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California Department of Food and Agriculture

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# Mariposa County

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**Mariposa County  
Agricultural Crop &  
Livestock Report**



**Mariposa County  
Department of Agriculture**

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**Ladies and Gentlemen:**

**It is my pleasure to submit the 2007 Agricultural Crop and Livestock Report for Mariposa County. This annual publication contains statistical information pertaining to acreage, yield, and gross value of Mariposa County agricultural production in accordance with Sections 2272 and 2279 of the California Food and Agricultural Code.**

- **The total estimated value is \$29,218,000, an overall increase of approximately 1.3% from last year.**
- **Agricultural production alone showed a 2.1% increase in value – due to an increase in livestock & poultry production.**
- **Forest products showed a decrease over last year of 17.7%.**
- **Wine grapes increased 13% in production value, primarily due to higher prices and yields. Many vineyards again went unharvested in 2007. Both the retail value and number of gallons of wine produced again increased over 2006.**
- **Livestock production values increased more than 4% due to higher numbers marketed and higher prices for cattle and calves.**

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**I sincerely appreciate the cooperation and assistance of the many agricultural producers and agencies that made this report possible, especially those responding to our questionnaires.**

**Respectfully Submitted,**

**Cathi Boze  
Agricultural Commissioner/Sealer  
Photo by Charles Phillips**

**FIELD CROPS:****PRODUCTION  
AND  
VALUE**

	Year	Harvested Acreage		Production per acre		Unit	Value	
					Total		per unit	Total
Pasture, Irrigated	2007	710		-	-	acre	\$120.00	\$85,200
	2006	710		-	-	acre	120.00	85,200
Rangeland <sup>1</sup>	2007	447,800		-	-	acre	15.19	6,219,000
	2006	448,800		-	-	acre	15.39	6,325,000
Misc. Field Crops <sup>2</sup>	2007	365		-	-	-	-	119,000
	2006	695		-	-	-	-	164,000
TOTAL	2007	448,875						\$6,422,200
	2006	450,205						6,574,200

**FRUIT  
AND  
NUT  
CROPS:****PRODUCTION  
AND  
VALUE**

Item	Year	Acreage		Production		Unit	Value	
		NB	B	per acre	Total		per unit	Total
Grapes, Total Wine	2007	12.25	97.1*	-	116.22	ton		140,000
	2006	10.7	100.05*	-	102.19	ton		123,700
--Red Wine	2007	9.75	91.3*		--	ton	--	140,000
	2006	8.00	91.75*		--	ton	--	122,000
-White Wine	2007	2.5	5.8*		--	ton	--	0
	2006	2.7	8.3*		--	ton	--	1,700
Misc. Fruit & Nuts <sup>3</sup>	2007	256.96†	108.35†	-	-	-	-	256,000†
	2006	256.96†	166.45†	-	-	-	-	296,000†
TOTAL	2007	269.21	205.45					\$396,000
	2006	267.66	266.50					\$419,700

<sup>1</sup> Includes grazing permits on U.S. Forest Service, BLM, and other public lands.

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**LIVESTOCK  
AND  
POULTRY**

**PRODUCTION  
AND  
VALUE**

Item	Year	No. of Head	Total Liveweight	Unit	Value per unit	Total Value
Cattle & Calves	2007	39,600	185,000	cwt	\$95.70	\$17,730,000
	2006	37,800	194,000	cwt	87.64	17,025,000
Sheep & Lambs	2007	1,480	1,690	cwt	76.53	180,000
	2006	1,490	1,690	cwt	71.93	172,000
All Poultry <sup>5</sup>	2007					1,571,000
	2006					1,502,000
Misc Livestock <sup>6</sup>	2007					232,000
	2006					230,000
TOTAL	2007					\$19,713,000
	2006					18,929,000



**LIVESTOCK  
AND  
POULTRY  
PRODUCTS  
PRODUCTION  
AND  
VALUE**

Item	Year	Production	Unit	Value Per unit	Total Value
Wool	2007	12,900	lb	\$0.85	\$11,000
	2006	13,700	lb	0.72	9,870
Miscellaneous <sup>4</sup>	2007				1,551,000
	2006				1,514,000
TOTAL	2007				\$1,562,000
	2006				1,523,870

<sup>4</sup> Includes chicken, duck and geese eggs, turkey hatching eggs, ostrich eggs, goat's milk, exotic wools and mohair.  
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**APIARY  
PRODUCTS:**

**PRODUCTION  
AND  
VALUE**

Item	Year	Production	Unit		Value
Honey	2007	65,000	lb	\$1.04	\$67,700
	2006	94,700	lb	0.98	92,800
Miscellaneous Apiary Products <sup>7</sup>	2007				14,600
	2006				38,500
TOTAL	2007				\$82,300
	2006				131,000

**NURSERY  
STOCK:**

**PRODUCTION  
AND  
VALUE**

Item	Year	Production Area (acres)	Value
Nursery Stock <sup>8</sup>	2007	7.20	\$70,500
	2006	7.30	81,600

**FOREST  
PRODUCTS:**

**PRODUCTION  
AND  
VALUE**

Item	Year	MBF	Value
TOTAL <sup>9</sup>	2007	9,000	\$972,000
	2006	6,500	1,181,000

<sup>7</sup> Includes hives, beeswax, pollen, and rental sites on both public and private lands.

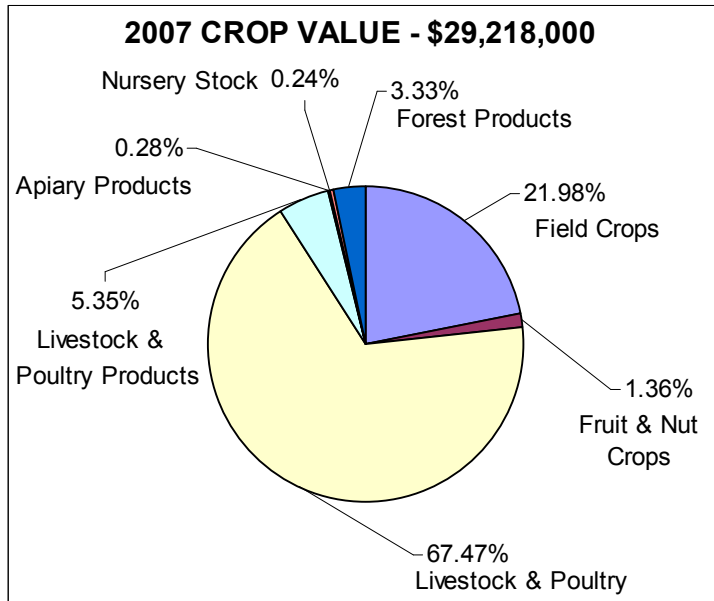
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**AGRICULTURAL CROP REPORT RECAPITULATION**

