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Los Angeles County

1964-1970

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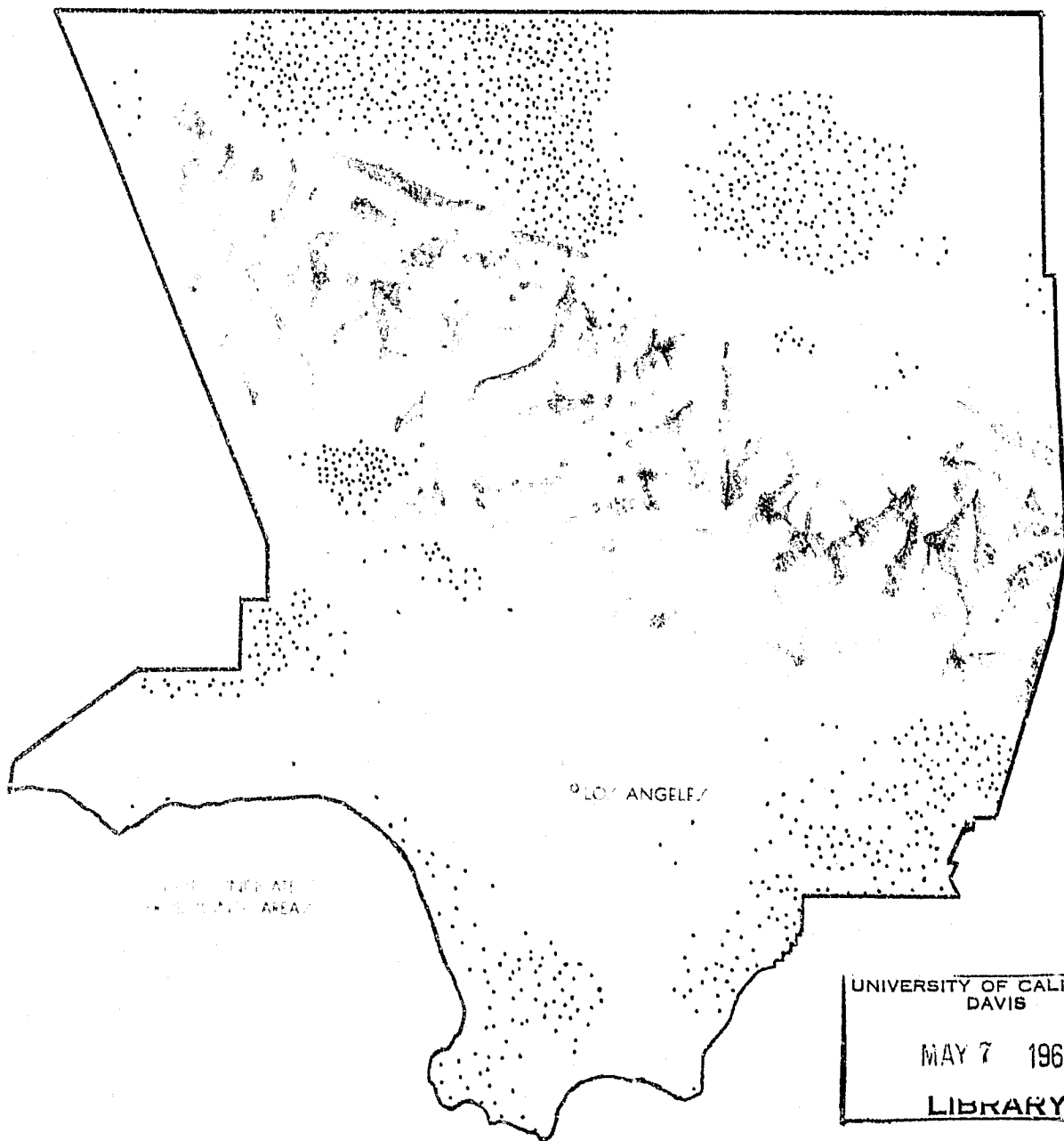


1964

CROP REPORT

LOS ANGELES COUNTY

1964



AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER

LOS ANGELES COUNTY CROP REPORT FOR 1964
(Exclusive of Livestock Production)

In 1964, gross value of plant crop production in Los Angeles County amounted to \$80,681,200 from the harvest of 118,633 acres. Although down 4% from the \$83,712,500 realized from the 128,600 acres the previous year, 1964 gross receipts were still above the most recent 5-year average.

Much of the decrease can be attributed to lower prices for alfalfa hay, navel oranges, and lemons, coupled with reduced yields from sugar beet, avocado and grain plantings. The trend toward higher yields per acre continued, however, offsetting somewhat lower prices returned for a number of important crops.

Eleven crops returned one million dollars or more. They were: Alfalfa hay, nursery stock, cut flowers, navel oranges, lemons, strawberries, valencia oranges, carrots, green corn, celery, and sweet corn.

Citrus: (1964 - \$9,700,000, 8,628 acres; 1963 - \$10,200,000, 9,460 acres) Navel orange and lemon returns were down due to a decline in both price and acreage. Good prices for fresh fruit increased valencia orange returns despite lower production from reduced acreage.

Other fruits and nuts: (1964 - \$5,949,000, 6,790 acres; 1963 - \$6,573,600, 6,920 acres) Antelope Valley pear production was the highest in 18 years due to record yields. Peach production also exceeded that of the previous season as the harvest of young Valermo area peach plantings reached the market. New, better quality varieties and high production helped strawberry growers gross \$4,250,000 despite a cutback in acreage.

Field crops: (1964 - \$11,639,500, 88,450 acres; 1963 - \$14,209,500, 96,350 acres) Although high 1963 returns prompted an increase in acreage of alfalfa hay, 1964 gross value was down due to lower prices. Sugar beet production was adversely affected by poor growing conditions and heavy infections of curly top disease. Lack of adequate rainfall reduced the harvested acreage of dry-farmed grain considerably, resulting in a corresponding decrease in value.

Vegetables: (1964 - \$16,115,700, 12,470 acres; 1963 - \$15,317,200, 13,440 acres) A decrease in harvested acreage was more than offset by increases in yield or price for several major vegetable crops. Total value was up for carrots, green onions, bunch vegetables, and green corn, due mainly to stronger prices.

Nursery stock and cut flowers: (1964 - \$36,971,000; 1963 - \$37,075,000) Based on value of production, Los Angeles County should continue to hold first place nationally in the Federal census of horticultural specialty crops. High value categories such as indoor decorative and bedding plants increased in worth, while good demand and price helped cut flower producers realize \$6,900,000.

Apiary products: (1964 - \$306,000; 1963 - \$337,200) Honey value was practically the same this year as better production offset a decrease in number of colonies. The average yield at 70 pounds per colony was 14 pounds above last year.

Valuation figures of plant crops as sold within the county are based on delivery price at the market or on FOB price for commodities shipped out of state. U.S. Department of Agriculture payments amounting to \$412,000 are not included. Price, acreage and yield averages have been checked with the State statistician's office and prices compared with Federal-State Market News quotations. Assistance received from the many persons and agencies consulted is acknowledged and greatly appreciated.

LOS ANGELES COUNTY

FRUIT & NUT CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION & VALUE 1964

Crop	Year	Bearing Acreage	Production			Value	
			Per Acre	Total	Unit	Per Unit	Total
<u>CITRUS FRUITS</u>							
Oranges	1964	1,785	7.3	13,100	Ton	\$160.30	\$2,100,000
Navel & Misc.	1963	1,872	7.1	13,300	"	203.00	2,700,000
Oranges	1964	3,319	6.6	21,900	"	159.80	3,500,000
Valencia	1963	3,787	6.1	23,100	"	134.20	3,100,000
Lemons	1964	3,339	10.7	35,800	"	108.90	3,900,000
	1963	3,600	8.1	29,100	"	143.00	4,160,000
Grapefruit	1964	185	9.0	1,670	"	119.80	200,000
	1963	<u>201</u>	8.82	1,770	"	135.60	<u>240,000</u>
Total	1964	8,628					\$9,700,000
	1963	9,460					10,200,000
<u>OTHER FRUITS & NUTS</u>							
Almonds	1964	1,587	.18	287	"	680.00	195,200
	1963*	1,587	.22	355	"	640.00	228,000
Apples	1964	63	1.5	94.5	"	115.30	10,900
	1963	63	1.03	65.2	"	69.00	4,500
Apricots	1964	15	1.4	21.3	"	160.00	3,400
	1963	17	1.5	25.0	"	140.00	3,500
Avocados	1964	2,024	.64	1,290	"	260.00	335,000
	1963	2,078	1.5	3,120	"	241.00	752,000
Cherries	1964	26	1.25	32.5	"	340.00	11,000
	1963	18	.86	15.5	"	340.00	5,300
Figs	1964	66	.45	29.7	"	535.30	15,900
	1963	66	.51	33.6	"	500.00	16,800
Grapes	1964	124	2.0	250	"	95.00	23,800
	1963	124	2.5	310	"	95.00	29,500
Olives	1964	568	1.3	740	"	70.00	52,000
	1963	568	1.4	800	"	75.00	60,000
Peaches	1964	390	5.1	1,990	"	171.30	341,000
Freestone	1963	439	3.8	1,670	"	173.90	290,000
Pears	1964	269	15.9	4,289	"	128.40	550,800
Bartlett	1963	277	10.1	2,810	"	200.00	562,000
Walnuts	1964	1,036	.19	200	"	500.00	100,000
	1963	1,012	.29	300	"	440.00	132,000
Misc. Fruits & Nuts	1964	72					60,000
	1963	<u>71</u>					<u>40,000</u>
Total	1964	6,240					\$1,699,000
	1963	6,320					2,123,600

*Revised

FRUIT & NUT CROPS (Cont.)

Crop	Year	Bearing Acreage	Production			Value	
			Per Acre	Total	Unit	Per Unit	Total
<u>BERRIES</u>							
Strawberries	1964	550	17.6	9,680	Ton	\$439.00	\$4,250,000
	1963	600	16.5	9,900	"	449.50	4,450,000
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TOTAL FRUIT & NUT CROPS		1964	15,418				\$15,649,000
		1963	16,380				16,773,600

FIELD CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION & VALUE 1964

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production			Value	
			Per Acre	Total	Unit	Per Unit	Total
Barley	1964	16,500	.79	13,100	Ton	\$ 48.60	\$ 637,000
	1963	24,000	.81	19,500	"	48.70	950,000
Beans, dry edible Blackeye	1964	220	.50	110	"	160.00	17,600
	1963	550	.54	300	"	190.00	57,000
Garbanzo	1964	-	-	-	-	-	-
	1963	200	.33	66	"	240.00	15,800
Lima	1964	230	.61	140	"	260.00	36,400
	1963	720	.63	455	"	220.00	100,000
Cotton Lint	1964	150	511 lb.	160	Bale	.365 lb.	29,200
	1963*	190	630 lb.	250	"	.336 lb.	42,000
Cotton Seed	1964			64	Ton	48.00	3,100
	1963			109	"	47.00	5,100
Hay, alfalfa	1964	41,600	6.9	287,000	"	27.25	7,820,000
	1963	40,400	6.9	278,000	"	34.00	9,450,000
Hay, grain	1964	9,900	1.71	17,000	"	31.50	535,000
	1963	8,300	2.27	18,900	"	33.50	632,000
Oats	1964	100	.80	80	"	50.00	4,000
	1963	200	1.5	300	"	50.00	15,000

*Revised

FIELD CROPS (Cont.)

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production			Value	
			Per Acre	Total	Unit	Per Unit	Total
Pasture & range Irrigated	1964	4,800				\$160.00	\$ 768,000
	1963	4,500				175.00	790,000
Other	1964	200,000					555,000*
	1963	200,000					540,000*
Safflower	1964	-	-	-	-	-	-
	1963	100	0.5	50	Ton	72.00	3,600
Silage Sorghum	1964	650	20	13,000	"	6.25	81,200
	1963	800	30	24,000	"	6.50	156,000
Sorghum grain	1964	440	2.1	920	"	50.00	46,000
	1963	140	2.3	320	"	47.00	15,000
Straw	1964			6,000	"	20.00	120,000
	1963			2,000	"	25.00	50,000
Sugar beets**	1964	2,660	18.0	47,900	"	12.40	595,000
	1963	2,150	28.3	60,940	"	14.10	859,000
Wheat	1964	11,200	.46	5,200	"	53.45	278,000
	1963	14,100	.39	5,550	"	70.25	390,000
Total	1964	288,450					\$11,525,500
	1963	296,350					14,070,500

Acreage, production
& value of
Seed Crops

Alfalfa	1964	1,050***	430	451,500	Lb	.25	\$ 114,000
	1963	1,800***	275	495,000	"	.28	139,000

*Amount shown for 1964 includes \$298,000 paid for sheep and cattle grazing on alfalfa and barley stubble; 1963 amount includes about \$250,000 for such grazing.

**Does not include estimated \$109,000 Sugar Act payments for 1964; or \$140,000 for 1963.

***Included in harvested acreage shown for alfalfa hay.

VEGETABLE CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION & VALUE 1964

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production			Value	
			Per Acre	Total	Unit	Per Unit	Total
Asparagus	1964	30	1.6	48	Ton	\$270.00	\$ 13,000
	1963	35	1.6	56	"	280.30	15,700
Beans, snap	1964	200	5.5	1,100	"	260.00	286,000
	1963	175	5.9	1,040	"	243.00	253,000
Beets, table	1964	260	11.5	2,990	"	71.00	212,000
	1963	300	11.8	3,544	"	66.65	236,000
Cabbage	1964	750	14.2	10,650	"	66.20	705,000
	1963	900	13.7	12,348	"	56.30	695,000
Carrots	1964	1,050	27.5	28,870	"	89.00	2,540,000
	1963	975	25.0	24,375	"	80.00	1,950,000
Cauliflower	1964	325	13.0	4,225	"	64.00	270,000
	1963	400	12.5	5,000	"	66.00	330,000
Celery	1964	540	36.0	12,240	"	98.00	1,200,000
	1963	400	34.5	13,800	"	83.30	1,150,000
Chinese Food Veg.	1964	150					1,395,000
	1963	150					1,480,000
Corn, sweet	1964	2,300	5.5	12,600	"	108.70	1,370,000
	1963	2,350	5.6	13,200	"	106.05	1,400,000
Cucumbers	1964	100	7.5	752	"	125.80	94,600
	1963	100	7.2	720	"	109.45	78,800
Lettuce, leaf	1964	650	13.5	8,775	"	86.65	760,000
	1963	600	13.5	8,100	"	83.35	675,000
Melons Cantaloupe	1964	150	10.5	1,575	"	67.90	107,000
	1963	230	9.7	2,233	"	59.10	132,000
Casaba & others	1964	30	9.7	290	"	40.00	11,600
	1963	130	12.6	1,640	"	34.60	56,700
Watermelon	1964	80	13.7	1,100	"	46.40	51,000
	1963	310	13.7	4,250	"	32.25	137,000
Mushrooms	1964			650	"	960.00	624,000
	1963			580	"	1,000.00	580,000
Mustard & other greens	1964	950	12.3	11,680	"	69.35	810,000
	1963	1,000	10.1	10,100	"	71.30	720,000

VEGETABLE CROPS (Cont.)

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production			Value	
			Per Acre	Total	Unit	Per Unit	Total
Onions, dry	1964	390	22.7	8,850	Ton	\$ 76.00	\$ 673,000
	1963	400	20.6	8,250	"	80.00	660,000
Onions, green	1964	750	15.0	11,250	"	112.45	1,265,000
	1963	730	16.0	11,680	"	91.60	1,070,000
Peppers	1964	50	10.0	500	"	160.00	80,000
	1963	60	6.2	375	"	200.00	75,000
Pumpkins	1964	165	9.0	1,485	"	32.00	47,500
	1963	200	9.0	1,800	"	35.00	63,000
Radishes	1964	1,100	7.8	8,600	"	104.00	894,000
	1963	1,200	7.5	9,000	"	92.00	828,000
Rhubarb	1964	140	5.0	700	"	180.00	126,000
	1963	150	5.4	810	"	150.00	122,000
Romaine	1964	150	16.0	2,400	"	86.65	208,000
	1963	200	13.5	2,700	"	93.35	252,000
Spinach	1964	250	9.0	2,250	"	166.65	375,000
	1963	300	9.0	2,700	"	157.75	426,000
Squash Italian & summer	1964	270	5.5	1,480	"	152.00	225,000
	1963	300	4.8	1,440	"	158.35	228,000
Winter	1964	340	8.0	2,720	"	42.00	114,000
	1963	370	9.0	3,330	"	50.00	166,000
Tomatoes, market	1964	225	13.2	2,970	"	149.80	445,000
	1963	275	12.1	3,332	"	131.45	438,000
Turnips	1964	675	10.5	7,100	"	86.50	614,000
	1963	700	10.7	7,490	"	86.80	650,000
Misc. Vegetables	1964	600					600,000
	1963	500					450,000
Total	1964	12,470					\$16,115,700
	1963	13,440					15,317,200

NURSERY PRODUCTS

Item	Year	Production Area		Quantity Sold by Producers	Unit	Value	
		House Acres	Field Acres			Per Unit	Total
<u>Nursery Crops</u>							
Deciduous fruit & nut trees	1964		10	150,000	Plant	\$.80	\$ 120,000
	1963		15	180,000	"	.75	135,000
Vegetable plants - greenhouse grown	1964	10		1,300,000	Flats	.76	980,000
	1963	12		1,430,000	"	.80	1,143,000
Ornamental trees & shrubs	1964		1,125				19,900,000
	1963		1,100				19,350,000
Bedding plants & ground cover	1964	40	60	1,392,000	Flats	2.30	3,200,000
	1963		80	1,260,000	"	2.10	2,646,000
Indoor decorative plants	1964	60					3,800,000
	1963	55					3,450,000
Cactus & succulents	1964		25				575,000
	1963		40				800,000
Bulbs, cuttings roots, dichondra etc.	1964		395				1,500,000
	1963		528				2,136,000
Total	1964	110	1,615				\$30,075,000
	1963	67	1,763				30,160,000
<u>Cut Flowers & Decoratives</u>							
Carnations	1964	50		40,250,000	Bloom	.055	\$ 2,210,000
	1963	60		45,000,000	"	.052	2,340,000
Chrysanthemums Standard & Disbuds	1964	36		5,400,000	"	.25	1,350,000
	1963	40		6,000,000	"	.23	1,380,000
Pompom	1964	30	100	330,000	Bundle	2.25	745,000
	1963	33	80	350,000	"	1.80	630,000
Gladiolus	1964		15	48,000	Doz	1.40	67,000
	1963		5	18,000	"	1.25	23,000
Roses	1964	9		4,500,000	Bloom	.07	298,000
	1963	7		4,480,000	"	.064	286,000
Miscellaneous (such as orchids, daisies, stocks & about 20 other varieties)	1964		330				2,226,000
	1963		375				2,256,000
TOTAL	1964	125	445				\$6,896,000
	1963	140	460				6,915,000

