

AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

Produced in

SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY

During 1969



County Department of Agriculture

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TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors

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The 1969 gross agricultural production is a new San Luis Obispo County high of \$58,098,180, topping the previous record year of 1966 by almost two million dollars. This, also, is five million dollars higher than the average production value of the past ten years.

The 70's promise to be the decade of ENVIRONMENT AND ECOLOGY awareness. I know of no group more directly interested and concerned in these most essential matters than our agricultural community. This Department will strive to provide the direction and enforcement to fulfill our responsibilities pertaining to agricultural chemicals, to protect our citizens and resources. Our decisions will be based upon fact and the latest scientific knowledge, not on supposition or emotion.

I wish to express my sincere appreciation to all firms and individuals who assisted in making this report possible.

Respectfully submitted,

Earl R. Kalar
Agricultural Commissioner

CROP	Year	PRODUCTION			VALUE		
		Planted Acreage	Per Acre	Total	Unit	Per Unit	Total
Artichokes----	1969	--			23#		\$ --
	1968	37	160	5,900	Ctn	1.94	11,500
Beans, (Snap)-	1969	222	121	26,900	Cwt	16.60	446,000
	1968	148	150	22,200	Cwt	16.50	366,000
Beans,----- (Freezer)	1969	--					--
	1968	420	155	650	Ton	171.00	111,000
Broccoli-----	1969	2,745	68	187,000	Cwt	10.10	1,889,000
	1968	3,387	80	271,000	Cwt	8.48	2,298,000
Brussels----- Sprouts	1969	146	120	17,500	Cwt	13.10	229,000
	1968	184	125	23,000	Cwt	13.35	307,000
Cabbage-----	1969	315	245	77,000	Cwt	3.00	231,000
	1968	278	270	75,000	Cwt	2.90	218,000
Carrots-----	1969	226	360	81,000	Cwt	4.60	373,000
	1968	371	360	134,000	Cwt	4.15	556,000
Cauliflower---	1969	618	442	273,000	25#	3.07	838,000
	1968	652	360	235,000	Crate	2.70	634,000
Celery-----	1969	1,518	880	1,336,000	60#	3.75	5,010,000
	1968	1,729	850	1,470,000	Crate	2.60	3,822,000
Cucumbers-----	1969	47	680	32,000	32#	2.20	70,400
	1968	51	645	32,900	Lug	2.30	75,700
Lettuce-----	1969	4,486	625	2,804,000	48#	1.81	5,075,000
	1968	3,603	729	2,638,000	Ctn	1.68	4,432,000
Peas,----- (Edible Pod)	1969	586	17	10,000	Cwt	27.00	270,000
	1968	515	20	10,300	Cwt	26.50	273,000
Peas,----- (Green)	1969	210	28	5,900	Cwt	14.00	82,600
	1968	165	30	4,950	Cwt	15.00	74,200
Peppers----- (Bell)	1969	367	130	47,700	Cwt	10.35	494,000
	1968	178	101	18,000	Cwt	11.60	209,000
Potatoes-----	1969	259	360	93,200	Cwt	2.40	224,000
	1968	458	380	174,000	Cwt	2.65	461,000
Romaine-----	1969	803	700	562,000	68#	2.45	1,377,000
	1968	775	720	558,000	Crate	2.25	1,256,000
Spinach,----- (Processing)	1969	--					--
	1968	30	8.33	250	Ton	25.60	6,400
Tomatoes-----	1969	102	200	20,400	Cwt	11.10	226,000
	1968	113	190	21,500	Cwt	11.25	242,000
Miscellaneous-	1969	503					691,000
	1968	484					677,000
TOTAL	1969	13,153					\$17,526,000
VEGETABLE CROP	1968	13,578					16,029,800

