

# AGRICULTURAL CROP REPORT

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To The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
Tulare County

and

W. C. Jacobsen, Director  
State Department of Agriculture

The Agricultural Codes 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'.

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	993	128	1,121
Limes	10	2	12
Navels	23,232	525	23,757
Valencias	10,110	43	10,153
Tangerines	10		10
Miscellaneous	440	29	469
TOTAL	35,320	727	36,047
<u>DECIDUOUS AND GRAPES</u>			
Almonds	273	1	274
Apples	240	23	263
Apricots	152		152
Cherries	1		1
Figs	591		591
Grapes			
Table	27,984	309	28,293
Raisin	30,517	11	30,528
Wine	7,412		7,412
Nectarines	1,344	276	1,620
Olives	8,461	937	9,398
Peaches			
Cling	3,714	121	3,835
Freestone	5,746	389	6,135
Pistachio Nuts	1		1
Pecans	76	5	81
Pears	13		13
Plums	5,184	150	5,334
Prunes	728	14	742
Persimmons	61	18	79
Pomegranates	267	56	323
Quince	5	2	7
Walnuts	7,049	4,749	11,798
TOTAL	99,819	7,061	106,880
TOTAL ORCHARD CROPS	135,139	7,788	142,927

TRUCK AND FIELD CROP ACREAGES

<u>TRUCK CROPS</u>	<u>ACREAGE</u>
Asparagus	1,090
Beans	
Green	73
Blackeyed	840
Berries	
Bush	111
Straw	43
Cabbage	3
Corn - Sweet	1,402
Celery	8
Cucumbers	28
Egg Plant	2
Garlic	1
Lettuce	301
Melons	
Cantaloupe	464
Casaba	20
Cranshaw	127
Honey Dew	600
Watermelon	1,315
Zucci	16
Okra	7
Onions	40
Peppers	12
Potatoes	8,580
Potatoes - Certified Seed	320
Peas - Green	65
Squash	312
Sweet Potatoes	230
Tomatoes	2,144
Yams	8
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TOTAL	18,162
<u>FIELD CROPS</u>	
Alfalfa            Certified Seed	1,540
Blackeyed Peas   Certified Seed	1,670
Red Clover        Certified Seed	20
Cotton	149,300
Rice	1,166
Sugar Beets	2,072
Grain	
Barley	23,286
Milo	5,500
Oats	1,500
Wheat	22,948
Yellow Corn	2,600
Hay	
Alfalfa	68,550
Permanent Irrigated Pasture	30,240
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TOTAL	310,392

TULARE COUNTY AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION STATISTICS

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<u>CITRUS</u>	<u>YIELD</u>	<u>VALUATION</u>
Navel Oranges	5,203,760 Boxes	\$23,208,769.00
By-products	18,000 Tons	378,000.00
Valencia Oranges	2,451,267 Boxes	10,515,935.00
By-products	17,814 Tons	374,094.00
Lemons	146,209 Boxes	657,940.00
By-products	2,704 Tons	210,912.00
Grapefruit	16,534 Boxes	37,201.00
Limes	640 Boxes	5,220.00
Tangerines	7,000 Boxes	17,500.00
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$35,405,571.00</b>

DECIDUOUS AND GRAPES

Apples	60,158 Boxes	\$ 206,565.00
Apricots		
Canning	688 Tons	55,728.00
Fresh	9,844 Lugs	27,563.00
Cherries	168 Lugs	504.00
Figs		
Canning	912 Tons	89,376.00
Fresh	47,060 Flats	70,590.00
Grapes - Table		
Emperor	86,901 Tons	11,722,944.00
Almeria	4,463 Tons	871,400.00
Ribier	8,098 Tons	1,552,386.00
White Malaga	1,276 Tons	181,192.00
Red Malaga	5,419 Tons	654,073.00
Muscats	427 Tons	60,634.00
Cardinal	1,588 Tons	246,934.00
Italia	3,134 Tons	471,729.00
Miscellaneous	1,346 Tons	196,879.00
Thompson		
Fresh	26,821 Tons	3,903,796.00
Canning	2,580 Tons	141,900.00
Grapes - Raisin		
Thompson-Natural	28,450 Tons	4,552,000.00
Thompson-Golden Bleached	4,990 Tons	1,097,800.00
Zante Currants	40 Tons	9,000.00
Grapes - Wine	216,484 Tons	5,845,068.00
Nectarines		
Canning	323 Tons	32,300.00
Fresh	442,306 Lugs	1,680,762.00
Peaches - Cling		
Canning	37,500 Lugs	2,499,750.00

