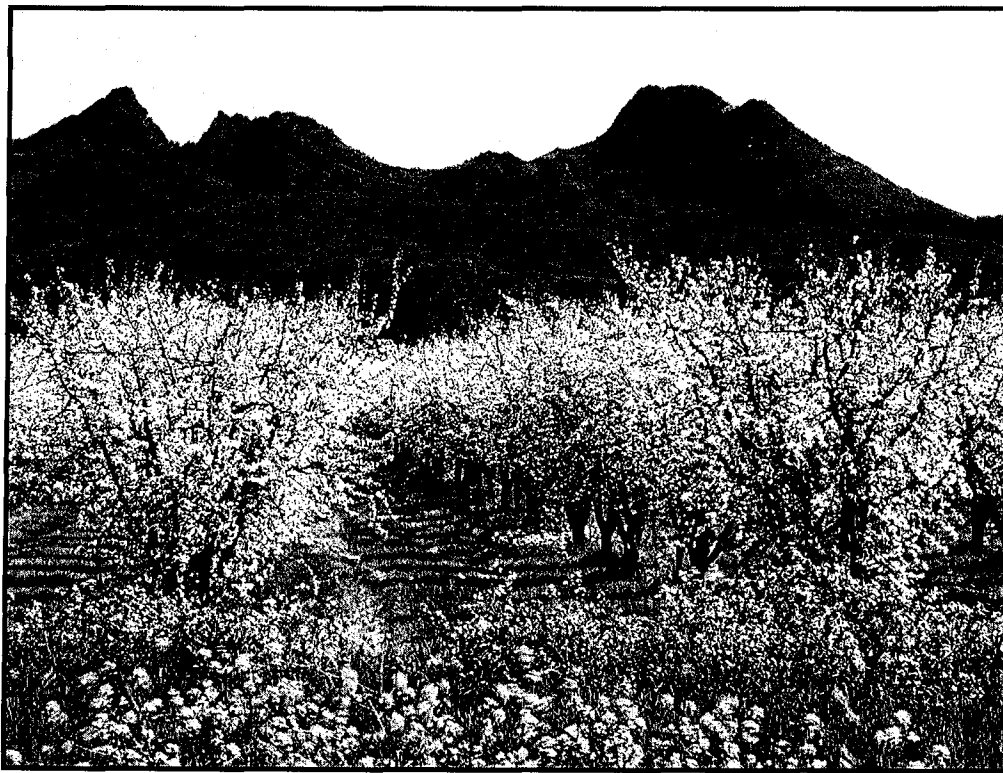


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Gentlemen:

I am pleased to present to you the 1972 Agricultural Crop Report as required by Section 2279 of the California Agricultural Code.

Again Sutter County farmers produced a record in gross value of \$95,117,700.

Most of the increased production was due to better returns to rice producers and an increase in tomato acreage and production. Better walnut prices offset poor returns in clingstone peaches and the catastrophic loss which prune growers suffered.

Field crops received better prices than ever before and wheat acreage and yield increases were substantial.

Cattle and calves showed a marked increase in production but the average price was only approximately 5 cents per pound over the previous year.

The figures in this report reflect a gross value to the entire community in services, supplies and related jobs directly attributed to Sutter County growers.

This report is the effort of the Sutter County Department of Agriculture, under the direction of Assistant Agricultural Commissioner, Lourie G. Gaschke.

To all those individuals who provided us with the information and records necessary to compile this report we extend our sincere appreciation and thanks.

Respectfully submitted,

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FRUIT AND NUT CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Crop	Year	Bearing Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Apples	1972	17	10.5	179	ton	\$100.00	\$ 17,900
	1971*						
Almonds	1972	5,873	.8	4,698	ton	676.00	3,176,000
	1971	5,766	1.0	5,766	ton	617.00	3,558,000
Almond Hulls	1972			7,048	ton	15.00	106,000
	1971			6,919	ton	7.00	48,400
Cherries	1972	23	3.0	69	ton	615.00	42,400
	1971	21	5.05	106	ton	500.00	53,000
Peaches	1972	9,200	15.11	139,012	ton	75.00	10,426,000
Clingstone	1971	11,153	13.50	150,566	ton	78.40	11,804,000
Peaches	1972	119	10.0	1,190	ton	115.00	137,000
Freestone	1971	119	10.5	1,250	ton	90.00	112,000
Pears	1972	1,337	8.0	10,696	ton	130.00	1,390,000
All	1971	1,280	8.5	10,880	ton	83.00	903,000
Plums	1972	272	4.9	1,333	ton	266.00	355,000
	1971	292	5.0	1,460	ton	229.00	334,000
Prunes	1972	15,333	.97	14,873	ton	489.00	7,273,000
dried	1971	14,799	2.59	38,329	ton	217.00	8,317,000
Walnuts	1972	10,158	.96	9,752	ton	525.00	5,120,000
English	1971	9,511	1.07	10,177	ton	385.00	3,918,000
Walnuts	1972	12		12,600	bags	1.75	22,000
Black	1971	11		10,500	bags	1.50	15,800
Misc.**	1972	60					45,000
	1971	88					89,500
Total	1972						28,110,300
	1971						29,152,700

