

2005 Amador County



Agricultural Crop & Livestock Report

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A.G. Kawamura, 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 2005 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 2005 was \$43,127,023. This represents an increase of 34.17 % from the 2004 gross production values. This overall increase was due to an increase in timber production because of the salvage harvest of timber on the Power Fire.

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 Barry Clark as well as all the department staff for their efforts in compiling and finalizing this report.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Michael E. Boitano", is written over a faint, larger version of the same signature.

Michael E. Boitano
Agricultural Commissioner/Sealer

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FRUIT AND NUT CROPS

	YEAR	HARVESTED ACRES	PROD. / ACRE	TOTAL UNITS	PRICE / UNIT	TOTAL VALUE
WINE GRAPES *	2005	3874	3.42	13249.1	995.07	\$13,183,762
	2004	3741	3.54	13243	1010	\$13,375,430
WALNUTS	2005	391	0.26	100.096	1000	\$100,096
	2004	400	0.46	184	931	\$171,304
MISC** +	2005	23.25				\$540,467
	2004	19.25				\$39,633
TOTALS	2005					\$13,824,325
	2004					\$13,586,367

* Weighted Average Determination

** Tomatoes, Olive Oil, Cucumbers, Apples, Pears

+ Production of Tomatoes and Cucumbers

FIELD CROPS

	YEAR	HARVESTED ACRES	PROD. / ACRE	TOTAL UNITS	PRICE/ UNIT	TOTAL VALUE
HAY, ALFALFA	2005	467	6.1	2848.7	109.6	\$312,218
	2004	490	6.3	3087	104	\$321,048
HAY, GRAIN	2005	1037	4.5	4666.5	85.5	\$398,986
	2004	872	6	5232	79	\$413,328
HAY, OTHER	2005	164	2.6	426.4	83	\$35,391
	2004	200	3	600	71	\$42,600
***PASTURE IRRIGATED	2005	1545			90	\$139,050
	2004	1545			90	\$139,050
***PASTURE & RANGE	2005	156801			16	\$2,508,816
	2004	156801			16	\$2,508,816
CORN**	2005					
	2004	95	5.8	551	88	\$48,488
MISC. CROPS*	2005	82				\$136,420
	2004	564				\$165,018
TOTALS	2005					\$3,530,880
	2004					\$3,638,348

*Sudan grass, Corn, Pumpkins, Wheat

** 2004 figures only

***Correction in prices from 2004

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY

	YEAR	NUMBER OF HEAD	WEIGHT (CWT)	PRICE/ UNIT	TOTAL VALUE
CATTLE & CALVES	2005	16000	104000	91	\$9,443,200
	2004	19000	123500	95	\$11,732,500
HOGS & PIGS	2005	300	720	53	\$37,822
	2004	300	720	63	\$45,432
SHEEP & LAMBS	2005	1500	1800	99	\$178,020
	2004	1500	1800	194	\$349,470
MEAT GOATS (Breeding)	2005	200	100	400	80000
	2004	50	88	400	20000
MEAT GOATS	2005	600	600	100	60000
	2004	550	550	80	44000
MISC.*	2005				\$710,975
	2004				\$434,675
TOTALS	2005				\$10,510,017
	2004				\$12,626,077

*Milk goats, Rabbits, Game Birds, Fish, Worms, Poultry

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY PRODUCTS	YEAR	TOTAL VALUE
WOOL, MOHAIR	2005	\$22,123
AND APIARY PRODUCTS	2004	\$35,335

