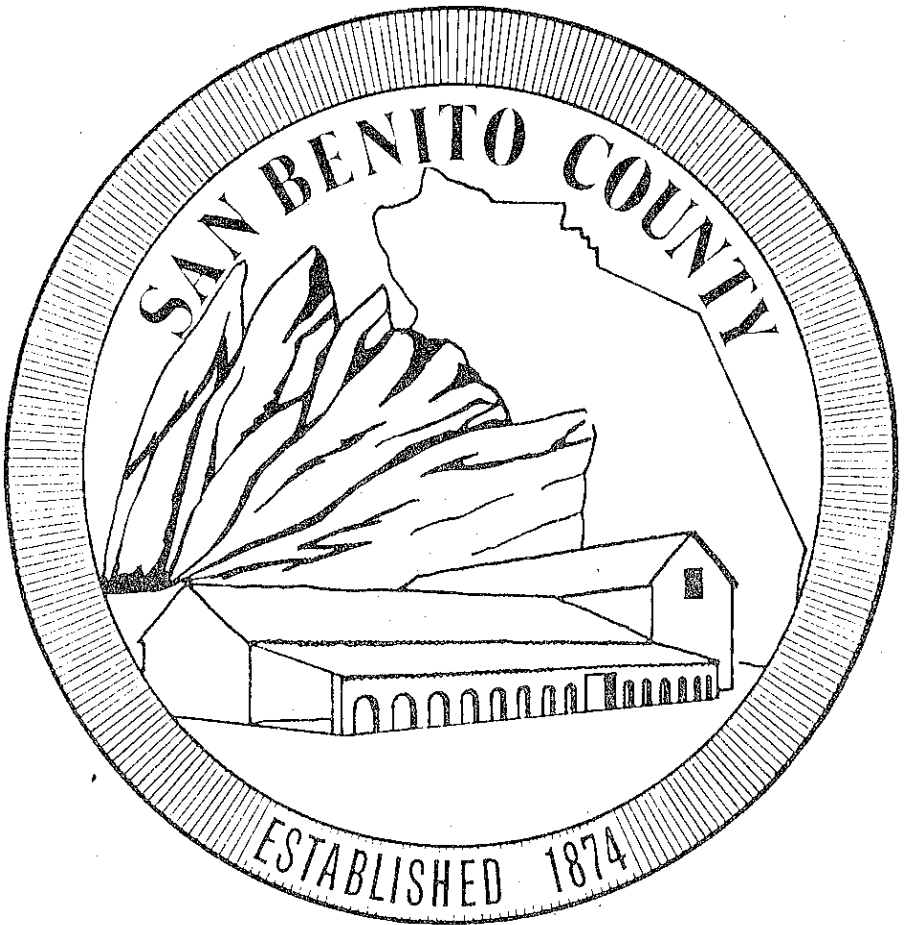


1990

AGRICULTURAL
CROP REPORT



OFFICE OF THE AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER

Henry J. Voss, Director
California Department of Food and Agriculture
and
The Honorable Board of Supervisors of San Benito County

I am pleased to submit this 1990 Crop Report for San Benito County, as required by Section 2279 of the California Food and Agricultural Code.

The 1990 gross value of production was up over five million dollars which is in excess of 4.5 percent more from 1989. The dramatic increase was in the category of vegetable and row crops and within that grouping, head lettuce acreage and value accounts for the majority of the gain. The field crops category declined over 3.7 million dollars. The categories of livestock products, fruit and nut crops, and poultry also had lower gross incomes.

I would like to stress that these figures are for gross income only, not net profit to the grower. In some cases, crops are actually produced at a loss.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the many growers and handlers of agricultural products, and personnel of other governmental agencies for their assistance in obtaining these figures; without their help, this report would not have been possible. I would also like to acknowledge my staff, and in particular Paul Matulich who compiled this report.

Respectfully Submitted,



Mark A. Tognazzini
Agricultural Commissioner/ Sealer
San Benito County

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S U M M A R Y

Field Crops	1990	\$ 31,313,000
	1989	\$ 35,053,000
Vegetables and Row Crops	1990	\$ 59,608,000
	1989	\$ 46,949,000
Livestock	1990	\$ 15,080,000
	1989	\$ 14,358,000
Fruit and Nut Crops	1990	\$ 14,567,000
	1989	\$ 15,404,000
Livestock Products	1990	\$ 8,019,000
	1989	\$ 10,847,000
Poultry	1990	\$ 532,000
	1989	\$ 801,000
TOTAL	1990	\$ 129,119,000
	1989	\$ 123,412,000

