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AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER

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ANNUAL CROP REPORT  
FOR YEAR 1999

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**CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE**

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**Honorable Director and Board Members:**

Pursuant to Section 2279 of the California Agricultural Code, the 1999 Crop Report for Lassen County is respectfully submitted.

The values represented in this report are gross receipts of producers, and do not reflect costs of production, marketing, or transportation. No attempt is made to reflect the net income of producers.

The gross dollar value of all agricultural commodities, including timber production, was \$65,062,380. for 1999. It should be noted that gross value of agricultural commodities does not indicate total value to the economy. A 3X multiplying factor of dollars entering the economy would make Lassen County's agricultural production contribution total \$195,187,140.

The value of all crops, including timber, was up about 5.0% from 1998. A combination of increased acreages for nursery crops and increased live-stock prices accounted for this increase.

I'd like to acknowledge the cooperation of Lassen County farmers and ranchers and the other agencies that provided information for this report.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kenneth R. Smith".

Kenneth R. Smith  
Agricultural Commissioner

**FIELD CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE**

CROP	YEAR	HARVESTED ACREAGE	PER ACRE	PRODUCTION		VALUE	
				TOTAL	UNIT	PER UNIT	TOTAL
Hay, alfalfa	1999	32,000	4.7	150,400	Ton	\$ 85.00	\$12,784,000
	1998	32,000	4.8	153,600	Ton	95.00	14,592,000
Hay, grain	1999	8,500	2.0	17,000	Ton	55.00	935,000
	1998	8,500	2.0	17,000	Ton	50.00	850,000
Hay, other	1999	30,000	3.0	90,000	Ton	60.00	5,400,000
	1998	30,000	3.0	90,000	Ton	70.00	6,300,000
Barley	1999	300	2.00	600	Ton	80.00	48,000
	1998	700	2.42*	1,694	Ton	80.00	135,520
Oats	1999	400	1.30	520	Ton	150.00	78,000
	1998	300*	1.23*	369	Ton	175.00	64,575
Rye	1999	150	0.30	45	Ton	100.00	4,500
	1998	150	0.30	45	Ton	100.00	4,500
Wheat	1999	1,000	2.00	2,000	Ton	90.00	180,000
	1998	1,000*	1.95*	1,950	Ton	100.00	195,000
Pasture, irrigated	1999	23,000	5.0	115,000	AUM	18.00	2,070,000
	1998	23,000	5.0	115,000	AUM	18.00	2,070,000
Pasture, nonirrigated	1999	22,000	0.1	2,200	AUM	12.00	26,400
	1998	22,000	0.1	2,200	AUM	12.00	26,400
Pasture, range	1999	200,000	0.07	14,000	AUM	8.00	112,000
	1998	200,000	0.07	14,000	AUM	8.00	112,000
Aftermath, (All)	1999	20,000	1.00	20,000	AUM	14.00	280,000
	1998	20,000	1.00	20,000	AUM	14.00	280,000
Straw	1999	150	1.0	150	Ton	40.00	6,000
	1998	130	1.0	130	Ton	40.00	5,200
TOTAL	1999						\$21,923,900
	1998						\$24,635,195

\* Figures provided by California Agricultural Statistics Service

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

CROP	YEAR	HARVESTED ACREAGE	PRODUCTION			VALUE	
			PER ACRE	TOTAL	UNIT	PER UNIT	TOTAL
Alfalfa Seed	1999	260	270	70,200	Lbs.	\$1.00	\$ 84,240
	1998	277	270	74,790	Lbs.	1.22	89,750
Strawberry Plants	1999	520	475	247,000	Pl./M*	47.00/M	11,609,000
	1998	345	475	163,875	Pl./M*	47.00/M	7,702,125
Garlic Seed	1999	444	100	44,000	Cwt.	15.00	666,000
	1998	350	100	35,000	Cwt.	20.00	700,000
Mint	1999	661	70	46,270	Lbs.	15.00	694,000
	1998	336	72	24,192	Lbs.	15.00	362,880
Wild Rice	1999	1,460	1,800	2,628,000	Lbs.	0.44	1,156,300
	1998	-	-	-	Tons	-	-
Misc. crops (fresh straw- berries, potatoes onions, carrot seed, endive, canteloupe seed, raspberry plants, greenhouse flowers, Christmas trees)	1999	---	---	-----	----	----	800,000
	1998	---	---	-----	----	----	1,200,000
TOTAL	1999						\$15,009,600
	1998						\$10,054,750

\* Plants in Units of 1,000

**TIMBER HARVEST**

COMMODITY	YEAR	PRODUCTION	UNIT	VALUE	TOTAL
Saw Timber	1999	63,800*	Board Feet/M#	\$268.19/M	\$17,110,506*
	1998	51,165*	Board Feet/M#	360.59/M	18,450,000*
Misc. (posts, poles, fire wood, christmas trees)	1999				900,000*
	1998				900,000*
TOTAL	1999				\$18,010,506
	1998				\$19,350,000

