

**AGRICULTURAL CROP
REPORT**

County of Lassen

1963

LASSEN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

LASSEN COUNTY
AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER
And
Sealer of Weights and Measures

Veterans Memorial Building
SUSANVILLE, CALIFORNIA
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TO: THE HONORABLE CHARLES PAUL, DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE
THE HONORABLE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF LASSEN COUNTY

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Section 65.5 of the California Agricultural Code requires that the Agricultural Commissioner compile a report covering the conditions, acreage, production and value of the agricultural products of his county.

This is the twentieth annual crop report and the values given herein show an average gross return to the farmers and ranchers of Lassen County for their commodities. Field crops showed a gain of about one-half million dollars, while apiary products were up fifty percent which can be attributed to greater yields due to heavy rain fall. Seed garlic showed a better yield and greater price this year while livestock took a drop of about one million dollars. The livestock drop was due to lower prices and less weight in sales.

I wish to express my sincere appreciation to those individuals and agencies for their cooperation and assistance in making this report.

Respectfully submitted,

Ernest E. Fix

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Agricultural Commissioner

FIELD CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Crop	Year	Harvested acreage	Production (in tons)		Value	
			Per acre	Total	Per ton	Total
Hay, alfalfa	1963	13,000	2.95	38,350	\$23.00	\$ 882,050
	1962	12,700	2.60	33,020	22.00	726,440
Hay, grain	1963	7,300	1.5	10,950	20.00	219,000
	1962	7,160	1.10	7,876	20.00	157,520
Hay, other tame	1963	2,200	2.4	5,280	21.00	110,880
	1962	1,970	2	3,940	20.00	78,800
Hay, wild	1963	33,700	1	33,700	18.00	606,600
	1962	27,700	1	27,700	18.00	498,600
Barley	1963	7,650	.8	6,120	45.00	275,400
	1962	7,350	.7	5,145	44.00	226,380
Oats	1963	825	1.10	907	52.00	47,164
	1962	710	1.10	781	52.00	40,612
Rye	1963	960	.4	384	55.00	21,120
	1962	960	.3	288	55.00	15,840
Wheat	1963	4,200	.72	3,024	67.00	202,608
	1962	4,200	.65	2,730	67.00	182,910
Corn, for silage	1963	426	21	8,946	7.25	64,858
	1962	230	25	5,750	7.50	43,125
Pasture, irrigated	1963	33,250			a/ 26.00	864,500
	1962	33,200			26.00	863,200
Pasture, other	1963	23,200			a/ 5.25	121,800
	1962	23,200			5.25	121,800
Grazing land (privately owned)	1963	559,000			a/ .22	122,980
	1962	559,300			.22	123,046
a/ Per acre						
Total	1963					\$ 3,538,960
	1962					3,078,273

SEED CROP: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Crop	Year	Harvested acreage	Production (in pounds)		Value	
			Per acre	Total	Per pound	Total
Garlic	1963	73	10,000	730,000	\$.16	\$ 116,800
	1962	118	2,229	263,000	.12	31,560
Total	1963					\$ 116,800
	1962					31,560

PRODUCTION OF LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY

Item	Year	Head	Production		Value
			(in pounds)	Per pound	
Cattle and calves	1963	34,636	18,505,680	\$.23	\$ 4,256,306
	1962	32,000	22,235,000	.24	5,336,400
Sheep and lambs	1963	16,100	1,374,500	.16	219,920
	1962		1,309,000	.15	196,350
Hogs and pigs	1963		148,200	.15	22,230
	1962		148,200	.18	26,676
Horses and mules	1963		217,000	.09	19,530
	1962		207,000	.08	16,560
Chickens	1963		44,500	.18	8,010
	1962		44,500	.18	8,010
Total	1963				\$ 4,525,996
	1962				5,583,996

PRODUCTION OF LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY PRODUCTS

Item	Year	Production		Per unit	Value
		Unit	Total		
Milk, market	1963	cwt	31,400	\$ 5.16	\$ 162,024
	1962	cwt	32,400	4.60	149,040
Milk, manufacturing	1963	cwt	4,520	2.92	13,198
	1962	cwt	4,650	2.79	12,973
Wool	1963	lb	189,000	.45	85,050
	1962	lb	180,000	.45	81,000
Eggs	1963	dozen	126,000	.44	55,440
	1962	dozen	126,000	.44	55,440
Total	1963				\$ 315,712
	1962				298,453

PRODUCTION OF MISCELLANEOUS AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES

Item	Year	Production		Per unit	Value
		Unit	Total		
Honey	1963	lb	90,000	\$.15	\$ 13,500
	1962	lb	76,300	.12	9,156
Beeswax	1963	lb	1,750	.44	770
	1962	lb	1,540	.44	677
Total	1963				\$ 14,270
	1962				9,833

SUMMARY

Field Crops	1963	\$ 3,538,960
	1962	3,078,273
Seed Crops	1963	116,800
	1962	6,890
Production of Livestock and Poultry	1963	4,525,996
	1962	5,583,996
Production of Livestock and Poultry Products	1963	315,712
	1962	298,453
Production of Miscellaneous Agricultural Commodities	1963	14,270
	1962	9,833
Grand Total	1963	\$ 8,511,738
	1962	9,016,805