*Not shown separately last year

**Includes apricots, bushberries, nectarines, olives, oranges, pecans, pistachios and strawberries.

FIELD CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Crop	Year	Production			Unit	Value	
		Harvested Acreage	Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Barley	1972	19,000	1.75	33,250	ton	\$ 57.00	\$ 1,895,000
	1971	19,000	1.60	30,400	ton	54.50	1,657,000
Beans, Dry Baby Limas	1972	3,210	.75	2,408	ton	270.00	650,000
	1971	5,000	.96	4,800	ton	203.50	977,000
Beans, Dry Blackeye	1972	1,400	.64	896	ton	280.00	251,000
	1971	500	.51	255	ton	280.00	71,400
Beans, Dry Gr. Baby Lima	1972	170	1.10	187	ton	241.00	45,100
	1971	100	1.23	123	ton	224.00	27,600
Beans, Dry Kidney	1972	200	.70	140	ton	461.00	64,500
	1971	200	.85	170	ton	280.00	47,600
Beans, Dry Large Lima	1972	330	.67	221	ton	540.00	119,000
	1971	500	1.02	510	ton	386.00	197,000
Beans, Dry Pink	1972	1,333	.75	1,000	ton	245.00	245,000
	1971	1,800	.64	1,152	ton	196.00	226,000
Beans, Dry Misc.	1972	200	.63	126	ton	345.25	43,500
	1971	500	.75	375	ton	300.00	112,000
Corn, Field Grain	1972	4,400	3.74	16,456	ton	55.50	913,000
	1971	5,300	3.50	18,550	ton	53.00	983,000
Corn, Field Silage	1972	2,500	25.00	62,500	ton	12.50	781,000
	1971	2,000	25.00	50,000	ton	7.50	375,000
Hay Alfalfa	1972	9,900	5.90	58,410	ton	36.00	2,103,000
	1971	10,000	6.00	60,000	ton	33.00	1,980,000
Hay Grain	1972	6,000	4.35	26,100	ton	30.00	78,300
	1971	6,500	3.50	22,750	ton	27.75	631,000
Hay Other*	1972	10,000	2.80	28,000	ton	22.50	630,000
	1971	5,000	1.75	8,750	ton	25.00	219,000
Oats	1972	1,200	1.50	1,800	ton	65.35	118,000
	1971	1,200	.72	864	ton	66.80	57,700

*Includes straw

FIELD CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE (con't)

Crop	Year	Production			Unit	Value	
		Harvested Acreage	Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Pasture & Range, Irrig.	1972	22,000			acre	\$ 50.00	\$ 1,100,000
	1971	22,000			acre	50.00	1,100,000
Pasture & Range, Dry	1972	70,000			acre	2.50	175,000
	1971	70,000			acre	2.00	140,000
Rice	1972	55,669	2.90	161,144	ton	125.00	20,143,000
	1971	56,800	2.76	157,000	ton	100.00	15,700,000
Safflower	1972	19,856	1.16	23,033	ton	105.64	2,433,000
	1971	22,927	1.12	25,678	ton	101.00	2,594,000
Sorghum Grain	1972	22,165	1.90	42,114	ton	54.00	2,274,000
	1971	31,000	1.95	60,450	ton	47.50	2,871,000
Sugar Beets	1972	5,592	27.20	152,102	ton	15.03	2,286,000
	1971	4,317	21.40	92,384	ton	15.80	1,460,000
Wheat	1972	32,657	2.31	75,438	ton	55.75	4,206,000
	1971	18,000	1.55	27,900	ton	55.90	1,560,000
Misc.**	1972	1,400					735,000
	1971	1,200					603,000
Total	1972						41,288,400
	1971						33,589,300

