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This annual Agricultural Crop and Production Report is submitted as provided in Section 65.5 of the California Agricultural Code.

The acreage listed herein only includes those crops that are raised for sale off the farm. Many thousands of acres of hay and pasture are produced and consumed on the farm; the income is reflected through sales of livestock and milk.

Milk production is below 1954, due to several factors. Marketing conditions one; surplus production another, together with a slight decrease in price of retail milk which was passed on to the producer. Loss of six dairy farms to subdivisions is a factor in less milk production than in former years.

Field crops show an increase over 1954, especially hay. Hay was in good demand.

Truck or produce farming shows a slight increase with promise of more to come during 1956.

Canners, Cutters, and other cattle showed an increase. Heavy culling of dairy cows and some beef herds going out of business, is directly the cause of the increase shipping to market.

Sheep population remained about normal; a little heavier shipping in lambs.

Hog sales are up, and eggs and poultry meats fell below 1954, with the exception of turkeys.

Field grown florist stock and the Plant Nursery Industry made a healthy gain - a result of our unprecedented home building.

The Orchard and Vineyard acreage shrinks considerably each year, and in spite of this, reports show more of their products marketed than anticipated by the statistician.

In spite of future inroads on our farming areas for subdivisions Marin County will hold its lead in dairy production and remain at the present level of general farming.

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CROP REPORT 1955

FRUIT, NUTS AND HONEY

<u>CROP</u>	<u>ACRES</u>	<u>PRODUCTION</u>	<u>GROSS VALUE</u>
Apples, Peaches and Apricots	37-1/2	1,398 L.A. lugs	\$1,620.00
Pears	27	67 Tons	4,110.00
Prunes	10	27 "	1,620.00
Grapes	48-3/4	147 "	7,350.00
Walnuts	55	28,549 lbs	8,207.00
Apiary	259 Colonies		
Honey - Commercial sales		7,610 "	1,834.00
Home sales and use		12,560 "	2,201.00
			\$ 26,942.00

PRODUCE CROPS

Potatoes	32 acres	79-1/2 tons	10,078.00
Artichokes	70 "	4,768 crates	11,920.00
Sweet corn & tomatoes	4-1/2	896 "	1,088.00
Cauliflower	2-1/2	386 "	654.00
Beans	3-1/2	1,274 "	6,339.00
			\$ 30,079.00

FIELD CROPS

Hay (grain)	2,050	5,748 tons	138,211.00
Barley	365	475 "	19,950.00
Wheat	336	545 "	36,515.00
Vetch	600	525 "	84,000.00
Oats	1,366	1,654 "	76,750.00
Rye grass seed	75	5-1/2 "	592.00
			\$356,018.00

POULTRY AND EGGS

Eggs		20,957 cases	278,416.00
Fryers		37,867 lbs	12,561.00
Hens, Capons and Pullets		20,295 birds	15,749.00
Turkeys		13,506 "	72,214.00
Ducks and Geese		180 "	408.00
			\$379,348.00

LIVESTOCK INDUSTRY

Cattle (Purebred beef stock)	990 head	\$146,669.00
Canners, Cutters and Commercial (cows)	5,827 "	512,407.00
Veal calves	11,045 "	200,454.00
Calves (small or drop)	1,247 "	2,930.00
Bulls	157 "	30,772.00
Dairy Cows (auction)	614 "	85,392.00
Purchased for reduction works (all types)	675 "	1,312.00
		<u>\$979,936.00</u>

SHEEP

Lambs	11,836 "	168,032.00
Ewes and Rams	1,948 "	12,069.00

Wool

134,000 lbs	83,080.00
	<u>\$263,181.00</u>

HOGS

1,560 head	\$ 49,443.00
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DAIRY INDUSTRY

Milk production reported in milk fat pounds

Market milk	7,197,000 lbs
Manufacturing milk	468,000 "
	<u>7,665,000 " milk fat</u>

Price received by Producers

Market milk	1.19 per lb. "
Manufacturing milk	.71 " "

Value of milk production

Market milk	8,565,000.00
Manufacturing milk	332,000.00
	<u>\$8,897,000.00</u>

NURSERY INDUSTRY

Nursery Stock sales (87 nursery licenses)	850,449.00
Field grown cut flowers (27 acres)	92,012.00
	<u>\$ 942,461.00</u>

GRAND TOTAL:

\$11,924,408.00

Grand total for 1953 -	\$13,255,635.00
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