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Kern County

1955-1962

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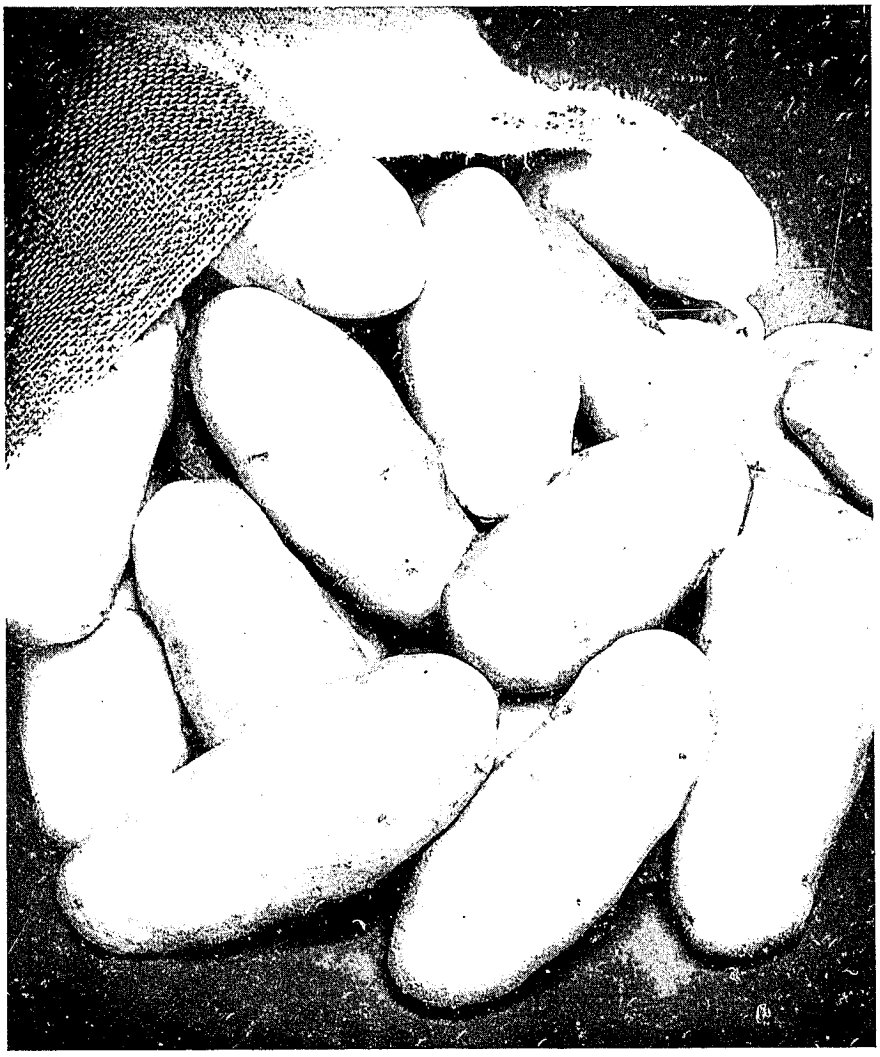

AGRICULTURAL CROP REPORT

County of Kern

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KERN COUNTY
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
2610 M. Street, Bakersfield, California

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Mr. W.C. Jacobsen
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State Department of Agriculture

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
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In accordance with section 65.5 of the Agricultural Code, I hereby submit the Annual Crop Report for Kern County. This report covers the acreage, production and value of all crops produced in the county, including livestock and livestock products. Acreage of permanent crops is reported in actual bearing acres only.

General conditions were favorable throughout 1955 for agricultural production, and cotton continued to lead all other crops in gross income. Allotments reduced the planted acreage from 205,341 in 1954 to 177,815 in 1955, a loss of 27,526 acres, but once again Kern County farmers have broken their own record by producing the outstanding yield of 943 pounds lint per acre.

Potatoes were next in total value. The 1955 acreage was increased by 17.7% and the total production was increased by 25.95% above the previous year. A California State Marketing Order was in effect and only potatoes of U.S. No. 2 grade or better were allowed on the commercial market. Even so, many problems had to be faced with the marketing of 12-1/2 million sacks of potatoes and the net returns to growers were not as favorable as had been anticipated.

Vineyardists had a record production of nearly 6-1/2 million lugs of table grapes. The crop failed to mature as early as usual and as a result the growers were faced with a marketing problem which brought lower prices and a decrease in gross returns compared with a year ago.

Spotted alfalfa aphid invaded our fields during the latter part of the year. Growers started control measures immediately which saved the over-all yields from being too greatly reduced.

Livestock production and prices were both decreased from a year ago and total returns indicate a gross return of 21% less than last year.

From 660,590 planted acres the return to agriculture amounted to $206,473,112, a decrease of 8% from the 1954 totals, but still a very impressive picture and one of which we are well proud. All prices in our crop report are based on f.o.b. market values and do not represent the net amount received by growers. From this income must be deducted the costs of production and preparation for market.

Our thanks and appreciation are extended to each person who cooperated by making records and data available to us for this annual crop report.

Respectfully submitted,

C. Seldon Morley

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Agricultural Commissioner

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CROP ACREAGE - PRODUCTION - VALUE

C. Seldon Morley, Agricultural Commissioner

CROP	ACREAGE	PRODUCTION	VALUE
Deciduous Fruits and Nuts			
Apples	32	4,619 bx.	14,319
Apricots	122	4,400 lugs	9,460
Apricots, processed		1,540 tons	138,600
Berries	7	7,000 cr.	22,400
Berries		1,492 cans	9,549
Figs	5	4,668 lugs	8,169
Figs, dried		5-1/4 tons	919
Nectarines	2	840 lugs	4,620
Olives	276	448 tons	134,781
Peaches	133	52,945 lugs	275,314
Pears	88	48,653 bx.	182,449
Persimmons	20	8,098 lugs	18,625
Plums	1,785	614,605 lugs	2,581,341
Pomegranates	20	6,051 lugs	11,497
Prunes	6	4,902 lugs	9,804
Almonds	91	166 tons	53,120
Pecans	20	8 tons	5,600
Walnuts	7	5 tons	2,750
Total	2,614		3,483,317
Citrus Fruit			
Grapefruit	7	2,976 bx.	2,976
Oranges, Navel	1,084	313,777 bx.	1,553,196
Oranges, Valencia	44	9,639 bx.	26,507
Tangerines	49	42,828 lugs	124,201
Lemons	7	1,500 bx.	6,750
Total	1,191		1,713,630
Grapes	22,318	6,405,356 lugs	14,412,051
Wine	3,757	102,522 tons	3,178,182
Raisin		3,064 tons	520,880
Zante Currants	10	25 tons	5,675
Grapes, cannery		11,780 tons	589,000
Total	26,085		18,705,788
Melons			
Cantaloupes	555	131,301 cr.	466,119
Watermelons	211	735 tons	24,439
Wintermelons	8	30 tons	1,635
Total	774		492,193

1955 CROP	ACREAGE	PRODUCTION	VALUE
Vegetables			55,085
Asparagus	206	11,017 cr.	33,000
Asparagus, processed		137-1/2 tons	465,640
Beans, Blackeye	4,299	3,326 tons	30,541
Beans, Fava	65	8,726 hamp.	3,648
Beans, Pink	38	456 sks.	107,689
Carrots	74	2,209 tons	63,750
Celery	31	21,250 cr.	1,377,524
Corn, Sweet	3,563	688,762 cr.	9,323
Cucumbers	10	5,650 lugs	51,480
Garlic	70	286 tons	318,049
Lettuce	438	94,940 cr.	52,000
Okra	40	400,000 lbs.	594,093
Onions	832	409,719 sks.	214,525
Onions, dehydrator	529	8,581 tons	656,898
Peas	1,970	238,872 hamp.	4,400
Peppers, Hot	2	1,100 lugs	31,477,470
Potatoes	50,938	12,590,988 sks.	106,965
Potatoes, lugs		47,540 lugs	425,801
Potatoes, processed		293,656 sks.	378,524
Potatoes, seed		135,187 sks.	239,471
Potatoes, cull		104,118 tons	210,130
Potatoes, Sweet	230	97,735 lugs	16,488
Radishes	35	6,870 lugs	2,610
Spinach	20	116 tons	9,075
Squash, Banana	22	165 tons	295,634
Tomatoes	562	115,935 lugs	10,560
Tomatoes, cannery		440 tons	
Total	63,974		37,210,373
Field Crops			
Beans, Castor	197	261 tons	32,103
Beets, Sugar	7,154	177,521 tons	2,130,252
Corn, Broom	28	13 tons	4,680
Cotton	177,815	352,423 bales	58,676,667
Cotton seed, (not planting)		129,225 tons	5,959,857
Flax	200	6,400 bu.	21,120
Hay, Alfalfa	97,763	609,498 tons	15,846,948
Hay, Grain	8,495	19,819 tons	525,204
Nursery stock	145		399,510
Pasture, Permanent	26,767		2,475,948
Peanuts	250	115 tons	60,950
Safflower	20	25 tons	1,875
Silage	2,900	58,000 tons	580,000
Total	321,734		86,715,114

1955 CROP	ACREAGE	PRODUCTION	VALUE
Seed, Certified			
Alfalfa, Atlantic	1,662	571,261 lbs.	177,091
Alfalfa, Buffalo	2,446	1,002,849 lbs.	270,769
Alfalfa, Caliverde	801	554,018 lbs.	141,275
Alfalfa, DuPuits	970	649,329 lbs.	152,592
Alfalfa, Narragansett	2,330	756,588 lbs.	325,333
Alfalfa, Ranger	42,865	24,932,372 lbs.	6,233,093
Alfalfa, Vernal	1,919	1,035,237 lbs.	320,958
Alfalfa, Williamsburg	576	511,495 lbs.	122,759
Barley, Arivat	295	377,100 lbs.	16,970
Barley, Mariout	104	110,000 lbs.	4,950
Beans, Blackeye	252	235,100 lbs.	16,457
Birdsfoot trefoil, Viking	139	5,762 lbs.	5,474
Clover, Kenland Red	86	41,615 lbs.	14,981
Clover, Pennscott Red	72	23,072 lbs.	8,306
Fescue, Goars Tall	222	18,832 lbs.	6,591
Milo, DD 38	40	75,297 lbs.	3,388
Oats, Kanota	20	48,900 lbs.	2,445
Orchard Grass, Akaroa	40	13,000 lbs.	6,500
Sudan, Piper	451	414,700 lbs.	29,029
Sudan, 23	156	117,550 lbs.	8,229
Total	55,446		7,867,190
Seed, Uncertified			
Alfalfa, Atlantic	4	1,500 lbs.	360
Alfalfa, Buffalo	70	28,326 lbs.	6,232
Alfalfa, California Common	2,202	660,737 lbs.	145,362
Alfalfa, Caliverde	15	10,567 lbs.	2,642
Alfalfa, DuPuits	156	145,231 lbs.	31,225
Alfalfa, Narragansett	106	44,180 lbs.	15,463
Alfalfa, Ranger	1,077	626,642 lbs.	125,328
Alfalfa, Vernal	19	10,440 lbs.	2,297
Alfalfa, Williamsburg	13	12,480 lbs.	2,496
Alfalfa, No. 2		293,832 lbs.	41,136
Alfalfa screenings		2,425 tons	67,900
Barley	194	195,550 lbs.	5,867
Beet, Sugar	348	1,473,903 lbs.	178,342
Bluegrass, Merion	153	49,000 lbs.	110,250
Cotton seed, planting		11,744 tons	1,397,536
Rice, Caloro	320	900,000 lbs.	45,000
Sudan, Piper	874	829,184 lbs.	41,459
Sudan, Sweet	370	276,709 lbs.	13,835
Sudan, 23	232	173,608 lbs.	8,680
Wheat, Ramona 50	154	374,300 lbs.	18,715
Total	6,307		2,260,125
Grain			
Barley	86,532	104,601 tons	4,288,641
Corn, Field	19,439	44,339 tons	2,216,950
Milo	39,425	87,093 tons	4,224,011
Oats	213	161 tons	7,406
Rice	5,873	7,209 tons	591,138
Wheat	30,983	27,612 tons	1,794,780
Total	182,465		13,122,926

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LIVESTOCK AND LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS

	NUMBER OF HEAD	VALUE
Purebreds	979	372,020
Steers	101,841	13,320,803
Cows and Heifers	66,148	8,025,075
Calves	4,000	240,000
Bulls	1,243	258,544
Hides-Cow	46,605	104,861
Hides-Calf	3,150	3,150
Total		22,324,453
Sheep	9,922	81,360
Lambs	169,950	3,439,788
Wool	1,806,350 lbs.	848,985
Pelts	16,854	30,337
Total		4,400,470
Hogs	6,064	178,282
Total	6,064	178,282
Rabbits	75,000	75,000
Pelts	33,000	2,475
Total		77,475
Chickens	321,000	481,500
Fryers	525,500	409,890
Ducks	5,000	7,500
Geese	2,500	6,250
Squab	10,000	8,000
Turkeys	40,000	244,800
Eggs	6,420,000 doz.	2,632,200
Total		3,790,140
Milk, Market - pounds milk fat	3,111,000 lbs.	3,515,000
Milk, Manufacturing - pounds milk fat	6,000 lbs.	5,100
Total		3,520,100
Grand Total of All Livestock and Livestock Products		34,290,920
Apiary Products		
Beeswax	30,272 lbs.	15,741
Honey	4,540,800 lbs.	590,304
Total		606,045

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SUMMARY

Acreage

	1954	1955
Deciduous Fruits and Nuts	2,559	2,614
Citrus Fruits	1,229	1,191
Grapes	26,119	26,085
Melons	819	774
Vegetables	55,018	63,974
Field Crops	348,034	321,734
Seed, Certified	34,590	55,446
Seed, Uncertified	2,479	6,307
Grain	195,821	182,465
Total	666,668	660,590

Value

Deciduous Fruits and Nuts	$ 2,546,470	$ 3,483,317
Citrus Fruits	1,516,782	1,713,630
Grapes	20,573,293	18,705,788
Melons	272,424	492,193
Vegetables	33,733,160	37,210,373
Field Crops	99,427,471	86,715,114
Seed, Certified	6,860,772	7,867,190
Seed, Uncertified	1,798,498	2,260,125
Grain	13,719,450	13,122,926
Beef Cattle	31,249,985	22,324,453
Sheep	4,247,400	4,400,470
Hogs	515,191	178,282
Rabbits	79,320	77,475
Poultry	4,103,434	3,790,140
Dairy Products	3,481,871	3,520.100
Apiary Products	384,448	606,045
Total	$ 224,509,969	$ 206,467,621
Agricultural Conservation Payments	20,000	5,491
TOTAL RETURNS TO AGRICULTURE	$ 224,529,969	$ 206,473,112
Total Carlot Shipments	65,178	71,874

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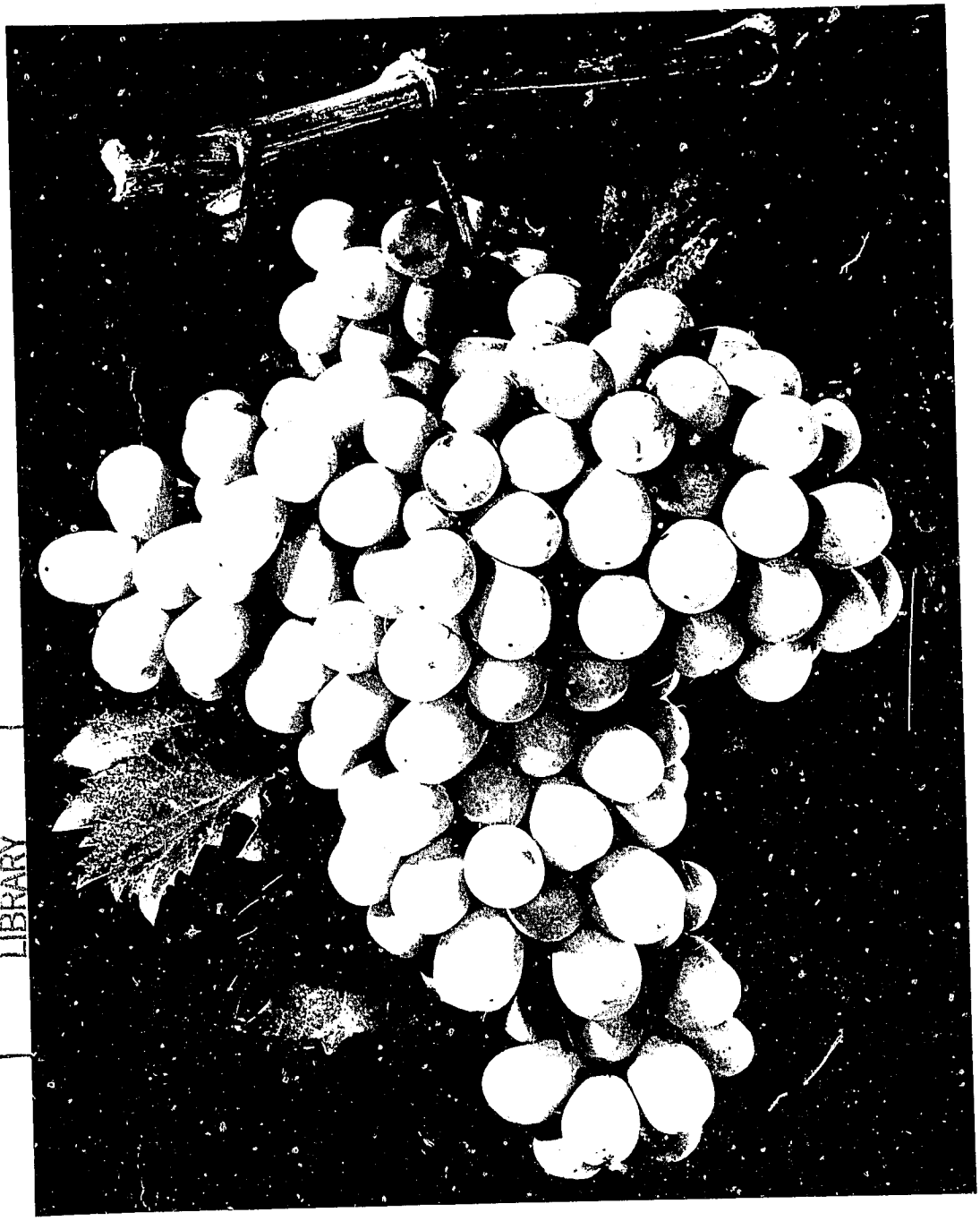

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Conditions can never be absolutely perfect for all crops throughout our long growing season, but 1956 should go down in the records as a year when Mother Nature cooperated to her fullest extent. Other than one storm early in the fall which lowered the grade of alfalfa seed remaining to be harvested, the overall conditions for agriculture were favorable. As a result our leading crop, cotton, had another record yield of 1106 pounds lint per acre. This compares to 943 pounds lint in 1955, 913 in 1954, 738 in 1953 and 698 pounds lint per acre in 1952. From an only slightly increased acreage Kern County farmers produced 21 per cent more cotton than a year ago. It is certainly a tribute to our growers and the cotton industry as a whole.

Farmers with early potatoes had a banner year and one that will long be remembered. The planted acreage was considered just about right for this district, the crop was excellent, and prices were what the growers had been looking forward to for several seasons. From an acreage only 2 per cent higher than a year ago the gross returns were increased by 52 per cent.

Grapes remained the third largest money making crop in the county. Returns were less than the previous year because of a reduction in acreage and a lighter yield per acre.

Alfalfa acreage increased 16 per cent, but gross returns were less than last year because of lower prices. Net returns to growers will be reduced to an even greater extent because of the additional expense for control measures on spotted alfalfa aphid.

Livestock production was decreased from a year ago and total returns indicate a gross return of 10 per cent less than last year.

From 665,970 planted acres the return to agriculture amounted to $233,263,728, an increase of 13 per cent above 1955 totals. All prices in our crop report are based on f.o.b. market values and do not represent the net amount received by growers. From this income must be deducted the costs of production and preparation for market.