GRAND TOTAL ALL PLANT CROPS

\$80,375,200

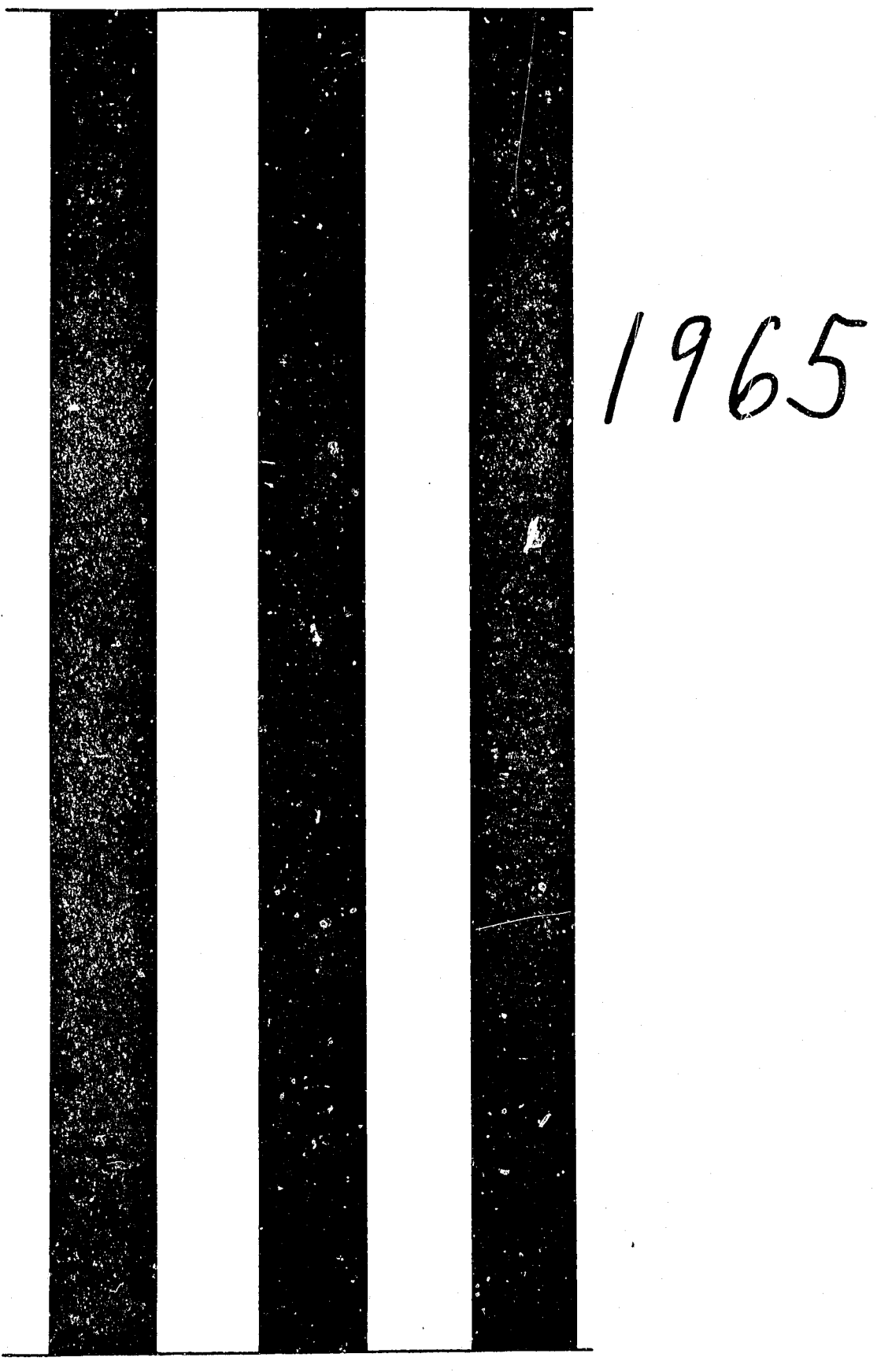
APIARY PRODUCTS

Item	Year	Production Total	Unit	Value	
				Per Unit	Total
Honey	1964	1,890,000	Lb.	\$.14	\$ 264,500
	1963	1,853,000	"	.15	278,000
Beeswax	1964	31,500	"	.46	14,500
	1963	27,800	"	.44	12,200
Pollination	1964	6,000	Colony	4.50	27,000
	1963	10,450	"	4.50	47,000
Total	1964				\$ 306,000
	1963				337,200
TOTAL PLANT CROPS AND APIARY PRODUCTS					\$80,681,200

S U M M A R Y
1960-1964, Inclusive

	<u>1960</u>	<u>1961</u>	<u>1962</u>	<u>1963</u>	<u>1964</u>
Citrus Fruits	\$10,300,000	\$ 9,125,000	\$ 9,550,000	\$10,200,000	\$ 9,700,000
Other Fruits	2,215,400	1,756,600	1,893,500	2,123,600	1,699,000
Berries	3,471,000	3,625,000	3,720,000	4,450,000	4,250,000
Field Crops	9,761,600	7,901,100	11,050,800	14,209,500	11,639,500
Vegetables	15,451,300	13,581,200	14,163,800	15,317,200	16,115,700
Nursery Stock	30,549,000	30,515,000	31,120,000	30,160,000	30,075,000
Cut Flowers	7,261,000	6,800,000	7,112,000	6,915,000	6,896,000
Total Plant Crops*	\$79,009,300	\$73,303,900	\$78,610,100	\$83,375,300	\$80,375,200
Apiary Products	220,800	181,200	633,500	337,200	306,000
Total Plant Crops & Apiary Products	\$79,230,100	\$73,485,100	\$79,243,600	\$83,712,500	\$80,681,200

*U.S. Department of Agriculture Payments deleted from these totals in order to conform to new statewide tabulation system for county crop reports.



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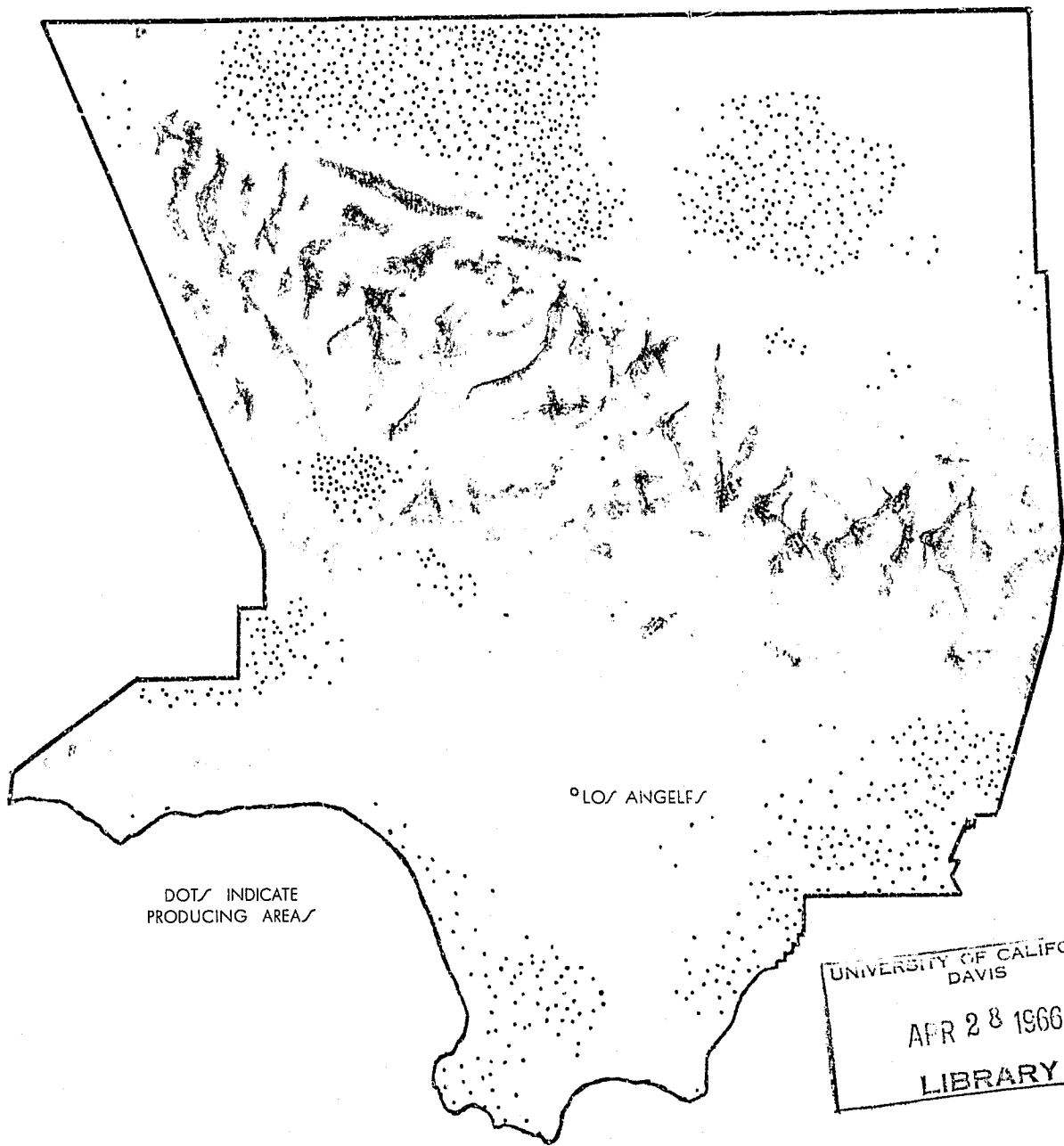
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CROP REPORT

LOS ANGELES COUNTY

1965



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LOS ANGELES COUNTY CROP REPORT FOR 1965
(Exclusive of Livestock Production)

The 1965 harvest of plant crops from 108,012 acres in Los Angeles County was valued at \$76,764,000, some \$3,917,200 less than last year's gross valuation of \$80,681,200 and 3% below the most recent 5-year average.

When plant crop valuation is combined with the 1965 livestock production of \$99,342,885, the value of all farm products raised in the County totals \$176,106,885. This should again rank Los Angeles County among the nation's ten leading agricultural counties.

The figures published in this report are gross valuations only and do not consider costs of production. While these figures reflect agriculture's contribution to the economy of Los Angeles County, they are in no way an indication of net farm income.

Growers of high labor demand crops experienced some difficulty during the season because of shortages of dependable, experienced harvest crews.

Eleven crops returned one million dollars or more. They were: alfalfa hay, nursery stock, cut flowers, navel oranges, lemons, strawberries, Valencia oranges, dry onions, sweet corn, green onions, and carrots.

Citrus: (1965 \$7,280,000 - 7,489 acres; 1964 \$9,700,000 - 8,628 acres) While better per unit returns were realized from the harvest of lemons and navel oranges this year, total returns for these and other citrus crops were down because of decreases in both acreage and production.

Other fruits and nuts: (1965 \$4,910,000 - 6,550 acres; 1964 \$5,949,000 - 6,790 acres) Antelope Valley deciduous fruit crop yields were generally lower because of unfavorable weather. Higher pear prices resulting from a short crop in other areas offset reduced production. Strawberry production was adversely affected by unseasonal rains during the peak harvest period.

Field crops: (1965 \$11,566,600 - 79,103 acres; 1964 \$11,639,500 - 88,450 acres) Alfalfa hay returns again exceeded 7 million dollars although late season cuttings produced lower yields. Record sugar beet production of 31.4 tons per acre more than offset the 1,190 acre reduction in plantings. Timely late rains resulted in an increased acreage and production of dry-farmed beans.

Vegetables: (1965 \$15,924,800 - 12,380 acres; 1964 \$16,115,700 - 12,470 acres) Production and returns for carrots, celery and several leafy vegetable crops were below that of last year. These decreases were offset for the most part by increased plantings of sweet corn, dry onions, green onions, radishes and mustard greens.

Nursery stock and cut flowers: (1965 \$36,741,000; 1964 \$36,971,000) The value of nursery crops increased slightly because of expanded plantings and better returns in some categories. The value of cut flowers was down 9% due to the effect of unfavorable weather upon production.

Apiary products: (1965 \$341,600; 1964 \$306,000) Honey valuation was up as favorable weather produced a long period of heavy nectar flow. Increased production offset a drop in honey prices.

Valuation figures of plant crops are based on delivery price at the market or on FOB price for commodities shipped out-of-state. U.S. Department of Agriculture payments amounting to \$474,000 are not included. Prices have been compared with Federal-State Market News Quotations. Assistance received from the many persons and agencies consulted is acknowledged and greatly appreciated.

RALPH W. LIGHTY
Agricultural Commissioner

March 31, 1966

LOS ANGELES COUNTY

FRUIT & NUT CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION & VALUE 1965

Crop	Year	Bearing Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
<u>CITRUS FRUITS</u>							
Oranges	1965	1,613	5.9	9,500	Ton	\$168.40	\$1,600,000
Navel & Misc.	1964	1,785	7.3	13,100	"	160.30	2,100,000
Oranges	1965	2,956	5.6	16,600	"	138.50	2,300,000
Valencia	1964	3,319	6.6	21,900	"	159.80	3,500,000
Lemons	1965	2,760	8.9	24,600	"	130.00	3,200,000
	1964	3,339	10.7	35,800	"	108.90	3,900,000
Grapefruit	1965	160	8.3	1,330	"	135.30	180,000
	1964	<u>185</u>	9.0	1,670	"	119.80	<u>200,000</u>
Total	1965	7,489					\$7,280,000
	1964	8,628					9,700,000
<u>OTHER FRUITS & NUTS</u>							
Almonds	1965	1,577	.12	190	"	680.00	129,000
	1964	1,587	.18	287	"	680.00	195,200
Apples	1965	63	.71	45	"	162.20	7,300
	1964	63	1.5	94.5	"	115.30	10,900
Apricots	1965	8	.94	7.5	"	160.00	1,200
	1964	15	1.4	21.3	"	160.00	3,400
Avocados	1965	2,004	.65	1,300	"	500.00	650,000
	1964	2,024	.64	1,290	"	260.00	335,000
Cherries	1965	25	.68	16.9	"	380.00	6,400
	1964	26	1.25	32.5	"	340.00	11,000
Figs	1965	66	.38	25.2	"	520.00	13,100
	1964	66	.45	29.7	"	535.30	15,900
Grapes	1965	124	1.6	200	"	100.00	20,000
	1964	124	2.0	250	"	95.00	23,800
Olives	1965	568	.14	80	"	125.00	10,000
	1964	568	1.3	740	"	70.00	52,000
Peaches	1965	377	3.6	1,370	"	186.40	255,000
Freestone	1964	390	5.1	1,990	"	171.30	341,000
Pears	1965	285	10.0	2,838	"	198.00	562,000
Bartlett	1964	269	15.9	4,289	"	128.40	550,800
Walnuts	1965	882	.25	220	"	480.00	106,000
	1964	1,036	.19	200	"	500.00	100,000
Misc. Fruits & Nuts	1965	71					40,000
	1964	<u>72</u>					<u>60,000</u>
Total	1965	6,050					\$1,800,000
	1964	6,240					1,699,000

FRUIT & NUT CROPS (Cont.)

Crop	Year	Bearing Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
<u>BERRIES</u>							
Strawberries	1965	500	14.4	7,200	Ton	432.00	\$3,110,000
	1964	550	17.6	9,680	"	439.00	4,250,000
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TOTAL FRUIT & NUT CROPS	1965	14,039					\$12,190,000
	1964	15,418					15,649,000

FIELD CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION & VALUE 1965

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Barley	1965	15,500	.80	12,400	Ton	51.00	\$ 632,000
	1964	16,500	.79	13,100	"	48.60	637,000
Beans, dry edible Blackeye	1965	200	.58	116	"	200.00	23,200
	1964	220	.50	110	"	160.00	17,600
Garbanzo	1965	280	.41	115	"	270.00	31,000
	1964	0	-	-	"	-	-
Lima	1965	700	.65	455	"	260.00	118,500
	1964	230	.61	140	"	260.00	36,400
Cotton Lint	1965	33	842 lb.	58	Bale	.26 lb.	7,600
	1964	150	511 lb.	160	"	.365 lb.	29,200
Cotton Seed	1965			26	Ton	47.00	1,200
	1964			64	"	48.00	3,100
Hay, alfalfa	1965	40,600	7.0	284,000	"	27.40	7,782,000
	1964	41,600	6.9	287,000	"	27.25	7,820,000
Hay, grain	1965	8,300	1.98	16,400	"	29.50	484,000
	1964	9,900	1.71	17,000	"	31.50	535,000
Oats	1965	100	1.1	110	"	54.00	6,000
	1964	100	.80	80	"	50.00	4,000

FIELD CROPS (Cont.)

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production			Value	
			Per Acre	Total	Unit	Per Unit	Total
Pasture & range Irrigated	1965	5,100				\$155.00	\$ 791,000
	1964	4,800				160.00	768,000
Other	1965	200,000					567,000*
	1964	200,000					555,000*
Silage Sorghum	1965	500	20	10,000	Ton	6.50	65,000
	1964	650	20	13,000	"	6.25	81,200
Sorghum grain	1965	120	1.7	200	"	47.50	9,500
	1964	440	2.1	920	"	50.00	46,000
Straw	1965			5,000	"	20.00	100,000
	1964			6,000	"	20.00	120,000
Sugar beets**	1965	1,470	31.4	46,000	"	13.00	598,000
	1964	2,660	18.0	47,900	"	12.40	595,000
Wheat	1965	6,200	.79	4,900	"	53.00	260,000
	1964	11,200	.46	5,200	"	53.45	278,000
Total	1965	279,103					\$11,476,000
	1964	288,450					11,525,500

Acreage, production
& value of
Seed Crops

Alfalfa	1965	1,150***	295	339,300	Lb.	.267	\$ 90,600
	1964	1,050***	430	451,500	"	.25	114,000

*Amount shown for 1965 includes \$275,000 paid for sheep and cattle grazing on alfalfa and barley stubble; 1964 amount includes \$298,000 for such grazing.

**Does not include estimated \$112,700 Sugar Act payments for 1965; or \$109,000 for 1964.

***Included in harvested acreage shown for alfalfa hay.

VEGETABLE CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION & VALUE 1965

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Asparagus	1965	25	1.8	44	Ton	\$300.00	\$ 13,200
	1964	30	1.6	48	"	270.00	13,000
Beans, snap	1965	175	5.8	1,015	"	300.00	305,000
	1964	200	5.5	1,100	"	260.00	286,000
Beets, table	1965	150	11.7	1,755	"	80.00	140,000
	1964	260	11.5	2,990	"	71.00	212,000
Cabbage	1965	650	15.0	9,750	"	70.00	683,000
	1964	750	14.2	10,650	"	66.20	705,000
Carrots	1965	1,000	22.5	22,500	"	83.00	1,868,000
	1964	1,050	27.5	28,870	"	88.00	2,540,000
Cauliflower	1965	300	13.7	4,110	"	72.00	296,000
	1964	325	13.0	4,225	"	64.00	270,000
Celery	1965	220	35.0	7,700	"	100.00	770,000
	1964	340	36.0	12,240	"	98.00	1,200,000
Chinese Food Veg.	1965	120					1,450,000
	1964	150					1,395,000
Corn, sweet	1965	2,600	5.2	13,500	"	114.00	1,539,000
	1964	2,300	5.5	12,600	"	108.70	1,370,000
Cucumbers	1965	80	8.0	640	"	135.00	86,400
	1964	100	7.5	752	"	125.80	94,600
Lettuce, leaf	1965	550	15.0	8,250	"	90.00	743,000
	1964	650	13.5	8,775	"	86.65	760,000
Melons Cantaloupe	1965	160	10.0	1,600	"	70.00	112,000
	1964	150	10.5	1,575	"	67.90	107,000
Casaba & others	1965	-	-	-	"	-	-
	1964	30	9.7	290	"	40.00	11,600
Watermelon	1965	140	10.0	1,400	"	35.00	49,000
	1964	80	13.7	1,100	"	46.40	51,000
Mushrooms	1965			820	"	1,000.00	820,000
	1964			650	"	960.00	624,000
Mustard & other greens	1965	1,050	11.5	12,075	"	80.00	966,000
	1964	950	12.3	11,680	"	69.35	810,000

VEGETABLE CROPS (Cont.)

