

1957  
AGRICULTURAL  
CROP REPORT

L. O. Haupt  
Commissioner

280 - 11<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> Avenue

Claude W. Bridges  
Deputy

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Hanford, California  
CROP REPORT

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Ext. 74

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KINGS COUNTY  
Mr. W. C. Jacobsen,  
State of California  
Department of Agriculture  
Sacramento 14, California

and  
The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Kings  
Hanford, California  
L. O. HAUPT  
Agricultural Commissioner

Gentlemen,

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I wish to thank all who assisted by supplying the information that made the preparation possible.

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IN MEMORIAM  
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JAMES H. McCOY  
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Very truly yours,

Cover: Picture of plaque, an exact reproduction of the Kings County Seal, made entirely of grain. This plaque was made by James H. McCoy during his association with this office. The Staff of this Department is proud to present this cover as a memorial to him.

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CROP	ACREAGE	YIELD	UNIT VALUE	TOTAL VALUE
FRUIT				
Apricots				
Dried			\$ 36,070.00	
Shipped			15,167.00	
Current		2,694 tons	215,133.00	
Total Apricots				\$ 266,630.00

Mr. W. C. Jacobsen, Director  
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Gentlemen,

In accordance with Section 65.5 of the Agricultural Code, I submit the Annual Kings County Crop Report, giving production and value of all crops produced and marketed in 1957.

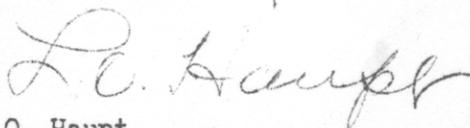
In general, 1957 was favorable for most all crops. Cotton, as usual, was the top income producing crop with production, an all time high, of 1.93 bales per acre, with a slight price increase. Other field crops showing an increase in production were barley, alfalfa hay and seed. The area in the vicinity of Murray proved very productive for melons and potatoes.

The livestock industry, particularly beef cattle and sheep, showed an increase in production and price, while dairying increased in production with a price about equal to the previous year.

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FRUIT AND NUT CROPS  
KINGS COUNTY  
1957

CROP	ACREAGE	YIELD	UNIT VALUE	TOTAL VALUE
FRUIT				
Apricots	442.9			
Dried	614.7	8,76 tons *53 <sup>1</sup>	\$ 36,030.00	
Shipped Fresh		194 tons	15,467.00	
Cannery	1,801.2	2,694 tons	215,133.00	
Total Apricots		195 tons *53 <sup>1</sup>	\$ 71,175.00	\$ 266,630.00
		2,980 tons	178,800.00	
		3,628 tons	409,828.00	
Grapes				
Juice and Table	523.1	3,714 tons	196,696.00	\$ 1,193,439.00
Thompson and Sultana	1,599.4	15.8 tons		\$ 2,200.00
Dried Cannery		713 tons *285 <sup>2</sup>	178,250.00	\$ 106,134.00
Winery		200 tons	12,000.00	
		5,937 tons	299,859.00	
Muscats	2,282.7			
Dried Shipped Fresh		76 tons *304	19,000.00	\$ 398,668.00
Winery		4,230 tons	253,800.00	
		5,798 tons	336,340.00	\$ 3,567,370.00
Total Grapes				\$ 1,295,945.00
Nectarines	77.7	794 tons		\$ 89,041.00
Olives	391	1,230 tons		\$ 215,313.00

\* Dry tons

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FIELD CROPS  
FRUIT AND NUT CROPS  
KINGS COUNTY  
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CROP	ACREAGE	YIELD	UNIT VALUE	TOTAL VALUE
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FRUIT	65,000	229,050 tons	\$ 5,208,597.00	
	6,550	3,327,208 lbs.	1,039,567.00	
Peaches				\$ 6,248,164.00
Clingstone	614.7	8,538 tons	\$ 533,636.00	
Freestone	1,201.2			
Dried		195 tons *1365	\$ 71,175.00	
Shipped Fresh		2,980 tons	178,800.00	\$ 24,366,551.00
Cannery		8,628 tons	409,828.00	
Total Peaches				\$ 1,193,439.00
Persimmons	2	15.8 tons	\$ 2,200.00	
Plums	133	708 tons	\$ 106,134.00	
TOTAL - ALL FRUIT AND NUT CROPS			\$ 3,567,370.00	
Walnuts	945.7	820 tons	\$ 398,668.00	

\* Dry tons

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FIELD CROPS  
KINGS COUNTY  
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CROP	ACREAGE	YIELD	UNIT VALUE	TOTAL VALUE
Alfalfa				
Hay	45,000	229,050 tons	\$ 5,208,597.00	\$ 82,413.00
Seed	6,550	3,327,208 lbs	1,039,567.00	
Total Alfalfa				\$ 6,248,164.00
Barley	210,000	329,700 tons	14,150,724.00	\$ 55,113.00
Barley Seed	1,825	3,252 tons	215,827.00	
Total Barley				\$ 14,366,551.00
Beans	700	350 tons		\$ 49,014.00
Cotton	91,500			\$ 55,150.00
Lint		176,595 bales	30,524,446.00	
Seed		63,403 tons	3,423,780.00	
Planting Seed		2,819 tons	182,215.00	
Total Cotton				\$ 34,130,441.00
Corn				\$ 310.00
Field	2,970	6,178 tons		\$ 287,258.00
Ensilage - Corn and Sorghum	4,513	76,450 tons		\$ 543,561.00
Flax	260	8,060 bushels		\$ 27,001.00
Grain Hay	3,204	12,655 tons		\$ 266,657.00
Milo	10,832	16,359 tons		\$ 703,452.00

