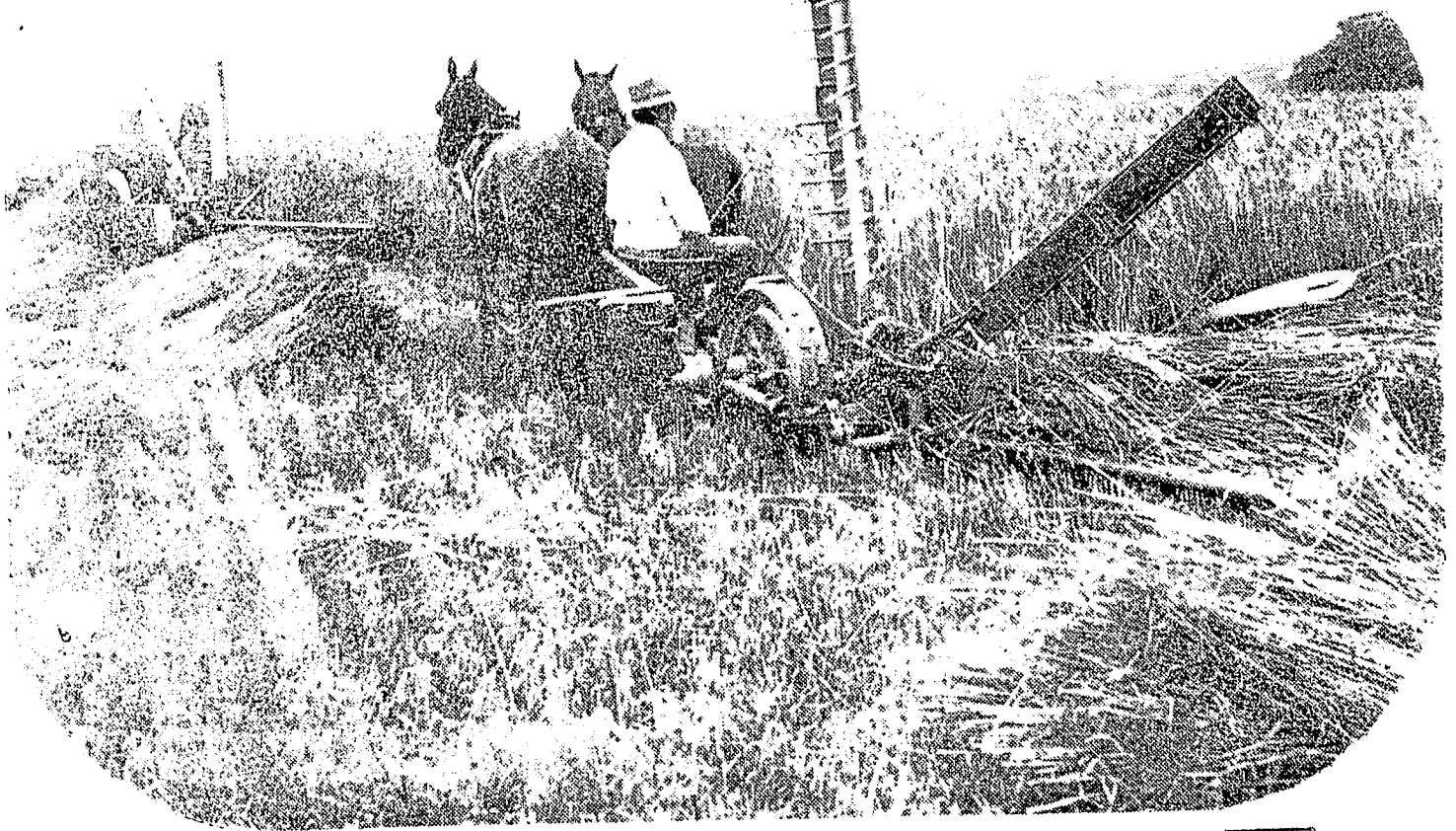
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Gentlemen:

In accordance with Section 2279 of the Food and Agriculture Code of the State of California, I am pleased to present a report of the agricultural production of the County of Humboldt for 1976. The figures represent value of production, regardless of utilization.

Hay acreage showed increases in all categories but alfalfa. Grass and clover ranked number one in production, while other hay types remained basically unchanged from last year. Silage gained in acreage and yield. Rise in yield was primarily due to increased plantings of field corn. Higher commodity prices generally favored swing to more hay production.


