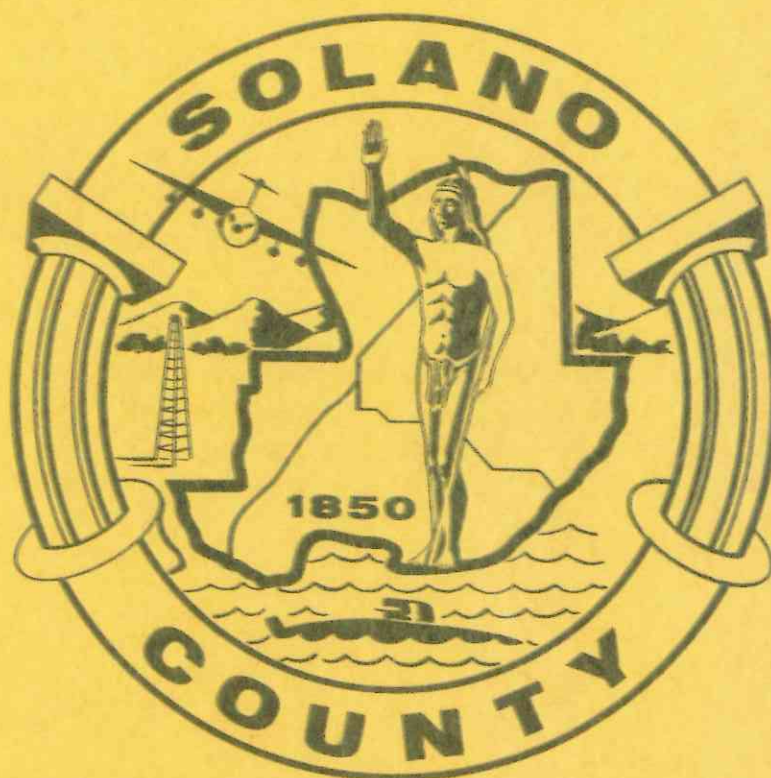


AGRICULTURAL CROP REPORT

1969



Solano County Department of Agriculture

SOLANO COUNTY
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

LLOYD A. BLACK
AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER

ANNUAL CROP REPORT
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1969

JERRY W. FIELDER - STATE DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE
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To the Honorable Board of Supervisors and
The Director of the State Department of Agriculture

Gentlemen:

It gives me pleasure to submit the 1969 Solano County Annual Crop Report, as required by Section 2279 of the California Agricultural Code.

Figures shown in this report have been gathered with the cooperation of the producers, shippers and handler. Every effort has been made to produce true and correct figures. I believe that the composite figures are reasonably accurate, although some may be slightly below the total F.O.B. sums, due to the inability to obtain all sources.

This year of 1969 was not favorable to the county farmers. Approximately a six (6) million dollar reduction will be noted in this report. This was due mainly to poor prices received by the farmer for his product. Adverse weather conditions played an important part in the production of the counties fruit and nut crops thus compounding the price problem now confronting the county growers. These factors definitely contribute to less actual net return to the growers.

I wish to express my sincere appreciation to the members of my staff who have so diligently worked on this report under the supervision of Deputy Commissioner, Donald Haug. Also to express my appreciation to the many people in Agriculture and Industry for their cooperation in making this report possible.

Respectfully submitted,

Lloyd A. Black

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Agricultural Commissioner

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SOLANO COUNTY FRUIT AND NUT ACREAGE STATISTICS

1969

Orchard Crop	Bearing Acreage	Non-Bearing Acreage	Total
Almonds	3,410	521	3,931
Apples	2	4	6
Apricots	3,446	63	3,509
Cherries	185	76	261
Figs	28	0	28
Grapes (Wine)	728	62	790
Olives	26	0	26
Oranges	7	11	18
Peaches (Freestone)	1,465	65	1,530
Pears	2,874	643	3,517
Persimmons	7	0	7
Plums	89	0	89
Prunes	4,104	447	4,551
Walnuts	1,404	392	1,796
Misc.	43	10	53

FRUIT AND NUT CROPS : ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1968 AND 1969