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>TOTAL VALUE</u>
FIELD CROPS	2007	\$6,422,200
	2006	\$6,574,200
FRUIT & NUT CROPS	2007	\$396,000
	2006	\$419,700
LIVESTOCK & POULTRY	2007	\$19,713,000
	2006	\$18,929,000
LIVESTOCK & POULTRY PRODUCTS	2007	\$1,562,000
	2006	\$1,523,870
APIARY PRODUCTS	2007	\$82,300
	2006	\$131,300
NURSERY STOCK	2007	\$70,500
	2006	\$81,600
<b>TOTAL AGRICULTURAL</b>	2007	\$28,246,000
	2006	\$27,659,670
FOREST PRODUCTS	2007	\$972,000
	2006	\$1,181,000
<b>TOTAL AGRICULTURAL PLUS FOREST PRODUCTS</b>	2007	\$29,218,000
	2006	\$28,840,670





## MARIPOSA COUNTY VALUES OF PRODUCTION

1978 – 2007

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>AGRICULTURAL</u>	<u>AGRICULTURAL/FOREST PRODUCTS</u>
1978	\$16,398,200	\$17,970,500
1979	21,054,300	23,598,300
1980	22,416,370	23,926,370
1981	21,684,520	27,211,902
1982	19,389,800	22,602,800
1983	20,349,200	22,653,200
1984	17,056,050	19,229,050
1985	17,403,200	18,723,200
1986	18,623,300	20,350,300
1987	17,551,200	19,947,900
1988	20,125,700	29,498,700
1989	20,457,200	27,435,200
1990	21,907,230	23,851,230
1991	20,891,100	26,342,100
1992	20,178,500	22,524,500
1993	20,027,500	21,742,500
1994	21,878,500	23,617,500
1995	16,237,200	18,089,200
1996	17,410,300	18,738,300
1997	18,397,700	19,641,700
1998	18,302,600	19,698,600
1999	18,689,440	19,795,440
2000	18,621,960	19,484,960
2001	21,381,000*	22,696,000*
2002	19,600,400	20,444,400
2003	20,598,500	21,242,500
2004	24,447,100	25,183,100
2005	27,084,300	28,342,300
2006	27,659,670	28,840,670
2007	28,246,000	29,218,000

\*Revised

# MARIPOSA COUNTY TOP CROPS - 2007 & 1987

## 2007

## 1987

1 \$17,730,000 CATTLE & CALVES

1 \$9,150,000 CATTLE & CALVES

2 6,219,000 RANGELAND

2 3,786,000 RANGELAND

3 1,571,000 ALL POULTRY

3 3,423,000 ALL POULTRY

4 1,551,000 MISC. LIVESTOCK &  
POULTRY PRODUCTS

4 2,396,700 FOREST PRODUCTS

5 972,000 FOREST PRODUCTS

5 262,000 MISC. LIVESTOCK &  
POULTRY PRODUCTS

6 256,000 MISC. FRUITS & NUTS

6 196,000 MISC. LIVESTOCK

7 232,000 MISC. LIVESTOCK

7 141,000 MISC. FIELD CROPS

8 180,000 SHEEP & LAMBS

8 130,000 APPLES

9 140,000 WINE GRAPES, ALL

9 125,000 MISC APIARY  
PRODUCTS

10 119,000 MISC. FIELD CROPS

10 98,600 NURSERY STOCK

## Annual Sustainable Agriculture Report

### BIOCONTROL:

<u>PEST</u>	<u>AGENT/MECHANISM</u>	<u>SCOPE OF PROGRAM</u>
<b>ASH WHITEFLY</b> <i>Siphonius phylllyrae</i>	Parasitic wasp <i>Encarsia</i> spp.	County wide
<b>RED GUM LERP PSYLLID</b> <i>Glycaspis brimblecombei</i>	Parasitic Wasp <i>Psyllaephagus bliteus</i>	County wide
<b>YELLOW STARHISTLE</b> <i>Centaurea solstitialis</i>	Seed Head Weevil <i>Bangasternus orientalis</i>	2 sites
	Hairy Weevil <i>Eustenopus villosus</i>	Various sites
	Peacock fly <i>Chaetorellia australis</i>	4 sites
	Rust fungus <i>Puccinia jaceae</i>	2 sites
<b>KLAMATH WEED</b> <i>Hypericum perforatum</i>	Klamath Weed Beetle <i>Chrysolina</i> spp.	County wide
<b>PUNCTUREVINE</b> <i>Tribulus terrestris</i>	Seed & Stem Weevils <i>Microlarinus</i> spp.	County wide

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### PEST EXCLUSION:

Exotic pests, target pests, GWSS	Incoming plant material via truck, UPS, mail	95 shipments inspected
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### PEST DETECTION:

The following insect detection traps are placed throughout Mariposa County during the trapping season:

215 Gypsy moth traps	24 Khapra Beetle traps	100 Glassy-winged Sharpshooter (GWSS) traps
60 MedFly traps	6 European Pineshoot Moth traps	80 Light Brown Apple Moth (LBAM) Traps
16 Japanese Beetle traps	6 Olive Fruit Fly traps	

### PEST ABATEMENT:

IBERIAN STARHISTLE – Hand-pulled, mechanically removed, biocontrol & chemically sprayed  
 YELLOW STARHISTLE – Hand-pulled, biocontrol, mechanically removed & chemically sprayed  
 TOCALOTE – Chemically sprayed  
 HYDRILLA- Under eradication  
 DIFFUSE KNAPWEED – Hand-pulled & chemically sprayed  
 ARUNDO DONAX – Chemically sprayed & mechanically removed

### ORGANIC FARMING STATISTICS:

No organic growers were registered in 2007. Many local certified producers grow fruit and vegetables without the use of chemical pesticides for the Mariposa Certified Farmers Markets which operate June through mid-October at the Mariposa County Park and Darrah School.

## AGRICULTURAL FACTS FOR MARIPOSA COUNTY

Mean Minimum – Maximum Temperatures	28° F. - 96° F.		
Avg. Seasonal Rainfall	20 – 40 inches (depending on elevation)		
Land Area	928.780 acres	1,451.2 sq. miles	
Water Area	7.470 acres	11.7 sq. miles	
Total Area	936.250 acres	1,462.9 sq. miles	
Land in Timber Production			
National Forest	121,000 acres		
Private Lands	31,000 acres		
Total Timber Acreage	152,000 acres		
Land in Williamson Act	\$30,833,424	205,496	acres (2007)
	\$34,625,912	204,653	acres (2006)
Retail Value of Mariposa Wines	16,750 gal @ \$49.83 = \$834,631 (2007)		
	14,411 gal @ \$57.44 = \$827,760 (2006)		
Total Value of Agricultural Production*	\$28,246,000 (2007)		
Total Value of Forest Products*	\$972,000 (2007)		
Total Value of Agricultural Plus Forest Products*	\$29,218,000 (2007)		

\*Source – 2007 Agricultural Crop Report for Mariposa County.  
Other figures from 2000 California State Statistical Abstract and  
California Almanac.