Vegetable acreage stayed at about the 1975 level, except for commercial potatoes which declined by 50 per cent. Poor market conditions and grower disinterest were factors contributing to the sharp drop. Other than potatoes, production was similar to last year.

Miscellaneous fruits and nuts declined in acreage and production. Apples showed a modest rise in acreage, while new bearing trees caused an upswing in production.

Nursery products took a downward trend in production, but higher commodity values eased the impact. Near drought conditions on forestlands reduced the demand for forest nursery stock.

Beef production rose above last years level due to market and drought conditions. New data on cattle numbers are reflected in the increase, the same applies to sheep production figures. The trend for sheep is still downward.

Respectfully submitted,



John F. Hart
AGRICULTURE COMMISSIONER

FIELD CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage (hectare)	Per Acre (per hectare)	Total	Unit	Per Unit	Total
Beans, dry	1976	5	32	160	cwt.	\$27.50	\$4,400
		2	3,600	7,200	kg	0.611	---
	1975	2	43.5	87	cwt.	33.28	2,895
Hay, all	1976	3,001	2.8	8,286	ton	58.10	481,793
		1,200	6,214	7,457,400	kg	0.065	---
	1975	2,773	2.6	7,227	ton	48.62	351,368
Alfalfa	1976	361	3.8	1,368	ton	65.76	89,965
		144	8,550	1,231,200	kg	0.073	---
	1975	378	3.8	1,436	ton	61.51	88,335
Grass-clover	1976	2,273	2.8	6,342	ton	55.52	352,116
		909	6,279	5,707,800	kg	0.062	---
	1975	2,032	2.5	5,103	ton	42.81	218,487
* Oat	1976	372	1.6	582	ton	68.23	39,712
		149	35.15	523,800	kg	0.076	---
	1975	363	1.9	688	ton	64.75	44,546
Silage, all	1976	315	17.0	5,361	ton	23.10	123,860
		126	38,293	4,824,900	kg	0.026	---
	1975	240	11.7	2,817	ton	18.38	51,774
Pasture							
Irrigated	1976	20,000				85.00	1,700,000
		8,000				212.50	---
	1975	20,000				80.00	1,600,000
Range	1976	415,000				8.55	3,548,250
		166,000				21.37	---
	1975	415,000				8.50	3,527,500
TOTAL							
	1976						\$5,858,303
	1975						\$5,533,537

* Includes barley, alfalfa/rye

VEGETABLE CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION, AND VALUE

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage (hectare)	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre (per hectare)	Total		Per Unit	Total
Corn, sweet	1976	60	2.00	120.00	ton	\$217.52	\$26,102
		24	4,500	108,000	kg	0.242	---
	1975	59	1.75	103.56	ton	229.91	23,810
Tomatoes	1976	25	7.09	177.38	ton	204.05	36,194
		10	15,964	159,642	kg	0.227	---
	1975	21	5.38	113.01	ton	190.40	21,517
Potatoes	1976	652	11.80	7,697.00	ton	77.43	596,010
		261	26,541	6,927,300	kg	0.086	---
	1975	1,199	13.05	15,642	ton	73.00	1,144,506
Misc. Cucurbits	1976	20	--	93.98	ton	198.74	18,678
		8	--	84,582	kg	0.221	---
	1975	26	--	89.49	ton	---	17,057
Misc. Vegetable	1976	4	--	5.55	ton	---	6,147
		2	--	4,995	kg	---	---
	1975	10	--	5.01	ton	---	4,647
TOTAL	1976	761		8,093.91	ton		\$683,131
		305		7,284,519	kg		---
	1975	1,315		15,953.07	ton		\$1,211,537

FRUIT AND NUTS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION, AND VALUE

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage (hectare)	Production Total	Unit	Value Total
* Apples, all	1976	47	1,837.66	ton	\$28,175
		19	1,653,894	kg	---
	1975	37	125.28	ton	24,826
Misc. Fruits	1976	14	27.02	ton	12,614
		6	24,318	kg	---
	1975	25	41.48	ton	17,961
Misc. Nuts	1976	11	1.70	ton	1,129
		4	1,530	kg	---
	1975	14	2.53	ton	1,751
TOTAL	1976	72	1,866.38	ton	\$ 41,918
		29	1,679,742	kg	---
	1975	76	169.29	ton	\$ 44,538

