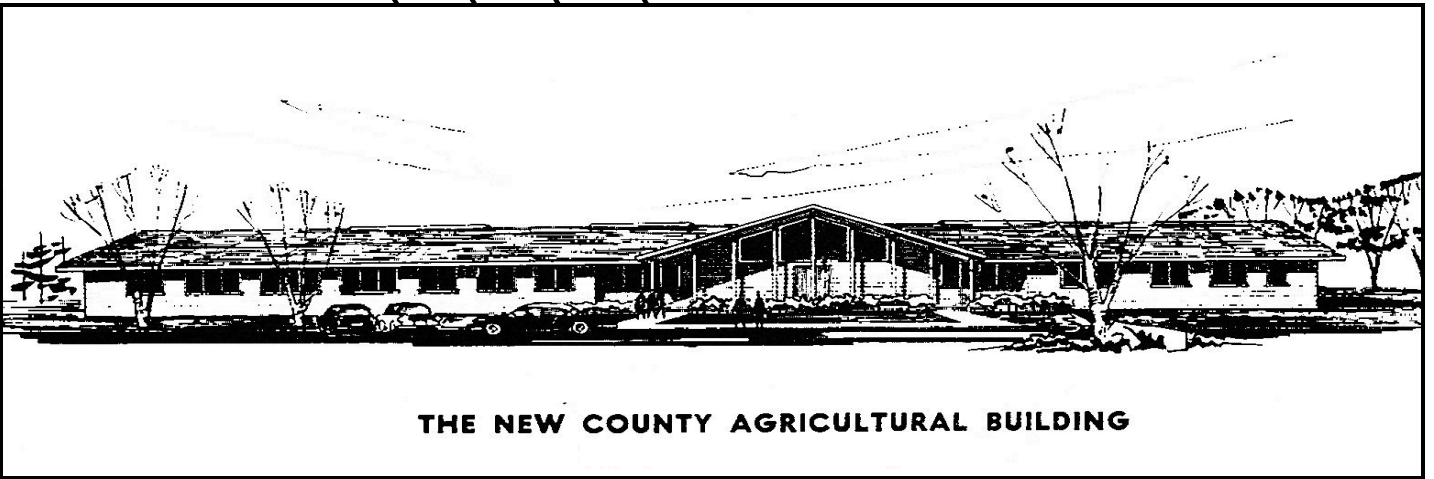
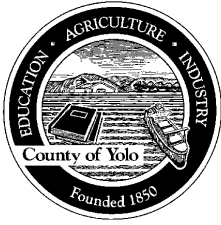


Agricultural
**CROP
REPORT**



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1954



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TO: W. C. JACOBSEN, DIRECTOR, STATE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
and THE HONORABLE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF YOLO COUNTY

Gentlemen:

This annual crop report required by Section 65.5 of the California Agricultural Code has been compiled by members of the Agricultural Commissioner's office from pertinent information obtained from many producers, farmers and processors.

The values as stated for each commodity represents the gross farm value and should in no way be interpreted as the net farm income received by the producer.

It is well know by all that production of a crop is predicated on the prevailing weather conditions during a crop year. This is summarized as follows: The weather during the winter months was favorable to most crops. Spring weather favored some field crops but had an adverse effect on the normal maturing of some fruit crops. The cool early summer was followed by high temperatures which dropped to subnormal in August and September. This condition retarded the normal maturing of rice causing a reduced yield and thus favored other field crops. The open fall resulted in a prolonged harvest of later maturing crops.

Crop Prices received by producers were noticeably lower than the previous year but were to some extent offset by increased acreages and higher yields. Production costs remained the same as last year.

Barley, sugar beets, rice, tomatoes and alfalfa hay in the order given gave the largest monetary returns to the grower. Animal products showing the best returns were: beef cattle, lambs, milk and turkeys.

An increased acreage is noted in the following crops: sorghum and hybrid corn. Due to the low early market price of alfalfa hay, growers turned to seed production which resulted in an all-time high tonnage for this crop.

I wish to express my sincere gratitude and appreciation to all those who cooperated in making this crop report possible.

