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I am pleased to present the 1992 Solano County Crop Report in accordance with section 2279 of the California Food and Agricultural Code. This report addresses acreage, production, and gross values for agricultural commodities produced within the county. Net farm income or costs of production and marketing are not reflected in this report.

The value of agricultural commodities for 1992 totalled \$166,300,000 reflecting an approximate 8.5% decrease compared to 1991.

Vegetable values decreased largely due to fewer acres and weaker prices for processing tomatoes. Field crop values were slightly lower, though significant increases occurred in safflower and wheat acres. Fruit crops were slightly lower, though almonds and cherries showed strong increases in gross value. Seed crop acreages and values decreased overall. Livestock and poultry increased in gross value.

This report reflects the efforts of all Solano County growers and ranchers who produce raw agricultural products and significantly contribute to the county's economy. A special thank you goes to Lenny DaMassa, Supervising Agricultural Biologist, for compiling this report.

Pursuant to the California Food and Agricultural Code, section 2272, a sustainable agriculture report is included with this annual crop report.

Respectfully submitted,

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## Assessing the Economic Impact of Agriculture in Solano County

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Attempting to precisely value the economic impact of agricultural production is not an easy task. Being a faceted and dynamic industry, developing a precise model is not always possible. We can, however, demonstrate trends and capture individual segments of the agricultural economy and derive conclusions that lead us to a reasonable economic assessment.

Let us first look at the national agriculture economy. Beyond any doubt, the United States is the world's foremost leader in the production of food and fiber. We are also the leader in technological advances in all aspects of agricultural production. Agriculture represents 16% of our Gross National Product (GNP) and 14% (\$37.6 billion in 1991) of our balance of trade with other nations. On the average, the American farmer produces enough food and fiber to support 80 people, 25 of them in other countries. This is accomplished by only 2% of our population.

Within California, the statistics are just as impressive. Our state, having the advantage of a diverse climate, a variety of highly productive soil types, and a reasonable supply of water during the growing season, allows us to lead the nation and the world in the production of food and fiber. In California we produce over 250 different commodities on 83,000 farms (8.5 million irrigated acres) and lead the nation in the production of most of them. Grapes, nursery products, cut flowers, processing tomatoes, lettuce, almonds, strawberries, eggs, lemons, broccoli, and carrots can all claim to be the exclusive products of California production. In 1990, California's on farm cash receipts of produced products totaled \$18,858,873,000. This represents 11.1 % of the national agricultural output and over 9% of California's economy. Exports account for a major share of the state's agricultural economy. California supports our national export market by providing about 10% of all exports that is nearly 25% of our total farm income. California is the exclusive supplier of almonds, dates, figs, raisins, kiwi, olives, cling peaches, prunes, pistachios, walnuts, and garlic for export. We also provide over 80% of all fruits and vegetable for export. When supporting industries are added into the formula, California impacts the state's economy by \$63,145,380,000 in value added impacts.

Where does Solano County fit into the picture? Considering our farmable land, availability of water, quality of soils, and mild climates, we fit quite nicely into the grand scheme. Solano County ranks 28th among food and fiber producing counties in the state. We produce over 65 different commodities with fill market niches in the national and statewide economies. In California, Solano County is a leader in the production of corn, sheep & lambs, wheat, barley, processing tomatoes, sugar beets, and pears. We also have significant production of almonds, walnuts, prunes, sunflowers, safflower, dry beans, popcorn and alfalfa hay. Since 1970 our gross production value has been on a steady climb. Like most industries, there are annual fluctuations; however, in the long term our economy is strong and healthy. Agricultural production is subject the whims of mother nature (drought, floods, pests, and diseases), local, national and international markets, and governmental policy decisions. Still our gross production value approaches \$200,000,000. In 1985 the UC Cooperative Extension office conducted an economic impact study of agriculture on the economy of Solano County. Our study indicates that the economic impact or value added of our industry adds \$1,438,233,000 in 1993 dollars to our economy. Food manufacturing accounts for 47% (\$703,700,000) of the impact value and overall agriculture supports about 11% of the employment base in Solano County.

Sources: Carter, H. O., and Goldman, G., The Measure of California Agriculture: Its Impact on the State Economy, University of California -- Division of Agriculture and Natural Resources, Leaflet 21517, November 1992. Solano County Ag Commissioner Reports, 1989, 1990, 1991, 1992.

