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Los Angeles County

1971-1976

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LOS ANGELES COUNTY 1971

CROP AND LIVESTOCK REPORT



COUNTY AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER COUNTY VETERINARIAN

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SUMMARY

1967-1971, Inclusive

	<u>1967</u>	<u>1968</u>	<u>1969</u>	<u>1970</u>	<u>1971</u>
Citrus Fruits	\$ 5,326,000	\$ 4,294,000	\$ 2,312,000	\$ 3,430,800	\$ 3,290,000
Misc.Fruits & Nuts	1,842,000	2,038,000	1,903,000	2,564,710	2,240,240
Berries	4,132,000	3,507,000	3,776,000	3,476,000	3,006,000
Field Crops	13,216,000	11,349,000	9,551,000	9,146,200	9,102,600
Vegetables	14,068,200	13,075,000	11,555,000	10,886,500	10,063,200
Nursery Stock	28,032,000	31,340,000	35,491,000	36,837,000	40,641,000
Cut Flowers	<u>5,417,600</u>	<u>5,500,000</u>	<u>5,202,000</u>	<u>4,823,000</u>	<u>4,556,000</u>
 Total Plant Crops*	 \$72,033,800	 \$71,103,000	 \$69,790,000	 \$71,164,210	 \$72,899,040
Apiary Products	<u>251,200</u>	<u>192,000</u>	<u>431,000</u>	<u>234,500</u>	<u>540,000</u>
 Total Plant Crops* & Apiary Products	 \$72,285,000	 \$71,295,000	 \$70,221,000	 \$71,398,710	 \$73,439,040
 Livestock & Poultry	 <u>89,518,500</u>	 <u>86,171,500</u>	 <u>80,954,000</u>	 <u>62,690,000</u>	 <u>49,766,000</u>
 GRAND TOTAL	 \$161,803,500	 \$157,466,500	 \$151,175,000	 \$134,088,710	 \$123,205,040

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

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LOS ANGELES COUNTY

1971 CROP & LIVESTOCK SUMMARY

Gross returns from plant crop and livestock production in Los Angeles County totaled \$123,205,040 in 1971.

Paced by record nursery stock sales, receipts from all plant crops rose to \$73,439,040, the highest total in five years. Livestock production totals, however, declined almost 20% to \$49,766,000 as the result of a continued drop in milk production.

Nine crops--excluding livestock categories--returned \$1 million dollars or more in 1971. They were--lemons, \$1,810,000; strawberries, \$3,006,000; alfalfa hay, \$5,995,000; bean sprouts, \$1,782,000; sweet corn, \$2,327,000; mushrooms, \$1,059,000; green onions, \$1,414,000; cut flowers, \$4,556,000; and nursery stock, \$40,641,000.

While acreage devoted to citrus crops declined by 11% in 1971, total gross returns of \$3,290,000 remained close to that reported the previous year. Better navel and valencia orange production and higher prices received for lemons were responsible for offsetting the declining acreage.

Other fruits and nuts returned \$2,240,240 in 1971 despite the effect of early spring frosts upon yields of some crops. While the almond crop was almost a total loss due to blossom freeze damage, peaches and pears enjoyed near record production. Avocado returns decreased almost 50% as the result of lower prices received. Strawberry returns rose slightly on stronger prices in 1971 with total receipts amounting to \$3,006,000 despite a 12% drop in acreage and early frost damage.

The total value of 273,890 acres of field crops in 1971 was \$9,080,800. Barley and wheat production was down due to drought, and alfalfa hay--our major field crop--decreased in value as the result of an acreage reduction. Garbanzo bean harvested acreage increased as the result of good growing conditions.

Vegetable crops harvested from 6,376 acres returned \$10,063,200 during the year. Harvested acreage losses in dry onions, radishes and mustard greens were offset somewhat by increases in acreage of sweet corn, leaf lettuce and squash. Sweet corn continues as the county's number one vegetable crop with \$2,327,000 returned to growers from 2,730 acres. Bean sprout production for Chinese food dishes continues to expand each year returning \$1,782,000 during 1971.

Nursery stock production--valued now at \$40,641,000--increased greatly from the previous year when \$36,837,000 was returned to local nurserymen. Increased out-of-state demand for ornamental trees and shrubs contributed to this significant growth as did stronger prices for ground covers, indoor flowering plants and geranium cuttings. Cut flower production remained near the \$4½ million dollar mark despite a slight decrease in acreage. Christmas tree production was valued at \$350,000 with 211 acres now devoted to "choose and cut" plantings.

Apiary production receipts jumped to \$540,000 during 1971. Although the honey crop--some 1,860,000 pounds--demanded a substantially better price, inclusion of pollination fees collected by Los Angeles County beekeepers in our report also contributed to the highest returns in many years.

A steady decrease in land available for the production of livestock and poultry is again reflected in this year's report. Fluid milk was the major contributing commodity. Milk production dropped from \$34 million in 1970 to \$23 million in 1971. Strengthening cattle prices and a modest increase in poultry number offset other minor livestock changes.

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 \$324,100 and are not included in the total gross returns reported.

Gross return figures are often very deceiving. Net can be determined only by deducting all of the growers' costs and often the grower ends up with a loss instead of a profit. A case in point would be the citrus industry in Los Angeles County where increased cultural costs and increased taxes reflect the precarious economic condition of agriculture in many areas.

	<u>Valencias</u>	<u>Navels</u>	<u>Lemons</u>
Cultural Costs/Acre	\$ 388	\$ 388	\$ 413
Taxes/Acre	350	300	350
Misc. Costs/Acre	<u>235</u>	<u>235</u>	<u>235</u>
Total Costs/Acre	973	923	998
Gross Returns/Acre	797	781	1,205
Net/Acre	-\$ 176	-\$ 142	+\$ 207

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

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April 4, 1971

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	1971	736	6.1	4,490	Ton	\$128.00	\$ 575,000
Navel & Misc.	1970	778	4.7	3,657	"	133.00	486,000
Oranges	1971	1,089	8.3	9,039	"	96.00	868,000
Valencia	1970	1,305	5.7	7,439	"	100.00	744,000
Lemons	1971	1,501	6.7	10,056	"	180.00	1,810,000
	1970	1,605	8.9	14,285	"	152.00	2,172,000
Grapefruit	1971	64	4.5	288	"	128.50	37,000
	1970	64	5.0	320	"	90.00	28,800
Total	1971	3,390					\$ 3,290,000
	1970	3,752					3,430,800
<u>OTHER FRUITS & NUTS</u>							
Almonds	1971	1,169	.0026	3	"	900.00	2,700
	1970	1,169	.130	152	"	678.00	103,000
Apples	1971	24	2.71	65	"	120.00	7,800
	1970	24	.93	22	"	114.00	2,510
Avocados	1971	1,259	1.26	1,586	"	400.00	634,000
	1970	1,271	1.32	1,678	"	749.00	1,257,000
Cherries	1971	24	2.9	70	"	493.00	34,500
	1970	23	1.5	35	"	572.00	20,000
Figs	1971	24	5.6	134	"	1,075.00	144,000
	1970	30	5.3	159	"	881.00	140,000
Grapes	1971	46	1.5	69	"	105.00	7,240
	1970	47	.50	24	"	100.00	2,400
Olives	1971	35	.26	9	"	333.00	3,000
	1970	39	.50	20	"	180.00	3,600
Peaches	1971	342	6.4	2,188	"	220.00	481,000
Freestone	1970	331	3.8	1,258	"	250.00	314,000
Pears	1971	284	14.7	4,175	"	176.00	735,000
Bartlett	1970	286	10.0	2,860	"	206.00	589,000
Walnuts	1971	341	.88	300	"	353.00	106,000
	1970	341	.58	200	"	435.00	87,000
Misc. Fruits & Nuts	1971	48					85,000
	1970	46					46,200
Total	1971	3,596					\$ 2,240,240
	1970	3,607					2,564,710

FRUIT & NUT CROPS (Cont.)

Crop	Year	Bearing Acreage	Production			Value	
			Per Acre	Total	Unit	Per Unit	Total
<u>BERRIES</u>							
Strawberries	1971	417	16.2	6,755	Ton	\$445.00	\$ 3,006,000
	1970	470	17.4	8,178	"	425.00	3,476,000
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Total Fruit & Nut Crops	1971	7,403					\$ 8,536,240
	1970	7,829					9,471,510

FIELD CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION & VALUE

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production			Value	
			Per Acre	Total	Unit	Per Unit	Total
Barley	1971	12,665	.77	9,752	Ton	\$ 59.50	\$ 580,000
	1970	12,400	1.05	13,020	"	50.40	656,000
Garbanzo	1971	120	.45	54	"	426.00	23,000
	1970	30	.50	15	"	280.00	4,200
Lima	1971	125	.80	100	"	280.00	28,000
	1970	150	.60	90	"	275.00	24,700
Hay, Alfalfa	1971	26,100	6.38	166,518	"	36.00	5,995,000
	1970	28,500	6.20	176,700	"	35.50	6,273,000
Hay, Grain	1971	6,540	2.3	15,042	"	34.00	511,000
	1970	5,650	2.3	13,000	"	33.50	436,000
Pasture - Irrigated	1971	2,500					560,000
	1970	2,850					558,000
Range Land	1971	210,000					245,000
	1970	210,000					265,000

FIELD CROPS (Cont.)

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Silage - Sorghum	1971	500	4.8	2,400	Ton	\$ 27.00	\$ 64,800
	1970	210	10.0	2,100	"	8.00	16,000
Sorghum grain	1971	-	-	-	-	-	-
	1970	100	1.9	190	Ton	57.50	10,900
Sugar beets (≠)	1971	1,500	27.0	40,500	"	14.00	567,000
	1970	1,500	22.0	32,550	"	15.30	498,000
Wheat	1971	13,840	.38	5,259	"	61.00	321,000
	1970	6,500	.55	3,575	"	52.00	186,000
Misc. Field Crops (≠)	1971						186,000
	1970						182,000
Total	1971	273,890					\$ 9,080,800
	1970	267,890					9,110,600

Acreage, production
& value of
Seed Crops

Alfalfa	1971	460(*)	153	70,380	Lbs.	\$.31	\$ 21,800
	1970	500(*)	209	104,600	"	.34	35,600

(≠) Does not include estimated \$93,300 Sugar Act payments for 1971 or \$103,000 for 1970.

(≠) Amount shown for 1971 includes \$186,000 paid for sheep and cattle grazing on alfalfa and barley stubble; 1970 amount includes \$169,000 for such grazing.

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

VEGETABLE CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION & VALUE

Crop	Year	Production				Value	
		Harvested Acreage	Per Acre	Total	Unit	Per Unit	Total
Bean Sprouts	1971	-	-	4,950	Ton	\$360.00	\$ 1,782,000
	1970	-	-	4,500	"	340.00	1,530,000
Beets, table	1971	37	8.7	322	"	93.00	30,000
	1970	75	10.1	758	"	89.00	67,500
Cabbage	1971	384	10.0	3,840	"	96.50	370,600
	1970	285	10.0	2,850	"	80.00	228,000
Carrots	1971	140	22.0	3,080	"	137.50	424,000
	1970	260	25.0	6,500	"	90.00	585,000
Cauliflower	1971	28	11.7	328	"	91.50	30,000
	1970	45	11.1	500	"	68.00	34,000
Chinese Food Vegetables	1971	44	19.2	845	"	95.00	80,000
	1970	50	20.0	1,000	"	105.00	105,000
Corn, sweet	1971	2,730	5.5	15,015	"	155.00	2,327,000
	1970	2,400	5.0	12,000	"	180.00	2,160,000
Lettuce, leaf	1971	237	8.5	2,014	"	110.00	222,000
	1970	150	13.0	1,950	"	90.50	176,000
Melons -Cantaloupe	1971	113	7.4	836	"	81.50	68,100
	1970	125	10.8	1,350	"	82.00	111,000
-Watermelon	1971	111	6.0	666	"	51.00	34,000
	1970	155	5.7	884	"	45.25	40,000
Mushrooms	1971	-	-	913	"	1,160.00	1,059,000
	1970	-	-	850	"	1,140.00	969,000
Mustard & other greens	1971	692	10.2	7,058	"	87.50	618,000
	1970	805	11.0	8,855	"	106.00	939,000
Onions, dry	1971	9	16.0	144	"	66.00	9,500
	1970	275	23.5	6,463	"	85.00	549,000
Onions, green	1971	541	19.8	10,711	"	132.00	1,414,000
	1970	600	19.3	11,580	"	157.00	1,818,000
Pumpkins	1971	93	9.0	837	"	65.75	55,000
	1970	140	12.0	1,680	"	50.00	84,000

VEGETABLE CROPS (Cont.)

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production			Value	
			Per Acre	Total	Unit	Per Unit	Total
Radishes	1971	410	6.0	2,460	Ton	\$118.25	\$ 291,000
	1970	615	9.0	5,535	"	125.00	692,000
Rhubarb	1971	84	6.5	546	"	187.00	102,000
	1970	90	8.0	720	"	150.00	108,000
Squash, Summer	1971	128	5.0	640	"	145.25	93,000
	1970	80	6.0	480	"	237.50	114,000
Squash, Winter	1971	40	9.3	372	"	43.00	16,000
	1970	62	9.7	601	"	50.00	30,000
Tomatoes, Mkt.	1971	64	11.8	755	"	340.00	257,000
	1970	65	9.7	631	"	319.00	201,000
Turnips	1971	60	9.3	558	"	100.25	56,000
	1970	100	8.5	850	"	87.00	74,000
Misc. Vegetables	1971	431					725,000
	1970	215					272,000
Total	1971	6,376					\$10,063,200
	1970	6,592					10,886,500

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	1971		60	1,400,000	Flats	2.70	\$ 3,780,000
	1970		62	1,300,000	"	2.70	3,510,000
Cacti-Succulents	1971		18				216,000
	1970		11				187,000
Geranium cuttings	1971		150	12,350,000	Cuttings	.07	864,000
	1970		151	9,900,000	"	.065	644,000
Ground cover	1971		93	1,100,000	Flats	2.35	2,585,000
	1970		98	1,100,000	"	2.25	2,475,000
Turf (sod & stolon)	1971		65				208,000
	1970		96				300,000
Ornamental trees & shrubs	1971		1,499	23,200,000	Plants	1.10	25,520,000(R)
	1970		1,435	20,873,000	"	1.10	22,960,000
Miscellaneous Bulbs, Roots, Dichondra seed & other specialties	1971		51(R)				695,000(R)
	1970		40				165,000
Vegetable plants	1971		14	902,000	Flats	1.05	947,000
	1970		13	1,017,000	"	1.10	1,119,000
Indoor plants foliage	1971		17	3,230,000	Pots	.70	2,261,000
	1970		12	1,150,000	"	1.82	2,093,000
Indoor potted flowering	1971		49	2,100,000	"	1.30	2,730,000
	1970		46	2,350,000	"	1.15	2,702,000
Orchid plants	1971		9				835,000
	1970		8				682,000
Total	1971		89	1,936			\$40,641,000
	1970		79	1,893			36,837,000

(R) Revised figure - Retail nursery & hobbyists production figures formerly listed under Ornamental Trees & Shrubs now included in miscellaneous.

