

AGRICULTURAL CROP REPORT



County Of Sonoma

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THE HONORABLE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
SONOMA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

Gentlemen:

I am pleased to submit the 1969 Agricultural Crop Report for Sonoma County as required by Section 2279 of the Agricultural Code.

The gross value of agricultural products for 1969 was \$76,607,105 which is a decrease of \$1,630,702 from the previous year. Lower returns were recorded in apples, pears and prunes and increases occurred in grapes, livestock and nursery products.

It must be emphasized that these figures show gross returns to the economy of the county and do not reflect the net returns to the growers.

Appreciation is expressed to those who have cooperated as individuals, agencies and producers for figures received, and particularly Joseph Violetti, Assistant Agricultural Commissioner, under whose direction it was compiled.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Harry F. McCracken'.

Harry F. McCracken
Agricultural Commissioner
of
Sonoma County

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FRUIT AND NUT CROPS

1968-69

Crop	Year	Bearing Acreage	Production (in tons)		Value		Total
			Per Acre	Total	Per Ton	Sub Total	
<u>APPLES, ALL</u>	1969	8,839	12.81	113,270	\$53.57		\$6,068,000
	1968	8,728	16.26	141,890	68.07		\$9,659,000
<u>Gravenstein</u>	1969	4,443	12.78	56,780	53.75	\$3,052,000	
	1968	4,406	17.60	77,590	63.78	\$4,949,000	
Fresh (a)	1969			4,680	105.00	\$491,000	
	1968			4,390	141.20	620,000	
Canned	1969			25,000	55.30	1,382,000	
	1968			37,600	71.30	2,681,000	
Juice-Cider	1969			15,400	42.40	653,000	
	1968			18,500	44.00	814,000	
Dried (b)	1969			11,700	45.00	526,000	
	1968			17,100	48.80	834,000	
<u>Late Apples</u>	1969	4,396	12.85	56,490	53.39	\$3,016,000	
	1968	4,322	14.90	64,300	73.25	\$4,710,000	
Fresh (a)	1969			7,990	88.00	703,000	
	1968			7,900	128.80	1,018,000	
Canned	1969			27,100	51.50	1,396,000	
	1968			28,200	73.20	2,064,000	
Juice-Cider	1969			11,000	41.30	454,000	
	1968			10,200	46.30	472,000	
Dried (b)	1969			10,400	44.50	463,000	
	1968			18,000	64.20	1,156,000	

(a) Value of naked fruit delivered to packing house

(b) Green tons and includes chops

Crop	Year	Bearing Acreage	Production (in tons)		Value		Total
			Per Acre	Total	Per Ton	Sub Total	
<u>GRAPES, WINE</u>	1969	12,603	2.37	29,870	\$166.29		\$4,967,000
	1968	12,764	2.39	30,510	132.97		\$4,057,000
<u>Common</u>	1969			24,700	149.00	\$3,680,000	
	1968			26,000	117.40	3,052,000	
<u>Premium</u>	1969			5,170	249.00	1,287,000	
	1968			4,510	222.80	1,005,000	
<u>PEARS</u>							
<u>Bartlett</u>	1969	2,001	5.68	11,372	87.16		991,200
	1968	1,992	5.26	10,480	116.04		1,216,120
Canned	1969			11,200	87.50	980,000	
	1968			10,400	116.00	1,206,000	
Fresh	1969			22	100.00	2,200	
	1968			5	150.00	750	
Dried (a)	1969			150	60.00	9,000	
	1968			75	125.00	9,370	
<u>PRUNES, ALL</u>							
	1969	15,997	1.09	17,500			4,949,000
	1968	16,146	1.37	22,100	272.71		6,027,000
<u>French</u>	1969			14,600	(d)	4,190,000	
	1968			16,100	287.00	4,621,000	
<u>Imperial</u>	1969			1,500	(d)	472,000	
	1968			1,600	315.00	504,000	
<u>Substandard (b)</u>	1969			1,400	(d)	287,000	
	1968			4,400	205.00	902,000	
<u>WALNUTS</u>							
	1969	1,223	.33	408	424.00		173,000
	1968	1,198	.730	870	632.00		550,000
<u>BLACK WALNUTS</u>							
	1969	106	2.05	217	49.30		10,700
	1968	106	1.90	200	50.00		10,000
<u>MISC. (c)</u>							
	1969	350					201,000
	1968	443					286,000
<u>TOTAL (e)</u>							
	1969						\$17,359,900
	1968						\$21,805,120

(a) Green Tons

(b) Does not reflect cost of hand sorting

(c) Includes plums, cherries, bushberries, etc.

