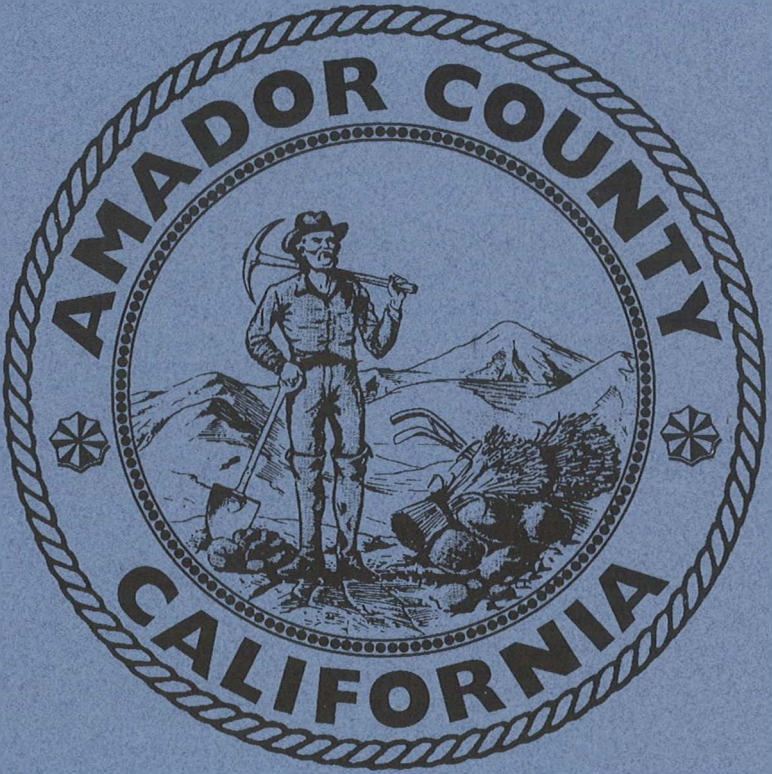


Amador County



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1999 Report of Agriculture

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William J. Lyons Jr., Secretary
California Department of Food and Agriculture
and
The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Amador

In accordance with Section 2279 and 2272 of the California Food and Agricultural Code, I am pleased to present the 1999 Crop and Livestock Report of Agricultural Production and Report of Sustainable Agriculture in Amador County.

The total gross valuation for all agricultural commodities produced in 1999 was \$28,087,630. This represents an increase of 11.6 percent from the 1998 gross production values.

Significant commodity group changes when compared to 1998 values were: Fruit and Nut Crops increased by 37 percent and Miscellaneous increased by 30 percent.

The value of the 1999 Wine Grape Production increased by 37 percent and replaced Timber as Amador County's leading commodity.

These production values only partially reflect the overall measure of the economic impact agriculture has on the local economy. Processing, transporting, marketing and other farm-related services significantly multiply the value agriculture has to Amador County.

It must be emphasized that this report deals with gross value of production only and does not attempt to reflect net farm income.

I would like to thank all the individuals, producers, processors, government agencies and others whose cooperation and assistance contributed in preparing this report. My sincerest thanks and appreciation must also be extended to Carolyn Albright and Barry Clark as well as all department staff for their efforts in compiling and finalizing this report.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael E. Boitano
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FRUIT AND NUT CROPS

	YEAR	HARVESTED ACRES	PROD. / ACRE	TOTAL UNITS	PRICE / UNIT	TOTAL VALUE
GRAPES *	1999	2,831	4.1	11,607	\$953	\$11,061,471
	1998	2,672	2.9	7,749	\$910	\$7,051,590
WALNUTS	1999	502	0.76	382	\$740	\$282,680
	1998	577	0.14	81	\$880	\$71,280
MISC **	1999	40.5				\$91,915
	1998	60				\$88,000
TOTALS	1999	3,374				\$11,436,066
	1998	3,309				\$7,210,870