CUT FLOWERS & DECORATIVES

Item	Year	Production Area		Quantity Sold By Producers	Unit	Value	
		House Acres	Field Acres			Per Unit	Total
Carnations	1971	40		18,000,000	Blooms	.06	\$ 1,080,000
	1970	44		22,000,000	"	.055	1,210,000
Christmas trees	1971		211	35,000	Trees	10.00	350,000
	1970		176	32,500	"	8.75	284,000
Chrysanthemums -Stand. & disbuds	1971	19		1,482,000	Blooms	.23	341,000
	1970	15		614,000	"	.24	147,000
-Pompon	1971	45	51	260,500	Bundle	2.95	768,000
	1970	54	43	280,500	"	3.00	842,000
Orchids, cut all varieties	1971		21				735,000
	1970		24				900,000
Miscellaneous (Glads., roses, cut greens & other cut flowers)	1971		285				1,282,000
	1970		300				1,440,000
Total	1971	125	547				\$ 4,556,000
	1970	137	519				4,823,000

TOTAL ALL PLANT CROPS 1971	<u>Acres</u> 290,366	<u>Value</u> \$72,899,040
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APIARY PRODUCTS

Item	Year	Production		Unit	Value	
		Total			Per Unit	Total
Honey	1971	1,860,000		Lbs.	.22	\$ 409,000
	1970	1,200,000		"	.15	180,000
Beeswax	1971	24,000		"	.63	15,000
	1970	20,000		"	.60	12,000
Pollination	1971	21,000		Colonies	5.50	116,000
	1970	8,500		"	5.00	42,500
Total	1971					\$ 540,000
	1970					234,500

GRAND TOTAL PLANT CROPS AND APIARY PRODUCTS 1971

\$73,439,040

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	1971	28,000	--	--	--	\$ --	\$ --
	1970	35,000	--	--	--	--	--
Cull Cows	1971	--	8,000	8,000,000	Cwt.	21.40	1,712,000
	1970	--	10,000	10,000,000	"	21.00	2,100,000
Calves	1971	2,000	25,000	--	Head	55.00	1,375,000
	1970	2,500	33,000	--	"	32.00	1,056,000
Heifers	1971	1,500	1,500	--	"	275.00	412,500
	1970	2,500	3,000	--	"	250.00	750,000
Beef							
Feeder Calves	1971	6,500	3,500	700,000	Cwt.	33.90	237,000
	1970	7,300	3,400	680,000	"	32.60	222,000
Fed Steers & Heifers	1971	28,000	40,000	12,500,000	"	31.90	3,988,000
	1970	30,000	40,000	12,500,000	"	29.30	3,663,000
<u>SHEEP & LAMBS</u>							
Breeding Stock	1971	28,000	--	--	--	--	--
	1970	32,000	--	--	--	--	--
Fat Lambs	1971	20,000	24,500	1,960,000	Cwt.	26.70	523,000
	1970	24,000	26,250	2,100,000	"	27.20	571,000
<u>HOGS & PIGS</u>							
Slaughter Hogs	1971	3,500	3,600	432,000	Cwt.	19.10	82,500
	1970	3,500	3,350	405,000	"	26.40	107,000
<u>BROILERS & FRYERS</u>							
	1971	342,000	2,363,400	8,272,000	Lb.	.172	1,423,000
	1970	604,000	3,054,400	10,690,000	"	.168	1,796,000
<u>OTHER CHICKENS</u>							
Hens	1971	--	800,000	3,600,000	Lb.	.040	144,000
	1970	--	808,500	3,638,250	"	.072	262,000
Laying Hens	1971	1,143,000	--	--	--	--	--
	1970	1,155,000	--	--	--	--	--
Roasters	1971	513,000	1,429,000	7,860,000	Lb.	.200	1,572,000
	1970	335,000	1,361,200	7,487,000	"	.200	1,497,000
<u>TURKEYS</u>							
	1971	328,000	1,309,000	26,180,000	Lb.	.214	5,603,000
	1970	437,000	919,000	18,380,000	"	.228	4,191,000
<u>CHICKS</u>							
	1971	--	9,957,000	--	Each	.116	1,155,000
	1970	--	16,873,000	--	"	.139	2,350,000

LIVESTOCK & POULTRY (Cont.)

Species	Year	Inventory	Production			Value		
			No. of Head	Total Liveweight	Unit	Per Unit	Total	
<u>OTHER LIVESTOCK</u>								
(Ducks, Poults,	1971	--	--	--	--	\$ --	\$ 197,000	
Goats, Rabbits)	1970	--	--	--	--	--	287,000	
<u>HORSES</u>	1971	55,000	5,000	--	Head	425.00	2,125,000	
	1970	50,000	4,500	--	"	425.00	1,913,000	
Total								
	1971						\$20,549,000	
	1970						20,765,000	

LIVESTOCK & POULTRY PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION & VALUE

Product	Year	Production	Unit	Value		
				Per Unit	Total	
<u>MILK</u>						
Market	1971	3,960,000	Cwt.	\$ 5.91	\$23,402,000	
	1970	5,951,000	"	5.75	34,218,000	
Manufacturing	1971	10,000	"	4.07	41,000	
	1970	8,710	"	4.37	38,000	
<u>WOOL</u>	1971	308,300	Lb.	.15	46,000	
	1970	157,000	"	.37	58,000	
<u>EGGS</u>	1971	23,241,000	Dozen	.240	5,578,000	
	1970	23,485,000	"	.318	7,468,000	
<u>GOATS' MILK</u>	1971	500,000	Qt.	.30	150,000	
	1970	530,000	"	.27	143,000	
Total						
	1971				\$29,217,000	
	1970				41,925,000	
GRAND TOTAL LIVESTOCK & POULTRY PRODUCTION						\$49,766,000

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CROP AND LIVESTOCK REPORT

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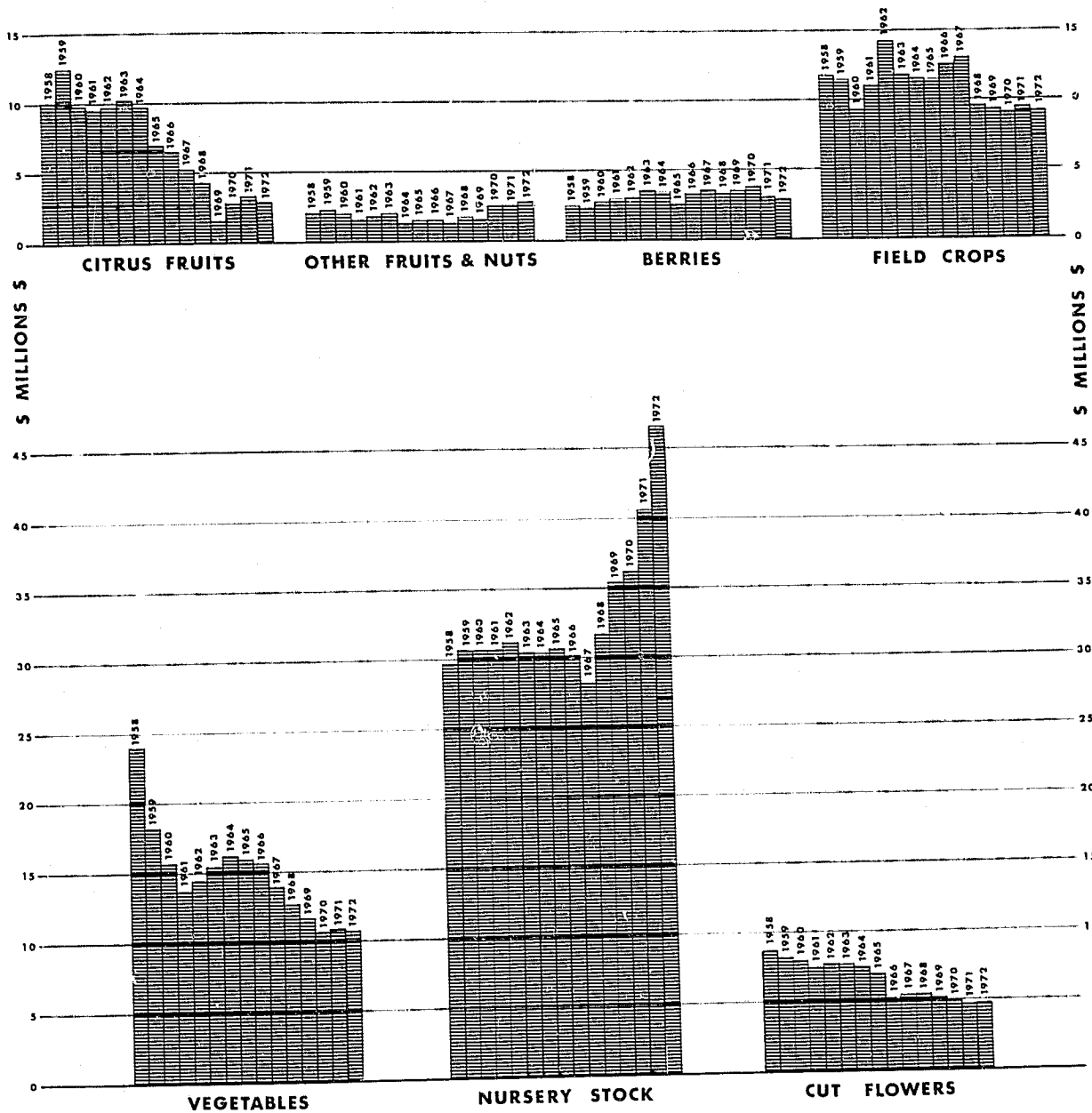
	<u>1968</u>	<u>1969</u>	<u>1970</u>	<u>1971</u>	<u>1972</u>
Citrus Fruits	\$ 4,294,000	\$ 2,312,000	\$ 3,430,800	\$ 3,290,000	\$ 2,549,900
Misc. Fruits & Nuts	2,038,000	1,903,000	2,564,710	2,240,240	2,366,900
Berries	3,507,000	3,776,000	3,476,000	3,006,000	2,760,450
Field Crops	11,349,000	9,551,000	9,146,200	9,102,600	8,774,700
Vegetables	13,075,000	11,555,000	10,886,500	10,063,200	10,036,200
Nursery Stock	31,340,000	35,491,000	36,837,000	40,641,000	46,245,000
Cut Flowers	<u>5,500,000</u>	<u>5,202,000</u>	<u>4,823,000</u>	<u>4,556,000</u>	<u>4,507,000</u>
Total Plant Crops*	\$71,103,000	\$69,790,000	\$71,164,210	\$72,899,040	\$77,240,150
Apiary Products	<u>192,000</u>	<u>431,000</u>	<u>234,500</u>	<u>540,000</u>	<u>328,480</u>
Total Plant Crops* & Apiary Products	\$71,295,000	\$70,221,000	\$71,398,710	\$73,439,040	\$77,568,630
Livestock & Poultry	<u>86,171,500</u>	<u>80,954,000</u>	<u>62,690,000</u>	<u>49,766,000</u>	<u>43,099,000</u>
GRAND TOTAL	<u>\$157,466,500</u>	<u>\$151,175,000</u>	<u>\$134,088,710</u>	<u>\$123,205,040</u>	<u>\$120,667,630</u>

* U. S. Department of Agricultural Payments not included in these totals to conform to state-wide tabulation system for county crop reports.

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(a Choose & Cut Christmas Tree Farm in West San Fernando Valley. Tree farms are steadily expanding in popularity throughout L.A. County.)

LOS ANGELES COUNTY PLANT CROP VALUES A FIFTEEN YEAR COMPARISON



LOS ANGELES COUNTY
1972 CROP & LIVESTOCK SUMMARY

Gross returns from plant crop and livestock production in Los Angeles County totaled \$120,668,000.

Paced once again by record wholesale nursery crop sales, total cash receipts from all plant crops increased to \$77,240,000, the highest total since 1967. Livestock returns continued to drop however declining some 13% to \$49,099,000 for the year.

Ten crops--excluding livestock categories--returned \$1 million dollars or more in 1972. They were: lemons, \$1,580,000; strawberries, \$2,760,450; alfalfa hay, \$5,655,000; bean sprouts, \$1,800,000; sweet corn, \$2,048,000; green onions, \$1,559,000; mushrooms, \$1,080,000; sugar beets, \$1,017,000; cut flowers, \$4,507,000; and nursery stock \$46,245,000.

Due largely to a drop of nearly 25% in acreage, citrus crops returned only \$2,549,900 in 1972. In the case of oranges, increases in unit price were offset by yield reductions. Better lemon yield this year helped meet lower unit prices.

Grain and other field crops returns were down in yield throughout the County due primarily to lack of adequate rainfall. Fortunately, high demand resulted in higher prices and field crops as a group returned \$8,774,700.

Other fruit and nut crops produced \$2,366,900 for growers last year with almond growers in the Antelope Valley harvesting their best crop since 1969. While peach production was average, pears suffered greatly because of cold injury and expected alternate-year bearing tendencies. Good demand and higher prices at roadside stands contributed to higher returns for Antelope Valley fruit. Better prices for avocado and strawberries nearly overcame loss of acreage and lower yields for these crops.

Over 6,000 acres of vegetables were harvested during 1972 with sweet corn, green onions, radishes, leaf lettuce and cabbage the main crops produced. Over 25 other vegetables were marketed. Returns to vegetable growers before cultural and selling costs are deducted totaled \$10,036,200.

Gross income for all nursery stock reached an all time high of \$46,245,000, a 15% increase over 1971. As in recent years, the trend toward production of ornamental stock for out-of-state sales was the strongest reason. One-third of all ornamental plants produced in Los Angeles County are now being shipped to some 47 of the fifty states. A renewed environmental interest also contributed to better local demand. Cut flower production remained near the \$4 million dollar mark.

Apiary production decreased to \$328,480 in 1972 although honey prices reached record highs because of a world-wide shortage. Poor honey flow was responsible for the yield decrease.

Livestock and poultry production continued to decline in Los Angeles County during 1972. The 13% drop in livestock and poultry production was attributed to a steady exodus of dairy animals. Small decreases of other animal numbers were offset by increased prices. Beef and pork prices remained high for the entire year while poultry and egg revenues climbed during the last quarter of the reporting period.

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 to Federal-State Market News quotation. United States Department of Agriculture payments amounted to \$438,072 are are not included in the total gross returns reported. All figures are gross values and do not reflect net farm income.

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

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Agricultural Commissioner

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Department of Health Services

April 4, 1973

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	1972	604	4.7	2,839	Ton	\$133.00	\$ 378,000
Navel & Misc.	1971	736	6.1	4,490	"	128.00	575,000
Oranges	1972	852	5.9	5,027	"	107.00	538,000
Valencia	1971	1,089	8.3	9,039	"	96.00	868,000
Lemons	1972	1,209	7.6	9,188	"	172.00	1,580,000
	1971	1,501	6.7	10,056	"	180.00	1,810,000
Grapefruit	1972	46	7.6	350	"	154.00	53,900
	1971	64	4.5	288	"	128.50	37,000
Total	1972	2,711					\$2,549,900
	1971	3,390					3,290,000
<u>OTHER FRUITS & NUTS</u>							
Almonds	1972	901	.305	275	Ton	720.00	198,000
	1971	1,169	.0026	3	"	900.00	2,700
Apples	1972	29	1.14	33	"	88.00	2,900
	1971	24	2.71	65	"	120.00	7,800
Avocados	1972	1,027	.60	616	"	1,000.00	616,000
	1971	1,259	1.26	1,586	"	400.00	634,000
Cherries	1972	30	2.3	69	"	490.00	33,800
	1971	24	2.9	70	"	493.00	34,500
Figs	1972	22	6.3	138	"	1,199.00	165,000
	1971	24	5.6	134	"	1,075.00	144,000
Grapes	1972	6	10.0	60	"	105.00	6,300
	1971	46	1.5	69	"	105.00	7,240
Olives	1972	28	4.0	112	"	240.00	26,900
	1971	35	.26	9	"	333.00	3,000
Peaches	1972	334	6.0	2,004	"	292.00	585,000
Freestone	1971	342	6.4	2,188	"	220.00	481,000
Pears	1972	227	8.7	2,410	"	230.00	554,000
Bartlett	1971	284	14.7	4,175	"	176.00	735,000
Walnuts	1972	339	.58	197	"	555.00	109,000
	1971	341	.88	300	"	353.00	106,000
Misc. Fruits & Nuts	1972	43					70,000
	1971	48					85,000
Total	1972	3,036					\$2,366,900
	1971	3,596					2,240,240

FRUIT & NUT CROPS (Cont.)

Crop	Year	Bearing Acreage	Production			Value	
			Per Acre	Total	Unit	Per Unit	Total
BERRIES							
Strawberries	1972	375	15.4	5,775	Ton	\$478.00	\$2,760,450
	1971	417	16.2	6,755	"	445.00	3,006,000
Total Fruit & Nut Crops							
	1972	6,122					\$7,677,250
	1971	7,403					8,536,240

FIELD CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION & VALUE

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production			Value	
			Per Acre	Total	Unit	Per Unit	Total
Barley	1972	11,800	.55	6,490	Ton	\$ 62.00	\$ 402,000
	1971	12,665	.77	9,752	"	59.50	580,000
Garbanzo	1972	110	.50	55	"	468.00	25,700
	1971	120	.45	54	"	426.00	23,000
Lima	1972	100	.65	65	"	216.00	14,000
	1971	125	.80	100	"	280.00	28,000
Hay, Alfalfa	1972	23,313	6.30	146,872	"	38.50	5,655,000
	1971	26,100	6.38	166,518	"	36.00	5,995,000
Hay, Grain	1972	5,680	2.0	11,360	"	35.00	398,000
	1971	6,540	2.3	15,042	"	34.00	511,000
Pasture - Irrigated	1972	1,800					450,000
	1971	2,500					560,000
Range Land	1972	200,000					350,000
	1971	210,000					245,000

FIELD CROPS (Cont.)

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Silage - Sorghum	1972	500	5.0	2,500	Ton	\$ 32.00	\$ 80,000
	1971	500	4.8	2,400	"	27.00	64,800
Sugar beets (+)	1972	1,870	34.0	63,580	"	16.00	1,017,000
	1971	1,500	27.0	40,500	"	14.00	567,000
Wheat	1972	8,000	.30	2,400	"	64.00	154,000
	1971	13,840	.38	5,259	"	61.00	321,000
Misc. Field Crops (+)	1972						220,000
	1971						186,000
Total	1972	253,173					\$ 8,765,700
	1971	273,890					9,080,800

Acreage, production
& value of
Seed Crops

Alfalfa	1972	200(*)150	30,000	Lbs.	\$.30	\$ 9,000
	1971	460(*)153	70,380	"	.31	21,800

(+) Does not include estimated \$83,816.00 Sugar Act payments for 1972 or \$93,300 for 1971.

(+) Amount shown for 1972 includes \$220,000 paid for sheep and cattle grazing on alfalfa and barley stubble; 1971 amount includes \$186,000 for such grazing.

