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MADERA COUNTY

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ANNUAL CROP REPORT

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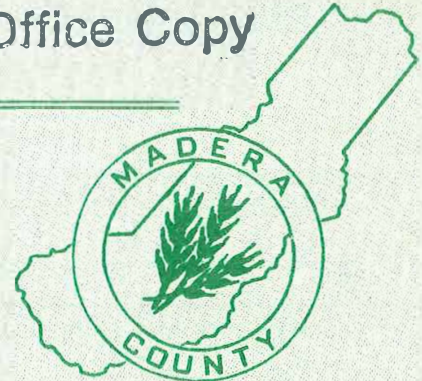
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Dr. Luther T. Wallace, Jr., Director
California Department of Food and Agriculture
and

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Madera

Gentlemen:

I am pleased to submit the 1975 Annual Crop Report for Madera County in accordance with Section 2279 of the California Agricultural Code.

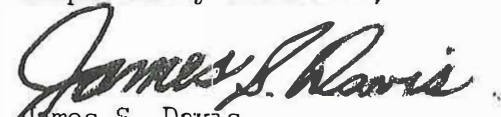
The total gross value shown in this report is \$183,279,000, a decrease of \$590,000 from the previous year. However, this total still represents the second highest for Madera County.

The greatest decline occurred in our field crop category where the sharp reduction in cotton acreage and lower cotton seed prices accounted for practically all of this loss. Sizeable gains were made in vegetable crops, livestock and poultry and livestock and poultry products.

All values shown in this report are gross values only and do not reflect net income to the growers.

I want to thank the many individuals, organizations and processors for their cooperation in providing information used in this report and to the members of my staff who assisted in it's compilation.

Respectfully submitted,


James S. Davis
Agricultural Commissioner

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FIELD CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1974-1975

ITEM	YEAR	HARVESTED ACREAGE	PRODUCTION			VALUE	
			PER ACRE	TOTAL	UNIT	PER UNIT	TOTAL
Barley, Irrigated	1975	17,800	2.20	39,000	Ton	\$105.00	\$ 4,095,000
	1974	12,300	2.00	24,600	"	120.00	2,952,000
Barley, Dryland	1975	16,100	.45	7,200	"	105.00	756,000
	1974	10,500	.65	6,800	"	120.00	816,000
Beans, Dry	1975	1,100	1.10	1,210	"	340.00	411,000
	1974	4,400	.90	3,960	"	270.00	1,069,000
Corn, Field	1975	14,900	2.95	44,000	"	140.00	6,160,000
	1974	8,200	2.75	22,600	"	140.00	3,164,000
Corn, Silage	1975	4,600	23.00	106,000	"	19.00	2,014,000
	1974	4,500	20.50	92,200	"	17.00	1,567,000
Cotton, Lint	1975	31,000	801 <u>a/</u>	52,000	Bales	.52 <u>b/</u>	13,520,000
	1974	53,000	791 <u>a/</u>	87,500	"	.495 <u>b/</u>	21,656,000
Cotton, Seed	1975	xx	xx	22,100	Ton	110.00	2,431,000
	1974	xx	xx	37,200	"	165.00	6,138,000
Hay, Alfalfa	1975	51,000	6.50	331,000	"	65.00	21,515,000
	1974	50,700	6.40	324,000	"	63.00	20,412,000
Hay, Grain	1975	2,000	2.10	4,200	"	58.00	244,000
	1974	1,700	2.00	3,400	"	50.00	170,000
Oats	1975	2,900	.90	2,600	"	120.00	312,000
	1974	400	1.00	400	"	125.00	50,000
Pasture, Irr.	1975	40,000	xx	xx	Acre	50.00	2,000,000
	1974	41,000	xx	xx	"	50.00	2,050,000
Pasture, Other	1975	475,000	xx	xx	"	5.00	2,375,000
	1974	490,000	xx	xx	"	5.00	2,450,000
Rice	1975	1,600	2.50	4,000	Ton	170.00	680,000
	1974	700	3.00	2,100	"	240.00	504,000
Sorghum, Grain	1975	2,000	2.20	4,400	"	100.00	440,000
	1974	2,400	2.30	5,520	"	130.00	718,000

a/ Poundsb/ Per Pound

FIELD CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1974-1975

ITEM	YEAR	HARVESTED ACREAGE	PRODUCTION			VALUE	
			PER ACRE	TOTAL	UNIT	PER UNIT	TOTAL
Safflower	1975	200	1.00	200	Ton	\$150.00	\$ 30,000
	1974	xx	xx	xx		xx	xx
Stubble	1975	10,000	xx	xx	Acre	2.00	20,000
	1974	9,500	xx	xx	"	2.00	19,000
Sugar Beets	1975	6,900	31.00	214,000	Ton	30.00	6,420,000
	1974	6,200	30.00	186,000	"	48.00	8,928,000
Wheat	1975	23,900	1.15	27,500	"	120.00	3,300,000
	1974	3,500	1.20	4,200	"	140.00	588,000
TOTAL	1975	701,000					\$66,723,000
	1974	699,000					\$73,251,000