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**SOLANO COUNTY FRUIT AND NUT ACREAGE**

1992

<u>Orchard Crop</u>	<u>Bearing Acreage</u>	<u>Non-Bearing Acreage</u>	<u>Total Acreage</u>
Almonds	1,636	0	1,636
Apples	117	0	117
Apricots	916	0	916
Cherries	78	12	90
Figs	12	0	12
Grapes (Wine)	1,786	148	1,934
Kiwi	87	0	87
Olives	12	0	12
Oranges	26	0	26
Peaches (Freestone)	303	31	334
Pears	1,706	1.5	1,707.5
Pecans	2	0	2
Persimmons	2	4	6
Pineapple Guava (Feijoa)	3	0	3
Pistachio Nuts	24	0	24
Plums	19	2	21
Prunes	2,211	248	2,459
Tangerines	5	0	5
Walnuts (English)	3,745	507	4,252
Walnuts (Black)	25	0	25
<b>Totals</b>	<b>-----</b> <b>12,715</b>	<b>-----</b> <b>953.5</b>	<b>-----</b> <b>13,668.5</b>

**FIELD CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE**

<u>Crop</u>	<u>Year</u>	Average Production			Average Value		
		<u>Harvested Acreage</u>	<u>Per Acre</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Per Unit</u>	<u>Total</u>
Barley (Irrigated)	1992	15,000	2.00	30,000	Ton	\$105.00	\$3,150,000
	1991	13,000	2.26	29,380	Ton	102.00	2,996,800
Barley (Dryland)	1992	3,785	1.18	4,466	Ton	105.00	468,900
	1991	2,272	1.74	3,953	Ton	102.00	403,200
Beans, Edible Dry, All Market Classes*	1992	5,000	.95	4,750	Ton	511.00	2,427,300
	1991	4,604	1.08	4,972	Ton	520.00	2,585,400
Corn, Field	1992	13,556	5.06	68,593	Ton	95.00	6,516,300
	1991	25,000	4.65	116,250	Ton	107.00	12,438,800
Corn, Pop	1992	1,667	3.33	5,551	Ton	207.00	1,149,100
	1991	1,610	3.34	5,377	Ton	204.00	1,096,900
Corn, Taco	1992	508	4.21	2,139	Ton	123.00	263,100
	1991	453	3.58	1,621	Ton	129.00	209,100
Hay (Alfalfa)	1992	20,735	6.47	134,155	Ton	85.00	11,403,200
	1991	19,276	6.84	131,847	Ton	115.00	14,503,200
Hay (Grain)	1992	1,708	2.89	4,936	Ton	60.00	296,200
	1991	2,199	2.48	5,453	Ton	72.00	392,600
Hay (Grass)	1992	3,500	1.00	3,500	Ton	45.00	157,000
	1991	3,500	1.63	5,705	Ton	48.00	273,800
Nursery Stock**	1992	665	---	---	---	---	14,169,000
	1991	644	---	---	---	---	13,731,900
Oats (Grain)	1992	3,916	2.17	8,498	Ton	75.00	637,400
	1991	5,089	1.91	9,719	Ton	103.00	1,001,100
Pasture (Irrigated)	1992	20,500	---	---	Acre	84.00	1,722,000
	1991	20,500	---	---	Acre	75.00	1,537,500
Pasture (Rangeland)	1992	143,700	---	---	Acre	15.00	2,155,500
	1991	143,800	---	---	Acre	15.00	2,157,000
Safflower, Oil	1992	7,651	1.15	8,799	Ton	300.00	2,639,700
	1991	1,899	.80	1,519	Ton	250.00	379,800

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\* Value and Yield Vary By Variety

\*\* Nursery Stock includes cuttings, buds, scions, Christmas trees, nursery stock, turf, root-stock, greenhouse, timber, firewood, etc.

FIELD CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE  
(continued)

<u>Crop</u>	<u>Year</u>	Average Production			Average Value		
		<u>Harvested</u>	<u>Per</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Per</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>Acreage</u>	<u>Acre</u>				<u>Unit</u>	<u>Unit</u>	
Sorghum (Milo)	1992	220	1.75	385	Ton	100.00	38,500
	1991	---	---	---	---	---	---
Sugar Beets	1992	13,536	29.39	397,823	Ton	38.00	15,117,300
	1991	13,266	22.91	303,924	Ton	38.06	11,567,300
Wheat (Irrigated)	1992	43,500	2.54	110,490	Ton	111.00	12,264,400
	1991	34,500	2.61	90,045	Ton	119.00	10,715,400
Wheat (Dryland)	1992	7,123	1.44	10,257	Ton	111.00	1,138,500
	1991	3,894	2.14	8,333	Ton	119.00	991,600
Miscellaneous	1992	1,061	(Grass, Silage, Straw, Stubble,			1,080,900	
	1991	---	Sunflower, Crop By-Products, Etc.)			900,000	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1992</b>	<b>307,331</b>				\$ 76,794,800	
<b>FIELD CROPS</b>	<b>1991</b>	<b>295,506</b>				\$ 77,881,400	