(d) The 1968 season average price was used to determine the 1969 value of production

(e) Includes apples shown on previous page

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APIARY PRODUCTS

1968-69

<u>Item</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Production Total</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Value</u>	
				<u>Per Unit</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>HONEY</u>	1969	38,700	Lb.	.118	\$4,570
	1968	33,600	Lb.	.12	4,030
<u>WAX</u>	1969	590	Lb.	.65	385
	1968	500	Lb.	.57	285
<u>PACKAGE BEES</u>	1969	500	Lb.	.50	250
	1968	-	-	-	-
<u>POLLINATION</u>	1969				4,900
	1968				3,060
<u>TOTAL</u>	1969				\$10,105
	1968				\$7,375

VEGETABLE CROPS

<u>Crop</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Harvested Acreage</u>	<u>Total</u>
MISCELLANEOUS	1969	210	\$ 59,300
TRUCK FARMS*	1968	240	\$116,662

*Includes: Potatoes, sweet corn, melons, strawberries, etc.

SEED CROPS

<u>Crop</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Harvested Acreage</u>	<u>Total Production (in tons)</u>	<u>Per Ton</u>	<u>Total</u>
MISCELLANEOUS	1969	5,710	5,650	71.30	\$403,000
<u>SEED CROPS</u>	1968*	2,100	2,600	70.00	\$182,000

*Includes Oats for seed

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FIELD CROPS

1968-69

<u>Crop</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Harvested Acreage</u>	<u>Production</u>		<u>Unit</u>	<u>Value</u>	
			<u>Per Acre</u>	<u>Total</u>		<u>Per Unit</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>HAY</u>							
<u>Alfalfa</u>	1969	300	3.73	1,120	Ton	\$28.00	\$31,400
	1968	300	4.0	1,200	Ton	25.00	30,000
<u>Grain</u>	1969	22,700	2.37	53,900	Ton	24.00	1,294,000
	1968	21,600	2.38	51,300	Ton	21.00	1,077,000
<u>Wild</u>	1969	1,200	1.0	1,200	Ton	21.00	25,200
	1968	1,400	1.0	1,400	Ton	19.00	26,600
<u>GREEN CHOP</u>	1969	505	9.01	4,550	Ton	8.00	36,400
	1968	1,240	7.84	9,720	Ton	7.00	68,000
<u>OATS</u>	1969	625	.99	620	Ton	50.00	31,000
	1968	4,270	1.24	5,290	Ton	65.00	344,000
<u>PASTURE</u>							
<u>Irrigated</u>	1969	15,000			Acre	45.00	675,000
	1968	15,000			Acre	45.00	675,000
<u>Grassland</u>	1969	228,000			Acre	3.00	684,000
	1968	240,000			Acre	3.00	720,000
<u>Woodland</u>	1969	195,000			Acre	.40	78,000
	1968	205,000			Acre	.40	82,000
<u>Sudan</u>	1969	100			Acre	30.00	3,000
	1968	100			Acre	30.00	3,000
<u>SILAGE CORN</u>	1969	930	14.8	13,800	Ton	9.50	131,000
	1968	1,000	15.0	15,000	Ton	9.00	135,000
<u>STRAW</u>	1969			2,400	Ton	11.00	26,400
	1968			4,100	Ton	9.00	36,900
<u>MISCELLANEOUS (a)</u>							
	1969	670		800	Ton		41,500
	1968	500		500	Ton		22,350
<u>TOTAL</u>	1969						\$3,056,900
	1968						\$3,219,850

(a) Includes Barley, Wheat, Grain, Sorghum, etc.

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NURSERY PRODUCTS

1968-69

Item	Year	Production Field Acres	Sold	Unit	Value	
					Per Unit	Total
<u>DECIDUOUS FRUIT & NUT TREES</u>	1969	2.25	22,200	Plant	.86	\$19,100
	1968	2.5	24,100	Plant	.85	20,500
<u>GRAPE VINES</u>						
<u>Non-Grafted</u>	1969	9.5	333,000	Plant	.243	80,900
	1968	5.0	101,000	Plant	.165	16,700
<u>Grafted</u>	1969	13.25	241,000	Plant	.41	98,800
	1968	8.0	178,000	Plant	.37	65,900
<u>ORNAMENTALS (a)</u>	1969		507,000	Plant	.675	342,000
	1968		430,000	Plant	.65	280,000
<u>BEDDING PLANTS</u>	1969		84,100	Flats	3.47	292,000
	1968		65,000	Flats	3.40	221,000
<u>CHRISTMAS TREES</u>	1969		21,300	Tree	5.87	125,000
	1968		22,000	Tree	5.50	121,000
<u>MISCELLANEOUS PRODUCTS</u> (b)	1969					85,700
	1968					69,600
<u>TOTAL</u>	1969					\$1,043,500
	1968					\$794,700

(a) Includes Liners

(b) Includes Cut Flowers, Bulbs, Rhizomes, Roots, etc.