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DECIDUOUS AND GRAPES cont'dYIELDVALUATION

Peaches - Freestone		
Canning	6,557 Tons	\$ 399,977.00
Dried	300 Tons	138,000.00
Fresh	2,666,322 Lugs	6,532,488.00
Frozen	103 Tons	25,750.00
Plums		
Canning	45 Tons	4,860.00
Fresh	1,251,884 Lugs	4,256,405.00
Pears	663 Lugs	1,093.00
Pomegranates	91,161 Lugs	227,902.00
Persimmons	43,162 Flats	64,743.00
Prunes - Dried	1,663 Tons	457,655.00
Olives		
Canning	15,999 Tons	3,966,475.00
Oil	1,094 Tons	76,580.00
Nuts		
Almonds	7½ Tons	4,500.00
Pistachio	500 Lbs	300.00
Walnuts	6,132 Tons	4,582,617.00
Quince	352 Lugs	705.00

TOTAL

\$56,910,923.00

TRUCK CROPS

Asparagus	171,169 Crates	\$ 830,169.00
Beans		
Dry	389 Tons	46,680.00
Green	10,762 Crates	45,738.00
Black-eyed Peas		
Dry	120 Tons	14,400.00
Green	2,958 Crates	12,571.00
Berries		
Bushberries - Canning	310 Tons	63,395.00
DO Fresh	7,825 Crates	19,562.00
DO Frozen	18½ Tons	5,550.00
Strawberries - Fresh	28,900 Crates	79,475.00
DO Frozen	1½ Tons	450.00
Cabbage	1,700 Crates	2,975.00
Celery	5,200 Crates	15,600.00
Corn - Sweet	213,670 Crates	427,340.00
Cucumbers	9,564 Crates	23,910.00
Egg Plant	762 Crates	1,028.00
Garlic	134 Lugs	348.00
Lettuce	32,365 Crates	113,277.00
Onions	850 Sacks	850.00
Okra	5,538 Crates	14,675.00
Peppers	3,299 Crates	14,020.00
Peas - Green	10,637 Hampers	29,738.00
Potatoes		
Table Stock	1,544,400 Sacks	3,861,000.00
Certified Seed	54,250 Sacks	189,875.00
Culls	8,580 Tons	25,740.00

TRUCK CROPS cont'd

	<u>YIELD</u>	<u>VALUATION</u>
Squash	34,259 Crates	\$ 73,656.00
Sweet Potatoes	69,000 Lugs	320,850.00
Tomatoes		
Canning	4,325 Tons	130,831.00
Fresh	989,856 Crates	2,920,075.00
Yams	6,686 Lugs	31,089.00
	21 Tons	3,360.00
Melons		
Cantaloupes	33,461 Crates	125,478.00
Casaba	7,955 Crates	29,831.00
Cranshaw	17,137 Crates	68,548.00
Honey Dew	300,364 Crates	660,800.00
Persian	6,029 Crates	24,116.00
Zucci	240 Tons	<u>7,920.00</u>

TOTAL \$11,477,659.00

APICULTURE

Honey	1,030 Tons	\$ 260,387.00
Beeswax	17 Tons	<u>17,167.00</u>

TOTAL \$ 277,554.00

DAIRY PRODUCTS

Milk and Milk Products TOTAL \$17,399,272.00

LIVESTOCK

Beef Cattle	\$52,283,600.00
Hogs	930,500.00
Sheep and Lambs	140,700.00
Registered Stock	<u>635,000.00</u>

TOTAL \$53,989,800.00

MISCELLANEOUS

Nursery Stock	\$ 655,975.00
Ornamentals - Cut Flowers	179,268.00
Fertilizer	115,992.00
Straw	61,536.00
Glazed Fruit	<u>4,788.00</u>