* Includes processed

NURSERY PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Item	Year	Acreage (hectare)	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre (per hectare)	Total		Per Unit	Total
Cut flowers and decoratives	1976	136 54					\$472,000
	1975	136					324,787
Bulbs							
Miscellaneous	1976						62,668
	1975						73,000
Plants							
Ornamental	1976						899,321
	1975						637,827
Tree, Forest Nursery	1976	21 8	478,857	10,056	M	\$68.35	687,338
	1975	24	546,875	13,125	M	41.69	547,220
Bedding	1976						9,000
	1975						2,000
Certified Nursery Stock	1976						---
	1975						---
TOTAL							
	1976						\$2,130,327
	1975						\$1,584,834

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY: PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Item	Year	Production		Unit	Value	
		No. of head	Live-Weight		Per Unit	Total
** Cattle and Calves, all	1976	18,000	94,950 4,272,750	cwt. kg	\$30.58 0.679	\$2,903,259 ---
	1975	14,050	74,113	cwt.		1,942,136
Cows	1976	5,310	43,542 1,959,390	cwt. kg	25.55 0.568	1,112,498 ---
	1975	4,145	33,987	cwt.	23.00	781,700
Steers	1976	3,420	29,070 1,308,150	cwt. kg	37.78 0.840	1,098,265 ---
	1975	2,669	22,691	cwt.	30.00	680,722
Bulls	1976	450	5,580 251,100	cwt. kg	28.00 0.622	156,240 ---
	1975	352	4,355	cwt.	26.06	113,485
Calves	1976	8,820	16,758 754,110	cwt. kg	32.00 0.711	536,256 ---
	1975	6,884	13,080	cwt.	28.00	366,229
** Sheep & Lambs, all	1976	21,600	18,852 848,340	cwt. kg	36.00 0.800	678,731 ---
	1975	15,015	13,396	cwt.	30.97	414,856
Sheep	1976	6,000	7,620 342,900	cwt. kg	20.00 0.444	152,400 ---
	1975	15,600	11,232 505,440	cwt. kg	46.86 1.041	526,331 ---
Lambs	1976	15,600	11,232 505,440	cwt. kg	46.86 1.041	526,331 ---
	1975	10,315	7,427	cwt.	43.00	319,352
Hogs	1976	200	414 18,630	cwt. kg	23.91 0.531	9,899 ---
	1975	350	700	cwt.	50.00	35,000
Chickens	1976	5,500		head	.93	5,115
	1975	9,000		head	.24	2,160
Misc. *	1976					2,650
	1975					2,457
TOTAL	1976					\$3,599,654
	1975					\$2,396,609

* Includes rabbits

** Higher figure due to new data

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Item	Year	Production	Unit	Value	
				Per Unit	Total
Milk, all	1976	1,529,000	cwt.	\$9.25	\$14,144,950
		68,805,000	kg	0.206	---
Manufacturing	1975	1,388,000	cwt.	8.69	12,056,000
		731,000	cwt.	8.51	6,220,810
Market	1976	32,895,000	kg	0.189	---
		697,000	cwt.	7.86	5,478,000
Eggs	1975	798,000	cwt.	9.93	7,924,140
		35,910,000	kg	0.221	---
Food	1976	691,000	cwt.	9.52	6,572,000
		63,034	doz.	.65	40,972
Total	1975	118,664	doz.	.67	79,283
		93,600	lb.	.69	64,584
Total	1976	42,120	kg	1.533	---
		67,605	lb.	.45	30,422
Total				1976	\$14,250,506
Total				1975	\$12,155,705

JANUARY 1 INVENTORIES OF LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY
(in number of head)

Item	January 1977	January 1976
* Cattle and calves	35,700	60,100
Milk cows, 2 years and older	14,500	15,000
Beef cows and calves (excluding steers)	21,200	45,100
Sheep and lambs		
* Sheep (breeding stock)	25,000	21,300
Hogs	300	400
Poultry		
Hens and pullets of laying age	5,000	9,000

* Revised from new data.

