

AGRICULTURAL CROP REPORT



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To The Honorable Board of Supervisors
Tulare County

and

W. C. Jacobsen, Acting Director
State Department of Agriculture

The Agricultural Code states in Section 65.5; "The Commissioner shall compile reports of the condition, acreage, production and value of the agricultural products of his county. The Commissioner may publish such reports and shall transmit a copy thereof to the Director."

Insofar as possible, the acreage represents "net planted" and the values of all crops are f.o.b. basis - not what the farmer received. It is intended that all returns shall mean income to Tulare County and thus include the cost of picking, hauling, packing and otherwise preparing for delivery at the point of packing.

We are indebted to the many individuals and organizations for their help and co-operation in making available to this department their records and information in the compilation of these data and wish to express our appreciation for this valuable help.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Oscar L. Hemphill". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name and title.

Oscar L. Hemphill
Agricultural Commissioner

TULARE COUNTY AGRICULTURAL ACREAGE STATISTICS

ORCHARD CROPS	BEARING ACREAGE	NON-BEARING ACREAGE	TOTAL ACREAGE
<u>CITRUS</u>			
Grapefruit	525		525
Lemons	941	166	1,107
Limes	10	2	12
Navels	22,847	789	23,636
Valencias	10,035	119	10,154
Tangerines	11		11
Miscellaneous	428	41	469
TOTAL	34,797	1,117	35,914
<u>DECIDUOUS AND GRAPES</u>			
Almonds	264	10	274
Apples	209	54	263
Apricots	152		152
Cherries	1		1
Figs	591		591
Grapes			
Table	27,377	696	28,073
Raisin	30,194	323	30,517
Wine	7,323	89	7,412
Olives	7,829	1,569	9,398
Peaches			
Cling	3,542	303	3,845
Freestones	4,807	1,274	6,081
Pecans	55	26	81
Pears	13		13
Plums	4,780	525	5,305
Prunes	649	81	730
Persimmons	61	18	79
Pomegranates	222	101	323
Nectarines	1,012	533	1,545
Quince	5	2	7
Walnuts	5,727	3,957	9,684
TOTAL	94,813	9,561	104,374
TOTAL ORCHARD CROPS	129,610	10,678	140,288

TRUCK AND FIELD CROP ACREAGES

<u>TRUCK CROPS</u>		<u>ACREAGE</u>
Asparagus		1,208
Beans		
Green		95
Blackeyed		102
Berries		
Bushberries		104
Strawberries		53
Cabbage		3
Cauliflower		8
Celery		8
Corn - Sweet		1,611
Cucumbers		51
Egg Plant		15
Garlic		3/4
Lettuce		400
Melons		
Cantaloupes		235
Casaba		10
Cranshaw		115
Honey Dew		750
Persian		20
Watermelons		837
Okra		24 1/2
Onions		87
Peppers		14 1/2
Potatoes		12,411
Potatoes - Certified Seed		709
Peas - Green		12
Squash		294
Spinach		60
Sweet Potatoes		60
Tomatoes		1,904
Yams		11
	TOTAL	21,212 1/2
<u>FIELD CROPS</u>		
Alfalfa	Certified Seed	480
Blackeyed Peas	DO	20
Clover	DO	45
Cotton		246,000
Sugar Beets		1,256
Castor Beans		705
Grain		
Barley		33,805
Milo		2,515
Oats		446
Wheat		46,178
Yellow Corn		255
Hay		
Alfalfa		69,280
Permanent Irrigated Pasture		24,386
	TOTAL	425,371

TULARE COUNTY AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION STATISTICS

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<u>CITRUS</u>	<u>YIELD</u>	<u>VALUATION</u>
Navel Oranges	5,398,008 Boxes	\$21,592,032.00
By-products	9,260 Tons	175,940.00
Valencia Oranges	1,914,704 Boxes	6,414,258.00
By-products	5,807 Tons	110,333.00
Lemons	268,003 Boxes	2,010,022.00
By-Products	1,201 Tons	22,819.00
Grapefruit	30,257 Boxes	75,642.00
Limes	824 Boxes	4,120.00
Tangerines	2,323 Boxes	<u>1,742.00</u>
	TOTAL	\$30,406,908.00

