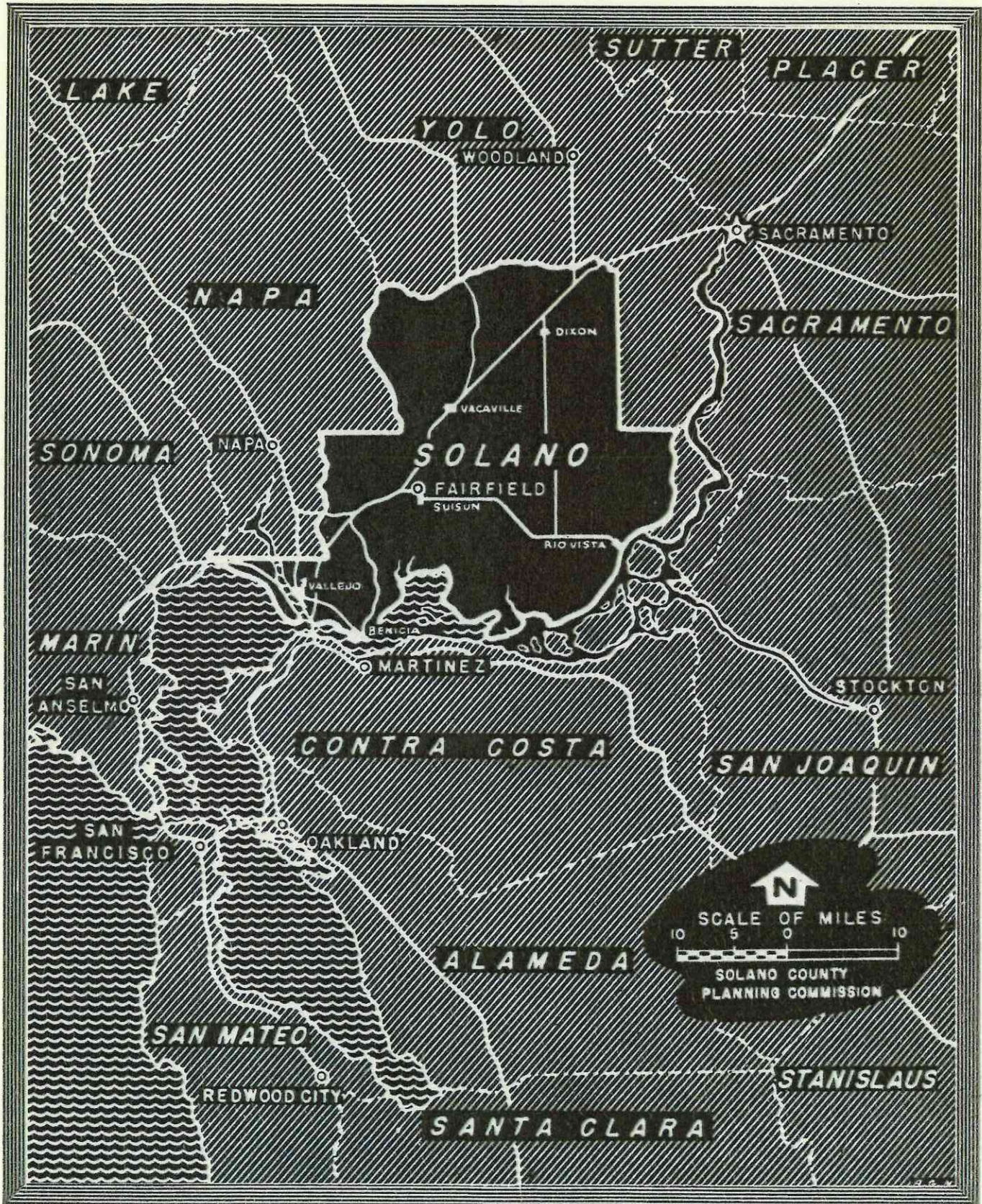


# AGRICULTURAL CROP REPORT

## 1955



*Solano County Department of Agriculture*

SOLANO COUNTY  
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

GEO. A. POHL  
AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER

ANNUAL CROP REPORT

For

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1955

W. C. JACOBSEN - STATE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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To The Honorable Board of Supervisors and  
The Director of the State Department of Agriculture

Gentlemen:

In accordance with the provisions of Section 65.5 of the Agricultural Code of the State of California, I am submitting herewith the 1955 Annual Crop Report for Solano County.