VEGETABLE CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE

<u>Crop</u>	<u>Year</u>	Average Production			Average Value		
		<u>Harvested</u>	<u>Per</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Per</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>Acreage</u>	<u>Acre</u>				<u>Unit</u>	<u>Unit</u>	
Tomatoes (Processing)	1992	18,603	32.54	605,342	Ton	\$45.57	\$27,585,400
	1991	23,804	32.60	776,010	Ton	54.00	41,904,500
Miscellaneous	1992	1,956	(Asparagus, Bell Peppers, Celery, Endive, Garlic, Mushrooms, Onions, Pumpkins, Spices, Sweet Corn, Tomatoes, and Other Miscellaneous Vegetables)			3,313,500	
	1991	1,900				3,135,900	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1992</b>	<b>20,559</b>				<b>30,898,900</b>	
<b>VEGETABLE CROPS</b>	<b>1991</b>	<b>25,704</b>				<b>45,040,400</b>	

**FRUIT AND NUT CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE**

<u>Crop</u>	<u>Year</u>	Average Production			Average Value		
		<u>Bearing Acreage</u>	<u>Per Acre</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Per Unit</u>	<u>Total</u>
<b>Almonds</b>							
Almond (Meats)	1992	---	---	496.2	Ton	\$2,000.00	\$ 992,400
	1991	---	---	294.5	Ton	1,933.00	569,300
Almond Hulls	1992	---	---	620.2	Ton	30.00	18,600
	1991	---	---	368.1	Ton	35.00	12,900
Total Almonds	1992	1,636	.303	496.2	Ton	---	1,011,000
	1991	1,621	.181	249.5	Ton	---	582,200
<b>Apricots</b>							
Dried (6.6:1)*	1992	---	---	280.0	Ton	4,100.00	1,162,000
	1991	---	---	290.9	Ton	4,000.00	1,163,600
Fresh Market	1992	---	---	222.5	Ton	771.00	171,500
	1991	---	---	411.3	Ton	1,061.00	436,400
Total Apricots	1992	916	2.260	2,070.5	Ton	---	1,333,500
	1991	921	2.460	2,273.0	Ton	---	1,600,000
<b>Cherries</b>							
Fresh Market	1992	78	1.937	150.5	Ton	2,000.00	301,000
	1991	78	.347	27.1	Ton	2,775.00	75,200
<b>Grapes, Wine **</b>							
Dark Varieties	1992	---	---	3,442.6	Ton	585.00	2,013,900
	1991	---	---	4,364.3	Ton	470.00	2,051,200
White Varieties	1992	---	---	5,189.9	Ton	663.00	3,440,900
	1991	---	---	7,382.9	Ton	652.00	4,813,700
Total Grapes	1992	1,786	4.833	8,613.5	Ton	---	5,454.800
	1991	1,801	6.522	11,747.2	Ton	---	6,864,900
Kiwi ***	1992	87	9.000	783.0	Ton	1,200.00	939,600
	1991	92	7.000	644.0	Ton	1,200.00	772,800

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\* Drying Ratio

\*\* Price Varies by Variety

\*\*\* Yields Vary by Grower and Age of Vines

**FRUIT AND NUT CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE**

(continued)

<u>Crop</u>	<u>Year</u>	Average Production			Average Value		
		<u>Bearing Acreage</u>	<u>Per Acre</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Per Unit</u>	<u>Total</u>
<b>Peaches (Freestone)</b>							
Dried (7.1:1)*	1992	---	---	175.6	Ton	\$2,930.00	\$ 517,000
	1991	---	---	224.9	Ton	2,800.00	629,700
Total Peaches	1992	303	4.114	1,246.7	Ton	---	517,000
	1991	303	5.566	1,686.7	Ton	---	629,700
<b>Pears</b>							
Canned #1	1992	---	---	16,336.0	Ton	227.00	3,708,300
	1991	---	---	18,748.0	Ton	229.00	4,293,300
Dried (5.7:1)*	1992	---	---	288.0	Ton	2,700.00	777,600
	1991	---	---	78.0	Ton	2,600.00	202,800
Fermentation & Juice Concentrate	1992	---	---	994.0	Ton	120.00	119,300
	1991	---	---	485.0	Ton	77.00	37,300
Fresh Market	1992	---	---	1,768.0	Ton	300.00	530,400
	1991	---	---	937.0	Ton	300.00	281,100
Total Pears	1992	1,706	12.157	20,740.0	Ton	---	5,135,600
	1991	1,726	11.975	20,669.2	Ton	---	4,814,500
Prunes **	1992	2,211	1.407	3,112.0	Ton	958.00	2,981,300
	1991	2,171	1.860	4,038.0	Ton	827.00	3,339,400
Walnuts	1992	3,745	.867	3,250.0	Ton	1,300.00	4,225,000
	1991	3,730	1.057	3,944.0	Ton	1,260.00	4,969,400
Miscellaneous	1992	263	(Apples, Asian Pears, Black Walnuts, Feijoa, Figs, Jojoba, Olives, Oranges, Pecans, Plums, Persimmons, Pistachios, Tangerines, Other Miscellaneous Fruit & Nuts)				1,870,900
	1991	252					1,873,900
<b>TOTAL FRUIT &amp; NUT CROPS</b>	<b>1992</b>	<b>12,731</b>				<b>\$23,769,700</b>	
	<b>1991</b>	<b>12,695</b>					<b>\$25,522,000</b>