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Onions, dry	1965	560	22.3	12,483	Ton	\$ 90.00	\$1,124,000
	1964	390	22.7	8,850	"	76.00	673,000
Onions, green	1965	800	15.6	12,480	"	110.00	1,373,000
	1964	750	15.0	11,250	"	112.45	1,265,000
Peppers	1965	40	12.0	480	"	180.00	86,700
	1964	50	10.0	500	"	160.00	80,000
Pumpkins	1965	170	9.5	1,615	"	35.00	56,500
	1964	165	9.0	1,485	"	32.00	47,500
Radishes	1965	1,200	7.6	9,120	"	100.00	912,000
	1964	1,100	7.8	8,600	"	104.00	894,000
Rhubarb	1965	110	7.0	770	"	170.00	131,000
	1964	140	5.0	700	"	180.00	126,000
Romaine	1965	120	15.0	1,800	"	85.00	153,000
	1964	150	16.0	2,400	"	86.65	208,000
Spinach	1965	150	10.8	1,620	"	177.75	288,000
	1964	250	9.0	2,250	"	166.65	375,000
Squash Italian & summer	1965	250	6.0	1,500	"	160.00	240,000
	1964	270	5.5	1,480	"	152.00	225,000
Winter	1965	310	10.0	3,100	"	40.00	124,000
	1964	340	8.0	2,720	"	42.00	114,000
Tomatoes, market	1965	150	14.5	2,175	"	170.00	370,000
	1964	225	13.2	2,970	"	149.80	445,000
Turnips	1965	600	11.0	6,600	"	85.00	561,000
	1964	675	10.5	7,100	"	86.50	614,000
Misc. Vegetables	1965	700				950.00	665,000
	1964	600				1,000.00	600,000
Total	1965	12,380					\$15,924,800
	1964	12,470					16,115,700

NURSERY PRODUCTS

Item	Year	Production Area		Quantity Sold by Producers	Unit	Value	
		House Acres	Field Acres			Per Unit	Total
<u>Nursery Crops</u>							
Deciduous fruit & nut trees	1965		10	150,000	Plant	\$.85	\$ 127,000
	1964		10	150,000	"	.80	120,000
Vegetable plants - greenhouse grown	1965	10		1,190,000	Flat	.80	952,000
	1964	10		1,300,000	"	.76	980,000
Ornamental trees & shrubs	1965		1,300				19,700,000
	1964		1,125				19,900,000
Bedding plants & ground cover	1965	40	70	1,465,000	Flat	2.30	3,370,000
	1964	40	60	1,392,000	"	2.30	3,200,000
Indoor decorative plants	1965	68					4,410,000
	1964	60					3,800,000
Cactus & succulents	1965		20				375,000
	1964		25				575,000
Bulbs, cuttings roots, dichondra etc.	1965		407				1,525,000
	1964		395				1,500,000
Total	1965	118	1,807				\$30,459,000
	1964	110	1,615				30,075,000
<u>Cut Flowers & Decoratives</u>							
Carnations	1965	50		35,000,000	Bloom	.056	\$ 1,960,000
	1964	50		40,250,000	"	.055	2,210,000
Chrysanthemums Standard & Disbuds	1965	30		4,350,000	"	.22	957,000
	1964	36		5,400,000	"	.25	1,350,000
Pompon	1965	30	120	360,000	Bundle	2.50	900,000
	1964	30	100	330,000	"	2.25	745,000
Gladiolus	1965		15	47,000	Doz.	1.50	70,000
	1964		15	48,000	"	1.40	67,000
Roses	1965	8		3,600,000	Bloom	.075	270,000
	1964	9		4,500,000	"	.07	298,000
Miscellaneous (Orchids, daisies, stocks & about 20 other varieties)	1965		312				2,125,000
	1964		330				2,226,000
Total	1965	118	447				\$ 6,282,000
	1964	125	445				6,896,000

GRAND TOTAL ALL PLANT CROPS

\$76,422,400

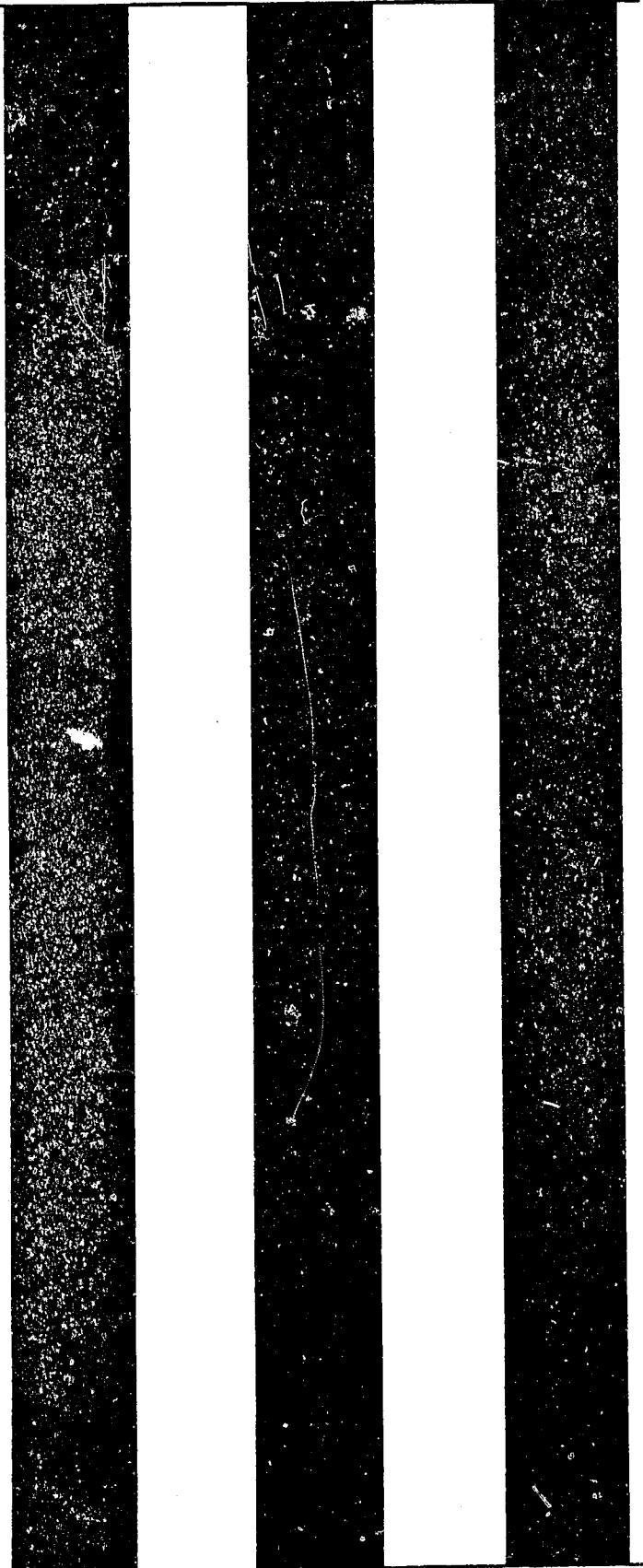
APIARY PRODUCTS

Item	Year	Production		Unit	Value	
		Total			Per Unit	Total
Honey	1965	2,600,000		Lb.	¢ .11	\$ 286,000
	1964	1,890,000		"	.14	264,500
Beeswax	1965	43,500		"	.46	20,000
	1964	31,500		"	.46	14,500
Pollination	1965	7,500		Colony	4.75	35,600
	1964	6,000		"	4.50	27,000
Total	1965					\$ 341,600
	1964					306,000
TOTAL PLANT CROPS AND APIARY PRODUCTS						¢76,764,000

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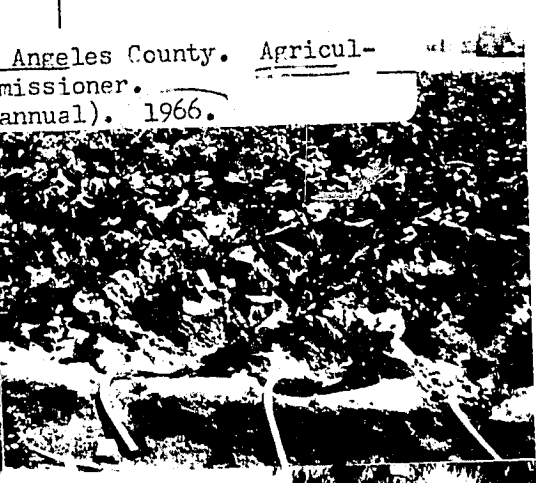
	<u>1961</u>	<u>1962</u>	<u>1963</u>	<u>1964</u>	<u>1965</u>
Citrus Fruits	\$ 9,125,000	\$ 9,550,000	¢10,200,000	¢ 9,700,000	\$ 7,280,000
Other Fruits	1,756,600	1,893,500	2,123,600	1,699,000	1,800,000
Berries	3,625,000	3,720,000	4,450,000	4,250,000	3,110,000
Field Crops	7,901,100	11,050,800	14,209,500	11,639,500	11,566,600
Vegetables	13,581,200	14,163,800	15,317,200	16,115,700	15,924,800
Nursery Stock	30,515,000	31,120,000	30,160,000	30,075,000	30,459,000
Cut Flowers	6,800,000	7,112,000	6,915,000	6,896,000	6,282,000
Total Plant Crops*	\$73,303,900	\$78,610,100	\$83,375,300	¢80,375,200	¢76,422,400
Apiary Products	181,200	633,500	337,200	306,000	341,600
Total Plant Crops & Apiary Products	\$73,485,100	\$79,243,600	¢83,712,500	¢80,681,200	\$76,764,000

*U.S. Department of Agriculture Payments deleted from these totals in order to conform to statewide tabulation system for county crop reports.



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CROP REPORT - 1966



LOS ANGELES COUNTY-1966 CROP SUMMARY

(Exclusive of Livestock Production)

The total value of plant crop production in Los Angeles County increased to \$76,920,000 in 1966. When this figure is combined with 1966 livestock production of \$93,371,650, Los Angeles County should again rank among the nation's ten leading agricultural counties. Generally favorable growing conditions and somewhat better prices contributed to improved gross returns for growers of several major crops.

It should be pointed out that net returns realized from the harvest of most crops have failed to keep pace with the higher yields and gross receipts reported; the rising costs of labor, taxes and equipment being the major factors in this cost squeeze. Mechanization, as a result, is being stressed in many operations in an effort to lower unit production expense.

Ten crops returned one million dollars or more in 1966. They were - nursery stock (\$29,902,000), alfalfa hay (\$8,512,000), cut flowers (\$5,389,000), strawberries (\$3,970,000), lemons (\$3,770,000), carrots (\$2,038,000), sweet corn (\$1,776,000), valencia oranges (\$1,770,000), green onions (\$1,687,000), and navel oranges (\$1,232,000). Production of Chinese food vegetables as a group also exceeded one million dollars, returning \$1,525,000 last year.

Citrus crops returned \$6,974,000 in 1966, down from the \$7,280,000 reported the previous year. Although navel orange yield improved, reduced acreage and lower prices lowered returns to growers. Good lemon production and prices more than offset loss of producing acreage and resulted in a higher crop valuation.

The aggregate value of other fruits and nuts was \$6,296,000 despite a decline in acreage. Paced by a record Antelope Valley pear crop that returned \$586,000, almonds, peaches, and walnuts also showed gains over the previous year. Avocado production was very good - doubling last year's yield per acre. Continuing to benefit from use of improved varieties and cultural practices, an excellent crop of strawberries returned \$3,970,000.

Favorable weather and improved prices resulted in a higher total value for field crops as a group. Although alfalfa hay production stayed very close to last year's level, higher prices raised returns this year to \$18,512,000. Wheat, barley, and grain hay grew well and also registered gains. Somewhat below last season's record yield, a sugar beet harvest averaging 25.4 tons per acre produced a crop valued at \$552,000. Timely rains were again of particular benefit to growers of dry-farmed beans.

The total value of vegetable crop production was slightly lower in 1966 - returning \$15,512,200. With the exception of sweet corn, carrots, cabbage, and several bunch vegetables, production of most major vegetable crops was affected by curtailed plantings. High carrot quality resulted in less cullage and subsequent higher yields, while better prices and yields raised sweet corn and green onion returns. Over 20 varieties of vegetables were grown and harvested in Los Angeles County in addition to the 22 types individually listed. Grouped as miscellaneous vegetables in the report, they include leeks, rutabagas, parsley, daikon, peas, eggplant, celeriac, and sweet potatoes.

Los Angeles County's nursery stock and cut flower industry returned \$35,291,000 to the economy last year again assuring the County's place as the nation's number one producer of horticultural specialty crops. The recent slowdown in residential construction affected returns to growers of ornamental shrubs and trees. Reduced bedding plant and ground cover production was offset by higher prices as growers expanded shipping to out-of-county markets.

Bees continue to be Los Angeles County's most valuable insect, but last year produced a smaller honey and beeswax crop. Apiary products returned \$284,200 in 1966 - a decrease of 17%, but less than the average statewide decline of 30%. This was due to lack of late rains and a reduction in the number of colonies.

U. S. Department of Agriculture payments amounted to \$325,000 and are not included in the total returns reported. Valuation figures are based on delivery price at the market or on FOB price for commodities shipped out of state. All prices have been compared with Federal-State Market News quotations.

Assistance received from the many persons and agencies consulted is acknowledged and greatly appreciated.

This and many prior Crop Reports have been prepared under the capable direction of Senior Agricultural Inspector Charles Yerxa.

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April 3, 1967

LOS ANGELES COUNTY

FRUIT & NUT CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION & VALUE 1966

Crop	Year	Bearing Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
<u>CITRUS FRUITS</u>							
Oranges	1966	1,521	6.1	9,300	Ton	\$132.50	\$1,232,000
Navel & Misc.	1965	1,613	5.9	9,500	"	168.40	1,600,000
Oranges	1966	2,624	4.8	12,600	"	140.50	1,770,000
Valencia	1965	2,956	5.6	16,600	"	138.50	2,300,000
Lemons	1966	2,389	11.4	27,300	"	138.10	3,770,000
	1965	2,760	8.9	24,600	"	130.00	3,200,000
Grapefruit	1966	131	11.7	1,530	"	132.00	202,000
	1965	<u>160</u>	8.3	1,330	"	135.30	<u>180,000</u>
Total	1966	6,665					\$6,974,000
	1965	7,489					7,280,000
<u>OTHER FRUITS & NUTS</u>							
Almonds	1966	1,575	.19	310	"	\$660.00	\$ 204,000
	1965	1,577	.12	190	"	680.00	129,000
Apples	1966	63	2.0	127	"	130.70	16,600
	1965	63	.71	45	"	162.20	7,300
Avocados	1966	1,994	1.35	2,700	"	290.00	783,000
	1965	2,004	.65	1,300	"	500.00	650,000
Cherries	1966	21	.90	18.9	"	470.00	8,900
	1965	25	.68	16.9	"	380.00	6,400
Figs	1966	61	.30	18.3	"	580.00	10,600
	1965	66	.38	25.2	"	520.00	13,100
Grapes	1966	94	2.5	235	"	94.00	22,100
	1965	124	1.6	200	"	100.00	20,000
Olives	1966	564	.07	40	"	120.00	4,800
	1965	568	.14	80	"	125.00	10,000
Peaches	1966	354	5.8	2,050	"	212.70	436,000
Freestone	1965	377	3.6	1,370	"	186.40	255,000
Pears	1966	289	15.5	4,483	"	130.70	586,000
Bartlett	1965	285	10.0	2,838	"	198.00	562,000
Walnuts	1966	823	.35	290	"	490.00	142,000
	1965	882	.25	220	"	480.00	106,000
Misc.Fruits & Nuts	1966	77					112,000
	1965	<u>79*</u>					<u>41,200*</u>
Total	1966	5,915					\$2,326,000
	1965	6,050					1,800,000

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FRUIT & NUT CROPS (Cont.)

Crop	Year	Bearing Acreage	Production			Value			
			Per Acre	Total	Unit	Per Unit	Total		
<u>BERRIES</u>									
Strawberries	1966	450	18.0	8,100	Ton	\$490.00	\$ 3,970,000		
	1965	500	14.4	7,200	"	432.00	3,110,000		
TOTAL FRUIT & NUT CROPS							1966	13,030	\$13,270,000
							1965	14,039	12,190,000

FIELD CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION & VALUE 1966

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production			Value	
			Per Acre	Total	Unit	Per Unit	Total
Barley	1966	15,700	.82	12,900	Ton	\$ 53.50	\$ 690,000
	1965	15,500	.80	12,400	"	51.00	632,000
Beans, dry edible							
Blackeye	1966	200	.75	150	"	150.00	22,500
	1965	200	.58	116	"	200.00	23,200
Garbanzo	1966	480	.50	240	"	250.00	60,000
	1965	280	.41	115	"	270.00	31,000
Lima	1966	570	.50	285	"	330.00	94,000
	1965	700	.65	455	"	260.00	118,500
Cotton Lint	1966	30	528 lb.	33	Bale	.33 lb.	5,400
	1965	33	842 lb.	58	"	.26 lb.	7,600
Cotton Seed	1966			15	Ton	61.00	900
	1965			26	"	47.00	1,200
Hay, alfalfa	1966	38,000	7.0	266,000	"	32.00	8,512,000
	1965	40,600	7.0	284,000	"	27.40	7,782,000
Hay, grain	1966	8,500	1.90	16,200	"	31.00	502,000
	1965	8,300	1.98	16,400	"	29.50	484,000
Oats	1966	50	1.0	50	"	54.00	2,700
	1965	100	1.1	110	"	54.00	6,000

FIELD CROPS (Cont.)

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production			Value	
			Per Acre	Total	Unit	Per Unit	Total
Pasture & range Irrigated	1966	5,000				\$186.00	\$ 930,000
	1965	5,100				155.00	791,000
Other	1966	200,000					680,000*
	1965	200,000					567,000*
Silage Sorghum	1966	300	15	4,500	Ton	7.00	31,500
	1965	500	20	10,000	"	6.50	65,000
Sorghum grain	1966	200	1.4	280	"	50.00	14,000
	1965	120	1.7	200	"	47.50	9,500
Straw	1966			4,000	"	20.00	80,000
	1965			5,000	"	20.00	100,000
Sugar beets**	1966	1,500	25.4	38,100	"	14.50	552,000
	1965	1,470	31.4	46,000	"	13.00	598,000
Wheat	1966	10,900	.40	4,400	"	62.00	273,000
	1965	6,200	.79	4,900	"	53.00	260,000
Total	1966	281,430					\$12,450,000
	1965	279,103					11,476,000

Acreage, production
& value of
Seed Crops

Alfalfa	1966	1,150***	342	393,750	Lb.	\$.286	\$ 112,600
	1965	1,150***	295	339,300	"	.267	90,600

*Amount shown for 1966 includes \$280,000 paid for sheep and cattle grazing on alfalfa and barley stubble; 1965 amount includes \$275,000 for such grazing.