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CROP	ACREAGE	PRODUCTION	VALUE
Deciduous Fruits and Nuts			
Apples	24	2,319 bx.	4,638
Apricots	112	2,150 lugs	5,375
Apricots, processed		191 tons	17,190
Berries	43	2,654 cr.	7,564
Berries		1,911 cans	12,708
Figs	9	720 flats	1,620
Nectarines	1	1,361 lugs	6,805
Olives	228	549 tons	98,820
Peaches	137	56,470 lugs	217,410
Pears	89	64,266 bx.	231,358
Pears, processed		3,412 bx.	5,118
Persimmons	13	9,324 lugs	23,310
Plums	1,529	649,052 lugs	2,271,682
Pomegranates	17	1,365 lugs	1,229
Prunes	8	2,782 lugs	5,703
Almonds	92	17 tons	10,200
Pecans	11	5 tons	3,500
Walnuts	3	2 tons	1,100
Total	2,316		2,925,330
Citrus Fruit			
Grapefruit	6	2,100 fld. bx.	2,325
Oranges, Navel	1,056	54,065 ctn.	135,163
Oranges, Navel		377,908 fld. bx.	680,234
Oranges, Valencia	43	22,450 fld. bx.	39,288
Tangerines	28	15,187 lugs	37,968
Lemons	8	1,000 fld. bx.	4,000
Total	1,141		899,278
Grapes			
Table	19,489	5,273,172 lugs	14,237,564
Wine	3,205	79,182 tons	2,771,370
Raisin		2,485 tons	472,150
Zante Currants	10	18 tons	5,220
Grapes, cannery		12,714 tons	762,840
Total	22,704		18,249,144
Melons			
Cantaloupes	1,892	300,471 cr.	1,006,578
Crenshaw	53	6,916 cr.	25,935
Honeydew	298	114,140 cr.	222,573
Persian	31	15,979 cr.	47,937
Watermelons	237	2,362 tons	96,842
Total	2,511		1,399,865

1956 CROP	ACREAGE	PRODUCTION	VALUE
Vegetables			
Asparagus	107	3,586 cr.	21,337
Asparagus, processed		213 tons	76,680
Beans, Blackeye	1,649	19,724 sks.	149,902
Beans, Fava	180	1,800 sks.	16,200
Beans, Lima	216	4,405 sks.	44,050
Beans, Pink	37	580 sks.	5,220
Beans, Red	12	120 sks.	1,020
Beans, Soy	69	834 sks.	6,672
Cabbage	213	18,781 cr.	28,172
Carrots	44	528 tons	14,520
Corn, Hominy	20	60,757 lbs.	2,430
Corn, Sweet	3,046	607,934 cr.	1,337,455
Cucumbers	150	811 tons	48,660
Garlic	2	129 sks.	1,226
Garlic, dehydrator	185	1,018 tons	184,258
Lettuce	1,034	32,557 cr.	102,555
Lettuce		154,341 ctn.	501,608
Okra	60	200 tons	54,000
Onions	687	411,178 sks.	1,110,181
Onions, dehydrator	1,395	23,018 tons	698,596
Peas	1,907	182,517 hamps.	574,929
Peas, processed		40 tons	8,000
Potatoes	52,216	11,308,945 sks.	46,366,675
Potatoes, processed		641,036 sks.	2,339,781
Potatoes, processed		147,710 sks.	118,168
Potatoes, seed		162,983 sks.	562,291
Potatoes, cull		54,436 tons	136,090
Potatoes, Sweet	305	99,172 lugs	183,468
Pumpkin	2	10 tons	600
Radishes	25	2,648 lugs	5,958
Squash, Banana	5	50 tons	2,000
Squash, Summer	85	8,757 lugs	13,136
Tomatoes	68	73,246 lugs	142,830
Total	63,719		54,858,668
Field and Forage Crops			
Beans, Castor	693	870 tons	130,500
Beets, Sugar	10,771	256,986 tons	2,955,339
Cotton	180,046	417,948 bales	68,597,805
Cotton seed, (not planting)		155,085 tons	9,844,796
Flax	300	11,100 bu.	41,070
Hay, Alfalfa	114,023	731,273 tons	14,698,587
Hay, Grain	12,430	28,933 tons	725
Nursery stock	210		4
Pasture, Permanent	22,043		[illegible],204,30
Peanuts	439	241 tons	91,580
Safflower	220	220 tons	16,500
Silage	2,181	35,019 tons	175,095
Stubble, grazing	12,865		32,163
Sunflower seed	36	63 tons	13,860
Total	356,257		100,085,814

1956 CROP	ACREAGE	PRODUCTION	VALUE
Seed, Certified			
Alfalfa, Atlantic	1,561	604,763 lbs.	214,691
Alfalfa, Buffalo	1,544	877,093 lbs.	324,524
Alfalfa, Caliverde	220	116,259 lbs.	32,553
Alfalfa, DuPuits	1,189	509,794 lbs.	191,173
Alfalfa, Lahontan	772	307,785 lbs.	153,893
Alfalfa, Narragansett	1,248	464,920 lbs.	227,811
Alfalfa, Ranger	37,680	19,180,037 lbs.	6,521,213
Alfalfa, Vernal	2,178	727,929 lbs.	349,406
Alfalfa, Williamsburg	475	335,442 lbs.	117,405
Barley, Arivat	50	8[illegible],900 lbs.	4,045
Barley, Mariout	20	88,000 lbs.	2,332
Beans, Blackeye No. 5	210	164,220 lbs.	16,422
Birdsfoot trefoil, Viking	14	10,324 lbs.	10,324
Bluegrass, Merion	65	38,285 lbs.	86,141
Clover, Kenland Red	523	125,569 lbs.	47,716
Clover, Pennscott Red	336	192,058 lbs.	76,823
Fescue, Goars Tall	87	59,478 lbs.	13,680
Milo, DD 38	359	494,228 lbs.	34,596
Oats, Kanota	13	14,200 lbs	710
Orchard Grass, Potomac	20	11,560 lbs.	6,936
Sudan, Piper	160	329,429 lbs.	19,766
Sudan, 23	160	69,200 lbs.	4,844
Rice, Caloro	16	70,850 lbs.	3,543
Wheat, Ramona 50	40	86,681 lbs.	4,767
Total	48,940		8,465,314
Seed, Uncertified			
Alfalfa, Caliverde		71,440 lbs.	18,574
Alfalfa, DuPuits		70,465 lbs.	21,140
Alfalfa, Lahontan		46,792 lbs.	16,377
Alfalfa, Narragansett		10,507 lbs.	3,677
Alfalfa, Ranger		450,532 lbs.	126,149
Alfalfa, Vernal		52,570 lbs.	22,079
Alfalfa, California Common	5,850	1,754,187 lbs.	438,547
Alfalfa, No. 2		1,588,663 lbs.	111,206
Alfalfa, screenings		2,036 tons	61,854
Barley	68	102,681 lbs.	4,107
Beans, Fava	10	10,228 lbs.	511
Beans, Mackie Lima	55	74,500 lbs.	7,450
Beans, Soy	11	37,582 lbs.	3,758
Beet, Sugar	302	1,064,875 lbs.	128,850
Bluegrass, Merion Kentucky	152	90,000 lbs.	144,000
Canary Grass	60	56,000 lbs.	5,040
Carrot	28	4,004 lbs.	1,802
Clover, Kenland Red	210	52,739 lbs.	18,459
Clover, Sour		195,036 lbs.	11,702
Cotton seed, planting		12,094 tons	1,632,690
Lettuce	15	13,700 lbs.	13,700
Milo	20	20,755 lbs.	830
Peas, English	20	34,000 lbs.	2,720
Rye	10	11,073 lbs.	664
Sudan	124	191,802 lbs.	7,672
Wheat	100	101,714 lbs.	4,069
Total	7,035		2,807,627

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CROP	ACREAGE	PRODUCTION	VALUE
Grain, Irrigated			
Barley	47,532	62,356 tons	2,743,664
Corn, Field	11,042	29,396 tons	1,763,760
Milo	36,380	91,762 tons	4,771,624
Oats	937	1,093 tons	63,394
Rice	4,069	7,124 tons	569,920
Wheat	11,041	12,396 tons	793,344
Total	111,001		10,705,706
Grain, Dry Farm			
Barley	28,469	22,249 tons	978,956
Oats	40	25 tons	1,450
Wheat	21,837	8,765 tons	560,960
Total	50,346		1,541,366
Apiary Products			
Beeswax		27,464 lbs.	16,478
Honey		4,119,560 lbs.	535,543
Total			552,021

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LIVESTOCK AND LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS

	NUMBER OF HEAD	VALUE
Purebreds	431	143,234
Steers	104,967	12,428,093
Cows and Heifers	63,698	6,076,789
Calves	4,188	226,152
Bulls	1,108	187,252
Hides, Cow	45,709	185,121
Hides, Calf	2,874	17,244
Fertilizer		211,116
Total		19,475,001
Sheep	11,971	95,768
Lambs	171,700	3,322,395
Wool	1,867,000 lbs.	728,130
Pelts	17,400	32,190
Total		4,178,483
Hogs	7,849	228,406
Total		228,406
Chickens	173,000	259,500
Fryers	737,000	589,600
Ducks	2,500	3,750
Geese	5,000	12,500
Squab	11,200	8,960
Turkeys	60,060	357,357
Eggs	3,460,000 doz.	1,453,200
		2,684,867
Rabbits, domestic	78,060	91,330
Pelts	36,000	2,700
Total		94,030
Fur bearing animals and pelts		60,510
Total		60,510
Milk, Market - pounds milk fat	3,570,000 lbs.	4,034,000
Milk, Manufacturing - pounds milk fat	10,000 lbs.	8,500
Total		4,042,500
Grand Total of All Livestock and Livestock Products		30,763,797

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SUMMARY

Acreage

	1955	1956
Deciduous Fruits and Nuts	2,614	2,316
Citrus Fruits	1,191	1,141
Grapes	26,085	22,704
Melons	774	2,511
Vegetables	63,974	63,719
Field and Forage Crops	321,734	356,257
Seed, Certified	55,446	48,940
Seed, Uncertified	6,307	7,035
Grain	182,465	161,347
Total	660,590	665,970

Value

Deciduous Fruits and Nuts	$ 3,483,317	$ 2,925,330
Citrus Fruits	1,713,630	899,278
Grapes	18,705,788	18,249,144
Melons	492,193	1,399,865
Vegetables	37,210,373	54,858,668
Field and Forage Crops	86,715,114	100,085,814
Seed, Certified	7,867,190	8,465,314
Seed, Uncertified	2,260,125	2,807,627
Grain	13,122,926	12,247,072
Apiary Products	606,045	552,021
Beef Cattle	22,324,453	19,475,001
Sheep	4,400,470	4,178,483
Hogs	178,282	228,406
Poultry	3,790,140	2,684,867
Rabbits	178,282	94,030
Fur bearing animals and pelts		60,510
Dairy Products	3,520,100	4,042,500
Total	$ 206,467,621	$ 233,253,930
Agricultural Conservation Payments	5,491	9,798
TOTAL RETURNS TO AGRICULTURE	$ 206,473,112	$ 233,263,728
Total Carlot Shipments	71,874	69,392

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Gross income for 1957 was only slightly lower than the previous year, despite an unusually bad potato market which brought returns for that crop down 52% compared with 1956.

Cotton farmers continued to break their own production records and this year we have another all-time high of 1207 pounds lint per acre. Total returns amounted to ninety million dollars, which accounts for 39% of the total agricultural income of the County of Kern.

Vineyardists realized a 15% increase in income over 1956 returns. Quality was excellent and growers found a receptive market for their crop. The price for wine grapes at $50 per ton was the highest received since 1950.

Alfalfa hay acreage was slightly decreased, but gross returns were considerably higher because of an increase both in price per ton and tons per acre. This was probably accountable to a reduction in the spotted alfalfa aphid population. Many farmers did not start control measures until late in July, and in most cases it was not necessary to treat more than three times.

Total income from livestock was increased 29%. Prices were higher than a year ago and more pounds were produced.

From 689,209 planted acres the total return to agriculture amounted to $232,304,078. All prices in our crop report are based on f.o.b. market values and do not represent the net amount received by growers. From this income must be deducted the costs of production and preparation for market.

We extend our thanks and appreciation to each person who supplied us with records and data for this annual crop report.

Respectfully submitted,

C. Seldon Morley

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Agricultural Commissioner

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CROP ACREAGE - PRODUCTION - VALUE

C. Seldon Morley, Agricultural Commissioner

CROP	ACREAGE	PRODUCTION	VALUE
Deciduous Fruits and Nuts			
Apples	29	4,815 bx.	15,649
Apples, canned		45 ton	2,475
Apricots	112	2,311 lug	6,240
Apricots, canned		951 ton	66,570
Berries, Straw	35	8,794 cr.	16,709
Berries, Straw		1,543 cans	8,872
Figs	9	430 flats	731
Nectarines	53	16,925 lugs	69,393
Olives	142	571 tons	126,225
Peaches	194	85,434 lugs	363,095
Pears	89	46,371 bx.	192,440
Persimmons	13	12,190 lugs	30,475
Plums	1,618	566,070 lugs	2,264,280
Pomegranates	17	2,790 bx.	3,069
Prunes	8	3,158 lugs	7,895
Almonds	92	10 tons	5,000
Almonds, shelled		8 tons	12,000
Pecans	11	5 tons	3,500
Walnuts	3	2 tons	1,000
Total	2,425		3,195,618
Citrus Fruit			
Grapefruit	6	1,150 fld. bx.	1,208
Oranges, Navel	1,060	40,065 ctn.	110,179
Oranges, Navel		354,852 fld. bx.	975,843
Oranges, Valencia	43	22,118 fld. bx.	55,295
Tangerines	28	17,400 lugs	60,900
Lemons	7	2,500 fld. bx.	3,750
Total	1,144		1,207,175
Grapes			
Table	20,448	5,317,292 lugs	15,951,876
Wine	3,346	72,559 tons	3,627,950
Raisin		2,382 tons	571,680
Zante Currants	10	17 tons	4,420
Grapes, cannery		11,839 tons	769,535
Total	23,804		20,925,461
Melons			
Cantaloupes	2,784	425,330 cr.	2,020,318
Casaba	5	4,067 cr.	5,694
Crenshaw	51	6,408 cr.	16,020
Honeydew	10	1,381 cr.	2,762
Honeyshaw	10	2,923 cr.	8,331
Persian	35	10,406 cr.	21,853
Watermelons	1,057	11,091 tons	596,141
Total	3,952		2,671,119

1957 CROP	ACREAGE	PRODUCTION	VALUE
Vegetables			
Asparagus	107	8,969 cr.	50,226
Asparagus, processed		81 tons	14,013
Beans Green	60	7,835 hamp.	16,454
Cabbage	57	10,248 cr.	22,033
Carrots	219	2,195 tons	60,363
Celery	70	39,277 cr.	92,301
Corn, Sweet	2,337	434,656 cr.	1,130,106
Cucumbers, cannery	110	635 tons	34,925
Garlic	165	1,069 tons	175,316
Lettuce	1,113	281,880 ctns	422,820
Lettuce		7,321 cr.	20,499
Okra	40	600,000 lbs.	81,000
Onions	560	415,289 sks.	747,520
Onions, dehydrator	1,421	26,754 tons	802,620
Peas	1,479	144,495 hamp.	440,710
Potatoes	56,323	12,879,766 sks.	21,251,614
Potatoes, processed		687,426 sks.	1,443,595
Potatoes, processed		140,302 sks.	105,227
Potatoes, seed		148,918 sks.	461,646
Potatoes, culls		146,492 tons	439,476
Potatoes, Sweet	75	28,325 lugs	49,569
Squash	21	4,893 lugs	8,073
Tomatoes	70	102,410 lugs	225,302
Total	64,227		28,095,408
Field and Forage Crops			
Beans: Blackeye	2,528	1,876 tons	243,880
Castor	5,324	6,754 tons	1,013,100
Fava	100	135 tons	18,900
Other	10	4 tons	800
Soy	446	594 tons	53,460
Broom Corn	6	18 tons	9,360
Flax	80	1,600 bu.	5,360
Grain: Barley	89,036	99,545 tons	4,180,890
Field Corn	11,506	29,053 tons	1,452,650
Milo	32,194	71,661 tons	2,938,101
Oats	173	238 tons	12,614
Rice	4,158	8,084 tons	711,392
Rye	25	25 tons	1,000
Wheat	31,214	32,117 tons	2,344,541
Cotton	180,063	454,705 bales	79,982,610
Cotton seed (not planting)		170,447 tons	9,084,825
Hay: Alfalfa	106,162	798,790 tons	18,491,989
Grain	8,876	23,378 tons	550,552
Rice Straw		138 tons	1,242
Nursery Stock	323		745,948
Pasture: Permanent	21,814		2,181,400
Stubble	32,943		115,301
Peanuts	334	2,923 sks.	52,614
Safflower	490	490 tons	36,750
Silage	3,660	68,695 tons	343,475
Sugar Beets	11,072	163,994 tons	1,639,940
Total	542,537		126,212,694

1957 CROP	ACREAGE	PRODUCTION	VALUE
Seed, Certified			
Alfalfa, Atlantic	790	295,618 lbs.	82,773
Alfalfa, Buffalo	1,926	1,253,546 lbs.	350,993
Alfalfa, Caliverde	164	66,661 lbs.	16,332
Alfalfa, Dupuits	2,525	1,601,246 lbs.	464,361
Alfalfa, Lahontan	1,003	401,014 lbs.	172,436
Alfalfa, Moapa	5	2,843 lbs.	2,132
Alfalfa, Narragansett	478	191,987 lbs.	89,274
Alfalfa, Ranger	31,515	17,651,040 lbs.	4,677,526
Alfalfa, Vernal	4,591	1,629,309 lbs.	635,431
Alfalfa, Williamsburg	685	461,649 lbs.	131,570
Barley, Arivat	40	120,000 lbs.	4,500
Barley, California Mariout	10	47,780 lbs.	1,195
Clover, Dollard Red	290	85,762 lbs.	27,444
Clover, Chesapeake	245	96,603 lbs.	32,845
Clover, Kenland Red	362	201,407 lbs.	60,422
Clover, Pennscott Red	332	189,071 lbs.	85,082
Fescue, Goars Tall	73	38,733 lbs.	7,747
Milo, DD 38	50	79,373 lbs.	2,778
Oats, Kanota	14	41,200 lbs.	2,060
Orchard Grass, Potomac	20	15,010 lbs.	9,006
Rice, Caloro	320	802,505 lbs.	41,730
Sudan, Piper	190	404,621 lbs.	29,335
Wheat, Ramona 50	20	46,457 lbs.	3,717
Total	45,648		6,930,689
Seed, Uncertified			
Alfalfa, Buffalo		47,882 lbs.	11,013
Alfalfa, African	13	7,042 lbs.	1,303
Alfalfa, California Common	4,012	1,203,710 lbs.	222,686
Alfalfa, Caliverde		36,623 lbs.	8,057
Alfalfa, Dupuits		119,986 lbs.	34,796
Alfalfa, Lahontan		64,025 lbs.	22,409
Alfalfa, Narragansett		6,630 lbs.	2,718
Alfalfa, Ranger		355,016 lbs.	72,778
Alfalfa, Scandia	280	168,972 lbs.	50,692
Alfalfa, Socheville	160	99,628 lbs.	27,896
Alfalfa, Vernal		50,396 lbs.	15,119
Alfalfa, Williamsburg		35,072 lbs.	5,612
Alfalfa, No. 2		318 tons	46,555
Screenings		2,284 tons	42,825
Barley, Black	4	13,778 lbs.	413
Barley		23,923 lbs.	598
Beans, Blackeye	250	540,500 lbs.	40,538
Beans, Soy	3	7,551 lbs.	378
Beet, Sugar	273	820,831 lbs.	93,370
Bluegrass, Merion Kentucky	197	95,436 lbs.	95,436
Canary Grass	120	184,527 lbs.	12,917
Carrot	56	14,000 lbs.	7,000
Clover, Dollar Red		398 lbs.	84
Clover, Kenland Red		2,523 lbs.	505
Clover, Pennscott Red		6,273 lbs.	1,568
Clover, Sour		21,598 lbs.	1,296
		Fwd.	Fwd.