DECIDUOUS AND GRAPES

Apples	52,223 Boxes	\$ 148,835.00
Apricots		
Canning	885 Tons	64,162.00
Fresh	837 Lugs	1,674.00
Figs		
Canning	1,012 Tons	108,284.00
Dried	160 Tons	2,240.00
Fresh	68,156 Flats	57,932.00
Grapes - Table		
Emperor	62,611 Tons	6,716,908.00
Almeria	2,018 Tons	684,102.00
Ribier	6,842 Tons	985,248.00
White Malaga	252 Tons	27,216.00
Red Malaga	4,055 Tons	709,625.00
Muscats	1,602 Tons	132,165.00
Cardinel	1,562 Tons	288,970.00
Miscellaneous	1,467 Tons	228,852.00
Thompson		
Fresh	25,093 Tons	4,140,345.00
Canning	5,195 Tons	259,750.00
Grapes - Raisin		
Thompson - Natural	22,000 Tons	3,905,000.00
Thompson - Golden Bleached	1,250 Tons	225,000.00
Sultana	50 Tons	7,750.00
Muscat	225 Tons	37,125.00
Zante Currents	60 Tons	10,200.00
Grapes - Wine	121,640 Tons	3,983,710.00
Nectarines		
Canning	537 Tons	20,969.00
Fresh	197,619 Crates	646,214.00
Peaches - Cling		
Canning	31,000 Tons	1,689,500.00
Peaches - Freestone		
Canning	4,000 Tons	198,000.00
Fresh	1,813,077 Crates	3,281,669.00

DECIDUOUS AND GRAPES cont'd

	<u>YIELD</u>	<u>VALUATION</u>
Plums	1,063,466 Lugs	\$ 3,956,095.00
Pears	1,900 Boxes	4,750.00
Pomegranates	43,403 Lugs	95,486.00
Persimmons	22,703 Lugs	44,951.00
Prunes		
Canning	77 Tons	4,081.00
Dried	776 Tons	169,800.00
Olives		
Canning	8,235 Tons	1,589,355.00
Oil	770 Tons	57,750.00
Nuts		
Almonds	4 Tons	1,440.00
Walnuts	3,885 Tons	2,005,242.00
Quince	300 Lugs	<u>495.00</u>
	TOTAL	\$36,490,890.00

TRUCK CROPS

Asparagus	159,719 Crates	\$ 717,138.00
Beans - Green	12,707 Crates	38,121.00
Blackeyed Beans		
Green	2,123 Crates	5,944.00
Dry	1,530 Sxs	15,300.00
Berries		
Bushberries - Canning	174 Tons	28,710.00
Bushberries - Fresh	11,637 Crates	23,274.00
Strawberries - Frozen	48 Tons	14,342.00
Strawberries - Fresh	51,114 Crates	113,473.00
Cabbage	560 Crates	980.00
Cauliflower	3,945 Crates	14,793.00
Celery	6,972 Crates	22,659.00
Cucumbers	31,401 Crates	65,314.00
Corn - Sweet	227,626 Crates	534,921.00
Egg Plant	2,460 Crates	3,936.00
Garlic	63 Sxs	124.00
Lettuce	32,521 Crates	65,042.00
Onions	13,963 Sxs	20,944.00
Okra	4,160 Lugs	17,222.00
Peppers	2,258 Lugs	13,548.00
Peas - Green	413 Hmpers	1,156.00
Potatoes		
Table Stock	1,062,236 Sxs	1,561,486.00
Certified Seed	141,800 Sxs	425,400.00
Culls	7,967 Tons	31,868.00
Squash	35,703 Lugs	79,617.00
Squash - Banana	149 Tons	4,097.00
Sweet Potatoes	16,294 Lugs	57,029.00
Tomatoes		
Canning	90 Tons	2,250.00
Fresh	1,631,735 Crates	5,139,965.00
Yams	110 Tons	11,000.00

TRUCK CROPS cont'dYIELDVALUATION

Melons

Cantaloupes	53,259 Crates	\$ 146,462.00
Casaba	2,193 Crates	4,934.00
Cranshaw	18,510 Crates	115,687.00
Honey Dews	362,231 Crates	1,177,248.00
Persian	4,362 Crates	27,262.00
Watermelons	12,327 Tons	<u>776,601.00</u>

TOTAL

\$11,277,847.00

APICULTURE

Honey	415 Tons	\$ 99,700.00
Beeswax	7 Tons	<u>6,160.00</u>

TOTAL

\$ 105,860.00

DAIRY PRODUCTS

Milk and Milk Products \$16,687,567.00

LIVESTOCK

Beef Cattle		\$38,686,800.00
Hogs		2,374,800.00
Sheep and Lambs		187,816.00
Registered Stock		<u>1,187,969.00</u>

