

CROP REPORT

COUNTY
of
SAN MATEO

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*San Mateo County
Department of Agriculture*

Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of San Mateo

and

A. A. Brock, Director
State Department of Agriculture

Gentlemen:

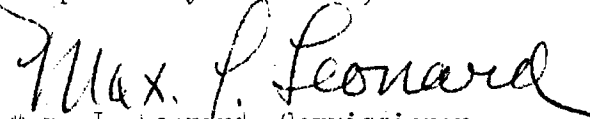
In accordance with the provisions of Section 65.5 of the Agricultural Code of the State of California, I herewith submit to you a report of the acreage, production and value of agricultural products for San Mateo County for the year 1949.

This report brings together agricultural statistics of the county including floriculture, horticulture, livestock, truck crops and field crops, and income accrued to the growers during the year 1949. The value of these figures is based entirely on the accuracy of information given by many cooperators and their willingness to give this information, together with investigations and detailed surveys made by members of this Department's staff. The figures for value are based on the gross income to the grower.

Total production value figures show a half million dollar decrease from 1948. This is accounted for by a general trend of lowering of prices for products grown in the county which follows closely the general state trend.

In submitting the report, we wish to express our appreciation to the many individuals, firms, official agencies and growers who have given information and otherwise helped us in this compilation.

Respectfully submitted,



Max. J. Leonard, Commissioner
Department of Agriculture
San Mateo County

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1949

SAN MATEO COUNTY

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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SAN MATEO COUNTY LAND USAGE

	<u>Acres</u>
Residential areas	22,880
Agricultural Crops	34,699
Grazing Land	59,140
Brush and Timber Land	169,361
TOTAL ACRES IN SAN MATEO COUNTY	286,080

VEGETABLES

Product	Acreage	Total Yield	Total Value
Asparagus	5	405 Crates	\$ 1,530.00
Anise	13	21,250 Bunches	8,500.00
Artichokes	1,749	261,900 Boxes	1,178,550.00
Beans:			
Green	48	3,325 60# Crates	23,940.00
Dry	267	3,338 100# Sax	20,025.00
Fava	121	847 100# Sax	3,338.00
Beets, Table	85	25,350 Crates	76,050.00
Broccoli (Sprouting)	243	48,600 Crates	165,240.00
Brussels Sprouts	2,074	8,815 Ton	1,902,440.00
Cabbage	848	10,176 Ton	381,600.00
Calabresi (Chicory)	9	2,725 Crates	11,200.00
Cardoni	3	9,000 Heads	4,500.00
Carrots	119	28,440 Crates	71,100.00
Cauliflower	107	58,600 Crates	73,250.00
Celery	39	19,025 Crates	38,050.00
Celery Root	17	4,845 Crates	7,268.00
Chard	20	7,776 Crates	15,552.00
Corn	27	4,050 L. A. Lugs	4,500.00
Dandelion	7	3,010 Crates	7,525.00
Garlic	14	448 100# Sax	6,720.00
Kale	10	3,178 Crates	3,814.00
Leek	19	8,170 Crates	20,425.00
Lettuce (All Var.)	539	187,450 Crates	357,056.00
Mushrooms	3	148,100 Lbs.	74,050.00
Mustard Greens	13	4,225 Crates	10,563.00
Onions, Green	24	10,800 Crates	59,400.00
Parsley	35	17,500 Crates	52,500.00
Parsnips	18	7,470 Crates	9,337.00
Peas, green	628	34,540 Crates	138,160.00
Peas, Cannery	256	230 Ton	17,050.00
Totals Forward	7,360		\$4,743,233.00

VEGETABLES CONTINUED

Product	Acreage	Total Yield	Total Value
TOTALS FORWARD	7,360		\$4,743,233.00
Potatoes, Irish	243	42,525 100# Sax	156,050.00
Radish	81	16,100 Crates	56,350.00
Salsify	9	2,700 Crates	8,100.00
Seasoning Plants	6	60,000 Bunches	31,060.00
Spinach	91	15,925 Crates	21,499.00
Squash:			
Summer	23	17,250 L. A. Lugs	21,563.00
Winter	18	175 Ton	7,875.00
Tomatoes	19	8,438 L. A. Lugs	17,605.00
Turnips	16	3,600 Crates	10,800.00
Miscellaneous Vegetables	20	-----	17,018.00
TOTALS	7,886		\$5,091,153.00

"Crates" means standard lettuce crate.