* Weighted Average Determination

** Boysenberries, Apples, Prunes, Kiwis

MISCELLANEOUS PRODUCTION AND VALUE

	YEAR	TOTAL VALUE
FRESH VEGETABLES *	1999	\$138,000
	1998	\$69,500
CHRISTMAS TREES	1999	\$59,250
	1998	\$53,750
NURSERY STOCK	1999	\$150,000
	1998	\$120,000
TOTALS	1999	\$347,250
	1998	\$243,250

* Includes Farmers Market



FIELD CROPS

	YEAR	HARVESTED ACRES	PROD. / ACRE	TOTAL UNITS	PRICE/ UNIT	TOTAL VALUE
HAY, ALFALFA	1999	434	6	2,604	\$130	\$338,520
	1998	434	6	2,604	\$120	\$312,480
HAY, GRAIN	1999	730	5	3,650	\$95	\$346,750
	1998	823	4	3,292	\$100	\$329,200
HAY, OTHER	1999	400	1	400	\$90	\$36,000
	1998	400	1	400	\$120	\$48,000
PASTURE IRRIGATED	1999	1,800			\$120	\$216,000
	1998	1,800			\$120	\$216,000
PASTURE & RANGE	1999	167,000			\$9	\$1,503,000
	1998	167,000			\$9	\$1,503,000
CORN	1999	343	5	1,715	\$85	\$145,775
	1998	447	5	2,235	\$120	\$268,200
SAFFLOWER	1999	SAFFLOWER INCLUDED IN MISCELLANEOUS IN 1999				
	1998	264	1.1	290	\$300	\$87,000
SUDANGRASS	1999	SUDANGRASS INCLUDED IN MISCELLANEOUS IN 1999				
	1998	138	5	690	\$95	\$65,550
MISC. CROPS*	1999	311				\$184,350
	1998	177				\$89,703
TOTALS	1999	171,018				\$2,770,395
	1998	171,483				\$2,919,133

* Sugar Beets, Wheat, Safflower, Sudangrass, Oats

TIMBER AND RELATED PRODUCTS

YEAR	HARVESTED BOARD FEET	TOTAL VALUE
1999	28,867 MBF	\$8,448,000
1998	32,700 MBF	\$9,722,000

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY

	YEAR	NUMBER OF HEAD	WEIGHT (CWT)	PRICE/UNIT	TOTAL VALUE
CATTLE & CALVES	1999	12,000	78,000	\$60.00	\$4,680,000
	1998	12,000	78,000	\$55.00	\$4,290,000
HOGS & PIGS	1999	220	528	\$41.00	\$21,648
	1998	220	528	\$34.00	\$17,952
SHEEP & LAMBS	1999	1,100	1,320	\$71.25	\$94,050
	1998	1,100	1,320	\$70.00	\$92,400
GOATS (ANGORA)	1999	300	300	\$46.00	\$13,800
	1998	300	300	\$46.00	\$13,800
MISC.*	1999				\$245,371
	1998				\$278,371
TOTALS	1999	13,620			\$5,054,869
	1998	13,620			\$4,692,523

* Includes milk goats, meat goats, poultry, rabbits, game birds, fish, worms, apiary

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY PRODUCTS	YEAR	TOTAL VALUE
WOOL, MOHAIR	1999	\$31,050
AND APIARY PRODUCTS	1998	\$37,800



SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURAL REPORT

BIOLOGICAL CONTROL PROGRAMS

PEST	AGENT/MECHANISM	PROGRAM
KLAMATH WEED HYPERICUM PERFORATUM	KLAMATH WEED BEETLE CHRYSOLINA GEMELLATA	COUNTY WIDE
ITALIAN THISTLE CARDUUS PycNOCEPHALUS	SEEDHEAD WEEVIL RHINOCYLLUS CONICUS	COUNTY WIDE
PUNCTURE VINE TRIBULUS TERRESTRIS	STEM & SEED WEEVILS MICROLARINUS LAREYNII	COUNTY WIDE
ASH WHITE FLY SIPHONINUS PHILYREAE	ENCARSIA WASP ENCARSIA SP. NR. INARON	COUNTY WIDE
YELLOW STAR THISTLE CENTAUREA SOLSTITIALIS	SEED WEEVIL BANGASTERNUS ORIENTALIS	COUNTY WIDE
YELLOW STAR THISTLE CENTAUREA SOLSTITIALIS	SEED WEEVIL EUSTENOPUS VILLOSUS	8 SITES
YELLOW STAR THISTLE CENTAUREA SOLSTITIALIS	YELLOW STAR THISTLE GALL FLY UROPHORA SIRUNASEVA	COUNTY WIDE
YELLOW STAR THISTLE CENTAUREA SOLSTITIALIS	YELLOW STAR THISTLE SEEDHEAD FLY CHAETORELLIA SUCCINEA	1 SITE
YELLOW STAR THISTLE CENTAUREA SOLSTITIALUS	FLOWER WEEVIL LARINUS CURTUS	1 SITE

PEST PREVENTION ACTIVITIES

PEST ERADICATION

SKELETON WEED CHONDRILLA JUNCEA	CHEMICAL	50 SITES
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PEST EXCLUSION

TYPE	PREMISES INSPECTED	REJECTIONS
TRUCKS	32	1
GYPSY MOTH	1	0
OTHER	3	0

PEST DETECTION

INSECT TRAPPING PROGRAM

TYPE OF TRAPS	NUMBER OF TRAPS
GYPSY MOTH	240
MEDITERRANEAN FRUIT FLY	48
JAPANESE BEETLE	24
ORIENTAL FRUIT FLY	16
MELON FRUIT FLY	12

ORGANIC FARMING STATISTICS

TYPE OF FARM	NUMBER OF FARMS
VEGETABLES	3
WINE GRAPES	4

RECAPITULATION

	1999	1999
TIMBER	\$9,722,000	\$8,448,000
LIVESTOCK	\$4,692,523	\$5,054,869
FRUIT AND NUT CROPS	\$7,210,870	\$11,436,066
FIELD CROPS	\$2,919,133	\$2,770,395
MISCELLANEOUS	\$243,250	\$347,250
LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY PRODUCTS	\$37,800	\$31,050
GRAND TOTAL	\$24,825,576	\$28,087,630

STATISTICS

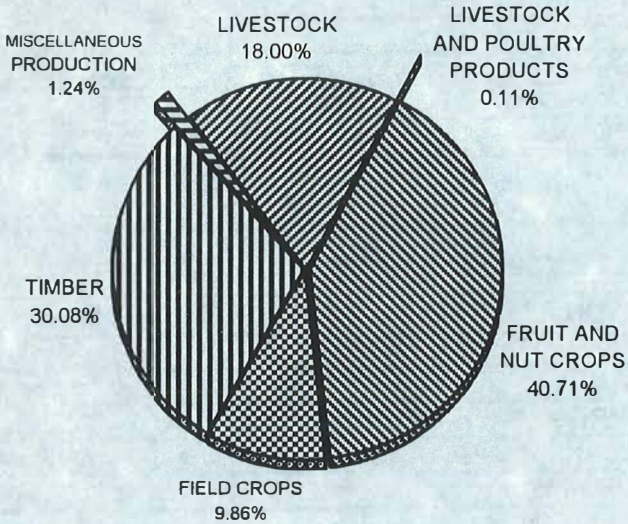
TOTAL LAND AREA	363,500 acres
WILLIAMSON ACT LAND	93,000 acres
EL DORADO NATIONAL FOREST	78,079 acres
BLM LAND	9,191 acres
TIMBER PRESERVE LAND	27,485 acres
PASTURE AND RANGELAND	167,000 acres
LAND IN FARMS	218,000 acres
FARMS IN COUNTY	371

TOTAL FOR THE PAST TEN YEARS

1990	\$24,997,329	1995	\$24,833,902
1991	\$20,265,246	1996	\$29,209,735
1992	\$24,533,341	1997	\$23,779,190
1993	\$25,424,265	1998	\$24,825,576
1994	\$24,886,801	1999	\$28,087,630



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Ten Year Comparison