1957 CROP	ACREAGE	PRODUCTION	VALUE
Seed, Uncertified			
Cotton seed, planting		11,435 tons	1,543,725
Fescue, Goars Tall		447 lbs.	67
Millet	10	10,500 lbs.	1,050
Orchard Grass, Potomac		1,100 lbs.	440
Rye Grass	60	31,553 lbs.	2,366
Sudan, Piper		15,200 lbs.	836
Trefoil, Viking Birdsfoot	14	2,514 lbs.	2,236
Wheat, Ramona 50		1,869 lbs.	93
Wheat	20	54,445 lbs.	2,178
Total	5,472		2,371,553
Apiary Products			
Beeswax		14,342 lbs.	8,032
Honey		2,151,280 lbs.	258,154
Total			266,186

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LIVESTOCK AND LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS

	NUMBER OF HEAD	VALUE
Purebreds	1,185	346,909
Steers	130,993	18,077,034
Cows	19,700	2,590,550
Heifers	42,469	5,244,922
Calves	3,127	207,946
Bulls	713	154,899
Fertilizer		180,000
		26,802,260
Sheep	18,462	138,465
Lambs	175,870	3,746,031
Wool	1,936,000 lbs.	987,360
Pelts	20,841	44,808
		4,916,664
Swine	8,148	311,661
		311,661
Shetland Ponies	31	7,130
		7,130
Chinchilla		49,400
Nutria		12,174
Rabbits		91,000
		152,574
Chickens	170,300	170,300
Fryers	541,000	432,800
Ducks	2,500	3,750
Geese	4,000	10,000
Squab	12,100	9,680
Turkeys	90,000	356,400
Game Birds	13,150	25,525
Eggs	3,576,300 doz.	1,484,165
Eggs, Turkey (hatching)	600,000 ea.	162,000
		2,654,620
Milk, Market - pounds milk fat	4,140,000 lbs.	4,844,000
Milk, Manufacturing - pounds milk fat	3,000 lbs.	2,760
		4,846,760
Grand Total of all Livestock and Livestock Products		39,691,669

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SUMMARY

Acreage

	1956	1957
Deciduous Fruits and Nuts	2,316	2,425
Citrus Fruits	1,141	1,144
Grapes	22,704	23,804
Melons	2,511	3,952
Vegetables	63,719	64,227
Field and Forage Crops	517,604	542,537
Seed, Certified	48,940	45,648
Seed, Uncertified	7,035	5,472
	665,970	689,209

Value

Deciduous Fruits and Nuts	$ 2,925,330	$ 3,195,618
Citrus Fruits	899,278	1,207,175
Grapes	18,249,144	20,925,461
Melons	1,399,865	2,671,119
Vegetables	54,858,668	28,095,408
Field and Forage Crops	112,332,886	126,212,694
Seed, Certified	8,465,314	6,930,689
Seed, Uncertified	2,807,627	2,371,553
Apiary Products	552,021	266,186
Beef Cattle	19,475,001	26,802,260
Sheep	4,178,483	4,916,664
Swine	228,406	311,661
Shetland Ponies	---	7,130
Fur bearing animals and pelts	154,540	152,574
Poultry	2,684,867	2,654,620
Dairy Products	4,042,500	4,846,760
	233,253,930	231,567,572
Agricultural Conservation Payments	9,798	61,970
Lamb and Wool Incentive Payments	---	499,943
Soil Bank	---	174,593
TOTAL RETURNS TO AGRICULTURE	$233,263,728	$232,304,078

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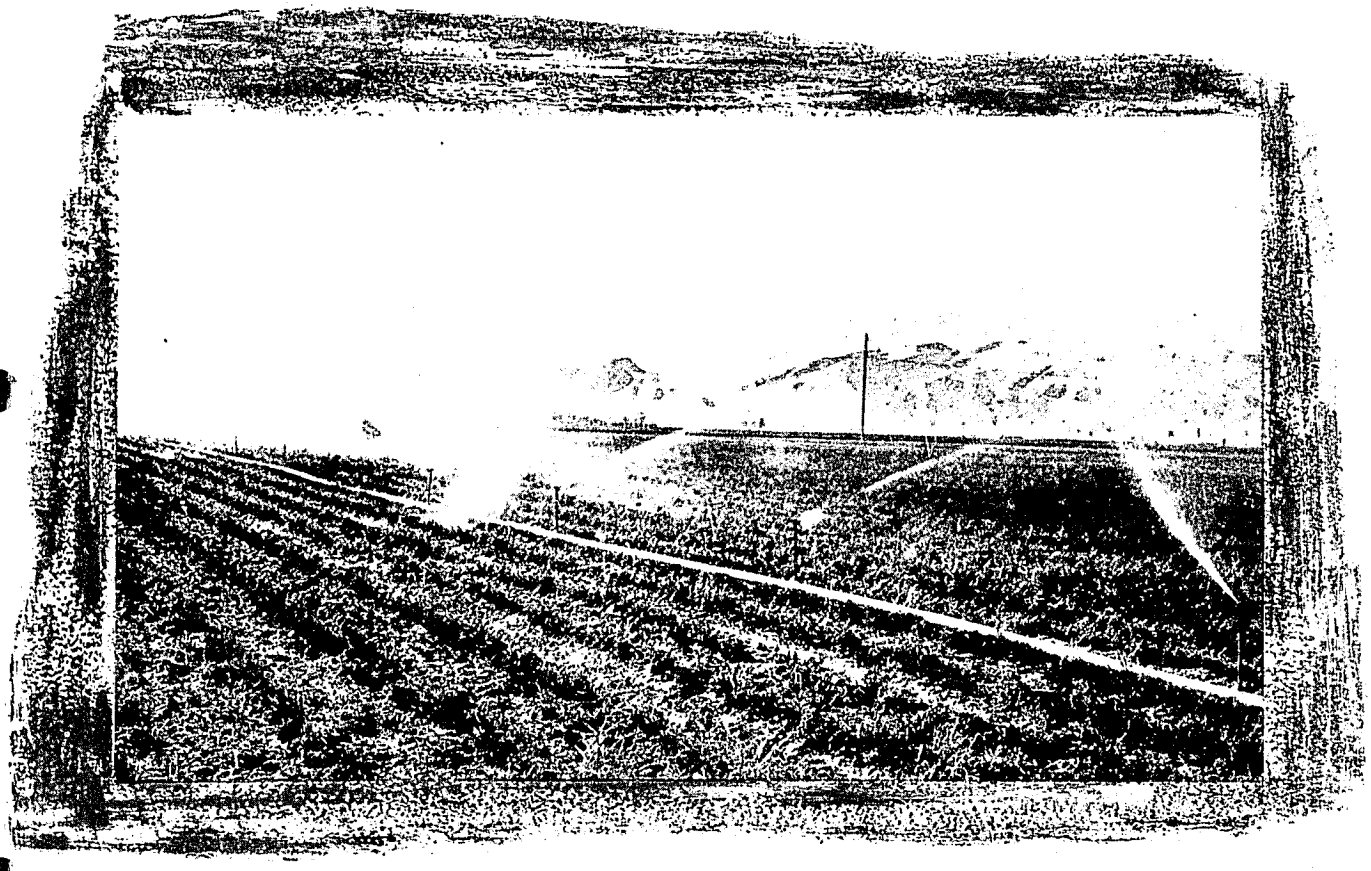

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Gross income for 1958 was slightly above the previous year despite a 9% decrease in returns from cotton--the crop which represents 35% of our total agricultural income. Production was down to 1137 pounds lint per acre, and the price per pound was also less than a year ago.

It was not a profitable year for those who planted potatoes, and even though our report indicates a return of 25 million dollars this cannot be considered as the actual gross return to farmers. In many instances price adjustments to receivers lowered the original f.o.b. prices on which our report is based.

Vineyardists had another good year with an increase of 18% over 1957 returns.

Income from seed production was off 16% compared to a year ago. Alfalfa hay also brought a smaller return.

Acreage planted to melons was increased 82% and gross returns were reflected almost to the same extent. A tremendous increase was also seen in production of nursery stock. Several large nurseries have recently established growing grounds in Kern County for rose bushes, ornamentals, fruit and shade trees.

Total income from livestock was decreased slightly from last year. Actually more head of cattle were sold, but fatter cattle were brought into the feed lots and so less pounds were produced locally.

From 708,052 planted acres the total return to agriculture amounted to $232,563,397. All prices in our crop report are based on f.o.b. market values and do not represent the net amount received by growers. From this income must be deducted the costs of production and preparation for market.

A sincere thanks is extended to everyone who cooperated with the personnel of this department and supplied us with the information which has been compiled into our annual crop report.

Very truly yours,

C. Seldon Morley

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Agricultural Commissioner

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CROP ACREAGE - PRODUCTION - VALUE

C. Seldon Morely, Agricultural Commissioner

CROP	ACREAGE	PRODUCTION	VALUE
Deciduous Fruits and Nuts			
Apples	29	4,291 bx.	15,019
Apricots	112	2,511 lugs	7,156
Apricots, cannery		24 tons	3,600
Figs	5	430 flats	753
Nectarines	65	24,910 lugs	82,203
Olives	144	617 tons	51,057
Peaches	246	119,584 lugs	394,627
Pears	89	66,961 bx.	291,280
Persimmons	13	11,999 bx.	40,197
Plums	1,635	782,947 lugs	2,896,904
Pomegranates	20	3,480 lugs	8,352
Prunes	8	3,167 lugs	9,026
Almonds	92	11 tons	9,306
Total	2,458		3,809,480
Citrus Fruit			
Grapefruit	6	2,450 fld.bx.	3,063
Oranges, Navel	1,075	96,365 ctn.	332,459
Oranges, Navel		394,829 fld.bx.	1,105,521
Oranges, Valencia	43	23,340 fld.bx.	58,350
Tangerines	32	14,815 lugs	40,741
Total	1,156		1,540,134
Grapes			
Table	21,882	5,557,719 lugs	18,340,473
Wine	3,408	96,301 tons	4,670,599
Raisin		2,483 tons	851,669
Grapes, cannery		10,087 tons	806,960
Total	25,290		24,669,701
Melons			
Cantaloupes	4,366	965,556 cr.	3,331,168
Casaba	50	7,623 cr.	24,012
Crenshaw	4	12 tons	630
Honeydew	570	270,290 cr.	648,696
Persian	70	18,169 cr.	39,972
Watermelons	2,130	17,770 tons	524,215
Total	7,190		4,568,693

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CROP	ACREAGE	PRODUCTION	VALUE
Vegetables			
Asparagus	194	14,282 cr.	78,551
Asparagus, processed		48 tons	10,320
Carrots	378	5,405 tons	132,423
Corn, Sweet	3,321	478,105 cr.	932,305
Cucumbers	21	164 tons	13,038
Garlic	422	1,382 tons	183,806
Lettuce	707	152,378 ctns.	213,329
Okra	60	200 tons	54,000
Onions	611	477,768 sks.	525,545
Onions, dehydrator	1,514	51,814 tons	1,554,420
Onions, green	100	16,517 cr.	63,590
Peas	1,777	211,832 hamp.	529,580
Potatoes	56,743	10,247,173 sks.	22,543,781
Potatoes, processed		908,704 sks.	2,090,019
Potatoes, seed		69,396 sks.	194,309
Potatoes, cull		107,248 tons	321,744
Potatoes, sweet	143	35,558 lugs	97,785
Potatoes, sweet, processed		45 tons	1,575
Squash	30	9,785 lugs	17,124
Tomatoes	130	75,400 lugs	154,570
Tomatoes		190 tons	5,510
Total	66,151		29,717,324
Field and Forage Crops			
Beans: Blackeye	1,731	1,328 tons	185,920
Castor	9,036	10,791 tons	1,294,920
Fava	35	21 tons	1,638
Soy	258	303 tons	40,905
Cotton	183,512	438,347 bales	73,854,018
Cotton seed (not planting)		162,274 tons	6,896,645
Flax	245	164 tons	19,680
Grain: Barley	105,115	129,980 tons	5,459,160
Field Corn	6,382	15,561 tons	809,172
Milo	39,167	79,858 tons	3,274,178
Oats	234	228 tons	13,680
Rice	5,459	9,138 tons	749,316
Wheat	37,245	43,029 tons	2,667,798
Hay: Alfalfa	105,853	773,938 tons	18,187,543
Grain	9,319	28,320 tons	679,680
Barley straw		600 tons	6,600
Nursery Stock	450		2,318,010
Pasture: Permanent	25,276		2,527,600
Stubble	22,129		77,452
Peanuts	682	301 tons	108,360
Popcorn	526	498 tons	49,800
Safflower	2,757	3,186 tons	223,020
Sesame	50	24-1/2 tons	4,900
Silage	3,270	47,700 tons	381,600
Sugar Beets	7,923	149,258 tons	1,470,191
Total	566,654		121,301,786

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CROP	ACERAGE	PRODUCTION	VALUE
Seed, Certified			
Alfalfa, Atlantic	258	66,887 lbs.	17,725
Alfalfa, Buffalo	1,539	737,508 lbs.	206,502
Alfalfa, DuPuits	2,834	1,260,423 lbs.	447,450
Alfalfa, Lahontan	1,025	148,361 lbs.	45,992
Alfalfa, Moapa	867	407,482 lbs.	203,741
Alfalfa, Narragansett	1,447	287,795 lbs.	143,898
Alfalfa, Ranger	20,726	9,018,410 lbs.	2,976,075
Alfalfa, Vernal	6,218	1,492,372 lbs.	679,029
Alfalfa, Williamsburg	436	202,392 lbs.	62,742
Barley, Arivat	90	179,330 lbs.	6,277
Beans, Blackeye #5	82	187,120 lbs.	26,197
Clover, Chesapeake Red	145	91,636 lbs.	35,280
Clover, Dollard Red	553	236,500 lbs.	92,235
Clover, Kenland Red	473	115,729 lbs.	52,078
Clover, Pennscott Red	183	106,944 lbs.	64,166
Fescue, Goars Tall	31	5,224 lbs.	731
Orchardgrass, Potomac	20	18,450 lbs.	7,380
Wheat, Ramona	80	172,777 lbs.	8,639
Total	37,007		5,076,137
Seed, Uncertified			
Alfalfa, African	40	25,765 lbs.	5,539
Alfalfa, Buffalo		23,703. lbs.	5,570
Alfalfa, Caliverde	20	17,107 lbs.	3,678
Alfalfa, DuPuits		20,831 lbs.	7,395
Alfalfa, Lahontan		72,098 lbs.	18,385
Alfalfa, Moapa		72,475 lbs.	20,293
Alfalfa, Narragansett		15,732 lbs.	6,293
Alfalfa, Ranger		311,108 lbs.	82,444
Alfalfa, Scandia	500	175,000 lbs.	61,250
Alfalfa, Vernal		50,955 lbs.	19,363
Alfalfa, Williamsburg		23,776 lbs.	6,657
Alfalfa, Common		1,046,357 lbs.	214,503
Alfalfa Screenings and Salvage		2,088 tons	29,879
Barley, Arivat		75,274 lbs.	2,258
Barley, Atlas	20	32,300 lbs.	969
Barley, California Mariout	40	153,624 lbs.	4,609
Beans, Blackeye #5	589	2,077,400 lbs.	114,257
Beans, Mung	50	17,547 lbs.	1,404
Bluegrass, Merion Kentucky	246	120,000 lbs.	144,000
Clover, Sour		8,245 lbs.	206
Cotton seed, planting		13,065 tons	1,633,125
Fescue, mixture		17,710 lbs.	708
Onion	48	16-1/2 tons	33,000
Orchardgrass, Potomac		800 lbs.	288
Rice, Caloro	20	59,473 lbs.	4,758
Sudan Grass	20	29,079 lbs.	1,163
Sugar beet	544	2,028,189 lbs.	263,665
Wheat, Ramona		60,636 lbs.	2,729
Wheatgrass, Topar	9	1,365 lbs.	478
Total	2,146		2,688,866

1958

LIVESTOCK AND LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS

APIARY PRODUCTS

	NUMBER OF HEAD	VALUE
Purebreds	993	431,637
Steers	161,814	18,204,075
Cows	14,271	2,261,954
Heifers	36,334	3,896,822
Calves	2,269	181,520
Bulls	302	89,090
Fertilizer		176,874
Total		25,241,972
Sheep	7,846	62,768
Lambs	158,812	3,335,862
Wool	1,746,620 lbs.	611,317
Pelts	15,836	30,088
Total		4,040,035
Swine	9,108	415,780
Total		415,780
Chinchilla		47,460
Nutria		10,775
Rabbits		81,900
Total		140,135
Chickens	253,650	164,873
Fryers	808,850	374,487
Ducks	2,000	1,800
Geese	1,500	1,350
Squab	13,540	13,540
Turkeys	100,400	392,564
Game Birds	33,450	63,625
Eggs	5,326,650 doz.	2,290,460
Eggs, Turkey (hatching)	500,000 ea.	120,000
Total		3,422,699
Milk, Market - pounds milk fat	4,652.000 lbs.	5,070,680
Milk, Manufacturing - pounds milk fat	16,000 lbs.	13,440
Total		5,084,120
Apiary Products		
Beeswax	18,849 lbs.	7,540
Honey	2,827,320 lbs.	296,869
Total		304,409

GRAND TOTAL OF ALL LIVESTOCK, LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS AND APIARY PRODUCTS

38,649,150

1958

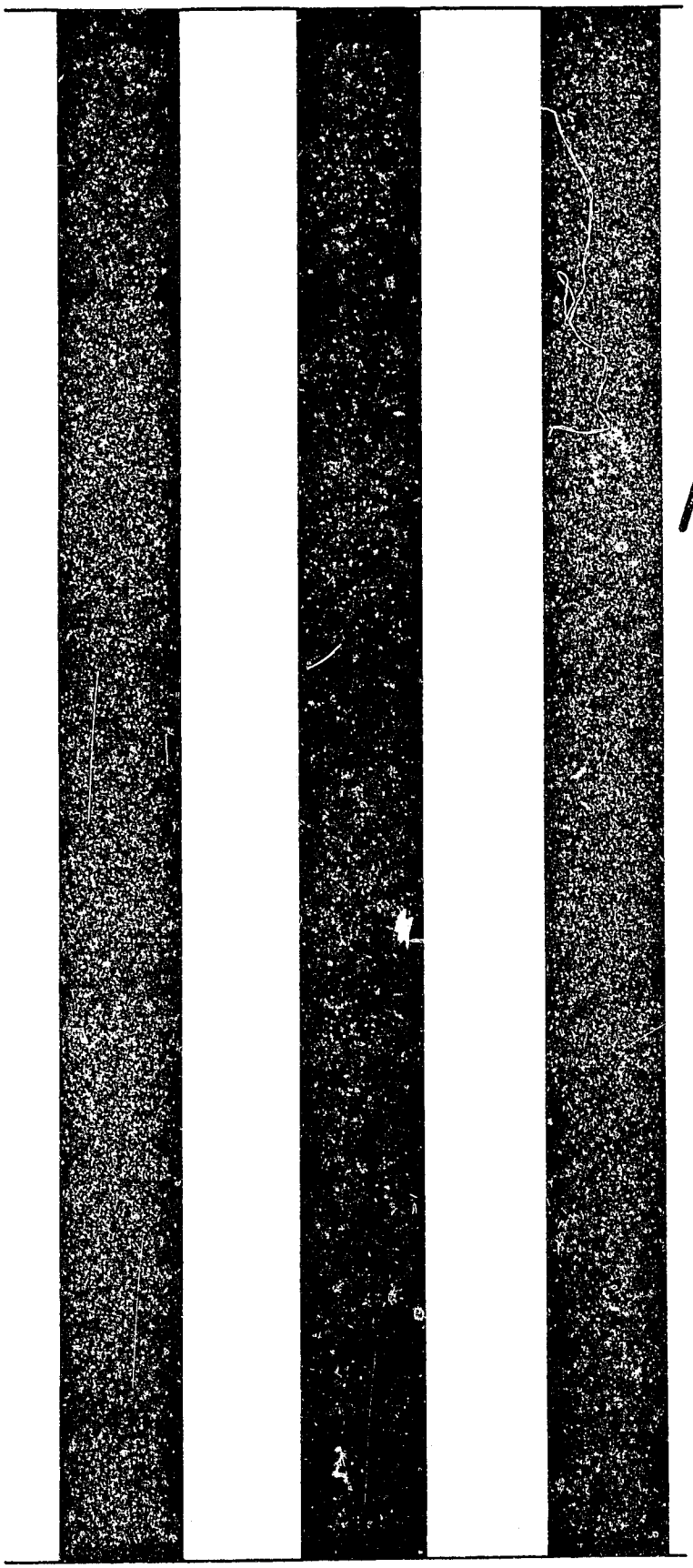
SUMMARY

Acreage

	1957	1958
Deciduous Fruits and Nuts	2,425	2,458
Citrus Fruit	1,144	1,156
Grapes	23,804	25,290
Melons	3,952	7,190
Vegetables	64,227	66,151
Field and Forage Crops	542,537	566,654
Seed Certified	45,648	37,007
Seed, Uncertified	5,472	2,146
Total	689,209	708,052

Value

Deciduous Fruits and Nuts	$ 3,195,618	$ 3,809,480
Citrus Fruits	1,207,175	1,540,134
Grapes	20,925,461	24,669,701
Melons	2,671,119	4,568,693
Vegetables	28,095,408	29,717,324
Field and Forage Crops	126,212,694	121,301,786
Seed, Certified	6,930,689	5,076,137
Seed, Uncertified	2,371,553	2,688,866
Beef Cattle	26,802,260	25,241,972
Sheep	4,916,664	4,040,035
Swine	311,661	415,780
Shetland Ponies	7,130	-------
Fur bearing animals	152,574	140,135
Poultry	2,654,620	3,422,699
Dairy Products	4,846,760	5,084,120
Apiary Products	266,186	304,409
Total	231,567,572	232,021,271
Agricultural Conservation Payments	61,970	281,000
Lamb and Wool Incentive Payments	499,943	43,862
Soil Bank	174,593	217,264
TOTAL RETURNS TO AGRICULTURE	$ 232,304,078	$ 232,563,397