L A S T T E N Y E A R S

1 9 8 1	\$ 96,403,000
1 9 8 2	\$ 92,818,000
1 9 8 3	\$ 97,173,000
1 9 8 4	\$ 106,099,000
1 9 8 5	\$ 99,793,000
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1 9 8 7	\$ 111,082,000
1 9 8 8	\$ 115,407,000
1 9 8 9	\$ 123,412,000
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FIELD CROPS

		*** PRODUCTION ***				\$\$\$ VALUE \$\$\$	
		acres	per acre	TOTAL		per unit	TOTAL
Alfalfa	1990	3,200	6.1	19,520	tons	110.00	2,147,000
	1989	3,200	7.0	22,400	tons	110.00	2,464,000
Barley	1990	7,500	.77	5,775	tons	108.00	624,000
	1989	8,000	1.10	8,800	tons	120.00	1,056,000
*Misc. Field Crops	1990	691					589,000
	1989	965					607,000
Grain Hay	1990	20,000	1.21	24,200	tons	77.00	1,863,000
	1989	22,000	1.00	22,000	tons	80.00	1,760,000
**Nursery Stock	1990	415					18,375,000
	1989	426					22,012,000
Green Chop (forage mix)	1990	3,630	6.2	22,506	tons	17.00	383,000
	1989	1,510	10.7	16,157	tons	17.00	275,000
Pasture/Rangeland	1990	507,000			acres	8.00	4,056,000
	1989	507,000			acres	8.00	4,056,000
Permanent Pasture	1990	1,000			acres	275.00	275,000
	1989	1,000			acres	275.00	275,000
***Seed Crops	1990	266			acres	3012.00	801,000
	1989	320			acres	1860.00	595,000
Sugar Beets	1990	1,003	34.4	34,503	tons	41.00	1,415,000
	1989	700	32.7	22,890	tons	40.00	916,000
Wheat	1990	5,000	1.44	7,200	tons	109.00	785,000
	1989	4,800	1.8	8,640	tons	120.00	1,037,000
Totals	1990						31,313,000
	1989						35,053,000

* Misc. Field Crops includes: Corn Silage, Oat Silage, Oats, Ornamental Corn, Ornamental Gourds, and Pumpkins

** Nursery Stock includes: Christmas Trees, Cut Flowers, Mushroom Spawn, Nursery Stock, Orchids, Turf, and Vegetable Plants

*** Seed Crops include: Barley, Beans, Broccoli, Cabbage, Cantaloupe, Carrots, Cauliflower, Celery, Cucumber, Lettuce, Misc. Flowers, Onions, Pepper, Pumpkin, Tomato, Squash, Watermelon, and Wheat

VEGETABLE and ROW CROPS

		*** PRODUCTION ***				\$\$\$ VALUE \$\$\$	
		acres	per acre	TOTAL		per unit	TOTAL
Broccoli	1990	1,785	6.7	11,960	tons	490.00	5,860,000
	1989	900	9.0	8,100	tons	330.00	2,673,000
Cabbage	1990	804	21.4	17,206	tons	179.00	3,080,000
	1989	700	20.7	14,490	tons	166.00	2,405,000
Cauliflower	1990	(Misc. Crops)					
	1989	252	11.7	2,948	tons	299.00	882,000
Celery	1990	664	29.4	19,522	tons	197.00	3,846,000
	1989	665	36.8	24,472	tons	170.00	4,160,000
Garlic	1990	623	7.1	4,423	tons	760.00	3,361,000
	1989	(Misc. Crops)					
Leaf Lettuce (mixed)	1990	857	10.9	9,341	tons	341.00	3,185,000
	1989	700	13.2	9,240	tons	298.00	2,754,000
Lettuce (head)	1990	3,623	16.1	58,330	tons	219.00	12,774,000
	1989	1,250	16.2	20,250	tons	205.00	4,151,000
*Misc. Crops	1990	1,562					7,139,000
	1989	1,669					9,025,000
Onions (dry bulb)	1990	907	22.4	20,317	tons	150.00	3,048,000
	1989	1,090	25.2	27,468	tons	145.00	3,983,000
Peppers (bell)	1990	1,885	19.7	37,135	tons	283.00	10,509,000
	1989	1,918	17.9	34,332	tons	266.00	9,132,000
Tomatoes (canning)	1990	3,597	35.7	128,413	tons	53.00	6,806,000
	1989	4,250	33.3	141,525	tons	55.00	7,784,000
TOTALS	1990						59,608,000
	1989						46,949,000

*Misc. Crops Include: Basil, Beans, Bok Choy, Cauliflower, Cherry Tomatoes, Chili Peppers, Chinese Vegetables, Chives, Cucumbers, Endive, Escarole, Flowering Kale, Fresh Market Tomatoes, Garlic, Green Onions, Herbs, Leeks, Mixed Vegetables, Melons, Napa, Oriental Kale, Peas, Pimentos, Potatoes,