Respectfully submitted,

Chas. H. Hardy
Agricultural Commissioner

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Nursery Inspection
Field and Orchard Inspection
Insect Pest Control
Regulating Pest Control Operators
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Plant Disease Control
Noxious Weed Control
Rodent Control
Bee Disease Control
Predatory Animal Control

Standardization

Fruits and Vegetables
Market Inspection
Packing Inspection
Truck Inspection
Honey Inspection
Egg Inspection

Poultry and Rabbit Meat Inspection

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MORRISON H. MOORE..... Predatory Animal Control

BENJAMIN TAYLOR..... Predatory Animal Control

FRUIT AND NUT CROPS

YOLO COUNTY

1954

<u>CROP</u>	<u>BEARING ACREAGE</u>	<u>PRODUCTION</u>	<u>GROSS FARM VALUE</u>
<u>ALMONDS</u>	9,500		
Meats		4,750 Tons	\$2,104,000
Hulls		1,400 Tons	32,900
<u>APRICOTS</u>	2,185		
Canning		930 Tons	93,000
Dried		110 Tons	88,000
Shipping		255,000 Lugs	426,500
Pits			1,550
<u>FIGS</u>	342		
Fresh		14,000 Flats	21,000
Dried		400 Tons	40,000
<u>GRAPES</u>	288	576 Tons	24,300
<u>OLIVES</u>	417	800 Tons	60,000
<u>ORANGES</u>	18	7,500 Lugs	18,700
<u>PEACHES</u>	520		
Canning		3,550 Tons	177,500
Fresh		7,000 Lugs	14,000
Dried		325 Tons	136,500
<u>PEARS</u>	393		
Canning		4,700 Tons	312,000
Fresh		800 Tons	67,000
<u>PRUNES</u>	1,050	2,600 Tons	527,000
<u>WALNUTS</u>	1,093	547 Tons	273,000
<u>BLACK WALNUTS</u>			<u>35,000</u>
TOTAL	15,806		\$4,497,400

SEED CROPS

YOLO COUNTY

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<u>CROP</u>	<u>ACREAGE</u>	<u>PRODUCTION</u>	<u>GROSS FARM VALUE</u>
<u>ALFALFA (Not Certified)</u>			
Common	3,000	750 Tons	\$375,000
Buffalo	600	150 Tons	90,000
Caliverde	800	160 Tons	80,000
Ranger	500	125 Tons	75,000
<u>CERTIFIED SEED</u>			
Atlantic Alfalfa	140	28 Tons	22,400
Buffalo Alfalfa	3,950	988 Tons	691,600
Caliverde Alfalfa	290	73 Tons	40,500
Ranger Alfalfa	2,800	700 Tons	490,000
Vernal Alfalfa	155	31 Tons	34,000
Pennscott Red Clover	30	5 Tons	5,500
Prarie Brome	155	31 Tons	13,600
Smilo Grass	25	11 Tons	3,800
Sudan	480	480 Tons	105,600
Tall Fescue	19	3,800 Lbs	2,700
Trefoil	25	6,500 Lbs	5,000
<u>VEGETABLES, ETC.</u>			
Asparagus	20	2,078 Lbs	1,600
Beans	22	28,686 Lbs	5,200
Cantaloupe	10	4,000 Lbs	2,100
Carrots	59	63,488 Lbs	21,000
Lettuce	21	3,496 Lbs	1,600
Onion Bulbs	32	414 Tons	11,000
Onion Seed	19	7,759 Lbs	8,800
Pea	350	469 Tons	34,000
Squash	10	6,000 Lbs	2,200
<u>PEAS (Field)</u>	300	175 Tons	15,000
<u>SUDAN</u>	6,200	6,200 Tons	1,240,000
<u>TREFOIL</u>	980	128 Tons	178,500
<u>MISCELLANEOUS SEED</u>			<u>175,700</u>
TOTAL	20,992		\$3,731,400

FIELD CROPS

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<u>CROP</u>	<u>ACREAGE</u>	<u>PRODUCTION</u>	<u>GROSS FARM VALUE</u>
<u>BEANS</u>			
Dry	4,700	3,500 Tons	\$634,500
Frozen	480	357 Tons	49,000
<u>GRAIN</u>			
Barley	140,000	175,000 Tons	7,875,000
Rice	51,000	76,500 Tons	6,587,500
Wheat	13,000	13,000 Tons	910,000
<u>HAY</u>			
Alfalfa	27,500	181,000 Tons	4,115,000
Grain	6,000	6,000 Tons	108,000
Straw	12,000	7,500 Tons	90,000
<u>HOPS</u>	435	3,900 Bales	313,000
<u>CORN</u>			
Hybrid Field	4,500	9,000 Tons	585,000
Milo	12,000	18,000 Tons	972,000
<u>SAFFLOWER</u>	5,000	2,866 Tons	212,000
<u>PASTURE</u>			
Grain Stubble	20,000		40,000
Irrigated	20,000		300,000
Range	200,000		200,000
<u>SUGAR BEETS</u>	<u>23,950</u>	<u>527,000 Tons</u>	<u>6,866,000</u>
TOTAL	540,485		\$29,857,000

