



ANNUAL CROP REPORT

GROSS VALUES 1974

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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
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and

Mr. Albert J. Haberberger, County Administrator

In compliance with the provisions of Section 2279 of the California Agricultural Code, I am submitting the 1974 Napa County Agricultural Crop Report showing the condition, acreage, gross value and production of the agricultural products of this county.

The gross value of all agricultural crops for 1974 was \$45,143,800, a decrease of \$17,800,000 from 1973. Our two leading agricultural crops, wine grapes and livestock production both indicated a sharp drop in gross value which accounted for the large differential in the gross agricultural figure from 1973 to 1974. Wine grapes dropped in value by \$15,351,000 in one years time even though production was only 341 tons less than 1973. Bearing wine grape acreage increased by 1,000 acres in 1974 but late frosts in May and a few very hot days in mid summer reduced our production somewhat. New plantings of wine grapes increased by 2,400 acres in 1974 bringing our total acreage of wine grapes to 23,350. Due to the sharp drop in grape prices and the escalating cost of wine grape farming I am sure new grape plantings in Napa County and the rest of the state will be sharply curtailed for some years to come.

Gross value of animal production dropped by \$3,000,000 in 1974. This was due principally to declining meat prices; the loss of production of one of our large feed lots is also reflected in this decrease.

Field crops, which include wine grape rootstock, increased by \$900,000 in 1974.

Pear, prune and walnut acreages continue their decline in acreage and gross value.

I am convinced that wine grapes and animal production will continue to be the leading agricultural commodities in Napa County's future.

The valuable assistance of all those who have provided the information and records necessary for the compilation of this report is acknowledged and appreciated.

Credit for the compilation of this report goes to all members of my staff and to my Chief Deputy Agricultural Commissioner, Dick Lawley, under whose direction this report was compiled and to Agricultural Inspector III, Ted Eaton, for his assistance in compiling the crop acreage figures reflected in this report.

Very truly yours,



Aldo Delfino
Agricultural Commissioner

FRUIT AND NUT CROPS: ACREAGE PRODUCTION VALUE

CROP	YEAR	ACREAGE	YIELD PER ACRE	TOTAL	UNIT	VALUE PER UNIT	TOTAL VALUE
APPLES FRESH	1974			10	ton	240.00	\$ 2,400
	1973			100	ton	175.00	17,500
PROCESSED	1974			125	ton	22.50	2,800
	1973			66	ton	80.00	5,300
TOTAL APPLES	1974	44	3.07 ton	135	ton		5,200
	1973	70	2.37 ton	166	ton		22,800
GRAPES	*1974	14,070	3.94 ton	55,318	ton		18,565,000
	1973	13,142	4.24 ton	55,659	ton	***	33,916,000
PEARS CANNING	1974	240		569	ton	160.00	91,000
	1973	243	2.72 ton	660	ton	115.00	75,900
PRUNES	1974	466	.55 ton	256	ton	450.00	115,200
	1973	585	.95 ton	557	ton	540.00	300,800
WALNUTS ENGLISH	1974			320	ton	460.00	147,200
	1973			400	ton	561.00	224,400
WALNUTS BLACK	1974			105	ton	35.00	3,700
	1973			150	ton	50.00	7,500
TOTAL WALNUTS	1974	1,029	.41 ton	425	ton		150,900
	1973	1,064	.52 ton	550	ton		231,900
MISC. FRUIT & NUT CROPS	1974	(Apricots, Berries, Cherries, Olives,					100,000
	1973	Peaches, Pears, Plums, etc.)					105,000
TOTAL FRUIT & NUT CROPS	1974						\$19,027,300
	1973						\$34,652,400

