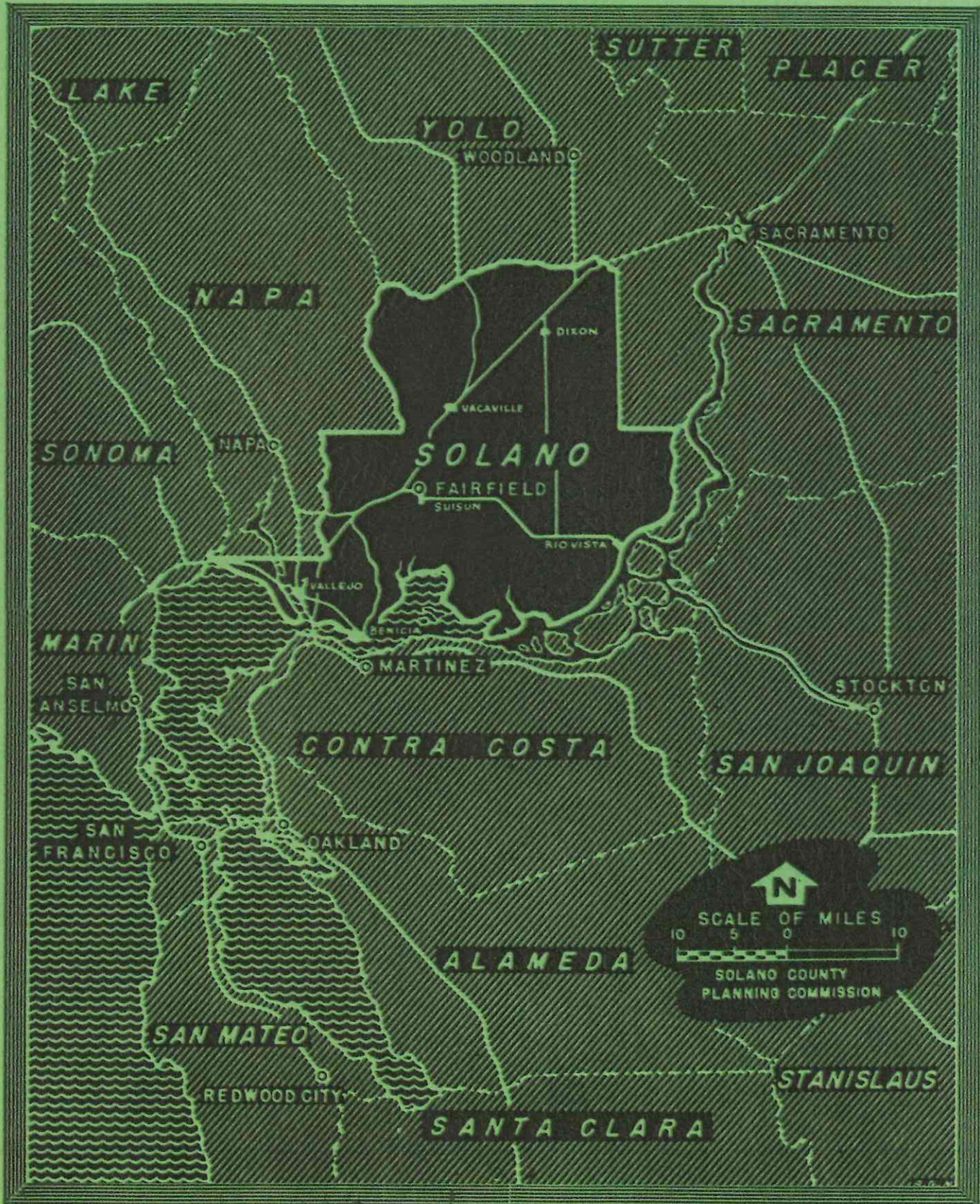


Agricultural Crop Report

1958



Solano County Department of Agriculture

SOLANO COUNTY
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
GEO. A. FOHL
AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER

ANNUAL CROP REPORT
For
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1958

W. C. JACOBSEN - STATE DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE

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To The Honorable Board of Supervisors and
The Director of the State Department of Agriculture

Gentlemen:

In accordance with the provisions of Section 65.5 of the Agricultural Code of the State of California, I am submitting herewith the 1958 Annual Crop Report for Solano County.