MISCELLANEOUS PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Item	Year	Value	
		Per Unit	Total
Honey	1976		\$3,710
	1975		2,504
TOTAL	1976		\$3,710
	1975		\$2,504

RECAPITULATION

	<u>1976</u>	<u>1975</u>
Field Crops	\$5,858,303	\$5,533,537
Vegetable	683,131	1,211,537
Fruit and nut crops	41,918	44,538
Nursery stock	2,130,327	1,584,834
Livestock and poultry	3,599,654	2,396,609
Livestock and poultry products	14,250,506	12,165,705
Miscellaneous products	<u>3,710</u>	<u>2,504</u>
GRAND TOTAL	\$26,567,549	\$22,939,264

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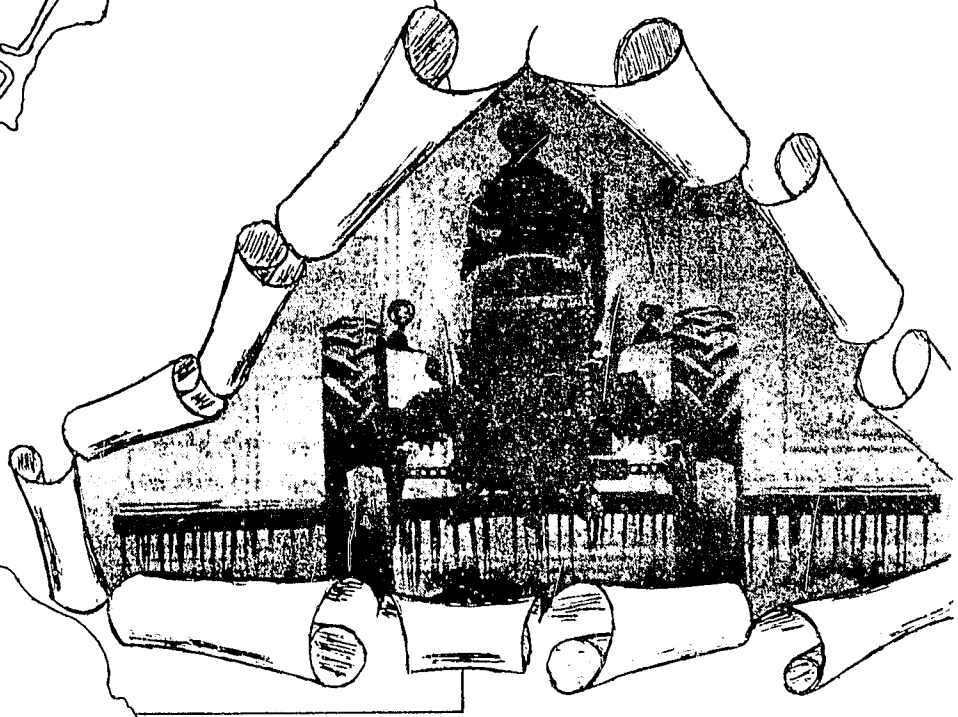
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Despite drought conditions field crop acreage and production rose sharply from 1976. Mild weather with wide, but timely, spaced rains and irrigation produced a long growing season for grass, clover, and alfalfa. Good hay curing conditions reduced spoilage. Lower hay prices were more than offset by the higher production. The increasing demand for irrigated pasture caused a corresponding increase in acre value. Rangeland acre value, on the other hand, remained unchanged.

As with field crops, a long mild growing season contributed to a general increase in production. in spite of a reduction in acreage. Commercial potato acreage continued to decline. Competition for acreage, higher acreage fees, and poor market conditions were contributing factors. Commodity prices fluctuated generally. Large gains in miscellaneous vegetables were due to a new vegetable sprout industry.


Apple production showed a considerable drop. Drought had some effect however, much of the crop was left unharvested for various reasons. New miscellaneous dwarf fruit trees entered production this year, increasing acreage.

Nursery production increased significantly in conifer seedlings, due to changing forestry practices. Gains were also notable in bedding stock. Commodity prices were generally all higher.

Beef production declined from 1976. Drought conditions reduced calf production and ranchers held back shipments early in the year when market prices were poor. Sheep numbers continue to decline despite favorable market conditions. Increasing lamb loss to coyotes and domestic dogs, have discouraged ranchers to the point of shifting from sheep to cattle.

