

AGRICULTURAL CROP REPORT

County of Imperial

1947

OFFICE OF THE
AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER

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TO: The Honorable Board of Supervisors
and
The State Director of Agriculture.

It is required by Sec. 65.5 of the Agricultural Code that the Agricultural Commissioner compile a report covering the acreage, production, and value of the agricultural products of the County. Herewith is submitted such a report for the County of Imperial.

I wish to emphasize that these values are Gross Values, F.O.B. Shipping Point and include the cost of production, harvesting, and preparation for market. The net income to farmers was not increased in proportion to the gross sales due to lower efficiency from inexperienced agricultural labor, worn out equipment, and increased costs of all materials used in harvesting and handling the crops.

The members of our department, including office personnel, and District Inspectors have made an earnest endeavor to make this report as accurate as possible.

Our sincere appreciation is extended to farmers, packers, and shippers who have assisted in making this report possible.

Respectfully submitted,

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AGRICULTURAL CROP REPORT - PRODUCTION AND VALUATION
 COUNTY OF IMPERIAL
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F I E L D C R O P S

Alfalfa	21,227	Carloads	\$ 7,659,000
Alfalfa Meal	774	"	1,932,000
Barley	529	"	1,547,325
Wheat	22	"	74,250
Milo	56	"	182,000
Flax	839	"	10,662,851
Flax Straw	1,749	"	323,000
Flax Fiber	233	"	362,800
Rice	8	"	84,800
Rice By-Products	2	"	3,180
Sugar Beets	13,650	"	6,064,012
Grain Hay	545	"	141,700
			\$29,036,918

F R U I T A N D N U T S

Grapefruit	904	Carloads	\$ 709,640
Oranges	97	"	127,652
Tangerines	37	"	96,200
Lemons	6	"	11,088
Grapes	32	"	112,000
Fruit Juices	47,033	Cases	73,021
Dates	240,000	Pounds	96,000
Honey	1,495,880	"	194,464
Pecans	15,000	"	7,500
			\$ 1,427,565

V E G E T A B L E S

Lettuce	15,201	Carloads	\$17,025,120
Carrots	7,512	"	6,310,080
Carrots (Topped)	35	"	22,050
Cabbage	1,166	"	727,584
Cabbage (Bulk)	210	"	69,300
Peas	506	"	974,050
Onions	47	"	42,300
Mixed Vegetables	753	"	602,400
			\$25,772,884

TRUCK CROPS

Cantaloupes	5,741	Carloads	\$ 7,807,760
Honey Dews	286	"	250,250
Honey Balls	102	"	156,060
Mixed Melons	232	"	295,800
Tomatoes	1,721	"	3,872,250
Tomatoes (Cannery)	51	"	28,560
Squash	359	"	646,200
Cucumbers	130	"	146,250
Asparagus	15	"	41,040
Watermelons	1,900	"	<u>1,254,000</u>

TOTAL.....\$14,498,170

ANIMAL INDUSTRIES

Cattle	156,399	Head	\$13,293,915
Sheep	237,904	"	1,903,232
Wool	26	Cars	312,000
Hogs	10,338	Head	361,830
Goats	1,460	"	14,600
Horses	861	"	108,125
Dairy Cattle	8,501	"	1,062,625
Market Milk	2,098,156	Gallons	1,724,123
Dairy Products	9,456,807	Pounds	472,128
Cheese	533,225	"	218,571
Meat & Meat Prod.	2,973,025	"	236,222
Pasturage	402,804	Head	1,007,010
Poultry	5,393	Dozen	64,716
Turkeys	2,732	Head	15,026
Bees	16,123	Colonies	193,476
Bees Wax	16,400	Pounds	<u>7,380</u>

TOTAL.....\$20,994,979

MISC. ITEMS

Fertilizer	1,136	Carloads	\$ 127,800
Mineral Products	3,827	"	1,339,450
Salt	68	"	16,320
Dry Ice	10,000	Tons	700,000
Ice	300,000	"	<u>1,125,000</u>

TOTAL.....\$ 3,308,570

S E E D A N D C U T F L O W E R S

Cut Flowers			\$	60,000
Flower Seed	10,000	Pounds		18,000
Vegetable Seed	34,500	"		52,000
Lettuce "	55,422	"		54,074
Onion "	120,297	"		123,746
Alfalfa "	600,000	"		150,000
Clover "	100,000	"		10,000
Sesbania "	200,000	"		20,000
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			TOTAL.....\$	487,820

Soil Improvement Payments	\$400,000.00		
		TOTAL.....\$	400,000

R E C A P I T U L A T I O N

Field Crops	\$29,036,918
Fruit and Nuts	\$ 1,427,565
Vegetables	\$25,772,884
Truck Crops	\$14,498,170
Animal Industries	\$20,994,979
Misc. Items	\$ 3,308,570
Seed and Cut Flowers	\$ 487,820
Soil Improvement Payments	\$ 400,000
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GRAND TOTAL.....	\$95,926,906

ACREAGE 1947

Field Crops	319,582 Acres
Permanent Crops	5,402 "
Vegetable Crops	57,376 "

Area In Irrigated District	612,658 Acres
1942 Inclusion	272,130 "
Gross Area of District	822,788 "

Number of Farms	5,219 Farms
Average Area Per Farm	94 Acres

ASSESSED VALUATION

- 1910 -	- 1947 -
\$12,148,180.00	\$42,836,786.00

CROP AND LIVESTOCK VALUES

- 1937 -	- 1947 -
\$42,329,660.00	\$95,926,906.00