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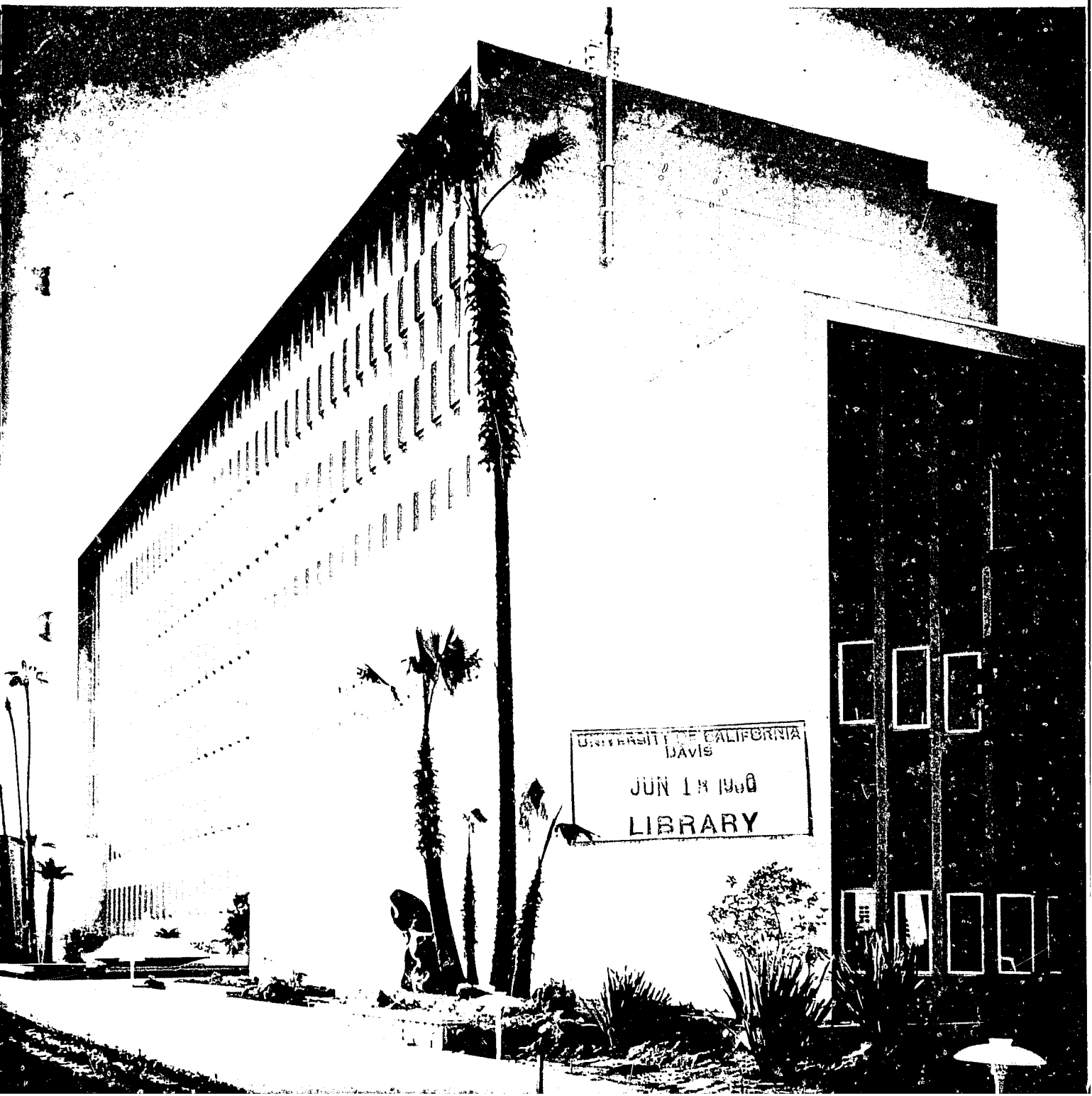
County of Kern



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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Kern

In accordance with Section 65.5 of the Agricultural Code I hereby submit the Annual Crop Report for the County of Kern. This report covers the acreage, production and value of all crops produced in the county, including livestock and livestock products. Acreage of permanent crops is reported in actual bearing acres only, and other crops are reported in actual harvested acreage.

Our report takes on a different form this year, and we hope you will find it convenient and acceptable. It is the final development of a uniform basis for reporting agricultural statistics by all counties. Because of additions or deletions in certain catagories some items cannot be strictly compared; however, the overall picture has not been greatly changed and we feel it is a more efficient method of reporting our agricultural production.

Gross income for 1959 was 15% above the previous year. This again reflects the influence of our most productive crop, cotton, which represents one-third of our total agricultural income. We had more acreage than a year ago and production increased to 1188 pounds lint per acre.

The potato crop showed a 13% increase. Both yield and price were better than a year ago; however during a portion of the 1959 season the reported f.o.b. price, which by necessity we must use in our report, was greater than the actual f.o.b. price received by producers because of speculative and circuitous routing influences.

Farmers who had alfalfa hay for sale were in an enviable position. Total returns for the year were 52% above 1958. Acreage was increased, production was increased, and the price at $31.15 per ton was the highest received since 1952.

Income from grapes and seed crops both decreased slightly. Beef cattle production showed an 11% decrease. A greater number of head were marketed, but fewer pounds were produced locally and prices were less than a year ago.

From 705,060 planted acres and 2,701,000 acres of rangeland the total return to agriculture amounted to $267,519,411. All prices in our crop report are based on f.o.b. market values and do not represent the net amount received by growers. From this income must be deducted the cost of production and preparation for market.

We extend our most sincere thanks to each person who cooperated with the personnel of this department and supplied us with the information which has been compiled into our annual crop report.

Very truly yours,

C. Seldon Morley

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Agricultural Commissioner

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FIELD CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1958-1959

Crop	Year	Harvested acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per acre	Total		Per unit	Total
Barley	1959	99,622	1.4	142,622	ton	$ 42.55	$ 6,068,566
	1958	105,115	1.2	129,980	ton	42.00	5,459,160
Beans, dry edible	1959	4,931	1.3	6,304	ton	133.85	843,790
	1958	2,024	0.8	1,652	ton	138.29	228,463
Beans, castor	1959	3,067	1.5	4,454	ton	118.00	525,572
	1958	9,036	1.2	10,791	ton	120.00	1,294,920
Corn, field	1959	4,521	2.4	10,852	ton	50.00	542,600
	1958	6,382	2.4	15,561	ton	52.00	809,172
Cotton lint	1959	219,330	a/ 1188	549,930	bale	b/ .3205	87,245,020
	1958	183,512	a/ 1137	438,347	bale	b/ .3390	73,854,018
Cottonseed	1959	xx		207,607	ton	45.30	9,404,597
	1958	xx		162,274	ton	42.50	6,896,645
Cottonseed, planting	1959	xx		12,365	ton	60.85	752,410
	1958	xx		13,065	ton	125.00	1,633,125
Flaxseed	1959	120	1.0	114	ton	104.20	11,879
	1958	245	0.7	164	ton	120.00	19,680
Hay							
Alfalfa	1959	111,162	8.0	889,029	ton	31.15	27,693,253
	1958	105,853	7.3	773,938	ton	23.50	18,187,543
Grain	1959	7,131	2.4	17,166	ton	36.70	629,992
	1958	9,319	3.0	28,320	ton	24.00	679,680
Other tame	1959	356	9.3	3,337	ton	17.50	58,398
	1958	xx		xx		xx	xx
Oats	1959	xx		xx		xx	xx
	1958	234	1.0	228	ton	60.00	13,680
Pasture							
Irrigated	1959	25,389		xx	acre	118.35	3,004,788
	1958	25,276		xx	acre	100.00	2,527,600
Other	1959	16,080		xx	acre	2.40	38,592
	1958	22,129		xx	acre	3.50	77,452
Rangeland	1959	2,701,000		xx	acre	.80	2,160,800
	1958	xx		xx			xx

a. Pounds
b. Per pound

FIELD CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1958-1959

Crop	Year	Harvested acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per acre	Total		Per unit	Total
Peanuts	1959	502	0.6	321	ton	$ 300.00	$ 96,300
	1958	682	0.4	301	ton	360.00	108,360
Popcorn	1959	xx		xx		xx	xx
	1958	526	0.9	498	ton	100.00	49,800
Rice	1959	4,725	3.1	14,600	ton	82.50	1,204,500
	1958	5,459	1.7	9,138	ton	82.00	749,316
Safflower	1959	1,543	1.8	2,753	ton	72.50	199,593
	1958	2,757	1.2	3,186	ton	70.00	223,020
Sesame	1959	xx		xx		xx	xx
	1958	50	0.5	$24\frac{1}{2}$	ton	200.00	4,900
Silage	1959	4,816	20.8	99,975	ton	5.75	574,856
	1958	3,270	14.6	47,700	ton	8.00	381,600
Sorghum grain	1959	36,703	2.5	91,271	ton	39.60	3,614,332
	1958	39,167	2.0	79,858	ton	41.00	3,274,178
Straw	1959	xx		1,330	ton	11.00	14,630
	1958	xx		600	ton	11.00	6,600
Sugar beets	1959	7,285	22.6	164,445	ton	12.45	2,047,340
	1958	7,923	18.8	149,258	ton	9.85	1,470,191
Wheat	1959	31,097	1.3	39,232	ton	53.70	2,106,758
	1959	37,245	1.2	43,029	ton	62.00	2,667,798
Total	1959	3,279,380					148,838,566
	1958	566,204					120,616,901

CERTIFIED SEED CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1958-1959

Crop	Year	Harvested acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per acre	Total		Per unit	Total
Alfalfa, Atlantic	1959	xx		xx		$	$ xx
	1958	258	259	66,887	lb.	.265	17,725
Alfalfa, Buffalo	1959	988	660	651,690	lb.	.30	195,507
	1958	1,539	479	737,508	lb.	.28	206,502
Alfalfa, DuPuits	1959	4,708	390	1,838,212	lb.	.34	624,992
	1958	2,834	445	1,260,423	lb.	.355	447,450
Alfalfa, Lahontan	1959	410	370	151,661	lb.	.41	62,181
	1958	1,025	145	148,361	lb.	.31	45,992
Alfalfa, Moapa	1959	1,071	708	758,094	lb.	.345	261,542
	1958	867	470	407,482	lb.	.50	203,741
Alfalfa, Narragansett	1959	1,660	146	242,585	lb.	.52	126,144
	1958	1,447	199	287,795	lb.	.50	143,898
Alfalfa, Ranger	1959	15,121	427	6,463,615	lb.	.32	2,068,357
	1958	20,726	435	9,018,410	lb.	.33	2,976,075
Alfalfa, Scandia	1959	75	231	17,340	lb.	.345	5,982
	1958	xx		xx			xx
Alfalfa, Vernal	1959	6,029	288	1,736,885	lb.	.455	790,283
	1958	6,218	240	1,492,372	lb.	.455	679,029
Alfalfa, Williamsburg	1959	64	532	34,026	lb.	.32	10,888
	1958	436	464	202,392	lb.	.31	62,742
Barley, Arivat	1959	40	1,438	57,500	lb.	.04	2,300
	1958	90	1,992	179,330	lb.	.035	6,277
Barley, Mariout	1959	304	2,514	764,266	lb.	.035	26,749
	1958	xx		xx			xx
Beans, Blackeye #5	1959	1,250	2,288	2,860,000	lb.	.08	228,800
	1958	82	2,282	187,120	lb.	.14	26,197
Bluegrass, Merion Kentucky	1959	286	287	82,025	lb.	1,375	112,784
	1958	xx		xx			xx

CERTIFIED SEED CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1958-1959

Crop	Year	Harvested acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per acre	Total		Per unit	Total
Clover, Chesapeake Red	1959	95	494	46,957	lb.	$ .335	$ 15,731
	1958	145	632	91,636	lb.	.385	35,280
Clover, Dollard Red	1959	195	424	82,585	lb.	.365	30,144
	1958	553	428	236,500	lb.	.39	92,235
Clover, Kenland Red	1959	75	534	40,013	lb.	.335	13,404
	1958	473	245	115,729	lb.	.45	52,078
Clover, Pennscott Red	1959	25	832	20,807	lb.	.35	7,282
	1958	183	584	106,944	lb.	.60	64,166
Clover, Tammisto Red	1959	50	38	1,885	lb.	.45	848
	1958	xx		xx			xx
Fescue, Goars Tall	1959	xx		xx			xx
	1958	31	169	5,224	lb.	.14	731
Oats, Kanota	1959	14	1,785	24,985	lb.	.05	1,249
	1958	xx		xx			xx
Orchardgrass, Potomac	1959	xx		xx			xx
	1958	20	923	18,450	lb.	.40	7,380
Sudan, Piper	1959	40	195	7,783	lb.	.06	467
	1958	xx		xx			xx
Wheat, Ramona	1959	30	2,333	69,990	lb.	.053	3,709
	1958	80	2,160	172,777	lb.	.05	8,639
Total	1959	32,530					4,589,343
	1958	37,007					5,076,137

UNCERTIFIED SEED CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1958-1959

Crop	Year	Harvested acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per acre	Total		Per unit	Total
Alfalfa, African	1959	xx		xx		$	$ xx
	1958	40	644	25,765	lb.	.215	5,539
Alfalfa, Caliverde	1959	xx		xx			xx
	1958	20	855	17,107	lb.	.215	3,678
Alfalfa, Scandia	1959	xx		xx			xx
	1958	500	350	175,000	lb.	.35	61,250
Alfalfa, California common	1959	670	350	234,509	lb.	.19	44,557
	1958	xx		xx			xx
Alfalfa, common	1959	xx		xx			xx
	1958	xx		1,046,357	lb.	.205	214,503
Alfalfa, other varieties	1959	3,038		2,396,464	lb.	.32	766,868
	1958	xx		590,678	lb.	.28	166,400
Alfalfa, screenings	1959	xx		1,097	ton	16.00	17,552
	1958	xx		2,088	ton	14.31	29,879
Barley, Arivat	1959	xx		23,412	lb.	.035	819
	1958	xx		75,274	lb.	.03	2,258
Barley, Atlas	1959	xx		xx			xx
	1958	20	1,615	32,300	lb.	.03	969
Barley, Mariout	1959	xx		113,163	lb.	.03	3,395
	1958	40	3,841	153,624	lb.	.03	4,609
Beans, Blackeye #5	1959	xx		650,000	lb.	.07	45,500
	1958	589	3,527	2,077,400	lb.	.055	114,257
Beans, Mung	1959	xx		xx			xx
	1958	50	351	17,547	lb.	.08	1,404
Bluegrass, Merion Kentucky	1959	xx		xx			xx
	1959	246	488	120,000	lb.	1.20	144,000
Broccoli	1959	2	550	1,100	lb.	.40	440
	1958	xx		xx			xx
Carrot	1959	60	700	42,000	lb.	.40	16,800
	1958	xx		xx			xx

UNCERTIFIED SEED CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1958-1959

Crop	Year	Harvested acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per acre	Total		Per unit	Total
Clover, Chesapeake Red	1959	xx		4,494	lb.	$ .30	$ 1,348
	1958	xx		xx			xx
Clover, Dollard Red	1959	xx		11,606	lb.	.30	3,482
	1958	xx		xx			xx
Clover, Kenland Red	1959	xx		56,717	lb.	.30	17,015
	1958	xx		xx			xx
Clover, Sour	1959	xx		xx			xx
	1958	xx		8,245	lb.	.025	206
Fescue, mixture	1959	xx		xx			xx
	1958			17,710	lb.	.04	708
Lovegrass, Weeping	1959	5	106	532	lb.	1.25	665
	1958	xx		xx			xx
Onion	1959	120	686	82,280	lb.	1.15	94,622
	1958	48	688	33,000	lb.	1.00	33,000
Orchardgrass, Potomac	1959	xx		xx			xx
	1958	xx		800	lb.	.36	288
Rice, Caloro	1959	xx		xx			xx
	1958	20	2,974	59,473	lb.	.08	4,758
Sudan, Piper	1959	xx		3,388	lb.	.05	169
	1958	20	1,454	29,079	lb.	.04	1,163
Sugar Beet	1959	506	2,715	1,373,890	lb.	.142	195,092
	1958	544	3,728	2,028,189	lb.	.13	263,665
Trefoil, Viking Birdsfoot	1959	5	48	241	lb.	.70	169
	1958	xx		xx			xx
Vetch, Purple	1959	50	216	10,824	lb.	.10	1,082
	1958	xx		xx			xx
Wheat, Ramona	1959	xx		146,995	lb.	.04	5,880
	1958	xx		60,636	lb.	.045	2,729
Wheatgrass, Topar	1959	xx		xx			xx
	1958	9	152	1,365	lb.	.35	478
Total	1959	4,456					1,215,455
	1958	2,146					1,055,741

VEGETABLE CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1958-1959

Crop	Year	Harvested acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per acre	Total		Per unit	Total
Asparagus							
Fresh Market	1959	210	1.3	276	ton	$ 400.20	$ 110,455
	1958	194	a/ 1.4	214	ton	367.06	78,551
Processing	1959	xx		xx			xx
	1958			48	ton	215.00	10,320
Beans, green	1959	50	2.6	131	ton	200.52	26,268
	1958	xx		xx			xx
Carrots	1959	741	10.9	8,298	ton	36.08	299,391
	1958	378	14.3	5,405	ton	24.50	132,423
Corn, sweet							
Fresh Market	1959	2,138	3.1	6,687	ton	96.79	647,235
	1958	3,321	2.9	9,562	ton	97.50	932,305
Processing	1959	48	1.6	80	ton	22.00	1,760
	1958	xx		xx			xx
Cucumbers	1959	46	7.7	352	ton	75.10	26,435
	1958	21	7.8	164	ton	79.50	13,038
Garlic	1959	652	8.9	5,780	ton	157.13	908,211
	1958	422	3.3	1,382	ton	133.00	183,806
Lettuce	1959	495	6.7	3,338	ton	74.53	248,781
	1958	707	4.6	3,276	ton	65.12	213,329
Melons							
Cantaloupe	1959	4,194	6.8	28,563	ton	80.65	2,303,606
	1958	4,366	9.2	40,071	ton	83.13	3,331,168
Honeydew	1959	250	6.9	1,734	ton	122.72	212,796
	1958	570	9.5	5,406	ton	120.00	648,696
Persian	1959	xx		xx			xx
	1958	70	5.2	363	ton	110.12	39,972
Other muskmelons	1959	10	10.4	104	ton	174.43	18,141
	1958	54	3.0	164	ton	150.26	24,642
Watermelons	1959	2,128	14.7	31,277	ton	37.83	1,183,209
	1958	2,130	8.3	17,770	ton	29.50	524,215

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VEGETABLE CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1958-1959

Crop	Year	Harvested acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per acre	Total		Per unit	Total
Okra	1959	45	3.3	150	ton	$ 270.00	$ 40,500
	1958	60	3.3	200	ton	270.00	54,000
Onions, dry	1959	546	19.4	10,569	ton	54.92	580,449
	1958	611	19.5	11,944	ton	44.00	525,545
dehydrator	1959	1,720	20.2	34,712	ton	30.00	1,041,360
	1958	1,514	34.2	51,814	ton	30.00	1,554,420
green	1959	45	3.4	151	ton	204.13	30,824
	1958	100	3.3	330	ton	192.70	63,590
Peas, green	1959	1,588	1.7	2,758	ton	158.30	437,970
	1958	1,777	1.7	2,966	ton	178.55	529,580
Potatoes, Fresh Market	1959	43,496	a/ 14.3	562,497	ton	62.08	34,919,814
	1958	56,743	a/ 9.9	512,359	ton	44.00	22,543,781
Processing	1959			54,645	ton	49.79	2,720,775
	1958			45,435	ton	46.00	2,090,019
Seed	1959			5,975	ton	75.00	448,125
	1958			3,470	ton	56.00	194,309
Cull	1959		b/	59,527	ton	3.50	208,345
	1958		b/	107,248	ton	3.00	321,744
Potatoes, sweet	1959	211	a/ 7.6	1,541	ton	114.75	176,830
	1958	143	a/ 5.3	711	ton	137.50	97,785
Processing	1959			62	ton	32.00	1,984
	1958			45	ton	35.00	1,575
Radishes	1959	5	9.8	49	ton	136.59	6,693
	1958	xx		xx			xx
Squash	1959	150	7.3	1,097	ton	44.84	49,189
	1958	30	4.9	147	ton	116.60	17,124
Tomatoes	1959	108	13.9	1,506	ton	188.82	284,363
	1958	130	10.7	1,396	ton	114.67	160,080
Total	1959	58,876					46,933,509
	1958	73,341					34,286,017