CROP	Harvested		PRODUCTION			VALUE		TYPE	Number		Total		VALUE	
	Year	Acreage	Per Acre	Total	Unit	Per Unit	Total		Year	of Head	Production	Unit	Per Unit	Total
Alfalfa Hay---	1969	12,900	5.0	64,500	Ton	27.50	\$1,774,000	Beef Cattle-----	1969	97,000	582,000	Cwt	27.50	\$16,005,000
	1968	13,200	5.6	73,920	Ton	26.00	1,922,000		1968	89,000	570,000	Cwt	23.80	13,566,000
Grain Hay-----	1969	57,000	1.4	79,800	Ton	24.00	1,915,000	Beef Cattle-----	1969	15,000	56,000	Cwt	28.70	1,607,000
	1968	59,000	1.6	94,400	Ton	23.00	2,171,000		Feed Lot-Out of County	1968	16,500	66,000	Cwt	25.75
Beans								Dairy Cows----- and Heifers	1969	750		Each	375.00	281,000
Small Whites-	1969	561	16	8,980	Cwt	10.10	90,700							
Pinks-----	1969	126	11	1,390	Cwt	8.60	12,000	Calves (Veal)---	1969	2,350	7,050	Cwt	30.20	213,000
	1968	147	12	1,764	Cwt	7.70	13,600		1968	2,200	6,600	Cwt	27.50	181,000
Garbanzo-----	1969	5,088	9	45,800	Cwt	13.00	595,000	Hogs-----	1969	5,300	10,900	Cwt	22.80	248,000
	1968	4,100	9	36,900	Cwt	13.50	498,000		1968	5,700	11,700	Cwt	19.10	223,000
Large Lima---	1969	246	17	4,180	Cwt	12.30	51,400	Chickens----- (Meat)	1969	270,000	1,080,000	Lbs	.09	97,200
	1968	189	18	3,402	Cwt	17.30	58,800		1968	261,000	1,044,000	Lbs	.062	64,700
Miscellaneous-	1969	29	15	435	Cwt	8.70	3,780	Hatchery----- Chicks	1969		2,153,000	Each	.109	235,000
	1968	26	18	468	Cwt	8.50	3,980							
Corn, (Grain)-	1969	300	38	11,400	Cwt	2.50	28,500	Turkeys----- (Meat)	1969	329,000	7,238,000	Lbs	.22	1,592,000
	1968	120	31	3,700	Cwt	2.53	9,060		1968	488,000	10,736,000	Lbs	.20	2,147,000
Corn,----- (Silage)	1969	1,250	28	35,000	Ton	8.00	280,000	Sheep and----- Lambs	1969	16,700	17,100	Cwt	24.00	410,000
	1968	1,450	31	44,950	Ton	8.00	360,000		1968	16,400	16,800	Cwt	20.71	348,000
Barley-----	1969	67,000	13.5	904,000	Cwt	2.37	2,142,000	Miscellaneous---	1969					90,000
	1968	63,000	17	1,071,000	Cwt	2.35	2,517,000							
Oats-----	1969	1,050	17	17,800	Cwt	2.15	38,300	TOTAL LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY	1969					\$20,778,200
	1968	1,202	18	21,636	Cwt	2.15	46,500							
LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY PRODUCTS: Production and Value 1968-69														
Wheat-----	1969	62,000	10.8	670,000	Cwt	2.31	1,548,000	PRODUCT	Year	PRODUCTION			VALUE	
										1968	63,900	10.6	677,340	Cwt
Irrigated----- Pasture	1969	3,650	Acre	40.00	146,000	Market Milk-----	1969	599,000	Cwt					
										1968	3,800	Acre	40.00	152,000
Sugar Beets---	1969	3,478	20.1	69,900	Ton	13.49	943,000	Manufacturing---	1969	22,800	Cwt	4.07	92,800	
	1968*	2,330	28.8	67,200	Ton	13.00	874,000							1968*
Sugar Beet---- Pasture	1969	1,200	Acre	10.00	12,000	Wool-----	1969	105,000	Lbs	.325	34,100			
	1968	950	Acre	10.50	10,200							1968	111,000	Lbs
Miscellaneous-	1969					400,000	Chicken Eggs	1969	2,050,000	Doz	.335	687,000		
	1968					590,000							1968	2,161,000
TOTAL	1969	215,878				\$ 9,979,680	Hatching-----	1969	1,020,000	Doz	.66	673,000		
FIELD CROPS	1968*	214,144				10,898,140							1968	1,080,000
SEED AND NURSERY STOCK 1968-69														
CROP	Year	Harvested		Unit	Per Unit	VALUE		Turkey Eggs	1969	252,000	Eggs	.23	58,000	
		Acreage				Total	1968							710,000
Seed								Honey-----	1969	648,000	Lbs	.13	84,200	
Field Crop--- & Vegetable	1969	1,480				486,000	1968							Crop Failure
Flower-----	1969	89		Acre	1,004.00	89,400	Miscellaneous---	1969					24,000	
	1968	111		Acre	939.00	104,000								1968
Nursery and--- Cut Flowers	1969					94,000	TOTAL LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY	1969						\$4,828,100
	1968					98,000								
TOTAL	1969	1,569				\$669,400	*Revised							
SEED AND NURSERY STOCK	1968	1,451				657,000								