# 1,000 Board Feet

\* Figures provided by Timber Tax Division, State Board of Equalization

**LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY: PRODUCTION AND VALUE**

COMMODITY	YEAR	PRODUCTION		UNIT	VALUE	
		NO. OF HEAD	LIVEWEIGHT		PER UNIT	TOTAL
Cows	1999	4,300	43,000	Cwt.	\$42.00	\$1,806,000
	1998	4,200	42,000	Cwt.	33.00	1,386,000
Calves	1999	3,000	13,500	Cwt.	90.00	1,215,000
	1998	2,800	12,600	Cwt.	71.00	894,600
Heifers	1999	5,100	29,325	Cwt.	75.00	2,199,375
	1998	5,000	28,750	Cwt.	61.50	1,768,125
Steers	1999	7,700	46,200	Cwt.	75.00	3,465,000
	1998	7,500	45,000	Cwt.	61.50	2,767,500
Bulls	1999	1,000	17,500	Cwt.	48.00	840,000
	1998	900	15,750	Cwt.	34.00	535,500
Sheeps/Lambs	1999	3,500	4,200	Cwt.	70.00	294,000
	1998	3,500	4,200	Cwt.	75.00	315,000
Hogs/Pigs	1999	1,200	2,400	Cwt.	35.00	84,000
	1998	1,200	2,400	Cwt.	34.00	81,600
Misc. livestock	1999	-----	-----	----	-----	30,000
	1998	-----	-----	----	-----	25,000
TOTAL	1999					\$ 9,993,375
	1998					\$ 7,773,325

LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION AND VALUE

COMMODITY	YEAR	PRODUCTION	UNIT	PER UNIT	TOTAL
Includes: wool, apiary, rabbit, emu.	1999				\$125,000
	1998				125,000
TOTAL	1999				\$125,000
	1998				\$125,000

LIVESTOCK INVENTORY JANUARY 1, 2000

COMMODITY	# HEAD JANUARY 1, 2000	# HEAD JANUARY 1, 1999
All Cattle/Calves	54,000	52,280
Beef Cows	28,000	27,640
Stock Sheep	3,100	3,100
Hogs/Pigs	300	275



**SUMMARY OF  
PRODUCTION VALUES**

COMMODITY GROUP	1999	1998
Field Crops	\$21,923,900	24,635,195
Livestock-Poultry	9,993,375	7,773,325
Livestock-Poultry Products	125,000	125,000
Seed, Fruit, Vegetable, Nursery	15,009,600	10,054,750
Timber Harvest	18,010,506	19,350,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$65,062,380</b>	<b>\$61,938,270</b>

**10-YEAR COMPARATIVE PRODUCTION VALUES**

1999. . . . .	\$65,062,380
1998. . . . .	\$61,938,270
1997. . . . .	\$68,464,400
1996. . . . .	\$70,701,000
1995. . . . .	\$74,299,200
1994. . . . .	\$94,844,000
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1990. . . . .	\$69,266,000

TOP 10 CROPS

<u>1999 RANK</u>	<u>COMMODITY</u>	<u>VALUE</u>	<u>1998 RANK</u>
1	ALL HAY	\$19,119,000	1
2	TIMBER	18,010,506	2
3	STRAWBERRY PLANTS	11,609,000	4
4	ALL LIVESTOCK	9,933,375	3
5	PASTURELAND	2,208,400	5
6	WILD RICE	1,156,000	—
7	MISC. NURSERY/ FIELD CROPS	800,000	6
8	MINT	694,050	8
9	GARLIC	666,000	7
10	AFTERMATH	280,000	9

MILLION DOLLAR CROPS

ALL HAY	-----	\$19,119,000
TIMBER	-----	18,010,506
STRAWBERRY PLANTS	-----	11,609,000
ALL LIVESTOCK	-----	9,993,375
PASTURELAND	-----	2,208,400
WILD RICE	-----	1,156,000

**ANNUAL SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE REPORTING  
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PEST	AGENT/MECHANISM	SCOPE OF PROGRAM
<b><u>PEST ERADICATION</u></b>		
Scotch Thistle	Chemical	384 acres
Musk Thistle	Chemical	0.2 acre
Squarrose Knapweed	Chemical	297 acres
Spotted Knapweed	Chemical/Mechanical	34.5 acres
Dalmation Toadflax	Chemical/Mechanical	17.1 acres
Yellowspine Thistle	Chemical	1.5 acres
Yellowstar Thistle	Biological/Chemical	9 sites/8 acres
Tall Whitetop	Chemical	8 acres
Puncture Vine	Chemical	0.5 acres
Canada Thistle	Chemical	0.25 acres
Roadside	Chemical	500 acres

**PEST EXCLUSION**

Exotic Pests And/Or Target Pests	Incomming plant Material via UPS Air, Truck, Mail	80 shipments inspected
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**PEST DETECTION**

Gypsy Moth	110 Traps In Lassen County	None Detected
Japanese Beetle	2 Traps in Lassen County	None Detected

**ORGANIC FARMING STATISTICS**

Apples- 5 acres certified

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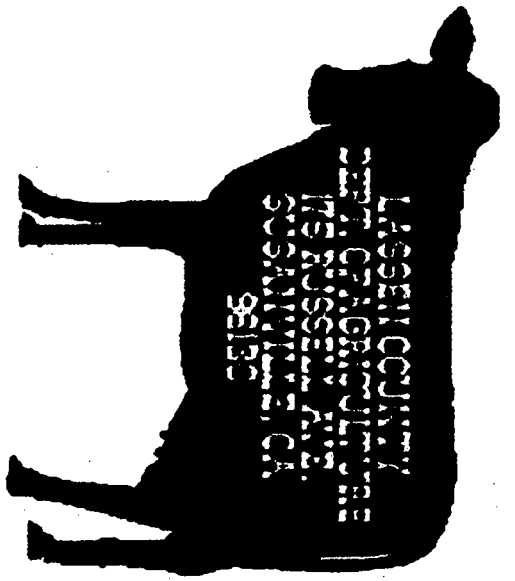
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