FRUIT & NUT CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1958-1959

Crop	Year	Bearing acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per acre	Total		Per unit	Total
Almonds	1959	92	xx	30	ton	$ 500.00	$ 15,000
	1958	92	xx	11	ton	846.00	9,306
Apples	1959	28	1.3	37	ton	157.20	5,816
	1958	29	2.8	82	ton	183.16	15,019
Apricots							
Fresh Market	1959	112	a/ 8.4	11	ton	130.80	1,439
	1958	112		31	ton	230.84	7,156
Processing	1959	xx		932	ton	75.00	69,900
	1958		a/0.5	24	ton	150.00	3,600
Figs	1959	1		xx			xx
	1958	5		2	ton	350.00	753
Grapes							
Raisin variety	1959	xx		3,943	ton	210.00	828,030
	1958	xx		2,483	ton	343.00	851,669
Table variety	1959	22,845	b/5.5	92,866	ton	205.00	19,037,530
	1958	21,882	b/4.4	77,808	ton	235.71	18,340,473
Processing	1959	xx		10,912	ton	60.00	654,720
	1958	xx		10,087	ton	80.00	806,960
Wine variety	1959	3,544	23.0	81,668	ton	40.00	3,266,720
	1958	3,408	28.3	96,301	ton	48.50	4,670,599
Grapefruit	1959	6	10.8	65	ton	51.50	3,348
	1958	6	11.2	67	ton	45.72	3,063
Nectarines	1959	116	2.0	228	ton	283.30	64,592
	1958	65	4.8	311	ton	264.32	82,203
Olives	1959	125	2.3	286	ton	213.00	60,918
	1958	144	4.3	617	ton	82.75	51,057
Oranges, Navel	1959	1,081	13.4	14,522	ton	65.30	948,286
	1958	1,075	14.7	15,847	ton	90.74	1,437,980
Oranges, Valencia	1959	43	17.1	734	ton	45.10	33,103
	1958	43	19.3	829	ton	70.39	58,350

a. incl. proc.
b. incl. raisin, table, processing

FRUIT & NUT CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1958-1959

Crop	Year	Bearing acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per acre	Total		Per unit	Total
Peaches, Fresh Market	1959	353	a/6.4	1,898	ton	$ 223.50	$ 424,203
	1958	246	6.1	1,495	ton	263.96	394,627
Processing	1959	xx		364	ton	54.90	19,984
	1958	xx		xx			xx
Pears	1959	88	17.2	1,516	ton	202.10	306,384
	1958	89	18.8	1,674	ton	174.00	291,280
Persimmons	1959	13	10.4	135	ton	235.90	31,847
	1958	13	11.5	150	ton	268.00	40,197
Plums	1959	1,657	4.2	6,990	ton	275.90	1,928,540
	1958	1,635	6.0	9,787	ton	296.00	2,896,904
Pomegranates	1959	19	3.4	65	ton	91.30	5,935
	1958	20	2.2	44	ton	189.82	8,352
Prunes	1959	8	6.3	50	ton	204.00	10,200
	1958	8	5.0	40	ton	225.65	9,026
Tangerines Fresh Market	1959	32	8.1	230	ton	176.70	40,641
	1958	32	5.8	185	ton	220.22	40,741
Processing	1959	xx		28	ton	60.00	1,680
	1958	xx		xx			xx
Total	1959	30,163					27,758,816
	1958	28,904					30,019,315

NURSERY PRODUCTS, PRODUCTION AREA, SALES AND VALUE, 1958-1959

Item	Year	Production area		Quantity sold by producers	Unit	Value	
		House	Field			Per unit	Total
		sq. ft.	acres				
Nursery Crops							
Citrus & sub-tropical fruit trees	1959	xx	18	72,500	plant	$ 1.85	$ 134,125
	1958	xx	3	10,500	plant	2.30	24,000
Deciduous fruit and nut trees	1959		40	528,722	plant	1.20	634,466
	1958	xx	48	472,760	plant	.50	236,880
Grape vines	1959	xx	70	1,559,465	plant	.08	124,757
	1958	xx	50	1,467,150	plant	.055	80,700
Rose plants	1959	xx	248	4,164,288	plant	.46	1,915,572
	1958	xx	114	2,159,500	plant	.65	1,411,915
Vegetable plants - field grown	1959	xx	225	21,118,000	plant	.0057	120,373
	1958	xx	200	36,093,550	plant	.0074	268,855
Ornamental trees and shrubs	1959	xx	22	282,450	plant	1.25	353,063
	1958	xx	27	225,275	plant	.80	179,350
Bedding plants	1959			99	flat	3.30	297
	1958			xx		xx	200
Onion bulbs	1959		30	12,000	sacks	1.65	19,800
Onion sets	1958		8	21,000	lb.	.16	3,360
Propagative material	1959			25,000	lb.	.85	21,250
	1958			250,000	buds	.40	100,000
Indoor decorative plants	1959			1,429	plant	.35	500
	1958			xx			xx
Cut Flowers							
	1959		2	xx		xx	12,000
	1958			xx		xx	12,750
Total	1959		655				3,336,203
	1958		450				2,318,010

APIARY PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1958-1959

Item	Year	Production Total	Unit	Value Per unit	Value Total
Honey	1959	108,500	lb.	$ .10	$ 10,850
	1958	2,827,320	lb.	.105	296,869
Beeswax	1959	7,234	lb.	.42	3,038
	1958	18,849	lb.	.40	7,540
Pollination	1959	48,895	colony	4.50	220,028
	1958	xx		xx	xx
Total	1959				233,916
	1958				304,409

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY: PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1958-1959

Item	Year	Production No. of head	Production Total liveweight	Unit	Value Per unit	Value Total
Cattle and calves	1959	216,883	993,490	cwt.	$ 22.33	$ 22,184,632
	1958	215,983	1,014,425	cwt.	24.71	25,065,098
Sheep and lambs	1959	164,199	161,626	cwt.	19.90	3,216,357
	1958	166,658	175,560	cwt.	19.36	3,398,630
Hogs and pigs	1959	3,979	8,041	cwt.	16.65	133,883
	1958	9,108	18,671	cwt.	22.27	415,780
Horses	1959	xx	xx	xx	xx	131,165
	1958	xx	xx	xx	xx	xx
Broilers and Fryers	1959	474,000	1,540,500	lb.	.18	277,290
	1958	608,850	1,978,763	lb.	.19	374,487
Chickens, other	1959	271,125	xx	ea.	.65	176,231
	1958	253,650	xx	ea.	.65	164,873
Turkeys	1959	112,400	1,927,660	lb.	.25	481,915
	1958	100,400	1,715,720	lb.	.229	392,564
Rabbits	1959	25,000	xx	ea.	1.00	25,000
	1958	63,000	xx	ea.	1.25	78,750
Fur animals	1959	xx	xx	xx	xx	55,000
	1958	xx	xx	xx	xx	58,235
Miscellaneous *	1959	51,250	xx	xx	xx	88,070
	1958	50,490	xx	xx	xx	80,315
Total	1959					26,769,543
	1958					30,028,732

* game birds, squab, ducks, geese

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1958-1959

Item	Year	Production	Unit	Value	
				Per unit	Total
Milk	1959	1,243,740	cwt.	$ 4.18	$ 5,198,833
Market	1958	1,202,850	cwt.	4.12	4,955,742 *
Manufacturing	1959	1,090	cwt.	3.12	3,401
	1958	3,680	cwt.	3.26	11,997 *
Wool	1959	1,667,926	lb.	.31	517,057
	1958	1,746,620	lb.	.35	611,317
Eggs, chicken	1959	5,693,625	doz.	.35	1,992,769
Market	1958	5,326,650	doz.	.43	2,290,460
Eggs, turkey	1959	600,000	ea.	.22	132,000
Hatching	1958	500,000	ea.	.24	120,000
Fertilizer	1959	xx		xx	xx
	1958	58,958	ton	3.00	176,874
Pelts, sheep and lamb	1959	xx		xx	xx
	1958	15,836	ea.	1.90	30,088
Pelts, rabbit	1959	xx		xx	xx
	1958				3,150
Total	1959				7,844,060
	1958				8,199,628

* Revised

JANUARY 1 INVENTORIES OF LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY, 1959-1960
(in number of head)

Item	January 1, 1959	January 1, 1960
Cattle and calves on feed *	109,000	144,000
Stock sheep	xx	170,000
Hogs and pigs	xx	538
Horses	xx	1,298
Hens and pullets of laying age	xx	325,350
Turkey breeder hens	xx	15,000

* Estimates of California Crop and Livestock Reporting Service

RECAPITULATION

	Bearing Acreage		Valuation	
	1958	1959	1958	1959
Field Crops	566,204	3,279,380	$ 120,616,901	$ 148,838,566
Certified Seed Crops	37,007	32,530	5,076,137	4,589,343
Uncertified Seed Crops	2,146	4,456	1,055,741	1,215,455
Vegetable Crops	73,341	58,876	34,286,017	46,933,509
Fruit and Nut Crops	28,904	30,163	30,019,315	27,758,816
Nursery Products	450	655	2,318,010	3,336,203
Apiary Products			304,409	233,916
Livestock and Poultry			30,028,732	26,769,543
Livestock and Poultry Products			8,199,628 *	7,844,060
Government Payments			542,126	
Total	708,052	3,406,060	$ 232,447,016 *	$ 267,519,411

* Revised figure

(Dry Farmed Acreage
Included in above figures)

Barley	39,091	24,135
Wheat	12,644	9,035
Rangeland	xx	2,701,000

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The Honorable Board of Supervisors, County of Kern

In accordance with Section 65.5 of the Agricultural Code I hereby submit the Annual Crop Report for the County of Kern. This report covers the acreage, production and value of all agricultural crops produced in the county, including livestock and livestock products. Acreage of permanent crops is reported in actual bearing acres only, all other crops are reported in actual harvested acreage or rangeland.

From 687,671 planted acres and 2,700,000 acres of rangeland the total gross return to agriculture amounted to $246,997,563, which is a 6-1/2 percent decrease from the previous year.

Despite an increase in cotton acreage total production decreased approximately 130 pounds lint per acre. Adverse weather conditions beginning with unseasonably cold days in April and May, extreme heat in June and July, and early fall rains all contributed to a lighter harvest. It is a real tribute to Kern County farmers that regardless of conditions beyond their control, plus the eternal fight against insects, they were still able to maintain a production of 1035 pounds lint per acre.

Potato growers had a good year. Prices were a little lower than the year before, but increased acreage and production brought a gross return of 8 percent over 1959.

It was not quite such a bright picture for the grape growers. Both production and price were down on table varieties. Raisin varieties produced less and brought the same return as a year ago. Processing grapes were down in value, and wine varieties had a higher yield with slightly higher price. The total gross valuation was down 14 percent.

Alfalfa hay brought less per ton than during the previous season. Certified seed crops decreased 31 percent in acreage and 37 percent in valuation.

New acreage of peaches came into production and for the first time this commodity became one of our "million dollar" crops. Melons and plums also did well and increased in value.

Because of poor feed conditions cattlemen were reluctant to bring in replacement stock from other areas, causing a reduction in total number of head marketed. The feedlot industry continued to expand, however, and the total number of pounds produced in the county was greater than the year before. Total valuation for livestock and poultry and allied products increased by less than 3 percent from the previous year.

All prices used in our crop report are based on f.o.b. market values and do not represent the net amount received by growers. From this income must be deducted the cost of production and preparation for market.

The compilation of this report, which is so widely used, is an extremely important part of our work. To everyone who cooperated by supplying us with the necessary information we extend our sincere and wholehearted thanks and appreciation.

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FIELD CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1959-1960

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Barley	1960	85,527	1.6	137,155	ton	$ 41.00	5,623,355
	1959	99,622	1.4	142,622	ton	42.55	6,068,566
Beans, dry edible	1960	5,512	1.1	6,326	ton	159.50	1,008,997
	1959	4,931	1.3	6,304	ton	133.85	843,790
Beans, castor	1960	1,090	1.2	1,355	ton	120.00	162,600
	1959	3,067	1.5	4,454	ton	118.00	525,572
Corn, field	1960	918	2.4	2,235	ton	52.00	116,220
	1959	4,521	2.5	10,852	ton	50.00	542,600
Cotton lint	1960	232,699	a/ 1035	b/ 503,000	bales	c/ .3154	79,323,100
	* 1959	219,000	a/ 1165	b/ 533,000	bales	c/ .3205	85,413,250
Cottonseed	1960	xx		190,413	ton	48.00	9,139,824
	* 1959	xx		200,835	ton	45.30	9,097,826
Cottonseed, planting	1960	xx		10,787	ton	69.65	751,315
	1959	xx		12,365	ton	60.85	752,410
Hay							
Alfalfa	1960	113,129	7.7	870,020	ton	24.50	21,315,490
	1959	111,162	8.0	889,029	ton	31.15	27,693,253
Grain	1960	7,396	2.3	17,153	ton	30.00	514,590
	1959	7,131	2.4	17,166	ton	36.70	629,992
Other tame	1960	355	x	4,457	ton	26.50	118,111
	1959	356	x	3,337	ton	17.50	58,398
Pasture							
Irrigated	1960	16,981		xx	acre	118.00	2,003,758
	1959	25,389		xx	acre	118.35	3,004,788
Other	1960	18,145		xx	acre	4.50	81,653
	1959	16,080		xx	acre	2.40	38,592
Range	1960	2,700,000		xx	acre	.80	2,160,000
	1959	2,701,000		xx	acre	.80	2,160,800

a. Pounds lint per acre
b. 500 lb. Gross Wt. Bales
c. Price per lb.

* Revised

FIELD CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1959-1960

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production			Value	
			Per acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Peanuts	1960	644	0.7	468	ton	$ 225.00	$ 105,300
	1959	502	0.6	321	ton	300.00	96,300
Rice	1960	4,020	1.5	6,185	ton	84.40	522,014
	1959	4,725	3.1	14,600	ton	82.50	1,204,500
Safflower	1960	3,338	1.5	4,895	ton	80.00	391,600
	1959	1,543	1.8	2,753	ton	72.50	199,593
Silage	1960	5,576	18.6	103,870	ton	5.00	519,350
	1959	4,816	20.8	99,975	ton	5.75	574,856
Sorghum grain	1960	24,548	2.0	48,435	ton	41.00	1,985,835
	1959	36,703	2.5	91,271	ton	39.60	3,614,332
Sugar beets	1960	6,100	19.7	120,362	ton	12.40	1,492,489
	1959	7,285	22.6	164,445	ton	12.45	2,047,340
Wheat	1960	31,692	1.1	35,495	ton	59.00	2,094,205
	1959	31,097	1.3	39,232	ton	53.70	2,106,758
Miscellaneous							
Flax	1960	160		880	ton		24,628
Straw	1959	120		1,444	ton		26,509
Total	1960	3,257,830					$ 129,454,434
	1959	3,279,050					142,760,025

CERTIFIED SEED CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1959-1960

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Alfalfa, Buffalo	1960	880	521	458,243	lb.	.3125	143,201
	1959	988	660	651,690	lb.	.30	195,507
Alfalfa, DuPuits	1960	3,556	397	1,410,361	lb.	.30	423,108
	1959	4,708	390	1,838,212	lb.	.34	624,992
Alfalfa, Lahontan	1960	85	337	28,615	lb.	.55	15,738
	1959	410	370	151,661	lb.	.41	62,181
Alfalfa, Moapa	1960	1,249	606	756,779	lb.	.485	367,038
	1959	1,071	708	758,094	lb.	.345	261,542
Alfalfa, Narragansett	1960	245	147	35,945	lb.	.50	17,973
	1959	1,660	146	242,585	lb.	.52	126,144
Alfalfa, Ranger	1960	11,723	416	4,886,653	lb.	.275	1,343,830
	1959	15,121	427	6,463,615	lb.	.32	2,068,357
Alfalfa, Scandia	1960	xx		xx		xx	xx
	1959	75	231	17,340	lb.	.345	5,982
Alfalfa, Vernal	1960	3,783	293	1,109,092	lb.	.375	415,910
	1959	6,029	288	1,736,885	lb.	.455	790,283
Alfalfa, Williamsburg	1960	xx		xx		xx	xx
	1959	64	532	34,026	lb.	.32	10,888
Alfalfa, Other varieties	1960	161	xx	47,155		xx	15,570
	1959	xx	xx	xx		xx	xx
Barley, Arivat) Mariout)	1960	111	xx	380,753		xx	8,957
	1959	344	xx	821,766		xx	29,049
Beans, Blackeye #5	1960	315	2,600	819,050	lb.	.11	90,096
	1959	1,250	2,288	2,860,000	lb.	.08	228,800
Bluegrass, Merion Kentucky	1960	xx	xx	xx		xx	xx
	1959	286	287	82,025	lb.	1.375	112,784
Clover, Chesapeake Red	1960	85	413	35,068	lb.	.32	11,222
	1959	95	494	46,957	lb.	.335	15,731

CERTIFIED SEED CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1959-1960

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Clover,	1960	67	172	11,525	lb.	.30	$ 3,458
Dollard Red	1959	195	424	82,585	lb.	.365	30,144
Clover,	1960	52	518	26,946	lb.	.31	8,353
Kenland Red	1959	75	534	40,013	lb.	.335	13,404
Clover,	1960	25	926	23,156	lb.	.29	6,715
Pennscott Red	1959	25	832	20,807	lb.	.35	7,282
Clover	1960	xx		xx		xx	xx
Tammisto Red	1959	50	38	1,885	lb.	.45	848
Oats, Kanota	1960	xx		xx		xx	xx
	1959	14	1,785	24,985	lb.	.05	1,249
Sudan, Piper	1960	xx		xx		xx	xx
	1959	40	195	7,783	lb.	.06	467
Miscellaneous							
Safflower)	1960	27		92,657	lb.	xx	6,426
Wheat, Ramona)	1959	30		69,990	lb.	xx	3,709
Total	1960	22,364					$ 2,877,595
	1959	32,530					4,589,343

UNCERTIFIED SEED CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1959-1960

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Alfalfa, Common	1960	647	497	321,387	lb.	.204	65,563
	1959	670	350	234,509	lb.	.19	44,557
Alfalfa, other varieties	1960	5,508	486	2,674,676	lb.	.295	789,029
	1959	3,038	789	2,396,464	lb.	.32	766,868
Barley, Arivat	1960	xx		xx		xx	xx
	1959	xx		23,412	lb.	.035	819
Barley, Mariout	1960	110	2,749	302,389	lb.	.023	6,955
	1959	xx		113,163	lb.	.03	3,395
Beans, Blackeye #5	1960	266	275	730,900	lb.	.09	65,781
	1959	xx		650,000	lb.	.07	45,500
Bluegrass, Merion Kentucky	1960	281	561	157,533	lb.	1.00	157,533
	1959	xx		xx		xx	xx
Carrot	1960	259	850	220,150	lb.	.37	81,456
	1959	60	700	42,000	lb.	.40	16,800
Clover, Red	1960	xx		10,304	lb.	.27	2,782
	1959	xx		72,817	lb.	.30	21,845
Grass, miscellaneous	1960	95	946	89,887	lb.	1.03	92,584
	1959	5	106	532	lb.	1.25	665
Onion	1960	263	373	98,200	lb.	.88	86,416
	1959	120	686	82,280	lb.	1.15	94,622
Rice, Caloro	1960	60	3,333	200,000	lb.	.055	11,000
	1959	xx		xx		xx	xx
Sudan, Piper	1960	xx		xx		xx	xx
	1959	xx		3,388	lb.	.05	169
Sugar Beet	1960	482	2,309	1,112,982	lb.	.1842	205,011
	1959	506	2,715	1,373,890	lb.	.142	195,092
Trefoil, Viking Birdsfoot	1960	xx		xx		xx	xx
	1959	5	48	241	lb.	.70	169

UNCERTIFIED SEED CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1959-1960

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Vegetable, miscellaneous	1960	22	780	17,150	lb.	.36	6,174
	1959	2	550	1,100	lb.	.40	440
Vetch, Purple	1960	xx		xx		xx	xx
	1959	50	216	10,824	lb.	.10	1,082
Wheat, Ramona	1960	xx		xx		xx	xx
	1959	xx		146,995	lb.	.04	5,880
Screenings and Cleanings	1960	xx		1,192	ton	17.00	20,264
	1959	xx		1,097	ton	16.00	17,552
Total	1960	7,99[illegible]					$ 1,590,548
	1959	4,456					1,215,455

VEGETABLE CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1959-1960

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Carrots	1960	760	11.4	8,636	ton	43.50	375,666
	1959	741	10.9	8,298	ton	36.08	299,391
Corn, sweet	1960	2,174	4.6	9,555	ton	103.00	984,165
Shipping	1959	2,138	3.1	6,687	ton	96.79	647,235
Processing	1960	xx		544	ton	30.00	16,320
	1959	48	1.6	80	ton	22.00	1,760
Garlic	1960	686	6.3	4,292	ton	120.00	515,040
	1959	652	8.9	5,780	ton	157.13	908,211
Lettuce	1960	240	9.8	2,349	ton	71.00	166,779
	1959	495	6.7	3,338	ton	74.53	248,781
Melons	1960	3,431	6.8	23,460	ton	108.50	2,545,410
Cantaloupe	1959	4,194	6.8	28,563	ton	80.65	2,303,606
Honeydew	1960	406	5.6	2,272	ton	114.50	260,144
	1959	250	6.9	1,734	ton	122.72	212,796
Persian	1960	72	6.3	456	ton	160.00	72,960
	1959	xx		xx		xx	xx
Other muskmelons	1960	94	3.2	298	ton	160.00	47,680
	1959	10	10.4	104	ton	174.43	18,141
Watermelon	1960	2,566	12.5	31,885	ton	34.00	1,084,090
	1959	2,128	14.7	31,277	ton	37.83	1,183,209
Onions, dry	1960	541	12.6	6,827	ton	51.00	348,177
	1959	546	19.4	10,569	ton	54.92	580,449
dehydrator	1960	1,439	25.3	36,341	ton	30.00	1,090,230
	1959	1,720	20.2	34,712	ton	30.00	1,041,360
Peas, green	1960	1,970	1.3	2,570	ton	172.00	442,040
	1959	1,588	1.7	2,758	ton	158.80	437,970