**Does not include estimated \$88,000 Sugar Act payments for 1966; or \$112,700 for 1965.

***Included in harvested acreage shown for alfalfa hay.

VEGETABLE CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION & VALUE 1966

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Asparagus	1966	15	1.6	24	Ton \$	320.00	\$ 7,700
	1965	25	1.8	44	"	300.00	13,200
Beans, snap	1966	150	5.0	750	"	340.00	255,000
	1965	175	5.8	1,015	"	300.00	305,000
Beets, table	1966	125	11.2	1,400	"	82.00	114,800
	1965	150	11.7	1,755	"	80.00	140,000
Cabbage	1966	570	16.0	9,120	"	84.00	766,000
	1965	650	15.0	9,750	"	70.00	683,000
Carrots	1966	950	27.5	26,125	"	78.00	2,038,000
	1965	1,000	22.5	22,500	"	83.00	1,868,000
Cauliflower	1966	200	15.0	3,000	"	64.00	192,000
	1965	300	13.7	4,110	"	72.00	296,000
Celery	1966	125	36.0	4,500	"	96.00	432,000
	1965	220	35.0	7,700	"	100.00	770,000
Chinese Food Veg.	1966	160					1,525,000
	1965	120					1,450,000
Corn, sweet	1966	2,900	5.1	14,800	"	120.00	1,776,000
	1965	2,600	5.2	13,500	"	114.00	1,539,000
Cucumbers	1966	30	7.0	210	"	150.00	31,500
	1965	80	8.0	640	"	135.00	86,400
Lettuce, leaf	1966	300	14.0	4,200	"	85.00	357,000
	1965	550	15.0	8,250	"	90.00	743,000
Melons Cantaloupe	1966	100	9.6	960	"	80.00	76,200
	1965	160	10.0	1,600	"	70.00	112,000
Watermelon	1966	120	13.5	1,620	"	42.00	68,000
	1965	140	10.0	1,400	"	35.00	49,000
Mushrooms	1966			860	"	1,040.00	895,000
	1965			820	"	1,000.00	820,000
Mustard & other greens	1966	1,000	11.5	11,500	"	85.80	987,000
	1965	1,050	11.5	12,075	"	80.00	966,000

VEGETABLE CROPS (Cont.)

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Onions, dry	1966	480	21.2	10,180	Ton	\$ 95.00	\$ 967,000
	1965	560	22.2	12,488	"	90.00	1,124,000
Onions, green	1966	750	18.0	13,500	"	125.00	1,687,000
	1965	800	15.6	12,480	"	110.00	1,373,000
Peppers	1966	30	10.0	300	"	220.00	66,000
	1965	40	12.0	480	"	180.00	86,700
Pumpkins	1966	160	11.2	1,800	"	50.00	90,000
	1965	170	9.5	1,615	"	35.00	56,500
Radishes	1966	1,150	8.0	9,200	"	105.00	966,000
	1965	1,200	7.6	9,120	"	100.00	912,000
Rhubarb	1966	80	8.5	680	"	180.00	122,000
	1965	110	7.0	770	"	170.00	131,000
Romaine	1966	50	14.0	700	"	80.00	56,000
	1965	120	15.0	1,800	"	85.00	153,000
Spinach	1966	120	11.2	1,340	"	190.00	255,000
	1965	150	10.8	1,620	"	177.75	288,000
Squash Italian & Summer	1966	180	6.3	1,140	"	170.00	194,000
	1965	250	6.0	1,500	"	160.00	240,000
Winter	1966	280	10.0	2,800	"	45.00	126,000
	1965	310	10.0	3,100	"	40.00	124,000
Tomatoes, market	1966	135	15.8	2,140	"	130.00	278,000
	1965	150	14.5	2,175	"	170.00	370,000
Turnips	1966	550	11.2	6,160	"	90.00	554,000
	1965	600	11.0	6,600	"	85.00	561,000
Misc. Vegetables	1966	700					630,000
	1965	700					665,000
Total	1966	11,410					\$15,512,200
	1965	12,380					15,924,800

NURSERY PRODUCTS

Item	Year	Production Area		Quantity Sold By Producers	Unit	Value	
		House Acres	Field Acres			Per Unit	Total
<u>Nursery Crops</u>							
Deciduous fruit & nut trees	1966		4	60,000	Plant	\$.85	\$ 51,000
	1965		10	150,000	"	.85	127,000
Vegetable plants - greenhouse grown	1966	10		1,100,000	Flat	.85	935,000
	1965	10		1,190,000	"	.80	952,000
Ornamental trees & shrubs	1966		1,300				19,430,000
	1965		1,300				19,700,000
Bedding plants & ground cover	1966	50	60	1,420,000	Flat	2.55	3,621,000
	1965	40	70	1,465,000	"	2.30	3,370,000
Indoor decorative plants	1966	60					4,100,000
	1965	68					4,410,000
Cactus & succulents	1966		22				396,000
	1965		20				375,000
Bulbs, cuttings roots, dichondra etc.	1966		414				1,369,000
	1965		407				1,525,000
Total	1966	120	1,800				\$29,902,000
	1965	118	1,807				30,459,000
<u>Cut Flowers & Decoratives</u>							
Carnations	1966	45		25,000,000	Bloom	\$.057	\$ 1,425,000
	1965	50		35,000,000	"	.056	1,960,000
Chrysanthemums Standard & Disbuds	1966	20		2,800,000	"	.21	588,000
	1965	30		4,350,000	"	.22	957,000
Pompon	1966	50	100	370,000	Bundle	2.50	925,000
	1965	30	120	360,000	"	2.50	900,000
Gladiolus	1966		12	30,000	Doz.	1.45	44,000
	1965		15	47,000	"	1.50	70,000
Roses	1966	8		3,600,000	Bloom	.08	288,000
	1965	8		3,600,000	"	.075	270,000
Miscellaneous (Orchids, daisies, stocks & about 20 other varieties)	1966		305				2,119,000
	1965		312				2,125,000
Total	1966	123	417				\$5,389,000
	1965	118	447				6,282,000

GRAND TOTAL ALL PLANT CROPS

\$76,635,800

APIARY PRODUCTS

Item	Year	Production		Value	
		Total	Unit	Per Unit	Total
Honey	1966	1,870,000	Lb.	\$.125	\$ 233,800
	1965	2,600,000	"	.11	286,000
Beeswax	1966	31,200	"	.47	14,800
	1965	43,500	"	.46	20,000
Pollination	1966	7,500	Colony	4.75	35,600
	1965	7,500	"	4.75	35,600
Total	1966				\$ 284,200
	1965				341,600
TOTAL PLANT CROPS AND APIARY PRODUCTS					\$76,920,000

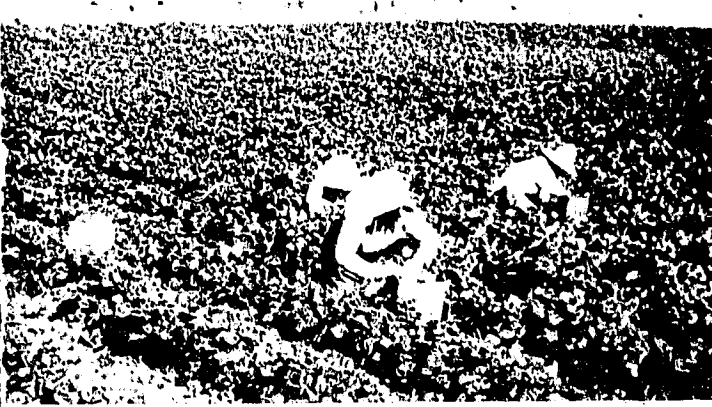
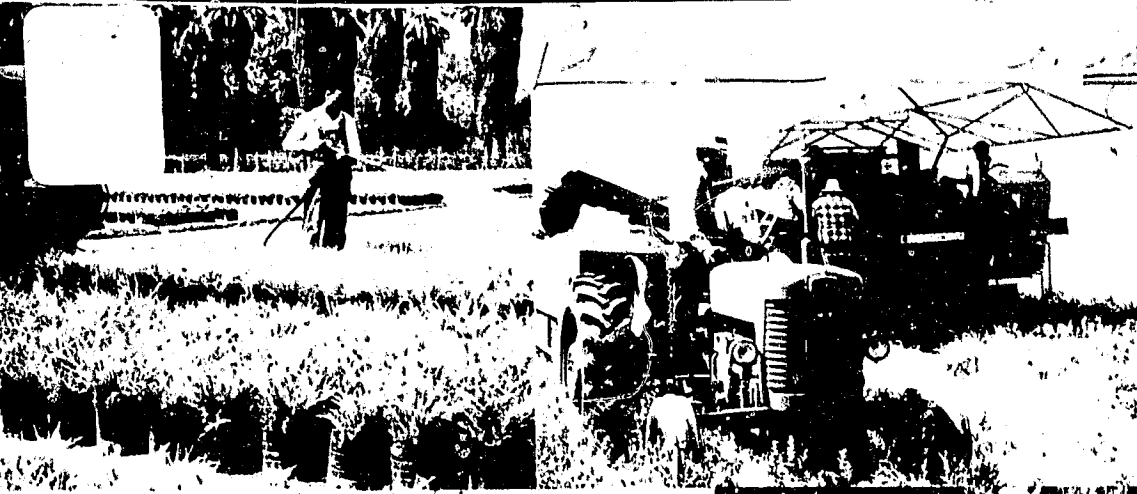
S U M M A R Y
1962-1966, Inclusive

	<u>1962</u>	<u>1963</u>	<u>1964</u>	<u>1965</u>	<u>1966</u>
Citrus Fruits	\$ 9,550,000	\$10,200,000	\$ 9,700,000	\$ 7,280,000	\$6,974,000
Other Fruits	1,893,500	2,123,600	1,699,000	1,800,000	2,326,000
Berries	3,720,000	4,450,000	4,250,000	3,110,000	3,970,000
Field Crops	11,050,800	14,209,500	11,639,500	11,566,600	12,562,600
Vegetables	14,163,800	15,317,200	16,115,700	15,924,800	15,512,200
Nursery Stock	31,120,000	30,160,000	30,075,000	30,459,000	29,902,000
Cut Flowers	7,112,000	6,915,000	6,896,000	6,282,000	5,389,000
Total Plant Crops*	\$78,610,100	\$83,375,300	\$80,375,200	\$76,422,400	\$76,635,800
Apiary Products	633,500	337,200	306,000	341,600	284,200
Total Plant Crops & Apiary Products	\$79,243,600	\$83,712,500	\$80,681,200	\$76,764,000	\$76,920,000

*U.S. Department of Agriculture Payments deleted from these totals in order to conform to statewide tabulation system for county crop reports.



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CROP REPORT - 1967



LOS ANGELES COUNTY - 1967 CROP SUMMARY

(Exclusive of Livestock Production)

Despite unfavorable spring growing conditions which were responsible for a sharp decline in the production of some crops, total gross receipts from farming in Los Angeles County in 1967 amounted to \$72,285,000. When this figure is combined with 1967 livestock production of \$89,518,500, Los Angeles County should be included among the nation's twelve leading agricultural counties.

Ten crops returned one million dollars or more during the year. They were - nursery stock (\$28,032,000), alfalfa hay (\$8,568,000), cut flowers (\$5,417,600), strawberries (\$4,132,000), lemons (\$3,026,000), sweet corn (\$2,100,000), valencia oranges (\$1,314,000), green onions (\$1,896,000), Chinese food vegetables (\$1,500,000), and carrots (\$1,040,000). While these ten crops accounted for over three quarters of the gross plant crop income last year, some 75 food crops were harvested on a commercial scale in Los Angeles County. Included were 42 types of vegetables and 24 kinds of fruits, nuts, and berries.

Citrus crops returned \$5,326,000 during 1967, down from the \$6,974,000 reported the previous year. The decline in navel orange and lemon returns was the result of a sharp reduction in acreage and lower prices due to a large supply of quality fruit. While adverse weather late in the season affected the yield of harvestable fruit, nevertheless valencia orange production was almost double that of 1966. Here too, a loss of producing acreage and somewhat lower prices resulted in lower gross returns.

A decrease in the value of other fruits and nuts was the consequence of unfavorable spring weather. Cold frosty nights, prolonged rainfall and some wind storms resulted in the lightest deciduous fruit crop since 1953. The Antelope Valley pear crop was only 12% of normal - returning \$102,000 - while peaches returned only \$203,000. Avocado production was excellent - more than offsetting a reduction in acreage. The value of the 1967 strawberry crop was also up over the previous year despite lower prices and the effect of unfavorable weather conditions in the San Gabriel Valley production area.

Field crops with a combined value of \$13,216,000 were somewhat higher because of the effect of beneficial rains on dry-farmed plantings. Improved sugar beet returns also contributed to this increase as one of the best Antelope Valley crops in history was harvested. With alfalfa hay prices strong, growers produced a crop valued at \$8,568,000, despite the effect of a late, cool spring which curtailed first cutting production.

Gross receipts to growers of vegetable crops were generally lower, amounting to \$14,068,200. Carrot returns led those crops showing a decline over the previous year as the result of sharply curtailed plantings and the continued trend toward lower carrot yields in the Saugus-Newhall area. Sweet corn, green onions, celery, and cantaloupes were among those crops with higher yields and offset somewhat lower returns from other crops. The value of the county's tomato crop rose as the result of additional tomato plantings for processing.

Nursery stock and cut flower returns were valued at \$33,449,600, a figure which reflects the continued effect of the slowdown in commercial and residential construction upon sales of ornamental shrubs and trees. Los Angeles County should hold its place as the nation's number one producer of horticultural specialty crops, however. Expansion of production acreage was noted in indoor potted flowering plants, turf and Christmas trees.

Apiary products returned \$251,000 in 1967, reflecting a decrease in the number of producing colonies despite an increase in honey and beeswax prices. Yield per colony averaged 80 pounds compared to 85 pounds in 1966.

U. S. Department of Agriculture payments amounted to \$411,000 and are not included in the total returns reported. Valuation figures are based on delivery price at the market or on FOB price for commodities shipped out of state. All prices have been compared with Federal-State Market News quotations.

Assistance received from the many individuals and agencies consulted is acknowledged and greatly appreciated.

RALPH W. LICHTY
Agricultural Commissioner

March 29, 1968

S U M M A R Y
1963-1967, Inclusive

	<u>1963</u>	<u>1964</u>	<u>1965</u>	<u>1966</u>	<u>1967</u>
Citrus Fruits	\$10,200,000	\$ 9,700,000	\$ 7,280,000	\$ 6,974,000	\$ 5,326,000
Other Fruits	2,123,600	1,699,000	1,800,000	2,326,000	1,842,000
Berries	4,450,000	4,250,000	3,110,000	3,970,000	4,132,000
Field Crops	14,209,500	11,639,500	11,566,600	12,562,600	13,216,000
Vegetables	15,317,200	16,115,700	15,924,800	15,512,200	14,068,100
Nursery Stock	30,160,000	30,075,000	30,459,000	29,902,000	28,032,000
Cut Flowers	<u>6,915,000</u>	<u>6,896,000</u>	<u>6,282,000</u>	<u>5,389,000</u>	<u>5,417,600</u>
Total Plant Crops*	\$83,375,300	\$80,375,200	\$76,422,400	\$76,635,800	\$72,033,800
Apiary Products	<u>337,200</u>	<u>306,000</u>	<u>341,600</u>	<u>284,200</u>	<u>251,200</u>
Total Plant Crops & Apiary Products	\$83,712,500	\$80,681,200	\$76,764,000	\$76,920,000	\$72,285,000

* U.S. Department of Agriculture Payments deleted from these totals in order to conform to statewide tabulation system for county crop reports.

LOS ANGELES COUNTY

FRUIT & NUT CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION & VALUE 1967

Crop	Year	Bearing Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
<u>CITRUS FRUITS</u>							
Oranges	1967	960	7.4	7,104	Ton	\$120.00	\$ 852,000
Navel & Misc.	1966	1,521	6.1	9,300	"	132.50	1,232,000
Oranges	1967	1,484	9.0	13,356	"	98.40	1,314,000
Valencia	1966	2,624	4.8	12,600	"	140.50	1,770,000
Lemons	1967	1,739	14.2	24,600	"	123.00	3,026,000
	1966	2,389	11.4	27,300	"	138.10	3,770,000
Grapefruit	1967	83	13.3	1,104	"	121.00	134,000
	1966	<u>131</u>	11.7	1,530	"	132.00	<u>202,000</u>
Total	1967	4,266					\$5,326,000
	1966	6,665					6,974,000
<u>OTHER FRUITS & NUTS</u>							
Almonds	1967	1,386	.205	284	"	704.00	200,000
	1966	1,575	.19	310	"	660.00	204,000
Apples	1967	25	1.2	30	"	160.00	4,800
	1966	63	2.0	127	"	130.70	16,600
Avocados	1967	1,244	2.67	3,321	"	260.00	864,000
	1966	1,994	1.35	2,700	"	290.00	783,000
Cherries	1967	20	.83	16.6	"	395.00	6,600
	1966	21	.90	18.9	"	470.00	8,900
Figs	1967	23	.24	55.0	"	600.00	33,000
	1966	61	.30	18.3	"	580.00	10,600
Grapes	1967	47	2.3	108	"	94.00	10,200
	1966	94	2.5	235	"	94.00	22,100
Olives	1967	500	.20	1,000	"	250.00	250,000
	1966	564	.07	40	"	120.00	4,800
Peaches	1967	325	2.6	845	"	240.00	203,000
Freestone	1966	354	5.8	2,050	"	212.70	436,000
Pears	1967	265	1.33	353	"	289.00	102,000
Bartlett	1966	289	15.5	4,483	"	130.70	586,000
Walnuts	1967	350	.57	200	"	600.00	120,000
	1966	823	.35	290	"	490.00	142,000
Misc. Fruits & Nuts	1967	48					48,400
	1966	<u>77</u>					<u>112,000</u>
Total	1967	4,233					\$1,842,000
	1966	5,915					2,326,000

FRUIT & NUT CROPS (Cont.)

Crop	Year	Bearing Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
<u>BERRIES</u>							
Strawberries	1967	520	17.2	8,944	Ton	\$462.00	\$ 4,132,000
	1966	450	18.0	8,100	"	490.00	3,970,000
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Total Fruit & Nut Crops	1967	9,019					\$11,300,000
	1966	13,030					13,270,000

FIELD CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION & VALUE 1967

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Barley	1967	12,600	1.06	13,400	Ton	\$ 51.00	\$ 683,000
	1966	15,700	.82	12,900	"	53.50	690,000
Garbanzo	1967	600	.40	240	"	250.00	60,000
	1966	480	.50	240	"	250.00	60,000
Lima	1967	525	.60	315	"	359.00	113,000
	1966	570	.50	285	"	330.00	94,000
Hay, alfalfa	1967	35,510	7.1	252,000	"	34.00	8,568,000
	1966	38,000	7.0	266,000	"	32.00	8,512,000
Hay, grain	1967	8,000	2.25	18,000	"	30.00	540,000
	1966	8,500	1.90	16,200	"	31.00	502,000
Pasture - Irrigated	1967	5,000				200.00	1,000,000
	1966	5,000				186.00	930,000
Range Land	1967	200,000					500,000
	1966	200,000					400,000(R)

FIELD CROPS (Cont.)

