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and
The Honorable Board of Supervisors of San Benito County

I am pleased to submit this 1994 Crop Report for San Benito County, which indicates agricultural and livestock production values.

Agriculture continues to be the county's major producing industry with a 1994 gross value of \$ 148,290,000. This increase, which is in excess of 3% from last year, makes 1994 a new record high for San Benito County's agricultural income, indicative of it's importance in the county's economic base and the quality of life for it's residents.

The most significant change was in the Vegetable and Row Crops category which saw almost ten million dollars of the increase. The largest gain within this category was baby lettuce for packaged salad products.

Please bear in mind 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,

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SUMMARY

Field Crops	1994	\$ 29,507,000
	1993	\$ 33,298,000
Vegetables and Row Crops	1994	\$ 83,046,000
	1993	\$ 72,999,000
Fruit and Nut Crops	1994	\$ 15,005,000
	1993	\$ 18,052,000
Livestock	1994	\$ 11,144,000
	1993	\$ 11,610,000
Livestock Products	1994	\$ 8,802,000
	1993	\$ 7,705,000
Poultry	1994	\$ 786,000
	1993	\$ 756,000
TOTAL	1994	\$ 148,290,000
	1993	\$ 144,420,000

LAST TEN YEARS

1994		\$ 148,290,000
1993		\$ 144,420,000
1992		\$ 132,714,000
1991		\$ 135,652,000
1990	(Revised)	\$ 128,359,000
1989		\$ 123,412,000
1988		\$ 115,407,000
1987		\$ 111,082,000
1986		\$ 105,998,000
1985		\$ 99,793,000

TOP TEN COMMODITIES

1994		1993	
Lettuce (head)	\$ 19,489,000	Nursery Stock	\$ 23,364,000
Nursery Stock	\$ 19,384,000	Lettuce (head)	\$ 18,102,000
Lettuce (baby)	\$ 12,862,000	Peppers (bell)	\$ 10,314,000
Peppers (bell)	\$ 9,606,000	Onions	\$ 8,147,000
Misc. Veg.	\$ 7,811,000	Lettuce (leaf)	\$ 7,112,000
Eggs	\$ 7,298,000	Pasture/Stckrs	\$ 6,552,000
Broccoli	\$ 6,680,000	Eggs	\$ 6,131,000
Onions (dry)	\$ 6,303,000	Misc. (veg.)	\$ 5,625,000
Pasture/Stckrs	\$ 6,160,000	Grapes (wine)	\$ 5,371,000
Lettuce (leaf)	\$ 5,640,000	Salad Products	\$ 5,213,000

FIELD CROPS

		*** PRODUCTION ***			units	\$\$\$	VALUE	\$\$\$
		acres	per acre	TOTAL				
Alfalfa	1994	1,616	5.21	8,419	tons	120.00	1,010,000	
	1993	1,800	4.97	8,946	tons	107.00	957,000	
Barley	1994	5,500	1.30	7,150	tons	105.00	751,000	
	1993	6,000	1.48	8,880	tons	95.00	844,000	
*Misc. Field Crops	1994	1,281					546,000	
	1993	1,451					562,000	
Grain Hay	1994	17,750	1.55	27,513	tons	49.00	1,348,000	
	1993	17,000	1.68	28,560	tons	50.00	1,428,000	
**Nursery Stock	1994	475					19,384,000	
	1993	498					23,364,000	
Green Chop (forage mix)	1994	(Misc. Field Crops)						
	1993	2,710	7.00	18,970	tons	16.00	304,000	
Pasture/Rangeland	1994	510,750			acres	8.00	4,086,000	
	1993	511,000			acres	8.00	4,088,000	
Permanent Pasture	1994	1,000			acres	275.00	275,000	
	1993	1,000			acres	275.00	275,000	
***Seed Crops	1994	162			acres	2883.00	370,000	
	1993	102			acres	3009.00	307,000	
Sugar Beets	1994	722	38.41	27,732	tons	37.00	1,026,000	
	1993	602	27.20	16,374	tons	39.00	639,000	
Wheat	1994	3,500	1.88	6,580	tons	108.00	711,000	
	1993	2,600	2.00	5,200	tons	102.00	530,000	
Totals	1994						29,507,000	
	1993						33,298,000	