**Includes mung beans, castorbeans, flax, hops and sunflower

SEED CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Crop	Year	Production		Total	Unit	Value	
		Harvested Acreage	Per Acre			Per Unit	Total
Alfalfa	1972	780	300	234,000	lb.	\$.43	\$ 100,600
	1971	1,000	360	360,000	lb.	.40	144,000
Barley	1972	600	3,100	1,860,000	lb.	.03	55,800
	1971	525	3,000	1,575,000	lb.	.034	53,600
Clover	1972	2,448	207	506,736	lb.	.66	334,000
	1971	1,446	171	247,266	lb.	.61	151,000
Cantaloupe & Honeydew	1972	160	352	56,320	lb.	.85	47,900
	1971	168	402	67,536	lb.	.81	54,700
Cucumber	1972	360	385	138,600	lb.	1.56	216,000
	1971	444	222	98,568	lb.	1.10	108,000
Field Corn	1972	220	6,000	1,320,000	lb.	.045	59,400
	1971	200	7,000	1,400,000	lb.	.035	49,000
Oats	1972	273	3,900	1,064,700	lb.	.0525	55,900
	1971	561	2,204	1,236,444	lb.	.0525	64,900
Pumpkins & Squash	1972	789	653	515,217	lb.	.46	237,000
	1971	716	605	433,180	lb.	.45	195,000
Rice	1972	4,804	5,000	24,020,000	lb.	.075	1,802,000
	1971	3,600	5,650	20,340,000	lb.	.0715	1,454,000
Safflower	1972	525	1,475	774,375	lb.	.055	42,600
	1971	577	2,450	1,413,650	lb.	.05	70,700
Sorghum Grain	1972	700	4,300	3,010,000	lb.	.045	135,000
	1971	500	4,000	2,000,000	lb.	.035	70,000
Sudan	1972	75	1,814	136,050	lb.	.09	12,200
	1971	105	1,281	134,505	lb.	.076	10,200
Vetch	1972	400	1,300	520,000	lb.	.10	52,000
	1971	2,960	1,516	4,487,000	lb.	.086	386,000
Watermelon	1972	511	218	111,398	lb.	.95	106,000
	1971	591	276	163,116	lb.	.90	147,000
Wheat	1972	275	3,950	1,086,250	lb.	.035	38,000
	1971	602	4,000	2,408,000	lb.	.035	84,300
Misc. Seed*	1972	85		160,100	lb.		80,000
	1971	75		160,000	lb.		32,000
Total	1972						3,374,400
	1971						3,074,400

*Includes dry beans, sunflower, tomato, onion and pepper

VEGETABLE CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Crop	Year	Production			Unit	Value	
		Harvested Acreage	Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Melons, all	1972	1,193	12.2	14,555	tons	\$98.08	\$ 1,428,000
	1971	1,119	10.0	11,190	tons	72.75	814,000
Pumpkins	1972	360	18.6	6,696	tons	11.50	77,000
	1971	165	10.8	1,782	tons	10.00	17,800
Squash	1972	155	17.83	2,764	tons	20.16	55,700
	1971	165	17.4	2,871	tons	20.65	59,300
Tomatoes Canning	1972	15,520	27.11	420,747	tons	28.00	11,781,000
	1971	10,630	26.1	277,443	tons	28.00	7,768,000
Miscellaneous Vegetables	1972	291					266,000
	1971						164,000
Total	1972						13,607,700
	1971						8,823,100

NURSERY PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION AREA, SALES AND VALUE

Item	Year	Production Area Field Area	Quantity Sold By Producers	Value	
				Unit	Total
<u>Nursery Crops</u>					
Fruit & Nut Trees	1972	140	1,010,770	plants	\$1,248,000
	1971	80	674,200	plants	590,000
Ornamental Trees & Shrubs	1972	10			15,800
	1971	10			12,500
Total	1972				1,263,800
	1971				602,500

APIARY PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Item	Year	Production Total	Unit	Value	
				Per Unit	Total
Honey	1972	214,000	lb.	.30	64,200
	1971	225,000	lb.	.20	45,000
Beeswax	1972	5,000	lb.	.64	3,200
	1971	5,500	lb.	.60	3,300
Package Bees	1972	96,400	lb.	1.87	180,000
	1971	81,400	lb.	1.75	142,000
Queen Bees	1972	61,200	each	1.54	94,200
	1971	72,300	each	1.40	101,000
Pollination	1972	19,445	colony	4.24	82,500
	1971	14,500	colony	4.00	58,000
Total	1972				424,100
	1971				349,300