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Silage - Sorghum	1967	500	11	5,500	Ton	\$ 7.60	\$ 42,000
	1966	300	15	4,500	"	7.00	31,500
Sorghum grain	1967	270	3.6	970	"	22.60	22,000
	1966	200	1.4	280	"	50.00	14,000
Sugar beets*	1967	1,660	29.4	48,800	"	15.50	756,000
	1966	1,500	25.4	38,100	"	14.50	552,000
Wheat	1967	18,750	.55	10,300	"	54.00	556,000
	1966	10,900	.40	4,400	"	62.00	273,000
Misc. Field Crops**	1967						291,000
	1966						391,500
Total	1967	283,415					\$13,131,000
	1966	281,430					12,450,000

Acreage, production
& value of
Seed Crops

Alfalfa	1967	1,500***	167	250,500	Lb.	\$.34	\$ 85,000
	1966	1,150***	342	393,750	"	.286	112,600

*Does not include estimated \$125,300 Sugar Act payments for 1967; or \$88,000 for 1966.

**Amount shown for 1967 includes \$250,000 paid for sheep and cattle grazing on alfalfa and barley stubble; 1966 amount includes \$280,000 for such grazing. Oats & straw also included in misc. figure.

***Included in harvested acreage shown for alfalfa hay.

(R) Revised listing

VEGETABLE CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION & VALUE 1967

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Beans, snap	1967	115	4.5	518	Ton	\$ 380.00	\$ 197,000
	1966	150	5.0	750	"	340.00	255,000
Beets, table	1967	100	11.2	1,120	"	78.00	87,500
	1966	125	11.2	1,400	"	82.00	114,800
Cabbage	1967	500	16.0	8,000	"	75.00	600,000
	1966	570	16.0	9,120	"	84.00	766,000
Carrots	1967	650	20.0	13,000	"	80.00	1,040,000
	1966	950	27.5	26,125	"	78.00	2,038,000
Cauliflower	1967	150	15.0	2,250	"	72.00	162,000
	1966	200	15.0	3,000	"	64.00	192,000
Celery	1967	125	42.0	5,250	"	100.00	525,000
	1966	125	36.0	4,500	"	96.00	432,000
Chinese Veg.	1967	100	-	-		-	1,500,000
	1966	160	-	-		-	1,525,000
Corn, sweet	1967	2,850	5.25	15,000	"	140.00	2,100,000
	1966	2,900	5.1	14,800	"	120.00	1,776,000
Cucumbers	1967	70	6.35	445	"	179.00	79,600
	1966	30	7.0	210	"	150.00	31,500
Lettuce, leaf	1967	150	12.2	1,830	"	78.00	143,000
	1966	300	14.0	4,200	"	85.00	357,000
Melons -Cantaloupe	1967	200	11.0	2,200	"	90.00	200,000
	1966	100	9.6	960	"	80.00	76,800
-Watermelon	1967	210	12.4	2,600	"	33.00	86,000
	1966	120	13.5	1,620	"	42.00	68,000
Mushrooms	1967			891	"	1,010.00	900,000
	1966			860	"	1,040.00	895,000
Mustard & other greens	1967	800	11.2	9,000	"	100.00	900,000
	1966	1,000	11.5	11,500	"	85.80	987,000
Onions, dry	1967	300	22.5	6,750	"	92.00	621,000
	1966	480	21.2	10,180	"	95.00	967,000
Onions, green	1967	700	21.0	14,700	"	129.00	1,896,000
	1966	750	18.0	13,500	"	125.00	1,687,000

VEGETABLE CROPS (Cont.)

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Pumpkin	1967	100	18.0	1,800	Ton	\$ 50.00	\$ 90,000
	1966	160	11.2	1,800	"	50.00	90,000
Radishes	1967	1,100	8.0	8,800	"	100.00	880,000
	1966	1,150	8.0	9,200	"	105.00	966,000
Rhubarb	1967	70	10.0	700	"	186.00	130,000
	1966	80	8.5	680	"	180.00	122,000
Spinach	1967	80	10.0	800	"	178.00	142,000
	1966	120	11.2	1,340	"	190.00	255,000
Squash, Summer	1967	125	5.3	660	"	200.00	132,000
	1966	180	6.3	1,140	"	170.00	194,000
Squash, Winter	1967	140	7.0	980	"	90.00	88,000
	1966	280	10.0	2,800	"	45.00	126,000
Tomatoes	1967	450	13.5	6,075	"	115.00	699,000
	1966	135	15.8	2,140	"	135.00	278,000
Turnips	1967	400	12.0	4,800	"	87.50	420,000
	1966	550	11.2	6,160	"	90.00	554,000
Misc. Vegetables	1967	300					450,100
	1966	795(R)					759,700(R)
Total	1967	9,785					\$14,068,200
	1966	11,410					15,512,200

(R) Revised listing

NURSERY PRODUCTS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION & VALUE 1967

Item	Year	Production Area		Quantity Sold By Producers	Unit	Value	
		House Acres	Field Acres			Per Unit	Total
<u>Nursery Crops</u>							
Bedding Plants	1967		72	960,500	Flats	\$2.26	\$ 2,171,000
	1966		50	720,000	"	2.55	1,836,000
Cacti-Succulents	1967		20				416,000
	1966		22				396,000
Deciduous fruit trees	1967		4	60,000	Trees	.88	53,000
	1966		4	60,000	"	.85	51,000
Geranium cuttings	1967		215	18,233,000	Cuttings	.058	1,058,000
	1966		240	18,000,000	"	.06	1,100,000
Ground cover	1967		100	686,000	Flats	2.20	1,500,000
	1966		60	700,000	"	2.55	1,785,000
Lawn & sod	1967		110				396,000
	1966		100				200,000
Ornamental trees & shrubs	1967		1,326				16,973,000
	1966		1,300				19,430,000
Bulbs, roots, dichondra seed, etc.	1967		46				82,000
	1966		74(R)				69,000(R)
Vegetable plants	1967	10		1,072,000	Flats	.888	952,000
	1966	10		1,100,000	"	.85	935,000
Indoor plants	1967		12				2,040,000
	1966		14				2,075,000
Indoor potted flowering	1967		42				1,785,000
	1966		34				1,500,000
Orchid plants	1967		11				606,000
	1966		12				525,000
Total	1967	75	1,893				\$28,032,000
	1966	70	1,850				29,902,000

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CUT FLOWERS & DECORATIVES 1967

Item	Year	Production Area		Quantity Sold By Producers	Unit	Value	
		House Acres	Field Acres			Per Unit	Total
Carnations	1967	50		28,682,000	Blooms	\$.05	\$ 1,435,000
	1966	45		25,000,000	"	.057	1,425,000
Christmas trees	1967		80				150,000
	1966		60				120,000
Chrysanthemums -Stand. & Disbuds	1967	21		2,940,000	"	.22	647,000
	1966	20		2,800,000	"	.21	588,000
-Pompon	1967	45	105	349,000	Bundle	2.50	872,000
	1966	50	100	370,000	"	2.50	925,000
Orchids, cut all varieties	1967	25					1,029,000
	1966	15					1,050,000
Roses	1967	6		3,410,000	Blooms	.077	262,600
	1966	8		3,600,000	"	.08	288,000
Miscellaneous (Glads., Daisies, Stocks, Cut Greens & other varieties)	1967		237				1,022,000
	1966		257(R)				993,000(R)
Total	1967	147	422				\$ 5,417,600
	1966	138(R)	417				5,389,000

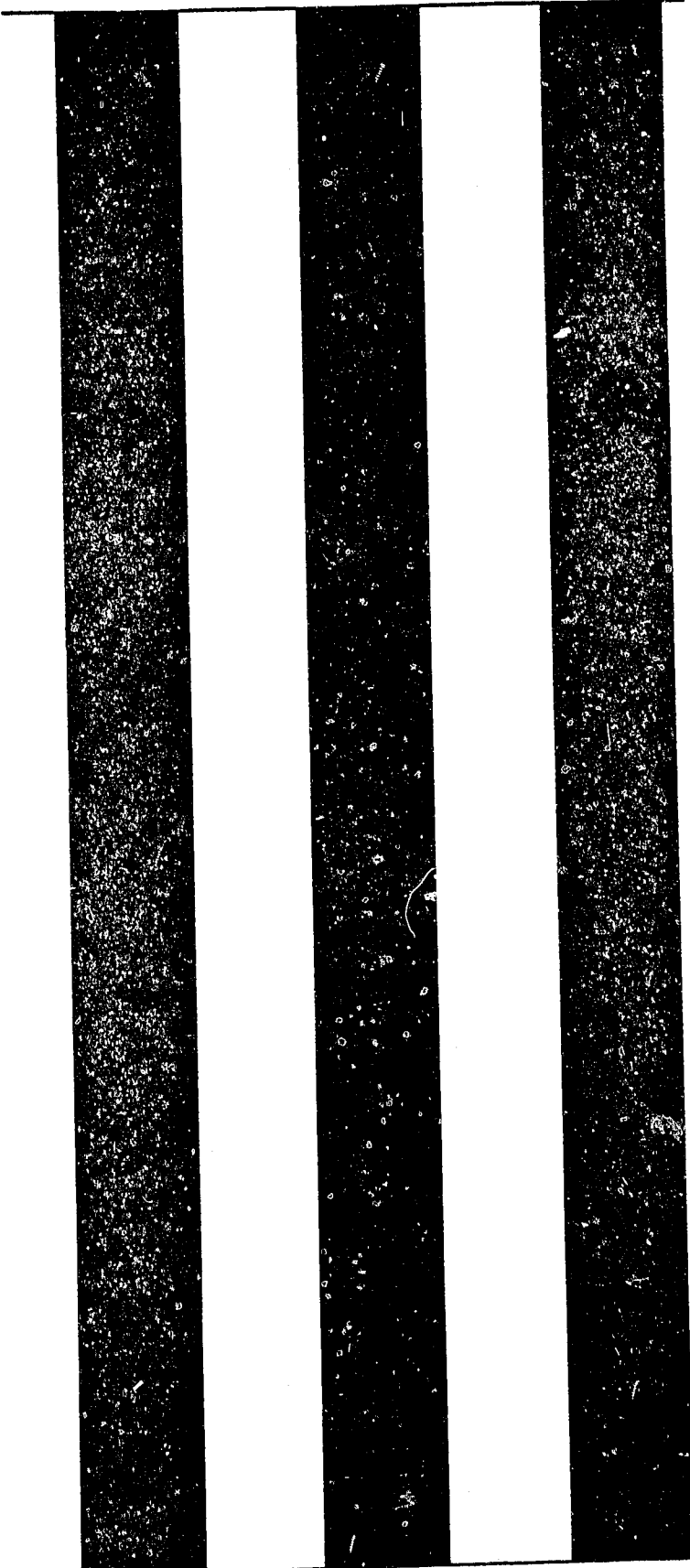
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TOTAL ALL PLANT CROPS \$72,033,800

APIARY PRODUCTS

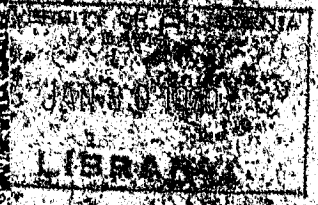
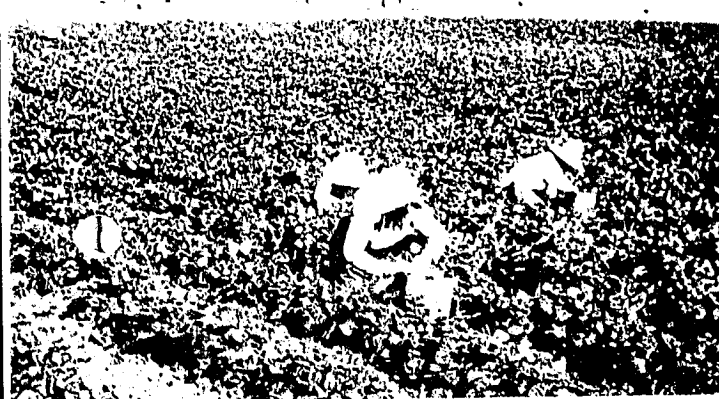
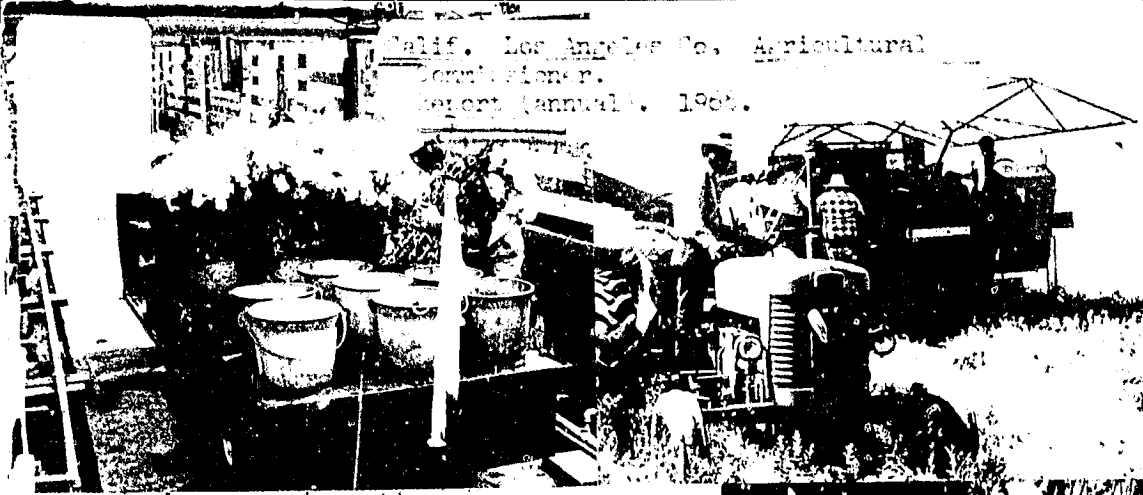
Item	Year	Production		Unit	Value	
		Total			Per Unit	Total
Honey	1967	1,680,000		Lbs.	\$.12	\$ 201,700
	1966	1,870,000		"	.125	233,800
Beeswax	1967	28,000		"	.60	16,800
	1966	31,200		"	.47	14,800
Pollination	1967	6,500		Colonies	5.00	32,500
	1966	7,500		"	4.75	35,600
Total	1967					\$ 251,000
	1966					284,200

GRAND TOTAL PLANT CROPS AND APIARY PRODUCTS \$72,284,900

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LOS ANGELES COUNTY AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER

CROP REPORT - 1968



LOS ANGELES COUNTY - 1968 CROP SUMMARY

(Exclusive of Livestock Production)

Paced by record nursery stock production, total gross receipts from plant crop production in Los Angeles County reached a total of \$71,295,000 in 1968 - down only slightly from the \$72,285,000 recorded a year ago. When this figure is combined with 1968 livestock production of \$86,171,000, Los Angeles County should again be included among the nation's twelve leading agricultural counties.

Ten crops returned one million dollars or more during the year. They were - nursery stock (\$31,340,000), alfalfa hay (\$6,901,000), cut flowers (\$5,500,000), strawberries (\$3,507,000), lemons (\$2,535,000), green onions (\$2,402,000), sweet corn (\$1,890,000), Chinese food vegetables (\$1,637,000), cooking greens (\$1,317,000), Navel oranges (\$1,050,000). Although Los Angeles County's "top ten" crop commodities accounted for about three-quarters of our gross plant crop income in 1968, some 65 other food crops are produced on a commercial scale.

It should be emphasized that these totals do not represent cash income to the producer. Prices received have, in fact, generally remained about the same while costs of production continue to rise steadily. Higher labor, taxes and equipment costs are the major factors in this financial squeeze.

Lower citrus crop yields in 1968 reflected the affect of adverse weather during the spring bloom period and reduced returns to \$4,294,000. Valencia orange production was particularly low as the result of the light set. These substantially lower yields were offset somewhat by higher prices in the case of navel oranges and lemons.

While periods of cool, rainy weather during the bloom period also lowered avocado yields to 25% of normal, most other fruit and nuts produced normal crops and as a group returned \$5,545,000. The recovery of peach and pear production for the disastrous 1967 crop year contributed to this higher total. A slight increase in strawberry acreage did not fully offset the effects of an early price break, a plant shortage of more desirable varieties and some unfavorable weather.

Field crops as a group returned \$11,349,000 during 1968. Except for alfalfa hay, production of other field crops was good and returns generally the same as the preceding year. While alfalfa hay yields were normal, total gross receipts were down because of a decline in acreage and in average price received per ton. The amount of rangeland acreage available increased as the result of favorable rainfall patterns. Lower prices also somewhat offset increases in sugar beet acreage and yields.

Harvest of vegetables in Los Angeles County realized a total of \$13,075,000 despite some reduction in acreage. Crops showing a decline in harvested acreage include - carrots, cauliflower, corn and tomatoes. Sweet corn and squash returns were also cut because of weather and pest problems. On the plus side, good yields and prices raised returns for radishes, cooking greens, Chinese food vegetables and green onions.

The value of nursery stock and cut flower production - \$36,840,000 - increased substantially in recovering from the previous year when ornamental plant production slacked as the result of a marked slowdown in construction. Demand during the year was also higher due to greater highway landscaping needs and growth in sales to out-of-state markets. Los Angeles County consequently will remain the nation's number one producer of horticultural specialty crops. While ornamental trees and shrubs led this recovery, increases were noted in production of bedding plants, ground covers, cut greens, Xmas trees, sodded turf, and cut carnations.

Some 24,300 colonies of bees produced \$192,000 in apiary products for our beekeepers in 1968 - about \$60,000 less than 1967. This reduction resulted chiefly from a poor nectar flow from native plants due to an unfavorable spring rainfall pattern.

U. S. Department of Agriculture payments amounted to \$299,500 and are not included in the total returns reported. Valuation figures are based on delivery price at the market or on FOB price for commodities shipped out of state. All prices have been compared with Federal-State Market News quotations.

Assistance received from the many individuals and agencies consulted is acknowledged and greatly appreciated.

RALPH W. LICHTY
Agricultural Commissioner

March 28, 1969

SUMMARY

1964-1968, Inclusive

	<u>1964</u>	<u>1965</u>	<u>1966</u>	<u>1967</u>	<u>1968</u>
Citrus Fruits	\$ 9,700,000	\$ 7,280,000	\$ 6,974,000	\$ 5,326,000	\$ 4,294,000
Other Fruits	1,699,000	1,800,000	2,326,000	1,842,000	2,038,000
Berries	4,250,000	3,110,000	3,970,000	4,132,000	3,507,000
Field Crops	11,639,500	11,566,600	12,562,600	13,216,000	11,349,000
Vegetables	16,115,700	15,924,800	15,512,200	14,068,200	13,075,000
Nursery Stock	30,075,000	30,459,000	29,902,000	28,032,000	31,340,000
Cut Flowers	<u>6,896,000</u>	<u>6,282,000</u>	<u>5,389,000</u>	<u>5,417,600</u>	<u>5,500,000</u>
Total Plant Crops*	\$80,375,200	\$76,422,400	\$76,635,800	\$72,033,800	\$71,103,000
Apiary Products	<u>306,000</u>	<u>341,600</u>	<u>284,200</u>	<u>251,200</u>	<u>192,000</u>
Total Plant Crops* & Apiary Products	\$80,681,200	\$76,764,000	\$76,920,000	\$72,285,000	\$71,295,000

* U.S. Department of Agriculture Payments deleted from these totals in order to conform to statewide tabulation system for county crop reports.