\* Drying Ratio

\*\* Dry Yield

**SEED CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE**

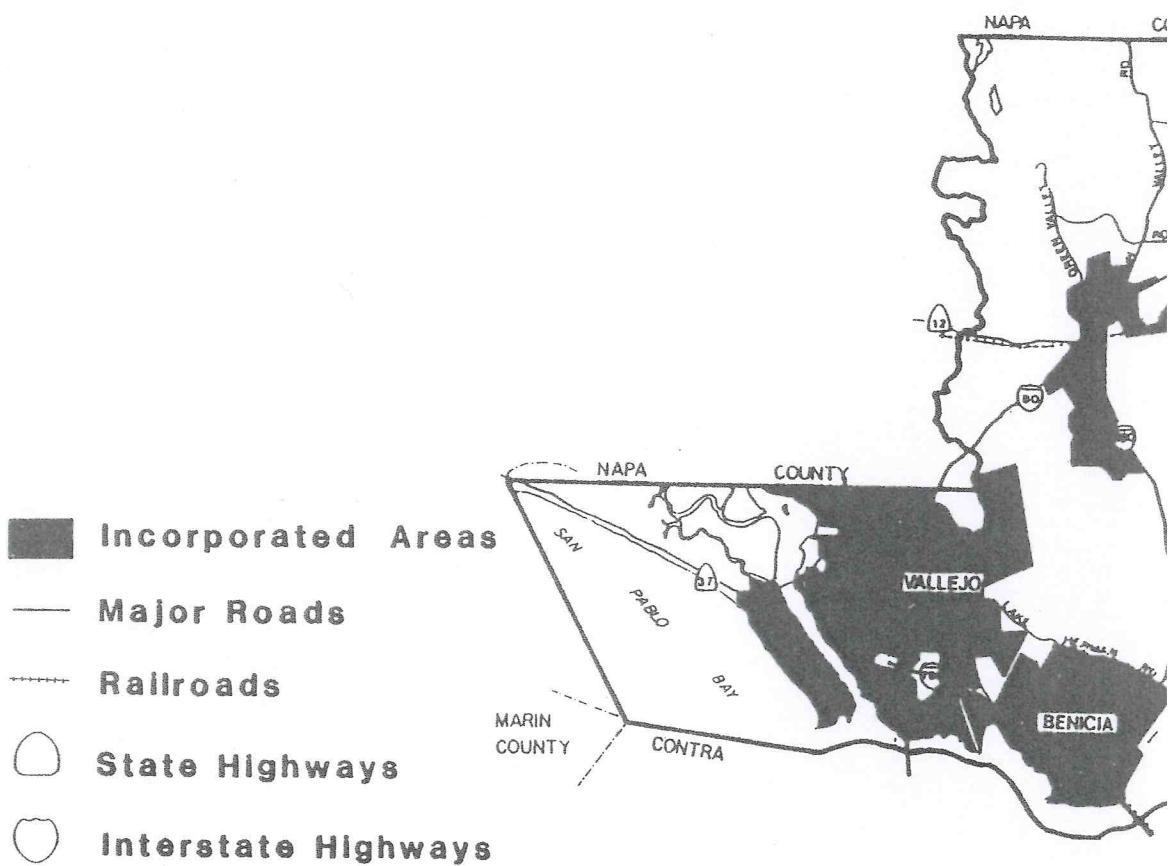
<u>Crop</u>	<u>Year</u>	Average Production			Average Value		
		<u>Harvested Acreage</u>	<u>Per Acre</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Per Unit</u>	<u>Total</u>
Beans, Dry, All Market Classes *	1992	1,706	.78	1,331	Ton	\$ 675.00	\$ 898,400
Market Classes *	1991	1,833	.84	1,540	Ton	693.00	1,067,200
Beans, Dry, All Market Classes, * Certified	1992	731	.60	439	Ton	656.00	288,000
Market Classes, *	1991	826	1.00	826	Ton	720.00	594,700
Cantaloupe Non-Certified	1992	63	365	22,995	Lb.	2.00	46,000
	1991	120	379	45,480	Lb.	2.22	101,000
Cucumber Non-Certified	1992	502	435	218,370	Lb.	3.52	768,700
	1991	524	235	123,140	Lb.	3.68	453,200
Squash Non-Certified	1992	192	251	48,192	Lb.	3.30	159,000