L I V E S T O C K

		** PRODUCTION **		\$\$\$ VALUE \$\$\$		
		no. of head	TOTAL cwt.	per cwt.	TOTAL	
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All Cattle	1990	58,850				
	1989	59,030				
Calves	1990	10,800	44,280	cwt.	90.00	3,985,000
	1989	10,880	46,240	cwt.	83.00	3,838,000
Yearlings	1990	2,700	18,630	cwt.	80.00	1,490,000
	1989	3,700	25,900	cwt.	77.00	1,994,000
Pasture and Stockers	1990	39,500	79,000	cwt.	80.00	6,320,000
	1989	39,000	70,200	cwt.	80.00	5,616,000
Cows	1990	5,600	56,000	cwt.	51.00	2,856,000
	1989	5,250	52,500	cwt.	47.00	2,468,000
Bulls	1990	250	3,500	cwt.	64.00	224,000
	1989	200	3,000	cwt.	70.00	210,000
*Hogs	1990	700	1,400	cwt.	58.00	81,000
	1989	750	1,875	cwt.	47.00	88,000
*Lambs	1990	2,000	2,000	cwt.	62.00	124,000
	1989	2,000	2,000	cwt.	72.00	144,000
TOTALS	1990					15,080,000
	1989					14,358,000

* These figures are not included in Cattle total

F R U I T and N U T C R O P S

		*** PRODUCTION ***			\$\$\$ VALUE \$\$\$		
		acres	per acre	TOTAL	per ton	TOTAL	
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Apples	1990	605	14.5	8,773	tons	170.00	1,491,000
	1989	535	17.0	9,095	tons	165.00	1,501,000
Apricots	1990	2,356	4.32	10,178	tons	300.00	3,053,000
	1989	2,400	3.3	7,920	tons	350.00	2,772,000
Cherries	1990	400	2.98	1,192	tons	1,725.00	2,056,000
	1989	400	3.5	1,400	tons	2,000.00	2,800,000
Grapes (wine)	1990	1,800	3.65	6,570	tons	495.00	3,252,000
	1989	1,700	4.1	6,970	tons	475.00	3,311,000
*Misc. Fruits & Nuts	1990	156					301,000
	1989	158					341,000
Walnuts	1990	4,325	.81	3,503	tons	1,260.00	4,414,000
	1989	4,400	.925	4,069	tons	1,150.00	4,679,000
TOTALS	1990						14,567,000
	1989						15,404,000

* Misc. Fruits & Nuts include: Almonds, Asian Pears, Avocados, Bartlett Pears, Prunes, Raspberries, and Winter Pears

L I V E S T O C K P R O D U C T S

		** PRODUCTION **		\$\$\$ VALUE \$\$\$	
		units		unit	TOTAL
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Milk	1990	120,000	cwt.	11.97	1,436,000
(market)	1989	100,000	cwt.	13.00	1,300,000
Milk	1990	26,000	cwt.	10.92	284,000
(manufacturing)	1989	21,000	cwt.	12.00	252,000
Eggs (chicken/	1990	7,220,000	doz.	.87	6,281,000
turkey)	1989	10,894,000	doz.	.85	9,260,000
Wool	1990	20,000	lbs.	.91	18,000
	1989	20,000	lbs.	1.75	35,000
TOTALS	1990				8,019,000
	1989				10,847,000

P O U L T R Y

		** PRODUCTION **		\$\$ VALUE \$\$	
		no. of	TOTAL	per	TOTAL
		head	units	unit	-----
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Chickens	1990	15,000	head	.25	4,000
	1989	20,000	head	.35	7,000
Turkeys	1990	88,000	2,112,000 lbs.	.25	528,000
	1989	133,000	2,940,000 lbs.	.27	794,000
TOTALS	1990				532,000
	1989				801,000

A N N U A L S U S T A I N A B L E A G R I C U L T U R A L
R E P O R T

C O U N T Y B I O L O G I C A L C O N T R O L

PEST	AGENT/MECHANISM	SCOPE OF PROGRAM
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Puncture Vine <u>Tribulus terrestris</u>	Seed Head Weevil <u>Microlarinus lareynii</u>	
	Stem Mining Weevil <u>Microlarinus lypriformis</u>	3 sites
Yellow Starthistle <u>Centaurea solstitialis</u>	Seed Head Weevil <u>Bangasternus orientalis</u>	2 sites

O R G A N I C F A R M S T A T I S T I C S

The county has seven organic growers growing 33 different crops on a total of 949 acres.