This is the tenth Annual Crop Report to be compiled by this office. Since we are dependent upon the cooperation of growers, packers, livestock producers, and many others to reveal the correct figures to our representatives, individual items are held in strictest confidence. We believe that our composite figures are thus reasonably accurate, although some may be slightly below the total f.o.b. sums, due to our inability to find all sources.

The total farm income for 1958 as shown on the last page is generally based on the average price received by the farmer. This represents gross income and should not be confused with net income.

Due to the extremely wet spring production was drastically reduced on most fruit crops and on some of the major field and vegetable crops. Higher prices on fruit failed to offset the reduction in yield and with prices about the same on field crops the lower yields reduced gross income materially. The higher prices for livestock was offset by the poor wool prices and fewer feeder lambs being finished on the irrigated pasture.

These figures do not include value for native grasses or stubble. Such values, in a measure, are reported in our animal production.

I wish to express my sincere appreciation to my staff and the people of Solano County who have cooperated so splendidly with me in my tenth year as Agricultural Commissioner of Solano County.

Respectfully submitted,
Geo. A. Pohl

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ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS
 SOLANO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA 1958
 Compiled by County Agricultural Commissioner's Office

FRUIT AND NUT CROPS

CROP	BEARING ACREAGE	PRODUCTION	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL VALUE F.O.B. FARM
Almonds	2,434	700 Tons	\$ 696.00	\$ 487,200
Apricots	3,804			
Shipped		800 Tons	122.50	\$ 98,000
Canned		5,170 Tons	140.00	723,800
Dried		* 162 Tons	1,200.00	<u>194,400</u>
				1,016,200
Cherries	277			
Shipped		114 Tons	504.00	57,456
Canned & Barrelled		58 Tons	345.00	<u>20,010</u>
				77,466
Grapes				
Wine	613	2,859 Tons	55.00	157,245
Peaches	2,992			
Shipped		236 Tons	60.00	14,160
Canned		8,874 Tons	47.50	421,515
Dried		* 996 Tons	490.00	<u>488,040</u>
				923,715
Pears	2,500			
Shipped		395 Tons	92.00	36,340
Canned #1		9,312 Tons	90.00	838,080
Canned #2		2,091 Tons	64.00	133,824
Dried		* 85 Tons	640.00	<u>54,400</u>
				1,062,644
Plums	325	510 Tons	140.00	71,400
Prunes	3,827	3,220 Tons	365.00	1,175,300
Walnuts	778	575 Tons	400.00	230,000
Misc: Apples, Figs, Olives, etc.	129			25,000
Totals	17,679			\$5,226,170

* Dry Tons

TRUCK CROPS

Asparagus	3,266			
Market		309 Tons	\$165.00	\$ 50,985
Canning		2,334 Tons	200.00	<u>466,800</u>
				517,785
Cucumbers	145	1,556 Tons	43.00	66,908
Onions	74	1,180 Tons	44.00	51,920
Tomatoes				
Canning	8,800	158,400 Tons	22.50	3,564,000
Misc. Veg.	150		200.00/A.	30,000
Totals	12,435			\$4,230,613

FIELD CROPS

KIND	ACREAGE	PRODUCTION	PRICE	VALUE
Alfalfa	6,200	31,000 Tons	\$ 23.00	\$ 713,000
Barley	38,000	24,000 Tons	42.00	1,008,000
Beans - Pink	1,400	700 Tons	140.00	98,000
Blackeye	230	92 Tons	140.00	12,880
Baby Lima	650	610 Tons	130.00	79,300
Field Corn	3,650	9,315 Tons	48.00	447,120
Oats	7,500	6,000 Tons	46.00	276,000
Sugar Beets	13,525	229,925 Tons	13.75	3,161,469
Wheat	11,827	11,000 Tons	64.00	704,000
Hay, Grain, & Other	18,000	27,000 Tons	16.00	432,000
Permanent Pasture	20,000		40.00	800,000
Milo	10,150	22,330 Tons	43.00	960,190
Safflower	4,000	3,650 Tons	75.00	273,750
Castor Beans	290	330 Tons	120.00	39,600
Totals	135,422			\$9,005,309