This is the seventh Annual Crop Report to be compiled by this office. Since we are dependent upon the cooperation of growers, packers, livestock producers, and many others to reveal the correct figures to our representatives, individual items are held in strictest confidence. We believe that our composite figures are thus reasonably accurate, although some may be slightly below the total f.o.b. sums, due to our inability to find all sources.

The total farm income for 1955 as shown on the last page is generally based on the average price received by the farmer. This represents gross income and should not be confused with net income. Prices were higher on a few items this year but in general lower prices prevailed. Cost of production has remained high making it difficult for the farmer to show a net profit at the end of the year.

These figures do not include value for native grasses or stubble. Such values, in a measure, are reported in our animal production.

I wish to express my sincere appreciation to my staff and the people of Solano County who have cooperated so splendidly with me in my seventh year as Agricultural Commissioner of Solano County.

Respectfully submitted,



Geo. A. Pohl  
Agricultural Commissioner  
of  
Solano County

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ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS  
SOLANO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA 1955  
Compiled by County Agricultural Commissioner's Office

FRUIT AND NUT CROPS

CROP	BEARING ACREAGE	PRODUCTION	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL VALUE F.O.B. FARM
Almonds	2,224	1,600 Tons	\$730	\$1,168,000
Apricots	3,716			
Shipped		2,475 Tons	135	\$ 334,125
Canned		7,150 Tons	100	715,000
Dried		* 885 Tons	700	<u>619,500</u>
				1,668,625
Cherries	271			
Shipped		446 Tons	470	209,620
Canned & Barrelled		542 Tons	204	<u>110,568</u>
				320,188
Grapes	617			
Wine		2,350 Tons	43	101,050
Brandy		250 Tons	25	<u>6,250</u>
				107,300
Peaches	2,766			
Shipped		150 Tons	70	10,500
Canned		9,181 Tons	60	550,860
Dried		*1,656 Tons	450	<u>745,200</u>
				1,306,560
Pears	2,518			
Shipped		2,776 Tons	83	230,408
Canned #1		18,900 Tons	75	1,417,500
Canned #3		1,782 Tons	40	71,280
Dried		* 446 Tons	390	<u>173,940</u>
				1,893,128
Plums	386	600 Tons	75	45,000
Prunes	3,965 <del>6163</del> <del>3,856</del>	3,856 Tons	255	1,571,565
Walnuts	769	450 Tons	600	270,000
Misc: Apples, Figs, Olives, etc.	129			30,000
Totals	17,363			\$8,380,366

\*Dry Tons

TRUCK CROPS

Asparagus	2,844			
Market		6,300 Crts.	\$ 5.50	\$ 34,650
Canning		1,790 Tons	240.00	<u>429,600</u>
				464,250
Cucumbers	157	1,800 Tons	70.00	126,000
Onions	50	875 Tons	40.00	35,000
Peas	415	83,000 Hampers	1.25	103,750
Tomatoes				
Canning	6,100	110,600 Tons	22.50	2,488,500
Shipping	150	87,500 Lugs	2.25	<u>196,875</u>
				2,685,375
Misc. veg.	230		200.00 A.	46,000
Garlic	3	12,500 Lbs.	.10	1,250
Totals	9,949			\$3,461,625