	1991	200	400	80,000	Lb.	2.20	176,000
Sunflower Certified	1992	3,648	.62	2,262	Ton	1,074.00	2,429,400
	1991	5,648	.64	3,615	Ton	1,120.00	4,048,800
Watermelon Non-Certified	1992	372	300	111,600	Lb.	2.10	234,400
	1991	293	500	146,500	Lb.	2.28	334,000
Watermelon Certified	1992	36	199	7,164	Lb.	2.22	15,900
	1991	---	---	---	---	---	---
Wheat Certified	1992	1,485	2.50	3,713	Ton	120.00	445,600
	1991	1,315	3.25	4,274	Ton	115.00	491,500
Miscellaneous	1992	852	(Alfalfa, Basil, Clover, Carrot, Grass, Onion, Pepper, Safflower Oil, Sunflower Oil, Tomato, and Other Misc. Seed)			601,700	
	1991	1,326				759,200	
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TOTAL SEED CROP	1992	9,587				\$5,887,100	
	1991	12,085				\$8,025,600	
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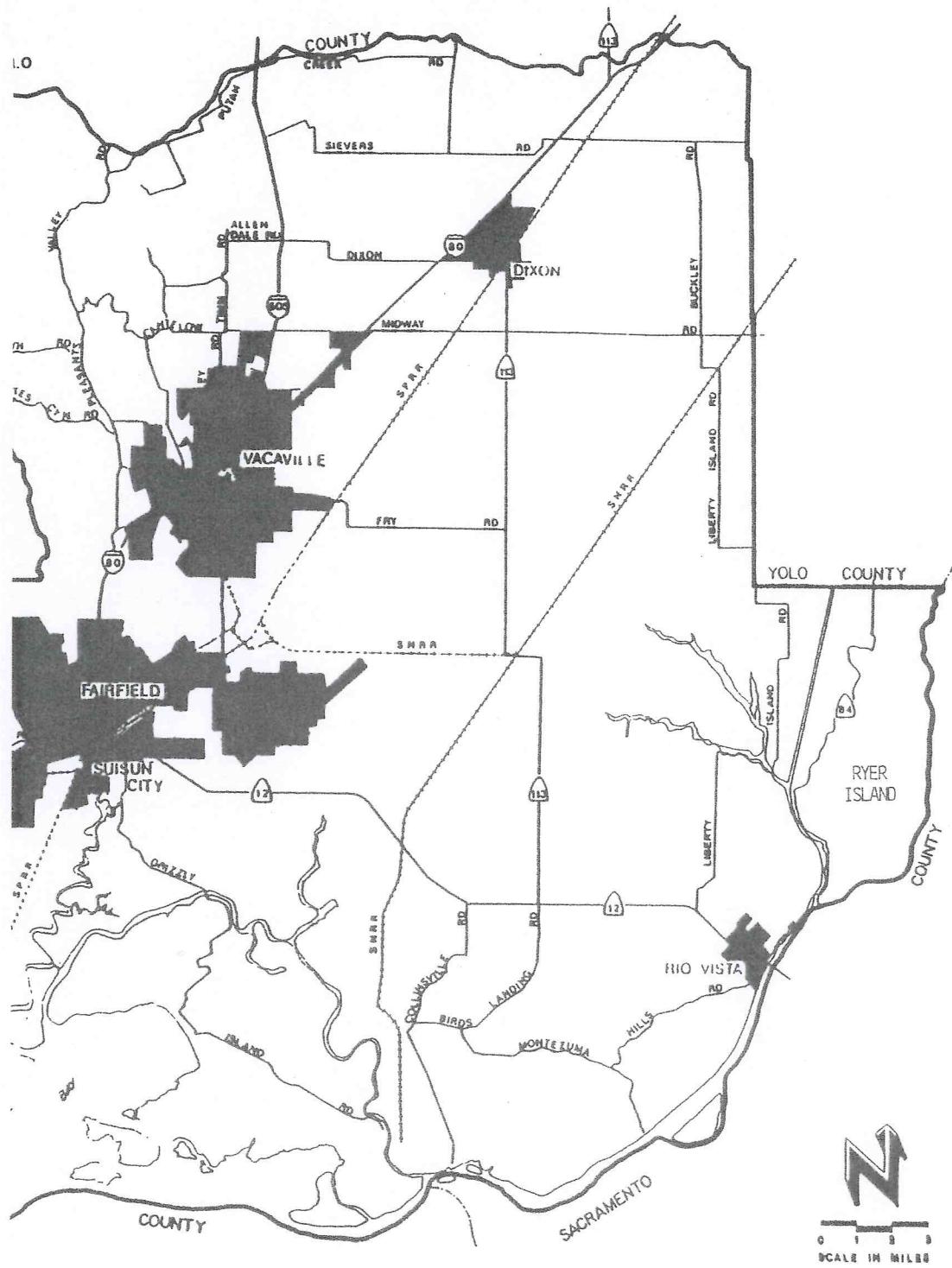
\* Value and Yield Vary By Variety

