

COUNTY OF PLACER
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
130 Maple Street, Auburn, Calif.

Honorable A. A. Brock, Director
State of California Dept. of Agriculture
and
The Honorable Board of Supervisors
Placer County

Gentlemen:

In compliance with Section 65.5 of the Agricultural Code I am publishing this report showing the Acreage, Production, and the Values of the agricultural products of Placer County for the year 1951.

These 1951 agricultural returns were the highest in the history of Placer County. However, it should not reflect that the farmer's profits were the greatest, as the cost of production, has risen accordingly.

The high returns can be traced to a very good range-pasture year, and the expansion of the livestock industry, along with rising meat prices. The price of plums was very satisfactory from mid-season on and the total returns from pears, although about the same as last year would have been higher had it not been for considerable hail damage. Forestry production returns figured on a stumpage basis brought in \$1,033,509.00 and have been added to this report for the first time because of the many requests for this information.

The values shown are based on the price the grower received at his ranch after harvesting but before the packing charges, brokerage, freight and other costs are added. Had these additional charges been added, the totals would have been much greater as many industries in Placer County are dependant on the farmer's produce from the time it leaves his ranch, and until it reaches the eastern markets.

I wish to publicly thank the Packing House Managers, the Division of Forestry, the Agricultural Extension Service, and members of the Farm Bureau whose helpful cooperation made this report more accurate and complete.

Respectfully submitted,


W. H. WILSON
Agricultural Commissioner

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AGRICULTURAL CROP REPORT - 1951

COUNTY OF PLACER

W. H. WILSON, AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER

130 Maple Street - AUBURN, CALIFORNIA

L I V E S T O C K P R O D U C T S

	<u>PRODUCTION</u>	<u>FARM VALUE</u>
DAIRY COWS	2,500 Head	\$ 625,000.00
CATTLE	10,000 Head	2,500,000.00
CALVES	8,000 Head	1,280,000.00
MILKFAT	826,000 Pounds	957,320.00
HOGS	10,000 Head	357,000.00
LAMBS	40,000 Head	1,200,000.00
WOOL	302,000 Pounds	256,700.00
MILK GOATS AND KIDS	1,800 Head	21,600.00
RABBITS	21,000 Head	21,000.00
HORSES	420 Head	21,000.00
POULTRY		
Meat	726,300 Pounds	\$ 203,372.00
Eggs	858,200 Dozen	429,100.00
Hatchery Chicks	20,000	3,200.00
TURKEYS		
Meat	3,113,000 Pounds	1,089,550.00
Hatchery eggs	360,000 Eggs	108,000.00
Poults	162,000	113,400.00
		<u>\$9,186,242.00</u>

F I E L D C R O P S

<u>CROP</u>	<u>ACREAGE</u>	<u>PRODUCTION</u>	<u>FARM VALUE</u>
WHEAT	10,000	3,500 Tons	252,000.00
OATS	5,000	1,125 Tons	73,125.00
BARLEY	1,500	750 Tons	46,500.00
RICE	4,230	151,550 Sacks	644,087.00
HOPS	360	504,000 Pounds	378,000.00
RANGE & PASTURE			
RENTAL	203,641		407,282.00
STUBBLE RENTAL	12,000		24,000.00
			<u>\$1,824,994.00</u>

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

<u>CROP</u>	<u>BEARING ACREAGE</u>	<u>PRODUCTION</u>	<u>FARM VALUE</u>
ALMONDS	392	70 Tons	\$ 28,000.00
APRICOTS Packed Fresh	34	2,944 Pkgs.	7,360.00
CHERRIES Packed Fresh	322	10,091 Pkgs.	28,961.00
Cannery		120 Tons	26,400.00
WINE GRAPES Packed Fresh	2,866	1,845 Tons	102,650.00
Winery		1,540 Tons	57,750.00
NECTARINES	15	2,200 Pkgs.	4,400.00
OLIVES Packed Fresh	414	82 Tons	18,869.00
ORANGES	40	2,500 Pkgs.	6,250.00
PEACHES Packed Fresh	1,456	94,000 Pkgs.	122,200.00
Cannery		2,955 Tons	199,850.00
PEARS Packed Fresh	5,457		
Early Pears		37,000 Pkgs.	92,500.00
Bartletts		414,814 Pkgs.	991,405.00
Cannery			
Bartletts		24,292 Tons	1,619,790.00
Winter		2,099 Tons	73,465.00
PERSIMMONS	142	34,340 Pkgs.	38,540.00
PLUMS Packed Fresh	10,035	1,660,235 pkgs.	3,436,686.00
Processed		710 Tons	17,750.00
PRUNES	92	21 Tons	2,946.00
QUINCE Packed Fresh	33	6,000 Pkgs.	6,000.00
Cannery		44 Tons	1,320.00
WALNUTS	22	18 Tons	7,920.00
			<u>\$6,891,012.00</u>

M I S C E L L A N E O U S

<u>CROP</u>	<u>PRODUCTION</u>	<u>FARM VALUE</u>
NURSERY STOCK		
Fruit Trees	600,783 Trees	\$ 390,508.00
Ornamentals	29,550 Plants	19,207.00
Bedding Plants	4,250 Flats	6,250.00
APIARY		
Honey	60,000 Pounds	6,000.00
Wax	1,500 Pounds	750.00
Package Bees	3,500 Pkgs.	10,500.00
Queens	3,000	3,000.00
Colonies for Pollination	1,500	2,250.00
LADINO CLOVER - 505 Acres -	112,600 Pounds Seed	129,710.00
MISCELLANEOUS BERRIES AND ROW CROPS	190 Acres	74,168.00
GOVERNMENT PAYMENTS (PMA)		<u>130,207.00</u>
		\$ 772,550.00

F O R E S T R Y P R O D U C T I O N

<u>BOARD FEET</u>	<u>AVERAGE STUMPAGE VALUE</u>	<u>VALUE</u>
66,678,000	\$15.50 per M	\$1,033,509.00

S U M M A R Y

LIVESTOCK - - - - -	\$ 9,186,242.00
FIELD CROPS - - - - -	1,824,994.00
DECIDUOUS FRUITS - - - - -	6,891,013.00
MISCELLANEOUS - - - - -	772,550.00
FORESTRY PRODUCTION - - - - -	<u>1,033,509.00</u>
<u>GRAND TOTAL</u>	\$19,708,308.00

GRAND TOTALS SINCE 1943

1943 - -	\$13,761,065.76	1948 - -	\$17,212,583.38
1944 - -	10,463,373.18	1949 - -	11,334,332.30
1945 - -	11,217,636.19	1950 - -	14,943,138.94
1946 - -	13,514,477.01	1951 - -	19,708,308.00
1947 - -	14,286,966.00		