SEED CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION, AND VALUE, 1974-1975

ITEM	YEAR	HARVESTED ACREAGE	PRODUCTION			VALUE	
			PER ACRE	TOTAL	UNIT	PER UNIT	TOTAL
Alfalfa	1975	120	450	54,000	Pound	.75	\$ 41,000
	1974	200	500	100,000	"	.94	94,000
Beans, Blackeye	1975	100	2,500	250,000	"	.20	50,000
	1974	130	2,400	312,000	"	.14	44,000
Barley	1975	60	3,800	228,000	"	.06	14,000
	1974	170	3,700	629,000	"	.10	63,000
Carrot	1975	85	350	30,000	"	3.60	108,000
	1974	60	500	30,000	"	2.00	60,000
Onion	1975	80	830	66,000	"	3.00	198,000
	1974	85	380	32,000	"	2.00	64,000
Other Seed	1975	110	xx	193,000	"	xx	75,000
	1974	40	xx	120,000	"	xx	22,000
Wheat	1975	400	3,500	1,400,000	"	.07	98,000
	1974	xx	xx	xx		xx	xx
TOTAL	1975	955					\$ 584,000
	1974	685					\$ 347,000

FRUIT AND NUT CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE, 1974-1975

ITEM	YEAR	HARVESTED ACREAGE	PRODUCTION			VALUE	
			PER ACRE	TOTAL	UNIT	PER UNIT	TOTAL
Almonds	1975	11,913	.66	7,860	Ton	\$ 775.00	\$ 6,092,000
	1974	11,306	.74	8,370	"	910.00	7,617,000
Apples	1975	62	2.00	120	"	100.00	12,000
	1974	52	1.25	65	"	120.00	8,000
Apricots	1975	57	3.75	210	"	180.00	38,000
	1974	67	2.50	170	"	200.00	34,000
Figs	1975	2,767	.95	2,630	"	710.00	1,867,000
	1974	2,784	1.25	3,480	"	700.00	2,436,000
Grapes, Raisin Total	1975	28,500	11.50	328,000	"	xx	30,598,000
	1974	28,318	9.85	279,000	"	xx	28,910,000
*Dried	1975	xx	xx	31,000	"	610.00	18,910,000
	1974	xx	xx	24,000	"	640.00	15,360,000
Crushed	1975	xx	xx	188,000	"	60.00	11,280,000
	1974	xx	xx	176,000	"	75.00	13,200,000
Fresh Market	1975	xx	xx	1,200	"	340.00	408,000
	1974	xx	xx	1,000	"	350.00	350,000
Grapes, Wine Total	1975	17,225	8.50	146,000	"	83.00	12,118,000
	1974	11,158	9.60	107,000	"	112.00	11,984,000
Grapes, Table Total	1975	513	8.00	4,100	"	65.00	267,000
	1974	533	9.20	4,900	"	80.00	392,000
Nectarines	1975	179	9.25	1,660	"	260.00	432,000
	1974	188	9.00	1,690	"	240.00	406,000
Olives	1975	796	2.40	1,910	"	350.00	669,000
	1974	796	2.20	1,750	"	420.00	735,000
Oranges	1975	3,005	5.70	17,100	"	170.00	2,907,000
	1974	2,755	5.00	13,800	"	180.00	2,484,000
Peach, Cling	1975	281	7.00	2,000	"	125.00	250,000
	1974	303	9.00	2,700	"	135.00	365,000
Peach, Free	1975	718	12.00	8,600	"	xx	1,685,000
	1974	1,017	10.50	10,700	"	xx	2,248,000

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FRUIT AND NUT CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE 1974-1975

ITEM	YEAR	HARVESTED ACREAGE	PRODUCTION			VALUE	
			PER ACRE	TOTAL	UNIT	PER UNIT	TOTAL
Peach, Free (Continued)							
Fresh Market	1975	xx	xx	5,160	Ton	\$270.00	\$ 1,393,000
	1974	xx	xx	6,420	"	260.00	1,670,000
Processing	1975	xx	xx	3,440	"	85.00	292,000
	1974	xx	xx	4,280	"	135.00	578,000
Plums	1975	459	8.20	3,760	"	310.00	1,166,000
	1974	454	7.00	3,180	"	300.00	954,000
Walnuts	1975	1,103	1.15	1,270	"	400.00	508,000
	1974	1,038	.90	930	"	350.00	326,000
TOTAL	1975	67,578	xx	xx		xx	\$58,600,000
	1974	60,769	xx	xx		xx	\$58,899,000