MISCELLANEOUS

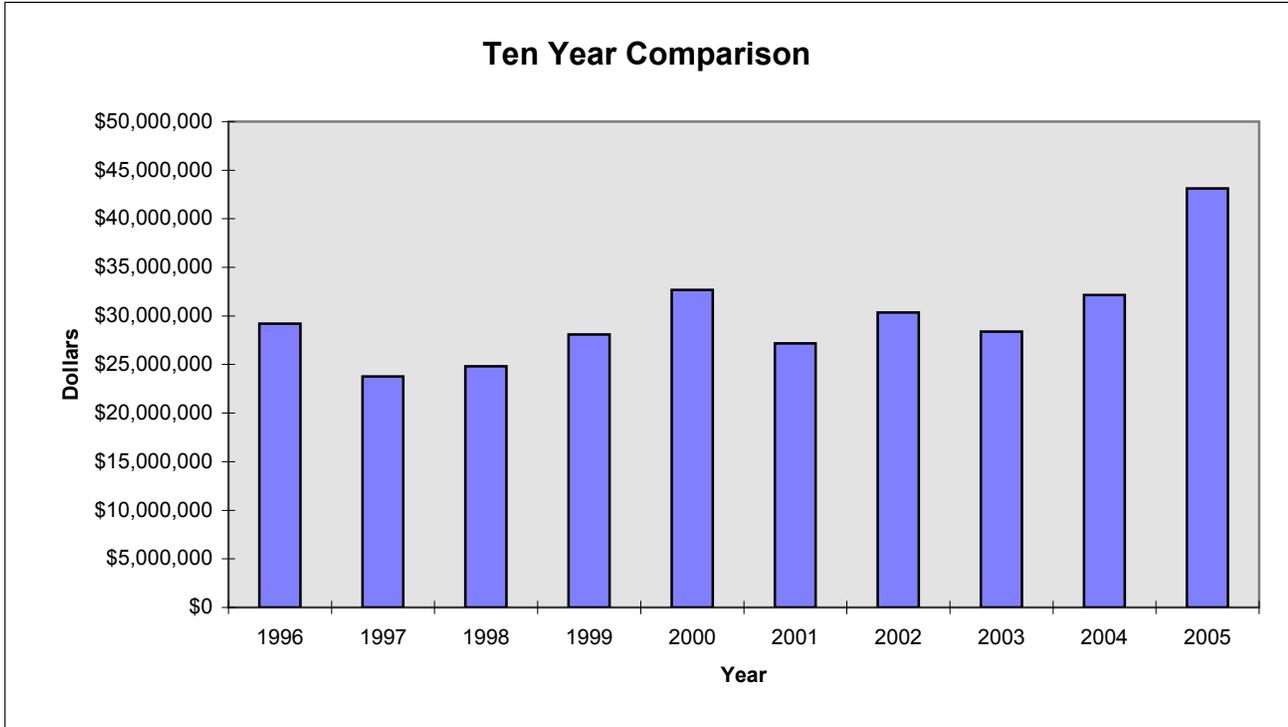
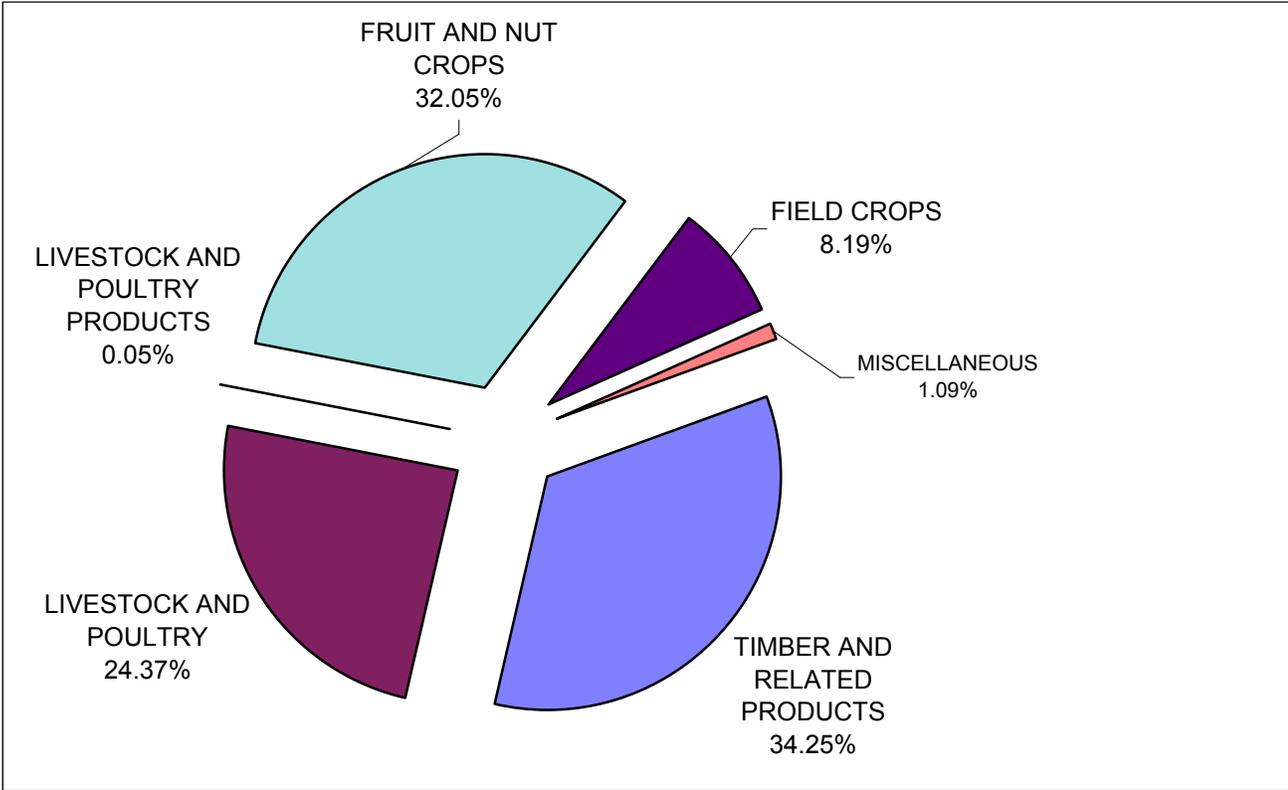
	YEAR	TOTAL VALUE
FRESH VEGETABLES *	2005	\$182,000
	2004	\$191,650
CHRISTMAS TREES	2005	\$11,250
	2004	\$9,375
NURSERY STOCK	2005	\$275,000
	2004	\$275,000
TOTALS	2005	\$468,250
	2004	\$476,025