CUT FLOWERS

FIELD GROWN

Product	Acreage	Total Value
Acacia	80	\$ 36,000.00
Alstroemeria	19	24,480.00
Asters	40	120,000.00
Calla Lilies	128	359,525.00
Chrysanthemums	209	1,108,472.00
Gladiolus	51	77,550.00
Heather*	366	450,000.00
Iris (Dutch)	19	29,062.00
Marguerites	27	44,344.00
Narcissus	65	115,200.00
Shasta Daisies	13	25,778.00
Stocks	201	261,750.00
Strawflowers	54	86,400.00
Violets	34	135,000.00
Bulbs **1,568,500		191,420.00
Miscellaneous Flowers	114	159,250.00
TOTALS	1,420	\$3,224,231.00

* 300 Producing Acres.

** Includes bulbs, corms, rhizomes and tubers.

GLASS HOUSE GROWN

Product	Square Footage*	Total Value
Carnations	306,190	244,952.00
Ferns	853,348	426,647.00
Gardenias	591,300	670,260.00
Orchids	107,000	133,750.00
Roses	254,375	291,345.00
Snapdragons	96,654	88,561.00
Sweet Peas	30,075	18,045.00
Miscellaneous Cut Flowers	46,575	27,945.00
Potted Plants	352,782	370,421.00
Bedding Plants	109,983	120,981.00
Propagated Nursery Stock	82,359	276,732.00
TOTALS	2,830,641	\$2,669,639.00

TOTAL VALUE, ALL FLOWERS \$5,893,870.00

* Actual area covered by glass - 2,851,708 sq. ft.
(320 Growers - 133 Glass Ranges)

FIELD CROPS

Product	Acreage	Total Yield	Total Value
Barley (Grain)	2,098	32,130 100# sax	\$ 72,292.00
Flax (Seed)*	8,900	106,800 Bu.	427,200.00
Hay	8,737	13,000 Ton	290,980.00
Oats (Grain)	3,485	42,607 100# Sax	127,821.00
Wheat	333	3,658 100# Sax	10,974.00
Seed:			
Barley	27	51,200 Lbs.	8,819.00
Brussels Sprouts	--	410 Lbs.	4,920.00
Oats	72	127,400 Lbs.	5,733.00
Peas	10	20,000 Lbs.	3,000.00
Vetch	1,213	6,694 100# Sax	53,552.00
TOTALS	24,875		\$1,005,291.00

FRUIT AND NUT CROPS

Product	Acreage	Total Yield	Total Value
Apples	63	234 Ton	\$ 10,530.00
Apricots (Dry)	8	5 Ton	262.00
Berries (Bush)	19	50 Ton	14,630.00
Grapes	34	38 Ton	1,710.00
Pears	70	311 Ton	8,397.00
Prunes (Dry)	119	138 Ton	22,080.00
Strawberries	4	3,750 Crates	12,187.00
Walnuts	125	31 Ton	12,400.00
Miscellaneous Fruits	6	4 Ton	400.00
TOTALS	448		\$ 82,596.00

* Yield and income per acre based on flax after re-cleaning

BEEES AND LIVESTOCK

		Total Income
Apiary	1,033 Colonies	\$ 6,896.00
Beef	2,597 Head	191,605.00
Dairy	9,830 Head	1,860,807.00
Hogs	27,033 Head	1,356,862.00
Sheep	1,004 Head	13,575.00
<u>Poultry</u>		
Chickens	107,743 Birds	151,019.00
Ducks	189,044 Birds	395,074.00
Pigeons	8,900 Birds	40,050.00
Turkeys	3,600 Birds	20,736.00
Rabbits	2,189 Head	3,118.00
<hr/> TOTAL VALUE		<hr/> \$4,039,742.00 <hr/>

- Note:
1. Figures obtained through the courtesy and assistance of livestock producers and feed dealers.
 2. Number head includes breeding stock and increase.
 3. "Income" includes only stock or products sold.

RECAPITULATION

Production Values

Vegetables	\$5,091,153.00
Flowers	5,893,870.00
Field	1,005,291.00
Fruit and Nut Crops	82,596.00
Bees and Livestock	4,039,742.00

\$16,112,652.00