TOTAL \$ 1,017,559.00

POULTRY

YIELD

VALUATION

Chickens

Fryers  
Hens  
Baby Chicks  
Eggs

2,288,915 Lbs  
300,111 Hd  
545,000 Hd  
7,426,260 Doz

\$ 572,228.00  
274,637.00  
130,800.00  
3,193,291.00

Turkeys

Toms  
Hens  
Fryers  
Poults  
Eggs  
Geese

2,796,725 Lbs  
2,148,125 Lbs  
18,000 Lbs  
560,851 Hd  
1,126,600  
1,900 Hd

783,083.00  
687,400.00  
4,500.00  
392,595.00  
292,916.00  
3,420.00

TOTAL

\$ 6,334,870.00

FIELD CROPS

Alfalfa  
Blackeyed Peas  
Red Clover

Certified Seed 308 Tons  
Certified Seed 1,500 Tons  
Certified Seed 3,000 Lbs

\$ 138,600.00  
180,000.00  
930.00

Cotton

Lint  
Seed  
Rice  
Sugar Beets

204,116 Bales  
81,646 Tons  
2,166 Tons  
41,440 Tons

32,658,560.00  
3,755,716.00  
162,450.00  
518,000.00

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Hay

Alfalfa  
Grain  
Hay and Straw  
Dehydrated Hay  
Mixed Feed

411,300 Tons  
3,240 Tons  
1,575 Tons  
500 Tons

10,488,150.00  
68,550.00  
78,750.00  
40,000.00

Grain

Barley  
Milo  
Oats  
Wheat  
Yellow Corn

18,781 Tons  
11,235 Tons  
1,130 Tons  
11,474 Tons  
5,200 Tons

760,630.00  
606,690.00  
51,980.00  
814,654.00  
332,800.00

TOTAL

\$50,656,460.00

Subsidy Payments

\$ 142,824.00



RECAPITULATION

CITRUS	\$ 35,405,571.00
DECIDUOUS AND GRAPES	56,910,923.00
TRUCK CROPS	11,477,659.00
APICULTURE	277,554.00
DAIRY PRODUCTS	17,399,272.00
LIVESTOCK	53,989,800.00
MISCELLANEOUS	1,017,559.00
POULTRY	6,334,870.00
FIELD CROPS	50,656,460.00
SUBSIDY PAYMENTS	<u>142,824.00</u>

GRAND TOTAL \$233,612,492.00

RECAPITULATION FOR SIX YEARS

	<u>1950</u>	<u>1951</u>	<u>1952</u>
CITRUS	\$ 17,713,803.00	\$ 26,672,501.00	\$ 36,324,418.00
DECIDUOUS AND GRAPES	43,003,823.00	44,911,391.00	50,536,612.00
TRUCK CROPS	12,806,761.00	9,452,999.00	13,546,438.00
APICULTURE	136,800.00	105,840.00	221,453.00
DAIRY PRODUCTS	12,381,358.00	13,704,591.00	14,908,955.00
LIVESTOCK	39,301,065.00	48,777,263.00	47,003,784.00
MISCELLANEOUS	1,322,934.00	1,668,128.00	1,922,309.00
POULTRY	8,662,106.00	13,175,930.00	13,562,201.00
FIELD CROPS	61,238,923.00	86,839,778.00	74,552,379.00
SUBSIDY PAYMENTS	<u>251,886.00</u>	<u>154,387.00</u>	<u>149,267.00</u>
TOTAL	\$196,819,459.00	\$245,462,808.00	\$252,727,816.00

	<u>1953</u>	<u>1954</u>	
CITRUS	\$ 30,406,908.00	\$ 33,972,764.00	\$ 35,405,571.00
DECIDUOUS AND GRAPES	36,490,890.00	44,207,064.00	56,910,923.00
TRUCK CROPS	11,277,847.00	13,510,482.00	11,477,659.00
APICULTURE	105,860.00	113,700.00	277,554.00
DAIRY PRODUCTS	16,687,567.00	19,365,139.00	17,399,272.00
LIVESTOCK	42,437,385.00	38,178,370.00	53,989,800.00
MISCELLANEOUS	838,371.00	968,511.00	1,017,559.00
POULTRY	7,956,467.00	6,857,460.00	6,334,870.00
FIELD CROPS	66,717,147.00	65,176,593.00	50,656,460.00
SUBSIDY PAYMENTS	<u>57,549.00</u>	<u>192,093.00</u>	<u>142,824.00</u>
TOTAL	\$212,975,991.00	\$222,542,176.00	\$233,612,492.00