(*) 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	1972	-	-	5,000	Ton	\$360.00	\$1,800,000
	1971	-	-	4,950	"	360.00	1,782,000
Beets, table	1972	85	8.4	714	"	91.00	65,000
	1971	37	8.7	322	"	93.00	30,000
Cabbage	1972	325	10.0	3,250	"	96.00	312,000
	1971	384	10.0	3,840	"	96.50	370,600
Carrots	1972	150	38.0	5,700	"	100.00	570,000
	1971	140	22.0	3,080	"	137.50	424,000
Cauliflower	1972	25	11.5	288	"	84.00	24,200
	1971	28	11.7	328	"	91.50	30,000
Chinese Food Vegetables	1972	35	16.0	560	"	106.00	59,400
	1971	44	19.2	845	"	95.00	80,000
Corn, sweet	1972	2,560	5.0	12,800	"	160.00	2,048,000
	1971	2,730	5.5	15,015	"	155.00	2,327,000
Lettuce, leaf	1972	230	7.5	1,725	"	120.00	207,000
	1971	237	8.5	2,014	"	110.00	222,000
Melons Cantaloupe	1972	130	7.9	1,027	"	115.00	118,000
	1971	113	7.4	836	"	81.50	68,100
Watermelon	1972	70	7.5	525	"	55.00	28,900
	1971	111	6.0	666	"	51.00	34,000
Mushrooms	1972	-	-	900	"	1,200.00	1,080,000
	1971	-	-	913	"	1,160.00	1,059,000
Mustard & other greens	1972	1,050	10.1	10,605	"	66.00	700,000
	1971	692	10.2	7,058	"	87.50	618,000
Onions, dry	1972	100	20.0	2,000	"	142.00	284,000
	1971	9	16.0	144	"	66.00	9,500
Onions, green	1972	400	23.0	9,100	"	171.00	1,559,000
	1971	541	19.8	10,711	"	132.00	1,414,000
Pumpkins	1972	120	14.0	1,680	"	50.00	84,000
	1971	93	9.0	837	"	65.75	55,000

VEGETABLE CROPS (Cont.)

Crop	Year	Production				Value	
		Harvested Acreage	Per Acre	Total	Unit	Per Unit	Total
Radishes	1972	450	7.0	3,150	Ton	\$115.00	\$ 362,000
	1971	410	6.0	2,460	"	118.25	291,000
Rhubarb	1972	75	10.0	750	"	250.00	188,000
	1971	84	6.5	546	"	187.00	102,000
Squash, Summer	1972	90	4.6	414	"	237.00	98,100
	1971	128	5.0	640	"	145.25	93,000
Squash, Winter	1972	40	10.0	400	"	45.00	18,000
	1971	40	9.3	372	"	43.00	16,000
Tomatoes, Mkt.	1972	50	16.0	800	"	300.00	240,000
	1971	64	11.8	755	"	340.00	257,000
Turnips	1972	115	9.0	1,035	"	87.50	90,600
	1971	60	9.3	558	"	100.25	56,000
Misc. Vegetables	1972	100					100,000
	1971	431					725,000
Total	1972	6,200					\$10,036,200
	1971	6,376					10,063,200

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	1972		60	1,439,000	Flats	3.40	\$ 4,893,000
	1971		60	1,400,000	"	2.70	3,780,000
Cacti-Succulents	1972		16				196,000
	1971		18				216,000
Geranium cuttings	1972		160	12,240,000	Cuttings	.065	796,000
	1971		150	12,350,000	"	.07	864,000
Ground cover	1972		93	1,280,000	Flats	2.50	3,200,000
	1971		93	1,100,000	"	2.35	2,585,000
Turf (sod & stolon)	1972		68				445,000
	1971		65				208,000
Ornamental trees & shrubs	1972		1,605	27,100,000	Plants	1.05	28,455,000
	1971		1,499	23,200,000	"	1.10	25,520,000
Miscellaneous Bulbs, Roots, Dichondra seed & other specialties	1972		57				747,000
	1971		51				695,000
Vegetable plants	1972	12		765,000	Flats	1.14	872,000
	1971	14		902,000	"	1.05	947,000
Indcor plants foliage	1972	17		5,350,000	Pots	.56	2,996,000
	1971	17		3,230,000	"	.70	2,261,000
Indoor potted flowering	1972	49		2,440,000	"	1.15	2,806,000
	1971	49		2,100,000	"	1.30	2,730,000
Orchid plants	1972		9				839,000
	1971		9				835,000
Total	1972	87	2,059				\$46,245,000
	1971	89	1,936				40,641,000

CUT FLOWERS & DECORATIVES

Item	Year	Production Area		Quantity Sold By Producers	Unit	Value	
		House Acres	Field Acres			Per Unit	Total
Carnations	1972	40		15,000,000	Blooms	.065	\$ 975,000
	1971	40		18,000,000	"	.06	1,080,000
Christmas trees	1972		230	40,500	Trees	10.85	440,500
	1971		211	35,000	"	10.00	350,000
Chrysanthemums -Stand. & disbuds	1972	18		1,404,000	Blooms	.23	322,920
	1971	19		1,482,000	"	.23	341,000
-Pompon	1972	43	50	248,000	Bundle	2.96	734,000
	1971	45	51	260,500	"	2.95	768,000
Orchids, cut all varieties	1972	21					745,000
	1971	21					735,000
Miscellaneous (cut greens & other cut flowers)	1972		285				1,300,000
	1971		285				1,282,000
Total	1972	122	565				\$ 4,507,000
	1971	125	547				4,556,000

TOTAL ALL PLANT CROPS 1972	<u>Acres</u> 268,328	<u>Value</u> \$77,240,150
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APIARY PRODUCTS

Item	Year	Production	Unit	Value	
		Total		Per Unit	Total
Honey	1972	712,500	Lbs.	.30	\$ 214,000
	1971	1,860,000	"	.22	409,000
Beeswax	1972	11,875	"	.63	7,480
	1971	24,000	"	.63	15,000
Pollination	1972	16,500	Colonies	6.50	107,000
	1971	21,000	"	5.50	116,000
Total	1972				\$ 328,480
	1971				540,000

GRAND TOTAL PLANT CROPS AND APIARY PRODUCTS 1972	\$77,568,630
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LIVESTOCK & POULTRY: INVENTORY, PRODUCTION & VALUE

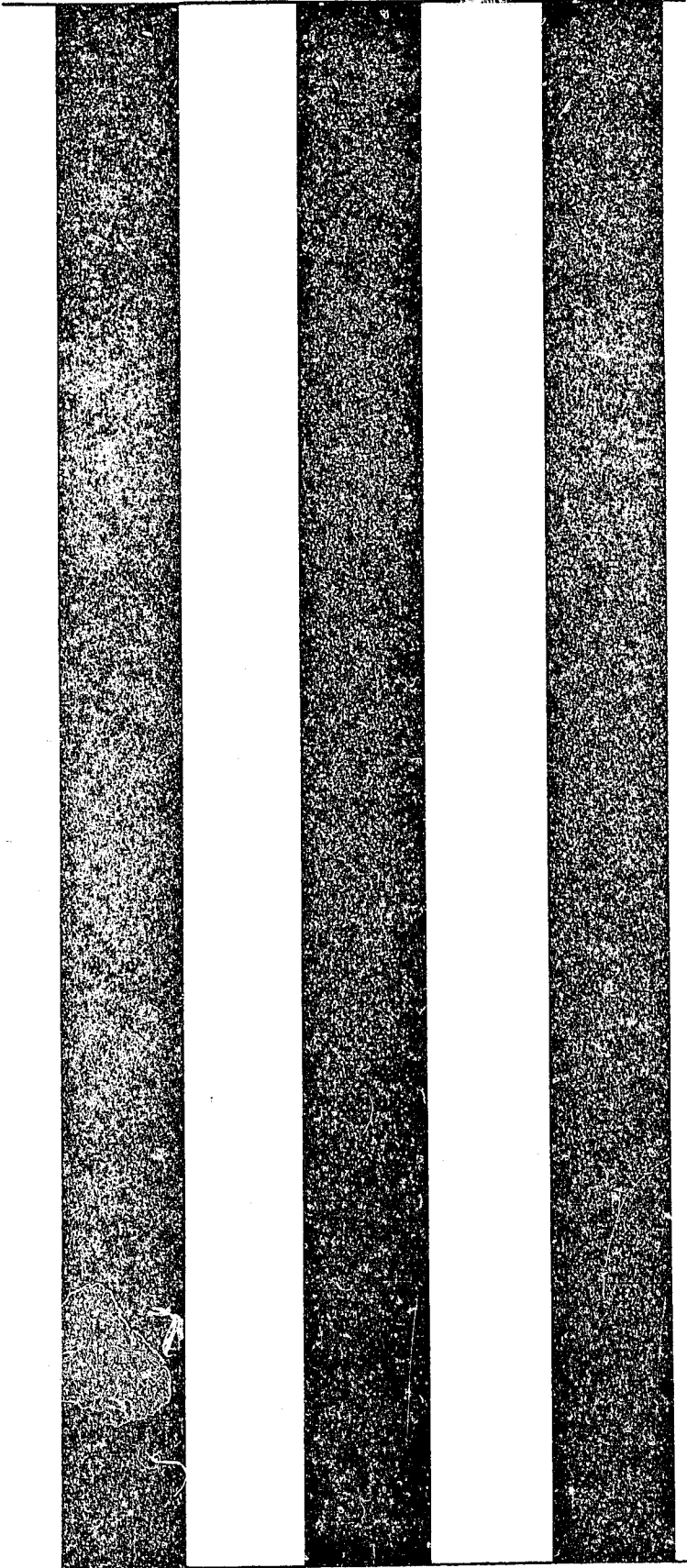
Species	Year	Inventory	Production			Value	
			No. of Head	Total Liveweight	Unit	Per Unit	Total
<u>CATTLE & CALVES</u>							
Dairy							
Cows	1972	18,500	--	--	--	\$ --	\$ --
	1971	28,000	--	--	--	--	--
Cull Cows	1972	--	5,500	5,500,000	Cwt.	24.00	1,320,000
	1971	--	8,000	8,000,000	"	21.40	1,712,000
Calves	1972	1,000	16,000	--	Head	65.00	1,040,000
	1971	2,000	25,000	--	"	55.00	1,375,000
Heifers	1972	1,700	1,500	--	"	330.00	495,000
	1971	1,500	1,500	--	"	275.00	412,500
Beef							
Feeder Calves	1972	6,000	5,000	1,000,000	Cwt.	37.90	379,000
	1971	6,500	3,500	700,000	"	33.90	237,000
Fed Steers & Heifers	1972	20,000	36,000	11,000,000	"	35.00	3,850,000
	1971	28,000	40,000	12,500,000	"	31.90	3,988,000
<u>SHEEP & LAMBS</u>							
Breeding Stock	1972	30,000	--	--	--	--	--
	1971	28,000	--	--	--	--	--
Fat Lambs	1972	28,000	21,000	1,680,000	Cwt.	29.80	501,000
	1971	20,000	24,500	1,960,000	"	26.70	523,000
<u>HOGS & PIGS</u>							
Slaughter Hogs	1972	3,500	3,800	457,000	Cwt.	26.70	122,000
	1971	3,500	3,600	432,000	"	19.10	82,500
<u>BROILERS & FRYERS</u>							
	1972	216,000	2,266,000	6,798,000	Lb.	.173	1,176,000
	1971	342,000	2,363,000	8,272,000	"	.172	1,423,000
<u>OTHER CHICKENS</u>							
Hens	1972	--	500,000	1,750,000	Lb.	.056	98,000
	1971	--	800,000	3,600,000	"	.040	144,000
Laying Hens	1972	730,000	--	--	--	--	--
	1971	1,143,000	--	--	--	--	--
Roasters	1972	419,000	1,583,000	8,706,000	Lb.	.220	1,915,000
	1971	513,000	1,429,000	7,860,000	"	.200	1,572,000
<u>TURKEYS</u>							
	1972	325,000	1,185,000	23,700,000	Lb.	.220	5,214,000
	1971	328,000	1,309,000	26,180,000	"	.214	5,603,000
<u>CHICKS</u>							
	1972	--	7,870,000	--	Each	.113	889,000
	1971	--	9,957,000	--	"	.116	1,155,000

LIVESTOCK & POULTRY (Cont.)

Species	Year	Inventory	Production			Value		
			No. of Head	Total Liveweight	Unit	Per Unit	Total	
<u>OTHER LIVESTOCK</u>								
(Ducks, Poults,	1972	--	--	--	--	\$ --	\$ 196,000	
Goats, Rabbits)	1971	--	--	--	--	--	197,000	
<u>HORSES</u>	1972	56,000	5,000	--	Head	450.00	2,250,000	
	1971	55,000	5,000	--	"	425.00	2,125,000	
Total								\$19,445,000
								20,549,000

LIVESTOCK & POULTRY PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION & VALUE

Product	Year	Production	Unit	Value		
				Per Unit	Total	
<u>MILK</u>						
Market	1972	3,177,000	Cwt.	\$ 6.05	\$19,219,000	
	1971	3,960,000	"	5.91	23,402,000	
Manufacturing	1972	7,160	"	4.19	30,000	
	1971	10,000	"	4.37	38,000	
<u>WOOL</u>						
	1972	202,600	Lb.	.30	61,000	
	1971	308,300	"	.15	46,000	
<u>EGGS</u>						
	1972	14,843,000	Dozen	.282	4,186,000	
	1971	23,241,000	"	.240	5,578,000	
<u>GOATS' MILK</u>						
	1972	525,000	Qt.	.30	158,000	
	1971	500,000	"	.30	150,000	
Total						\$23,654,000
						29,217,000
GRAND TOTAL LIVESTOCK & POULTRY PRODUCTION						\$43,099,000



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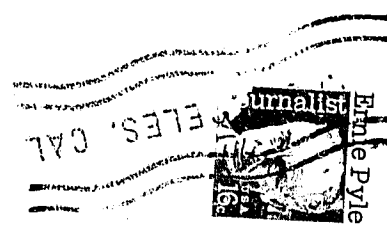
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	<u>1969</u>	<u>1970</u>	<u>1971</u>	<u>1972</u>	<u>1973</u>
Citrus Fruits	\$ 2,312,000	\$ 3,430,800	\$ 3,290,000	\$ 2,549,900	\$ 2,033,000
Misc. Fruits & Nuts	1,903,000	2,564,710	2,240,240	2,366,900	3,052,800
Berries	3,776,000	3,476,000	3,006,000	2,760,450	3,962,000
Field Crops	9,551,000	9,146,200	9,102,600	8,774,700	11,850,000
Vegetables	11,555,000	10,886,500	10,063,200	10,036,200	11,853,100
Nursery Stock	35,491,000	36,837,000	40,641,000	46,245,000	50,665,000
Cut Flowers	5,202,000	4,823,000	4,556,000	4,507,000	3,915,000
Total Plant Crops*	\$69,790,000	\$71,164,210	\$72,899,040	\$77,240,150	\$87,330,900
Apiary Products	431,000	234,500	540,000	328,480	712,200
Total Plant Crops * & Apiary Products	\$70,221,000	\$71,398,710	\$73,439,040	\$77,568,630	\$88,043,100
Livestock & Poultry	80,954,000	62,690,000	49,766,000	43,099,000	48,759,000
GRAND TOTAL	\$151,175,000	\$134,088,710	\$123,205,040	\$120,667,630	\$136,802,100

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LOS ANGELES COUNTY
1973 CROP & LIVESTOCK SUMMARY

Gross returns from plant crop and livestock production in Los Angeles County rose to \$136,802,000 in 1973, the highest total since 1969.

Higher prices received for plant crops and improved yields more than offset some loss of acreage and a continuing decrease in the number of dairy herds. Record wholesale nursery crop sales -- up 10% -- led all plant crop groups showing increases.

Twelve crops -- excluding livestock categories -- returned \$1 million dollars or more in 1973. They were: strawberries, \$3,962,000; lemons, \$1,577,000; avocados, \$1,096,000; alfalfa hay, \$8,035,000; carrots, \$1,584,000; bean sprouts, \$1,902,000; green onions, \$2,245,000; sweet corn, \$1,675,000; bedding plants and ground covers, \$9,110,000; ornamental trees and shrubs, \$31,003,000; indoor decorative plants, \$6,413,000; and cut flowers, \$3,915,000.

Citrus crops returned \$2,033,000 during 1973 despite a hefty 30% loss in acreage. Higher prices were received for all varieties, with lemons showing the highest unit returns. Average yield was slightly below the previous year.

Avocado yields returned to near normal following an extremely small 1972 crop to help raise other fruits and nuts as a group to \$3,052,800. A frost-free bloom period resulted in a better deciduous fruit crop set in the Antelope Valley. The "U-pick" cherry crop becomes increasingly important as young trees come into production.

A 30% yield increase over 1972 and a slight increase in acreage resulted in \$3,962,000 strawberry crop, the best since 1966. Unit prices held at near the same level as those reported the previous year.

Animal feed crops such as alfalfa hay, grain hay, and grains generally, showed higher relative price gains than those field crops sold for direct consumer use. Alfalfa hay returned the highest prices on record, averaging over \$55 per ton. Total receipts from all field crops totaled \$11,850,000.