VEGETABLE CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1959-1960

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production			Value	
			Per acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Potatoes, Fresh Market	1960	52,875	14.2	662,929	ton	55.00	$ 36,461,095
	1959	43,496	14.3	562,497	ton	62.08	34,919,814
Processing	1960			83,876	ton	50.00	4,193,800
	1959			54,645	ton	49.79	2,720,775
Seed	1960			5,744	ton	90.00	516,960
	1959			5,975	ton	75.00	448,125
Cull	1960			a/ 80,048	ton	3.50	280,168
	1959			a/ 59,527	ton	3.50	208,345
Potatoes, sweet	1960	188	6.7	1,147	ton	130.70	149,913
	1959	211	7.6	1,541	ton	114.75	176,830
Processing	1960	xx		62	ton	32.00	1,984
Miscellaneous	1960	350		2,633	ton	xx	403,728
Asparagus) Beans, green) Cucumbers) Okra) Onions, green) Radishes) Squash) Tomatoes)	1959	659		3,712	ton	xx	574,727
Total	1960	67,792					$ 49,957,965
	1959	58,876					46,933,509

a. not included in yield per acre

FRUIT AND NUT CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1959-1960

Crop	Year	Bearing acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
[illegible]	1960	xx		2,924	ton	210.00	$ 614,040
[illegible]	1959	xx		3,943	ton	210.00	828,030
[illegible]	1960	23,193	a/ 4.5	82,018	ton	185.70	15,230,743
	1959	22,845	a/ 5.5	92,866	ton	205.00	19,037,530
[illegible]ng	1960	xx		11,458	ton	55.00	630,190
	1959	xx		10,912	ton	60.00	654,720
[illegible]	1960	3,544	26.6	94,438	ton	41.90	3,956,952
	1959	3,544	23.0	81,6[illegible]	ton	40.00	3,266,720
[illegible]	1960-61	6	9.7	58	ton	70.00	4,060
	1959-60	6	10.8	65	ton	51.50	3,348
	1958-59	6	11.2	67	ton	45.72	3,063
Nectarines	1960	210	2.1	451	ton	271.00	122,221
	1959	116	2.0	228	ton	283.30	64,592
Olives	1960	90	2.4	215	ton	177.25	38,109
	1959	125	2.3	286	ton	213.00	60,918
Oranges, Navel	1960-61	1,088	5.1	5,557	ton	107.50	597,378
	1959-60	1,081	13.4	14,522	ton	65.30	948,286
	1958-59	1,075	14.7	15,847	ton	90.74	1,437,980
O[illegible]	1960-61	42	16.1	675	ton	77.50	52,313
	1959-60	43	17.1	734	ton	45.10	33,103
	1958-59	43	19.3	829	ton	70.39	58,350
Peaches,	1960	547	9.9	3,903	ton	274.40	1,070,983
[illegible]	1959	353	6.4	1,898	ton	223.50	424,203
Processing	1960	xx		1,526	ton	55.00	83,930
	1959	xx		364	ton	54.90	19,984
Plums	1960	1,829	3.7	6,728	ton	344.30	2,316,450
	1959	1,657	4.2	6,990	ton	275.90	1,928,540
Pomegranates	1960	19	3.1	59	ton	82.00	4,838
	1959	19	3.4	65	ton	91.30	5,935

a/ Includes raisin, table and processing
b/ 1960-61 figures not included in this report

FRUIT AND NUT CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1959-1960

Crop	Year	Bearing acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Tangerines,	1960-61	33	7.1	207	ton	175.00	$ 36,225
Fresh Market	1959-60	32	8.1	230	ton	176.70	40,641
	1958-59	32	5.8	185	ton	220.22	40,741
Processing	1960-61	xx		26	ton	30.00	780
	1959-60	xx		28	ton	60.00	1,680
	1958-59	xx		xx	xx	xx	xx
Miscellaneous	1960	403		1,962	ton	xx	397,500
Almonds	1959	341		2,711	ton	xx	440,586
Apples							
Apricots							
Berries, Straw							
Pears							
Persimmons							
Prunes							
Total	1960	30,997					$ 25,493,[illegible]
	1959	30,156					28,271,[illegible]

NURSERY PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION AREA, SALES, AND VALUE, 1959-1960

Item	Year	Production area		Quantity sold by producers	Unit	Value	
		House	Field			Per Unit	Total
		Sq. ft.	acres				
Nursery Crops							
Citrus and Sub-tropical fruit trees	1960	xx	24	117,251	plant	2.30	269,677
	1959	xx	18	72,500	plant	1.85	134,125
Deciduous fruit and nut trees	1960	xx	37	275,677	plant	.57	157,136
	1959	xx	40	338,405	plant	.53	179,355
Grape Vines	1960	xx	80	1,520,958	plant	.06	91,257
	1959	xx	58	912,823	plant	.08	73,026
Rose plants	1960	xx	277	3,886,621	plant	.27	1,049,388
	1959	xx	223	3,412,539	plant	.34	1,160,263
Vegetables plants - field grown	1960	xx	190	9,605,000	plant	.001	9,605
	1959	xx	225	21,118,000	plant	.0057	120,373
Ornamental trees and shrubs	1960	xx	35	280,274	plant	1.20	336,329
	1959	xx	35	283,002	plant	1.25	353,753
Bedding plants	1960	xx					xx
	1959	xx			flat	.30	297
Indoor decorative plants	1960	xx		1,500	plant	.35	525
	1959	xx		1,429	plant	.35	500
Propagative materials, budwood, cuttings, pits and onion bulbs.	1960	xx	50				68,500
	1959	xx	30				41,050
Cut Flowers	1960		2	xx	xx	xx	12,800
	1959		2	xx	xx	xx	12,000
Total	1960		695				1,995,217
	1959		631				2,074,742 *

* Revised

APIARY PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1959-1960

Item	Year	Production Total	Unit	Value Per Unit	Value Total
Honey	1960	381,250	lb.	$ .11	41,938
	1959	108,800	lb.	.10	10,880
Beeswax	1960	9,531	lb.	.42	4,003
	1959	7,234	lb.	.42	3,038
Pollination	1960	12,340	colony	4.50	55,430
	1959	12,820	colony	4.50	57,690*
Total	1960				102,371
	1959				71,578*

*Revised

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY: PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1959-1960

Item	Production Year	No. of Head	Total Liveweight	Unit	Value Per Unit	Value Total
Cattle and calves	1960	204,000	1,007,250	cwt.	$ 21.75	$ 21,907,688
	1959	216,303	993,490	cwt.	22.33	22,184,632
Sheep and lambs	1960	155,414	159,621	cwt.	20.03	3,192,420
	1959	164,249	161,429	cwt.	19.90	3,216,357
Hogs and pigs	1960	4,332	8,997	cwt.	16.00	142,832
	1959	3,979	8,041	cwt.	16.55	133,883
Horses	1960	xx	xx		xx	231,000
	1959	xx	xx		xx	131,165
Broilers and Fryers	1960	541,380	1,827,158	lb.	.19	347,160
	1959	474,000	1,540,500	lb.	.18	277,290
Chickens, other	1960	287,550	1,437,750	ea.	.55	158,153
	1959	271,125	1,355,625	ea.	.65	176,231
Turkeys	1960	190,500	3,635,820	lb.	.29	1,054,383
	1959	112,400	1,927,660	lb.	.25	481,915
Rabbits	1960	20,000	80,000	ea.	1.00	20,000
	1959	25,000	100,000	ea.	1.00	25,000
Fur animals	1960	xx	xx		xx	xx
	1959	xx	xx		xx	55,000
Miscellaneous, game birds, squab, etc.	1960	53,710	xx		xx	91,960
	1959	51,250	xx		xx	88,070
Total	1960					27,145,601
	1959					26,769,543

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1959-1960

Item	Year	Production	Unit	Value	
				Per Unit	Total
Milk	1960	1,163,492	cwt.	$ 4.10	$ 4,771,000
Market	1959	1,228,608*	cwt.	4.18	5,137,000*
Manufacturing	1960	7,542	cwt.	3.08	23,000
	1959	4,141*	cwt.	3.14	13,000*
Wool	1960	1,592,890	lb.	.38	605,298
	1959	1,667,926	lb.	.31	517 057
Eggs, chicken	1960	5,751,000	doz.	.42	2,415,420
Market	1959	5,693,625	doz.	.35	1,992,769
Eggs, turkey	1960	2,025,000	ea.	.28	567,000
Hatching	1959	600,000	ea.	.23	132,000
Total	1960				8,381,718
	1959				7,791,826

* Revised

JANUARY 1 INVENTORIES OF LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY, 1960-1961
(in number of head)

Item	January 1, 1960	January 1, 1961
* Cattle and Calves		
All	228,600	227,700
Cattle and calves on feed	144,000	94,000
* Sheep and lambs	184,700	182,800
* Hogs and pigs	8,500	7,500
Horses	1,298	1,472
Hens and pullets of laying age	325,350	307,550
Turkey breeder hens	15,000	27,000

* Estimates of California Crop and Livestock Reporting Service

RECAPITULATION

	Bearing acreage and Rangeland		Valuation	
	1959	1960	1959	1960
Field Crops and	578,050	557,830	$146,700,025	$129,454,434
Rangeland	2,701,000	2,700,000		
Certified Seed Crops	32,530	22,364	4,589,343	2,877,595
Uncertified Seed Crops	4,456	7,993	1,215,455	1,590,548
Vegetable Crops	58,876	67,792	46,933,509	49,957,965
Fruit and Nut Crops	30,156	30,997	28,271,892	25,492,114
Nursery Products	631	695	2,074,742	1,995,217
Apiary Products			71,578	102,371
Livestock and Poultry			26,769,543	27,145,601
Livestock and Poultry Products			7,791,826	8,381,718
	3,405,699	3,387,671	264,417,913 *	246,997,563
Government Payments			1,435,231	800,540
Dry Farmed Acreage Included in above figures:				
Barley	24,135	20,010		
Wheat	9,035	12,250		
Rangeland	2,701,000	2,700,000		

* Revised

PERMANENT CROPS

	Bearing	Non-bearing	Total
Almonds	95	247	342
Apples	28	175	203
Apricots	121	20	141
Grapefruit	6	2	8
Grapes, Raisin	14,535	3,712	18,247
Table	8,658	429	9,087
Wine	3,544	363	3,907
Nectarines	207	399	606
Olives	90	94	184
Oranges, Navel	1,088	1,120	2,208
Tangerines	33	66	99
Valencia	42	193	235
Peaches, Cling	13	498	511
Freestone	537	1,240	1,777
Pears	126	163	289
Persimmons	13	--	13
Plums	1,829	297	2,126
Pomegranates	19	80	99
Prunes	8	--	8
	30,992	9,098	40,090

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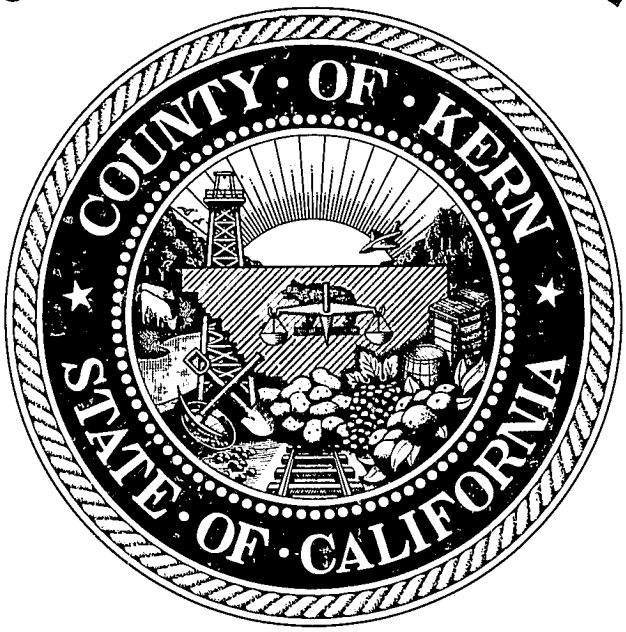

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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Kern

The Annual Crop Report for the County of Kern is submitted in accordance with Section 65.5 of the Agricultural Code. This report covers the acreage, production and value of all agricultural crops produced in the county, including livestock and livestock products. Acreage of permanent crops is reported in actual bearing acres only, all other crops are reported in harvested acreage or rangeland. For greater uniformity with all county reports the 1961 figures have been rounded.

From 698,777 planted acres and 2,700,000 acres of rangeland the total gross return to agriculture amounted to $235,576,740, which is a four percent decrease from the previous year.

Cotton acreage and total number of bales were both down from the prior year; however, the pounds lint per acre increased from 1027 to 1050 and as a result the total valuation of our cotton crop is down only a little more than five percent from the 1960 figures.

The potato market was depressed during most the spring season when the bulk of our crop is harvested, and the total valuation of this important commodity was decreased by 35 percent.

Despite the hot weather in June which was certainly disastrous to some growers, the overall grape production of all varieties is just a little higher, valuation is also better, and the total crop was worth 23 percent more than a year ago.

The average price per ton for alfalfa hay was the lowest it has been since 1953. A very small portion of the total production was cut from certified alfalfa seed acreage, but with the price so low seed growers for the most part did not attempt to make a cutting for hay. Total production and value of seed crops remained about the same.

Last year peaches were a one million dollar crop and this year they are a two million dollar crop. About 500 acres started to bear for the first time. Production was good, and although prices fluctuated a great deal our fresh market crop brought good returns to growers.

It is estimated 244,000 head of cattle were marketed through our local feedyards. This is considerably more than a year ago and brought the total valuation up by 22 percent.

All prices used in our crop report are based on f.o.b. market values and do not represent the net amount received by growers. From this income must be deducted the cost of production and preparation for market.

My most sincere thanks is extended to each and every person who cooperated with the department by furnishing information and statistics and as a result made this report possible.

Respectfully submitted,

C. Seldon Morley

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FIELD CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1960-1961

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production Per acre	Production Total	Unit	Value Per Unit	Value Total
Barley	1961	109,000	1.15	125,000	ton	$ 41.00	$5,125,000
*	1960	95,527	1.4	137,155	ton	41.00	5,623,355
Beans, dry edible	1961	12,200	1.07	13,000	ton	135.00	1,755,000
	1960	5,512	1.1	6,326	ton	159.50	1,008,997
Beans, castor	1961	944	1.10	1,040	ton	124.00	129,000
	1960	1,090	1.2	1,355	ton	120.00	162,600
Corn, field	1961	2,100	2.57	5,400	ton	50.00	270,000
	1960	918	2.4	2,235	ton	52.00	116,220
Cotton lint	1961	195,000	a/ 1050	b/ 427,400	bales	c/ .3460	73,940,000
*	1960	233,000	a/ 1027	b/ 499,800	bales	c/ .3154	78,818,460
Cottonseed	1961	xx		160,000	ton	57.00	9,120,000
*	1960	xx		189,133	ton	48.00	9,078,384
Cottonseed, planting	1961	xx		11,000	ton	70.00	770,000
	1960	xx		10,787	ton	69.65	751,315
Hay Alfalfa	1961	118,000	7.34	866,000	ton	19.20	16,627,000
	1960	113,129	7.7	870,020	ton	24.50	21,315,490
Grain	1961	10,800	2.50	27,000	ton	23.00	621,000
	1960	7,396	2.3	17,153	ton	30.00	514,590
Other tame	1961	1,400	4.74	6,640	ton	24.50	163,000
*	1960	355	3.35	1,190	ton	22.50	26,775
Pasture Irrigated	1961	17,500		xx	acre	95.00	1,663,000
	1960	16,981		xx	acre	118.00	2,003,758
Other	1961	26,000		xx	acre	3.00	78,000
	1960	18,145		xx	acre	4.50	81,653
Range	1961	2,700,000		xx	acre	.65	1,755,000
	1960	2,700,000		xx	acre	.80	2,160,000
Peanuts	1961	568	0.82	466	ton	330.00	154,000
	1960	644	0.7	468	ton	225.00	105,300
Rice	1961	3,000	1.5	4,500	ton	80.00	360,000
	1960	4,020	1.5	6,185	ton	84.40	522,014
Safflower	1961	8,210	1.69	13,900	ton	85.00	1,182,000
	1960	3,338	1.5	4,895	ton	80.00	391,600

a. Pounds lint per acre
b. 500 pound gross weight bales
c. Price per pound
* Revised

FIELD CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1960-1961

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Silage	1961	5,860	27.13	159,000	ton	$ 5.60	$ 890,000
	1960	5,576	18.6	103,870	ton	5.00	519,350
Sorghum grain	1961	21,700	2.21	47,900	ton	41.00	1,964,000
	1960	24,548	2.0	48,435	ton	41.00	1,985,835
Sugar beets	1961	8,940	18.57	166,000	ton	12.60	2,092,000
	1960	6,100	19.7	120,362	ton	12.40	1,492,489
Wheat	1961	22,000	.82	18,000	ton	62.00	1,116,000
	1960	31,692	1.1	35,495	ton	59.00	2,094,205
Miscellaneous	1961	271		1,400	ton	28.50	39,900
Flax	1960	160		880	ton	28.00	24,628
Oats							
Straw							
Sugar cane							
Sunflowers							
TOTAL	1961	3,263,493					$119,813,900
	1960	3,268,131					128,797,018

CERTIFIED SEED CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1960-1961

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Alfalfa, Buffalo	1961	640	430	275,000	lb.	$ .40	$ 110,000
	1960	880	521	458,243	lb.	.3125	143,201
Alfalfa, DuPuits	1961	3,540	321	1,135,000	lb.	.38	431,000
	1960	3,556	397	1,410,361	lb.	.30	423,108
Alfalfa, Lahonta	1961	165	196	32,400	lb.	.35	11,300
	1960	85	337	28,615	lb.	.55	15,738
Alfalfa, Moapa	1961	1,470	460	676,000	lb.	.33	223,000
	1960	1,249	606	756,779	lb.	.485	367,038
Alfalfa, Narragansett	1961	242	253	61,300	lb.	.45	27,600
	1960	245	147	35,945	lb.	.50	17,973
Alfalfa, Ranger	1961	8,520	416	3,543,000	lb.	.35	1,240,000
	1960	11,723	416	4,886,653	lb.	.275	1,343,830
Alfalfa, Vernal	1961	1,980	310	614,000	lb.	.42	258,000
	1960	3,783	293	1,109,092	lb.	.375	415,910
Alfalfa, Williamsburg	1961	273	113	30,800	lb.	.45	13,900
	1960	xx		xx		xx	xx
Alfalfa, Other varieties	1961	923	272	251,000	lb.	.36	90,400
	1960	161	293	47,155	lb.	.33	15,570
Barley	1961	202	3,770	761,000	lb.	.036	27,400
	1960	111	3,430	380,753	lb.	.023	8,957
Beans, Blackeye	1961	762	1,390	1,060,000	lb.	.085	90,100
	1960	315	2,600	819,050	lb.	.11	90,096
Clover	1961	124	691	85,700	lb.	.36	30,900
	1960	229	422	96,695	lb.	.309	29,748
Oats	1961	119	1,560	186,000	lb.	.045	8,370
	1960	xx		xx		xx	xx
Sudan, Piper	1961	240	666	160,000	lb.	.055	8,800
	1960	xx		xx			xx
Wheat, Ramona	1961	618	1,210	748,000	lb.	.043	32,200
	1960	xx		xx			xx

CERTIFIED SEED CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1960-1961

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Miscellaneous,	1961	xx		xx		$ xx	$ xx
Safflower)	1960	27		92,657	lb.	xx	6,426
Wheat)							
TOTAL	1961	19,818					$ 2,602,970
	1960	22,364					2,877,595

UNCERTIFIED SEED CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1960-1961

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Alfalfa, common	1961	1,040	401	417,000	lb.	$ .26	$ 108,000
	1960	647	497	321,387	lb.	.204	65,563
Alfalfa, Other varieties	1961	7,860	238	1,868,000	lb.	.36	672,000
	1960	5,508	486	2,674,676	lb.	.295	789,029
Barley	1961	157	2,178	342,000	lb.	.03	10,300
	1960	110	2,749	302,389	lb.	.023	6,955
* Beans, Blackeye	1961	xx		314,000	lb.	.062	19,500
	1960	266	275	730,900	lb.	.09	65,781
Carrot	1961	185	436	80,700	lb.	.41	33,100
	1960	259	840	220,150	lb.	.37	81,456
Clover	1961	xx		xx			xx
*	1960	xx		10,304	lb.	.27	2,782
Grain, other Milo, rice, wheat	1961	70		104,000	lb.	.042	4,370
	1960	xx		xx			xx
Grass, Miscellaneous	1961	701	409	287,000	lb.	.95	273,000
	1960	376	946	247,440	lb.	1.01	250,117
* Oats	1961	77	xx	238,000	lb.	.044	10,500
	1960	xx		xx			xx
Onion	1961	297	374	111,000	lb.	1.12	124,000
	1960	263	373	98,200	lb.	.88	86,416
Rice, Caloro	1961	xx		xx			xx
	1960	60	3,333	200,000	lb.	.055	11,000
Sudan	1961	35		45,000	lb.	.05	2,250
	1960	xx		xx			xx
Sugar Beet	1961	463	2,560	1,186,000	lb.	.152	180,000
	1960	482	2,309	1,112,982	lb.	.1842	205,011
Vegetable, miscellaneous	1961	182	681	124,000	lb.	.40	49,600
	1960	22	780	17,150	lb.	.36	6,174
Screenings and Cleanings	1961	xx		1,600	ton	17.50	28,000
	1960	xx		1,192	ton	17.00	20,264
TOTAL	1961	11,067					$ 1,514,620
	1960	7,993					1,590,548

