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California Department of Food and Agriculture
and
The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Napa

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Gentlemen:

In compliance with the requirements of Section 2279 of the California Food and Agricultural Code, I hereby submit the annual report of acreage, production, and gross valuation of the agricultural products of Napa County for the year 1976.

The crop year of 1976 is the first reflection of major agricultural losses that are occurring because of the drought situation that California is now experiencing.

Wine grapes, our major agricultural crop, produced a total of 35,887 tons, a decrease of 14,332 tons from 1975. The quality of the wine grapes was excellent for 1976 which is reflected in the gross value \$13,985,500 for 1976 compared to \$13,524,600 for 1975. Wine grape acreage is 17,584 bearing and 6,350 non-bearing. Approximately 650 bearing acres were pulled because of poor production or quality. I expect all of these acres will eventually be replanted to grapes.

Our cattle industry has felt the major impact of the drought because of extremely poor range conditions and high feed prices. Cattlemen in 1976 began to reduce their cattle inventory, a trend that has accelerated in 1977.

Cattle that would normally be imported into Napa County to be fed on range did not arrive in 1976. Prices for cattle showed a decrease because of the glut on the market caused by cattlemen reducing inventory. In 1976, 245,000 cwt of cattle were sold with a gross value of \$8,600,000, compared to 350,000 cwt of cattle sold in 1975 with a gross value of \$12,761,000.

Christmas tree growers sold 17,000 trees in 1976 with a gross value of \$137,700. In 1975, 15,770 trees were sold with a gross value of \$123,000. This increase in sales occurred even though there were 20% fewer acres in tree production in 1976.

I wish to express my sincere appreciation to all who have assisted my staff by furnishing necessary information which has made the compilation of this report possible.

Sincerely,

Aldo Delfino
Agricultural Commissioner

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ANNUAL CROP REPORT

1976

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FRUIT AND NUT CROPS: ACREAGE PRODUCTION VALUE

CROP	YEAR	ACREAGE	YIELD PER ACRE	TOTAL	UNIT	VALUE PER UNIT	TOTAL VALUE	
APPLES: Fresh	1976			12	Ton	\$ 300.00	\$ 3,600	
	1975			75	Ton	200.00	15,000	
APPLES: Processed	1976			16	Ton	70.00	1,100	
	1975			0	0	0	0	
TOTAL APPLES	1976	44	.65 Ton	28	Ton	168.00	4,700	
	1975	44	1.70 Ton	75	Ton	200.00	15,000	
GRAPES	*1976	17,584	2.04 Ton	35,887	Ton		13,985,500	
	1975	15,725	3.19 Ton	50,219	Ton		13,524,600	
PEARS CANNING	1976	240		630	Ton	105.00	66,200	
	1975	240		650	Ton	125.00	81,300	
PRUNES	1976	336	.65 Ton	240	Ton	400.00	96,000	
	1975	422	.75 Ton	320	Ton	420.00	134,400	
WALNUTS ENGLISH	1976			276	Ton	612.00	169,100	
	1975			300	Ton	440.00	132,000	
WALNUTS BLACK	1976			100	Ton	60.00	6,000	
	1975			165	Ton	50.00	8,300	
TOTAL WALNUTS	1976	997	.38 Ton	376	Ton		175,100	
	1975	1,025	.45 Ton	465	Ton		140,300	
MISC. FRUIT & NUT CROPS	1976	(Apricots, Berries, Cherries, Olives, Peaches,						100,000
	1975	Fresh Pears, Plums, etc.)						100,000
TOTAL FRUIT AND NUT CROPS	1976							\$ 14,427,500
	1975							\$ 13,995,600

* Preliminary Value Only

FIELD AND TRUCK CROPS: PRODUCTION AND VALUE

CROPS	YEAR	ACREAGE	YIELD PER ACRE	TOTAL	UNIT	VALUE PER UNIT	TOTAL VALUE	
BARLEY	1976	100		50	Ton	115.00	\$ 5,800	
	1975	300		170	Ton	125.00	21,000	
HAY	1976	4,500	.75	3,375	Ton	90.00	303,700	
	1975	1,000	2.00	2,000	Ton	64.00	128,000	
OATS	1976	150	0.20	30	Ton	135.00	4,000	
	1975	120	0.67	80	Ton	130.00	10,400	
WHEAT	1976	210	0.25	50	Ton	120.00	6,000	
	1975	30	0.60	18	Ton	130.00	2,300	
PASTURE IRRIGATED	1976	400			Acre	60.00	24,000	
	1975	400			Acre	45.00	18,000	
NON-CROP DRYLAND	1976	186,000			Acre	1.00	186,000	
	1975	186,000			Acre	4.00	744,000	
IMPROVED DRYLAND	1976	4,000			Acre	10.00	40,000	
	1975	4,000			Acre	25.00	100,000	
MISC. FIELD CROPS	1976	(Included Sudan, Agricultural Seed						50,000
	1975	Production, Safflower, Corn Silage)						35,000
MISC. TRUCK CROPS	1976	(Included Corn, Vegetables and						160,000
	1975	Tomatoe Production)						160,000
NURSERY STOCK	1976	GROWN IN NAPA COUNTY						387,000
	1975							354,500
GRAPEVINE NURSERY STOCK	1976	GROWN IN NAPA COUNTY						412,800
	1975							1,467,000
CHRISTMAS TREES	1976			17,000	Trees	8.10	137,700	
	1975			15,770	Trees	7.80	123,000	
TOTAL FIELD & TRUCK CROPS	1976						\$ 1,717,000	
	1975						\$ 3,163,200	