Over 5,800 acres of vegetables were harvested during 1973, with sweet corn, green onions, mushrooms, radishes, leaf lettuce and cabbage the main crops produced. Over 26 other vegetables were also grown and harvested. Returns to growers totaled \$11,853,100.

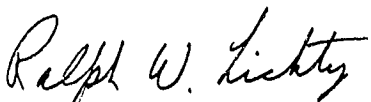
Total gross receipts rose to \$48,759,000 in 1973 for livestock and poultry products. Consumer boycotts, high feed costs, relocation of dairy herds to outside of the County and other negative effects were offset by slightly larger beef cattle inventories and higher prices received.

Apiary production rose to \$712,200 in 1973 due largely to increased worldwide demand for honey and better prices for pollination services.

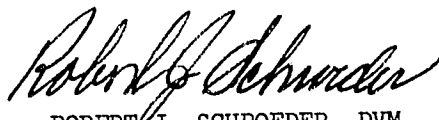
For the third year in a row, nursery stock exceeded the previous all time high, returning \$50,665,000. Increased local and out-of-state demand prompted by continued interest in home gardening and commercial landscaping contributed to the 10% increase in gross returns. Cut flower production suffered from a decrease in acreage and reduced demand.

All figures reported are gross values and do not reflect net farm income. 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. United States Department of Agriculture payments dropped to \$168,761 from the \$438,012 reported the previous year and are not included in the total gross returns reported.

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



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April 9, 1974

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	1973	446	3.8	1,695	Ton	\$ 158.00	\$ 268,000
Navel & Misc.	1972	604	4.7	2,839	"	133.00	378,000
Oranges	1973	312	4.2	1,311	"	120.50	158,000
Valencia	1972	852	5.9	5,027	"	107.00	538,000
Lemons	1973	1,124	6.7	7,475	"	211.00	1,577,000
	1972	1,209	7.6	9,188	"	172.00	1,580,000
Grapefruit	1973	30	6.7	201	"	149.25	30,000
	1972	46	7.6	350	"	154.00	53,900
Total	1973	1,912					\$ 2,033,000
	1972	2,711					2,549,900
<u>OTHER FRUITS & NUTS</u>							
Almonds	1973	941	.088	83	Ton	1,640.00	136,000
	1972	901	.305	275	"	720.00	198,000
Apples	1973	27	3.8	103	"	155.25	16,000
	1972	29	1.14	33	"	88.00	2,900
Avocados	1973	1,039	1.50	1,559	"	703.00	1,096,000
	1972	1,027	.60	616	"	1,000.00	616,000
Cherries	1973	29	2.6	75	"	600.00	45,000
	1972	30	2.3	69	"	490.00	33,800
Figs	1973	22	5.0	110	"	1,480.00	162,800
	1972	22	6.3	138	"	1,199.00	165,000
Grapes	1973	2	10.0	20	"	100.00	2,000
	1972	6	10.0	60	"	105.00	6,300
Olives	1973	2	--	--		--	--
	1972	28	4.0	112	"	240.00	26,900
Peaches	1973	317	6.7	2,124	"	282.50	600,000
Freestone	1972	334	6.0	2,004	"	292.00	585,000
Pears	1973	286	13.1	3,746	"	187.00	700,000
Bartlett	1972	277	8.7	2,410	"	230.00	554,000
Walnuts	1973	338	1.17	395	"	494.00	195,000
	1972	339	.58	197	"	555.00	109,000
Misc. Fruits & Nuts	1973	50					100,000
	1972	43					70,000
Total	1973	3,053					\$ 3,052,800
	1972	3,036					2,366,900

FRUIT & NUT CROPS (Cont.)

Crop	Year	Bearing Acreage	Production		Unit	Value			
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total		
BERRIES									
Strawberries	1973	400	20.7	8,280	Ton	\$ 478.50	\$ 3,962,000		
	1972	375	15.4	5,775	"	478.00	2,760,450		
Total Fruit & Nut Crops							1973	5,365	\$ 9,047,800
							1972	6,122	7,677,250

FIELD CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION & VALUE

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Barley	1973	12,000	.94	11,280	Ton	\$ 87.25	\$ 984,000
	1972	11,800	.55	6,490	"	62.00	402,000
Garbanzo	1973	270	.40	108	"	540.00	58,300
	1972	110	.50	55	"	468.00	25,700
Lima**	1973	130	.80	104	"	800.00	83,200
	1972	100	.65	65	"	216.00	14,000
Hay, Alfalfa	1973	22,475	6.50	146,088	"	55.00	8,035,000
	1972	23,313	6.30	146,872	"	38.50	5,655,000
Hay, Grain	1973	5,235	2.2	11,517	"	43.50	501,000
	1972	5,680	2.0	11,360	"	35.00	398,000
Pasture - Irrigated	1973	1,500					345,000
	1972	1,800					450,000
Range Land	1973	155,000					310,000
	1972	200,000					350,000

FIELD CROPS (Cont.)

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Silage - Sorghum	1973	700	5.0	3,500	Ton	\$ 52.00	\$ 182,000
	1972	500	5.0	2,500	"	32.00	80,000
Sugar beets (✓)	1973	1,500	28.5	42,750	"	19.00	812,000
	1972	1,870	34.0	63,580	"	16.00	1,017,000
Wheat	1973	7,900	.38	3,002	"	93.50	281,000
	1972	8,000	.30	2,400	"	64.00	154,000
Misc. Field Crops(✓)	1973						252,000
	1972						220,000
Total	1973	206,710					\$11,843,500
	1972	255,173					8,765,700

Acreage, production
& value of
Seed Crops

Alfalfa	1973	100(*)	75	7,500	Lbs.	\$.86	\$ 6,500
	1972	200(*)	150	30,000	"	.30	9,000

- (✓) Does not include estimated \$78,038.00 Sugar Act payments for 1973 or \$83,816 for 1972.
- (✓) Amount shown for 1973 includes \$252,000 paid for sheep and cattle grazing on alfalfa and barley stubble; 1972 includes \$220,000 for such grazing. Straw also included in misc. figure.
- (*) Included in harvested acreage shown for alfalfa hay.
- (**) High unit value figure was caused by the entire lima bean crop being sold for seed use.

VEGETABLE CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION & VALUE

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Bean Sprouts	1973	--	--	5,100	Ton \$	373.00	\$ 1,902,000
	1972	--	--	5,000	"	360.00	1,800,000
Beets, table	1973	40	6.2	248	"	104.00	25,800
	1972	85	8.4	714	"	91.00	65,000
Cabbage	1973	325	12.2	3,965	"	93.50	371,000
	1972	325	10.0	3,250	"	96.00	312,000
Carrots	1973	400	30.0	12,000	"	132.00	1,584,000
	1972	150	38.0	5,700	"	100.00	570,000
Cauliflower	1973	50	11.9	595	"	90.00	53,600
	1972	25	11.5	288	"	84.00	24,200
Chinese Food Vegetables	1973	115	11.5	1,323	"	130.00	172,000
	1972	35	16.0	560	"	106.00	59,400
Corn, sweet	1973	1,715	4.4	7,546	"	222.00	1,675,000
	1972	2,560	5.0	12,800	"	160.00	2,048,000
Lettuce, leaf	1973	335	6.6	2,211	"	209.25	463,000
	1972	230	7.5	1,725	"	120.00	207,000
Melons Cantaloupe	1973	70	7.9	553	"	108.00	59,700
	1972	130	7.9	1,027	"	115.00	118,000
Watermelon	1973	30	7.0	210	"	100.00	21,000
	1972	70	7.5	525	"	55.00	28,900
Mushrooms	1973	--	--	800	"	1,240.00	992,000
	1972	--	--	900	"	1,200.00	1,080,000
Mustard & other greens	1973	825	10.2	8,415	"	68.50	576,000
	1972	1,050	10.1	10,605	"	66.00	700,000
Onions, dry	1973	280	17.5	4,900	"	90.00	441,000
	1972	100	20.0	2,000	"	142.00	284,000
Onions, green	1973	575	22.8	13,110	"	171.25	2,245,000
	1972	400	23.0	9,100	"	171.00	1,559,000
Pumpkins	1973	108	13.9	1,501	"	70.00	105,000
	1972	120	14.0	1,680	"	50.00	84,000

VEGETABLE CROPS (Cont.)

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production		Value		
			Per Acre	Total	Unit	Per Unit	Total
Radishes	1973	395	7.2	2,844	Ton	\$ 166.00	\$ 472,000
	1972	450	7.0	3,150	"	115.00	362,000
Rubarb	1973	87	10.0	870	"	155.00	135,000
	1972	75	10.0	750	"	250.00	188,000
Squash, Summer	1973	90	5.5	495	"	273.00	135,000
	1972	90	4.6	414	"	237.00	98,100
Squash, Winter	1973	55	10.0	550	"	100.00	55,000
	1972	40	10.0	400	"	45.00	18,000
Tomatoes, Mkt.	1973	185	7.0	1,295	"	165.00	214,000
	1972	50	16.0	800	"	300.00	240,000
Turnips	1973	90	9.0	810	"	100.00	81,000
	1972	115	9.0	1,035	"	87.50	90,600
Misc. Vegetables	1973	115					75,000
	1972	100					100,000
Total	1973	5,885					\$11,853,100
	1972	6,200					10,036,200

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	1973		58	1,579,000	Flats	3.42	\$ 5,400,000
	1972		60	1,439,000	"	3.40	4,893,000
Cacti-Succulents	1973		16				244,000
	1972		16				196,000
Geranium cuttings	1973		150	10,500,000	Cuttings	.07	735,000
	1972		160	12,240,000	"	.065	796,000
Ground cover	1973		93	1,245,000	Flats	2.98	3,710,000
	1972		93	1,280,000	"	2.50	3,200,000
Turf (sod & stolon)	1973		59				240,000
	1972		68				445,000
Ornamental trees & shrubs	1973		1,610	30,100,000	Plants	1.03	31,003,000
	1972		1,605	27,100,000	"	1.05	28,455,000
Miscellaneous Bulbs, Roots, Dicondra seed & other specialties	1973		57				731,000
	1972		57				747,000
Vegetable plants	1973	12		698,000	Flats	1.36	949,000
	1972	12		765,000	"	1.14	872,000
Indoor plants foliage	1973	25		5,654,000	Pots	.64	3,618,000
	1972	17		5,350,000	"	.56	2,996,000
Indoor potted flowering	1973	35		1,673,500	"	1.67	2,795,000
	1972	49		2,440,000	"	1.15	2,806,000
Orchid plants	1973		9				1,240,000
	1972		9				839,000
Total	1973	81	2,043				\$50,665,000
	1972	87	2,059				46,245,000

CUT FLOWERS & DECORATIVES

Item	Year	Production Area		Quantity Sold		Value	
		House Acres	Field Acres	By Producers	Unit	Per Unit	Total
Carnations	1973	31		12,000,000	Blooms	.06	\$ 720,000
	1972	40		15,000,000	"	.065	975,000
Christmas trees	1973		227	35,000	Trees	10.50	368,000
	1972		230	40,500	"	10.85	440,500
Chrysanthemums -Stand. & disbuds	1973	15		1,100,000	Blooms	.28	308,000
	1972	18		1,404,000	"	.23	322,920
-Pompon	1973	35	45	207,000	Bundle	2.95	612,000
	1972	43	50	248,000	"	2.96	734,000
Orchids, cut all varieties	1973		19				665,000
	1972		21				745,000
Miscellaneous (cut greens & other cut flowers)	1973		270				1,242,000
	1972		285				1,300,000
Total	1973	100	542				\$ 3,915,000
	1972	122	565				4,507,000

TOTAL ALL PLANT CROPS	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Value</u>
1973	220,726	\$87,330,900

APIARY PRODUCTS

Item	Year	Production		Value	
		Total	Unit	Per Unit	Total
Honey	1973	1,350,000	Lbs.	.43	\$ 580,000
	1972	712,500	"	.30	214,000
Beeswax	1973	22,500	"	.72	16,200
	1972	11,875	"	.63	7,480
Pollination	1973	14,500	Colonies	8.00	116,000
	1972	16,500	"	6.50	107,000
Total	1973				\$ 712,200
	1972				328,480

GRAND TOTAL PLANT CROPS AND APIARY PRODUCTS 1973

\$88,043,100

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	1973	9,200	--	--	--	\$ --	\$ --
	1972	18,500	--	--	--	--	--
Cull Cows	1973	--	2,700	2,700,000	Cwt.	32.91	889,000
	1972	--	5,500	5,500,000	"	24.00	1,320,000
Calves	1973	1,000	8,000	--	Head	80.00	640,000
	1972	1,000	16,000	--	"	65.00	1,040,000
Heifers	1973	1,600	1,500	--	"	400.00	600,000
	1972	1,700	1,500	--	"	330.00	495,000
Beef							
Feeder Calves	1973	6,000	9,000	1,800,000	Cwt.	54.89	988,000
	1972	6,000	5,000	1,000,000	"	37.90	379,000
Fed Steers & Heifers	1973	25,000	41,000	12,300,000	"	44.27	5,445,000
	1972	20,000	36,000	11,000,000	"	35.00	3,850,000
<u>SHEEP & LAMBS</u>							
Breeding Stock	1973	49,000	--	--	--	--	--
	1972	30,000	--	--	--	--	--
Fat Lambs	1973	28,000	30,000	2,400,000	Cwt.	35.33	848,000
	1972	28,000	21,000	1,680,000	"	29.80	501,000
<u>HOGS & PIGS</u>							
Slaughter Hogs	1973	3,000	3,600	432,000	Cwt.	38.56	167,000
	1972	3,500	3,800	457,000	"	26.70	122,000
<u>BROILERS & FRYERS</u>							
	1973	505,000	2,540,000	8,890,000	Lb.	.248	2,205,000
	1972	216,000	2,266,000	6,798,000	"	.173	1,176,000
<u>OTHER CHICKENS</u>							
Hens	1973	--	380,000	1,330,000	Lb.	.134	178,000
	1972	--	500,000	1,750,000	"	.056	98,000
Laying Hens	1973	545,000	--	--	--	--	--
	1972	730,000	--	--	--	--	--
Roasters	1973	385,000	404,000	2,222,000	Lb.	.340	755,000
	1972	419,000	1,583,000	8,706,000	"	.220	1,915,000
<u>TURKEYS</u>							
	1973	260,000	1,138,000	22,760,000	Lb.	.348	7,920,000
	1972	325,000	1,185,000	23,700,000	"	.220	5,214,000
<u>CHICKS</u>							
	1973	--	6,767,000	--	Each	.144	974,000
	1972	--	7,870,000	--	"	.113	889,000

LIVESTOCK & POULTRY (Cont.)

Species	Year	Inventory	Production			Value	
			No. of Head	Total Liveweight	Unit	Per Unit	Total
<u>OTHER LIVESTOCK</u>							
(Ducks, Poults, Goats, Rabbits)	1973	--	--	--	--	\$ --	\$ 200,000
	1972	--	--	--	--	--	196,000
<u>HORSES</u>	1973	56,000	5,000	--	Head	450.00	2,250,000
	1972	56,000	5,000	--	"	450.00	2,250,000
Total	1973						\$24,059,000
	1972						19,445,000

LIVESTOCK & POULTRY PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION & VALUE

Product	Year	Production	Unit	Value	
				Per Unit	Total
<u>MILK</u>					
Market	1973	2,700,000	Cwt.	\$ 6.93	\$18,711,000
	1972	3,177,000	"	6.05	19,219,000
Manufacturing	1973	7,700	"	4.68	36,000
	1972	7,160	"	4.19	30,000
<u>WOOL</u>	1973	315,000	Lb.	.33	104,000
	1972	202,600	"	.30	61,000
<u>EGGS</u>	1973	11,082,000	Dozen	.512	5,674,000
	1972	14,843,000	"	.282	4,186,000
<u>GOATS' MILK</u>	1973	500,000	Qt.	.35	175,000
	1972	525,000	"	.30	158,000
Total	1973				\$24,700,000
	1972				23,654,000
GRAND TOTAL LIVESTOCK & POULTRY PRODUCTION					
\$48,759,000					

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LOS ANGELES COUNTY CROP AND LIVESTOCK REPORT 1974



Cover Photo: Potted Cyclamen

- Indoor potted flowering plants continue to hold an important place within the nursery industry in Los Angeles County. All categories of nursery crops reached an all time high of \$59,921,000 for 1974 in the County.