* Includes production from certified acreage

VEGETABLE CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1960-1961

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Carrots	1961	1,430	17.06	24,400	ton	$ 35.00	$ 854,000
	1960	760	11.4	8,636	ton	43.50	375,666
Corn, sweet, Total	1961	2,140	5.31	11,353	ton	126.00	1,427,320
	1960	2,174	4.66	10,099	ton	99.07	1,000,485
Fresh Market	1961			11,100	ton	128.00	1,421,000
	1960			9,555	ton	103.00	984,165
Processed	1961			253	ton	25.00	6,320
	1960			544	ton	30.00	16,320
Garlic	1961	517	6.09	3,150	ton	126.00	397,000
	1960	686	6.3	4,292	ton	120.00	515,040
Lettuce	1961	410	6.0	2,460	ton	62.50	154,000
	1960	240	9.8	2,349	ton	71.00	166,779
Melons							
Cantaloupe	1961	3,170	8.20	26,000	ton	133.00	3,458,000
	1960	3,431	6.8	23,460	ton	108.50	2,545,410
Honeydew	1961	270	7.81	2,110	ton	123.00	260,000
	1960	406	5.6	2,272	ton	114.50	260,144
Persian	1961	70	10.00	704	ton	172.00	121,000
	1960	72	6.3	456	ton	160.00	72,960
Other muskmelon	1961	116	7.43	862	ton	86.00	74,100
	1960	94	3.2	298	ton	160.00	47,680
Watermelons	1961	2,550	14.63	37,300	ton	48.50	1,809,000
	1960	2,566	12.5	31,885	ton	34.00	1,084,090
Onions, Total	1961	2,270	20.15	45,750	ton	37.40	1,713,000
	1960	1,980	21.8	43,168	ton	33.32	1,438,407
Dry	1961	310	23.39	7,250	ton	69.00	500,000
	1960	541	12.6	6,827	ton	51.00	348,177
Dehydrator	1961	1,960	19.64	38,500	ton	31.50	1,213,000
	1960	1,439	25.3	36,341	ton	30.00	1,090,230

VEGETABLE CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1960-1961

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Peas, green	1961	1,230	2.97	3,650	ton	$ 151.00	$ 551,000
	1960	1,970	1.3	2,570	ton	172.00	442,040
Potatoes, Total	1961	56,200	17.00	956,000	ton	28.30	27,053,000
	1960	52,875	15.75	832,597	ton	49.79	41,452,023
Fresh Market	1961			733,400	ton	31.60	23,175,000
	1960			662,929	ton	55.00	36,461,095
Processed	1961			76,300	ton	40.00	3,052,000
	1960			83,876	ton	50.00	4,193,800
Seed	1961			4,300	ton	60.00	258,000
	1960			5,744	ton	90.00	516,960
Cull	1961			142,000	ton	4.00	568,000
	1960			80,048	ton	3.50	280,168
Potatoes, sweet, Total	1961	143	14.54	2,080	ton	134.00	279,000
	1960	188	6.74	1,267	ton	121.16	153,513
Fresh Market	1961			2,080	ton	134.00	279,000
	1960			1,147	ton	130.70	149,913
Processed	1961			xx			xx
	1960			120	ton	30.00	3,600
Tomatoes	1961	737	4.88	3,600	ton	83.00	299,000
	1960	xx		xx			xx
Miscellaneous	1961	561		3,800	ton	104.00	396,000
Asparagus)	1960	350		2,633	ton	153.33	403,728
Cucumbers)							
Fava beans)							
Squash)							
TOTAL	1961	71,814					$ 38,845,420
	1960	67,792					49,957,965

FRUIT AND NUT CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1960-1961

Crop	Year	Bearing Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Grapes, All, Total	1961	27,192	8.07	219,336	ton	$ 115.00	$ 25,228,760
	1960	26,737	7.46	199,610	ton	102.36	20,431,925
Raisin varieties	1961	14,990					
	1960	14,535					
Fresh Market	1961		2.58	38,600	ton	246.00	9,496,000
	1960		3.79	55,091	ton	185.70	10,230,398
Raisins	1961		.226	3,390	ton	200.00	678,000
	1960		.197	2,869	ton	210.00	602,490
Canned	1961		.599	8,980	ton	70.00	628,600
	1960		.788	11,458	ton	55.00	630,190
Wine	1961		3.57	53,500	ton	50.00	2,675,000
	1960		2.60	37,790	ton	41.90	1,583,401
Table varieties	1961	8,658					
	1960	8,658					
Fresh Market	1961		3.87	33,500	ton	236.00	7,906,000
	1960		3.07	26,544	ton	185.70	4,929,221
Raisins	1961			24	ton	215.00	5,160
	1960			55	ton	210.00	11,550
Wine	1961		3.95	34,200	ton	40.00	1,368,000
	1960		3.42	29,584	ton	41.90	1,239,570
Wine varieties	1961	3,544					
	1960	3,544					
Fresh Market	1961			xx			xx
	1960			383	ton	185.70	71,123
Wine	1961		10.41	36,900	ton	67.00	2,472,000
	1960		7.64	27,064	ton	41.90	1,133,982
Grapefruit *	1961-62	6	8.5	51	ton	73.00	3,720
	1960-61	6	9.7	58	ton	70.00	4,060
	1959-60	6	10.8	65	ton	51.50	3,348
Nectarines	1961	250	4.64	1,160	ton	274.00	318,000
	1960	210	2.1	451	ton	261.00	122,221

* 1961-62 figures not included in totals in this report

FRUIT AND NUT CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1960-1961

Crop	Year	Bearing Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Olives	1961	90	3.33	300	ton	$ 183.00	$ 54,900
	1960	90	2.4	215	ton	177.25	38,109
Oranges, Navel *	1961-62	1,130	3.49	3,940	ton	145.00	571,000
	1960-61	1,088	5.1	5,560	ton	107.00	600,000
	1959-60	1,081	13.4	14,522	ton	65.30	948,286
Oranges, Valencia *	1961-62	42	9.24	388	ton	66.00	25,600
	1960-61	42	16.1	675	ton	77.50	52,300
	1959-60	43	17.1	734	ton	45.10	33,103
Peaches, Total	1961	1,000	9.53	9,530	ton	255.30	2,433,000
	1960	547	9.93	5,429	ton	212.73	1,154,913
Fresh Market	1961		5.15	5,150	ton	222.00	1,140,000
	1960		7.14	3,903	ton	274.40	1,070,983
Processed	1961		4.38	4,380	ton	67.00	293,000
	1960		2.79	1,526	ton	55.00	83,930
Plums	1961	1,860	2.74	5,090	ton	280.00	1,425,000
	1960	1,829	3.7	6,728	ton	344.30	2,316,450
Pomegranates	1961	19	2.42	46	ton	60.00	2,760
	1960	19	3.1	59	ton	82.00	4,838
Tangerines *	1961-62	39	4.1	160	ton	168.00	26,900
Fresh Market	1960-61	33	7.1	207	ton	175.00	36,200
	1959-60	32	8.1	230	ton	176.70	40,641
Processed *	1961-62	xx		xx			xx
	1960-61	xx		26	ton	30.00	780
	1959-60	xx		28	ton	60.00	1,680
Miscellaneous	1961	425		2,520	ton	143.00	360,000
Almonds)	1960	403		1,962	ton	202.60	397,500
Apples)							
Apricots)							
Pears)							
Persimmons)							
Strawberries)							
TOTAL	1961	32,005					$ 30,515,760
	1960	30,997					25,493,014

NURSERY PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION AREA, SALES, AND VALUE, 1960-1961

Item	Year	Production area		Quantity sold by producers	Unit	Value	
		House	Field			Per Unit	Total
		Sq. ft.	Acres				
Nursery Crops							
Citrus and Sub-tropical fruit trees	1961	xx	30	197,000	plant	$ 2.65	$ 522,000
	1960	xx	24	117,251	plant	2.30	269,677
Deciduous fruit and nut trees, Ornamental trees and shrubs	1961	xx	69	549,000	plant	.55	302,000
	1960	xx	72	555,951	plant	.89	493,465
Grapevines	1961	xx	56	1,111,000	plant	.075	83,300
	1960	xx	80	1,520,958	plant	.06	91,257
Rose plants	1961	xx	388	5,842,000	plant	.31	1,811,000
	1960	xx	277	3,886,621	plant	.27	1,049,388
Vegetable plants and propagative material	1961		23	xx			74,000
	1960		190	xx			84,548*
Asparagus plants) Sweet potato plants) Bulbs) Rose cuttings) Pits)							
Indoor decorative plants	1961	xx	xx				xx
	1961	xx	xx	1,500	plant	.35	525
Cut Flowers and Turf	1961		14	xx		xx	16,400
	1960		2	xx		xx	12,800
TOTAL	1961		580				$ 2,808,700
	1960		645				2,001,660

* Revised

APIARY PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1960-1961

Item	Year	Production Total	Unit	Value Per Unit	Value Total
Honey	1961	1,625,000	lb.	$ .11	$ 179,000
	1960	381,250	lb.	.11	41,938
Beeswax	1961	10,800	lb.	.40	4,320
	1960	9,531	lb.	.42	4,003
Pollination	1961	10,400	colony	4.50	46,800
	1960	12,540	colony	4.50	56,430
Queen Bees	1961	1,500	ea.	1.30	1,950
	1960	xx			xx
Package Bees	1961	308	ea.	5.20	1,600
	1960	xx			xx
TOTAL	1961				$ 223,670
	1960				102,371

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY: PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1960-1961

Item	Production				Value	
	Year	No. of Head	Total Liveweight	Unit	Per Unit	Total
Cattle and calves	1961	264,000	1,264,000	cwt.	$ 21.20	$ 26,797,000
	1960	204,000	1,007,250	cwt.	21.75	21,907,688
Sheep and lambs	1961	167,000	161,000	cwt.	15.80	2,544,000
	1960	165,414	159,621	cwt.	20.00	3,192,420
Hogs and pigs	1961	4,000	8,160	cwt.	17.70	144,000
	1960	4,332	8,927	cwt.	16.00	142,832
Horses	1961	xx	xx		xx	160,000
	1960	xx	xx		xx	231,000
Broilers and Fryers	1961	499,000	1,623,000	lb.	.19	308,000
	1960	541,380	1,827,158	lb.	.19	347,160
Chickens, other	1961	283,000	1,415,000	lb.	.08	113,200
	1960	287,550	1,437,750	lb.	.11	158,153
Turkeys	1961	215,000	4,200,000	lb.	.18	756,000
	1960	190,500	3,635,820	lb.	.29	1,054,388
Rabbits	1961	15,000	60,000	ea.	1.00	15,000
	1961	20,000	80,000	ea.	1.00	20,000
Miscellaneous	1961	42,000	xx		xx	74,000
Game birds, squab, etc.	1960	53,710	xx		xx	91,960
TOTAL	1961					$ 30,911,200
	1960					27,145,601

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1960-1961

Item	Year	Production	Unit	Value	
				Per Unit	Total
Milk	1961	1,154,000	cwt.	$ 4.06	$ 4,685,000
Market	1960	1,164,000*	cwt.	4.11	4,784,000 *
Manufacturing	1961	14,700	cwt.	3.37	49,500
	1960	9,280*	cwt.	3.16	29,300 *
Wool	1961	1,668,000	lb.	.37	617,000
	1960	1,592,890	lb.	.38	605,298
Eggs, chicken	1961	5,934,000	doz.	.39	2,314,000
Market	1960	5,751,000	doz.	.42	2,415,420
Eggs, turkey	1961	2,700,000	ea.	.25	675,000
Hatching	1960	2,025,000	ea.	.28	567,000
TOTAL	1961				$ 8,340,500
	1960				8,401,018

* Revised

JANUARY 1 INVENTORIES OF LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY, 1961-1962
(In number of head)

Item	January 1, 1961	January 1, 1962
* All cattle and calves	227,100	229,600
* Cattle on feed	94,000	101,000
* Milk Cows, two years and over	12,600	11,800
* Sheep and lambs	172,800	169,300
* Hogs and pigs	5,900	5,100
Horses	1,472	1,000
Hens and pullets of laying age	307,550	302,550
Turkey breeder hens	27,000	49,500

* Estimates of California Crop and Livestock Reporting Service

SUMMARY

	Bearing Acreage and Rangeland		Valuation	
	1960	1961	1960	1961
Field Crops and *	568,131	563,493	$ 128,797,018	$ 119,813,900
Rangeland	2,700,000	2,700,000		
Certified Seed Crops	22,364	19,818	2,877,595	2,602,970
Uncertified Seed Crops	7,993	11,067	1,590,548	1,514,620
Vegetable Crops	67,792	71,814	49,957,965	38,845,420
Fruit and Nut Crops	30,997	32,005	25,493,014	30,515,760
Nursery Products	645	580	2,001,660	2,808,700
Apiary Products			102,371	223,670
Livestock and Poultry			27,145,601	30,911,200
Livestock and Poultry Products			8,401,018	8,340,500
TOTAL *	3,397,922	3,398,777	$ 246,366,790 *	$ 235,576,740
Government Payments			800,540	1,038,427
			$ 247,167,330	$ 236,615,167
Dry Farm Acreage included in above totals:				
Barley *	30,010	47,698		
Wheat	12,250	13,706		
Rangeland	2,700,000	2,700,000		

* Revised

PERMANENT ACREAGE

	Bearing	Non-bearing	Total
Almonds	95	475	570
Apples	28	175	203
Apricots	121	20	141
Grapefruit	6	2	8
Grapes, Raisin	14,990	3,308	18,298
Table	8,658	429	9,087
Wine	3,544	379	3,923
Nectarines	250	349	599
Olives	90	94	184
Oranges, Navel	1,132	1,207	2,339
Tangerines	39	71	110
Valencia	42	327	369
Peaches, Cling	251	260	511
Freestone	753	1,035	1,788
Pears	126	163	289
Persimmons	13	--	13
Plums	1,862	334	2,196
Pomegranates	19	80	99
	32,019	8,708	40,727

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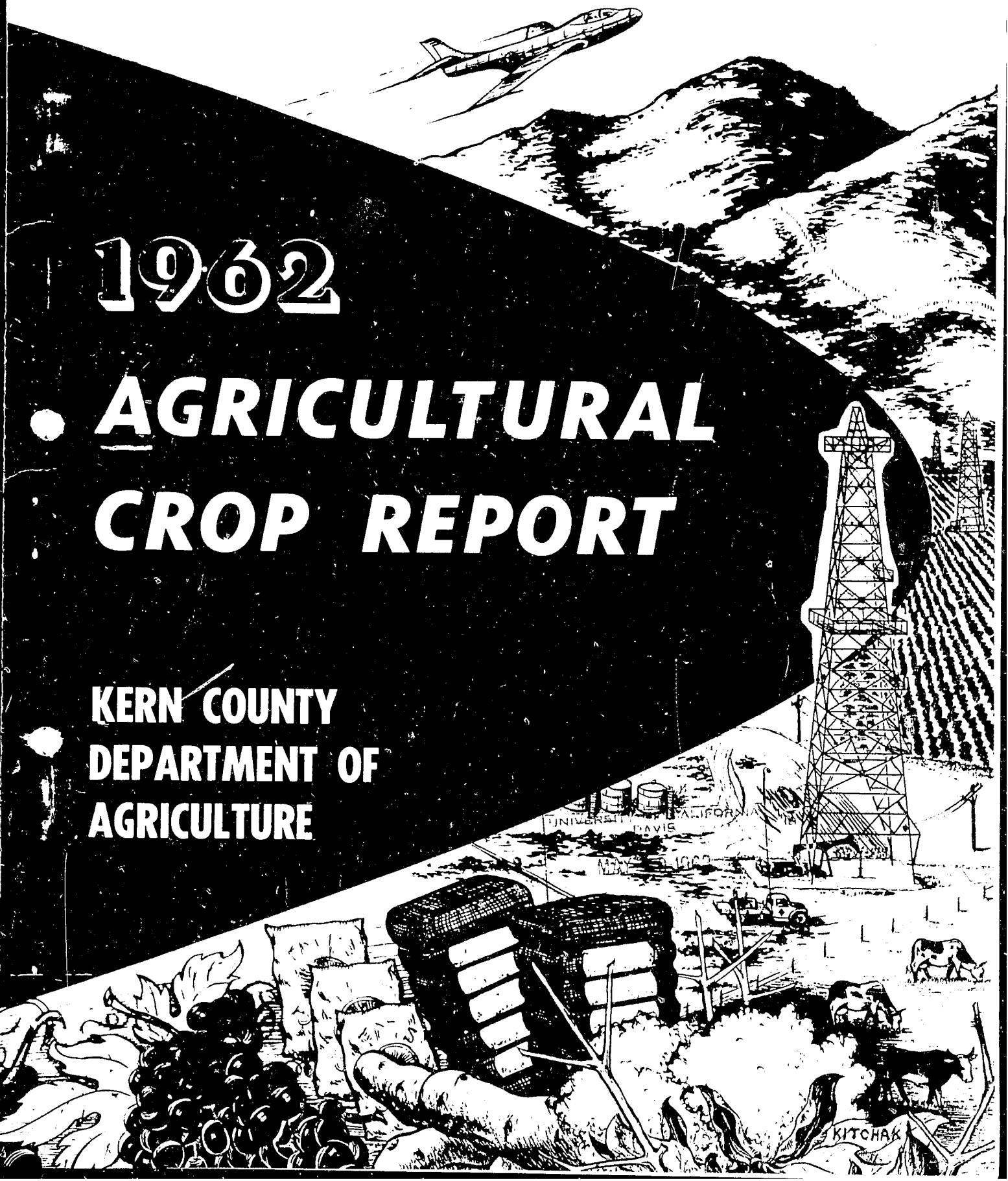

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The Annual Crop Report for the County of Kern is submitted in accordance with Section 65.5 of the Agricultural Code. This report covers the acreage, production and value of all agricultural crops produced in the county, including livestock and livestock products. Acreage of permanent crops is reported in actual bearing acres only, all other crops are reported in harvested acreage or rangeland.

From 695,445 planted acres and 2,700,000 acres of rangeland the total gross return to agriculture amounted to $263,256,540, which is a twelve percent increase over the previous year.

Cotton again proved to be our most valuable crop, and a record was established with the production of 1276 pounds lint per acre. This surpassed the previous high of 1213 pounds lint per acre in 1957, and is 75 percent higher than the production of ten years ago. Such a record is certainly a tribute to the cotton farmers of Kern County and also attests to the superior strain of Acala 4-42 grown in our One Variety Cotton District.

Over four thousand additional acres of grapevines came into production in 1962. Prices on table stock were lower than a year ago, but raisin and wine grapes brought better returns and the total valuation of the entire crop was increased by sixteen percent.

Potato acreage and yield both decreased in 1962. Returns were higher than the 1961 season, however, reported f.o.b. prices did not necessarily reflect the true gross return to growers. Many shipments rolled unsold and brought lower returns from consignment sales. In addition, there was considerable adjustment of f.o.b. prices in 1962 due to quality difficulties.

Alfalfa hay prices fluctuated widely throughout the year, but the final estimate for the season amounted to $22 per ton and brought a total return of 21 percent more than the year previous.

It is estimated by the California Crop and Livestock Reporting Service that approximately 268,000 head of beef cattle were marketed through Kern County feed yards during the past year. Only that portion of the total liveweight which was actually produced in Kern County has been taken into consideration for this report, and with an increase in both production and value the total returns were increased by 23 percent. Sheep men received a better price for their increased production, and the poultry industry also showed a gain.

In addition to the items mentioned there were seventeen other crops which brought returns of over one million dollars each into the county. These are as follows: barley, dry beans, irrigated pasture, safflower, silage, sorghum grain, sugar beets, wheat, certified ranger alfalfa seed, sweet corn, cantaloupes, onions, peaches, plums, nursery stock, milk and eggs.

All prices used in this crop report are based on f.o.b. market values and do not represent the net amount received by growers. From this income must be deducted the cost of production and preparation for market.

Our sincere thanks is extended to all those who cooperated with this department by furnishing information and statistics and thus making this report possible.