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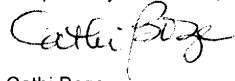
2008 was a difficult year for agriculture. Because of the continuing drought, livestock producers had to continue to decrease their herd sizes due to the reduced amount of feed and water available for grazing. Despite the decreased value for 2008, Mariposa County's total estimated value of \$25,483,400, an overall decrease of approximately 12.8% from last year, continues to show the economic importance and the real impact that agricultural production has on the local economy. The contribution of agriculture to the economy of Mariposa County is not totally reflected in the values contained in this report. Goods, services, and employment related to agriculture significantly multiply these values to benefit the local economy and the surrounding areas.

Cattle and calves continue to be the county's leading farm commodity with a value of \$13,250,000. Rangeland was second with a value of \$6,035,000. Miscellaneous livestock and poultry products followed with a value of \$2,617,000.

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Misc. Field Crops <sup>2</sup>	2008	635	-	-	-	-	-	176,000
	2007	365	-	-	-	-	-	119,000
TOTAL	2008	440,265						\$6,286,800
	2007	448,875						6,422,200

**FRUIT  
AND  
NUT  
CROPS:****PRODUCTION  
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VALUE**

Item	Year	Acreage		Production		Unit	Value	
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-White Wine	2008	2.5	5.8*	--	--	ton	--	0
	2007	2.5	5.8*	--	--	ton	--	0
Misc. Fruit & Nuts <sup>3</sup>	2008	256.96†	108.25†	-	-	-	-	223,000†
	2007	256.96†	108.35†	-	-	-	-	256,000†
TOTAL	2008	277.46	208.35					\$397,000
	2007	269.21	205.45					\$396,000

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Sheep & Lambs	2008	1,475	1,690	cwt	75.93	179,000
	2007	1,480	1,690	cwt	76.53	180,000
All Poultry <sup>4</sup>	2008					1,653,000
	2007					1,571,000
Misc Livestock <sup>5</sup>	2008					340,000
	2007					232,000
TOTAL	2008					\$15,422,000
	2007					19,713,000



**LIVESTOCK  
AND  
POULTRY  
PRODUCTS  
PRODUCTION  
AND  
VALUE**

Item	Year	Production	Unit	Value Per unit	Total Value
Wool	2008	13,500	lb	\$1.10	\$14,900
	2007	12,900	lb	0.85	11,000
Miscellaneous <sup>6</sup>	2008				\$2,617,000
	2007				1,551,000
TOTAL	2008				\$2,631,900
	2007				1,562,000

<sup>4</sup> Includes turkey breeder hens, free range turkeys and chickens, pullets, ducks and geese, old hens, exotic poultry, gamebirds, ostriches, and rabbits.

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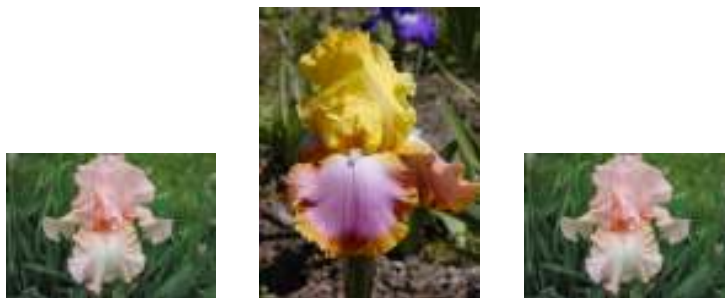
**APIARY  
PRODUCTS:  
PRODUCTION  
AND  
VALUE**

Item	Year	Production	Unit		Value
Honey	2008	63,200	lb	\$1.41	\$89,200
	2007	65,000	lb	1.04	67,700
Miscellaneous Apiary Products <sup>7</sup>	2008				\$12,400
	2007				14,600
TOTAL	2008				\$101,600
	2007				82,300



**NURSERY  
STOCK:  
PRODUCTION  
AND  
VALUE**

Item	Year	Production Area (acres)	Value
Nursery Stock <sup>8</sup>	2008	7.30	\$80,100
	2007	7.20	70,500



**FOREST  
PRODUCTS:  
PRODUCTION  
AND  
VALUE**

Item	Year	MBF	Value
TOTAL <sup>9</sup>	2008	2,700	\$564,000
	2007	9,000	972,000

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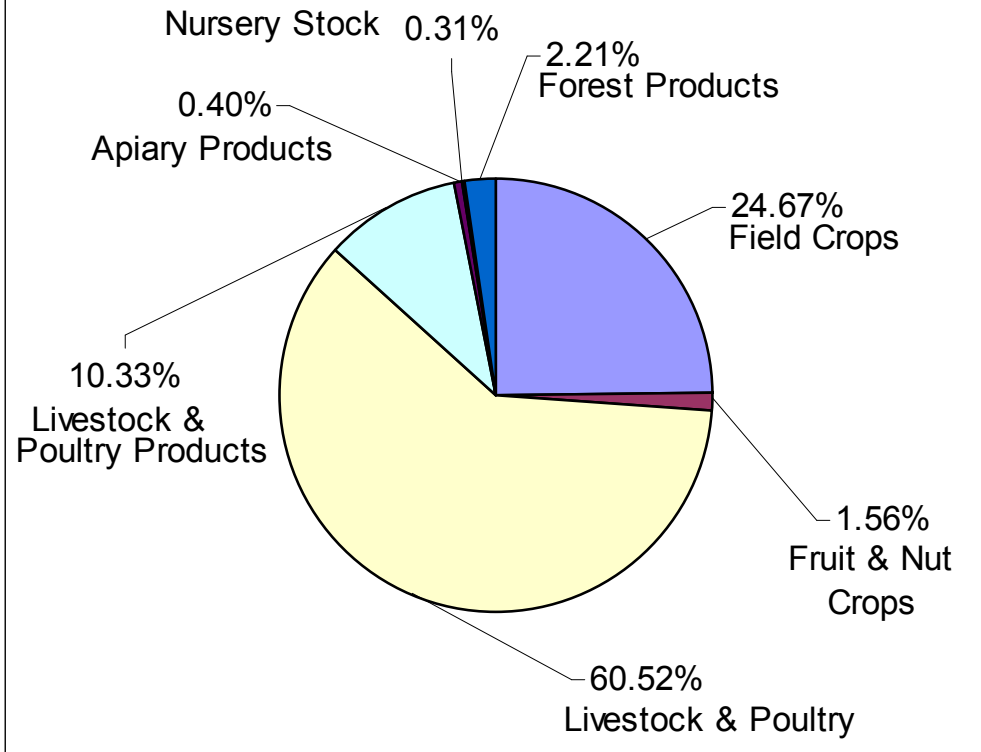
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**AGRICULTURAL CROP REPORT RECAPITULATION**