SUMMARY

1970-1974, Inclusive

	<u>1970</u>	<u>1971</u>	<u>1972</u>	<u>1973</u>	<u>1974</u>
Citrus Fruits	\$ 3,430,800	\$ 3,290,000	\$ 2,549,900	\$ 2,033,000	\$ 2,588,800
Misc. Fruits & Nuts	2,564,710	2,240,240	2,366,900	3,052,800	3,503,000
Berries	3,476,000	3,006,000	2,760,450	3,962,000	3,600,000
Field Crops	9,146,200	9,102,600	8,774,700	11,850,000	14,324,100
Vegetables	10,886,500	10,063,200	10,036,200	11,853,100	15,027,000
Nursery Stock	36,837,000	40,641,000	46,245,000	50,665,000	59,921,000
Cut Flowers	4,823,000	4,556,000	4,507,000	3,915,000	4,224,000
Total Plant Crops*	\$ 71,164,210	\$ 72,899,040	\$ 77,240,150	\$ 87,330,900	\$103,187,900
Apiary Products	234,500	540,000	328,480	712,200	969,400
Total Plant Crops* & Apiary Products	\$ 71,398,710	\$ 73,439,040	\$ 77,568,630	\$ 88,043,100	\$104,157,300
Livestock & Poultry	62,690,000	49,766,000	43,099,000	48,759,000	54,212,000
GRAND TOTAL	\$134,088,710	\$123,205,040	\$120,667,630	\$136,802,100	\$158,369,300

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LOS ANGELES COUNTY
1974 CROP & LIVESTOCK SUMMARY

Gross receipts from farm crop and livestock production in Los Angeles County increased to \$158,369,300 in 1974, the highest total since 1967.

Plant crop and apiary product dollar returns were up considerably, reaching \$104,157,300 as compared to a 1973 total of \$88,000,000. Returns from livestock and poultry production totalled \$54,212,000 -- up from the previous year's total of \$48,759,000.

The modest increase in animal production was mainly generated by the increased price of milk. An increased number of laying hens and a slight increase in egg production was the result of restocking of poultry ranches after the Newcastle disease outbreak. Other categories reflected a stable production with slight decline in price.

County-wide, nursery stock and cut flower production continues to lead all crops in total dollar revenue -- over \$64,145,000 in 1974. Total gross sales for all types of nursery stock were over \$9,000,000 above 1973, hitting the sum of \$59,921,000. In the first half of 1974, increase in the volume of nursery stock sales and a slight rise in unit prices more than made up for a slowdown in the second half of 1974. Vegetable bedding plant production showed a heavy gain due to strong interest by the general public in growing their own vegetables. Cut flower producers probably felt the economic downturn more so than the nursery stock or vegetable growers.

All figures reported are gross values and do not reflect net farm income or profit to the producer. Increased production costs -- energy, labor, equipment, and other required input -- have in many cases offset higher prices received for products produced.

The San Fernando Valley - Saugus-Newhall area produced plant crops worth \$19,000,000 in 1974. This region specializes in production of root type crops such as carrots, green onions, radishes and dry onions as well as sweet corn for roadside stand sale. Some 3,000 acres were harvested returning \$7,800,000. Field crops, citrus and walnuts, other vegetables and nursery stock make up the balance of production for the area.

The San Gabriel Valley and Eastern Los Angeles County area produced crops worth \$25,000,000 in 1974. Approximately 160 acres of strawberries returned \$2,000,000 of the total expected county returns of \$3,600,000 from 325 acres. Some 1,300 acres of citrus are still bearing in the area and returned an estimated \$2,000,000. Orange production suffered from rain and cool weather during the bloom period of 1973 affecting the 1974 crop harvest. Receipts were good for lemons from 850 acres. Nursery sales from this area, with much of the stock being shipped out of county or to other states, represents 31% of the County's total nursery production. Farm grown "U-cut" Christmas tree sales also did well. Nursery stock, cut flowers and Christmas tree sales produced \$18,800,000 of the revenue. Grain and hay crops from the Walnut district had favorable growing weather and higher than average price returns.

Avocado production in the Whittier-LaHabra Heights district decreased substantially in 1974 due to the poor set of fall and winter varieties. Price per pound remained high throughout the year. Avocado receipts amounted to \$924,000 for 1974 to Los Angeles County growers.


Livestock and dairy production in the Artesia-Norwalk district continues to decline under the impact of residential and commercial development.

In the Antelope Valley, plant crops returned \$15,500,000, the highest total on record. Alfalfa hay continued to be the number one crop producing \$8,375,000 from 19,800 acres. Growing conditions were generally good for increased yields, but a heavy infestation of alfalfa weevil damaged the first cutting and some water shortages reduced the total tonnage. Barley and wheat grains were harvested from 19,500 acres, an increase of 5,600 acres over 1973. These grains sold for the highest price per hundred weight on record. Sugar beet plantings were affected for the first time with powdery mildew disease. This resulted in less tonnage and lower sugar contents in the beets. Returns for the 1974 crop were about the same as 1973 as higher sugar prices helped compensate for the lower yields and sugar content. The Antelope Valley peach crop production was the highest on record. Pear sales exceeded the million dollar mark for the first time as fruit prices were up more than 50% during a year with good production.

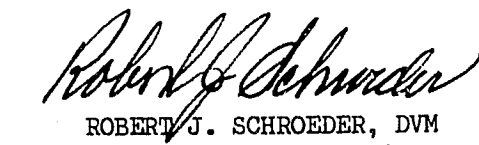
The Gardena-South Bay district is one of the major growing areas producing better than 30% of the county-wide total of nursery stock. Bean sprouts, mushrooms, greens, leaf lettuce, radishes, other vegetables and strawberries contributed to our total metropolitan and southern area crop production of \$44,000,000 for 1974.

Valuation figures are based on delivery price at the market or on F.O.B. price for commodities shipped out-of-state. All prices have been compared with Federal-State Market News quotations. United States Department of Agriculture payments dropped to \$90,485 from the \$168,761 reported the previous year and are not included in the 1974 total gross returns reported.

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


PAUL B. ENGLER
Agricultural Commissioner

April 7, 1975


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LOS ANGELES COUNTY

FRUIT & NUT CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION & VALUE

Crop	Year	Bearing Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
CITRUS FRUITS							
Oranges	1974	295	4.2	1,239	Ton	\$ 188.00	\$ 233,000
Navel & Misc.	1973	446	3.8	1,695	"	158.00	268,000
Oranges	1974	453	3.7	1,676	"	174.60	293,000
Valencia	1973	544	2.5	1,360	"	116.00	158,000
Lemons	1974	1,023	7.8	7,979	"	257.00	2,051,000
	1973	1,124	6.7	7,475	"	211.00	1,577,000
Grapefruit	1974	20	4.2	84	"	140.00	11,800
	1973	30	6.7	201	"	149.25	30,000
Total	1974	1,791					2,588,800
	1973	2,144					\$ 2,033,000
OTHER FRUITS & NUTS							
Almonds	1974	941	.255	240	Ton	1,042.00	250,000
	1973	941	.088	83	"	1,640.00	136,000
Apples	1974	29	3.6	104	"	125.00	13,000
	1973	27	3.8	103	"	155.25	16,000
Avocados	1974	924	1.25	1,155	"	800.00	924,000
	1973	1,039	1.50	1,559	"	703.00	1,096,000
Cherries	1974	35	2.6	91	"	693.00	63,000
	1973	29	2.6	75	"	600.00	45,000
Figs	1974	21	6.0	126	"	1,588.00	200,000
	1973	22	5.0	110	"	1,480.00	162,800
Grapes	1974	2	12.0	24	"	125.00	3,000
	1973	2	10.0	20	"	100.00	2,000
Peaches	1974	361	7.3	2,635	"	313.00	825,000
Freestone	1973	317	6.7	2,124	"	282.50	600,000
Pears	1974	290	12.3	3,567	"	291.50	1,040,000
Bartlett	1973	286	13.1	3,746	"	187.00	700,000
Walnuts	1974	338	1.00	338	"	325.50	110,000
	1973	338	1.17	395	"	494.00	195,000
Misc. Fruits & Nuts	1974	82					75,000
	1973	50					100,000
Total	1974	3,023					3,503,000
	1973	3,053					\$ 3,052,800

FRUIT & NUT CROPS (Cont.)

Crop	Year	Bearing Acreage	Production		Unit	Per Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total			Per Unit	Total
<u>BERRIES</u>								
Strawberries	1974	325	20.7	6,728	Ton	\$	535.10	\$ 3,600,000
	1973	400	20.7	8,280	"		478.50	3,962,000
Total Fruit & Nut Crops	1974	5,139						\$ 9,691,800
	1973	5,597						9,047,800

FIELD CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION & VALUE

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production		Unit	Per Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total			Per Unit	Total
Barley	1974	10,067	.87	8,758	Ton	\$	116.25	\$ 1,018,000
	1973	12,000	.94	11,280	"		87.25	984,000
Garbanzo	1974	220	.35	77	"		559.00	43,000
	1973	270	.40	108	"		540.00	58,300
Lima Beans	1974	130	.85	111	"		409.00	45,100
	1973	130	.80	104	"		800.00(**)	83,200
Hay, Alfalfa	1974	20,380	6.5	132,470	"		67.00	8,875,000
	1973	22,475	6.50	146,088	"		55.00	8,035,000
Hay, Grain	1974	6,200	1.7	10,540	"		55.00	580,000
	1973	5,235	2.2	11,517	"		43.50	501,000
Pasture - Irrigated	1974	1,500						338,000
	1973	1,500						345,000
Range Land	1974	180,000						450,000
	1973	155,000						310,000

FIELD CROPS (Cont.)

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Silage - Sorghum	1974	120	1.6	192	Ton	\$ 130.25	\$ 25,000
	1973	700	5.0	3,500	"	52.00	182,000
Sugar beets (✓)	1974	1,075	25.7	27,628	"	59.75	1,651,000
	1973	1,500	28.5	42,750	"	19.00	812,000
Wheat	1974	14,000	.50	7,000	"	140.00	980,000
	1973	7,900	.38	3,002	"	93.50	281,000
Misc. Field Crops (✓)	1974						286,000
	1973						252,000
Total	1974	233,692					\$14,291,100
	1973	206,710					11,843,500

Acreage, production
& value of
Seed Crops

Alfalfa	1974	500(*)	75	55,000	Lbs.	\$.60	\$ 33,000
	1973	200(*)	150	7,500	"	.86	6,500

(✓) Does not include estimated \$64,875.00 Sugar Act payments for 1974 or \$73,038.00 for 1973.

(✓) Amount shown for 1974 includes \$286,000 paid for sheep and cattle grazing on alfalfa and barley stubble; 1973 includes \$252,000 for such grazing. Straw also included in misc. figure.

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

(**) High unit value figure was caused by the entire 1973 lima bean crop being sold for seed use.

VEGETABLE CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION & VALUE

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Bean Sprouts	1974	--	--	5,334	Ton	\$ 375.00	\$ 2,000,000
	1973	--	--	5,100	"	373.00	1,902,000
Beets, table	1974	80	5.6	448	"	100.50	45,000
	1973	40	6.2	248	"	104.00	25,800
Cabbage	1974	205	16.8	3,444	"	112.25	386,000
	1973	325	12.2	3,965	"	93.50	371,000
Carrots	1974	400	27.0	10,800	"	180.00	1,944,000
	1973	400	30.0	12,000	"	132.00	1,584,000
Cauliflower	1974	45	7.3	329	"	115.50	38,000
	1973	50	11.9	595	"	90.00	53,600
Chinese Food Vegetables	1974	290	11.5	3,335	"	147.00	490,000
	1973	115	11.5	1,323	"	130.00	172,000
Corn, sweet	1974	1,740	4.8	8,352	"	291.00	2,430,000
	1973	1,715	4.4	7,546	"	222.00	1,675,000
Lettuce, leaf	1974	225	7.5	1,688	"	199.50	337,000
	1973	335	6.6	2,211	"	209.25	463,000
Melons Cantaloupe	1974	50	6.6	330	"	138.00	46,000
	1973	70	7.9	553	"	108.00	59,700
Watermelon	1974	100	5.0	500	"	84.00	42,000
	1973	30	7.0	210	"	100.00	21,000
Mushrooms	1974	--	--	1,000	"	1,200.00	1,200,000
	1973	--	--	800	"	1,240.00	992,000
Mustard & other greens	1974	1,025	5.0	5,125	"	200.00	1,025,000
	1973	825	4.5	3,713	"	155.00	576,000
Onions, dry	1974	285	17.6	5,016	"	70.00	351,000
	1973	280	17.5	4,900	"	90.00	441,000
Onions, green	1974	675	12.6	8,505	"	361.00	3,070,000
	1973	575	11.7	6,728	"	333.75	2,245,000
Pumpkins	1974	95	12.0	1,140	"	125.00	142,000
	1973	108	13.9	1,501	"	70.00	105,000

VEGETABLE CROPS (Cont.)

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production			Value			
			Per Acre	Total	Unit	Unit	Total		
Radishes	1974	335	7.5	2,512	Ton	\$	156.00	\$	392,000
	1973	395	7.2	2,844	"		166.00		472,000
Rhubarb	1974	80	10.0	800	"		175.00		140,000
	1973	87	10.0	870	"		155.00		135,000
Squash, Summer	1974	95	4.3	409	"		318.00		130,000
	1973	90	5.5	495	"		273.00		135,000
Squash, Winter	1974	35	10.3	361	"		119.00		43,000
	1973	55	10.0	550	"		100.00		55,000
Tomatoes	1974	125	25.0	3,125	"		75.25		235,000
	1973	185	7.0	1,295	"		165.00		214,000
Turnips	1974	210	12.0	2,520	"		155.00		391,000
	1973	90	9.0	810	"		100.00		81,000
Misc. Vegetables	1974	150							150,000
	1973	115							75,000
Total	1974	6,245							\$15,027,000
	1973	5,885							11,853,100

NURSERY PRODUCTS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION & VALUE

Item	Year	Production Area		Quantity Sold By Producers	Unit	Value	
		House Acres	Field Acres			Per Unit	Total
<u>Nursery Crop</u>							
Bedding plants	1974		55	1,553,000	Flats \$	3.88	\$ 6,026,000
	1973		58	1,579,000	"	3.42	5,400,000
Cacti-Succulents	1974		13				180,000
	1973		16				244,000
Geranium cuttings	1974		144	11,902,000	Cuttings	.08	952,000
	1973		150	10,500,000	"	.07	735,000
Ground cover	1974		94	1,230,500	Flats	3.38	4,159,000
	1973		93	1,245,000	"	2.98	3,710,000
Turf (sod & stolon)	1974		62				261,000
	1973		59				240,000
Ornamental trees & shrubs	1974		1,650	28,405,700	Plants	1.25	35,507,000
	1973		1,610	30,100,000	"	1.03	31,003,000
Miscellaneous Bulbs, Roots, Dicondra seed & other specialties	1974		54				622,000
	1973		57				731,000
Vegetable plants	1974	15		902,650	Flats	2.24	2,022,000
	1973	12		698,000	"	1.36	949,000
Indoor plants foliage	1974	33		12,754,000	Pots	.52	6,632,000
	1973	25		5,654,000	"	.64	3,618,000
Indoor potted flowering	1974	30		1,287,000	"	2.08	2,673,000
	1973	35		1,600,500	"	1.67	2,795,000
Orchid plants	1974	7					887,000
	1973	9					1,240,000
Total	1974	85	2,072				59,921,000
	1973	81	2,043				\$50,665,000

CUT FLOWERS & DECORATIVES

Item	Year	Production Area		Quantity Sold By Producers	Unit	Value	
		House Acres	Field Acres			Per Unit	Total
Carnations	1974	21		10,360,000	Blooms	\$.07	\$ 725,000
	1973	31		12,000,000	"	.06	720,000
Christmas trees	1974		291	56,300	Trees	13.60	765,000
	1973		227	35,000	"	10.50	368,000
Chrysanthemums -Stand. & disbuds	1974	10		810,000	Blooms	.35	284,000
	1973	15		1,100,000	"	.28	308,000
-Pompon	1974	25	35	200,000	Bundle	2.80	560,000
	1973	35	45	207,000	"	2.95	612,000
Orchids, cut all varieties	1974	17					595,000
	1973	19					665,000
Miscellaneous (cut greens & other cut flowers)	1974		259				1,295,000
	1973		270				1,242,000
Total	1974	73	585				\$ 4,224,000
	1973	100	542				3,915,000

TOTAL ALL PLANT CROPS 1974	Acres 247,891	Value \$103,187,900
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APIARY PRODUCTS

Item	Year	Production	Unit	Value	
		Total		Per Unit	Total
Honey	1974	2,008,000	Lbs.	\$.40	\$ 803,200
	1973	1,350,000	"	.43	580,000
Beeswax	1974	33,000	"	1.25	41,200
	1973	22,500	"	.72	16,200
Pollination	1974	12,500	Colonies	10.00	125,000
	1973	14,500	"	8.00	116,000
Total	1974				969,400
	1973				\$ 712,200

GRAND TOTAL PLANT CROPS AND APIARY PRODUCTS 1974	\$104,157,300
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LIVESTOCK & POULTRY: INVENTORY, PRODUCTION & VALUE