APIARY PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION AND VALUE 1974-1975

ITEM	YEAR	PRODUCTION TOTAL	UNIT	VALUE	
				PER UNIT	TOTAL
Honey	1975	600,000	Pound	.38	\$228,000
	1974	700,000	"	.42	294,000
Beeswax	1975	11,000	"	1.10	12,000
	1974	11,700	"	1.10	13,000
Pollination	1975	15,600	Colony	20.00	312,000
	1974	15,000	"	18.00	270,000
Nuclei	1975	2,000	Each	18.00	36,000
	1974	1,600	"	16.00	26,000
Queen Cells, Queens & Package Bees	1975	8,400		xx	46,000
	1974	xx		xx	xx
TOTAL	1975				\$634,000
	1974				\$603,000

VEGETABLE CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE 1974-1975

ITEM	YEAR	HARVESTED ACREAGE	PRODUCTION		UNIT	VALUE	
			PER ACRE	TOTAL		PER	TOTAL
Tomatoes	1975	1,400	25.3	35,400	Ton	\$54.50	\$1,929,000
Processing Var.	1974	370	24.0	8,900	"	60.00	534,000
Vegetables, Misc.	1975	200	xx	xx	xx	xx	392,000
	1974	180	xx	xx	xx	xx	219,000
Watermelons	1975	70	12.0	840	Ton	56.00	47,000
	1974	20	10.0	200	"	65.00	13,000
TOTAL	1975	1,670					\$2,368,000
	1974	570					\$ 766,000

NURSERY PRODUCTS: ACREAGE, AND VALUE 1974-1975

ITEM	YEAR	FIELD ACRES	TOTAL VALUE
*Nursery Stock	1975	80	\$ 650,000
	1974	180	\$1,163,000
TOTAL	1975	80	\$ 650,000
	1974	180	\$1,163,000

* Grapevines
Citrus
Pistachios
Figs

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY: PRODUCTION AND VALUE 1974-1975

ITEM	YEAR	PRODUCTION			VALUE	
		NO. OF HEAD	TOTAL LIVEWEIGHT	UNIT	PER UNIT	TOTAL
Cattle & Calves	1975	90,000	xx	Head	\$250.00	\$ 22,500,000
	1974	88,000	xx	"	240.00	21,120,000
Hogs	1975	1,400	2,700	CWT.	48.00	130,000
	1974	1,100	2,100	"	31.00	65,000
Sheep & Lambs	1975	18,000	16,700	"	42.00	701,000
	1974	18,700	17,000	"	39.00	663,000
Broilers & Fryers	1975	1,470,000	5,586,000	Pound	.245	1,369,000
	1974	755,000	2,870,000	"	.25	717,000
Started Pullets	1975	254,000	xx	Each	2.20	559,000
	1974	248,000	xx	"	2.00	496,000
Other Chickens	1975	62,000	310,000	Pound	.06	19,000
	1974	60,000	270,000	"	.07	19,000
Turkeys	1975	1,521,000	31,181,000	"	.34	10,602,000
	1974	1,574,000	31,480,000	"	.29	9,129,000
TOTAL	1975					\$35,880,000
	1974					\$32,209,000

LIVESTOCK & POULTRY PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION AND VALUE 1974-1975

ITEM	YEAR	PRODUCTION	UNIT	VALUE	
				PER UNIT	TOTAL
Milk, Market	1975	1,786,000	CWT.	\$9.07	\$ 16,199,000
	*1974	1,744,000	"	8.60	14,998,000
Milk, Manufacturing	1975	64,700	"	7.50	485,000
	*1974	79,700	"	6.68	532,000
Wool	1975	200,000	Pound	.46	92,000
	1974	210,000	"	.70	147,000
Eggs, Chicken	1975	1,750,000	Dozen	.43	752,000
	1974	1,640,000	"	.45	738,000
Eggs, Turkey Hatching	1975	1,040,000	Each	.30	312,000
	1974	720,000	"	.30	216,000
TOTAL	1975				\$17,840,000
	*1974				\$16,631,000

*Revised

AGRICULTURAL CROP REPORT RECAPITULATION 1974-1975

ITEM	YEAR	HARVESTED ACREAGE	VALUE
Apiary	1975		\$ 634,000
	1974		603,000
Field Crops	1975	701,000	66,723,000
	1974	699,000	73,251,000
Fruit & Nut Crops	1975	67,578	58,600,000
	1974	60,769	58,899,000
Livestock & Poultry	1975		35,880,000
	1974		32,209,000
Livestock & Poultry Products	1975		17,840,000
	*1974		16,631,000
Nursery Stock	1975	80	650,000
	1974	180	1,163,000
Seed Crops	1975	955	584,000
	1974	685	347,000
Vegetable Crops	1975	1,670	2,368,000
	1974	575	766,000
TOTAL	1975		\$183,279,000
	*1974		\$183,869,000

