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SHASTA COUNTY
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
C. BRUCE WADE
AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER

ANNUAL CROP REPORT

FOR
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1958

W. C. JACOBSON, DIRECTOR
STATE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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SHASTA COUNTY
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
Redding, California

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND THE
DIRECTOR OF THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Gentlemen:

We are submitting herewith a report of the acreage, condition, production and value of the Agricultural products in Shasta County for the Calendar year 1958 as required by Section 65.5 of the California Agricultural Code.

Figures included in this report represent gross value of production and do not consider the many expenses incurred in the production of crops.

A uniform system of reporting is now being formulated and, in order to be able to conform, we are altering certain portions of this report from our previous form. In past years we have reported only the sales value of hay crops. We are now reporting the total value of production of hay crops including consumptive use as well as sales value. This accounts for approximately \$ 1,400,000.00 of total value increase.

We are not including a report of mineral and timber production, because these figures are available elsewhere.

Our most significant increase is shown in livestock production and is accountable in general price increases during the year. An exception to be noted is that turkeys were not produced commercially during 1958.

Fruit Crops suffered severely from frosts during the spring, and in some cases crops were not even harvested.

In the preparation of this report, we received assistance from the Shasta County Extension Service and many other offices and individuals. Their assistance has made the production of this report possible and we wish to express our grateful appreciation.

COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE - - - - -

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Respectfully submitted



C. BRUCE WADE

Agricultural Commissioner

FARMS AND ACREAGES FOR SHASTA COUNTY

The following data on acreages and number of farms, total lands and irrigated lands in Shasta County, is taken from the 1954 U. S. Census of Agriculture, Final Report - 1956

Land Area of County, approximate	2,432,000 acres
Total Number of Farms	1,079
Irrigated Farms	773

LAND USE

Acres of Irrigated Land	44,961
Acres of Irrigated Harvested Crop Land	14,276
Acres of Non-irrigated Crop Land	8,105
Acres of Crop Land, Not Harvested, Not Pastured	5,955
Acres of Irrigated Pastures	30,685
Acres of Improved Pastures	18,064
Acres of Other Pastures and Range Lands	414,273

ANIMAL PRODUCTION

KIND	PRODUCTION	VALUE
BEEF CATTLE		
Feeder Cattle	28,500	\$ 3,500,000.00
Fat Cattle	1,300	260,000.00
Purebred Breeding Stock	2,000	700,000.00
Feeder Cattle (Winter pasture only)	15,000	200,000.00
		\$ 4,760,000.00
DAIRY		
Market Milk	505,000 lbs B/fat	710,000.00
Manufacturing Milk	617,000 lbs B/fat	500,000.00
Veal and Cull Cows		300,000.00
		1,510,000.00
SWINE		
Feeder Hogs	11,500	207,000.00
Fat Hogs	3,000	135,000.00
		342,000.00
SHEEP		
Feeder Lambs	2,400	30,000.00
Fat Lambs	3,300	52,000.00
Wool	44,000 lbs	24,000.00
		106,000.00
POULTRY		
Eggs	750,000 doz.	315,000.00
Meat	170,000 lbs	20,000.00
Broilers	60,000 birds	42,000.00
		377,000.00
TOTAL		\$ 7,095,400.00

GRAINS and FIELD CROPS

CROP	ACRES	PRODUCTION	VALUE
WHEAT	772	11,580 cwt	\$ 34,161.00
BARLEY	3,900	62,400 cwt	131,040.00
OATS	1,500	22,500 cwt	47,250.00
ALFALFA HAY	7,000	31,500 tons	850,500.00
GRASS HAY	9,900	24,700 tons	495,000.00
GRAIN HAY	3,000	9,000 tons	252,000.00
GARDEN CROPS	92	@ \$ 300.00 per acre	27,600.00
STRAWBERRY PLANTS	232	69,600,000 plants	753,200.00
T O T A L			\$ 2,590,751.00

FRUITS and NUTS

CROP	ACRES	PRODUCTION	VALUE
APPLES	153	15,600 boxes	\$ 42,900.00
MISCELLANEOUS FRUITS			
Peaches)			
Cherries)	111	60 tons	18,940.00
Persimmons)			
OLIVES			
Pickles and Shipping	833	713 tons	89,125.00
WALNUTS	90	67 tons	26,800.00
T O T A L			\$ 177,765.00

APIARY

9,970 colonies			
22,700 nuclei			
	67,000 lbs pkg bees	\$	80,400.00
	76,000 queen bees		84,260.00
	419,000 lbs bees		41,900.00
	6,750 lbs wax		2,835.00
T O T A L			\$ 209,395.00

R E C A P I T U L A T I O N
 V A L U E S O F F A R M C R O P S M A R K E T E D 1 9 5 8

LIVESTOCK INDUSTRY	\$	7,095,400.00
FIELD CROPS		2,590,751.00
HORTICULTURAL CROPS		177,765.00
APIARY		209,395.00
		10,073,311.00
TOTAL AGRICULTURAL CROP VALUES	\$	10,073,311.00

S U M M A R Y O F V A L U E O F C R O P S F O R Y E A R S
 1 9 5 4 - 1 9 5 8 I N C L U S I V E

1 9 5 4	CROP VALUE	\$	5,966,823.15
1 9 5 5	CROP VALUE		5,955,535.40
1 9 5 6	CROP VALUE		6,564,372.00
1 9 5 7	CROP VALUE		7,809,964.00
1 9 5 8	CROP VALUE		10,073,311.00