TRUCK CROPS

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<u>CROP</u>	<u>ACREAGE</u>	<u>PRODUCTION</u>	<u>GROSS FARM VALUE</u>
<u>ASPARAGUS</u>			
	2,079		
Canning		1,560 Tons	\$343,000
Market		85,000 Crates	510,000
<u>MELONS</u>			
Honeydew			845,000
<u>ONIONS</u>			
Dehydrator & Market	850	16,000 Tons	755,000
<u>PEAS</u>			
Frozen	160	210 Tons	10,800
Market	350	34,300 Hampers	60,000
<u>SPINACH</u>			
Canning	510	3,060 Tons	69,000
Quick Freeze	65	333 Tons	7,500
<u>TOMATOES</u>			
Processing (Round & Pear)	13,000	286,600 Tons	5,960,000
Market			360,000
<u>VEGETABLES</u>			
Cabbage	5	1,750 Crates	2,400
Crenshaw Melons	4	2,000 Lugs	5,000
Cantaloupes	11	12,700 Crates	25,400
Carrots			200,000
Cauliflower	5	1,250 Crates	1,500
Celery	10	5,000 Crates	8,800
Corn (Sweet)	176	52,500 Crates	105,000
Cucumbers	42		9,200
Egg Plant	2	1,500 Boxes	3,000
Lettuce	11	4,400 Crates	6,600
Mustard Greens	5	1,650 Boxes	2,000
Onion Greens	28	22,400 Crates	78,400
Pepper	3	3,600 Dozen	5,300
Radish	6	9,000 Boxes	5,500
Squash	39		37,800
Small Acreages			5,400
<u>HOME GARDENS</u>			<u>200,000</u>
TOTAL	17,361		\$9,251,600

APIARY – LIVESTOCK - POULTRY

YOLO COUNTY

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<u>CROP</u>	<u>PRODUCTION</u>	<u>GROSS FARM VALUE</u>
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APIARY PRODUCTS

Honey (Bulk)	700 Tons	\$154,000
Package Bees	15,800 Pkgs	38,000
Queens	9,000 Pkgs	9,000
Pollination		174,000
<u>Wax</u>	<u>12 Tons</u>	<u>9,600</u>
TOTAL		\$384,600

LIVESTOCK

Cattle (Beef, Feed Lot & Other Gains)	18,000 Head	\$3,325,500
Veal	5,000 Head	300,000
Sheep (Ewes, Etc. sold)	14,200 Head	248,700
Swine sold	60,300 Head	419,000
Lambs sold	12,000 Head	1,206,000
Wool	852,600 Lbs	554,000
Milk & Milk Products	1,062,000 Lbs	1,090,000
Horses	450 Head	15,000
<u>Rabbits</u>	<u>1,500 Head</u>	<u>1,500</u>
TOTAL		\$7,159,700

POULTRY PRODUCTS

Chickens (Hens sold)	55,000 Birds	\$55,000
Baby Chicks	65,000 Birds	11,000
Fryers	314,000 Birds	282,600
Eggs	26,500 Cases	323,400
<u>Turkeys</u>	<u>91,000 Birds</u>	<u>637,000</u>
TOTAL		\$1,309,000

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RECAPITULATION

Apiary	\$384,600
Field Crops	29,857,000
Horticultural Crops	4,497,400
Livestock Products	7,159,700
Poultry Products	1,309,000
Seed Crops	3,731,400
Truck Crops	<u>9,521,600</u>
Total	\$56,464,700
1950 Gross Farm Value	\$45,360,851
1951 Gross Farm Value	58,091,462
1952 Gross Farm Value	59,036,462
1953 Gross Farm Value	55,030,000
1954 Gross Farm Value	56,460,700

Acres available for crops – 598,630

Acres in crops in 1954 – 348,000