Crop	Year	Bearing Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Almonds	1969	3,410	.8	2,728	Ton	680.00	\$1,855,000
Total	1968	3,047	.8	2,438	Ton	680.00	1,657,800
Apricots	1969	3,446	4.72	16,253	Ton	143.40	2,330,700
Total	1968	3,420	3.83	13,110	Ton	188.22	2,467,500
Canned	1969			9,551	Ton	116.40	1,111,700
	1968			6,610	Ton	150.00	991,500
Fresh Market	1969			3,300	Ton	146.00	482,000
	1968			3,050	Ton	220.00	671,000
Dried	1969			* 567	Ton	1,300.00	737,000
	1968			* 575	Ton	1,400.00	805,000
Cherries	1969	185	1.83	338	Ton	436.98	147,700
	1968	185	1.97	365	Ton	393.40	143,600
Fresh Market	1969			178	Ton	560.00	99,700
	1968			165	Ton	525.00	86,600
Barreled	1969			160	Ton	300.00	48,000
	1968			200	Ton	285.00	57,000
Grapes, Wine	1969	728	4.20	3,055	Ton	147.40	450,300
	1968	734	3.85	2,826	Ton	110.00	310,900
White Variety	1969			860	Ton	128.00	110,100
	1968			-	-	-	-
Dark Variety	1969			2,195	Ton	155.00	340,200
	1968			-	-	-	-
Peaches	1969	1,465	6.04	8,845	Ton	86.98	769,300
Total	1968	1,533	5.74	8,795	Ton	109.96	967,100
Fresh Market	1969			550	Ton	55.00	30,200
	1968			450	Ton	125.00	56,300
Canned	1969			2,590	Ton	52.50	136,000
	1968			3,270	Ton	79.00	258,300
Dried	1969			* 815	Ton	740.00	603,100
	1968			* 725	Ton	900.00	652,500
Pears	1969	2,874	7.47	21,469	Ton	91.88	1,972,600
Total	1968	2,719	8.13	22,108	Ton	116.84	2,583,200
Canned #1	1969			19,992	Ton	92.50	1,849,300
	1968			19,162	Ton	120.00	2,299,400
Canned #2	1969			514	Ton	52.50	27,000
	1968			1,507	Ton	69.00	104,000

FRUIT AND NUT CROPS : ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1968 AND 1969 (Cont'd)

Crop	Year	Bearing Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Pears (cont'd)							
Fresh Market	1969			549	Ton	97.50	\$ 53,500
	1968			1,049	Ton	128.00	134,300
Dried	1969			69	Ton	620.00	42,800
	1968			65	Ton	700.00	45,500
Plums	1969	89	2.3	205	Ton	288.00	59,000
	1968	89	3.2	285	Ton	286.00	81,500
Prunes **	1969	4,104	*1.27	5,198	Ton	320.00	1,663,400
	1968	3,985	*1.86	7,432	Ton	275.00	2,043,800
Walnuts	1969	1,404	.5	702	Ton	500.00	351,000
	1968	1,327	.7	929	Ton	600.00	557,400
Misc: Figs,	1969	113					29,400
Apples, Oranges	1968	317					82,300
& Persimmons							
Total	1969	17,818					9,628,400
	1968	17,356					10,895,100

** Estimated Price

* Dry Tons

TRUCK CROPS, 1968 AND 1969

Asparagus	1969	1,450	1.5	2,175	Ton	377.20	820,400
Total	1968	1,450	1.6	2,320	Ton	374.44	868,700
Market	1969			575	Ton	425.00	244,400
	1968			998	Ton	420.00	419,200
Canning	1969			1,600	Ton	360.00	576,000
	1968			1,322	Ton	340.00	449,500
Lettuce	1969	286	323	92,244	43 Lb.	2.05	189,100
	1968	486	354	171,881	48 Lb.	2.44	419,400
Cucumber	1969	50	8.3	415	Ton	115.00	47,700
	1968	50	8.2	410	Ton	86.50	35,500
Sweet Corn	1969	115	210	24,150	45 Lb.	2.75	66,400
	1968	100	225	22,500	45 Lb.	3.00	67,500
Bell Pepper	1969	175	8.9	1,557	Ton	80.00	124,600
	1968	150	9.5	1,425	Ton	70.00	99,800
Onions	1969	130	11.42	1,485	Ton	80.00	118,800
	1968	165	10.0	1,650	Ton	64.00	105,600
Tomatoes	1969	11,630	22.4	260,512	Ton	28.00	7,294,300
	1968	15,500	24.0	372,000	Ton	33.00	12,276,000

TRUCK CROPS, 1968 AND 1969 (Cont'd)

Crop	Year	Production			Unit	Value	
		Bearing Acreage	Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Snap Beans	1969	-	-	-	-	-	-
	1968	110	2.0	220	Ton	133.00	29,300
Misc. Veg.	1969	825					237,600
	1968	750					213,800
Total	1969	<u>11,661</u>					<u>8,898,900</u>
	1968	18,761					14,115,600