* Includes Farmers Market

TIMBER AND RELATED PRODUCTS

YEAR	HARVESTED BOARD FEET	TOTAL VALUE
2005	87,852 MBF	\$14,771,428
2004	6,962 MBF	\$1,781,980

Rise in value from salvage of Power Fire



RECAPITULATION		
	2004	2005
TIMBER AND RELATED PRODUCTS	\$1,781,980	\$14,771,428
LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY	\$12,626,077	\$10,510,017
FRUIT AND NUT CROPS	\$13,586,367	\$13,824,325
FIELD CROPS	\$3,638,348	\$3,530,880
MISCELLANEOUS	\$476,025	\$468,250
LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY PRODUCTS	\$35,335	\$22,123
GRAND TOTAL	\$32,144,132	\$43,127,023

STATISTICS		
TOTAL LAND AREA	363500	acres
WILLIAMSON ACT LAND	93949	acres
EL DORADO NATIONAL FOREST	78079	acres
BLM LAND	9191	acres
TIMBER PRESERVE LAND	27485	acres
PASTURE AND RANGELAND	156801	acres
LAND IN FARMS	218000	acres
FARMS IN COUNTY	376	

TOTAL FOR THE PAST TEN YEARS			
1996	\$29,209,735	2001	\$28,087,630
1997	\$23,779,190	2002	\$32,673,726
1998	\$29,209,735	2003	\$30,348,836
1999	\$23,779,190	2004	\$32,144,132
2000	\$24,825,576	2005	\$43,127,023

SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURAL REPORT

BIOLOGICAL CONTROL PROGRAMS

PEST	AGENT/MECHANISM	PROGRAM
KLAMATH WEED	KLAMATH WEED BEETLE	COUNTY WIDE
ITALIAN THISTLE	SEEDHEAD WEEVIL	COUNTY WIDE
PUNCTURE VINE	STEM & SEED WEEVIL	COUNTY WIDE
ASH WHITE FLY	ENCARSIA WASP	COUNTY WIDE
YELLOW STARHISTLE	BANGASTERNUS ORIENTALIS	COUNTY WIDE
YELLOW STARHISTLE	EUSTENOPUS VILLOSUS	COUNTY WIDE
YELLOW STARHISTLE	LARINUS CURTUS WEEVIL	COUNTY WIDE
YELLOW STARHISTLE	YELLOW STARHISTLE GALL FLY	COUNTY WIDE
YELLOW STARHISTLE	YELLOW STARHISTLE RUST	2 SITES

PEST PREVENTION ACTIVITIES

PEST ERADICATION		
SKELETON WEED	CHEMICAL	30 SITES
DIFFUSE KNAPWEED	HAND PULLED	2 SITES
SPOTTED KNAPWEED	HAND PULLED	1 SITE
PEST EXCLUSION		
TYPE	SHIPMENTS INSPECTED	REJECTIONS
TRUCKS	31	0
GYPSY MOTH	1	0
OTHER	3	1
PEST MANAGEMENT		
TYPE	SHIPMENTS INSPECTED	REJECTIONS
GLASSY-WINGED SHARPSHOOTER	53	0
TYPE	NUMBER OF TRAPS	
GLASSY-WINGED SHARPSHOOTER	120	

PEST DETECTION

INSECT TRAPPING PROGRAM	
TYPE OF TRAP	NUMBER OF TRAPS
GYPSY MOTH	150
MEDITERRANEAN FRUIT FLY	33
JAPANESE BEETLE	25
ORIENTAL FRUIT FLY	11
MELON FRUIT FLY	11

ORGANIC FARMING STATISTICS

TYPE OF FARM	NUMBER OF FARMS
VEGETABLES	4
WINE GRAPES	4