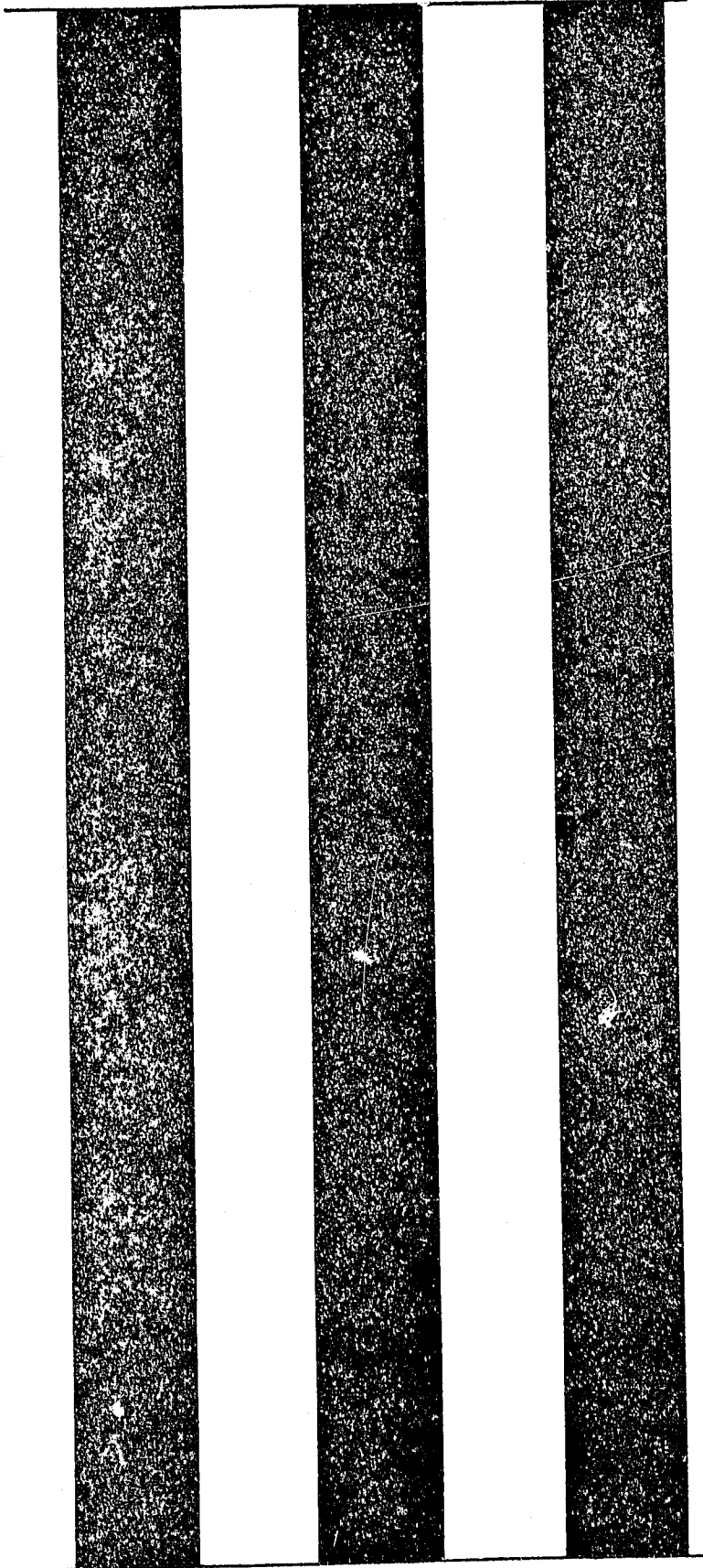
Species	Year	Inventory	Production		Unit	Value		
			No. of Head	Total Liveweight		Per Unit	Total	
<u>CATTLE & CALVES</u>								
Dairy								
Cows	1974	15,000	--	--	--	\$ --	\$ --	--
	1973	17,000	--	--	--	--	--	--
Cull Cows	1974	--	5,000	5,000,000	Cwt.	26.77		1,339,000
	1973	--	2,700	2,700,000	"	32.91		889,000
Calves	1974	1,000	12,000	--	Head	25.00		300,000
	1973	1,000	8,000	--	"	80.00		640,000
Heifers	1974	1,800	1,800	--	"	350.00		630,000
	1973	1,600	1,500	--	"	400.00		600,000
Beef								
Feeder Calves	1974	5,000	8,500	1,700,000	Cwt.	40.33		686,000
	1973	6,000	9,000	1,800,000	"	54.89		988,000
Fed Steers & Heifers	1974	13,300	40,000	12,000,000	"	41.74		5,009,000
	1973	25,000	41,000	12,300,000	"	44.27		5,445,000
<u>SHEEP & LAMBS</u>								
Breeding Stock	1974	32,000	--	--	--	--		--
	1973	49,000	--	--	--	--		--
Fat Lambs	1974	29,000	30,000	2,400,000	Cwt.	39.26		942,000
	1973	28,000	30,000	2,400,000	"	35.33		848,000
<u>HOGS & PIGS</u>								
Slaughter Hogs	1974	3,300	4,000	480,000	Cwt.	33.97		163,000
	1973	3,000	3,600	432,000	"	38.56		167,000
<u>BROILERS & FRYERS</u>								
	1974	200,000	1,035,000	3,622,500	Lb.	.258		935,000
	1973	505,000	2,540,000	8,890,000	"	.248		2,205,000
<u>OTHER CHICKENS</u>								
Hens	1974	--	428,000	1,499,000	Lb.	.061		91,000
	1973	--	380,000	1,330,000	"	.134		178,000
Laying Hens	1974	612,000	--	--	--	--		--
	1973	545,000	--	--	--	--		--
Roasters	1974	571,000	1,500,000	8,250,000	Lb.	.350		2,888,000
	1973	385,000	404,000	2,222,000	"	.340		755,000
<u>TURKEYS</u>								
	1974	300,000	1,530,000	30,600,000	Lb.	.278		8,507,000
	1973	260,000	1,138,000	22,760,000	"	.348		7,920,000

LIVESTOCK & POULTRY (Cont.)

Species	Year	Inventory	Production		Unit	Value	
			No. of Head	Total Liveweight		Per Unit	Total
<u>CHICKS</u>	1974	--	7,729,000	--	Each \$.184	\$ 1,422,000
	1973	--	6,767,000	--	"	.144	974,000
<u>OTHER LIVESTOCK</u> (Ducks, Poults, Goats, Rabbits)	1974	--	--	--	--	--	336,000
	1973	--	--	--	--	--	200,000
<u>HORSES</u>	1974	56,000	4,000	--	Head	450.00	1,800,000
	1973	56,000	5,000	--	"	450.00	2,250,000
Total	1974						\$25,048,000
	1973						24,059,000

LIVESTOCK & POULTRY PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION & VALUE

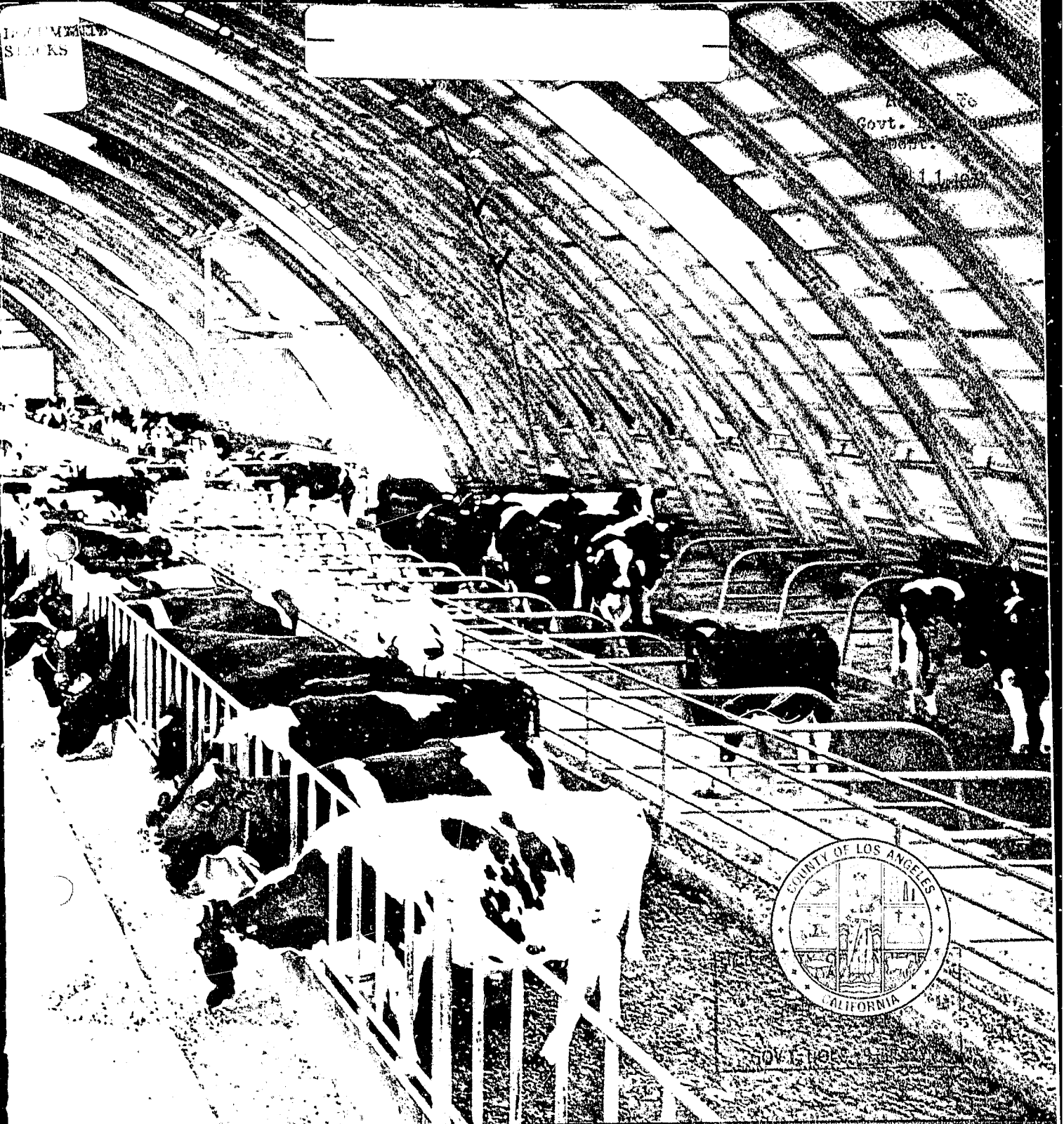
Product	Year	Production	Unit	Value		
				Per Unit	Total	
<u>MILK</u> Market	1974	2,767,000	Cwt.	\$ 8.36	\$23,132,000	
	1973	2,700,000	"	6.93	18,711,000	
Manufacturing	1974	5,500	"	7.02	39,000	
	1973	7,700	"	4.68	36,000	
<u>WOOL</u>	1974	327,000	Lb.	.67	219,000	
	1973	315,000	"	.33	104,000	
<u>EGGS</u>	1974	12,444,000	Dozen	.464	5,774,000	
	1973	11,082,000	"	.512	5,674,000	
Total	1974				\$29,164,000	
	1973				24,654,000	
GRAND TOTAL LIVESTOCK & POULTRY PRODUCTION						\$54,212,000



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**LOS ANGELES COUNTY — 1975
CROP AND LIVESTOCK REPORT**

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- *Once the leading dairy county in the United States, doing production in Los Angeles County, is still important despite the exodus of herds to other areas. 1975 production is valued at \$17,663,000.*

SUMMARY

1971-1975, Inclusive

	<u>1971</u>	<u>1972</u>	<u>1973</u>	<u>1974</u>	<u>1975</u>
Citrus Fruits	\$ 3,290,000	\$ 2,549,900	\$ 2,033,000	\$ 2,588,800	\$ 2,320,000
Misc. Fruits & Nuts	2,240,240	2,366,900	3,052,800	3,503,000	2,621,000
Berries	3,006,000	2,760,450	3,962,000	3,600,000	3,468,000
Field Crops	9,102,600	8,774,700	11,850,000	14,324,100	13,332,000
Vegetables	10,063,200	10,036,200	11,853,100	15,027,000	20,873,900
Nursery Stock	40,641,000	46,245,000	50,665,000	59,921,000	58,191,000
Ornamental Flowers	4,556,000	4,507,000	3,915,000	4,224,000	4,277,000
Total Plant Crops*	\$ 72,899,040	\$ 77,240,150	\$ 87,330,900	\$103,187,900	\$105,082,900
Apiary Products	540,000	328,480	712,200	969,400	662,000
Total Plant Crops* & Apiary Products	\$ 73,439,040	\$ 77,568,630	\$ 88,043,100	\$104,157,300	\$105,744,900
Livestock & Poultry	49,766,000	43,099,000	48,759,000	54,212,000	46,827,000
GRAND TOTAL	\$123,205,040	\$120,667,630	\$136,802,100	\$158,369,300	\$152,571,900

*U. S. Department of Agricultural Payments not included in these totals to conform to state-wide tabulation system for county crop reports.

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1975 CROP & LIVESTOCK SUMMARY

Gross receipts from farm crop and livestock production in Los Angeles County dropped slightly in 1975 to \$152,571,900. Plant crop and apiary product returns continued to gain over 1974, but the continued exodus of dairies from the County reduced livestock returns and the overall County receipts.

A wet spring provided excellent forage for range cattle in 1975 and fewer cattle produced a greater dollar return than in 1974. Turkey prices were higher, but a decrease in inventory lowered dollar returns. Chicken eggs were up in value, but market milk and wool were down significantly. Milk products continue to lead other livestock products in total valuation.

Vegetable crop production increased substantially by \$5,800,000, raising the 1975 total to \$20,873,900. The strong gain in vegetable crops was due to increased acreage in some vegetable types and strong price increases.

County-wide, nursery stock and cut flower crops maintained their lead over all plant crops with a total dollar value of \$62,468,000.

Individual crops showing strong gains were dry onions (\$3,216,000), green onions (\$4,822,000), sweet corn (\$3,033,000), and indoor foliage plants (\$9,482,000).

All figures reported are gross values and do not reflect net farm income or profit to producers. Increased production costs often offset higher prices received.

The San Fernando-Saugus-Newhall area had an increase in gross receipts of \$2,000,000 in 1975 to \$21,000,000. This gain was mainly from sweet corn and green onion production. The area has a number of vegetable farms that sell directly to the public from retail stands. Field crops, walnuts, citrus, and nursery products make up the balance of production for the area. The San Gabriel Valley and Eastern Los Angeles County produced a crop value of \$24,000,000 for 1975. A slight drop in total value from 1974 was largely due to lower strawberry yields -- the result of a wet spring. Also, higher citrus yields were offset by lower prices and a reduction in acreage. Field crops increased in total value as ideal growing conditions produced high yields that sold at high prices.

The crop value for the Antelope Valley increased in 1975 to \$16,305,000. Alfalfa is still the number one crop in the Valley. Sugar beets had a larger tonnage, but lower prices reduced the total value for 1975. An increase in acreage of dry onions and good prices produced a substantial gain for this crop. Fruits and nuts in the valley were damaged by late frost, and this was reflected by a crop failure in almonds, and lower yields in cherries, peaches, pears, and apples.

Crop production in the Metropolitan and Southern area of the County exceeded \$43,000,000. This area produces most of the mushrooms and bean sprouts in the County and a large share of the nursery stock. The area also grows much of the production of greens, root crops, and leaf lettuce.

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LOS ANGELES COUNTY
FRUIT & NUT CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION & VALUE

Crop	Year	Bearing Acreage	Production		Unit	Value		
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total	
<u>CITRUS FRUITS</u>								
Oranges Navel & Misc.	1975	283	5.2	1,472	Ton	\$ 172.00	\$ 253,000	
	1974	295	4.2	1,239	Ton	188.00	233,000	
Oranges Valencia	1975	201	4.2	844	"	161.00	136,000	
	1974	453	3.7	1,676	"	174.60	293,000	
Lemons	1975	953	9.0	8,577	"	224.50	1,925,000	
	1974	1,023	7.8	7,979	"	257.00	2,051,000	
Grapefruit	1975	14	3.4	48	"	125.00	6,000	
	1974	20	4.2	84	"	140.00	11,800	
Total	1975	1,451					2,320,000	
	1974	1,791					\$ 2,588,800	
<u>OTHER FRUITS & NUTS</u>								
Almonds	1975	939	--	--	"	--	--	
	1974	941	.255	240	"	1,042.00	250,000	
Apples	1975	29	2.4	69	"	174.00	12,000	
	1974	29	3.6	104	"	125.00	13,000	
Avocados	1975	973	1.65	1,605	"	640.00	1,027,000	
	1974	924	1.25	1,155	"	800.00	924,000	
Cherries	1975	35	1.3	45	"	667.00	30,000	
	1974	35	2.6	91	"	693.00	63,000	
Figs	1975	23	3.3	76	"	1,645.00	125,000	
	1974	21	6.0	126	"	1,588.00	200,000	
Grapes	1975	2	10.0	20	"	100.00	2,000	
	1974	2	12.0	24	"	125.00	3,000	
Peaches Freestone	1975	329	5.9	1,941	"	280.25	544,000	
	1974	361	7.3	2,635	"	313.00	825,000	
Pears Bartlett	1975	290	9.2	2,668	"	262.25	700,000	
	1974	290	12.3	3,567	"	291.50	1,040,000	
Walnuts	1975	338	1.00	338	"	447.00	151,000	
	1974	338	1.00	338	"	325.50	110,000	
Misc. Fruits & Nuts	1975	40					30,000	
	1974	82					75,000	
Total	1975	2,998					2,621,000	
	1974	3,023					3,503,000	

FRUIT & NUT CROPS (Cont.)