LOS ANGELES COUNTY

FRUIT & NUT CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION & VALUE 1968

Crop	Year	Bearing Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
<u>CITRUS FRUITS</u>							
Oranges	1968	955	4.7	4,488	Ton	\$234.00	\$1,050,000
Navel & Misc.	1967	960	7.4	7,104	"	120.00	852,000
Oranges	1968	1,456	2.2	3,203	"	192.00	615,000
Valencia	1967	1,484	9.0	13,356	"	98.40	1,314,000
Lemons	1968	1,734	8.6	14,912	"	170.00	2,535,000
	1967	1,739	14.2	24,600	"	123.00	3,026,000
Grapefruit	1968	83	8.3	6,889	"	136.00	94,000
	1967	83	13.3	1,104	"	121.00	134,000
Total	1968	4,228					\$4,294,000
	1967	4,266					5,326,000
<u>OTHER FRUITS & NUTS</u>							
Almonds	1968	1,391	.279	388	"	640.00	248,000
	1967	1,386	.205	284	"	704.00	200,000
Apples	1968	24	4.0	96	"	131.25	13,000
	1967	25	1.2	30	"	160.00	4,800
Avocados	1968	1,241	.65	807	"	461.00	372,000
	1967	1,244	2.67	3,321	"	260.00	864,000
Cherries	1968	21	2.00	42.0	"	500.00	21,000
	1967	20	.83	16.6	"	395.00	6,600
Figs	1968	25	3.0	75.0	"	667.00	50,000
	1967	23	2.4	55.0	"	600.00	33,000
Grapes	1968	47	1.5	70.5	"	99.00	7,000
	1967	47	2.3	108.0	"	94.00	10,200
Olives	1968	38	1.0	38	"	302.00	11,500
	1967	500	2.0	1,000	"	250.00	250,000
Peaches	1968	320	5.4	1,728	"	250.00	432,000
Freestone	1967	325	2.6	845	"	240.00	203,000
Pears	1968	272	14.2	3,862	"	155.00	599,000
Bartlett	1967	265	1.33	353	"	289.00	102,000
Walnuts	1968	350	1.10	385	"	550.00	212,000
	1967	350	.57	200	"	600.00	120,000
Misc. Fruits & Nuts	1968	48					72,000
	1967	48					48,400
Total	1968	3,777					\$2,038,000
	1967	4,233					1,842,000

FRUIT & NUT CROPS (Cont.)

Crop	Year	Bearing Acreage	Production		Unit	Value			
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total		
<u>BERRIES</u>									
Strawberries	1968	525	16.7	8,768	Ton	\$400.00	\$ 3,507,000		
	1967	520	17.2	8,944	"	462.00	4,132,000		
Total Fruit & Nut Crops							1968	8,530	\$ 9,839,000
							1967	9,019	11,300,000

FIELD CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION & VALUE 1968

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Barley	1968	12,200	1.10	13,420	Ton	\$ 50.00	\$ 671,000
	1967	12,600	1.06	13,400	"	51.00	683,000
Garbanzo	1968	330	.40	132	"	240.00	31,700
	1967	600	.40	240	"	250.00	60,000
Lima	1968	475	.55	261	"	320.00	83,500
	1967	525	.60	315	"	359.00	113,000
Hay, alfalfa	1968	33,050	7.2	237,960	"	29.00	6,901,000
	1967	35,510	7.1	252,000	"	34.00	8,568,000
Hay, grain	1968	7,000	2.50	17,500	"	30.00	525,000
	1967	8,000	2.25	18,000	"	30.00	540,000
Pasture - Irrigated	1968	4,500				210.00	945,000
	1967	5,000				200.00	1,000,000
Range Land	1968	220,000					550,000
	1967	200,000					500,000

FIELD CROPS (Cont.)

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Silage - Sorghum	1968	400	9.0	3,600	Ton	\$ 7.50	\$ 27,000
	1967	500	11.0	5,500	"	7.60	42,000
Sorghum grain	1968	70	1.6	112	"	47.00	5,300
	1967	270	3.6	970	"	22.60	22,000
Sugar beets*	1968	1,834	30.0	55,020	"	14.50	798,000
	1967	1,660	29.4	48,800	"	15.50	756,000
Wheat	1968	17,380	.41	7,126	"	52.00	371,000
	1967	18,750	.55	10,300	"	54.00	556,000
Misc. Field Crops**	1968						270,000
	1967						291,000
Total	1968	297,239					\$11,178,000
	1967	283,415					13,131,000

Acreage, production
& value of
Seed Crops

Alfalfa	1968	1,465***	334	489,310	Lb.	.35	\$ 171,000
	1967	1,500***	167	250,500	"	.34	85,000

*Does not include estimated \$91,930 Sugar Act payments for 1968; or \$125,300 for 1967.

**Amount shown for 1968 includes \$230,000 paid for sheep and cattle grazing on alfalfa and barley stubble; 1967 amount includes \$250,000 for such grazing. Oats & straw also included in misc. figure.

***Included in harvested acreage shown for alfalfa hay.

VEGETABLE CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION & VALUE 1968

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Beets, table	1968	100	11.3	1,130	Ton	\$ 76.00	\$ 86,000
	1967	100	11.2	1,120	"	78.00	87,500
Cabbage	1968	500	11.25	5,650	"	90.00	509,000
	1967	500	16.0	8,000	"	75.00	600,000
Carrots	1968	250	30.0	7,500	"	72.00	540,000
	1967	650	20.0	13,000	"	80.00	1,040,000
Cauliflower	1968	75	14.0	1,050	"	69.00	72,000
	1967	150	15.0	2,250	"	72.00	162,000
Celery	1968	45	45.0	2,025	"	93.00	188,000
	1967	125	42.0	52,250	"	100.00	525,000
Chinese Food Veg.	1968	130	-	-		-	1,637,000
	1967	100	-	-		-	1,500,000
Corn, sweet	1968	2,700	5.00	13,500	"	140.00	1,890,000
	1967	2,850	5.25	15,000	"	140.00	2,100,000
Lettuce, leaf	1968	100	10.0	1,000	"	120.00	120,000
	1967	150	12.2	1,830	"	78.00	143,000
Melons -Cantaloupe	1968	155	11.0	1,705	"	96.00	164,000
	1967	200	11.0	2,200	"	90.00	200,000
-Watermelon	1968	135	8.0	1,080	"	45.00	49,000
	1967	210	12.4	2,600	"	33.00	86,000
Mushrooms	1968			800	"	1,000.00	800,000
	1967			891	"	1,010.00	900,000
Mustard & other greens	1968	900(R)	12.3	11,070	"	119.00	1,317,000
	1967	880(R)	11.1	9,768	"	107.00	1,045,000
Onions, dry	1968	350	23.7	8,295	"	70.00	581,000
	1967	300	22.5	6,750	"	92.00	621,000
Onions, green	1968	800	21.0	16,800	"	143.00	2,402,000
	1967	700	21.0	14,700	"	129.00	1,896,000
Pumpkin	1968	175	10.0	1,750	"	40.00	70,000
	1967	180	10.0	1,800	"	50.00	90,000
Radishes	1968	1,050	7.98	8,380	"	118.00	989,000
	1967	1,100	8.0	8,800	"	100.00	880,000

VEGETABLE CROPS (Cont.)

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Rhubarb	1968	70	12.0	840	Ton	\$ 195.00	\$ 164,000
	1967	70	10.0	700	"	186.00	130,000
Squash, Summer	1968	90	5.0	450	"	260.00	117,000
	1967	125	5.3	660	"	200.00	132,000
Squash, Winter	1968	115	7.5	863	"	42.00	36,000
	1967	140	7.0	980	"	90.00	88,000
Tomatoes Mkt.	1968	310	12.0	3,720	"	130.00	484,000
	1967	450	13.5	6,075	"	115.00	699,000
Turnips	1968	300	12.0	3,600	"	100.00	360,000
	1967	400	12.0	4,800	"	87.50	420,000
Misc. Vegetables	1968	300					500,000
	1967	300					724,400(R)
Total	1968	8,650					\$13,075,000
	1967	9,750					14,068,200

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NURSERY PRODUCTS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION & VALUE 1968

Item	Year	Production Area		Quantity Sold By Producers	Unit	Value	
		House Acres	Field Acres			Per Unit	Total
<u>Nursery Crops</u>							
Bedding Plants	1968		70	1,033,000	Flats	\$2.56	\$ 2,644,000
	1967		72	960,500	"	2.26	2,171,000
Cacti-Succulents	1968		12				300,000
	1967		20				416,000
Geranium cuttings	1968		159	12,000,000	Cuttings	.06	720,000
	1967		215	18,233,000	"	.058	1,058,000
Ground cover	1968		96	763,000	Flats	2.28	1,740,000
	1967		100	686,000	"	2.20	1,500,000
Lawn & sod	1968		110				472,000
	1967		110				396,000
Ornamental trees & shrubs	1968		1,330				19,600,000
	1967		1,326				16,973,000
Miscellaneous (Bulbs, Roots, Dichondra seed & Decid. Fruit Trees)	1968		46				89,000(R)
	1967		46				135,000(R)
Vegetable plants	1968		7	991,000	Flats	.95	941,000
	1967		10	1,072,000	"	.888	952,000
Indoor plants foliage	1968		12				2,346,000
	1967		12				2,040,000
Indoor potted flowering	1968		42				1,928,000
	1967		42				1,785,000
Orchid plants	1968		9				560,000
	1967		11				606,000
Total	1968		70	1,823			\$31,340,000
	1967		75	1,889			28,032,000

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CUT FLOWERS & DECORATIVES 1968

Item	Year	Production Area		Quantity Sold By Producers	Unit	Value	
		House Acres	Field Acres			Per Unit	Total
Carnations	1968	50		28,750,000	Blooms	\$.0525	\$1,509,000
	1967	50		28,682,000	"	.050	1,435,000
Christmas trees	1968		100				175,000
	1967		80				150,000
Chrysanthemums -Stand. & Disbuds	1968	15		600,000	"	.22	132,000
	1967	21		2,940,000	"	.22	647,000
-Pompon	1968	45	85	305,000	Bundle	2.60	793,000
	1967	45	105	349,000	"	2.50	872,000
Orchids, cut all varieties	1968	25					1,052,000
	1967	25					1,029,000
Miscellaneous (Glads., Roses, Cut Greens & other cut flowers)	1968		340(R)				1,839,000
	1967		263(R)				1,284,600
Total	1968	135	525				\$ 5,500,000
	1967	141	448				5,417,600

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TOTAL ALL PLANT CROPS

\$71,103,000

APIARY PRODUCTS

Item	Year	Production		Unit	Value	
		Total			Per Unit	Total
Honey	1968	972,000		Lbs.	\$.14	\$ 136,000
	1967	1,680,000		"	.12	201,700
Beeswax	1968	16,200		"	.70	11,300
	1967	28,000		"	.60	16,800
Pollination	1968	10,000		Colonies	4.50	45,000
	1967	6,500		"	5.00	32,500
Total	1968					\$ 192,000
	1967					251,000

GRAND TOTAL PLANT CROPS AND APIARY PRODUCTS

\$71,295,000

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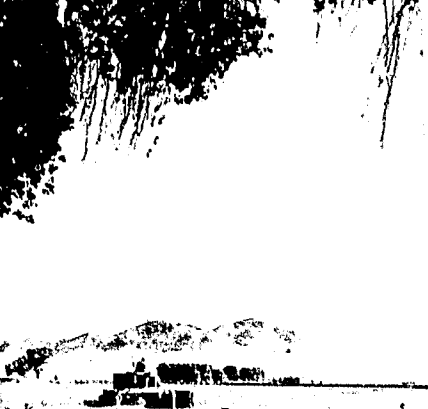
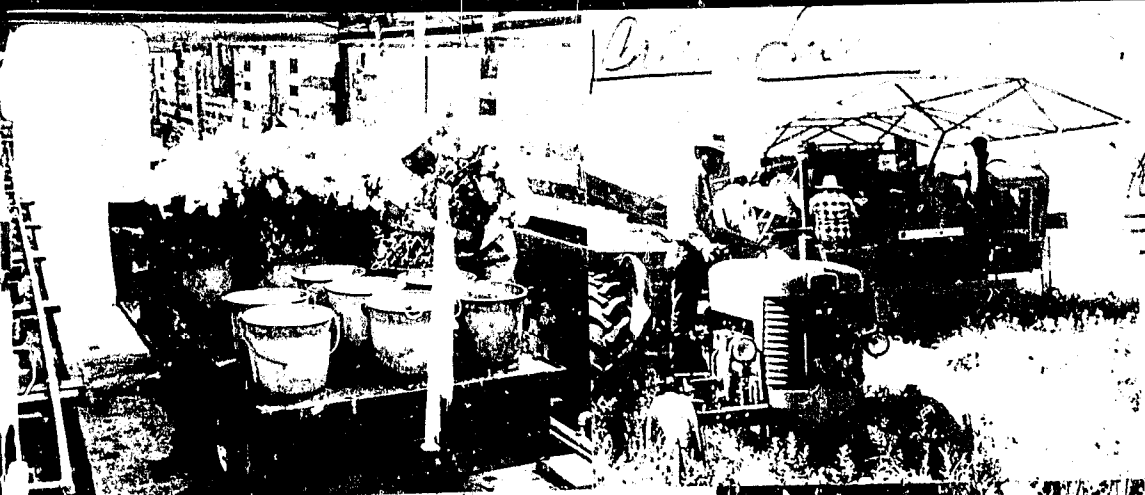


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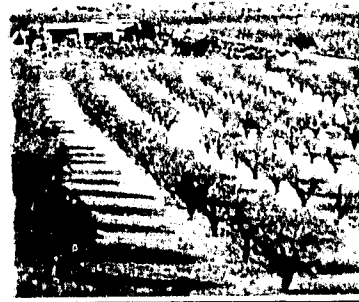
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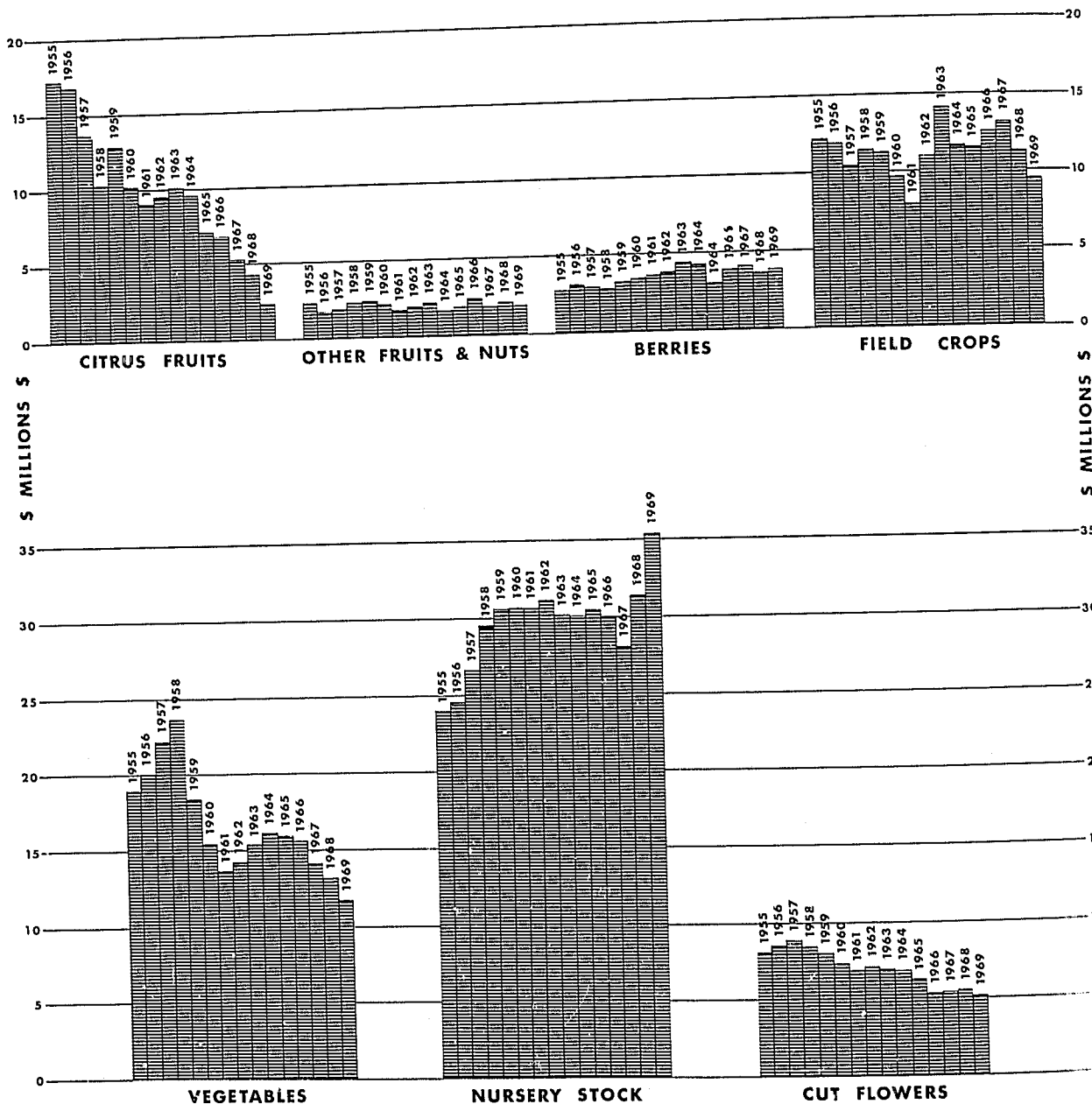
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LOS ANGELES COUNTY PLANT CROP VALUES A FIFTEEN YEAR COMPARISON



LOS ANGELES COUNTY - 1969 CROP SUMMARY

(exclusive of Livestock Production)

Gross returns from plant crop production in Los Angeles County again exceeded \$70 million dollars in 1969 despite the damaging affects of adverse weather and a reduction in harvested acreage.

The \$70,221,000 total received was down 1.5% from the \$71,295,000 realized the previous year, but when coupled with 1969 livestock production of \$80,954,000, will again place Los Angeles County among the twelve leading agricultural counties in California.

Ten crops returned \$1 million dollars or more during the year. They were - Nursery Stock (\$35,491,000), Alfalfa Hay (\$6,464,000), Cut Flowers (\$5,202,000), Strawberries (\$3,776,000), Lemons (\$1,840,000), Green Onions (\$2,207,000), Sweet Corn (\$1,530,000), Chinese Food Vegetables (\$1,735,000), Radishes (\$1,011,000) and Cooking Greens (\$1,072,000).

While the gross farm income reported has remained at about the same level, production costs have continued to rise and little improvement in net income is expected. As is the case in other industries, many farmers are affected by the tight money situation as well as by a continuing cost-of-production upward spiral.

Citrus crop production during 1969 was severely affected when freezing weather followed by unprecedented rains caused returns to drop to \$2,312,000. The navel orange crop was less than half of normal, with much downgraded fruit going to by-products. Freeze damage to valencia oranges and lemons was also heavy. This, coupled with lowering of grade, resulted in a substantial drop in returns.