*Revised



	Year	Valuation
Soil Bank-----	1969	\$ 69,700
and Conser- vation Reserve	1968	187,000
Wool-----	1969	4,600
	1968	5,100
Wheat Payments---	1969	748,000
	1968	600,000
Feed Grain-----	1969	306,000
	1968	16,500
Sugar Beets-----	1969	125,000
	1968	119,000
TOTALS	1969	\$1,253,300
	1968	927,600

GRAND TOTAL OF ALL AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS: Less Government Payments

Year	Acreage	Valuation
1969	239,952	\$56,844,880
*1968	238,045	55,082,040

COMPARISON OF THE VALUATIONS OF THE MAJOR GROUPS DURING THE PAST TEN YEARS:

	ANIMAL INDUSTRY	FIELD CROPS AND SEEDS	FRUIT & NUT CROPS	GOVERNMENT PAYMENTS	VEGETABLE CROPS	TOTAL VALUATIONS
1960-	27,351,000	8,580,800	2,402,000	584,700	11,045,400	\$49,963,900
1961-	28,373,300	7,465,000	2,469,700	588,500	12,310,700	51,007,200
1962-	29,680,700	12,151,900	1,108,300	443,900	11,077,000	54,461,800
1963-	28,402,900	13,717,800	2,918,700	682,400	9,390,700	55,112,500
1964-	22,395,600	10,712,800	2,261,900	1,237,900	10,975,900	47,584,100
1965-	23,032,800	11,200,000	1,904,000	1,127,000	13,917,000	51,180,800
1966-	25,891,100	11,143,400	2,236,000	1,238,800	15,540,000	56,049,300
1967-	22,445,700	13,065,180	2,895,800	883,500	16,497,600	55,787,780
*1968-	23,645,300	11,555,140	3,851,800	927,600	16,029,800	56,009,640
1969-	25,606,300	10,649,080	3,063,500	1,253,300	17,526,000	58,098,180

*Revised

FRUIT AND NUT CROPS: Acreage, Production, Value 1968-69

CROP	Year	Harvested Acreage	PRODUCTION		Unit	Per Unit	VALUE	
			Per Acre	Total			Total	Total
Almonds-----	1969	6,453	.256	1,650	Ton	597.00	\$ 985,000	
	1968	6,221	.511	3,180	Ton	582.00	1,851,000	
Apples-----	1969	170	3.1	527	Ton	95.00	50,100	
	1968	164	2.6	426	Ton	104.00	44,300	
Grapes-----	1969	542	1.55	840	Ton	102.00	85,700	
	1968	328	1.48	486	Ton	94.00	45,700	
Pears-----	1969	175	1.57	275	Ton	97.00	26,700	
	1968	175	1.48	259	Ton	115.00	29,800	
Walnuts-----	1969	1,422	.522	740	Ton	435.00	322,000	
	1968	1,387	.456	633	Ton	480.00	304,000	
Strawberries---	1969	210	33,500	7,035,000	Lbs	.22	1,548,000	
	1968	237	31,000	7,347,000	Lbs	.21	1,543,000	
Miscellaneous---	1969	380					46,000	
	1968	360					34,000	
TOTAL FRUIT	1969	9,352					\$3,063,500	