Crop	Year	Bearing Acreage	Production			Value	
			Per Acre	Total	Unit	Per Unit	Total
<u>BERRIES</u>							
Strawberries	1975	319	17.2	5,487	Ton	\$ 632.00	\$ 3,468,000
	1974	325	20.7	6,728	"	535.10	3,600,000
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Total Fruit & Nut Crops	1975	4,768					\$ 8,409,000
	1974	5,139					9,691,800

FIELD CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION & VALUE

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production			Value	
			Per Acre	Total	Unit	Per Unit	Total
Barley	1975	12,425	.90	11,183	Ton	\$ 107.25	\$ 1,199,000
	1974	10,067	.87	8,758	"	116.25	1,018,000
Garbanzo	1975	220	.40	88	"	560.00	49,000
	1974	220	.35	77	"	559.00	43,000
Lima Beans	1975	225	.55	124	"	598.75	74,000
	1974	130	.85	111	"	409.00	45,100
Hay, Alfalfa	1975	19,850	6.2	123,070	"	65.00	8,000,000
	1974	20,380	6.5	132,470	"	67.00	8,875,000
Hay, Grain	1975	5,540	2.8	15,512	"	57.50	892,000
	1974	6,200	1.7	10,540	"	55.00	580,000
Pasture - Irrigated	1975	1,290					217,000
	1974	1,500					338,000
Range Land	1975	176,000					608,000
	1974	180,000					450,000

FIELD CROPS (Cont.)

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Silage - Sorghum	1975	--	--	--	Ton	\$	--
	1974	120	1.6	192	"		\$ 25,000
Sugar beets (≠)	1975	1,300	35.5	46,150	"		1,269,000
	1974	1,075	25.7	27,628	"		1,651,000
Wheat	1975	15,500	.43	6,665	"		790,000
	1974	14,000	.50	7,000	"		980,000
Misc. Field Crops (≠)	1975						216,000
	1974						286,000
Total	1975	232,350					\$13,314,000
	1974	233,692					14,291,100

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Seed Crops

Alfalfa	1975	450(*)	89	40,050	Lbs.	\$.45	\$ 18,000
	1974	500(*)	75	55,000	"		.60	33,000

(≠) Does not include estimated \$64,875.00 Sugar Act payments for 1974
No payments for Sugar Act received in 1975

(≠) Amount shown for 1975 includes \$200,000 paid for sheep and cattle
grazing on alfalfa and barley stubble; 1974 includes \$286,000
for such grazing. 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	1975	--	--	6,600	Ton	\$ 377.50	\$ 2,492,000
	1974	--	--	5,334	"	375.00	2,000,000
Beets, table	1975	83	7.3	606	"	100.00	60,600
	1974	80	5.6	448	"	100.50	45,000
Cabbage	1975	209	15.8	3,302	"	119.25	394,000
	1974	205	16.8	3,444	"	112.25	386,000
Carrots	1975	300	34.0	10,200	"	180.00	1,836,000
	1974	400	27.0	10,800	"	180.00	1,944,000
Cauliflower	1975	51	10.0	510	"	120.00	61,000
	1974	45	7.3	329	"	115.50	38,000
Chinese Food Vegetables	1975	293	12.0	3,516	"	162.50	571,000
	1974	290	11.5	3,335	"	147.00	490,000
Corn, sweet	1975	2,235	4.7	10,504	"	288.75	3,033,000
	1974	1,740	4.8	8,352	"	291.00	2,430,000
Lettuce, leaf	1975	330	10.0	3,300	"	200.00	660,000
	1974	225	7.5	1,688	"	199.50	337,000
Melons Cantaloupe	1975	146	8.0	1,168	"	128.50	150,000
	1974	50	6.6	330	"	138.00	46,000
Watermelon	1975	62	2.6	161	"	101.00	16,300
	1974	100	5.0	500	"	84.00	42,000
Mushrooms	1975	--	--	1,050	"	1,280.00	1,344,000
	1974	--	--	1,000	"	1,200.00	1,200,000
Mustard & other greens	1975	758	4.7	3,562	"	207.00	737,000
	1974	1,025	5.0	5,125	"	200.00	1,025,000
Onions, dry	1975	705	23.1	16,285	"	197.50	3,216,000
	1974	285	17.6	5,016	"	70.00	351,000
Onions, green	1975	860	12.6	10,836	"	445.00	4,822,000
	1974	675	12.6	8,505	"	361.00	3,070,000
Pumpkins	1975	106	14.5	1,537	"	80.25	123,000
	1974	95	12.0	1,140	"	125.00	142,000

VEGETABLE CROPS (Cont.)

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Radishes	1975	363	5.7	2,069	Ton	\$ 131.50	\$ 272,000
	1974	335	7.5	2,512	"	156.00	392,000
Rhubarb	1975	25	11.7	293	"	288.00	84,400
	1974	80	10.0	800	"	175.00	140,000
Squash, Summer	1975	106	4.5	477	"	312.25	149,000
	1974	95	4.3	409	"	318.00	130,000
Squash, Winter	1975	73	10.0	730	"	120.00	87,600
	1974	35	10.3	361	"	119.00	43,000
Tomatoes, Market	1975	57	12.0	684	"	283.25	194,000
	1974	125	25.0	3,125	"	75.25	235,000
Turnips	1975	143	15.1	2,159	"	135.75	293,000
	1974	210	12.6	2,520	"	155.00	391,000
Misc. Vegetables	1975	267					278,000
	1974	150					150,000
Total	1975	7,172					\$20,873,900
	1974	6,245					15,027,000

NURSERY PRODUCTS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION & VALUE

Item	Year	Production Area		Quantity Sold		Value	
		House Acres	Field Acres	By Producers	Unit	Per Unit	Total
<u>Nursery Crops</u>							
Bedding plants	1975		48	1,500,000	Flats	\$ 3.90	\$ 5,850,000
	1974		55	1,553,000	"	3.88	6,026,000
Cacti-Succulents	1975		6				188,000
	1974		13				180,000
Geranium cuttings	1975		86	7,900,000		.09	711,000
	1974		144	11,902,000	Cuttings	.08	952,000
Ground cover	1975		96	1,085,800	Flats	3.40	3,692,000
	1974		94	1,230,500	"	3.38	4,159,000
Turf (sod & stolon)	1975		58				271,000
	1974		62				261,000
Ornamental trees & shrubs	1975		1,650	24,500,000	Plants	1.30	31,850,000
	1974		1,650	28,405,700	"	1.25	35,507,000
Miscellaneous Bulbs, Roots, Dicondra seed & other specialties	1975		54				701,000
	1974		54				622,000
Vegetable plants	1975	16		690,000	Flats	2.40	1,656,000
	1974	15		902,650	"	2.24	2,022,000
Indoor plants foliage	1975	50		15,803,300	Pots	.60	9,482,000
	1974	33		12,754,000	"	.52	6,632,000
Indoor potted flowering	1975	34		1,411,000	"	2.00	2,822,000
	1974	30		1,285,000	"	2.08	2,673,000
Orchid plants	1975	6					968,000
	1974	7					887,000
Total	1975	106	1,998				\$ 58,191,000
	1974	85	2,072				59,921,000

CUT FLOWERS & DECORATIVES

Item	Year	Production Area		Quantity Sold By Producers	Unit	Value	
		House Acres	Field Acres			Per Unit	Total
Carnations	1975	21		11,400,000	Blooms	\$.075	\$ 855,000
	1974	21		10,360,000	"	.07	725,000
Christmas trees	1975		273	56,000	Trees	14.50	812,000
	1974		291	56,300	"	13.60	765,000
Chrysanthemums -Stand. & disbuds	1975	7		639,000	Blooms	.32	204,000
	1974	10		810,000	"	.35	284,000
-Pompon	1975	18	36	197,000	Bundle	3.00	591,000
	1974	25	35	200,000	"	2.80	560,000
Orchids, cut all varieties	1975	15					525,000
	1974	17					595,000
Miscellaneous (cut greens & other cut flowers)	1975		258				1,290,000
	1974		259				1,295,000
Total	1975	61	567				\$ 4,277,000
	1974	73	585				4,224,000

TOTAL ALL PLANT CROPS
1975

Acres
247,022

Value
\$105,082,900

APIARY PRODUCTS

Item	Year	Production		Unit	Value	
		Total			Per Unit	Total
Honey	1975	\$ 1,314,000		Lbs.	\$.40	\$ 526,000
	1974	2,008,000		"	.40	803,200
Beeswax	1975		21,900	"	1.00	22,000
	1974		33,000	"	1.25	41,200
Pollination	1975		11,400	Colonies	10.00	114,000
	1974		12,500	"	10.00	125,000
Total	1975					\$ 662,000
	1974					969,400

GRAND TOTAL PLANT CROPS AND APIARY PRODUCTS 1975

\$105,744,900

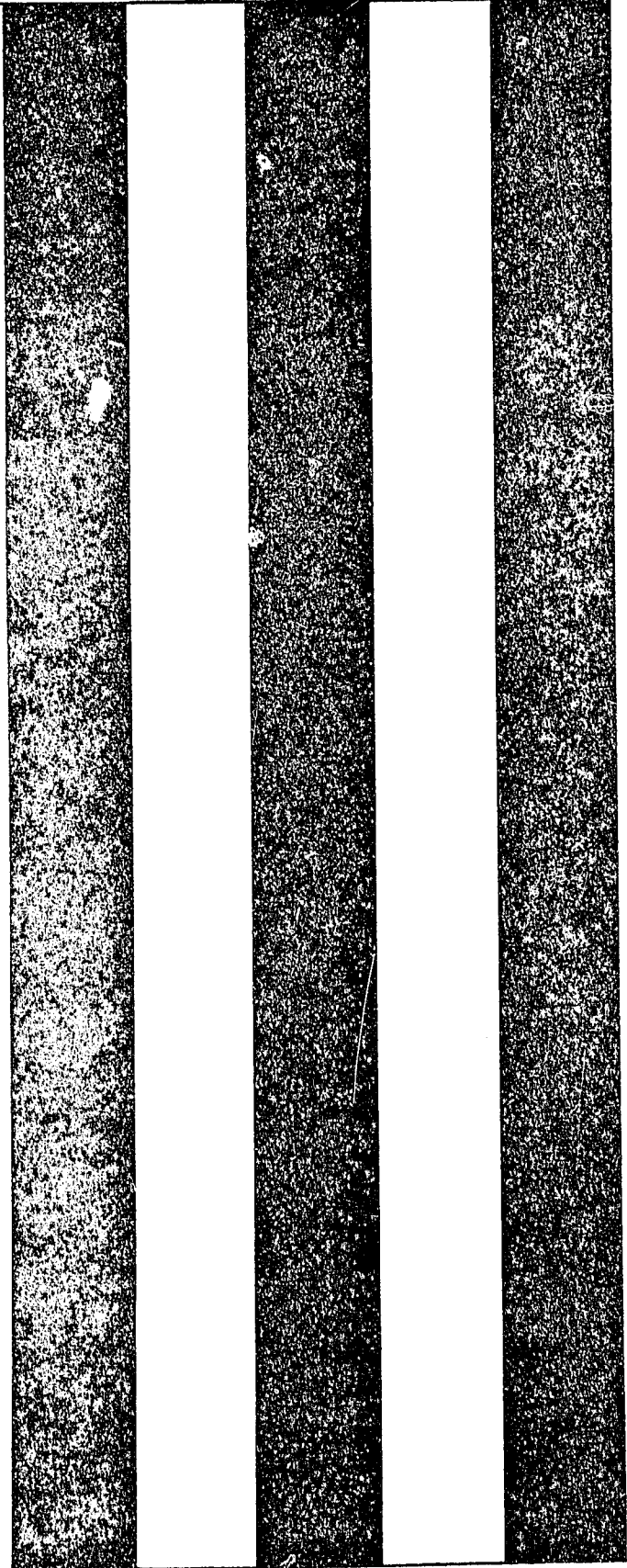
LIVESTOCK & POULTRY: INVENTORY, PRODUCTION & VALUE

Species	Year	Inventory	Production		Unit	Value			
			No. of Head	Total Liveweight		Unit	Total		
<u>CATTLE & CALVES</u>									
<i>Dairy</i>									
Cows	1975	12,500	--	--	--	\$	--	\$	--
	1974	15,000	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Cull Cows	1975	--	4,200	4,200,000	Cwt.	21.60	907,000		
	1974	--	5,000	5,000,000	"	26.77	1,339,000		
Calves	1975	750	10,000	--	Head	10.00	100,000		
	1974	1,000	12,000	--	"	25.00	300,000		
Heifers	1975	1,500	1,400	--	"	300.00	420,000		
	1974	1,800	1,800	--	"	350.00	630,000		
<i>Beef</i>									
Feeder Calves	1975	4,000	5,000	1,000,000	Cwt.	28.00	280,000		
	1974	5,000	8,500	1,700,000	"	40.33	686,000		
Fed Steers & Heifers	1975	10,200	43,000	12,900,000	"	41.20	5,315,000		
	1974	13,300	40,000	12,000,000	"	41.74	5,009,000		
<u>SHEEP & LAMBS</u>									
Breeding Stock	1975	31,000	--	--	--	--	--		--
	1974	32,000	--	--	--	--	--		--
Fat Lambs	1975	25,000	29,500	2,360,000	Cwt.	42.00	991,000		
	1974	29,000	30,000	2,400,000	"	39.26	942,000		
<u>HOGS & PIGS</u>									
Slaughter Hogs	1975	3,200	4,200	504,000	Cwt.	45.30	228,000		
	1974	3,300	4,000	480,000	"	33.87	163,000		
<u>BROILERS & FRYERS</u>									
	1975	98,000	585,000	2,340,000	Lbs.	.253	592,000		
	1974	200,000	1,035,000	3,622,500	"	.258	935,000		
<u>OTHER CHICKENS</u>									
Hens	1975	--	347,000	1,215,000	Lbs.	.055	67,000		
	1974	--	428,000	1,499,000	"	.061	91,000		
Laying Hens	1975	577,000	--	--	--	--	--		--
	1974	612,000	--	--	--	--	--		--
Roasters	1975	415,000	1,683,000	10,940,000	Lbs.	.345	3,774,000		
	1974	571,000	1,500,000	8,250,000	"	.350	2,888,000		
<u>TURKEYS</u>									
	1975	252,000	1,157,000	20,826,000	Lbs.	.328	6,831,000		
	1974	300,000	1,530,000	30,600,000	"	.278	8,507,000		

LIVESTOCK & POULTRY (Cont.)

Species	Year	Inventory	Production		Unit	Value	
			No. of Head	Total Liveweight		Per Unit	Total
<u>CHICKS</u>	1975	--	5,241,000	--	Each	\$.333	\$ 1,745,000
	1974	--	7,729,000	--	"	.184	1,422,000
<u>OTHER LIVESTOCK</u>							
(Ducks, Poults, Goats, Rabbits)	1975	--	--	--	--	--	340,000
	1974	--	--	--	--	--	336,000
<u>HORSES</u>	1975	56,000	3,500	--	Head	450.00	1,575,000
	1974	56,000	4,000	--	"	450.00	1,800,000
<u>Total</u>							
	1975						\$23,165,000
	1974						25,048,000

Product	Year	Production	Unit	Value	
				Per Unit	Total
<u>MILK</u> Market	1975	1,881,000	Cwt.	\$ 9.39	\$ 17,663,000
	1974	2,767,000	"	8.36	23,132,000
Manufacturing	1975	2,600	"	8.13	21,000
	1974	5,500	"	7.02	39,000
<u>WOOL</u>	1975	327,000	Lbs.	.41	135,000
	1974	327,000	"	.67	219,000
<u>EGGS</u>	1975	11,732,000	Dozen	.498	5,843,000
	1974	12,444,000	"	.464	5,774,000
<u>Total</u>					
	1975				\$ 23,662,000
	1974				29,164,000
<u>GRAND TOTAL LIVESTOCK & POULTRY PRODUCTION 1975</u>					\$ 46,827,000

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Continuing urbanization brought a reduction in acreage of citrus in the eastern portion of the county. Coupled with lower prices during the later half of 1976, receipts were down over one million dollars. Yields were up in almonds, figs, and apples and with an increase in price in avocados and peaches, the total receipts for other fruits reached \$3,415,000. Strawberry acreage increased only slightly over 1975. Ideal growing conditions, improved cultural practices, and higher prices, however, brought \$4,724,000, a gain of one million dollars over 1975.

Grains, hay, and dry bean plantings dependent upon rainfall experienced a reduction of over one million dollars. Barley acreage harvested for grain was reduced by half over the previous year with the remainder cut as poor quality hay or not harvested at all. Reduced plant growth in the county's rangeland decreased estimated values 30%. Apiary products, another commodity effected by the drought, dropped almost in half to \$383,900 in 1976. A thousand acre increase in alfalfa to 20,865 acres and an increase in price and yield brought growers \$12,363,000.

Despite an increase in acreage, slightly lower yields and a price decrease resulted in only a minor change in returns for sugar beets. Total production in field crop values reached \$16,007,300, an increase of \$2,700,000 over 1975.