# Map of Solano County

Area of County (Square Miles - Land) ..... 828.2 Square Miles  
Area of County (Acres - Land) ..... 530,048 Acres

Major Farming Districts  
Dixon, Winters, Rio-Vista - Ryer Island, Suisun Valley, East Vacaville





**LIVESTOCK, POULTRY, AND APIARY PRODUCTS AND VALUE**

<u>Item</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Average Production</u>		<u>Average Value</u>	
		<u>Production</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Per Unit</u>	<u>Total</u>
Bees - Honey	1992	32,028	Lb.	\$ .72	\$23,000
	1991	21,482	Lb.	1.00	21,500
- Packages *	1992	4,600	Pkg.	17.50	80,500
	1991	1,078	Pkg.	17.00	18,300
- Pollination **	1992	10,857	Colony	19.22	208,700
	1991	10,573	Colony	19.32	204,300
- Queens	1992	15,500	Each	6.25	96,900
	1991	14,599	Each	6.14	89,600
- Wax	1992	300	Lb.	1.50	500
	1991	525	Lb.	1.71	900
Milk - Market	1992	301,614	Cwt.	11.61	3,501,700
	1991	297,135	Cwt.	11.17	3,319,000
- Manufacturing	1992	---	---	---	---
	1991	83	Cwt.	9.70	800
Wool	1992	486,121	Lb.	.73	354,900
	1991	493,511	Lb.	.51	251,700
Miscellaneous	1992	---	---	---	6,900
	1991	(Fertile Chicken Eggs, Chicken Eggs, Breeder Queens)			4,600
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TOTAL LIVESTOCK	1992	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	\$4,273,100
POULTRY, AND APIARY	1991	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	\$3,906,100
PRODUCTS & VALUE					
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\* Packages Include 2 Lbs. Bees Plus a Queen

\*\* Pollination Fee Varies By Crop, Crops Pollinated Include Alfalfa,  
Almond, Kiwi, Onion, Prune, Sunflower, Vine Seed

## LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY: PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Average Production				Average Value		
<u>Item</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Head</u>	<u>Liveweight</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Per Unit</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cattle & Calves	1992	38,000	190,000	Cwt.	\$69.83	\$13,267,700
	1991	33,000	165,000	Cwt.	72.46	11,955,900
Hogs & Pigs	1992	200	400	Cwt.	47.10	18,800
	1991	200	400	Cwt.	57.90	23,200
Stock Sheep	1992	64,000	76,800	Cwt.	22.50	1,728,000
	1991	75,000	90,000	Cwt.	17.90	1,611,000
Feeder Lambs	1992	156,014	148,213	Cwt.	62.90	9,322,600
	1991	167,225	142,141	Cwt.	53.80	7,647,200
Miscellaneous	1992	(Chickens, Dove, Ducks, Geese, Pheasants,				339,300
	1991	Pigeons, Rabbits, Quail, Turkeys, Fish, Eggs, Etc.)				162,200
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TOTAL LIVESTOCK & POULTRY		1992			\$ 24,676,400	
		1991			\$ 21,399,500	

JANUARY 1, 1993 INVENTORY ESTIMATE OF LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY

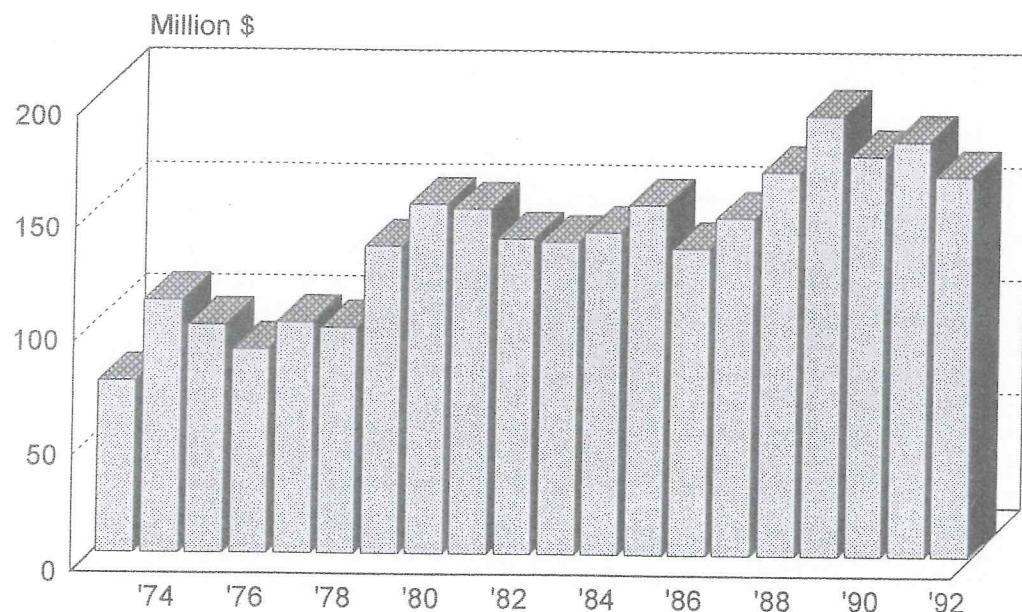
<u>Item</u>	<u>No. of Head</u>
Cattle and Calves	
All . . . . .	50,000
Milk Cows . . . . .	1,600
Hogs and Pigs . . . . .	200
Horses and Mules . . . . .	4,200
Stock Sheep . . . . .	64,000