"MILLION DOLLAR CROPS"

<u>1974</u>		<u>1975</u>	
Grapes	\$41,292,000	Grapes	\$ 42,983,000
Cotton	27,794,000	Cattle & Calves	22,500,000
Cattle & Calves	21,120,000	Alfalfa	21,515,000
Alfalfa	20,412,000	Milk	16,684,000
Milk	*15,530,000	Cotton	15,951,000
Poultry	10,361,000	Poultry	12,549,000
Sugar Beets	8,928,000	Sugar Beets	6,420,000
Almonds	7,617,000	Field Corn	6,160,000
Small Grains	5,124,000	Almonds	6,092,000
Deciduous Fruit	3,964,000	Deciduous Fruit	3,533,000
Field Corn	3,164,000	Citrus	2,907,000
Citrus	2,484,000	Silage	2,014,000
Figs	2,436,000	Pasture, Irrigated	2,000,000
Pasture, Irrigated	2,050,000	Tomatoes	1,920,000
Silage	1,567,000	Figs	1,867,000

*Revised

TIMBER CUT IN SIERRA NATIONAL FOREST IN MADERA COUNTY: 1974-1975

Total MBF	1975	46,930
	1974	39,188

The amount of government timber cut in Madera County is included as an item of interest, as it contributes much to the economy of the county. Data on private land timber are not available.

JANUARY 1, INVENTORIES OF LIVESTOCK ESTIMATED IN NUMBER OF HEAD

	<u>January 1, 1975</u>	<u>January 1, 1976</u>
Cattle & Calves	144,000	134,000
Milk Cows & Heifers 2 years and over	13,200	14,500
Stock Sheep & Lambs	24,000	21,000
Hogs	1,100	1,200

COMPARISON OF AGRICULTURAL VALUES

1975.....	\$183,279,000
*1974.....	183,869,000
*1973.....	171,610,000
*1972.....	122,387,000
*1971.....	105,249,000
*1970.....	91,057,000
*1969.....	84,846,000
*1968.....	80,181,650
*1967.....	80,372,200
*1966.....	78,602,000
*1965.....	82,647,000
*1964.....	81,326,000
*1959.....	65,550,421
1949.....	42,983,325
1939.....	7,825,450
1929.....	8,322,800

*Revised

PERMANENT CROP ACREAGES

Crop	1935	1945	1955	1965	1975		
					Bearing Acres	Non-Bearing	Total Acres
Almonds	273	448	572	3,677	11,913	6,878	18,791
Apples	85	70	71	103	62	32	94
Apricots	1,174	735	85	58	57	-	57
Avocados	-	-	-	-	3	-	3
Cherries	-	-	-	23	13	-	13
Citrus:							
Grapefruit	-	-	-	-	-	72	72
Lemons	-	-	-	-	53	39	92
Oranges	-	-	-	1,831	3,005	551	3,556
Tangelos	-	-	-	-	181	116	297
Tangerines	-	-	-	-	37	5	42
TOTAL CITRUS	-	-	-	1,831	3,276	783	4,059
Figs	1,279	1,446	1,910	2,758	2,767	956	3,723
Grapes:							
Raisin	12,827	14,796	15,824	26,889	28,500	1,060	29,560
Table	888	573	424	474	513	74	587
Wine	3,903	3,935	3,371	6,668	17,225	6,873	24,098
TOTAL GRAPES	17,618	19,304	19,619	34,031	46,238	8,007	54,245
Kiwis	-	-	-	-	1	18	19
Nectarines	129	201	147	133	179	68	247
Olives	471	512	548	866	796	1,058	1,854
Pears	14	-	-	6	1	-	1
Peaches:							
Clingstone	667	263	513	1,340	281	321	602
Freestone	1,373	1,045	1,271	1,369	718	323	1,041
TOTAL PEACHES	2,040	1,308	1,784	2,709	999	644	1,643
Pecans	-	-	-	11	16	34	50
Persimmons	-	-	-	1	3	-	3
Pistachios	-	-	-	-	52	8,566	8,618
Plums	269	322	276	435	459	144	603
Pomegranates	-	-	-	4	3	169	172
Prunes	60	-	-	-	-	-	-
Walnuts	8	28	94	1,011	1,193	457	1,650
TOTAL PLANTED ACRES					68,031	27,814	95,845

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