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Agricultural Crop Report

*County of
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1977

LASSEN COUNTY

DEPARTMENT of AGRICULTURE

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THE HONORABLE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF LASSEN COUNTY

In accordance with Section 2279 of the California Agricultural Code, I respectfully submit the 1977 Lassen County Crop Report.

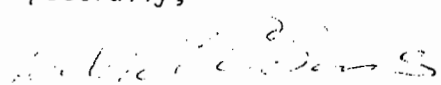
The gross value for all agricultural crops was \$15,121,100, down 3 million dollars.

Reduced alfalfa hay production was the greatest contributor to this lower figure, down 2 million dollars from 1976, and this loss in revenue is attributed directly to the drought. Field crops in general were down almost 5 million dollars.

Sales of cattle and calves were up 1.5 million dollars and helped to offset the total of this report, but this sales figure is misleading as many ranchers were forced to sell production animals that normally would have been retained. Consequently, our cattle inventory is down 2500 animals from 1976.

I wish to thank all of the individuals who cooperated to make this report possible and, as in the past, this crop report indicates gross dollar value only and does not represent net income to the grower.

Respectfully,


Fredric L. Evans
Agricultural Commissioner
Sealer of Weights and Measures
Air Pollution Control Officer

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ANNUAL CROP REPORT
FOR YEAR 1977

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FIELD CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE

CROP	YEAR	PRODUCTION			VALUE		
		HARVESTED ACREAGE	PER ACRE	TOTAL	UNIT	PER UNIT	TOTAL
Hay, alfalfa	1977	15,200	2.75	41,800	Ton	\$ 55.00	\$ 2,299,000
	1976	16,800	3.25	54,600	Ton	75.00	4,095,000
Hay, grain	1977	7,500	1.15	8,625	Ton	48.00	414,000
	1976	8,700	1.50	13,050	Ton	60.00	783,000
Hay, other	1977	20,000	.65	13,000	Ton	50.00	650,000
	1976	24,000	.75	18,000	Ton	65.00	1,170,000
Barley	1977	7,000	.80	5,600	Ton	85.00	476,000
	1976	7,000	.90	6,300	Ton	95.00	598,500
Oats	1977	100	1.00	100	Ton	85.00	8,500
	1976	100	1.25	125	Ton	95.00	11,875
Rye	1977	600	.33	200	Ton	90.00	18,000
	1976	600	.40	240	Ton	100.00	24,000
Wheat	1977	3,000	1.05	3,150	Ton	85.00	267,800
	1976	2,600	1.25	3,250	Ton	90.00	292,500
Safflower	1977	130	.87	113	Ton	250.00	28,250
	1976	210	.25	52.5	Ton	250.00	13,125
Corn, grain	1977	180	1.80	324	Ton	95.00	30,800
	1976	200	3.00	600	Ton	110.00	66,000
Corn, for silage	1977	110	25.50	2,805	Ton	25.00	70,100
	1976	100	25.50	2,550	Ton	25.00	63,750
Pasture, irrigated	1977	20,000			Acre	59.00	1,180,000
	1976	39,000			Acre	65.00	2,535,000
Pasture, range	1977	300,000			Acre	.75	225,000
	1976	515,000			Acre	.80	412,000
Other field crops	1977						22,000
	1976						26,500
TOTAL	1977						5,600,400
	1976						\$10,091,250

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY: PRODUCTION AND VALUE (ESTIMATED)

ITEM	YEAR	PRODUCTION		UNIT	VALUE	
		NO. OF HEAD	LIVEWEIGHT		PER UNIT	TOTAL
Cows	1977	6,500	58,500	Cwt.	\$26.00	\$1,521,000
	1976	6,140	55,260	Cwt.	21.00	1,160,460
Calves	1977	4,900	19,600	Cwt.	39.00	764,400
	1976	4,640	18,560	Cwt.	36.00	668,160
Heifers	1977	8,700	52,200	Cwt.	34.00	1,774,800
	1976	8,285	49,710	Cwt.	30.00	1,491,300
Steers	1977	12,300	92,300	Cwt.	41.00	3,782,300
	1976	11,670	87,525	Cwt.	36.00	3,150,900
Bulls	1977	1,300	18,200	Cwt.	29.00	527,800
	1976	1,230	17,220	Cwt.	27.00	464,940
Sheep and Lambs	1977	1,200	960	Cwt.	46.00	44,200
	1976	1,188	950	Cwt.	44.00	41,800
Hogs and Pigs	1977	700	1,400	Cwt.	47.00	65,800
	1976	735	1,470	Cwt.	44.00	64,680
Misc. Livestock and Poultry	1977					40,000
	1976					41,700
TOTAL	1977					8,520,300
	1976					\$7,083,940

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION AND VALUE

ITEM	YEAR	PRODUCTION	UNIT	PER UNIT	TOTAL
Milk, market	1977	27,400	Cwt.	\$10.18	\$279,000
	1976	27,400*	Cwt.	9.69*	265,000*
Wool	1977	26,400	Lbs.	.60	15,850
	1976	9,000	Lbs.	.55	4,950
Eggs	1977	30,000	Doz.	.58	17,400
	1976	72,100	Doz.	.62	44,700
Apiary and Miscellaneous	1977				9,600
	1976				9,800
TOTAL	1977				\$321,900
	1976				\$314,450

*Revised

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY INVENTORIES JANUARY 1, 1977-76

ITEM	January 1, 1977	January 1, 1976
All cattle and calves	44,000*	46,500*
All milk cows and heifers 2 years and over	300*	300*
Sheep and lambs	1,800*	1,800*
Hogs and pigs	700*	600*
Laying hens and pullets	0	4,800

*Figures submitted by California Crop and Livestock Reporting Service

SEED, FRUIT, VEGETABLE AND NURSERY CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE

CROP	YEAR	HARVESTED ACREAGE	PER ACRE	PRODUCTION			
				TOTAL	UNIT	PER UNIT	TOTAL
Alfalfa Seed	1977	600	400	240,000	Lbs.	\$1.25	\$300,000
	1976	600	335	201,000	Lbs.	1.05	211,050
Nursery	1977	66					265,300
	1976	60					209,750
Christmas trees (private lands)	1977			29,600	Tree	3.15	93,200
	1976			58,781	Tree	3.15	185,160
Miscellaneous Crops	1977						20,000
	1976						20,000
TOTAL	1977						\$678,500
	1976						\$625,960

RECAPITULATION
PRODUCTION VALUES

	1977	1976
Field Crops	\$5,600,400	\$10,091,250
Livestock and Poultry	8,520,300	7,083,940
Livestock and Poultry Products	321,900	314,450
Seed, Fruit, Vegetable and Nursery Crops	678,500	625,960
TOTAL	\$15,121,100	\$18,115,600

COMPARATIVE PRODUCTION VALUES

1977.	\$15,121,100
1976.	18,115,600
1975.	17,382,015*
1974.	17,248,330
1973.	17,790,115
1972.	14,842,970
1971.	13,870,500
1970.	10,593,150
1969.	10,641,910
1968.	9,871,400

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