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LIVESTOCK & POULTRY PRODUCTS	2008	\$2,631,900
	2007	\$1,562,000
APIARY PRODUCTS	2008	\$101,600
	2007	\$82,300
NURSERY STOCK	2008	\$80,100
	2007	\$70,500
<b>TOTAL AGRICULTURAL</b>	2008	\$24,919,400
	2007	\$28,246,000
FOREST PRODUCTS	2008	\$564,000
	2007	\$972,000
<b>TOTAL AGRICULTURAL PLUS FOREST PRODUCTS</b>	2008	\$25,483,400
	2007	\$29,218,000

### 2008 CROP VALUE - \$25,483,400



# MARIPOSA COUNTY VALUES OF PRODUCTION

1978 – 2008

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>AGRICULTURAL</u>	<u>AGRICULTURAL/FOREST PRODUCTS</u>
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# MARIPOSA COUNTY TOP CROPS - 2008 & 1988

## 2008

## 1988

1	\$13,250,000 CATTLE & CALVES	1	\$11,455,000 CATTLE & CALVES
2	6,035,000 RANGELAND	2	3,779,000 RANGELAND
3	2,617,000 MISC. LIVESTOCK & POULTRY PRODUCTS	3	3,414,000 ALL POULTRY
4	1,653,000 ALL POULTRY	4	2,547,000 FOREST PRODUCTS
5	564,000 FOREST PRODUCTS	5	341,000 APPLES
6	340,000 MISC. LIVESTOCK	6	262,000 MISC. LIVESTOCK & POULTRY PRODUCTS
7	223,000 MISC. FRUITS & NUTS	7	218,000 MISC. FIELD CROPS
8	179,000 SHEEP & LAMBS	8	175,000 MISC. LIVESTOCK
9	176,000 MISC. FIELD CROPS	9	125,000 MISC APIARY PRODUCTS
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**FIELD CROPS:  
  
PRODUCTION  
AND  
VALUE**

	Year	Harvested		Production		Unit	Value	
		Acreage		per acre	Total		per unit	Total
Pasture, Irrigated	2009	630		-	-	acre	\$120.00	\$75,600
	2008	630		-	-	acre	120.00	75,600
Rangeland <sup>1</sup>	2009	439,000		-	-	acre	16.22	5,865,000
	2008	439,000		-	-	acre	15.02	6,035,000
Misc. Field Crops <sup>2</sup>	2009	794		-	-	-	-	182,000
	2008	635		-	-	-	-	176,000
TOTAL	2009	440,424						\$6,122,600
	2008	440,265						6,286,800



**FRUIT  
AND  
NUT  
CROPS:  
  
PRODUCTION  
AND  
VALUE**

Item	Year	Acreage		Production		Unit	Value	
		NB	B	per acre	Total		per unit	Total
Grapes, Total Wine	2009	18.25	90.33*	-	99.56	ton		105,000
	2008	20.5	100.1*	-	147.81	ton		174,000
--Red Wine	2009	16.25	88.03*		--	ton	--	105,000
	2008	18.00	94.3*		--	ton	--	174,000
-White Wine	2009	2.0	2.3 *		--	ton	--	0
	2008	2.5	5.8*		--	ton	--	0
Misc. Fruit & Nuts <sup>3</sup>	2009	255.96	109.25	-	-	-	-	226,000
	2008	256.96	108.25	-	-	-	-	223,000
TOTAL	2009	274.21	199.58					\$331,000
	2008	277.46	208.35					\$397,000

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**LIVESTOCK  
AND  
POULTRY  
  
PRODUCTION  
AND  
VALUE**

Item	Year	No. of Head	Total Liveweight	Unit	Value per unit	Total Value
Cattle & Calves	2009	36,000	157,000	cwt	\$88.31	\$13,883,000
	2008	33,500	142,000	cwt	91.49	13,250,000
Sheep & Lambs	2009	1,475	1,690	cwt	75.48	178,000
	2008	1,475	1,690	cwt	75.93	179,000
All Poultry <sup>4</sup>	2009					1,639,000
	2008					1,653,000
Misc Livestock <sup>5</sup>	2009					342,000
	2008					340,000
TOTAL	2009					\$16,042,000
	2008					15,422,000



**LIVESTOCK  
AND  
POULTRY  
PRODUCTS  
PRODUCTION  
AND  
VALUE**

Item	Year	Production	Unit	Value Per unit	Total Value
Wool	2009	11,800	lb	\$0.85	\$10,000
	2008	13,500	lb	1.10	14,900
Miscellaneous <sup>6</sup>	2009				2,648,000
	2008				2,617,000
TOTAL	2009				\$2,658,000
	2008				2,631,900

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**APIARY  
PRODUCTS:  
PRODUCTION  
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VALUE**

Item	Year	Production	Unit	Value
Honey	2009	40,800	lb	\$1.39
	2008	63,200	lb	1.41
Miscellaneous Apiary Products <sup>7</sup>	2009			12,800
	2008			12,400
TOTAL	2009			\$69,700
	2008			101,600



**NURSERY  
STOCK:  
PRODUCTION  
AND  
VALUE**

Item	Year	Production Area (acres)	Value
Nursery Stock <sup>8</sup>	2009	7.30	\$63,600
	2008	7.30	80,100



