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AGRICULTURAL CROP REPORT

MARIN COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

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The acreages shown in this report are those crops sold off the farm. Consumption of crops through livestock feed is reflected in the returns for dairy and livestock sales. Sheep for meat and breeding purposes show a decided increase but an explanation is necessary. The trend is upward as shown by wool sales, however, the increase is not so great as shown by the report over 1949 due to the fact all out of county sales outlets had not been found at the time. Other livestock show a decrease, this trend is general in the county and follows very closely the observations of the T. B. and Dairy inspectors, although the income is higher than 1949. This trend is shown by the decrease in market milk, however manufacturing milk increased slightly but the overall picture is a lower production than in 1949.

Field crops show a decided increase in oats and hay and vetch.

Nursery industry increased slightly. All other productions show normal trend affecting the industry under climatic, marketing and other harvesting problems.

It must be remembered that the returns shown in this report are f.o.b. and in no way can be interpreted as net value to farmers.

ANIMAL INDUSTRY - Livestock products

		Gross Value
Cattle for beef and beef cattle	4,284 head	\$1,003,224
Calves (veal)	2,306 "	89,630
Hogs	1,287 "	58,045
Dairy cows (Los Angeles auction)	1,094 "	348,080
Sheep and lambs	9,000 "	193,500
Wool	171,000 lbs.	111,150
Cows, calves, horses for by products	30,950 head	124,850
		<u>1,928,479</u>

DAIRY PRODUCTS

	Milk fat pounds	
Market milk	6,809,655	7,354,643
Manufacturing milk	980,975	779,875
		<u>8,134,518</u>

POULTRY PRODUCTS

Turkeys	111,800 lbs.	46,340
Chickens sold for meat	831,601 "	235,317
Hens	325,003 "	76,176
Ducks	70,150 "	23,282
Baby chicks	33,730 chicks	5,397
Eggs	31,715 cases	375,896
Fur farms		
Mink	360 furs	8,640
		<u>771,048</u>

HORTICULTURAL PRODUCTS

Fruit and Nut Crops	Yield	Gross Returns
Apricots	14 3/4 tons	\$ 1,969
Apples	14 "	1,260
Peaches	7 1/2 "	784
Pears, canning	75 "	5,250
" fresh	12 "	1,080
" dry	30 "	600
Grapes	210 "	17,213
Prunes	30 "	3,800
Almonds	1,800 lbs.	648
Walnuts	27,878 "	4,882
		<u>37,486</u>

Total fruit and nut acreage 435 acres.

TRUCK CROPS

Potatoes	204 acres	16,353 sacks	35,844
Artichokes	62 "	6,200 crates	15,000
Peas	70 "	14,000 hampers	37,800
Other produce	53 "		
Beans, corn, lettuce, tomatoes		9,800 crates	21,530
			<u>110,174</u>

FIELD CROPS

Hay (grain)	5,270 tons	114,011
Other fodder	60 "	1,620
Oats	750 "	41,791
Barley	164 "	8,993
Wheat	1,177.5 "	173,047
Wheat	90 "	6,300
Rye Grass seed	39 "	6,360
		<u>352,122</u>

Total acreage 5,727 acres.

PLANT NURSERY INDUSTRY

Greenhouse, field grown stock, bulbs and cut flowers		710,250
Decorative greens	24,000 lbs.	1,500
		<u>711,750</u>

SUMMARY

Animal industry	\$ 1,928,479
Dairy products	8,134,518
Poultry products	771,048
Horticultural products	37,486
Truck Crops	110,174
Field Crops	352,122
Plant Nursery Industry	711,750
	<u>\$12,045,577</u>