Other fruits and nuts returned \$1,903,000, with avocado production recovering somewhat from the very poor prior year. While the dollar value of the peach crop was the highest in history, gross receipts were tempered by lower per-unit prices received. Lower cannery prices and a light crop reduced pear returns. Strawberry receipts climbed to \$3,776,000 despite the adverse affect of spring rains.

Poor weather also had its affect on field crop production but it was a decrease in planted acreage that contributed most to the decline of this group to \$9,551,000. Low grain prices, prevention of planting by rains, government program changes and increased pressure due to land speculation activity, all played a part in this acreage reduction.

Los Angeles County's vegetable growers received gross returns totaling \$11,555,000 during 1969 as rains disrupted planting schedules, interfered with harvest, reduced yields and otherwise created problems for the grower. This - coupled with a decline in acreage - more than offset better prices and yields in crops such as carrots, watermelons, winter squash, radishes and dry onions.

Nursery stock gross cash receipts reached \$35,491,000 in 1969. These record returns can be attributed to better information gathering techniques, better prices and an expanded national market. More acreage devoted to production of the high-value crops included in this category also contributed to this increase. Cut flower production - paced by carnations - resulted in a gross return of \$5,202,000 despite weather - caused damage.

Apiary production from 25,000 colonies of bees rose sharply to \$431,000 in 1969. Honey production was more than three times that of the previous year as heavy spring rains and a mild summer expanded the sources of honey flow and extended the season.

Valuation figures are based on delivery price at the market or on FOB price for commodities shipped out of state. All prices have been compared with Federal-State Market News quotations. U. S. Department of Agriculture payments amounted to \$760,240 and are not included in the total gross returns reported.

Assistance received from the many individuals and agencies consulted is acknowledged and greatly appreciated.

RALPH W. LICHTY
Agricultural Commissioner

March 26, 1970

SUMMARY

1965-1969, Inclusive

	<u>1965</u>	<u>1966</u>	<u>1967</u>	<u>1968</u>	<u>1969</u>
Citrus Fruits	\$ 7,280,000	\$ 6,974,000	\$ 5,326,000	\$ 4,294,000	\$ 2,312,000
Other Fruits	1,800,000	2,326,000	1,842,000	2,038,000	1,903,000
Berries	3,110,000	3,970,000	4,132,000	3,507,000	3,776,000
Field Crops	11,566,600	12,562,600	13,216,000	11,349,000	9,551,000
Vegetables	15,924,800	15,512,200	14,068,200	13,075,000	11,555,000
Nursery Stock	30,459,000	29,902,000	28,032,000	31,340,000	35,491,000
Cut Flowers	6,282,000	5,389,000	5,417,600	5,500,000	5,202,000
Total Plant Crops*	\$76,422,400	\$76,635,800	\$72,033,800	\$71,103,000	\$69,790,000
Apiary Products	341,600	284,200	251,200	192,000	431,000
Total Plant Crops* & Apiary Products	\$76,764,000	\$76,920,000	\$72,285,000	\$71,295,000	\$70,221,000

*U.S. Department of Agriculture Payments deleted from these totals to conform to state-wide tabulation system for county crop reports.

LOS ANGELES COUNTY

FRUIT & NUT CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION & VALUE

Crop	Year	Bearing Acreage	Production			Value	
			Per Acre	Total	Unit	Per Unit	Total
<u>CITRUS FRUITS</u>							
Oranges	1969	948	2.3	2,180	Ton	\$ 96.00	\$ 209,000
Navel & Misc.	1968	955	4.7	4,488	"	234.00	1,050,000
Oranges	1969	1,427	4.3	6,136	"	39.00	239,000
Valencia	1968	1,456	2.2	3,203	"	192.00	615,000
Lemons	1969	1,787	7.1	12,688	"	145.00	1,840,000
	1968	1,734	8.6	14,912	"	170.00	2,535,000
Grapefruit	1969	80	2.5	200	"	120.00	24,000
	1968	83	8.3	6,889	"	136.00	94,000
Total	1969	4,242					\$ 2,312,000
	1968	4,228					4,294,000
<u>OTHER FRUITS & NUTS</u>							
Almonds	1969	1,183	.168	199	"	646.00	129,000
	1968	1,391	.279	388	"	640.00	248,000
Apples	1969	24	4.7	113	"	133.00	15,000
	1968	24	4.0	96	"	131.25	13,000
Avocados	1969	1,259	1.42	1,788	"	300.00	536,000
	1968	1,241	.65	807	"	461.00	372,000
Cherries	1969	20	3.3	66	"	538.00	35,500
	1968	21	2.00	42	"	500.00	21,000
Figs	1969	28	4.1	115	"	760.00	87,400
	1968	25	3.0	75	"	667.00	50,000
Grapes	1969	47	1.0	47	"	95.00	4,500
	1968	47	1.5	70.5	"	99.00	7,000
Nectarines	1969	14	14.0	196	"	327.00	64,000
	*1968						
Olives	1969	39	1.5	59	"	162.00	9,600
	1968	38	1.0	38	"	302.00	11,500
Peaches	1969	309	6.63	2,049	"	234.00	479,000
Freestone	1968	320	5.4	1,728	"	250.00	432,000
Pears	1969	272	7.8	2,122	"	183.00	388,000
Bartlett	1968	272	14.2	3,862	"	155.00	599,000
Walnuts	1969	345	.84	290	"	450.00	130,500
	1968	350	1.10	385	"	550.00	212,000
Misc.Fruits & Nuts	1969	32					25,000
	1968	48					72,000
Total	1969	3,672					\$ 1,903,000
	1968	3,777					2,038,000

FRUIT & NUT CROPS (Cont.)

Crop	Year	Bearing Acreage	Production			Value	
			Per Acre	Total	Unit	Per Unit	Total
<u>BERRIES</u>							
Strawberries	1969	525	14.8	7,770	Ton	\$486.00	\$ 3,776,000
	1968	525	16.7	8,768	"	400.00	3,507,000
Total Fruit & Nut Crops							\$ 7,991,000
							1969 8,439
							1968 8,530
							9,839,000

* Included in Miscellaneous figure 1968.

FIELD CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION & VALUE

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production			Value	
			Per Acre	Total	Unit	Per Unit	Total
Barley	1969	13,900	.64	8,896	Ton	\$ 52.00	\$ 463,000
	1968	12,200	1.10	13,420	"	50.00	671,000
Garbanzo	1969	160	.20	32	"	250.00	8,000
	1968	330	.40	132	"	240.00	31,700
Lima	1969	425	.65	276	"	318.00	87,800
	1968	475	.55	261	"	320.00	83,500
Hay, Alfalfa	1969	30,800	6.55	202,000	"	32.00	6,464,000
	1968	33,050	7.2	237,960	"	29.00	6,901,000
Hay, Grain	1969	7,000	2.4	16,800	"	29.00	487,000
	1968	7,000	2.5	17,500	"	30.00	525,000
Oats	1969	500	1.0	500	"	50.00	25,000
	*1968						
Pasture - Irrigated	1969	3,000					570,000
	1968	4,500					945,000
Range Land	1969	220,000					330,000
	1968	220,000					550,000

FIELD CROPS (Cont.)

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production			Value	
			Per Acre	Total	Unit	Per Unit	Total
Silage - Sorghum	1969	200	10.0	2,000	Ton	\$ 8.00	\$ 16,000
	1968	400	9.0	3,600	"	7.50	27,000
Sorghum grain	1969	100	2.1	210	"	52.00	10,900
	1968	70	1.6	112	"	47.00	5,300
Sugar beets (#)	1969	1,800	25.0	45,000	"	15.00	675,000
	1968	1,834	30.0	55,020	"	14.50	798,000
Wheat	1969	6,700	.45	3,015	"	53.00	160,000
	1968	17,380	.41	7,126	"	52.00	371,000
Misc. Field Crops (#)	1969						230,000
	1968						270,000
Total	1969	284,585					\$ 9,527,000
	1968	297,239					11,178,000

Acreage, production
& value of
Seed Crops

Alfalfa	1969	750(*)	100	75,000	Lbs.	\$.32	\$ 24,000
	1968	1,465(*)	334	489,310	"	.35	171,000

* Included in Misc. Field Crops.

(/) Does not include estimated \$138,220 Sugar Act payments for 1969 or \$91,930 for 1968.

(#) Amount shown for 1969 includes \$169,000 paid for sheep and cattle grazing on alfalfa and barley stubble; 1968 amount includes \$230,000 for such grazing. Oats and Straw also included in misc. figure.

(*) Included in harvested acreage shown for alfalfa hay.

VEGETABLE CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION & VALUE

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production			Value	
			Per Acre	Total	Unit	Per Unit	Total
Beets, table	1969	70	11.0	770	Ton	\$ 84.00	\$ 64,700
	1968	100	11.3	1,130	"	76.00	86,000
Cabbage	1969	360	10.0	3,600	"	86.00	310,000
	1968	500	11.25	5,650	"	90.00	509,000
Carrots	1969	260	26.0	6,760	"	109.00	737,000
	1968	250	30.0	7,500	"	72.00	540,000
Cauliflower	1969	25	14.0	350	"	72.00	25,200
	1968	75	14.0	1,050	"	69.00	72,000
Celery	1969	12	25.0	300	"	80.00	24,000
	1968	45	45.0	2,025	"	93.00	188,000
Chinese Food Veg.	1969	100					1,735,000
	1968	130					1,637,000
Corn, sweet	1969	2,550	5.00	12,750	"	120.00	1,530,000
	1968	2,700	5.00	13,500	"	140.00	1,890,000
Lettuce, leaf	1969	145	10.0	1,450	"	118.00	171,000
	1968	100	10.0	1,000	"	120.00	120,000
Melons -Cantaloupe	1969	115	8.3	955	"	106.00	101,000
	1968	155	11.0	1,705	"	96.00	164,000
-Watermelon	1969	80	9.3	744	"	55.00	40,900
	1968	135	8.0	1,080	"	45.00	49,000
Mushrooms	1969			800	"	1,000.00	800,000
	1968			800	"	1,000.00	800,000
Mustard & other greens	1969	835	12.0	10,020	"	107.00	1,072,000
	1968	900	12.3	11,070	"	119.00	1,317,000
Onions, dry	1969	230	19.0	4,370	"	98.00	428,000
	1968	350	23.7	8,295	"	70.00	581,000
Onions, green	1969	710	21.0	14,910	"	148.00	2,207,000
	1968	800	21.0	16,800	"	143.00	2,402,000
Pumpkins	1969	160	10.0	1,600	"	50.00	80,000
	1968	175	10.0	1,750	"	40.00	70,000
Radishes	1969	820	9.0	7,380	"	137.00	1,011,000
	1968	1,050	7.98	8,380	"	118.00	989,000

VEGETABLE CROPS (Cont.)

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production			Value	
			Per Acre	Total	Unit	Per Unit	Total
Rhubarb	1969	80	10.00	800	Ton	160.00	\$ 128,000
	1968	70	12.0	840	"	195.00	164,000
Squash, Summer	1969	90	5.0	450	"	240.00	108,000
	1968	90	5.0	450	"	260.00	117,000
Squash, Winter	1969	55	8.4	462	"	60.00	27,800
	1968	115	7.5	863	"	42.00	36,000
Tomatoes, Mkt.	1969	75	13	975	"	327.00	319,000
	1968	310	12.0	3,720	"	130.00	484,000
Turnips	1969	300	9.2	2,760	"	85.00	235,000
	1968	300	12.0	3,600	"	100.00	360,000
Misc. Vegetables	1969	275					400,000
	1968	300					500,000
Total	1969	7,347					\$11,555,000
	1968	8,650					13,075,000

NURSERY PRODUCTS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION & VALUE

Item	Year	Production Area		Quantity Sold by Producers	Unit	Value	
		House Acres	Field Acres			Per Unit	Total
<u>Nursery Crops</u>							
Bedding Plants	1969		68	1,064,000	Flats	2.75	\$ 2,926,000
	1968		70	1,033,000	"	2.56	2,644,000
Cacti-Succulents	1969		10				201,000
	1968		12				300,000
Geranium cuttings	1969		173	8,800,000	Cuttings	.06	528,000
	1968		159	12,000,000	"	.06	720,000
Ground cover	1969		99	1,050,000	Flats	2.10	2,205,000
	1968		96	763,000	"	2.28	1,740,000
Turf (sod & stolon)	1969		107				446,000
	1968		110				472,000
Ornamental trees & shrubs	1969		1,430				22,880,000
	1968		1,330				19,600,000
Miscellaneous Bulbs, Roots Dichondra seed & other specialties	1969		46				100,000
	1968		46				89,000
Vegetable plants	1969	14		1,095,000	Flats	1.00	1,095,000
	1968	7		991,000	"	.95	941,000
Indoor plants foliage	1969		11				1,964,000
	1968		12				2,346,000
Indoor potted flowering	1969		45				2,220,000
	1968		42				1,928,000
Orchid plants	1969		8				526,000
	1968		9				560,000
Total	1969	78	1,933				\$35,491,000
	1968	70	1,823				31,340,000

CUT FLOWERS & DECORATIVES

Item	Year	Production Area		Quantity Sold by Producers	Unit	Value	
		House Acres	Field Acres			Per Unit	Total
Carnations	1969	46		23,000,000	Blooms	.0575	\$ 1,322,000
	1968	50		28,750,000	"	.0525	1,509,000
Christmas trees	1969		134	25,000	Trees	9.00	225,000
	1968		100				175,000
Chrysanthemums -Stand. & disbuds	1969	15		600,000	Blooms	.24	144,000
	1968	15		600,000	"	.24	132,000
-Pompon	1969	54	43	282,600	Bundle	3.00	848,000
	1968	45	83	305,000	"	2.60	793,000
Orchids, cut all varieties	1969	25					938,000
	1968	25					1,052,000
Miscellaneous (Glads., Roses, Cut Greens & other cut flowers)	1969		338				1,725,000
	1968		340				1,839,000
Total	1969	140	515				\$ 5,202,000
	1968	135	525				5,500,000

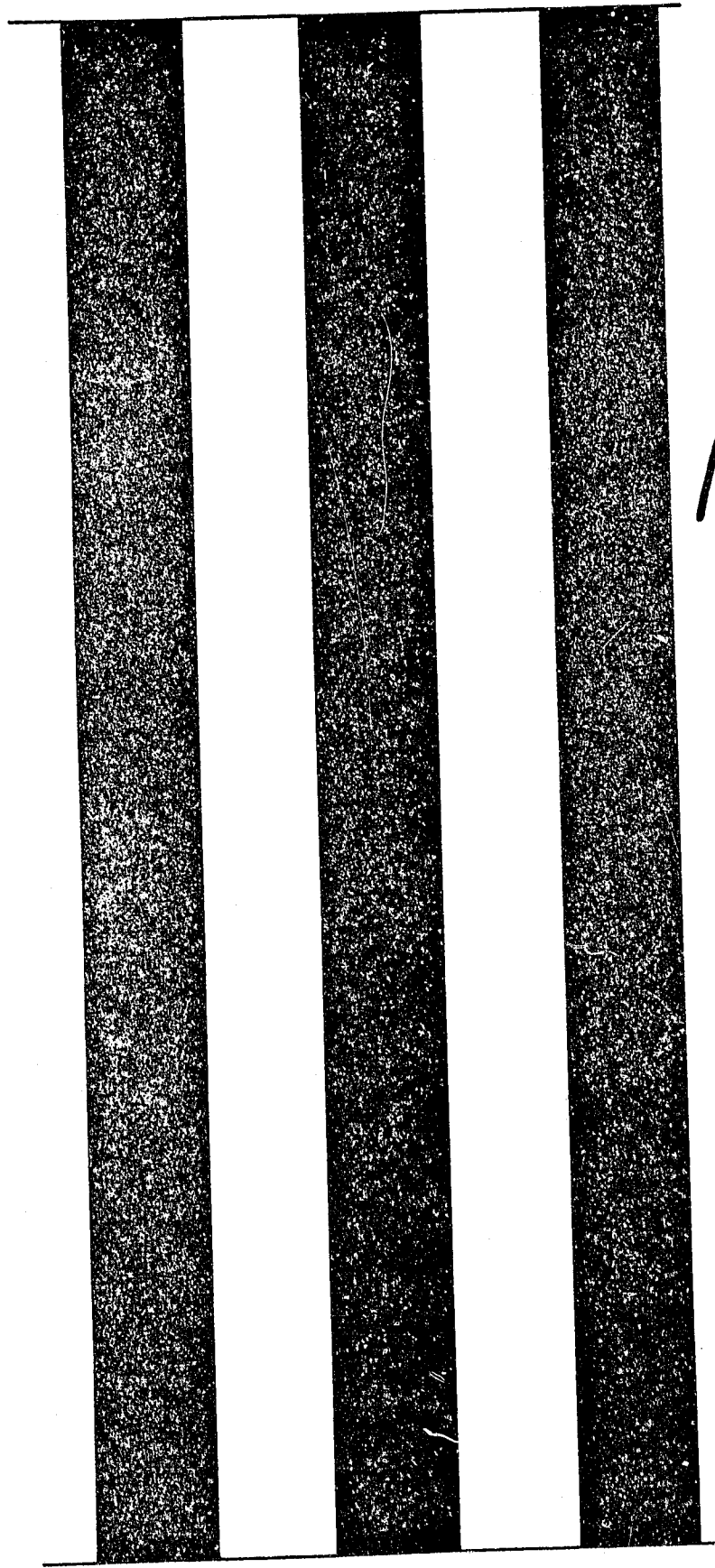
TOTAL ALL PLANT CROPS \$69,790,000

APIARY PRODUCTS

Item	Year	Production		Unit	Value	
		Total			Per Unit	Total
Honey	1969	2,500,000		Lbs.	.15	\$ 375,000
	1968	972,000		"	.14	136,000
Beeswax	1969	37,000		"	.50	18,500
	1968	16,200		"	.70	11,300
Pollination	1969	7,500		Colonies	5.00	37,500
	1968	10,000		"	4.50	45,000
Total	1969					\$ 431,000
	1968					192,000

GRAND TOTAL PLANT CROPS AND APIARY PRODUCTS \$70,221,000

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LOS ANGELES COUNTY 1970

CROP AND LIVESTOCK REPORT

COUNTY AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER

COUNTY VETERINARIAN

SUMMARY

1966-1970, Inclusive

	<u>1966</u>	<u>1967</u>	<u>1968</u>	<u>1969</u>	<u>1970</u>
Citrus Fruits	\$ 6,974,000	\$ 5,326,000	\$ 4,294,000	\$ 2,312,000	\$ 3,430,800
Other Fruits	2,326,000	1,842,000	2,038,000	1,903,000	2,564,710
Berries	3,970,000	4,132,000	3,507,000	3,776,000	3,476,000
Field Crops	12,562,600	13,216,000	11,349,000	9,551,000	9,146,200
Vegetables	15,512,200	14,068,200	13,075,000	11,555,000	10,886,500
Nursery Stock	29,902,000	28,032,000	31,340,000	35,491,000	36,837,000
Cut Flowers	5,389,000	5,417,600	5,500,000	5,202,000	4,823,000
Total Plant Crops*	\$76,635,800	\$72,033,800	\$71,103,000	\$69,790,000	\$71,164,210
Apiary Products	284,200	251,200	192,000	431,000	234,500
Total Plant Crops* & Apiary Products	\$76,920,000	\$72,285,000	\$71,295,000	\$70,221,000	\$71,398,710
Livestock & Poultry	93,371,650	89,518,500	86,171,500	80,954,000	62,690,000
GRAND TOTAL	\$170,291,650	\$161,803,500	\$157,466,500	\$151,175,000	\$134,088,710

* U. S. Department of Agricultural Payments deleted from these totals to conform to state-wide tabulation system for county crop reports.