**FOREST  
PRODUCTS:  
PRODUCTION  
AND  
VALUE**

Item	Year	MBF	Value
TOTAL <sup>9</sup>	2009	2,500	\$654,000
	2008	2,700	564,000

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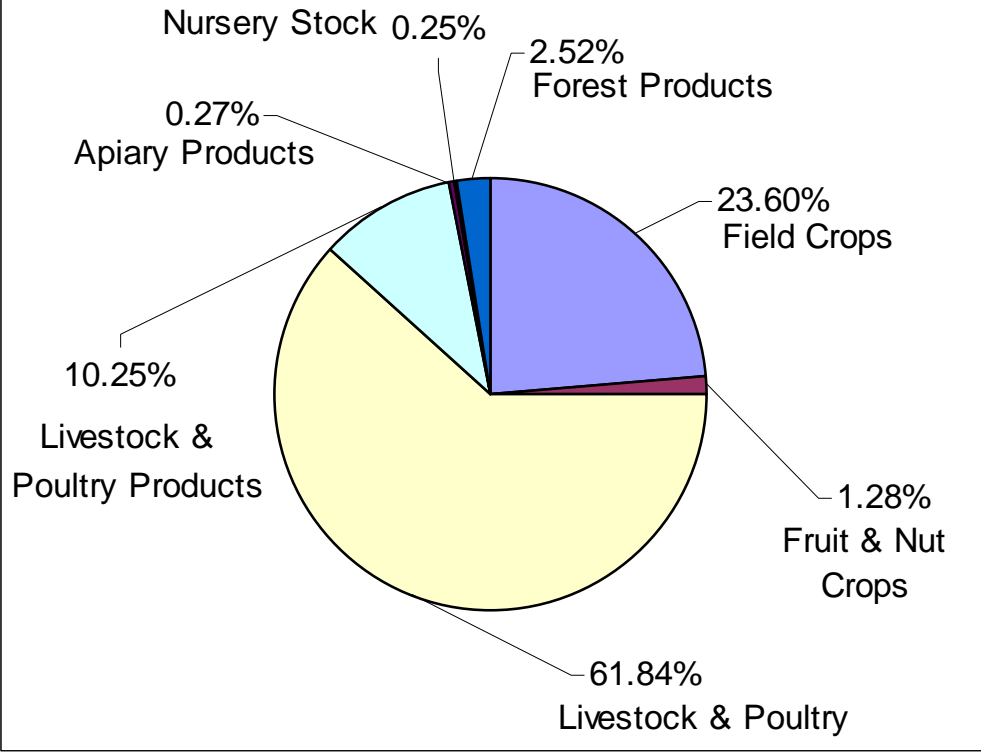
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	2008	\$6,286,800
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	2008	\$397,000
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	2008	\$101,600
NURSERY STOCK	2009	\$63,600
	2008	\$80,100
<b>TOTAL AGRICULTURAL</b>	2009	\$25,286,900
	2008	\$24,919,400
FOREST PRODUCTS	2009	\$654,000
	2008	\$564,000
<b>TOTAL AGRICULTURAL PLUS FOREST PRODUCTS</b>	2009	\$25,940,900
	2008	\$25,483,400

### 2009 CROP VALUE - \$25,940,900



## MARIPOSA COUNTY VALUES OF PRODUCTION

1979 – 2009

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>AGRICULTURAL</u>	<u>AGRICULTURAL/FOREST PRODUCTS</u>
1979	21,054,300	23,598,300
1980	22,416,370	23,926,370
1981	21,684,520	27,211,902
1982	19,389,800	22,602,800
1983	20,349,200	22,653,200
1984	17,056,050	19,229,050
1985	17,403,200	18,723,200
1986	18,623,300	20,350,300
1987	17,551,200	19,947,900
1988	20,125,700	29,498,700
1989	20,457,200	27,435,200
1990	21,907,230	23,851,230
1991	20,891,100	26,342,100
1992	20,178,500	22,524,500
1993	20,027,500	21,742,500
1994	21,878,500	23,617,500
1995	16,237,200	18,089,200
1996	17,410,300	18,738,300
1997	18,397,700	19,641,700
1998	18,302,600	19,698,600
1999	18,689,440	19,795,440
2000	18,621,960	19,484,960
2001	21,381,000*	22,696,000*
2002	19,600,400	20,444,400
2003	20,598,500	21,242,500
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2005	27,084,300	28,342,300
2006	27,659,670	28,840,670
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2009	25,286,900	25,940,900

\*Revised

# MARIPOSA COUNTY TOP CROPS - 2009 & 1989

**2009**

**1989**

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 4 1,639,000 ALL POULTRY  
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 6 342,000 MISC. LIVESTOCK  
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Total Area	936,190 acres	1,462.8 sq. miles	
Land in Timber Production			
National Forest	121,000 acres		
Private Lands	31,000 acres		
Total Timber Acreage	152,000 acres		
Land in Williamson Act	\$35,035,109	184,979	acres (2009)
	\$34,802,741	184,076	acres (2008)
Retail Value of Mariposa Wines	9,507 gal @ \$31.90 = \$303,285 (2009)		
	5,245 gal @ \$34.59 = \$181,440 (2008)		
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	2009	416,600**	acre	14.08**	5,865,000
Misc. Field Crops <sup>2</sup>	2010	605	-	-	128,000
	2009	794	-	-	182,000
TOTAL	2010	417,805			\$5,800,000
	2009	418,024**			6,122,600

**FRUIT  
AND  
NUT  
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AND  
VALUE**

Item	Year	Acreage		Production		Unit	Value	
		NB	B	per acre	Total		per unit	Total
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	2009	2.00	2.30*		--	ton	--	- 0 -
Misc. Fruit & Nuts <sup>3</sup>	2010	20.00	345.21	-	-	-	-	579,000
	2009	20.00	345.21	-	-	-	-	494,000**
TOTAL	2010	36.00	440.04					\$659,400
	2009	38.25	435.54					\$599,000**

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AND  
POULTRY:**

**PRODUCTION  
AND  
VALUE**

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	2009					1,639,000
Misc Livestock <sup>6</sup>	2010					432,000
	2009					342,000
TOTAL	2010					\$17,436,000
	2009					16,042,000



**LIVESTOCK  
AND  
POULTRY  
PRODUCTS:**

**PRODUCTION  
AND  
VALUE**

Item	Year	Production	Unit	Value Per unit	Total Value
Wool	2010	11,800	lb	\$1.25	\$14,700
	2009	11,800	lb	0.85	10,000
Miscellaneous <sup>7</sup>	2010				2,693,000
	2009				2,648,000
TOTAL	2010				\$2,707,700
	2009				2,658,000

<sup>4</sup> cwt = Hundredweight: 100 pounds

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**APIARY  
PRODUCTS:**

**PRODUCTION  
AND  
VALUE**

Item	Year	Production	Unit		Value
Honey	2010	65,500	lb	\$1.56	\$102,000
	2009	40,800	lb	1.39	56,900
Miscellaneous Apiary Products <sup>8</sup>	2010				11,000
	2009				12,800
TOTAL	2010				\$113,000
	2009				69,700

**NURSERY  
STOCK:**

**PRODUCTION  
AND  
VALUE**

Item	Year	Production Area (acres)	Value
Nursery Stock <sup>9</sup>	2010	9.40	\$64,400
	2009	7.30	63,600