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FIELD CROPS  
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CROP	ACREAGE	YIELD	UNIT VALUE	TOTAL VALUE
Oats	1,120	1,534 tons	crates	\$ 82,413.00
Safflower	160	177 tons	tons	\$ 13,297.00
Straw		6,072 tons	crates	\$ 55,143.00
Screenings Alfalfa and Barley		593 tons	crates	\$ 10,890.00
Sugar Beets	618.5	10,720 tons	crates	\$ 128,638.00
Wheat	456	730 tons	sacks	\$ 55,150.00
Seed - Other			bags	\$ 25,425.00
Canary Grass	190	111 tons		\$ 13,272.00
Clover Pennscott Red	60	10 tons	crates	\$ 6,041.00
Seasame	15	3 tons	crates	\$ 610.00
Sudan - Piper	40	13 tons	tons	\$ 1,696.00
Vetch	400	82 tons		\$ 9,840.00
TOTAL - ALL TRUCK CROPS				\$ 1,588,604.00
TOTAL - ALL FIELD CROPS				\$ 56,999,089.00

TRUCK CROPS  
KINGS COUNTY AND  
LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS  
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CROP	ACREAGE	YIELD	UNIT	TOTAL VALUE
Asparagus	70	6,000	crates	\$ 16,500.00
Bush Berries	1.5	3	tons	\$ 720.00
Strawberries	2.25	1,200	crates	\$ 2,000.00
Total Dairy Products				\$ 9,083,100.00
Cabbage	18	5,500	crates	\$ 9,625.00
Cauliflower	10	250	crates	\$ 438.00
Potatoes	707	137,596	sacks	\$ 258,681.00
Tomatoes	13.5	16,189	lugs	\$ 25,425.00
Total Cattle				7,111,035.00
Melons				
Cantaloupes	1,249	331,035	crates	\$ 1,224,829.00
Persians, Crenshaws Casabas & Honeydews	55	23,119	crates	\$ 49,936.00
Watermelons	5	18	tons	\$ 450.00
Total Other Livestock and Products				1,133,638.00
TOTAL - ALL TRUCK CROPS				\$ 1,588,604.00
TOTAL - DAIRY, LIVESTOCK AND LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS				\$ 17,328,073.00

DAIRY, LIVESTOCK AND  
LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS  
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ITEM	PRODUCTION	ITEM VALUE	TOTAL VALUE
DAIRY	1,603,941 dozen	\$ 554,276.00	
Manufacturing Milk	3,120,000 lbs	\$ 2,870,400.00	
Market Milk	5,700,000 lbs	6,213,000.00	
	100,000 birds	17,000.00	
Total Dairy Products			\$ 9,083,400.00
LIVESTOCK			
Cattle	627,000 eggs	161,350.00	
Beef, Dairy Cows and Calves Sold	100 birds	3,966,075.00	
Cattle in Feed Yards - Gains		<u>3,144,960.00</u>	
	170,100 birds		
Total Cattle		7,111,035.00	
	228,400 birds	159,800.00	
Other Livestock and Products	31,200 birds	60,292.00	
Hogs		199,512.00	\$ 1,631,171.00
Sheep and Lambs		717,469.00	
Wool		<u>216,657.00</u>	
Total Other Livestock and Products		1,133,638.00	\$ 2,737,270.00
Total - Livestock and Livestock Products			\$ 8,244,673.00
TOTAL - DAIRY, LIVESTOCK AND LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS			\$ 17,328,073.00

POULTRY  
KINGS COUNTY  
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ITEM	PRODUCTION	ITEM VALUE	TOTAL VALUE
Chickens	Colonies	UNIT VALUE	TOTAL VALUE
Eggs	1,603,941 dozen	\$ 554,226.00	
Meat Birds	845,630 birds	534,920.00	
Baby Chicks	100,000 birds	17,000.00	
Total Chickens		32,842.00	\$ 1,106,146.00
Turkeys			\$ 96,015.00
Eggs	627,000 eggs	161,350.00	
Meat Birds - Toms	162,000 birds	724,140.00	
Meat Birds - Hens	170,100 birds	525,609.00	
Poults	228,400 birds	159,880.00	
Beltsville Whites	34,200 birds	60,192.00	
Total Turkeys		18,835.00	\$ 1,631,171.00
TOTAL - ALL POULTRY			\$ 2,737,317.00

APIARY PRODUCTS  
and  
NURSERY STOCK  
KINGS COUNTY  
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APIARY	Colonies	RECAPITULATION YIELD	UNIT VALUE	TOTAL VALUE
Bees	11,105			96,045.00
Honey		247 tons	\$ 59,275.00	
Wax		7,977 lbs	4,428.00	
Pollinization			32,342.00	
TOTAL APIARY				\$ 96,045.00

NURSERY

	Bedding Plants and Nursery Stock	Farm Values		
	1956	\$ 18,835.00		
	1955	67,579,193.00		
	1954	70,153,371.00		
TOTAL - NURSERY	1953	65,928,548.00	\$	18,835.00
	1952	72,253,385.00		
	1951	82,087,866.00		
	1950	58,832,106.00		
	1949	54,816,308.00		
	1948	55,114,686.00		

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RECAPITULATION

APIARY PRODUCTS	\$ 96,045.00
DAIRY PRODUCTS	\$ 9,083,400.00
FIELD CROPS	\$ 56,999,089.00
FRUIT AND NUT CROPS	\$ 3,567,370.00
LIVESTOCK AND LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS	\$ 8,244,673.00
NURSERY STOCK	\$ 18,835.00
POULTRY AND POULTRY PRODUCTS	\$ 2,737,317.00
TRUCK CROPS	\$ 1,588,604.00
 TOTAL FARM VALUE	 \$ 82,335,333.00

Farm Values

1956	\$ 72,587,911.00
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