*** Varietal and Standard Grape Prices Used in Arriving at Grape Value

* Preliminary Value Only

FIELD AND TRUCK CROPS: PRODUCTION AND VALUE

CROPS	YEAR	ACREAGE	YIELD PER ACRE	TOTAL	UNIT	VALUE PER UNIT	TOTAL VALUE
BARLEY	1974	50		67	ton	119.00	\$ 8,000
	1973	75	1.33	100	ton	116.00	11,600
CORN SILAGE	1974						
	1973	20	12.00	240	ton	15.00	5,100
HAY	1974	600	1.50	900	ton	45.00	40,500
	1973	800	1.50	1,200	ton	35.00	42,000
OATS	1974	60	1.00	60	ton	122.00	7,400
	1973	80	1.00	80	ton	100.00	8,000
WHEAT	1974	30	1.00	30	ton	130.00	3,900
	1973	40	1.00	40	ton	96.00	3,800
PASTURE IRRIGATED	1974	400			acres	45.00	18,000
	1973	480			acres	45.00	21,600
NON-CROP DRYLAND	1974	186,000			acres	4.00	744,000
	1973	188,000			acres	4.00	752,000
IMPROVED DRYLAND	1974	4,000			acres	25.00	100,000
	1973	5,000			acres	25.00	125,000
MISC. FIELD CROPS	1974	(Includes Milo, Agricultural Seed Production and Safflower)					50,000
	1973						50,000
MISC. TRUCK CROPS	1974	(Includes Corn, Vegetables and Tomato Production)					160,000
	1973						145,000
NURSERY STOCK	1974						300,000
	1973	GROWN IN NAPA COUNTY					280,000
GRAPEVINE NURSERY STOCK	1974						2,264,000
	1973	GROWN IN NAPA COUNTY					1,412,000
CHRISTMAS TREES	1974			13,600	trees	7.91	107,600
	1973			11,100	trees	8.62	95,700
TOTAL FIELD & TRUCK CROPS	1974						\$3,803,400
	1973						\$2,951,800

ANIMAL PRODUCTION

ITEM		YEAR	PRODUCTION	UNIT	VALUE PER UNIT	TOTAL VALUE
MEAT	Beef	1974	354,000	cwt.	39.68	\$14,047,000
		1973	381,000	cwt.	42.79	16,303,000
	Feeders**	1974	18,000	cwt.	47.89	862,000
		1973	32,400	cwt.	49.53	1,605,000
	Veal	1974	29,000	cwt.	40.33	1,170,000
		1973	39,300	cwt.	54.89	2,157,000
	Lambs	1974	10,000	cwt.	39.26	393,000
		1973	10,300	cwt.	35.33	364,000
	Hogs	1974	10,100	cwt.	34.94	353,000
		1973	8,100	cwt.	39.52	320,000
BREEDING CATTLE		1974	380	head	526.00	200,000
SOLD		1973	345	head	573.00	198,000
DAIRY PRODUCTS:						
MARKET MILK		1974	251,000	cwt.	8.54	2,144,000
		*1973	213,000	cwt.	6.69	1,425,000
MANUFACTURING MILK		1974	920	cwt.	7.65	7,000
		*1973	1,200	cwt.	6.84	8,200
TOTAL MILK		1974	251,920	cwt.		2,151,000
		*1973	214,200	cwt.		1,433,200
WOOL		1974	74,000	pounds	.45	33,300
		1973	78,000	pounds	.88	68,600
POULTRY PRODUCTS:						
EGGS		1974	4,090,000	dozen	.59	2,413,000
		1973	3,940,000	dozen	.53	2,088,000
HENS: Live		1974	679,000	pounds	.08	54,000
		1973	590,000	pounds	.135	79,700

ANIMAL PRODUCTION (continued)

ITEM	YEAR	PRODUCTION	UNIT	VALUE PER UNIT	TOTAL VALUE
TURKEY: Live	1974	878,800	pounds	.27	237,300
	1973	1,019,800	pounds	.33	336,500
MISC. POULTRY	1974	(Includes Squab, Duck, King Quail, Pheasants, Turkey Hatching Eggs, Eviscerated Turkeys, Turkey Pullets, Chicken Fryers and Fertilizer)			390,000
	1973				410,000
RABBITS:					
FRYERS: Live	1974	17,700	pounds	.38	6,730
	1973	10,100	pounds	.32	3,230
STEWERS:	1974	2,100	pounds	.15	310
	1973	2,120	pounds	.15	320
BREEDERS SOLD	1974	250	head	3.75	940
	1973	300	head	3.50	1,050
PELTS	1974	1,600	pounds	.95	1,520
	1973	1,200	pounds	.65	780
TOTAL ANIMAL PRODUCTION	1974				\$22,313,100
	*1973				\$25,368,400
GRAND TOTAL OF ALL AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS	1974				\$45,143,800
	*1973				\$62,972,600