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LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY

1968-69

<u>Item</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Production</u>			<u>Value</u>	
		<u>Number Of Head</u>	<u>Total Liveweight</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Per Unit</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>CATTLE AND CALVES</u>	1969	62,200	311,000	Cwt.	\$27.30	\$8,490,000
	1968	56,800	273,000	Cwt.	25.20	6,880,000
<u>SHEEP AND LAMBS</u>	1969	72,400	65,600	Cwt.	20.50	1,345,000
	1968	80,400	72,000	Cwt.	18.60	1,339,000
<u>HOGS AND PIGS</u>	1969	3,220	9,100	Cwt.	21.90	199,000
	1968	3,470	8,490	Cwt.	22.80	194,000
<u>FRYERS AND ROASTERS</u>	1969	1,294,000	7,267,000	Lb.	.242	1,759,000
	1968	1,251,000	6,781,000	Lb.	.239	1,621,000
<u>OTHER CHICKENS</u>	1969	910,000	3,437,000	Lb.	.098	337,000
	1968	902,000	3,696,000	Lb.	.0680	251,000
<u>CHICKS</u>	1969	12,390,000		Each	.142	1,759,000
	1968	15,854,000		Each	.130	2,061,000
<u>TURKEYS</u>	1969	166,000	3,235,000	Lb.	.225	728,000
	1968	173,000	3,188,000	Lb.	.201	641,000
<u>RABBITS</u>	1969	10,400	60,900	Lb.	.253	15,400
	1968	20,000	93,000	Lb.	.27	25,100
<u>OTHER POULTRY (a)</u> <u>PRODUCTS</u>	1969					1,005,000
	1968					636,000
<u>TOTAL</u>	1969					\$15,637,400
	1968					\$13,648,100

(a) Includes Ducks, Ducklings and Turkey Poults

<u>Item</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Production</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Value</u>	
				<u>Per Unit</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>MILK</u>					
<u>Market</u>	1969	4,821,000	Cwt.	\$5.48	\$26,419,000
	1968 (a)	4,920,000	Cwt.	5.34	26,273,000
<u>Manufacturing</u>	1969	175,000	Cwt.	4.72	826,000
	1968 (a)	177,000	Cwt.	4.58	811,000
<u>WOOL (b)</u>	1969	558,000	Lb.	.38	212,000
	1968	615,000	Lb.	.398	245,000
<u>EGGS, CHICKEN</u>					
<u>Market</u>	1969	32,055,000	Doz.	.31	9,937,000
	1968	32,663,000	Doz.	.28	9,146,000
<u>Hatching</u>	1969	1,104,000	Doz.	.687	758,000
	1968	1,446,000	Doz.	.66	954,000
<u>MISCELLANEOUS PRODUCTS (c)</u>	1969				885,000
	1968				1,035,000
<u>TOTAL</u>	1969				\$39,037,000
	1968 (a)				\$38,464,000

- (a) Revised
 (b) Does not include incentive payments
 (c) Included market duck eggs and turkey hatching eggs

JANUARY 1 INVENTORIES OF
 LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY 1969-70 (NO. OF HEAD)

<u>Item</u>	<u>1-1-69</u>	<u>1-1-70</u>
<u>CATTLE AND CALVES, ALL</u>	115,000	110,400
Milk Cows and Heifers, 2 years and over	53,000	52,400
<u>SHEEP AND LAMBS, ALL</u>	80,900	75,100
<u>HOGS AND PIGS</u>	2,700	2,100
<u>LAYING HENS AND PULLETS</u>	1,860,000	1,811,000
<u>TURKEY BREEDERS</u>	39,200	54,500

SONOMA COUNTY	SUMMARY	1968-69
	<u>1969</u>	<u>1968</u>
<u>APIARY</u>	\$10,105	\$7,375
<u>FIELD CROPS</u>	3,056,900	3,219,850
<u>FRUIT AND NUT CROPS</u>	17,359,900	21,805,120
<u>LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY</u>	15,637,400	13,648,100
<u>LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY PRODUCTS</u>	39,037,000	38,464,000*
<u>NURSERY PRODUCTS</u>	1,043,500	794,700
<u>SEED</u>	403,000	182,000
<u>VEGETABLE CROPS</u>	59,300	116,662
<u>TOTAL</u>	\$76,607,105	\$78,237,807*