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FIELD CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage (hectare)	Per Acre (per hectare)	Total	Unit	Per Unit	Total
Beans, dry	1977	18	21.7	390	cwt.	\$33.09	\$12,905
		7	2,532	17,727	kg	0.728	---
	1976	5	32	160	cwt.	27.50	4,400
Hay, all	1977	4,987	8.1	40,631	ton	55.78	2,266,263
		1,995	18,515	36,937,272	kg	0.061	---
	1976	3,001	2.8	8,286	ton	58.10	481,793
Alfalfa	1977	307	3.9	1,189	ton	64.55	76,745
		123	8,787	1,080,909	kg	0.071	---
	1976	361	3.8	1,368	ton	65.76	89,965
Grass- clover	1977	4,195	2.7	38,298	ton	55.49	2,125,183
		1,678	20,749	34,816,363	kg	0.061	---
	1976	2,273	2.8	6,342	ton	55.52	352,116
*Oat	1977	485	2.4	1,144	ton	56.24	64,335
		194	5,361	1,040,000	kg	0.062	---
	1976	372	1.6	582	ton	68.23	39,712
Silage, all	1977	341	15.2	5,194	ton	23.72	123,190
		136	34,719	4,721,818	kg	0.026	---
	1976	315	17.0	5,361	ton	23.10	123,860
Pasture							
Irrigated	1977	20,000				100.00	2,000,000
		8,000				250.00	---
	1976	20,000				85.00	1,700,000
Range	1977	415,000				8.55	3,548,250
		166,000				21.37	---
	1976	415,000				8.55	3,548,250
TOTAL	1977						\$10,216,871
	1976						\$ 5,858,303

* Includes barley

VEGETABLE CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION, AND VALUE

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage (hectare)	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre (per hectare)	Total		Per Unit	Total
Corn, sweet	1977	52	2.50	130.00	ton	\$265.31	\$34,491
		21	5,628	118,182	kg	0.292	---
	1976	60	2.00	120.00	ton	217.52	26,102
Tomatoes	1977	13	13.60	177.00	ton	144.55	25,586
		5	32,182	160,909	kg	0.159	---
	1976	25	7.09	177.38	ton	204.05	36,194
Potatoes	1977	633	13.95	8,830.50	ton	80.84	713,900
		253	31,730	8,027,727	kg	0.089	---
	1976	652	11.80	7,697.00	ton	77.43	596,010
* Misc. Cucurbits	1977	16	---	67.20	ton	---	13,525
		6	---	61,091	kg	---	---
	1976	20	---	93.98	ton	198.74	18,678
** Misc. Vegetable	1977	3	---	35.23	ton	---	33,038
		1	---	32,027	kg	---	---
	1976	4	---	5.55	ton	---	6,147
TOTAL	1977	717	---	9,239.93	ton	---	820,540
		287	---	8,399,936	kg	---	---
	1976	761		8,093.91	ton		683,131

* Includes cucumbers, melons, pumpkin, and squash

** Includes alfalfa, grain, and pulse sprouts

FRUIT AND NUTS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION, AND VALUE

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage (hectare)	<u>Production</u> Total	Unit	<u>Value</u> Total
* Apples, all	1977	46	124.46	ton	\$24,784
		18	113,145	kg	---
	1976	47	1,837.66	ton	28,175
Misc. Fruits	1977	45	32.43	ton	16,205
		18	29,482	kg	---
	1976	14	27.02	ton	12,614
Misc. Nuts	1977	9	1.19	ton	1,286
		4	1,082	kg	---
	1976	11	1.70	ton	1,129
TOTAL	1977	100	158.08	ton	42,275
		40	143,709	kg	---
	1976	72	1,866.38	ton	\$41,918

* Includes processed

** Includes berries

NURSERY PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Item	Year	Acreage (hectare)	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre (per hectare)	Total		Per Unit	Total
* Cut flowers & decoratives	1977	144 58					\$648,500
	1976	136					472,000
Plants Ornamental	1977						817,791
	1976						899,321
Tree, Forest Nursery	1977	23 9		20,409	M	\$72.48	1,479,255
	1976	21		10,056	M	68.35	687,338
Bedding	1977						26,000
	1976						9,000
Certified Nursery Stock	1977						---
	1976						---
TOTAL	1977						\$2,971,546
	1976						\$2,130,327