ANIMAL PRODUCTION

KIND	PRODUCTION	PRICE	VALUE
Beef Cattle - Raised	5,500 Head	\$160.00	\$ 880,000
Feeders	* 51,000 Head	70.00	<u>3,570,000</u>
			\$4,450,000
Bees - Honey	129,700 Lbs.	.09	11,673
Wax	2,500 Lbs.	.50	1,250
Packages	1,850 Pkgs.	3.50	6,475
Queens	2,555	1.00	<u>2,555</u>
			21,953
Poultry - Eggs	1,550,000 Doz.	.39	604,500
Meat	630,000 Lbs.	.17	<u>107,100</u>
			711,600
Dairy - Mkt. Milk Fat	961,000 Lbs.	1.31	1,258,910
Mfg. Milk Fat	152,000 Lbs.	.82	124,640
Veal & Meat	4,050 Head	50.00	<u>202,500</u>
			1,586,050
Sheep - Lambs Raised	104,000 Head	21.00	2,184,000
Lambs Feeders	* 125,000 Head	4.20	525,000
Wool	1,250,000 Lbs.	.35	437,500
Govt. Wool Pmts. on 57 Wool			<u>86,131</u>
			3,232,631
Swine	1,800 Head	44.00	79,200
Turkeys	27,500 Head	4.40	121,000
Misc: Squabs, Rabbits, Etc.			<u>70,000</u>
Total			\$10,272,434

* Gain in value in Solano County

SEED CROPS

CROP	BEARING ACREAGE	PRODUCTION	UNIT PRICE	VALUE
Trefoil - Certified	350	420 Cwt.	\$105.00	\$ 44,100
Ryer Milo 15	403	20,150 Cwt.	3.20	64,480
Table Beet	15	97 Cwt.	20.00	1,940
Canadian Field Peas	50	850 Cwt.	8.00	6,800
Trefoil	1,120	1,344 Cwt.	60.00	80,640
Onas Wheat - Certified	32	3,125 Cwt.	5.00	15,625
Totals	1,970			213,585

SUMMARY

YEAR	FRUIT & NUT CROPS	TRUCK CROPS	FIELD CROPS	ANIMAL PRODUCTION	SEED CROPS	TOTALS
1949	\$3,209,941	\$1,677,167	\$ 8,873,589	\$ 8,216,962	\$ 90,560	\$22,068,219
1950	6,813,033	2,148,623	9,749,189	10,302,443	269,348	29,282,636
1951	6,254,060	4,389,919	9,261,680	11,745,350	281,958	32,532,967
1952	5,903,740	3,533,240	11,550,080	10,370,830	311,383	31,669,273
1953	6,659,970	2,381,100	10,206,625	9,377,245	172,792	28,797,732
1954	7,420,290	2,562,128	10,383,078	9,210,632	347,595	29,923,723
1955	8,380,366	3,461,625	9,554,618	8,744,905	167,898	30,309,412
1956	8,748,981	4,138,232	10,072,475	8,679,245	113,102	31,752,035
1957	6,387,105	3,165,807	11,466,770	10,245,973	214,266	31,479,921
1958	5,226,170	4,230,613	9,005,309	10,272,434	213,585	28,948,111

CLASSIFICATION OF ACREAGES

* Fruit and Nut Crops	19,962
Truck and Seed Crops	14,435
Field Crops	135,422
Pasture and Fallow Land	222,661
Urban and Other	69,800
Marsh Land	52,000
Brush	15,000
Water	47,360

Total Area
901 Square Miles 576,640

126,025 Estimated Total County Population
423,123 Total Acres in Farms
90,000 Acres in Irrigated Farms

* Includes non-bearing acreage