FIELD CROPS, 1968 AND 1969

Alfalfa	1969	12,750	7.2	91,800	Ton	28.50	2,616,300
	1968	12,500	7.3	91,250	Ton	26.00	2,372,500
Barley	1969	19,000	2.0	38,000	Ton	51.00	1,938,000
	1968	22,500	1.7	38,250	Ton	46.00	1,759,500
Beans	1969	6,030	1.2	7,236	Ton	195.00	1,411,000
	1968	4,500	1.5	6,750	Ton	226.00	1,525,500
Field Corn	1969	6,000	3.1	18,600	Ton	49.50	920,700
	1968	7,250	3.3	23,925	Ton	44.00	1,052,700
Oats	1969	4,750	1.3	6,175	Ton	50.00	308,800
	1968	3,600	1.6	5,760	Ton	50.00	288,000
Sugar Beets	1969	21,892	18.87	413,273	Ton	13.50	5,579,200
	1968	22,000	22.5	495,000	Ton	13.85	6,855,800
Wheat	1969	17,850	2.4	42,840	Ton	49.00	2,099,200
	1968	15,950	2.3	36,685	Ton	44.00	1,614,100
Hay, Grain	1969	11,000	1.8	19,800	Ton	24.50	485,100
	1968	10,000	2.0	20,000	Ton	23.00	460,000
Permanent Pasture	1969	24,300			Acre	35.00	850,500
	1968	23,900			Acre	35.00	836,500
Other Pasture	1969	150,600			Acre	5.50	828,300
	1968	150,850			Acre	5.50	829,700
Milo	1969	15,250	2.3	35,075	Ton	46.00	1,613,500
	1968	11,300	2.3	24,860	Ton	41.50	1,031,700
Safflower	1969	4,250	1.1	4,675	Ton	95.00	444,100
	1968	3,700	1.2	4,440	Ton	79.00	350,800
Misc.	1969	225					1,568,000
	1968	75					300,000
Totals	1969	<u>293,897</u>					<u>20,662,700</u>
	1968	288,125					19,276,800

SEED CROPS, 1968 AND 1969

Crop	Year	Production			Value		
		Harvested Acreage	Per Acre	Total	Unit	Per Unit	Total
Certified Alfalfa	1969	57	450	25,650	Lb.	.42	\$ 10,800
	1968	90	505	45,450	Lb.	.44	20,000
Certified Trefoil	1969	305	340	103,700	Lb.	1.35	140,000
	1968	245	350	85,750	Lb.	1.30	111,500
Certified Barley	1969	-	-	-	-	-	-
	1968	42	2.0	84	Ton	55.00	4,600
Certified Wheat	1969	70	2.8	196	Ton	62.00	12,200
	1968	166	2.5	415	Ton	57.00	23,700
Certified Beans	1969	40	1.7	68	Ton	270.00	18,400
	1968	254	1.5	381	Ton	300.00	114,300
Certified Sudangrass	1969	75	475	35,625	Lb.	.38	13,500
	1968	-	-	-	-	-	-
Certified Broms	1969	-	-	-	-	-	-
	1968	103	333	34,314	Lb.	.46	15,800
Alfalfa	1969	525	375	196,875	Lb.	.39	76,800
	1968	450	495	222,750	Lb.	.38	84,600
Certified Clovers	1969	35	420	14,700	Lb.	.44	6,500
	1968	35	414	14,478	Lb.	.44	6,400
Trefoil	1969	550	330	181,500	Lb.	.90	163,400
	1968	760	345	262,200	Lb.	.85	222,900
Certified Ladino	1969	344	340	116,960	Lb.	.75	87,700
	1968	309	360	111,240	Lb.	.73	81,200
Cucumber	1969	177	575	101,775	Lb.	1.58	160,800
	1968	180	357	64,260	Lb.	1.58	101,500
Misc.	1969	825					198,000
	1968	815					163,000
Totals	1969	3,003					888,100
	1968	3,449					949,500

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY, 1968 AND 1969

Item	Year	Production		Value		
		Head	Liveweight	Unit	Per Unit	Total
Cattle & Calves	1969	32,200	96,600	Cwt.	28.90	2,792,000
	1968	26,750	133,750	Cwt.	26.50	3,544,400
Sheep & Lambs	1969	148,500	111,375	Cwt.	27.50	3,063,000
	1968	160,000	120,000	Cwt.	25.50	3,060,000