*Revised

<u>Crops</u>	<u>Bearing Acres</u>	<u>Non-Bearing Acres</u>	<u>Total Acres</u>
<u>ALMONDS</u>	1	-	1
<u>APPLES</u>			
<u>Gravenstein</u>	4,443	173	4,616
<u>Delicious</u>	774	49	823
<u>Delicious, Golden</u>	768	252	1,020
<u>Jonathan</u>	733	28	761
<u>Newtown</u>	99	3	102
<u>Rome</u>	1,426	383	1,809
<u>All Others</u>	596	81	677
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>8,839</u>	<u>969</u>	<u>9,808</u>
<u>APRICOTS</u>	6	-	6
<u>CHERRIES</u>			
<u>Royal Ann</u>	243	2	245
<u>All Others</u>	50	7	57
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>293</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>302</u>
<u>CHESTNUTS</u>	1	-	1
<u>FIGS</u>	9	1	10
<u>FILBERTS</u>	3	-	3
<u>GRAPES</u>	12,579	921	13,500
(Note: See Following Page For Breakdown)			
<u>CITRUS</u>	46	0	46
<u>OLIVES</u>	48	0	48
<u>PEACH, CLINGSTONE</u>	3	0	3
<u>PEACH, FREESTONE</u>	19	0	19
<u>PEARS, BARTLETT</u>	1,988	236	2,224
<u>All Others</u>	13	0	13
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>2,001</u>	<u>236</u>	<u>2,237</u>
<u>PLUMS</u>	23	0	23
<u>PRUNES</u>			
<u>French</u>	14,351	461	14,812
<u>Imperial</u>	1,606	9	1,615
<u>All Others</u>	40	5	45
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>15,997</u>	<u>475</u>	<u>16,472</u>
<u>WALNUTS</u>			
<u>Budded</u>	1,223	37	1,260
<u>Black</u>	106	0	106
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>1,329</u>	<u>37</u>	<u>1,366</u>
<u>TOTAL ACREAGE</u>			<u>43,845</u>

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BLACK WINE GRAPES
(Grown In Sonoma County)

1969

<u>Variety</u>	<u>Bearing Acres</u>	<u>Non-Bearing Acres</u>	<u>Total Acres</u>
Alicante Bouschet	491	0	491
Alicante Ganzin	14	0	14
Barbera	37	0	37
Beclan	20	0	20
Bouschet, Petite	11	0	11
Burgundy, Early	207	2	209
Cabernet, Franc	8	0	8
Cabernet, Ruby	39	0	39
Cabernet, Sauvignon	452	290	742
Carignane	2,033	12	2,045
Gamay, Napa Valley	122	1	123
Gamay, Beaujolais	0	45	45
Grenache	42	0	42
Malbec	8	0	8
Malvoisie, Black	15	0	15
Mataro	9	0	9
Merlot	35	5	40
Meunier	4	0	4
Mission	26	0	26
Noir, Grand	101	0	101
Noir, Pinot	208	155	363
Rubi Red	6	0	6
Refosco (Mondeuse)	18	0	18
Salvador	5	0	5
San Miguel	7	0	7
Sirah, Petite	1,431	10	1,441
St. George, Pinot	5	6	11
Valdepenas	4	0	4
Zinfandel	4,041	51	4,092
Other Blacks	76	12	88
TOTAL	9,475	589	10,064

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WHITE WINE GRAPES
(Grown In Sonoma County)

1969

<u>Variety</u>	<u>Bearing Acres</u>	<u>Non-Bearing Acres</u>	<u>Total Acres</u>
Bianca, Maluasias	10	0	10
Blanc, Chenin	194	50	244
Blanc, Pinot	45	10	55
Blanc, Sauvignon	401	0	401
Burger	192	3	195
Chasselas Dore (Chasselas de Fontainbleu)	9	0	9
Chiante	92	0	92
Chardonnay	107	109	216
Colombard, French	768	31	799
Flora	3	0	3
Folle blanche	25	0	25
Gewurtztraminer	42	4	46
Hungarian, Green	18	2	20
Kleinberger	6	0	6
Muscabelle	4	0	4
Palomino (Golden Chasselas)	704	0	704
Riesling, Gray	19	0	19
Riesling, White	56	97	153
Rosetta	10	0	10
Sauvignon, Vert	79	0	79
Semillon	183	0	183
Sylvaner	128	0	128
Other White	9	26	35
TOTAL	3,104	332	3,436