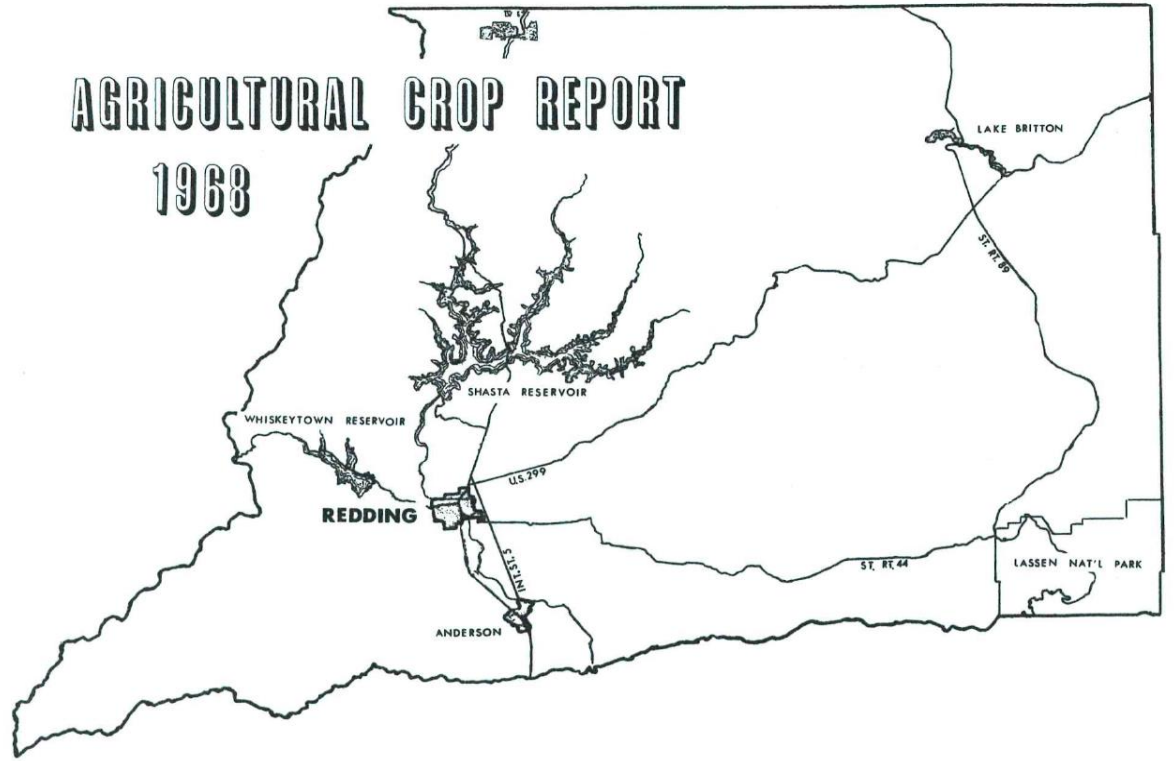


COMPARISON SUMMARY

	<u>1967</u>	<u>1968</u>
LIVESTOCK & POULTRY	\$ 4,437,100	\$ 4,846,750
LIVESTOCK & POULTRY PRODUCTS (Rev)	1,213,500	1,180,400
APIARY PRODUCTS	218,100	250,630
NURSERY STOCK	1,434,000	1,512,000
VEGETABLE CROPS	619,800	585,000
TREE CROPS	213,400	304,000
FIELD CROPS	3,982,800	3,767,600
TOTAL	(Rev) <u>\$12,118,700</u>	<u>\$12,446,380</u>



AGRICULTURAL CROP REPORT
1968

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1855 PLACER STREET
REDDING, CALIFORNIA, 96001**

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C. BRUCE WADE
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ANNUAL CROP REPORT

FOR

YEAR ENDING - - DECEMBER 31, 1968

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Gentlemen:

The following is a report of the condition, acreage, production and value of the agricultural products in Shasta County for the year 1968, submitted in accordance with Section 2279 of the California Agricultural Code. This report represents gross value of production and does not attempt to indicate net farm income or cost of production.

Generally favorable weather during the growing season gave near normal production rates which offset reduced acreages of some crops. The increase in total value is due to higher prices rather than greater volume. Successful experimental production of onions, beans, and garlic in Fall River Valley may bring about increased plantings in 1969.

A large increase in plantings of strawberry nursery stock was nearly destroyed by rain and snow during the harvest season. I estimate that approximately 150 acres were completely lost.

Direct questionnaires to producers have been used in compiling this report. We sincerely appreciate the excellent response and the assistance we have received from the University of California Extension Service and from other agencies and individuals.