* See page 10 for a list of Miscellaneous Field Crops

** See page 10 for a list of Nursery Stock

*** See page 10 for a list of Seed Crops

VEGETABLE and ROW CROPS

		*** PRODUCTION ***			units	\$\$\$	VALUE	\$\$\$
		acres	/acre	TOTAL				
Broccoli	1994	1,752	6.18	10,827	tons	617.00	6,680,000	
	1993	1,824	4.86	8,865	tons	440.00	3,901,000	
Cabbage	1994	686	22.49	15,428	tons	169.00	2,607,000	
	1993	707	21.22	15,003	tons	193.00	2,896,000	
Celery	1994	221	34.26	7,571	tons	228.00	1,726,000	
	1993	322	34.95	11,254	tons	161.00	1,812,000	
Garlic	1994	332	7.25	2,407	tons	1,375.00	3,310,000	
	1993	548	7.22	3,957	tons	932.00	3,688,000	
Leaf Lettuce (mixed)	1994	1,595	10.22	16,301	tons	346.00	5,640,000	
	1993	1,953	10.87	21,229	tons	335.00	7,112,000	
Lettuce (baby)	1994	3,515	.89	3,128	tons	4,112.00	12,862,000	
	1993	491	3.76	1,846	tons	2,824.00	5,213,000	
Lettuce (head)	1994	5,590	17.52	97,937	tons	199.00	19,489,000	
	1993	4,564	17.17	78,364	tons	231.00	18,102,000	
*Misc. Veg. & Row Crops	1994	1,643					7,810,000	
	1993	1,183					5,625,000	
Onions (dry bulb)	1994	1,441	21.98	31,673	tons	199.00	6,303,000	
	1993	1,307	21.57	28,192	tons	289.00	8,147,000	
Peppers (bell)	1994	1,866	16.99	31,703	tons	303.00	9,606,000	
	1993	1,759	19.10	33,597	tons	307.00	10,314,000	
Spinach	1994	382	11.77	4,496	tons	279.00	1,254,000	
	1993	163	11.33	1,847	tons	361.00	667,000	
Sweet Corn	1994	666	7.77	5,175	tons	250.00	1,294,000	
	1993	703	6.48	4,555	tons	273.00	1,244,000	
Tomatoes (canning)	1994	2,188	40.01	87,542	tons	51.00	4,465,000	
	1993	2,322	38.38	89,118	tons	48.00	4,278,000	
TOTALS	1994						83,046,000	
	1993						72,999,000	

* See page 10 for a list of Miscellaneous Vegetable & Row Crops

FRUIT and NUT CROPS

		*** PRODUCTION ***			per ton	\$\$\$ VALUE \$\$\$	
		acres	per acre	TOTAL		TOTAL	TOTAL
Apples	1994	556	14.44	8,029	tons	154.00	1,236,000
	1993	556	14.17	7,879	tons	172.00	1,355,000
Apricots	1994	2,000	5.23	10,460	tons	344.00	3,598,000
	1993	2,025	4.01	8,120	tons	387.00	3,142,000
Cherries	1994	377	3.96	1,493	tons	1,071.00	1,599,000
	1993	377	1.086	409	tons	2,249.00	920,000
Grapes (wine)	1994	1,665	3.96	6,593	tons	808.00	5,327,000
	1993	1,753	4.08	7,152	tons	751.00	5,371,000
*Misc. Fruits & Nuts	1994	156					374,000
	1993	264					2,331,000
Walnuts	1994	3,950	.668	2,639	tons	1,088.00	2,871,000
	1993	4,225	.739	3,122	tons	1,580.00	4,933,000
TOTALS	1994						15,005,000
	1993						18,052,000