Golden Panther



Ovation



Sand Dancer



Splashacata



Fantasy Ride

**FOREST  
PRODUCTS:**

**PRODUCTION  
AND  
VALUE**

Item	Year	MBF	Value
TOTAL <sup>10</sup>	2010	9,100	\$497,000
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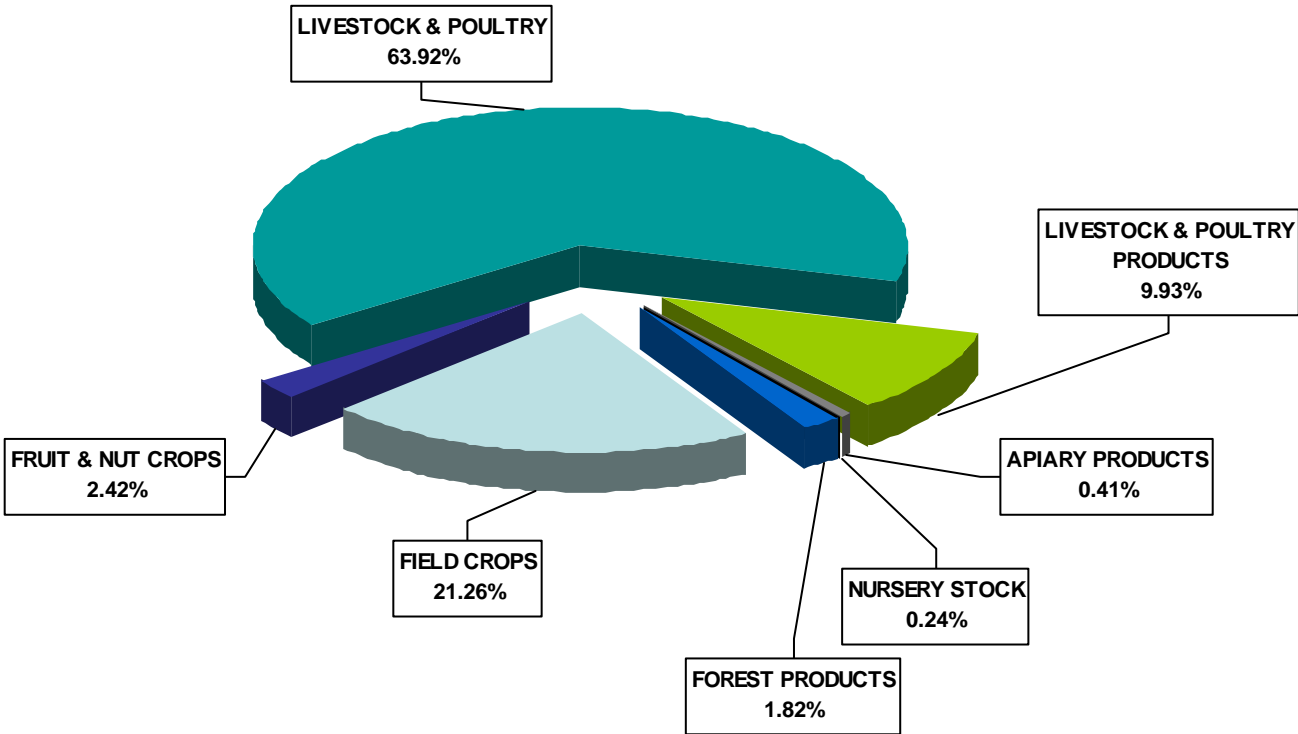
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	2009	\$ 6,122,600
FRUIT & NUT CROPS	2010	\$ 659,400
	2009	\$ 599,000 *
LIVESTOCK & POULTRY	2010	\$ 17,436,000
	2009	\$ 16,042,000
LIVESTOCK & POULTRY PRODUCTS	2010	\$ 2,707,700
	2009	\$ 2,658,000
APIARY PRODUCTS	2010	\$ 113,000
	2009	\$ 69,700
NURSERY STOCK	2010	\$ 64,400
	2009	\$ 63,600
<b>TOTAL AGRICULTURAL</b>	2010	\$ 26,780,500
	2009	\$ 25,554,900 *
FOREST PRODUCTS	2010	\$ 497,000
	2009	\$ 654,000
<b>TOTAL AGRICULTURAL PLUS FOREST PRODUCTS</b>	2010	\$ 27,277,500
	2009	\$ 26,208,900 *

\* Revised

**2010 CROP VALUE - \$27,277,500**

# 2010 CROP VALUE'S



# MARIPOSA COUNTY VALUES OF PRODUCTION

1979 – 2010

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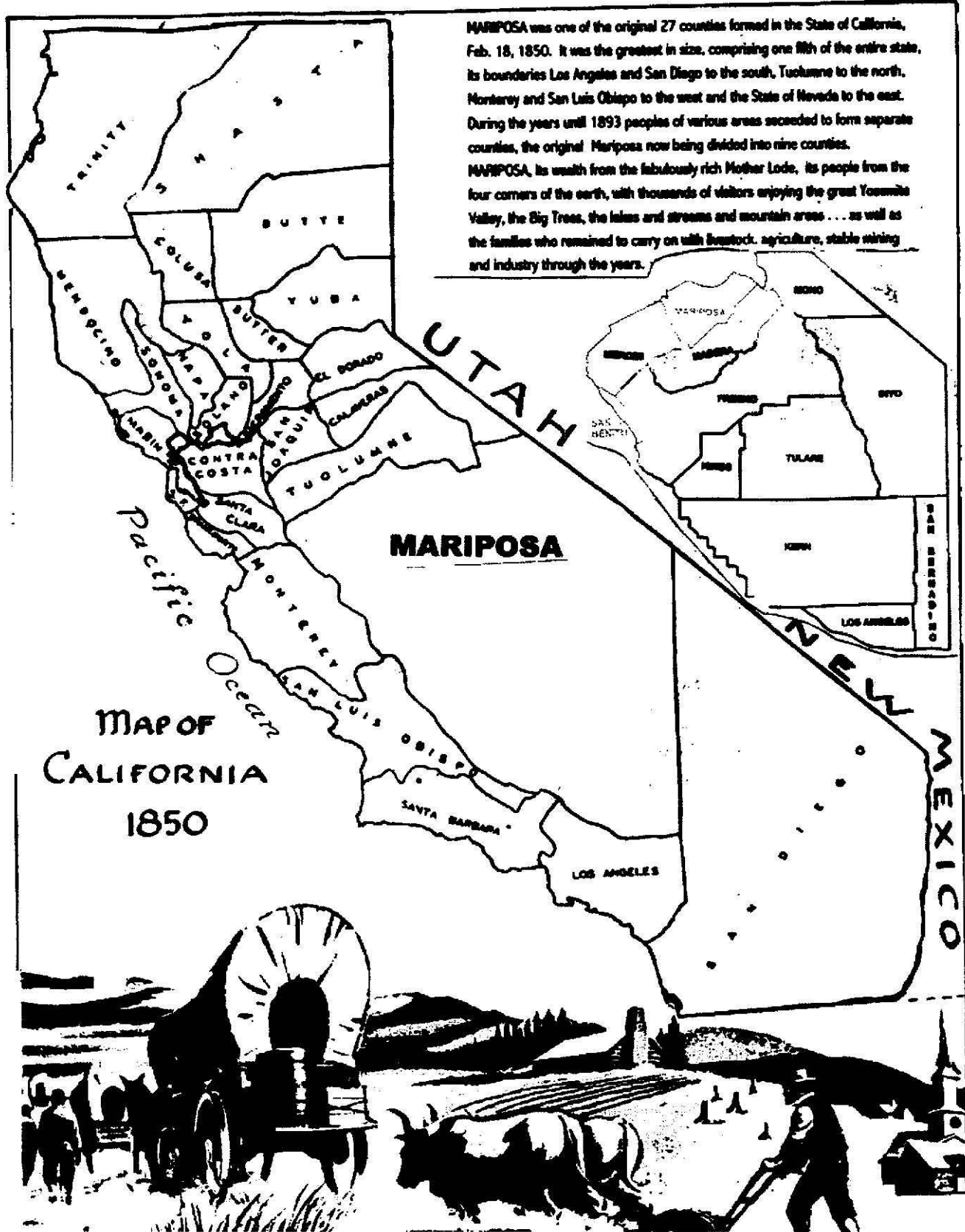
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Cover photo taken by Skip Skyrud is a ranching operation on Merced Falls Road in Mariposa County.