Respectfully Submitted

C. Bruce Wade

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Agricultural Commissioner

LIVESTOCK & POULTRY

	Year	PRODUCTION		Unit	VALUE	
		No. of Head	Total Liveweight		Per Unit	Total
CATTLE & CALVES	1968	3,630		head	\$238.00	\$ 864,000
	1967	4,080		head	261.00	1,065,000
Milk Stock	1968	1,200		head	240.00	288,000
	1967	582		head	185.00	108,000
Feeder and Fat	1968	24,200	150,000	cwt.	23.40	3,510,000
	1967	23,000	138,000	cwt.	22.50	3,105,000
				Totals	1968	\$4,662,000
					1967	4,278,000
SHEEP & LAMBS	1968	400		head	17.00	6,800
	1967	238		head	22.20	5,280
Feeders and Fat Lambs	1968	3,030	2,980	cwt.	23.90	71,200
	1967	3,000	2,920	cwt.	23.34	68,200
				Totals	1968	\$ 78,000
					1967	73,480
HOGS & PIGS	1968	250		head	49.00	12,250
	1967	210		head	54.00	11,300
Feeders and Fat Hogs	1968	3,150	4,320	cwt.	20.84	90,000
	1967	2,430	3,340	cwt.	20.80	69,700
				Totals	1968	\$ 102,250
					1967	81,000
CHICKENS	1968	15,000	45,000	lbs.	.10	4,500
	1967	14,000	42,000	lbs.	.11	4,620
				TOTAL LIVESTOCK & POULTRY	1968	\$4,846,750
					1967	4,437,100

LIVESTOCK & POULTRY PRODUCTS

	Year	PRODUCTION		Unit	VALUE	
		Production			Per Unit	Total
MILK	1968	164,000		cwt.	\$5.27	\$ 864,000
	1967 (Rev)	157,000		cwt.	5.09	799,000
Manufacturing	1968	37,100		cwt.	3.92	145,000
	1967 (Rev)	52,000		cwt.	3.88	202,000
WOOL	1968	40,000		lbs.	.40	16,000
	1967	22,300		lbs.	.56	12,500
EGGS	1968	420,000		doz.	.37	155,400
	1967	512,000		doz.	.39	200,000
				TOTAL LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS	1968	\$1,180,400
					1967 (Rev)	1,213,500

APIARY PRODUCTS

	Year	PRODUCTION		Unit	VALUE	
		Production			Per Unit	Total
HONEY	1968	71,500		lbs.	.12	\$ 8,580
	1967	254,000		lbs.	.11	27,900
BEES WAX	1968	2,500		lbs.	.70	1,750
	1967	5,000		lbs.	.48	2,400
PACKAGE BEES	1968	76,500		lbs.	1.25	95,600
	1967	59,800		lbs.	1.20	71,800
QUEENS	1968	79,000		each	1.30	102,700
	1967	72,000		each	1.30	93,600
POLLINATION	1968	12,000		col.	3.50	42,000
	1967	8,620		col.	2.60	22,400
				TOTAL APIARY PRODUCTS	1968	\$ 250,630
					1967	218,100

NURSERY STOCK

	Year	Acres	PRODUCTION		VALUE	
			Per Acre	Plants	Price	Total
STRAWBERRY PLANTS	1968	360	300 M.	108,000 M.	\$ 14.00	\$1,512,000
	1967	413	248 M.	102,430 M.	14.00	1,434,000

VEGETABLE CROPS

	Year	Acres	PRODUCTION		VALUE	
			Per Acre	Total	Per Unit	Total
POTATOES	1968	600	300 cwt.	180,000 cwt.	\$ 2.25	\$ 405,000
	1967	860	225 cwt.	193,500 cwt.	2.80	541,800
TRUCK CROPS (Garlic) (Onions) (Beans)	1968	300	acre	600.00	180,000	
	1967	260	acre	300.00	78,000	
				TOTAL VEGETABLE CROPS	1968	\$ 585,000
					1967	619,800

TREE CROPS

	Year	Bearing Acres	PRODUCTION		VALUE	
			Per Acre	Total	Per Unit	Total
Apples) Pears) Persimmons) Prunes)	1968	445				\$ 147,000
	1967	440				138,000
Olives	1968	800	1,000 #	400 tons	\$180.00	72,000
	1967	800	300 #	120 tons	220.00	26,400
Walnuts	1968	352	900 #	158 tons	540.00	85,000
	1967	345	568 #	98 tons	500.00	49,000
				TOTAL TREE CROPS	1968	\$ 304,000
					1967	213,400

FIELD CROPS

	Year	Harvested Acre	PRODUCTION		VALUE		
			Per Acre	Total	Per Unit	Total	
GRAIN	Barley	1968	1,500	1,500 #	1,125 tons	\$ 46.00	\$ 51,700
		1967	1,980	1,480 #	1,460 tons	45.00	65,700
Oats	1968	600	1,761 #	528 tons	50.00	26,400	
	1967	290	1,790 #	260 tons	50.00	13,000	
Wheat	1968	1,070	1,042 #	557 tons	48.00	26,700	
	1967	1,210	1,170 #	710 tons	50.00	35,500	
HAY	Alfalfa	1968	6,000	2.9 T	17,400 tons	28.00	487,000
		1967	6,800	2.27 T	15,400 tons	29.00	447,000
Other Hay	1968	12,900	1.54 T	19,900 tons	23.00	457,000	
	1967	17,500	1.61 T	28,200 tons	24.00	677,000	
Silage	1968	400	12. T	4,800 tons	11.00	52,800	
	1967	400	11. T	4,400 tons	10.60	46,600	
PASTURE	Irrigated	1968	46,000			42.00	1,932,000
		1967	44,000			42.00	1,848,000
Improved	1968	70,000			2.50	175,000	
	1967	68,900			3.00	207,000	
Other	1968	447,000			1.25	559,000	
	1967	429,000			1.50	643,000	
				TOTAL FIELD CROPS	1968	\$3,767,600	
					1967	3,982,800	