* See page 10 for a list of Miscellaneous Fruits & Nuts

LIVESTOCK

		** PRODUCTION **		per cwt.	\$\$\$ VALUE \$\$\$	
		no. of head	TOTAL cwt.		TOTAL	TOTAL
All Cattle	1994	54,978				
	1993	50,626				
Calves	1994	8,028	40,910	cwt.	85.00	3,477,000
	1993	7,826	36,280	cwt.	93.00	3,374,000
Pasture and Stockers	1994	44,000	88,000	cwt.	70.00	6,160,000
	1993	40,000	84,000	cwt.	78.00	6,552,000
Cows	1994	2,800	30,800	cwt.	41.00	1,263,000
	1993	2,650	29,150	cwt.	46.00	1,341,000
Bulls	1994	150	2,100	cwt.	51.00	107,000
	1993	150	2,100	cwt.	56.00	118,000
*Hogs	1994	400	800	cwt.	48.00	38,000
	1993	500	1,000	cwt.	50.00	50,000
*Lambs	1994	1,500	1,500	cwt.	66.00	99,000
	1993	2,500	2,500	cwt.	70.00	175,000
TOTALS	1994					11,144,000
	1993					11,610,000

* These figures are not included in Cattle total

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

		** PRODUCTION **		\$\$\$ VALUE \$\$\$	
		units		unit	TOTAL
Milk	1994	131,000	cwt.	11.33	1,484,000
(market)	1993	133,000	cwt.	11.42	1,519,000
Milk	1994	1,000	cwt.	10.44	10,000
(manufacturing)	1993	3,000	cwt.	11.05	33,000
Eggs (chicken/	1994	9,123,000	doz.	.80	7,298,000
turkey)	1993	8,174,000	doz.	.75	6,131,000
Wool	1994	15,000	lbs.	.66	10,000
	1993	28,000	lbs.	.77	22,000
TOTALS	1994				8,802,000
	1993				7,705,000

P O U L T R Y

		** PRODUCTION **		\$\$ VALUE \$\$	
		no. of	TOTAL	per	TOTAL
		head	units	unit	
Chickens	1994	10,000		head	1,000
	1993	8,000		head	1,000
Turkeys	1994	104,000	2,906,000	lbs.	785,000
	1993	104,000	2,796,000	lbs.	755,000
TOTALS	1994				786,000
	1993				756,000

M I S C E L L A N E O U S C R O P S

F I E L D C R O P S

Corn Silage
 Forage Mix
 Oats
 Ornamental Corn
 Ornamental Gourds
 Pumpkins
 Straw (oat)
 Sudangrass

S E E D C R O P S

Flowers
 Vegetable Crops
 Vine Crops

V E G E T A B L E &
 R O W C R O P S

Arugula
 Artichokes
 Beans
 Beets
 Bok Choy
 Carrots
 Cilantro
 Endive
 Escarole
 Frissee
 Herbs
 Melons
 Mushrooms
 Mustard
 Napa
 Oriental Kale
 Parsley
 Peas
 Potatoes
 Radicchio
 Radishes
 Squash (summer)
 Squash (winter)
 Tomatoes (market)
 Watermelons

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

Almonds
 Avocados
 Pears (Asian)
 Pears (Bartlett)
 Pears (Winter)
 Prunes
 Raspberries

N U R S E R Y S T O C K

Christmas Trees
 Flowers (cut)
 Flowers (dry)
 Mushroom Spawn
 Orchids
 Plants (potted)
 Plants (vegetable)
 Turf

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

BIOLOGICAL CONTROL

PEST	AGENT	SCOPE OF PROGRAM
<u>Puncture Vine</u> <u>Tribulus terrestris</u>	Seed Head Weevil <u>Microlarinus lareynii</u> & Stem Mining Weevil <u>Microlarinus lypriformis</u>	Established countywide
<u>Yellow Starthistle</u> <u>Centaurea solstitialis</u>	Seed Head Weevil <u>Bangasternus orientalis</u>	5 sites
<u>Italian Thistle</u> <u>Carduus pycnocephalus</u>	Seed Head Weevil <u>Rhinocyllus conicus</u>	Established countywide

ERADICATION

PEST	MECHANISM	SCOPE OF PROGRAM
<u>Scotch Thistle</u> <u>Onopordum Acanthium</u>	Mechanical/Chemical	2 sites
<u>Artichoke Thistle</u> <u>Cynara Cardunculus</u>	Mechanical/Chemical	2 sites

PEST DETECTION

There are up to 378 pest detection traps placed throughout the county.

ORGANIC FARM STATISTICS

The county has 12 organic growers, growing 33 different crops on a total of 1,498 certified acres.