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MAP OF CALIFORNIA 1850

# 2011

## Agricultural Crop and Livestock Report



Mariposa County  
Department of Agriculture



Karen Ross, Secretary – California Department of Food and Agriculture  
and  
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Richard J. Benson, Chief Administrative Officer

It is my pleasure to submit the 2011 Agricultural Crop and Livestock Report for Mariposa County.

This annual publication contains statistical information pertaining to acreage, yield, and gross value of Mariposa County agricultural production in accordance with Sections 2272 and 2279 of the California Food and Agricultural Code.

2011 was a year of positive change for Mariposa County agriculture and set an all-time high for the value of agricultural production. Because of the upswing experienced in 2011, Mariposa County's total estimated value of \$31,611,600, an overall increase of \$ 4 million or approximately 15.8% from last year, continues to show the economic importance and the **real** impact that agricultural production has on the local and regional economy. The contribution of agriculture to the economy of Mariposa County is not totally reflected in the values contained in this report. Goods, services, transportation, processing, marketing, employment and other farm-related services significantly multiply these values to benefit the local economy and the surrounding areas.

Cattle and calves continue to be the county's leading farm commodity with a value of \$18,776,000. Rangeland was again second with a value of \$5,800,000. Miscellaneous livestock and poultry products followed with a value of \$2,696,000.

I must stress that these are gross values only, whether marketed or not, and **do not** reflect net income or loss return to the producers. Costs of production and marketing continue to influence net returns. This report does not reflect upon individual operations since **the county** is the smallest unit measured for any particular commodity.

I sincerely appreciate the cooperation and assistance of the many agricultural producers, stakeholders, and agencies that made this report possible, especially those responding to our questionnaires.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Cathi Boze*

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Agricultural Commissioner/Sealer

**FIELD CROPS:****PRODUCTION  
AND  
VALUE**

	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			per acre	Total		per unit	Total
Pasture, Irrigated	2011	500	-	-	acre	\$120.00	\$60,000
	2010	600	-	-	acre	120.00	72,000
Rangeland <sup>1</sup>	2011	416,600	-	-	acre	13.92	5,800,000
	2010	416,600	-	-	acre	13.44	5,600,000
Misc. Field Crops <sup>2</sup>	2011	605	-	-	-	-	156,000
	2010	605	-	-	-	-	128,000
TOTAL	2011	417,705					\$6,016,000
	2010	417,805					5,800,000

**FRUIT  
AND  
NUT  
CROPS:****PRODUCTION  
AND  
VALUE**

Item	Year	Acreage		Production		Unit	Per unit	Value Total
		NB	B	Per acre	Total			
Grapes, Total Wine	2011	10.25	105.83*		80.46	ton		93,200
	2010	16.00	100.83**	-	110.31**	ton		96,724**
--Red Wine	2011	9.25	100.78		--	ton	--	84,700
	2010	14.00	96.78**		--	ton	--	94,174**
-White Wine	2011	1.00	5.05		--	ton	--	8,500
	2010	2.00	4.05**		--	ton	--	2,550**
Misc. Fruit & Nut <sup>3</sup>	2011	30.00	143.25	-	-	-	-	457,000
	2010	20.00	345.21	-	-	-	-	579,000
TOTAL	2011	40.25	249.08					550,200
	2010	36.00	446.04**					675,724**

<sup>1</sup> Includes grazing permits on U.S. Forest Service, BLM, and other public lands.

<sup>2</sup> Includes sudan, oat, native, and other pasture hay.

<sup>3</sup> Includes almonds, apricots, berries, citrus, herbs, olives, peaches, pears, tomatoes, and miscellaneous vegetables.

\*Many of the vineyard acres went unharvested in 2011

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**LIVESTOCK  
AND  
POULTRY:**

**PRODUCTION  
AND  
VALUE**

Item	Year	No. of Head	Total Liveweight	Unit	Value per unit	Total Value
Cattle & Calves	2011	34,200	163,000	cwt <sup>4</sup>	\$115.30	\$18,776,000
	2010	31,400	153,000	cwt	98.84	15,086,000
Sheep & Lambs	2011	1,475	1,690	cwt	105.64	239,000
	2010	1,475	1,690	cwt	92.14	216,000
All Poultry <sup>5</sup>	2011					1,729,000
	2010					1,702,000
Misc Livestock <sup>6</sup>	2011					759,000
	2010					432,000
TOTAL	2011					\$21,503,000
	2010					17,436,000



**LIVESTOCK  
AND  
POULTRY  
PRODUCTS:**

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Item	Year	Production	Unit	Value Per unit	Total Value
Wool	2011	12,000	lb	\$1.70	\$20,400
	2010	11,800	lb	1.25	14,700
Miscellaneous <sup>7</sup>	2011				2,696,000
	2010				2,693,000
TOTAL	2011				\$2,716,400
	2010				2,707,700

<sup>4</sup> cwt = Hundredweight: 100 pounds

<sup>5</sup> Includes turkey breeder hens, free range turkeys and chickens, pullets, ducks and geese, squab, old hens, exotic poultry, and rabbits.

<sup>6</sup> Includes goats, hogs, and pigs, exotic animals, and buffalo.

<sup>7</sup> Includes chicken, duck and geese eggs, turkey hatching eggs, goat's milk, exotic wools, and mohair.