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY, 1968 AND 1969 (Cont'd)

Item	Year	Production		Unit	Value	
		Head	Liveweight		Per Unit	Total
Broilers & Fryers	1969	10,500	31,500	Lb.	.18	\$ 5,700
	1968	15,000	45,000	Lb.	.18	8,100
Replacement Pullets	1969	140,000		Head	1.57	219,800
	1968	125,000		Head	1.55	193,700
Other Chickens	1969	42,500		Head	.45	19,100
	1968	45,000		Head	.35	15,800
Hogs & Pigs	1969	1,250	2,500	Cwt.	23.60	59,000
	1968	1,950	3,900	Cwt.	19.70	76,800
Turkey	1969	22,600	406,800	Lb.	.25	101,700
	1968	14,500	261,000	Lb.	.20	52,200
Misc. Squabs, Rabbits, Etc.	1969					33,500
	1968					35,000
Totals	1969					6,293,800
	1968					6,986,000

LIVESTOCK, POULTRY AND APIARY PRODUCTION, 1968 AND 1969

Item	Year	Production	Unit	Value	
				Per Unit	Total
Bees - Honey	1969	410,500	Lb.	.134	55,000
	1968	385,000	Lb.	.125	48,100
Wax	1969	13,500	Lb.	.68	9,200
	1968	12,600	Lb.	.65	8,200
Packages	1969	8,400	Each	4.35	36,500
	1968	7,500	Each	4.50	33,800
Queens	1969	5,000	Each	1.36	6,800
	1968	8,000	Each	1.35	10,800
Pollinization	1969	7,250	Colony	3.50	25,400
	1968	7,500	Colony	2.50	18,800
Eggs - Chickens	1969	1,310,900	Doz.	.34	445,700
	1968	1,266,800	Doz.	.27	342,000
Milk-Market	1969	346,000	Cwt.	5.01	1,733,000
	1968	416,000	Cwt.	4.77	1,984,000
Mfg.	1969	10,000	Cwt.	4.25	42,500
	1968	12,000	Cwt.	4.13	49,600
Wool	1969	816,200	Lb.	.41	334,600
	1968	848,800	Lb.	.40	339,500
Totals	1969				2,688,700
	1968				2,834,800

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YEAR	FRUIT & NUT CROPS	TRUCK CROPS	FIELD CROPS	ANIMAL PRODUCTION	SEED CROPS	TOTALS
1959	\$ 7,854,917	\$ 3,995,600	\$ 12,628,570	\$ 10,416,245	\$ 455,305	\$ 35,350,637
1960	7,620,549	6,105,777	12,963,867	10,389,652	262,629	37,342,474
1961	7,136,000	5,357,600	12,397,000	8,170,790	232,070	33,593,460
1962	7,096,900	7,238,500	14,475,500	9,937,750	177,850	38,926,500
1963	8,997,300	5,456,600	14,546,100	10,089,600	236,400	39,326,000
1964	9,427,300	9,009,000	16,687,500	11,420,800	246,500	45,791,100
1965	7,390,400	8,704,000	19,102,500	12,978,000	366,100	48,541,000
1966	8,433,600	8,990,700	19,230,300	13,129,800	625,600	50,410,000
1967	6,753,700	12,785,500	15,634,100	13,004,000	700,100	48,877,400
1968	10,895,100	14,115,600	19,276,800	9,820,800	949,500	55,057,800
1969	9,628,400	8,898,900	20,662,700	8,982,500	888,100	49,060,600

CLASSIFICATION OF ACREAGE, 1969

*Fruit and Nut Crops-----	20,112
Truck and Seed Crops-----	17,664
Field Crops-----	118,997
Pasture Land-----	174,900
Urban and Other-----	72,700
Marsh Land-----	52,000
Water-----	34,750
Brush-----	14,000

TOTAL AREA

827 Square Miles 529,280 Acres

Estimated Total County Population-----	178,963
Total Acres in Farms-----	369,830
Acres in Irrigated Farms-----	147,200

*Includes non-bearing acreage

**Revised

JANUARY 1, 1970 INVENTORIES OF LIVESTOCK & POULTRY
IN NUMBER OF HEAD

Item	
Cattle & Calves	
All-----	23,500
Milk Cows - 2 yrs, & over-----	4,500
Cattle & Calves - on feed-----	100
Sheep & Lambs	
All-----	128,400
Stock Sheep-----	71,200
Hogs & Pigs-----	800
Horses & Mules-----	650
Hens & Pullets - Of Laying Age-----	140,000