TOTAL

\$42,437,385.00

MISCELLANEOUS

Glazed Fruit	10 Tons	\$ 30,000.00
Nursery Stock		275,971.00
Ornamentals & Cut Flowers		377,237.00
Fertilizer		152,105.00
Straw		<u>3,058.00</u>

TOTAL

\$ 838,371.00

POULTRY

Chickens		
Fryers	2,448,967 Lbs	\$ 685,710.00
Hens	292,956 Hd	233,764.00
Baby Chicks	736,200 Hd	176,688.00
Eggs	6,715,173 Doz	<u>3,626,193.00</u>

POULTRY cont'd

	<u>YIELD</u>	<u>VALUATION</u>
Turkeys		
Toms	3,706,800 Lbs	\$ 1,112,040.00
Hens	2,508,750 Lbs	978,413.00
Fryers	320,126 Lbs	140,855.00
Poults	852,579 Hd	639,434.00
Eggs	1,253,000 Eggs	<u>363,370.00</u>

TOTAL

\$ 7,956,467.00

FIELD CROPS

Cotton		
Lint	282,780 Bales	\$46,093,140.00
Seed	113,112 Tons	6,560,496.00
Sugar Beets	23,856 Tons	333,984.00
Castor Beans	483 Tons	86,940.00
Alfalfa - Certified Seed	231,100 Lbs	64,708.00
Blackeyed Peas DO	25,000 Lbs	4,250.00
Clover DO	15,000 Lbs	4,500.00

Hay

Alfalfa	415,680 Tons	8,729,280.00
Grain	2,700 Tons	78,300.00

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Milo	3,342 Tons	220,572.00
Oats	557 Tons	45,674.00
Wheat	32,036 Tons	2,341,831.00
Barley	32,634 Tons	2,121,210.00
Yellow Corn	445 Tons	<u>32,262.00</u>

TOTAL

\$66,717,147.00

Subsidy Payments

\$ 57,549.00

RECAPITULATION

CITRUS	\$ 30,406,908.00
DECIDUOUS AND GRAPES	36,490,890.00
TRUCK CROPS	11,277,847.00
APICULTURE	105,860.00
DAIRY PRODUCTS	16,687,567.00
LIVESTOCK	42,437,385.00
MISCELLANEOUS	838,371.00
POULTRY	7,956,467.00
FIELD CROPS	66,717,147.00
SUBSIDY PAYMENT	<u>57,549.00</u>
GRAND TOTAL	\$212,975,991.00

RECAPITULATION FOR SIX YEARS

	<u>1948</u>	<u>1949</u>	<u>1950</u>
CITRUS	\$ 22,193,019.00	\$ 16,857,675.00	\$17,713,803.00
DECIDUOUS AND GRAPES	39,925,405.00	35,580,822.00	43,003,823.00
TRUCK CROPS	17,318,525.00	14,938,203.00	12,806,761.00
APICULTURE	113,400.00	87,557.00	136,800.00
DAIRY PRODUCTS	13,170,563.00	13,722,972.00	12,381,358.00
LIVESTOCK	17,373,841.00	36,361,011.00	39,301,065.00
MISCELLANEOUS	1,378,653.00	1,346,258.00	1,322,934.00
POULTRY	8,138,352.00	7,608,023.00	8,662,106.00
FIELD CROPS	63,462,733.00	51,920,441.00	61,238,923.00
SUBSIDY PAYMENTS	<u>1,433,000.00</u>	<u>457,544.00</u>	<u>251,886.00</u>
TOTAL	\$184,507,491.00	\$178,880,506.00	\$196,819,459.00

	<u>1951</u>	<u>1952</u>	<u>1953</u>
CITRUS	\$ 26,672,501.00	\$ 36,324,418.00	\$ 30,406,908.00
DECIDUOUS AND GRAPES	44,911,391.00	50,536,612.00	36,490,890.00
TRUCK CROPS	9,452,999.00	13,546,438.00	11,277,847.00
APICULTURE	105,840.00	221,453.00	105,860.00
DAIRY PRODUCTS	13,704,591.00	14,908,955.00	16,687,567.00
LIVESTOCK	48,777,263.00	47,003,784.00	42,437,385.00
MISCELLANEOUS	1,668,128.00	1,922,309.00	838,371.00
POULTRY	13,175,930.00	13,562,201.00	7,956,467.00
FIELD CROPS	86,839,778.00	74,552,379.00	66,717,147.00
SUBSIDY PAYMENTS	<u>154,387.00</u>	<u>149,267.00</u>	<u>57,549.00</u>
TOTAL	\$245,462,808.00	\$252,727,816.00	\$212,975,991.00