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**APIARY  
PRODUCTS:  
PRODUCTION  
AND  
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Item	Year	Production	Unit		Value
Honey	2011	70,200	lb	\$1.61	\$113,000
	2010	65,500	lb	1.56	102,000
Miscellaneous Apiary Products <sup>8</sup>	2011				15,000
	2010				11,000
TOTAL	2011				\$128,000
	2010				113,000



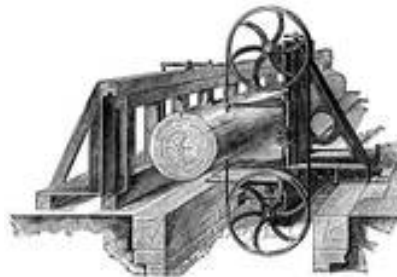
**NURSERY  
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Item	Year	Production Area (acres)	Value
Nursery Stock <sup>9</sup>	2011	9.2	\$61,000
	2010	9.4	64,400



**FOREST  
PRODUCTS:  
PRODUCTION  
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Item	Year	MBF	Value
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<sup>8</sup> Includes hives, beeswax, pollen, and rental sites on both public and private lands.

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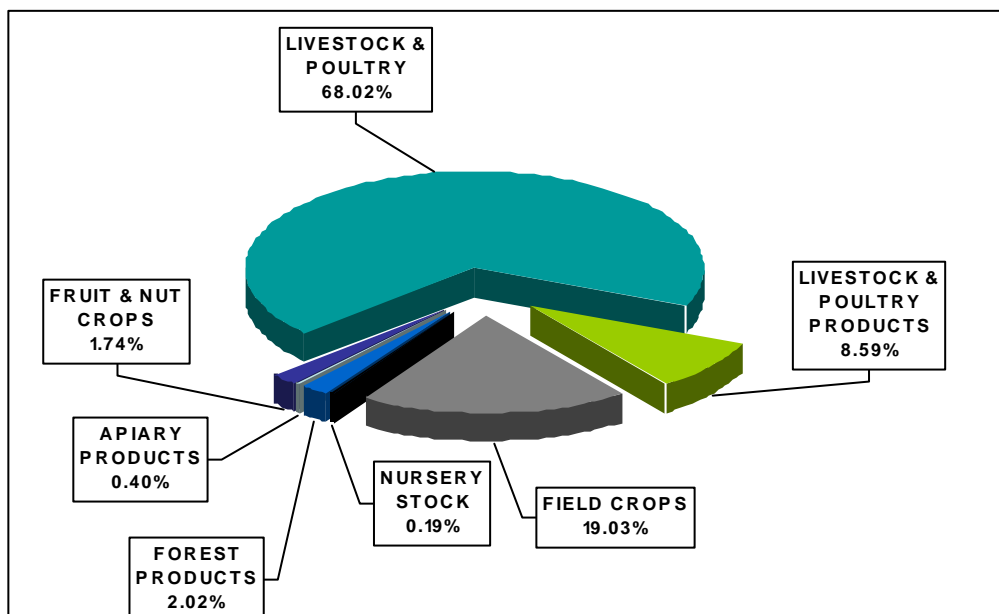
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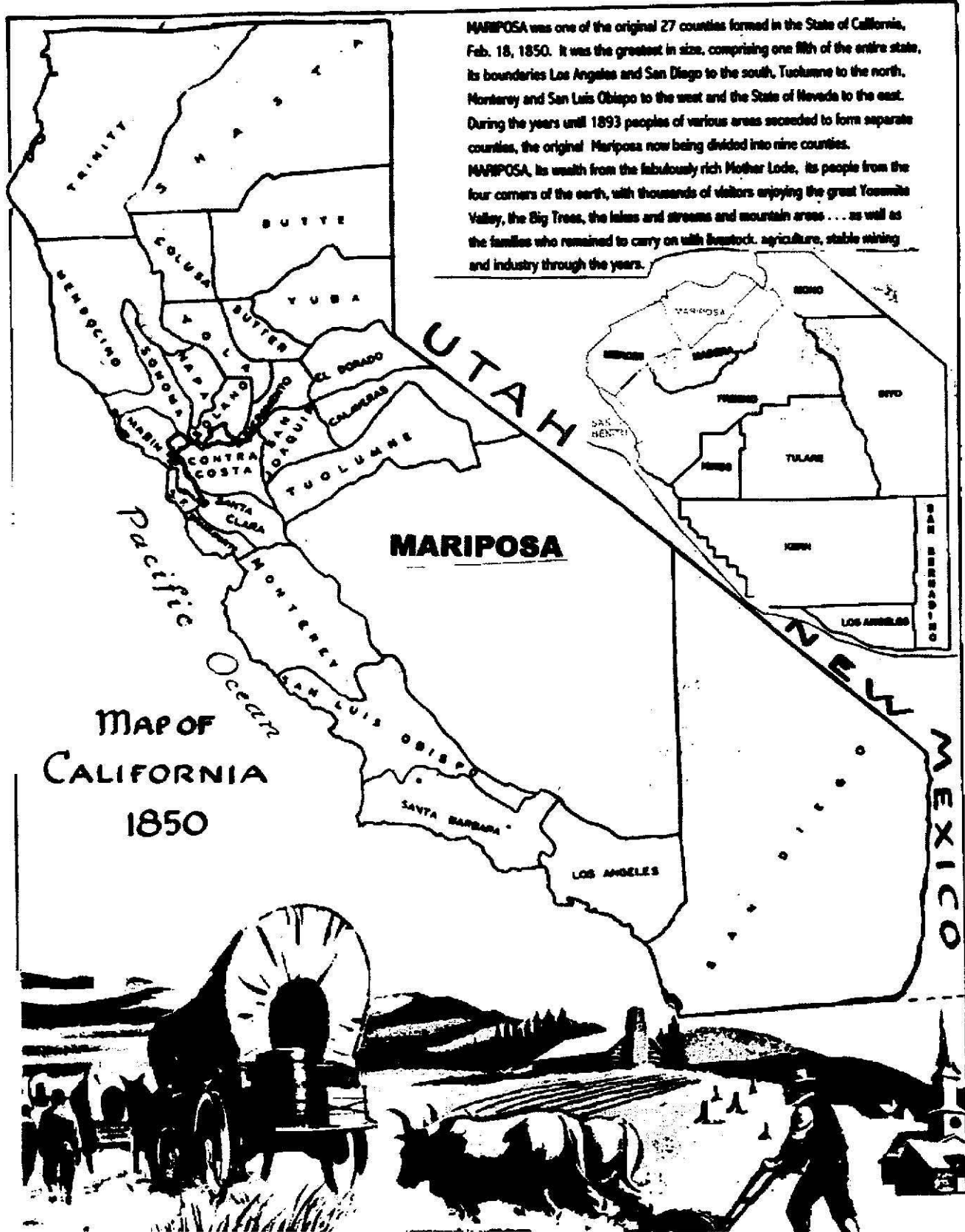
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