FIELD CROPS

KIND	ACREAGE	PRODUCTION	PRICE	VALUE
Alfalfa	8,000	48,000 Tons	\$ 26	\$1,248,000
Barley	40,000	34,000 Tons	42	1,428,000
Beans - Pink	1,050	890 Tons	140	124,600
Blackeye	292	60 Tons	180	10,800
Baby Lima	700	750 Tons	140	105,000
Field Corn	5,500	12,100 Tons	54	653,400
Oats	11,000	8,500 Tons	52	442,000
Sugar Beets	12,022	236,593 Tons	13	3,075,709
Wheat	12,900	10,320 Tons	70	722,400
Hay, Grain & Other	10,500	16,000 Tons	25	400,000
Permanent Pasture	21,000		35	735,000
Milo	5,950	12,495 Tons	45	562,275
Safflower	875	641 Tons	74	47,434
<b>Totals</b>	<b>129,789</b>			<b>\$9,554,618</b>

ANIMAL PRODUCTION

KIND	PRODUCTION	PRICE	VALUE
Beef Cattle - Raised Feeders	5,900 Head	\$125.00	\$ 737,500
	* 52,000 Head	55.00	<u>2,860,000</u>
			\$3,597,500
Bees - Honey	57 Tons	220.00	12,540
Wax	1900 Lbs.	.50	950
Packages	810 Pkg.	3.25	2,639
Queens	305	1.00	<u>305</u>
			16,434
Foultry - Eggs	887,000 Doz.	.40	354,800
Meat	930,000 Lbs.	.25	<u>232,500</u>
			587,300
Dairy - Mkt. Milk Fat	982,000 Lbs.	1.19	1,168,580
Mfg. Milk Fat	236,000 Lbs.	.82	193,520
Veal & Meat	4,300 Head	50.00	<u>215,000</u>
			1,577,100
Sheep - Lambs Raised	90,800 Head	17.00	1,543,600
Lambs Feeders	* 166,000 Head	3.40	564,400
Wool	1,200,000 Lbs.	** .41	<u>492,000</u>
			2,600,000
Swine	2,800	34.00	95,200
Turkeys	23,150	6.50	150,475
Misc: Squabs, Rabbits, Etc.			<u>103,500</u>
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$8,727,509</b>

\* Gain in value in Solano County

\*\* Does not include subsidy payments that will be made late in 1956

SEED CROPS

CROP	BEARING ACREAGE	PRODUCTION	UNIT PRICE	VALUE
Alfalfa-Certified	90	412 Cwt.	\$28.00	\$ 11,536
Trefoil	160	440 Cwt.	60.00	26,400
Peas	50	650 Cwt.	9.00	5,850
Ryer Milo 15	548	23,000 Cwt.	3.35	77,050
Wheat Certified	75	3,000 Cwt.	3.65	10,950
Can. Field Peas	460	6,900 Cwt.	5.00	34,500
Cert. Dbl. Dwarf Milo	20	496 Cwt.	3.25	1,612
Totals	1,403			167,898

SUMMARY

YEAR	FRUIT & NUT CROPS	TRUCK CROPS	FIELD CROPS	ANIMAL PRODUCTION	SEED CROPS	TOTALS
1949	\$3,209,941	\$1,677,167	\$ 8,873,589	\$ 8,216,962	\$ 90,560	\$22,068,219
1950	6,813,033	2,148,623	9,749,189	10,302,443	269,348	29,282,636
1951	6,854,060	4,389,919	9,261,680	11,745,350	281,958	32,532,967
1952	5,903,740	3,533,240	11,550,080	10,370,830	311,383	31,669,273
1953	6,659,970	2,381,100	10,206,625	9,377,245	172,792	28,797,732
1954	7,420,290	2,562,128	10,383,078	9,210,632	347,595	29,923,723
1955	8,380,366	3,461,625	9,554,618	8,744,905	167,898	30,309,412

CLASSIFICATION OF ACREAGES

* Fruit and Nut Crops	19,617 *
** Truck and Seed Crops	9,949 **
Field Crops	129,789
Pasture and Fallow Land	233,925
Urban and Other	69,000
Marsh Land	52,000
Brush	15,000
Water	47,360
Total Area	
901 Square Miles	576,640

124,400 Estimated Total County Population  
 423,423 Total Acres in Farms  
 82,400 Acres in Irrigated Farms

\* Includes non-bearing acreage  
 \*\* Includes non-bearing acreage of asparagus