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 GRAND TOTAL OF ALL 1992 . . . . . \$166,300,000  
 AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS 1991 . . . . . \$181,775,000  
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V A L U E  
S U M M A R Y

<u>Year</u>	<u>Field Crops</u>	<u>Fruit &amp; Nut Crops</u>	<u>Seed Crop</u>	<u>Vegetable Crops</u>	<u>Animal Production</u>	<u>Totals</u>
1983	78,209,800	11,727,900	3,000,000	25,070,700	18,452,200	136,460,600
1984	77,553,100	13,307,400	3,617,700	26,640,200	19,511,500	140,629,900
1985	79,092,200	13,483,100	5,629,100	32,608,600	22,365,300	153,178,300
1986	61,739,200	12,821,900	3,900,600	31,577,400	23,914,300	133,953,400
1987	69,850,100	17,045,700	4,825,200	29,850,100	26,044,600	147,615,700
1988	80,521,500	17,216,400	4,873,600	34,828,700	30,800,800	168,241,000
1989	95,353,400	20,133,500	8,291,800	38,217,200	31,007,000	193,002,900
1990	82,568,700	19,657,300	9,235,200	35,650,900	28,154,900	175,267,000
1991	77,881,400	25,522,000	8,025,600	45,040,400	25,305,600	181,775,000
1992	76,794,800	23,769,700	5,887,100	30,898,900	28,949,500	166,300,000

## Solano Agricultural Production 1973 to 1992

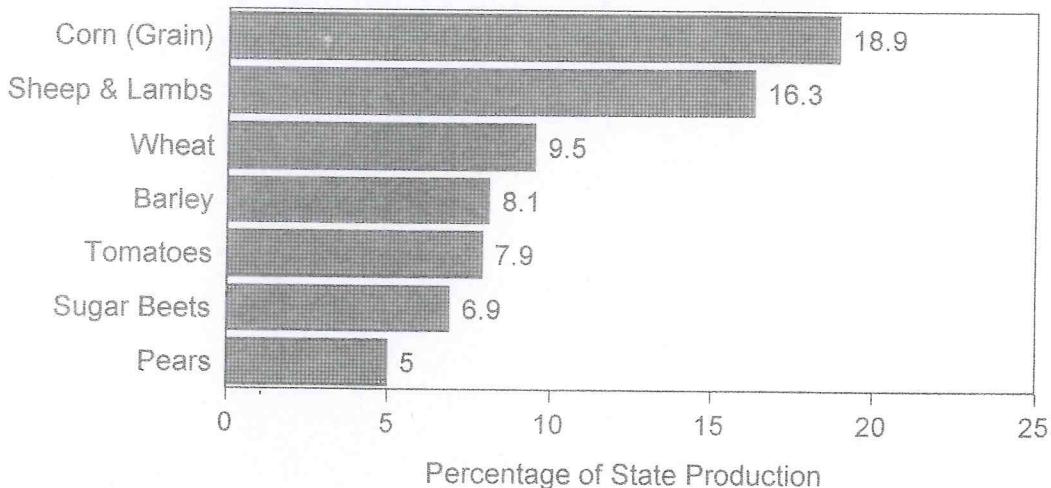


#### DISTRIBUTION OF FARM ACREAGE

	1992	1991
Field Crops . . . . .	143,131	131,206
Fruit & Nut Crops . . . . .	13,684 *	13,456 *
Pasture Lands . . . . .	164,200	164,300
Seed Crops . . . . .	9,587	12,085
Vegetable Crops . . . . .	20,559	25,704
Fallow Land . . . . .	7,495	9,448
Waterbank . . . . .	---	18,551
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Totals	358,656	374,750

