

AGRICULTURAL CROP REPORT

1973



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Gentlemen:

It is my pleasure to submit the 1973 Agricultural Crop Report for Amador County in accordance with Section 2279 of the California Agricultural Code.

The values in this report represent the gross values of commercial agricultural production in Amador County. On this basis the total value of farm production in the County amounted to \$7,023,100 for 1973 as compared to a revised figure of \$5,116,400 for 1972. Although the gross income indicated by this report is a new record, it is not necessarily a reflection of increased grower profit. Production and marketing costs have continued to rise, limiting net incomes.

Stronger prices for all commodities plus higher yields for the fruit and nut crops contributed to the increase. The value of grape production passed the \$1,000,000 mark for the first time, an increase of 85% over 1972.

I wish to thank the many growers and other individuals who have contributed to the preparation of this report.

Respectfully submitted,

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Agricultural Commissioner

AMADOR COUNTY

GENERAL INFORMATION*

County Seat Jackson
Estimated Population
Total Assessed Valuation (73-74) \$76,043,513
County Tax Rate (73-74)\$1.78
Area of County (Acres)
Public Land 76,827
Urban Land 5,300
Surface Water Acres 9,000
Cropland Acres
Irrigated Acres
Rangelands (Woodlands and Forests) 235,000
County Road Miles
State Highway Miles

^{*} Sources of Information - Amador County Assessor's Office
California Soil and Water Conservation
Need Inventory
U.S.D.A. Census of Agriculture 1969
Amador County Department of Public Works
Amador County Chamber of Commerce

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LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY - PRODUCTION AND VALUE

		PRODUCTION			VAL	VALUE PER	
ITEM	YEAR	NO. OF HEAD	LIVEWEIGHT	UNIT	UNIT	TOTAL	
Cattle and Calves	1973 1972*	9,100 9,400	66,800 70,500	cwt.	46.00 35.10	\$3,072,800 2,424,600	
Horses	1973 1972	300 275		head head	250.00 250.00	75,000 68,800	
Hogs and Pigs	1973 1972	1,100 1,350	1,700 1,850	cwt.	42.00 29.50	71,400 54,000	
Sheep and Lambs	1973 1972	2,750 2,600	2,475 2,340	cwt.	35.00 29.80	86,600 69,700	
Goats (Angora)	1973 1972	1,000 950		head head	17.00 14.00	17,000 13,300	
Miscellaneous(1)	1973 1972					191,600 147,200	
TOTAL	1973 19 72 *					\$3,514,400 2,827,600	

^{*} Revised

(1) Includes milk cows, milk goats, poultry, rabbits, game birds, fish, and fur-bearing animals

JANUARY 1, INVENTORIES OF LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY*

1TEM	January 1, 1973	January 1, 1974
Cattle and Calves (all)	14,200	12,900
Sheep and Lambs	1,900	1,100
Hogs and Pigs	200	200

^{*} Figures from California Crop & Livestock Reporting Service

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY PRODUCTS

TTEM	YEAR	VALUE
Wool, M.hair, Eggs, and	1973	\$191,600
Apiary Produces	1972*	126,300

^{*} Revised

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FRUIT AND NUT CROPS - ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE

		BEAR ING	PRODUC'	TION PER	VA	ALUE
ITEM	YEAR	ACRES	ACRE	TONS	TON	$\overline{ ext{TOTAL}}$
Grapes, Wine	1973 1972	584 556	4.40 2.82	2,570 1,568	390.00 345.00	\$1,002,300 541,000
Prunes	1973 1972	119 119	1.80 None l	214 Produced	460.00	98,500
Walnuts	1973 1972	660 598	.51 .16	337 96	560.00 540.00	188,700 52,000
Miscellaneous*	1973 1972	60 69				5,500 2,000
TOTAL	1973 1972	1,423 1,342				\$1,295,000 595,000

^{*} Apples, olives, pears and other nut crops

MISCELLANEOUS PRODUCTION AND VALUE

ITEM	YEAR	<u>ACREAGE</u>	VALUE
Vegetables, Fresh	1973 1972	40 40	\$ 10,000 9,800
Christmas Trees and Nursery Stock	1973 1972		85,000 73,000
TOTAL	1973 1972*		\$ 95,000° 82,800

* Revised

RECAPTULATION				
	1972	1973		
Field Crops	\$1,484,700*	\$1,897,100		
Fruit and Nut Crops	595,000	1,295,000		
Livestock and Poultry	2,827,600*	3,514,400		
Livestock & Poultry Products	126,300*	191,600		
Miscellaneous	82,800*	95,000		
GRAND TOTAL	\$5,116,400	\$7,023,100		

		TOTAL FOR F	AST TEN YEARS		
1963	\$3,077,194	1967	\$4,557,430	1971	\$6,751,800
1964	2,609,718	1968	5,516,410	1972*	5,116,400
1965	3,275,118	1969	6,033,480	1973	7,023,100
1966	3,913,750	1970	6,607,250		,

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