Respectfully submitted

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PERMANENT ACREAGE

	Bearing	Non-bearing	Total
Almonds	117	471	588
Apples	28	176	204
Apricots	141	8	149
Cherries	1	14	15
Grapefruit	6	2	8
Grapes, Raisin	18,473	2,267	20,740
Table	9,411	1,377	10,788
Wine	3,731	965	4,696
Nectarines	384	110	494
Olives	95	151	246
Oranges, Navel	1,134	2,290	3,424
Valencia	44	1,222	1,266
Tangerine	42	154	196
Peaches, Cling	490	--	490
Freestone	1,195	505	1,700
Pears	144	163	307
Persimmons	13	--	13
Plums	1,806	615	2,421
Pomegranates	16	74	90
TOTAL	37,271	10,564	47,835

FIELD CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1961-1962

Crop	Year	Harvested acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per acre	Total		Per unit	Total
Barley	1962	110,000	1.39	153,000	ton	$ 43.00	$ 6,579,000
	1961	109,000	1.15	125,000	ton	41.00	5,125,000
Beans, dry edible	1962	7,730	1.21	9,320	ton	138.00	1,286,000
	1961	12,200	1.07	13,000	ton	135.00	1,755,000
Beans, castor	1962	424	0.93	394	ton	125.00	49,300
	1961	944	1.10	1,040	ton	124.00	129,000
Corn, field	1962	2,380	2.44	5,810	ton	50.00	290,000
	1961	2,100	2.57	5,400	ton	50.00	270,000
Cotton lint	1962	191,500	a/1276	b/509,000	bales	c/ .3352	85,308,000
*	1961	195,000	a/1055	b/430,000	bales	c/ .3460	74,390,000
Cottonseed	1962	xx		192,400	ton	51.00	9,812,000
*	1961	xx		161,000	ton	57.00	9,177,000
Cottonseed, planting	1962	xx		11,600	ton	62.40	724,000
	1961	xx		11,000	ton	70.00	770,000
Hay, Alfalfa	1962	119,000	7.69	915,000	ton	22.00	20,130,000
	1961	118,000	7.34	866,000	ton	19.20	16,627,000
Grain	1962	10,700	2.74	29,300	ton	28.50	835,000
	1961	10,800	2.50	27,000	ton	23.00	621,000
Other tame	1962	1,860	5.00	9,300	ton	25.00	233,000
	1961	1,400	4.74	6,640	ton	24.50	163,000
Oats	1962	2,050	1.74	3,560	ton	48.00	171,000
	1961	xx		xx		xx	xx
Pasture, Irrigated	1962	19,000	xx	xx	acre	100.00	1,900,000
	1961	17,500	xx	xx	acre	95.00	1,663,000
Other	1962	21,000	xx	xx	acre	3.00	63,000
	1961	26,000	xx	xx	acre	3.00	78,000
Range	1962	2,700,000	xx	xx	acre	.75	2,025,000
	1961	2,700,000	xx	xx	acre	.65	1,755,000

a. Pounds lint per acre
b. 500 lb. gross weight bales
c. Price per pound
* Revised

FIELD CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1961-1962

Crop	Year	Harvested acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per acre	Total		Per unit	Total
Peanuts	1962	624	0.68	425	ton	$ 350.00	$ 149,000
	1961	568	0.82	466	ton	330.00	154,000
Rice	1962	3,440	2.00	6,880	ton	84.00	578,000
	1961	3,000	1.50	4,500	ton	80.00	360,000
Safflower	1962	11,300	1.19	13,400	ton	93.50	1,253,000
	1961	8,210	1.69	13,900	ton	85.00	1,182,000
Silage	1962	6,490	23.00	149,000	ton	7.65	1,140,000
	1961	5,860	27.13	159,000	ton	5.60	890,000
Sorghum grain	1962	25,800	2.15	55,400	ton	43.50	2,410,000
	1961	21,700	2.21	47,900	ton	41.00	1,964,000
Sugar beets	1962	11,500	19.04	219,000	ton	13.10	2,869,000
	1961	8,940	18.57	166,000	ton	12.60	2,092,000
Wheat	1962	25,100	1.14	28,500	ton	70.00	1,995,000
	1961	22,000	.82	18,000	ton	62.00	1,116,000
Miscellaneous	1962	1,190	xx	2,130	ton	23.30	49,600
	1961	271	xx	1,400	ton	28.50	39,900
Sugar cane) Sunflower) Straw)							
TOTAL	1962	571,088					$ 139,848,900
		2,700,000	range				
	* 1961	563,493					$ 120,320,900
		2,700,000	range				

* Revised

CERTIFIED SEED CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1961-1962

Crop	Year	Harvested acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per acre	Total		Per unit	Total
Alfalfa, Buffalo	1962	777	579	450,000	lb.	$ .55	$ 248,000
	1961	640	430	275,000	lb.	.40	110,000
Alfalfa, DuPuits	1962	2,450	257	629,000	lb.	.47	296,000
	1961	3,540	321	1,135,000	lb.	.38	431,000
Alfalfa, Lahontan	1962	80	373	29,800	lb.	.40	11,900
	1961	165	196	32,400	lb.	.35	11,300
Alfalfa, Moapa	1962	696	450	313,000	lb.	.39	122,000
	1961	1,470	460	676,000	lb.	.33	223,000
Alfalfa, Ranger	1962	6,390	378	2,416,000	lb.	.47	1,136,000
	1961	8,520	416	3,543,000	lb.	.35	1,240,000
Alfalfa, Vernal	1962	959	175	168,000	lb.	.48	80,600
	1961	1,980	310	614,000	lb.	.42	258,000
Alfalfa, Williamsburg	1962	503	284	143,000	lb.	.45	64,400
	1961	273	113	30,800	lb.	.45	13,900
Alfalfa, Other varieties	1962	1,390	271	376,000	lb.	.48	180,000
	1961	1,165	268	312,300	lb.	.38	118,000
Barley	1962	567	2,298	1,303,000	lb.	.039	50,800
	1961	202	3,770	761,000	lb.	.036	27,400
Beans, Blackeye and Red Kidney	1962	664	1,658	1,101,000	lb.	.089	98,000
	1961	762	1,391	1,060,000	lb.	.085	90,100
Clover, Sudan, Milo	1962	137	752	103,000	lb.	.22	22,700
	1961	364	675	245,700	lb.	.16	39,700
Oats	1962	332	2,663	884,000	lb.	.049	43,300
	1961	119	1,563	186,000	lb.	.045	8,370
Safflower	1962	105	2,705	284,000	lb.	.11	31,200
	1961	xx	xx	xx		xx	xx
Wheat, Ramona	1962	1,040	1,351	1,405,000	lb.	.05	70,300
	1961	618	1,210	748,000	lb.	.043	32,200
TOTAL	1962	16,090					$ 2,455,200
	1961	19,818					2,602,970

UNCERTIFIED SEED CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1961-1962

Crop	Year	Harvested acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per acre	Total		Per unit	Total
Alfalfa, common and other varieties	1962	7,750	290	2,249,000	lb.	$ .39	$ 877,000
	1961	8,900	257	2,285,000	lb.	.34	780,000
Beans, Blackeye and Red Kidney *	1962	56	821	46,000	lb.	.076	3,500
	1961	xx	xx	314,000	lb.	.062	19,500
Carrot	1962	193	638	129,000	lb.	.45	58,100
	1961	185	436	80,700	lb.	.41	33,100
Grass, miscellaneous	1962	420	460	193,000	lb.	.70	135,000
	1961	701	409	287,000	lb.	.95	273,000
Onion	1962	84	251	21,100	lb.	1.55	32,700
	1961	297	374	111,000	lb.	1.12	124,000
Sugar Beet	1962	268	2,522	676,000	lb.	.152	103,000
	1961	423	2,860	1,186,000	lb.	.152	180,000
Vegetable, miscellaneous	1962	xxx	xx	xx		xx	xx
	1961	182	681	124,000	lb.	.40	49,600
Miscellaneous seed, Barley, Milo, Oats, Rice, Safflower, Sudan, Wheat	1962	232	xx	489,000	lb.	.05	25,000
	1961	339	xx	729,000	lb.	.0376	27,420
Screenings and Cleanings	1962	xx	xx	1,510	ton	16.00	24,200
	1961	xx	xx	1,600	ton	17.50	28,000
TOTAL	1962	9,003					$ 1,258,500
	1961	11,067					1,514,620

* Production from certified seed acreage

VEGETABLE CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1961-1962

Crop	Year	Harvested acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per acre	Total		Per unit	Total
Carrots	1962	1,790	12.96	23,200	ton	$ 29.50	$ 684,000
	1961	1,430	17.06	24,400	ton	35.00	854,000
Corn, Sweet Total	1962	3,790	4.56	17,300	ton	90.30	1,562,000
	1961	2,140	5.31	11,353	ton	126.00	1,427,320
Fresh Market	1962			17,300	ton	90.30	1,562,000
	1961			11,100	ton	128.00	1,421,000
Processed	1962			xxx		xx	xx
	1961			253	ton	25.00	6,320
Garlic	1962	260	5.35	1,390	ton	135.00	188,000
	1961	517	6.09	3,150	ton	126.00	397,000
Lettuce, (misc)	1962	xx	xx	xx		xx	xx
	1961	410	6.00	2,460	ton	62.50	154,000
Melons, Cantaloupe	1962	3,700	6.08	22,500	ton	72.50	1,631,000
	1961	3,170	8.20	26,000	ton	133.00	3,458,000
Other melons	1962	528	2.22	1,170	ton	119.00	139,000
	1961	456	8.06	3,676	ton	86.00	455,100
Watermelons	1962	2,670	10.74	28,670	ton	26.00	745,000
	1961	2,550	14.63	37,300	ton	48.50	1,809,000
Onions, Total	1962	1,730	18.10	31,320	ton	43.00	1,347,000
	1961	2,270	20.15	45,750	ton	37.40	1,713,000
Dry	1962	282	23.83	6,720	ton	57.70	388,000
	1961	310	23.39	7,250	ton	69.00	500,000
Dehydrator	1962	1,450	16.97	24,600	ton	39.00	959,000
	1961	1,960	19.64	38,500	ton	31.50	1,213,000
Peas, green	1962	1,460	1.72	2,510	ton	200.00	502,000
	1961	1,230	2.97	3,650	ton	151.00	551,000

VEGETABLE CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1961-1962

Crop	Year	Harvested acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per acre	Total		Per unit	Total
Potatoes, Total	1962	43,800	16.19	709,300	ton	$ 40.00	$ 28,372,000
	1961	56,200	17.00	956,000	ton	28.30	27,053,000
Fresh Market	1962			548,000	ton	45.65	25,005,600
	1961			733,400	ton	31.60	23,175,000
Processed	1962			61,800	ton	48.00	2,966,400
	1961			76,300	ton	40.00	3,052,000
Seed	1962			xx		xx	xxx
	1961			4,300	ton	60.00	258,000
Cull	1962			99,500	ton	4.00	398,000
	1961			142,000	ton	4.00	568,000
Potatoes, Sweet	1962	150	9.00	1,350	ton	128.00	173,000
	1961	143	14.54	2,080	ton	134.00	279,000
Tomatoes, Total	1962	577	14.63	8,440	ton	61.00	515,000
	1961	737	4.88	3,600	ton	83.00	299,000
Fresh Market	1962			2,290	ton	151.00	346,000
	1961			3,600	ton	83.00	299,000
Processed	1962			6,150	ton	27.50	169,000
	1961			xx		xx	xx
Miscellaneous	1962	990	xx	4,320	ton	105.00	454,000
Asparagus)	1961	561	xx	3,800	ton	104.00	396,000
Corn, white)							
Cucumbers)							
Lettuce)							
Lima Beans)							
Peppers)							
Spinach)							
Squash)							
TOTAL	1962	61,445					$ 36,312,000
	1961	71,814					38,845,420

FRUIT AND NUT CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1961-1962

Crop	Year	Bearing acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per acre	Total		Per unit	Total
Apples	1962	28	8.32	233	ton	$ [illegible]	$ 37,000
	1961	xx	xx	xx		xx	xx
Grapes, All Total	1962	31,615	8.30	262,316	ton	[illegible]	29,250,480
	1961	27,192	8.07	219,336	ton	[illegible]	25,228,760
Raisin varieties	1962	18,473					
	1961	14,990					
Fresh Market	1962			52,400	ton	215.00	11,266,000
	1961			38,600	ton	245.00	9,491,000
Raisin (dry)	1962			4,860	ton	258.00	1,254,000
	1961			3,390	ton	200.00	678,000
Processed	1962			9,940	ton	62.00	621,000
	1961			8,980	ton	70.00	628,600
Crushed	1962			72,300	ton	[illegible]	3,916,000
	1961			53,[illegible]00	ton	50.00	2,675,000
Table varieties	1962	9,411					
	1961	8,958					
Fresh Market	1962			32,300	ton	226.00	7,300,000
	1961			33,[illegible]00	ton	232.00	7,901,000
Raisins (dry)	1962			19	ton	420.00	7,980
	1961			24	ton	210.00	5,160
Crushed	1962			33,200	ton	45.00	1,494,000
	1961			34,200	ton	40.00	1,368,000
Wine varieties	1962	3,931					
	1961	3,[illegible]44					
Crushed	1962			42,[illegible]00	ton	78.00	3,331,000
	1961			3[illegible],900	ton	[illegible].00	2,472,000
Grapefruit **	1962-63	6	8.33	50	ton	80.00	4,000
	1961-62	6	8.50	51	ton	73.00	3,720
	1960-61	6	9.67	58	ton	70.00	4,060

FRUIT AND NUT CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1961-1962

Crop	Year	Bearing acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per acre	Total		Per unit	Total
Nectarines	1962	384	2.79	1,070	ton	$ 348.00	$ 372,000
	1961	250	4.64	1,160	ton	274.00	318,000
Olives	1962	95	3.66	348	ton	191.00	66,500
	1961	90	3.33	300	ton	183.00	54,900
Oranges, Navel **	1962-63	1,134	6.44	7,300	ton	139.00	1,015,000
	1961-62	1,107	3.56	3,940	ton	145.00	571,000
	1960-61	1,088	5.11	5,560	ton	107.00	600,000
Oranges, Valencia **	1962-63	44	5.43	239	ton	110.00	26,300
	1961-62	44	8.82	388	ton	66.00	25,600
	1960-61	42	16.10	675	ton	77.50	52,300
Peaches, Total *	1962	1,685	6.16	10,380	ton	169.00	1,753,000
	1961	1,000	9.53	9,530	ton	150.00	1,433,000
Fresh Market	1962			4,960	ton	278.00	1,379,000
	1961			5,150	ton	222.00	1,140,000
Processed	1962			5,420	ton	69.00	374,000
	1961			4,380	ton	67.00	293,000
Plums	1962	1,806	3.47	6,270	ton	296.00	1,856,000
	1961	1,860	2.74	5,090	ton	280.00	1,425,000
Pomegranates	1962	16	2.88	46	ton	90.00	4,140
	1961	19	2.42	46	ton	60.00	2,760
Tangerines **	1962-63	42	7.24	304	ton	278.00	84,500
	1961-62	39	4.10	160	ton	168.00	26,900
	1960-61	33	7.10	207	ton	175.00	36,200
Tangerines ** Processed	1962-63	xx		xx		xx	xx
	1961-62	xx		xx		xx	xx
	1960-61	xx		26	ton	30.00	780
Miscellaneous	1962	415		2,290	ton	148.00	339,000
Almonds)	1961	425		2,520	ton	143.00	360,000
Apricots)							
Pears)							
Persimmons)							
TOTAL	1962	37,240					$ 34,305,640
	1961	32,005					29,515,760

* Revised

** 1962-63 figures not included in totals in this report

NURSERY PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION AREA, SALES AND VALUE, 1961-1962

Item	Year	Acres	Quantity sold by producers	Unit	Value	
					Per unit	Total
Nursery Crops						
Citrus trees	1962	21	124,000	plant	$ 2.50	$ 310,000
	1961	30	197,000	plant	2.65	522,000
Deciduous fruit and nut trees	1962	46	309,000	plant	.50	155,000
Ornamental trees and shrubs	1962	16	280,000	plant	.30	84,000
Deciduous and ornamental trees and shrubs	1961	69	549,000	plant	.55	302,000
Grapevines	1962	76	1,617,000	plant	.075	121,000
	1961	56	1,111,000	plant	.075	83,300
Rose plants	1962	336	4,775,000	plant	.27	1,289,000
	1961	388	5,842,000	plant	.31	1,811,000
Plants and propagative material	1962	50	xx		xx	60,000
	1961	23	xx		xx	74,000
Asparagus plants)						
Bulbs)						
Grape cuttings)						
Strawberry plants)						
Sweet potato plants)						
Cut Flowers and Turf	1962	34	xx		xx	46,800
	1961	14	xx		xx	16,400
TOTAL	1962	579				$ 2,065,800
	1961	580				2,808,700

APIARY PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1961-1962

Item	Year	Production Total	Unit	Value	
				Per unit	Total
Honey	1962	2,249,000	lb.	$ .12	$ 270,000
	1961	1,625,000	lb.	.11	179,000
Beeswax	1962	46,900	lb.	.44	20,600
	* 1961	33,900	lb.	.40	13,560
Pollination	1962	15,100	colony	4.50	68,000
	1961	10,400	colony	4.50	46,800
TOTAL	1962				$ 358,600
	* 1961				239,360

* Revised

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY: PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1961-1962

	Production				Value	
	Year	No. of Head	Total Liveweight	Unit	Per unit	Total
Cattle and calves	1962	289,000	1,430,000	cwt.	$ 23.00	$ 32,890,000
	1961	264,000	1,264,000	cwt.	21.20	26,797,000
Sheep and lambs	1962	180,000	178,000	cwt.	17.00	3,026,000
	1961	167,000	161,000	cwt.	15.80	2,544,000
Hogs	1962	8,200	18,000	cwt.	17.50	315,000
	1961	4,000	8,160	cwt.	17.70	144,000
Horses	1962	xx	xx		xx	137,000
	1961	xx	xx		xx	160,000
Broilers and Fryers	1962	812,000	2,741,000	lb.	.17	466,000
	1961	499,000	1,623,000	lb.	.19	308,000
Chickens, other	1962	344,000	1,720,000	lb.	.06	103,000
	1961	283,000	1,415,000	lb.	.08	113,200
Turkeys	1962	403,000	7,384,000	lb.	.22	1,624,000
	1961	215,000	4,200,000	lb.	.18	756,000
Rabbits	1962	15,000	60,000	ea.	1.00	15,000
	1961	15,000	60,000	ea.	1.00	15,000
Game Birds	1962	xx				59,000
	1961	xx				74,000
TOTAL	1962					$ 38,635,000
	1961					30,911,200

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1961-1962

Item	Year	Production	Unit	Value	
				Per unit	Total
Milk	1962	1,170,000	cwt.	$ 4.05	$ 4,739,000
Market	* 1961	1,170,000	cwt.	4.09	4,785,000
Manufacturing	1962	17,300	cwt.	3.23	55,900
	* 1961	15,300	cwt.	3.30	50,500
Wool	1962	1,816,000	lb.	.41	745,000
	1961	1,668,000	lb.	.37	617,000
Eggs, chicken	1962	6,881,000	doz.	.36	2,477,000
Market	1961	5,934,000	doz.	.39	2,314,000
TOTAL	1962				$ 8,016,900
	* 1961				7,766,500

* Revised

JANUARY 1 INVENTORIES OF LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY, 1962-1963
(In number of head)

Item	January 1, 1962	January 1, 1963
* All cattle and calves	229,600	273,200
* Cattle on feed	101,900	130,000
* Milk cows, two years and over	11,800	11,900
* Sheep and lambs	169,300	170,000
* Hogs	5,300	5,800
* Sheep on feed (not included in stock sheep)	16,100	5,600
Hens and pullets of laying age	302,550	356,535
Turkey breeder hens	49,500	45,000

* Estimates of California Crop and Livestock Reporting Service

SUMMARY

		ACREAGE	ESTIMATED VALUE
Field Crops	1962	571,088	$ 139,848,900
Range		2,700,000	
	1961	563,493	120,320,900
		2,700,000	
Certified Seed	1962	16,090	2,455,200
	1961	19,818	2,602,970
Uncertified Seed	1962	9,003	1,258,500
	1961	11,067	1,514,620
Vegetable Crops	1962	61,445	36,312,000
	1961	71,814	38,845,420
Fruit and Nut Crops	1962	37,240	34,305,640
	1961	32,005	29,515,760
Nursery Products	1962	579	2,065,800
	1961	580	2,808,700
Apiary Products	1962		358,600
	1961		239,360
Livestock and Poultry	1962		38,635,000
	1961		30,911,200
Livestock and Poultry Products	1962		8,016,900
	1961		7,766,500
TOTAL PLANTED ACREAGE	1962	695,445	
RANGELAND	1962	2,700,000	$ 263,256,540
	1961	698,777	
(Revised)	1961	2,700,000	$ 234,525,430

Dry farm acreage included in above totals:

Barley	1962	33,500
	1961	47,698
Wheat	1962	10,000
	1961	13,706