* Revised
 ** Value of gain in Napa County

BLACK WINE GRAPES
1974

	Bearing Acres	Non-Bearing Acres	Total Acres	Tons	Value
Barbera (Barbera Lonzo, Barbera Oblongo)	32	2	34	71.448	\$ 19,364.56
Beaujolais, Gamay	452	117	569	592.970	237,192.00
Bouschet, Alicante	43	0	43	100.795	17,506.91
Burgundy, Early (Burgundy)	248	0	248	773.935	219,972.27
Cabernet, Ruby	39	2	41	138.893	45,559.19
Carignane	502	7	509	2,703.636	597,229.88
Charbono	30	5	35	74.870	32,137.89
Frank, Cabernet	12	14	26	110.593	52,830.24
Gamay, Napa Valley (Gamay)	773	371	1144	3,794.825	1,562,046.10
Grenache	47	1	48	303.615	82,567.89
Grignolino	50	0	50	170.405	33,811.31
Malbec	7	0	7	19.850	5,573.20
Mataro	12	0	12	53.580	16,074.00
Merlot	209	491	700	703.565	309,814.48
Mission				(Included in Mixed Blacks)	
Mondeuse, (Refosco)	245	0	245	849.995	217,781.11
Noir, Grand	112	0	112	307.580	51,985.50
Noir, Pinot	1213	1443	2656	4,584.996	2,020,479.23
Ribier, Black	1	0	1	22.080	4,128.96
Salvador	20	0	20	(Included in Mixed Blacks)	
Sauvignon, Cabernet	2834	2461	5295	10,222.100	4,642,463.05
Sirah, French Petite	4	6	10	27.710	9,700.24
Sirah, Petite	1070	61	1131	3,823.100	1,087,785.91

BLACK WINE GRAPES (continued)

	Bearing Acres	Non-Bearing Acres	Total Acres	Tons	Value
St. George, Pinot (Red Pinot)	34	41	75	100.850	\$ 43,365.85
Tannat	16	0	16	25.280	5,688.00
Valdepenas	33	0	33	63.255	18,976.50
Zinfandel (California Zinfandel)	776	792	1568	2,543.718	858,419.00
Mixed Blacks	11	0	11	464.545	96,528.48
TOTAL	8825	5814	14,639	32,653.099	\$12,289,841.00

WHITE WINE GRAPES
1974

	Bearing Acres	Non-Bearing Acres	Total Acres	Tons	Value
Bianca, Malvasia	27	0	27	59.905	\$ 13,478.62
Blanc, Chenin (Pinot, DeLaLoire, Pinot, White)	882	405	1287	4,470.380	1,089,840.62
Blanc, Pinot	39	78	117	45.255	17,351.88
Blanc, Sauvignon	301	359	660	1,303.505	531,205.72
Burger	205	0	205	1,047.630	199,605.24
Colombard, French	631	5	636	3,849.015	758,234.96
Chardonnay (Pinot Chardonnay)	946	1596	2542	2,173.573	1,076,643.68
Chasselas, DeFontain Bleau	8	0	8	(Included in Mixed Whites)	
Flora	66	0	66	479.485	105,780.99
Folle Blanche	0	45	45	0	0
Gewurztraminer	194	164	358	364.808	143,147.27
Hungarian, Green	110	0	110	697.140	155,140.71
Muscat, Canelli (Muscat deFrontignon Muscat Blanc, Muscat)	96	0	96	378.698	111,384.24
Palomino, (Chasselas, Golden)	161	0	161	727.213	137,716.14
Red Veltliner	33	0	33	261.530	57,598.65
Riesling, Emerald	1	0	1	17.395	3,479.00
Riesling, Gray	256	58	314	1,299.523	279,317.96
Riesling, White (Riesling, Johannisberger)	607	720	1,327	1,949.165	851,850.70
Semillon	150	3	153	723.293	152,641.77
St. Emilion (Ugni Blanc)	3	30	33	(Included in Mixed Whites)	
Sylvaner (Riesling, Franken)	212	0	212	1,098.605	246,832.19
Traminer, Red				(Included in Red Veltliner)	
Vert, Sauvignon	315	3	318	1,489.100	294,349.48
Mixed Whites				229.428	49,338.28
TOTAL	5245	3466	8711	22,664.646	6,274,938.09
TOTAL ALL GRAPES	14,070	9280	23,350	55,317.745	\$18,564,779.09