An increase of 1,000 acres, along with higher prices, resulted in a gain of six million dollars to the county's vegetable farmers. The county's sweet corn crop produced lower receipts due to less acreage and severe damage by birds. Dry onion acreage was up 500 acres and yields increased, but prices dropped from a record high in 1975. A great volume of Los Angeles County's vegetable production is sold at retail. This is reflected in the large returns to growers from tomatoes, squash, sweet corn, melons, and pumpkins. Total returns to the county's vegetable growers was \$26,632,500, an increase of 21% over 1975.

Gross receipts for 1976 from all categories of nursery stock increased by 17% over the 1975 season. The large dollar increase was due mostly to greater volume of plants being sold out of state and a general price increase in all types of nursery stock.

The total nursery dollar figure for 1976 was \$70,370,000. This is the highest figure ever attained for nursery categories in Los Angeles County. Among the record totals, the leading categories were: ornamental trees and shrubs, \$41,000,000; indoor foliage plants, \$11,531,000; bedding plants, \$6,204,000; and ground covers, \$4,350,000.

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	1975	953	9.0	8,577	"	224.50	1,925,000	
Grapefruit	1976	14	5.0	70	"	150.00	10,500	
	1975	14	3.4	48	"	125.00	6,000	
Misc. Citrus	1976	19					10,700	
	1975	--					--	
Total	1976	998					1,147,100	
	1975	1,451					2,320,000	
<u>OTHER FRUITS & NUTS</u>								
Almonds	1976	675	.31	209	"	1,306.00	273,000	
	1975	939	--	--	"	--	--	
Apples	1976	32	3.5	112	"	223.25	25,000	
	1975	29	2.4	69	"	174.00	12,000	
Avocados	1976	968	1.4	1,355	"	956.50	1,296,000	
	1975	973	1.65	1,605	"	640.00	1,027,000	
Cherries	1976	39	1.1	43	"	697.50	30,000	
	1975	35	1.3	45	"	667.00	30,000	
Figs	1976	17	9.4	160	"	1,518.75	243,000	
	1975	23	3.3	76	"	1,645.00	125,000	
Grapes (a)	1976	--	--	--	"	--	--	
	1975	2	10.0	20	"	100.00	2,000	
Peaches Freestone	1976	365	5.4	1,971	"	376.50	742,000	
	1975	329	5.9	1,941	"	280.25	544,000	

FRUIT & NUT CROPS (Cont.)

Crop	Year	Planting Acreage	Production		Unit	Per Unit	Value
			Per Acre	Total			
Apples	1976	290	9.5	2,755	Ton	\$ 233.50	\$ 644,000
	1975	290	9.2	2,668	"	262.25	700,000
Peaches	1976	--	--	--	--	--	--
	1975	338	1.00	338	Ton	447.00	151,010
Plum	1976	376					160,860
	1975	40					30,600
Total	1976	2,762					3,415,900
	1975	2,998					2,621,000
Nuts							
Walnuts	1976	325	21.6	7,020	"	673.00	4,724,000
	1975	319	17.2	5,487	"	632.00	3,468,000
Total							
Total	1976	4,085					\$ 9,286,100
	1975	4,768					8,409,000

Production and value figures included in value figures

FIELD CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION & VALUE

Crop	Year	Planting Acreage	Production		Unit	Per Unit	Value
			Per Acre	Total			
Soybeans	1976	6,200	.29	1,798	Ton	\$ 111.25	\$ 200,000
	1975	12,425	.90	11,183	"	107.35	1,199,000
Corn	1976	--	--	--	--	--	--
	1975	320	.40	80	Ton	560.00	45,000
Wheat	1976	325	.15	49	"	700.00	34,500
	1975	225	.55	124	"	595.75	74,000

FIELD CROPS (Cont.)

Crop	Year	Yield		Value		Unit	Price	Total
		1976	1975	1976	1975			
Soybeans	1976	20,665	7.5	156,488	100	\$	29.30	12,463,000
	1975	19,650	6.2	123,970	"		57.00	3,600,000
Corn	1976	8,500	1.2	16,200	"		20.00	16,200
	1975	5,540	2.8	15,312	"		27.80	208,000
Wheat	1976	1,125						1,125,000
	1975	1,200						1,170,000
Barley	1976	175,000						438,000
	1975	176,000						500,000
Oats	1976	2,085	30.4	63,175	"		20.30	1,280,000
	1975	1,300	26.5	40,100	"		27.50	1,280,000
Rye	1976	6,000	.02	2,100	"		10.50	20,000
	1975	15,000	.13	3,600	"		14.00	200,000
Miscellaneous	1976	820						411,000
	1975	--						215,000
Total	1976	212,955						\$ 16,007,000
	1975	232,550						13,314,000
Soybeans	1976	150(A)	06	13,350	116		1.20	9,400
	1975	450(A)	20	40,070	"		.41	12,000

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VEGETABLE CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION & VALUE

Crop	Year	Harvested Acres	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Tomato <i>Solanum Lycopersicon</i>	1976	--	--	8,500	Ton	\$ 475.25	\$ 4,040,000
	1975	--	--	6,600	"	377.50	2,492,000
Cauliflower	1976	67	11.8	790	"	116.00	91,600
	1975	83	7.3	606	"	100.00	60,600
Cabbage	1976	185	16.6	3,071	"	128.30	394,000
	1975	209	15.8	3,302	"	119.25	394,000
Carrot	1976	430	29.3	12,599	"	174.50	2,198,000
	1975	300	34.0	10,200	"	180.00	1,836,000
Chickpea	1976	42	8.5	357	"	135.00	48,200
	1975	51	10.0	510	"	120.00	61,000
Winter Bean <i>Vigna faba</i>	1976	291	12.7	3,696	"	150.00	554,000
	1975	293	12.0	3,516	"	162.50	571,000
Corn, sweet	1976	2,025	5.4	10,935	"	244.50	2,674,000
	1975	2,235	4.7	10,504	"	288.75	3,033,000
Lettuce, leaf	1976	250	6.6	1,650	"	218.25	360,000
	1975	330	10.0	3,300	"	200.00	660,000
Melon <i>Cantaloupe & Water</i>	1976	150	6.6	990	"	158.50	157,000
	1975	146	8.0	1,168	"	128.50	150,000
Watermelon	1976	175	3.5	612	"	100.00	61,200
	1975	62	2.0	161	"	101.00	16,300
Mushroom	1976	--	--	1,130	"	1,408.75	1,592,000
	1975	--	--	1,050	"	1,280.00	1,344,000
Mustard & other greens	1976	839	5.5	4,614	"	224.50	1,036,000
	1975	758	4.7	3,562	"	207.00	737,000
Onion, dry	1976	1,200	29.2	35,040	"	130.50	4,573,000
	1975	705	23.1	16,285	"	197.50	3,216,000
Potato, (dry)	1976	--	--	--	"	--	--
	1975	860	12.6	10,836	"	445.00	4,822,000
Pumpkin	1976	130	12.0	1,560	"	97.75	152,000
	1975	106	14.5	1,537	"	80.25	123,400

VEGETABLE CROPS (Cont.)

Crop	Year	Acreage Average	Production		Unit	Price		
			Yield Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total	
Cauliflower	1976	365	7.1	2,592	Ton	\$	124.00	\$ 321,000
	1975	363	5.7	2,069	"		131.50	272,000
Cabbage	1976	9	10.0	90	"		262.00	23,600
	1975	25	11.7	293	"		288.00	84,400
Cauliflower, Roman (C)	1976	138	4.2	580	"		451.75	262,000
	1975	106	4.5	477	"		312.25	149,000
Cauliflower, Roman (C)	1976	43	12.0	516	"		79.50	41,000
	1975	73	10.9	730	"		120.00	87,600
Cauliflower, Roman (C)	1976	47	12.0	564	"		400.75	226,000
	1975	57	12.0	684	"		283.25	194,000
Cauliflower	1976	107	12.0	2,376	"		187.50	446,000
	1975	12	10.0	1,159	"		135.75	293,000
Misc. vegetables	1976	1,176						7,382,000
	1975	68						278,000
Total	1976	3,210						\$26,632,600
	1975	7,172						20,873,900

all items unless specified included in misc. vegetable

High unit prices due to large amounts sold in bulk

NURSERY PRODUCTS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION & VALUE

Crop	Year	Production Area		Quantity Sold By Producers	Unit	Price		
		Acres	Flats			Per Unit	Total	
Nursery Plants								
Bald cypripedium	1976		47	1,410,000	Flats \$	4.40	\$ 6,204,000	
	1975		48	1,500,000	"	3.90	5,850,000	
Coral-flowered cypripedium	1976		7				175,000	
	1975		6				138,000	
Common cypripedium	1976		80	8,130,000	Cuttings	.11	894,000	
	1975		86	7,900,000	"	.09	711,000	
Grand cypripedium	1976		93	1,130,000	Flats	3.85	4,350,000	
	1975		96	1,085,800	"	3.40	3,692,000	
Long (red & white)	1976		63				355,000	
	1975		53				271,000	
Ornamental cypripedium & albedo	1976	1,658		20,375,000	Plants	1.35	41,000,000	
	1975	1,650		24,500,000	"	1.30	31,850,000	
Miscellaneous Bulbs, cypripedium, Pleurozium, and & other species	1976		62				1,044,000	
	1975		54				701,000	
Pepioid cypripedium	1976	14		480,500	Flats	2.30	1,105,000	
	1975	16		690,000	"	2.40	1,656,000	
Petal cypripedium	1976	55		17,210,964	Pots	.67	11,531,000	
	1975	50		15,803,300	"	.60	9,482,000	
Petal cypripedium Petal cypripedium	1976	41		1,248,000	"	2.09	2,606,000	
	1975	34		1,411,000	"	2.00	2,822,000	
Petal cypripedium	1976	5					1,116,000	
	1975	6					809,000	
		1976	115	2,015			\$ 70,270,000	
		1975	106	1,998			58,191,000	

CUT FLOWERS & DECORATIVES

Item	Year	Production Area		Quantity Sold By Producers	Unit	Value	
		House Acres	Field Acres			Per Unit	Total
Anemone	1976	19		9,953,000	Blooms	\$.085	\$ 846,000
	1975	21		11,400,000	"	.075	855,000
Chelidonium	1976		216	50,500	Trees	13.90	702,000
	1975		273	56,000	"	14.50	812,000
Chrysanthemum -Standard & Hybrid	1976	10		967,000	Blooms	.36	348,000
	1975	7		639,000	"	.32	204,000
-Lorpen	1976	15	35	211,000	Bundle	3.10	654,000
	1975	18	36	197,000	"	3.00	591,000
Orchids, cut (all varieties)	1976	10					385,000
	1975	15					525,000
Miscellaneous (cut greens & other cut flowers)	1976		243				1,355,000
	1975		258				1,290,000
Total	1976	54	495				\$ 4,290,000
	1975	61	567				4,277,000

TOTAL ALL PLANT CROPS 1976

Area 234,897

Value \$126,595,400

APIARY PRODUCTS

Item	Year	Production		Unit	Value	
		Total			Per Unit	Total
Honey	1976	\$ 675,000		Lbs.	\$.38	\$ 257,000
	1975	1,314,000		"	.40	526,000
Wax	1976	11,250		"	1.15	12,900
	1975	21,900		"	1.00	22,000
Pollination	1976	11,400		Colonies	10.00	114,000
	1975	11,400		"	10.00	114,000
Beehive	1976					\$ 393,900
	1975					662,000

TOTAL ALL PLANT CROPS AND APIARY PRODUCTS 1976

\$426,979,300

LIVESTOCK & POULTRY: INVENTORY, PRODUCTION & VALUE

Species	Year	Inventory	Production		Unit	Value			
			No. of Head	Total		Per Unit	Total		
<u>CATTLE & CALVES</u>									
<i>Inventory</i>									
Cow	1976	13,500	--	--	--	\$	--	\$	--
	1975	12,500	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Milk Cow	1976	--	4,500	4,500,000	Cwt.	25.20	1,134,000		
	1975	--	4,200	4,200,000	"	21.60	907,000		
Calves	1976	1,000	10,500	--	Head	14.00	147,000		
	1975	750	10,000	--	"	10.00	100,000		
Heifers	1976	1,500	1,200	--	"	300.00	360,000		
	1975	1,500	1,400	--	"	300.00	420,000		
<i>Beef</i>									
Feeder Calves	1976	2,400	3,300	660,000	Cwt.	31.70	209,000		
	1975	4,000	5,000	1,000,000	"	28.00	280,000		
Feed Steers & Heifers	1976	6,300	23,000	6,900,000	"	38.10	2,629,000		
	1975	10,200	43,000	12,900,000	"	41.20	5,009,000		
<u>SHEEP & LAMBS</u>									
<i>Breeding Stock</i>									
	1976	32,000	--	--	--	--	--		--
	1975	31,000	--	--	--	--	--		--
Ext. Lambs	1976	28,600	30,000	2,400,000	Cwt.	47.50	1,140,000		
	1975	25,000	29,500	2,360,000	"	42.00	991,000		
<u>HOGS & PIGS</u>									
<i>Slaughter Hogs</i>									
	1976	3,000	4,500	550,000	Cwt.	43.30	234,000		
	1975	3,200	4,200	504,000	"	45.30	228,000		
<u>BROILERS & PHEASANT</u>									
	1976	525,000	1,907,000	7,628,000	Lb.	.253	1,258,000		
	1975	98,000	585,000	2,340,000	"	.253	592,000		
<u>OTHER CHICKENS</u>									
<i>Hens</i>									
	1976	--	308,000	1,071,000	Lb.	.089	95,000		
	1975	--	347,000	1,215,000	"	.055	67,000		
<i>Laying Hens</i>									
	1976	464,000	--	--	--	--	--		--
	1975	577,000	--	--	--	--	--		--
<i>Roasters</i>									
	1976	492,000	1,740,000	11,310,000	Lb.	.347	3,928,000		
	1975	415,000	1,683,000	10,910,000	"	.345	3,754,000		
<u>TURKEYS</u>									
	1976	140,000	962,000	17,316,000	Lb.	.301	5,212,000		
	1975	252,000	1,157,000	20,826,000	"	.328	6,831,000		

LIVESTOCK & POULTRY (Cont.)

Species	Year	Inventory	Production			Value	
			No. of Head	Liveweight	Unit	Per Unit	Total
<u>OTHER LIVESTOCK</u>							
Cattle, Poultry, Goats, rabbits, Chickens	1976	--	--	--	--	\$ --	\$1,115,000
	1975	--	--	--	--	--	340,000
<u>HORSES</u>	1976	56,500	4,000	--	Head	450.00	1,800,000
	1975	56,000	4,000	--	"	450.00	1,800,000
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Total	1976						\$19,968,000
	1975						23,165,000

Product	Year	Production	Unit	Value			
				Per Unit	Total		
<u>MEAT</u>							
Meat	1976	2,245,000	Cwt.	\$9.39	\$21,081,000		
	1975	1,881,000	"	9.39	17,663,000		
Manufacturing	1976	260	Cwt.	8.46	2,000		
	1975	2,600	"	8.13	21,000		
<u>EGGS</u>							
Eggs	1976	267,000	Lb.	.633	169,000		
	1975	327,000	"	.41	135,000		
Dairy	1976	9,475,000	Dozen	.575	5,448,000		
	1975	11,732,000	"	.498	5,843,000		
<u>WOLLS</u>							
Wool	1976	274,000	Lb.	2.00	548,000		
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Total	1976					\$27,248,000	
	1975					23,662,000	
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LARGE TOTAL LIVESTOCK & POULTRY PRODUCTION 1976							\$47,216,000

SUMMARY

1972-1976, Inclusive

	<u>1972</u>	<u>1973</u>	<u>1974</u>	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>
<i>Citrus Fruits</i>	\$ 2,549,900	\$ 2,033,000	\$ 2,588,800	\$ 2,320,000	\$ 1,147,100
<i>Misc. Fruits & Nuts</i>	2,366,900	3,052,800	3,503,000	2,621,000	3,415,000
<i>Berries</i>	2,760,450	3,962,000	3,600,000	3,468,000	4,724,000
<i>Field Crops</i>	8,774,700	11,850,000	14,324,100	13,332,000	16,016,700
<i>Vegetables</i>	10,036,200	11,853,100	15,027,000	20,873,900	26,632,600
<i>Nursery Stock</i>	46,245,000	50,665,000	59,921,000	58,191,000	70,370,000
<i>Cut Flowers</i>	4,507,000	3,915,000	4,224,000	4,277,000	4,290,000
<i>Total Plant Crops*</i>	\$ 77,240,150	\$ 87,330,900	\$103,187,900	\$105,082,900	\$126,595,400
<i>Apiary Products</i>	328,480	712,200	969,400	662,000	383,900
<i>Total Plant Crops* & Apiary Products</i>	\$ 77,568,630	\$ 88,043,100	\$104,157,300	\$105,744,900	\$126,979,300
<i>Livestock & Poultry</i>	43,099,000	48,759,000	54,212,000	46,827,000	47,216,000
GRAND TOTAL	\$120,667,630	\$136,802,100	\$158,369,300	\$152,571,900	\$174,195,300

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