Cover Photo: Nursery stock growing grounds,
Monrovia Nursery Co., Azusa

L. A. County is the nation's number
one producer of nursery stock with a
gross value for 1970 of \$36,837,000.

LOS ANGELES COUNTY

1970 CROP & LIVESTOCK SUMMARY

Gross returns from plant crop and livestock production in Los Angeles County during 1970 amounted to \$134,088,710.

Despite some losses due to spring cold and relatively high summer temperatures, total plant crop production was valued at \$71,398,710 -- a 1.5% increase over the previous year. Livestock production declined to \$62,690,000, largely as the result of the continuing exodus of dairies from the County.

As has been the case for the past several years, production costs have continued to rise while gross income reported has remained at about the same level. As a result, little improvement in net income returned to the producer is expected.

Nine crops excluding livestock categories, returned \$1 million dollars or more during the year. They were -- Lemons (\$2,172,000), Avocados (\$1,257,000), Strawberries (\$3,476,000), Alfalfa hay (\$6,273,000), Bean sprouts (\$1,530,000), Sweet corn (\$2,160,000), Green onions (\$1,818,000), Nursery stock (\$36,837,000) and Cut flowers (\$4,823,000).

Citrus crop production recovered substantially from the severe losses experienced the previous year from freezing weather and unprecedented rains. Navel orange yields almost doubled and Valencia orange, lemon and grapefruit yields were much better. Prices were also up considerably, raising the total valuation of citrus crops to \$3,430,800 in 1970.

Other fruits and nut crops returned \$2,564,710. Avocado production remained fairly constant but prices per flat were very high, increasing returns considerably in 1970. Freeze damage in mid-spring severely decreased yields of almonds and lowered production in deciduous fruit orchards.

Strawberry acreage dropped 10% in 1970. Yields per acre were slightly higher because of the absence of late frosts and heavy rainfall during the year, but because of less acreage and lower prices the total valuation was down for the year. The average yield last season was 34,000 pounds per acre and is equal to the State average or over four times the yield per acre of any other producing state in the nation.

Field crop returns were lower in 1970 because of low prices, government grain programs, and poor growing weather. Total valuation from 267,890 acres was \$9,110,000. Alfalfa hay, the major field crop, was down in total value although hay prices were up about \$3.00 per ton from 1969. The barley grain crop produced much better in 1970. Other field crops including wheat, sugar beets, range and irrigated pasture were down slightly in valuation. Cutbacks in dry bean acreage also continued.

Vegetable crops were harvested from 6,592 acres with the high value per acre crops producing much of the total vegetable valuation. Sweet corn prices were stronger last year with good demand at roadside stands for nearly half the crop. One thousand, four hundred acres of greens and green onions are in steady demand for local markets. Yields of these two crops were slightly less on a reduced acreage. Radishes also continue to drop in acreage because of the loss of good available land. Bean sprout production for Chinese food dishes continues to expand slightly each

year with the increase of popularity for this type of vegetable. Mushroom production and price were better than last year. Total vegetable production in the County grossed \$10,783,000 during the year.

Nursery stock gross receipts rose to \$36,837,000 in 1970. These record returns in large part can be attributed to better information gathering techniques and continuing expansion of the national market. Stronger prices for bedding plants, indoor flowering plants and ground covers also increased gross returns. Cut flow-ers returned \$4,823,000 despite some reduction in acreage. Growth in the Christ-mas tree industry continued with some 176 acres now devoted to "Choose and Cut" plantings.

Apiary production decreased substantially from 25,000 colonies of bees, returning \$234,500 in 1970. Lack of adequate rain to sustain native nectar-producing plants reduced honey yields to about one half that of the previous record year.

During 1970 the pressure of urbanization had a pronounced influence on livestock and poultry production in Los Angeles County. Many dairies once located in the southeastern portion of the County have moved to neighboring counties accounting for the loss of approximately \$14,000,000 in milk production. Another factor contributing to the overall production decrease was the weakening egg market and a drop in the total number of eggs produced. Most all other categories showed a modest decline as a consequence of decreased activity.

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March 22, 1971

LOS ANGELES COUNTY

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Crop	Year	Bearing Acreage	Production			Value	
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	1969	1,787	7.1	12,688	"	145.00	1,840,000
Grapefruit	1970	64	5.0	320	"	90.00	28,800
	1969	80	2.5	200	"	120.00	24,000
Total	1970	3,752					\$ 3,430,800
	1969	4,242					2,312,000
OTHER FRUITS & NUTS							
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	1969	1,183	.168	199	"	646.00	129,000
Apples	1970	24	.93	22	"	114.00	2,510
	1969	24	4.7	113	"	133.00	15,000
Avocados	1970	1,271	1.32	1,678	"	749.00	1,257,000
	1969	1,259	1.42	1,788	"	300.00	536,000
Cherries	1970	23	1.5	35	"	572.00	20,000
	1969	20	3.3	66	"	538.00	35,500
Figs	1970	30	5.3	159	"	881.00	140,000
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	1969	47	1.0	47	"	95.00	4,500
Olives	1970	39	.50	20	"	180.00	3,600
	1969	39	1.5	59	"	162.00	9,600
Peaches	1970	331	3.8	1,258	"	250.00	314,000
Freestone	1969	309	6.63	2,049	"	234.00	479,000
Pears	1970	286	10.0	2,860	"	206.00	589,000
Bartlett	1969	272	7.8	2,122	"	183.00	388,000
Walnuts	1970	341	.58	200	"	435.00	87,000
	1969	345	.84	290	"	450.00	130,500
Misc. Fruits & Nuts	1970	46					46,200 (R)
	1969	32					25,000 (R)
Total	1970	3,607					\$ 2,564,710
	1969	3,572					1,903,000

(R) Revised figure - Nectarines included 1970 listed separately 1969.

FRUIT & NUT CROPS (Cont.)

Crop	Year	Bearing Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
BERRIES							
Strawberries	1970	470	17.4	8,178	Ton	\$425.00	\$ 3,476,000
	1969	525	14.8	7,770	"	486.00	3,776,000
Total Fruit & Nut Crops							
	1970	7,829					\$ 9,471,510
	1969	8,339					7,991,000

FIELD CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION & VALUE

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Barley	1970	12,400	1.05	13,020	Ton	\$ 50.40	\$ 656,000
	1969	13,900	.64	8,896	"	52.00	463,000
Garbanzo	1970	30	.50	15	"	280.00	4,200
	1969	160	.20	32	"	250.00	8,000
Lima	1970	150	.60	90	"	275.00	24,700
	1969	425	.65	276	"	318.00	87,800
Hay, Alfalfa	1970	28,500	6.20	176,700	"	35.50	6,273,000
	1969	30,800	6.55	202,000	"	32.00	6,464,000
Hay, Grain	1970	5,650	2.3	13,000	"	33.50	436,000
	1969	7,000	2.4	16,800	"	29.00	487,000
Pasture -- Irrigated	1970	2,850					558,000
	1969	3,000					570,000
Range Land	1970	210,000					265,000
	1969	220,000					330,000

FIELD CROPS (Cont.)

Crop	Year	Production				Value	
		Harvested Acreage	Per Acre	Total	Unit	Per Unit	Total
Silage - Sorghum	1970	210	10.0	2,100	Ton	\$ 8.00	\$ 16,800
	1969	200	10.0	2,000	"	8.00	16,000
Sorghum grain	1970	100	1.9	190	"	57.50	10,900
	1969	100	2.1	210	"	52.00	10,900
Sugar beets (f)	1970	1,500	22.0	32,550	"	15.30	498,000
	1969	1,800	25.0	45,000	"	15.00	675,000
Wheat	1970	6,500	.55	3,575	"	52.00	186,000
	1969	6,700	.45	3,015	"	53.00	160,000
Misc. Field Crops (f)	1970						182,000
	1969						230,000
Total	1970	267,890					\$ 9,110,600
	1969	284,585					9,527,000

Acreeage, production
& value of
Seed Crops

Alfalfa	1970	500(*)	209	104,600	Lbs.	\$.34	\$ 35,600
	1969	750(*)	100	75,000	"	.32	24,000

(f) Does not include estimated \$103,000 Sugar Act payments for 1970 or \$138,220 for 1969.

(f) Amount shown for 1970 includes \$169,000 paid for sheep and cattle grazing on alfalfa and barley stubble; 1969 amount includes \$169,000 for such grazing. Oats and Straw also included in misc. figure.

(*) Included in harvested acreage shown for alfalfa hay.

VEGETABLE CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION & VALUE

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production			Value	
			Per Acre	Total	Unit	Per Unit	Total
Bean Sprouts	1970	-	-	4,500	Ton	\$340.00	\$ 1,530,000
	1969	-	-	4,500	"	333.00	1,498,500
Beets, table	1970	75	10.1	758	"	89.00	67,500
	1969	70	11.1	770	"	84.00	64,700
Cabbage	1970	285	10.0	2,850	"	80.00	228,000
	1969	360	10.0	3,600	"	86.00	310,000
Carrots	1970	260	25.0	6,500	"	90.00	585,000
	1969	260	26.0	6,760	"	109.00	737,000
Cauliflower	1970	45	11.1	590	"	68.00	34,000
	1969	25	14.0	350	"	72.00	25,200
Celery	1970	-	-	-	-	-	-
	1969	12	25.0	300	Ton	80.00	24,000
Chinese Food Vegetables	1970	50	20.0	1,000	"	105.00	105,000
	1969	100					(R) 235,000
Corn, sweet	1970	2,400	5.00	12,000	"	180.00	2,160,000
	1969	2,550	5.00	12,750	"	120.00	1,530,000
Lettuce, leaf	1970	150	13.0	1,950	"	90.50	176,000
	1969	145	10.0	1,450	"	118.00	171,000
Melons -Cantaloupe	1970	125	10.8	1,350	"	82.00	111,000
	1969	115	8.3	955	"	106.00	101,000
-Watermelon	1970	155	5.7	884	"	45.25	40,000
	1969	80	9.3	744	"	55.00	40,900
Mushrooms	1970	-	-	850	"	1,140.00	969,000
	1969	-	-	800	"	1,000.00	800,000
Mustard & other greens	1970	805	11.0	8,855	"	106.00	939,000
	1969	835	12.0	10,020	"	107.00	1,072,000
Onions, dry	1970	275	23.5	6,463	"	85.00	549,000
	1969	230	19.0	4,370	"	98.00	428,000
Onions, green	1970	600	19.3	11,580	"	157.00	1,818,000
	1969	710	21.0	14,910	"	148.00	2,207,000

VEGETABLE CROPS (Cont.)

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production			Value	
			Per Acre	Total	Unit	Per Unit	Total
Pumpkins	1970	140	12.0	1,680	Ton	\$ 50.00	\$ 84,000
	1969	160	10.0	1,600	"	50.00	80,000
Radishes	1970	615	9.0	5,535	"	125.00	692,000
	1969	820	9.0	7,380	"	137.00	1,011,000
Rhubarb	1970	90	8.0	720	"	150.00	108,000
	1969	80	10.0	800	"	160.00	128,000
Squash, Summer	1970	80	6.0	480	"	237.50	114,000
	1969	90	5.0	450	"	240.00	108,000
Squash, Winter	1970	62	9.7	601	"	50.00	30,000
	1969	55	8.4	462	"	60.00	27,800
Tomatoes, Mkt.	1970	65	9.7	631	"	319.00	201,000
	1969	75	13.0	975	"	327.00	319,000
Turnips	1970	100	8.5	850	"	87.00	74,000
	1969	300	9.2	2,760	"	85.00	235,000
Misc. Vegetables	1970	215					272,000
	1969	275					400,000
Total	1970	6,592					\$10,886,500
	1969	7,347					11,555,000

(R) Revised figure - 1969 listing included Bean Sprouts now listed separately in 1970.

NURSERY PRODUCTS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION & VALUE

Item	Year	Production Area		Quantity Sold By Producers	Unit	Value	
		House Acres	Field Acres			Per Unit	Total
Nursery Crops							
Bedding Plants	1970		62	1,300,000	Flats	2.70	\$ 3,510,000
	1969		68	1,064,000	"	2.75	2,926,000
Cacti-Succulents	1970		11				187,000
	1969		10				201,000
Geranium cuttings	1970		151	9,900,000	Cuttings	.065	644,000
	1969		173	8,800,000	"	.060	528,000
Ground cover	1970		98	1,100,000	Flats	2.25	2,475,000
	1969		99	1,050,000	"	2.10	2,205,000
Turf (sod & stolon)	1970		96				300,000
	1969		107				446,000
Ornamental trees & shrubs	1970		1,435	20,873,000	Plants	1.10	22,960,000
	1969		1,430	-		-	22,880,000
Miscellaneous Bulbs, Roots, Dichondra seed & other specialties	1970		40				165,000
	1969		46				100,000
Vegetable plants	1970	13		1,017,000	Flats	1.10	1,119,000
	1969	14		1,095,000	"	1.00	1,095,000
Indoor plants foliage	1970	12		1,150,000		1.82	2,093,000
	1969	11		-		-	1,964,000
Indoor potted flowering	1970	46		2,350,000		1.15	2,702,000
	1969	45		-		-	2,220,000
Orchid plants	1970		8				682,000
	1969		8				526,000
Total	1970	79	1,893				\$36,837,000
	1969	78	1,933				35,491,000

CUT FLOWERS & DECORATIVES

Item	Year	Production Area		Quantity Sold By Producers	Unit	Value	
		House Acres	Field Acres			Per Unit	Total
Carnations	1970	44		22,000,000	Blooms	.0550	\$ 1,210,000
	1969	46		23,000,000	"	.0575	1,322,000
Christmas trees	1970		176	32,500	Trees	8.75	284,000
	1969		134	25,000	"	9.00	225,000
Chrysanthemums -Stand. & disbuds	1970	15		614,000	Blooms	.24	147,000
	1969	15		600,000	"	.24	144,000
-Pompon	1970	54	43	280,500	Bundle	3.00	842,000
	1969	54	43	282,600	"	3.00	848,000
Orchids, cut all varieties	1970	24					900,000
	1969	25					938,000
Miscellaneous (Glads., roses, cut greens & other cut flowers)	1970		300				1,440,000
	1969		338				1,725,000
Total	1970	137	519				\$ 4,823,000
	1969	140	515				5,202,000

TOTAL ALL PLANT CROPS	Acres	Value
1970	284,939	\$71,164,210

APIARY PRODUCTS

Item	Year	Production		Unit	Value	
		Total			Per Unit	Total
Honey	1970	1,200,000		Lbs.	.15	\$ 180,000
	1969	2,500,000		"	.15	375,000
Beeswax	1970	20,000		"	.60	12,000
	1969	37,000		"	.50	18,500
Pollination	1970	8,500		Colonies	5.00	42,500
	1969	7,500		"	5.00	37,500
Total	1970					\$ 234,500
	1969					431,000

GRAND TOTAL PLANT CROPS AND APIARY PRODUCTS 1970	\$71,398,710
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LIVESTOCK & POULTRY: INVENTORY, PRODUCTION & VALUE

Species	Year	Inventory	Production			Value	
			No. of Head	Total Liveweight	Unit	Per Unit	Total
<u>CATTLE & CALVES</u>							
Dairy							
Cows	1970	35,000	--	--	--	\$ --	\$ --
	1969	43,800	--	--	--	--	--
Cull Cows	1970	--	10,000	10,000,000	Cwt.	21.00	2,100,000
	1969	--	13,000	13,000,000	"	20.00	2,600,000
Calves	1970	2,500	33,000	--	Head	32.00	1,056,000
	1969	3,900	38,000	--	"	30.00	1,140,000
Heifers	1970	2,500	3,000	--	"	250.00	750,000
	1969	5,700	4,800	--	"	235.00	1,128,000
Beef							
Feeder Calves	1970	7,300	3,400	680,000	Cwt.	32.60	222,000
	1969	9,300	3,300	660,000	"	30.30	200,000
Fed Steers & Heifers	1970	30,000	40,000	12,500,000	"	29.30	3,663,000
	1969	32,200	57,000	17,600,000	"	28.70	5,050,000
<u>SHEEP & LAMBS</u>							
Breeding Stock	1970	32,000	--	--	--	--	--
	1969	26,000	--	--	--	--	--
Fat Lambs	1970	24,000	26,250	2,100,000	Cwt.	27.20	571,000
	1969	26,300	32,000	2,570,000	"	27.40	703,000
<u>HOGS & PIGS</u>							
Slaughter Hogs	1970	3,500	3,350	405,000	Cwt.	26.40	107,000
	1969	7,500	6,000	1,450,000	"	21.80	317,000
<u>BROILERS & FRYERS</u>							
	1970	604,000	3,054,400	10,690,000	Lb.	.168	1,796,000
	1969	604,000	3,787,000	13,255,000	"	.173	2,293,000
<u>OTHER CHICKENS</u>							
Hens	1970	--	808,500	3,638,250	Lb.	.072	262,000
	1969	--	1,019,000	4,585,500	"	.055	252,000
Laying Hens	1970	1,155,000	--	--	--	--	--
	1969	1,359,000	--	--	--	--	--
Roasters	1970	335,000	1,361,200	7,487,000	Lb.	.200	1,497,000
	1969	419,000	1,503,000	8,267,000	"	.210	1,736,000
<u>TURKEYS</u>							
	1970	437,000	919,000	18,380,000	Lb.	.228	4,191,000
	1969	340,000	935,000	18,690,000	"	.219	4,093,000
<u>CHICKS</u>							
	1970	--	16,873,000	--	Each	.139	2,350,000
	1969	--	16,498,000	--	"	.141	2,326,000

LIVESTOCK & POULTRY (Cont.)

Species	Year	Inventory	Production			Value	
			No. of Head	Total Liveweight	Unit	Per Unit	Total
<u>OTHER LIVESTOCK</u>							
(Ducks, Poults,	1970	--	--	--	--	\$ --	\$ 287,000
Goats, Rabbits)	1969	--	--	--	--	--	418,000
<u>HORSES</u>	1970	50,000	4,500	--	Head	425.00	1,913,000
	1969	49,000	4,700	--	"	400.00	1,880,000
Total	1970						\$20,765,000
	1969						24,136,000

LIVESTOCK & POULTRY PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION & VALUE

Product	Year	Production	Unit	Value	
				Per Unit	Total
<u>MILK</u>					
Market	1970	5,951,000	Cwt.	\$ 5.75	\$34,218,000
	1969	8,107,000	"	5.63	47,022,000
Manufacturing	1970	8,710	"	4.37	38,000
	1969	59,500	"	4.44	264,000
<u>WOOL</u>					
	1970	157,000	Lb.	.37	58,000
	1969	246,000	"	.378	92,000
<u>EGGS</u>					
	1970	23,485,000	Dozen	.318	7,468,000
	1969	27,628,000	"	.335	9,255,000
<u>GOATS' MILK</u>					
	1970	530,000	Qt.	.27	143,000
	1969	826,000	"	.27	223,000
Total	1970				\$41,925,000
	1969				56,857,000
GRAND TOTAL LIVESTOCK & POULTRY PRODUCTION					\$62,690,000

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