ANIMAL PRODUCTION

ITEM	YEAR	PRODUCTION	UNIT	VALUE PER UNIT	TOTAL VALUE	
MEAT	Beef	1976	245,000	cwt	35.10	\$ 8,600,000
		1975	350,000	cwt	36.46	12,761,000
	Veal	1976	20,000	cwt	37.10	742,000
		1975	25,000	cwt	28.00	700,000
	Lamb	1976	2,500	cwt	47.10	117,800
		1975	3,000	cwt	42.94	128,800
	Hogs	1976	3,000	cwt	43.30	129,900
		1975	3,000	cwt	47.27	141,800
BREEDING CATTLE SOLD		1976	360	Head	570.00	205,200
		1975	360	Head	445.00	160,200
WOOL		1976	11,000	Pounds	.69	7,600
		1975	11,000	Pounds	.39	4,300

DAIRY AND POULTRY PRODUCTS

MARKET MILK	1976	284,000	cwt	9.41	2,672,000
	1975	270,000	cwt	9.46	2,550,000*
EGGS	1976	4,671,890	Dozen	.50	2,355,300
	1975	4,087,000	Dozen	.49	2,002,600
HENS Live	1976	646,930	Pounds	.085	55,000
	1975	405,000	Pounds	.06	24,300
TURKEYS Live	1976	907,300	Pounds	.28	254,000
	1975	1,183,800	Pounds	.30	355,100
MISC. POULTRY	1976	(Includes Squab, Duck, Turkey, Hatching Eggs,			450,000
	1975	Eviscerated Turkeys, Chicken Fryers, Rabbits, and Fertilizer)			406,600*
TOTAL ANIMAL, DAIRY, & POULTRY PRODUCTION	1976				\$ 15,588,800
	1975				\$ 19,234,700*
GRAND TOTAL OF ALL AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS	1976				\$ 31,733,300
	1975				\$ 36,393,500*

*Revised

BLACK WINE GRAPES
1976

	BEARING ACRES	NON-BEARING ACRES	TOTAL ACRES	TONS	VALUE
Alicante Bouschet	27	2	29	(Included in other blacks)	
Barbera	19	0	19	(Included in other Blacks)	
Cabernet franc	36	22	58	(Included in Cabernet Sauvignon)	
Cabernet Sauvignon	4,504	1,079	5,583	7,946.7	\$ 3,761,250
Carignane	381	0	381	1,040.2	255,610
Charbono	36	15	51	134.7	43,480
Early Burgundy	168	2	170	270.7	70,820
Gamay (Napa Valley Gamay)	849	361	1,210	2,581.4	887,850
Gamay Beaujolais	523	37	560	641.8	261,260
Grand Noir	77	0	77	149.8	25,990
Grenache	52	0	52	149.9	38,010
Grignolino	40	0	40	(Included in other Blacks)	
Malbec	7	0	7	(Included in other Blacks)	
Mataro	9	0	9	(Included in other Blacks)	
Merlot	419	373	792	586.0	287,420
Petite Sirah (French)	4	14	18	(Included in other Blacks)	
Petite Sirah	927	112	1,039	1,935.7	791,780
Pinot noir	2,134	456	2,590	3,805.5	1,579,020
Pinot St. George	65	17	82	106.4	35,730
Refosco (Mondeuse)	153	33	186	305.4	71,850
Ruby Cabernet	39	0	39	92.8	28,730
Salvador	20	0	20	(Included in other Blacks)	
Tannat	7	0	7	(Included in other Blacks)	
Valdepenas	4	0	4	(Included in other Blacks)	
Zinfandel (Calif. Zinfandel)	1,077	955	2,032	1,982.0	794,600
Other Blacks				186.2	43,800
TOTAL BLACKS	11,577	3,478	15,055	21,915.2	\$ 8,977,200

WHITE WINE GRAPES
1976

	BEARING ACRES	NON-BEARING ACRES	TOTAL ACRES	TONS	VALUE
Burger	148	0	148	503.9	\$ 109,390
Chardonnay (Pinot Chardonnay)	1,593	1,172	2,765	1,954.3	1,134,510
Chenin blanc	991	582	1,573	3,537.4	1,195,080
Flora	91	0	91	237.9	75,560
Folle blanche	0	35	35	(Included in other whites)	
French Colombard	515	0	515	1,866.8	413,890
Gewurztraminer (Red Veltliner, Red Traminer)	219	146	365	409.6	157,380
Gray Riesling	247	38	285	674.2	226,110
Green Hungarian	87	0	87	305.0	72,450
Malvasia bianca	12	0	12	(Included in other whites)	
Muscat blanc (Muscat Canelli, Muscat de Frontignon, Muscat)	94	26	120	190.9	72,840
Palomino (Golden Chasselas)	102	0	102	251.8	44,450
Pinot blanc	32	103	135	(Included in other whites)	
St. Emilion (Ugni blanc)	3	48	51	(Included in other whites)	
Sauvignon blanc	427	314	741	918.7	426,340
Sauvignon vert	202	0	202	746.6	158,940
Semillon	100	0	100	296.1	91,190
Sylvaner (Franken Riesling)	153	0	153	393.5	127,430
White Riesling (Johannisberger Riesling)	991	408	1,399	1,595.7	678,160
Other Whites				89.3	24,530
TOTAL WHITES	6,007	2,872	8,879	13,971.7	\$ 5,008,250
TOTAL BLACKS (from preceeding page)	11,577	3,478	15,055	21,915.2	\$ 8,977,200
TOTAL ALL GRAPES	17,584	6,350	23,934	35,886.9	\$ 13,985,450