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY: PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Item	Year	Production		Unit	Value	
		No. of Head	Total Liveweight		Per Unit	Total
Cattle & Calves	1972	25,000	127,500	cwt.	\$ 34.93	\$4,454,000
	1971	18,000	126,000	cwt.	30.00	3,780,000
Sheep & Lambs	1972	56,255	29,355	cwt.	26.29	772,000
	1971	53,900	27,900	cwt.	19.50	544,000
Hogs & Pigs	1972	5,500	12,100	cwt.	26.20	317,000
	1971	6,000	12,000	cwt.	19.10	229,000
Hogs & Pigs Feeder	1972	3,500	1,400	cwt.	30.40	42,500
	1971	3,000	1,200	cwt.	22.30	26,800
Hogs & Pigs Breeding Stock	1972	1,200		hd.	150.00	180,000
	1971	1,200		hd.	100.00	120,000
Old Hens & Roosters	1972	20,000	100,000	lb.	.10	10,000
	1971	40,000	200,000	lb.	.09	18,000
Misc. Livestock & Poultry*	1972	139,300		hd.	2.19	305,000
	1971	149,500		hd.	1.59	238,000
Total	1972					6,080,500
	1971					4,955,800

*Includes rabbits, squab, gamebirds, turkeys and horses

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Item	Year	Production	Unit	Value	
				Per Unit	Total
Milk Marketing	1972	105,000	cwt.	\$ 5.62	\$ 590,000
	1971*	118,000	cwt.	5.84	689,000
Milk Manufacturing	1972	37,300	cwt.	4.49	167,000
	1971*	39,800	cwt.	4.27	170,000
Wool	1972	200,000	lbs.	.26	52,000
	1971	197,500	lbs.	.18	35,600
Eggs, Chicken Market	1972	355,500	doz.	.40	142,000
	1971	660,000	doz.	.34	224,000
Eggs Hatching	1972	25,000	doz.	.70	17,500
	1971	150,000	doz.	.72	108,000
Total	1972				968,500
	1971				1,226,600

*Revised

JANUARY 1 INVENTORIES OF LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY

<u>Item</u>	(In number of head)	
	<u>Jan. 1, 1972</u>	<u>Jan. 1, 1973</u>
Cattle and Calves All	25,000	17,000
Milk Cows (2 years and older)	1,500	2,000
Sheep and Lambs All	90,000	100,000
Hogs and Pigs	1,500	2,000
Hens and Pullets of Laying Age	50,000	25,000

GOVERNMENT PAYMENTS

	<u>1971</u>	<u>1972</u>
REAP	\$ 33,505	\$ 40,140
FEED GRAIN PROGRAM*	494,404	520,858
WHEAT PROGRAM*		247,882
WOOL INCENTIVE	75,319	140,838
CROP LAND ADJUSTMENT PROGRAM**	7,123	-0-
SUGAR BEETS	233,001	290,219

*Combined for 1971

**Non-existent 1972

SUMMARY

FARM VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION

	1971	1972
FRUIT & NUT CROPS	\$29,152,700	\$28,110,300
FIELD CROPS	33,589,300	41,288,400
SEED CROPS	3,074,400	3,374,400
VEGETABLE CROPS	8,823,100	13,607,700
NURSERY PRODUCTS	602,500	1,263,800
APIARY PRODUCTS	349,300	424,100
LIVESTOCK & POULTRY	4,955,800	6,080,500
LIVESTOCK & POULTRY PRODUCTS	<u>1,226,600*</u>	<u>968,500</u>
TOTAL	\$81,773,700	\$95,117,700

*Corrected

TEN LEADING CROPS & VALUES

	1971		1972
Rice, All	\$17,154,000*	Rice, All	\$21,945,000
Peaches, Cling	11,804,000	Tomatoes, Canning	11,781,000
Prunes, Dried	8,317,000	Peaches, Cling	10,426,000
Tomatoes, Canning	7,768,000	Prunes, Dried	7,273,000
Walnuts, English	3,918,000	Walnuts, English	5,120,000
Cattle & Calves	3,780,000	Cattle & Calves	4,454,000
Almonds & Hulls	3,606,400	Wheat, All	4,244,000
Sorghum, Grain	2,871,000**	Almonds & Hulls	3,282,000
Hay, Alfalfa	1,980,000	Safflower, All	2,475,600
Beans, Edible	1,658,600	Sorghum, Grain	2,409,000

*Revised

**Corrected

FRUIT AND NUT TREE

Bearing and Non Bearing Acreage 1972*

	<u>Bearing Acres</u>	<u>Non Bearing Acres</u>
Almonds	5,870	400
Apples	17	
Apricots	2	
Cherries	22	18
Nectarines	4	5
Olives	36	
Oranges	11	
Peaches, Cling	9,200	3,331
Peaches, Freestone	119	41
Pears	1,337	129
Pecans	6	
Persimmons		1
Plums	272	4
Prunes	15,333	1,400
Walnuts, Black	12	635
Walnuts, English	<u>10,158</u>	<u>3,617</u>
TOTAL	42,387	9,581

*Does not include 1972 planting