* Includes bulbs

LIVESTOCK AND FOULTRY: PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Item	Year	Production		Unit	Value	
		No. of head	Live -weight		Per Unit	Total
**Cattle and Calves, all	1977	12,400	65,410 2,973,181	cwt. kg	\$31.57 0.695	\$2,065,070 ---
	1976	18,000	94,950	cwt.	30.58	2,903,259
Cows	1977	3,658	29,996 1,363,454	cwt. kg	24.70 0.543	740,891 ---
	1976	5,310	43,542	cwt.	25.55	1,112,498
Steers	1977	2,356	20,026 910,273	cwt. kg	40.40 0.889	809,050 ---
	1976	3,420	29,070	cwt.	37.78	1,098,265
Bulls	1977	310	3,844 174,727	cwt. kg	32.80 0.723	126,083 ---
	1976	450	5,580	cwt.	28.00	156,240
Calves	1977	6,076	11,544 524,727	cwt. kg	33.70 0.741	389,046 ---
	1976	8,820	16,758	cwt.	32.00	536,256
Sheep & Lambs, all	1977	15,493	14,191 645,045	cwt. kg	30.79 0.677	436,899 ---
	1976	21,600	18,852	cwt.	36.00	678,731
Sheep	1977	5,520	7,010 318,636	cwt. kg	10.90 0.240	76,413 ---
	1976	6,000	7,620	cwt.	20.00	152,400
Lambs	1977	9,973	7,181 326,409	cwt. kg	50.20 0.905	360,486 ---
	1976	15,600	11,232	cwt.	46.86	526,331
Hogs	1977	200	414 18,818	cwt. kg	40.90 0.900	16,933 ---
	1976	200	414	cwt.	23.91	9,899
Chickens	1977	6,650		head	.237	1,576
	1976	5,500		head	.93	5,115
* Misc.	1977					4,237
	1976					2,650
TOTAL	1977					\$2,524,715
	1976					\$3,599,654

* Includes rabbits, earthworms and misc. poultry

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Item	Year	Production	Unit	Value	
				Per Unit	Total
Milk, all	1977	1,587,000	cwt.	\$9.96	\$15,800,000
		72,136,363	kg	0.219	---
	1976	1,529,000	cwt.	\$9.25	14,144,950
Manufacturing	1977	648,000	cwt.	9.330	6,046,000
		29,454,545	kg	0.205	---
	1976	731,000	cwt.	8.51	6,220,810
Market	1977	939,000	cwt.	10.388	9,754,000
		42,681,818	kg	0.228	---
	1976	798,000	cwt.	9.93	7,924,140
Eggs	1977	54,570	doz.	.70	38,251
	1976	63,034	doz.	.65	40,972
Wool	1977	72,975	lbs.	.67	48,893
		33,170	kg	1.47	---
	1976	93,600	lb.	.69	64,584
TOTAL	1977				\$15,887,144
	1976				\$14,250,506

JANUARY 1 INVENTORIES OF LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY
(in number of head)

Item	January 1977	January 1976
Cattle and calves	40,400	35,700
Milk cows, 2 years and older	15,900	14,500
Beef cows and calves (excluding steers)	24,500	21,200
Sheep and lambs		
Sheep (breeding stock)	23,000	25,000
Hogs	200	300
Poultry		
Hens and pullets of laying age	5,000	5,000

MISCELLANEOUS PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Item	Year	Value	
		Per Unit	Total
Honey	1977		\$5,954
	1976		3,710
TOTAL	1977		\$5,954
	1976		3,710

RECAPITULATION

	<u>1977</u>	<u>1976</u>
Field Crops	\$10,216,871	\$5,858,303
Vegetable	820,540	683,131
Fruit and nut crops	42,275	41,918
Nursery stock	2,971,546	2,130,327
Livestock and poultry	2,524,715	3,599,654
Livestock and poultry products	15,887,144	14,250,506
Miscellaneous products	<u>5,954</u>	<u>3,710</u>
GRAND TOTAL	\$32,469,045	\$26,567,549

FIVE-YEAR AVERAGE

1971 - 1975	\$19,979,350
1966 - 1970	14,334,554
1961 - 1965	12,673,306
1956 - 1960	11,740,257
1951 - 1955	15,105,355
1946 - 1950	14,030,702

ADENDA

ACP payment	information unavailable	
Lamb payment	" "	
Wool payment	" "	
Bark products		\$5,500
Decorative greens		\$6,700
Christmas trees cut	10,000	
Timber cut	information unavailable	

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