

AGRICULTURAL CROP REPORT

County of Lassen

1966

LASSEN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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DONALD R. HILL
AGRICULTURE COMMISSIONER

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ANNUAL CROP REPORT
FOR YEAR 1966

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Gentlemen:

In accordance with the provisions of Section 65.5 of the Agricultural Code of the State of California, I herewith submit the 1966 Agricultural Crop Report for the County of Lassen.

The total gross production value, including livestock, is \$9,512,350. This represents an increase over the previous year of \$152,512. While this increase is relatively small, I feel it is significant in view of the fact the lack of rainfall lowered the yield of field crops considerably and despite increased prices, their total production value is down \$329,400.

Livestock and poultry production, the major source of agricultural income in this county, increased \$345,334. This alone more than offset the total value loss of field crops. Because livestock production is such an important part of our economy, inventory figures have been included in this report.

The slight increase in the total value of livestock and poultry products was contributed to largely by an increase in market milk production.

A 52 percent reduction in honey production is responsible for the loss in total value of apiary products. This too is a result of inadequate moisture during the growing season.

The total value of seed, vegetable and nursery crops increased \$114,000. This was a result of increased potato acreage and production. As predicated in 1965, the garlic seed production has declined drastically and is now included in miscellaneous crops.

Again I wish to emphasize, the gross value figures in this report do not represent farm income, as production costs are not considered.

My sincere thanks is extended to the many agencies and individuals for their fine cooperation in making available the necessary data from which this report is compiled.

Respectfully submitted,



Donald R. Hill
Agricultural Commissioner

FIELD CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Hay, alfalfa	1966	16,800	2.00	33,600	Ton	\$29.00	\$ 974,000
	1965	15,500	3.00	46,500	Ton	25.00	1,163,000
Hay, grain	1966	9,700	1.00	9,700	Ton	24.00	233,000
	1965	8,200	1.33	10,900	Ton	20.00	218,000
Hay, other tame	1966	3,100	1.25	3,875	Ton	25.00	96,900
	1965	2,200	1.80	4,100	Ton	21.00	86,000
Hay, wild	1966	27,500	.75	20,625	Ton	22.50	464,000
	1965	29,000	1.00	29,000	Ton	18.00	522,000
Barley	1966	5,300	.75	3,975	Ton	50.00	199,000
	1965	6,500	.90	5,850	Ton	45.00	263,000
Oats	1966	700	.85	595	Ton	52.00	31,000
	1965	850	1.00	850	Ton	50.00	42,500
Rye	1966	120	.30	36	Ton	58.00	2,100
	1965	800	.30	240	Ton	50.00	12,000
Wheat	1966	4,100	.90	3,690	Ton	51.00	188,000
	1965	4,400	1.00	4,400	Ton	44.00	194,000
Corn, for silage	1966	220	19.00	4,180	Ton	12.00	50,200
	1965	730	23.00	16,800	Ton	8.20	138,000
Pasture, irrigated	1966	33,000			Acre	24.00	792,000
	1965	33,000			Acre	22.00	726,000
Pasture, other	1966	45,000			Acre	4.00	180,000
	1965	42,000			Acre	4.50	189,000
Grazing land (privately owned)	1966	530,000			Acre	.20	106,000
	1965	533,000			Acre	.20	107,000
Other field crops	1966						15,000
	1965	None					
TOTAL	1966						\$3,331,200
	1965						3,660,600

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY: PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Item	Year	Production		Unit	Value	
		No. of Head	Liveweight		Per Unit	Total
Cows	1966	6,084	54,800	Cwt.	\$16.17	\$ 886,000
	1965	6,370	63,700	Cwt.	13.00	828,000
Calves	1966	3,621	13,600	Cwt.	25.17	342,000
	1965	4,730	17,500	Cwt.	22.00	385,000
Heifers	1966	7,858	48,700	Cwt.	21.00	1,023,000
	1965	7,720	42,500	Cwt.	18.00	765,000
Steers	1966	14,866	112,000	Cwt.	24.33	2,725,000
	1965	14,800	126,000	Cwt.	22.00	2,772,000
Bulls	1966	1,042	13,500	Cwt.	19.00	257,000
	1965	535	7,760	Cwt.	18.20	141,000
Sheep and lambs	1966	9,400	8,460	Cwt.	22.00	186,000
	1965	9,600	8,700	Cwt.	23.00	200,000
Hogs and pigs	1966	1,350	2,835	Cwt.	23.00	65,000
	1965	1,200	2,280	Cwt.	21.50	49,000
Horses	1966	58		Head	340.00	19,700
	1965	75		Head	250.00	18,800
Chickens	1966	2,860	11,440	Lbs.	.12	1,400
	1965	1,650	7,430	Lbs.	.13	966
TOTAL	1966					\$5,505,100
	1965					5,159,766

RÉCAPITULATION

Production Values

	1965*	1966
Field Crops	\$3,660,600	\$3,331,200
Livestock and Poultry	5,159,766	5,505,100
Livestock and Poultry Products	279,400	304,300
Apiary Products	18,072	15,750
Seed, Vegetable and Nursery Crops	242,000	356,000
TOTAL	\$9,359,838	\$9,512,350

* Revised

Comparative Production Values

1957	\$6,763,507
1958	8,690,205
1959	8,183,856
1960	8,886,822
1961	8,222,249
1962	9,016,805
1963	8,516,616
1964	8,658,317
1965	9,359,838
1966	9,512,350