\* Includes Non-bearing Acreage

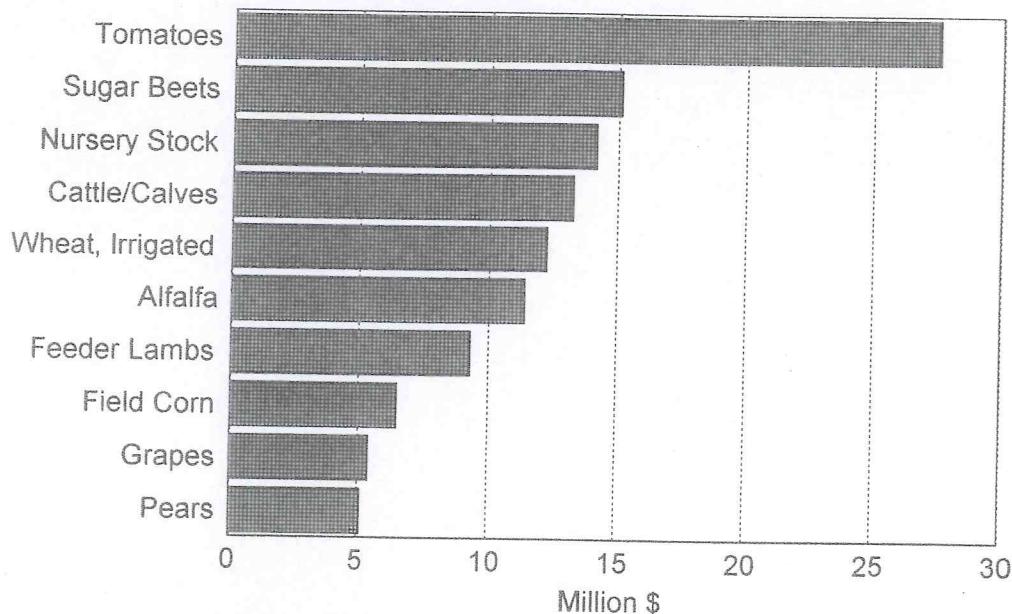
## Solano County's Share of California Production



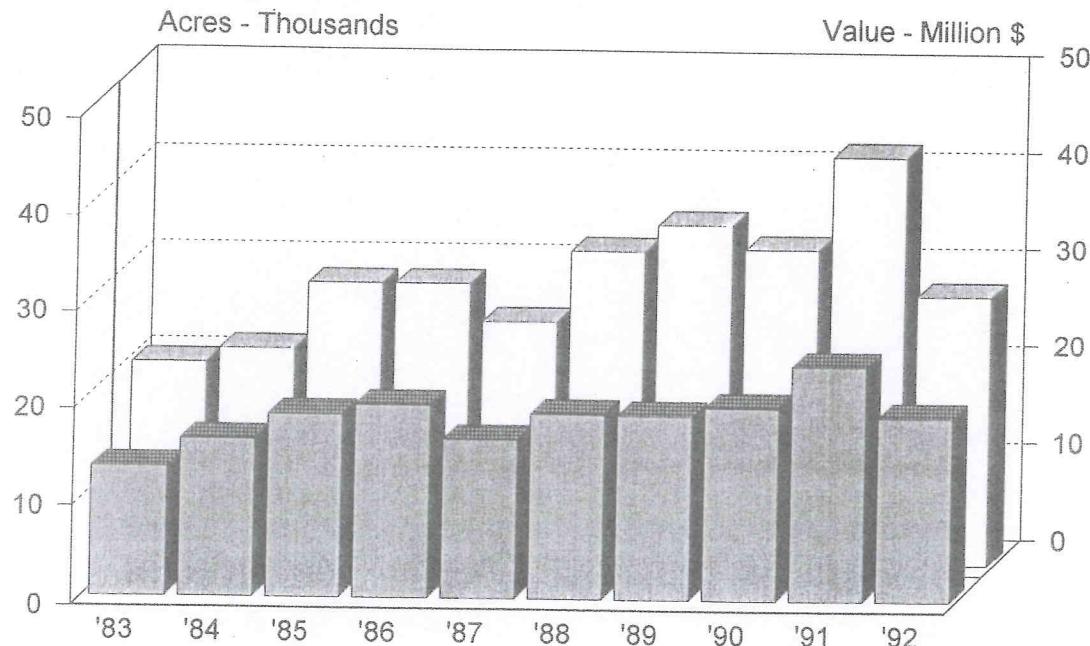
Values listed are for the crops in which Solano County ranked in the top five in the state based on gross value, during the 1991 crop year. Numbers at the end of each bar represent a percentage of the total state value for that crop produced in Solano County.

# Top Ten Crops in Solano County

By Value for 1992

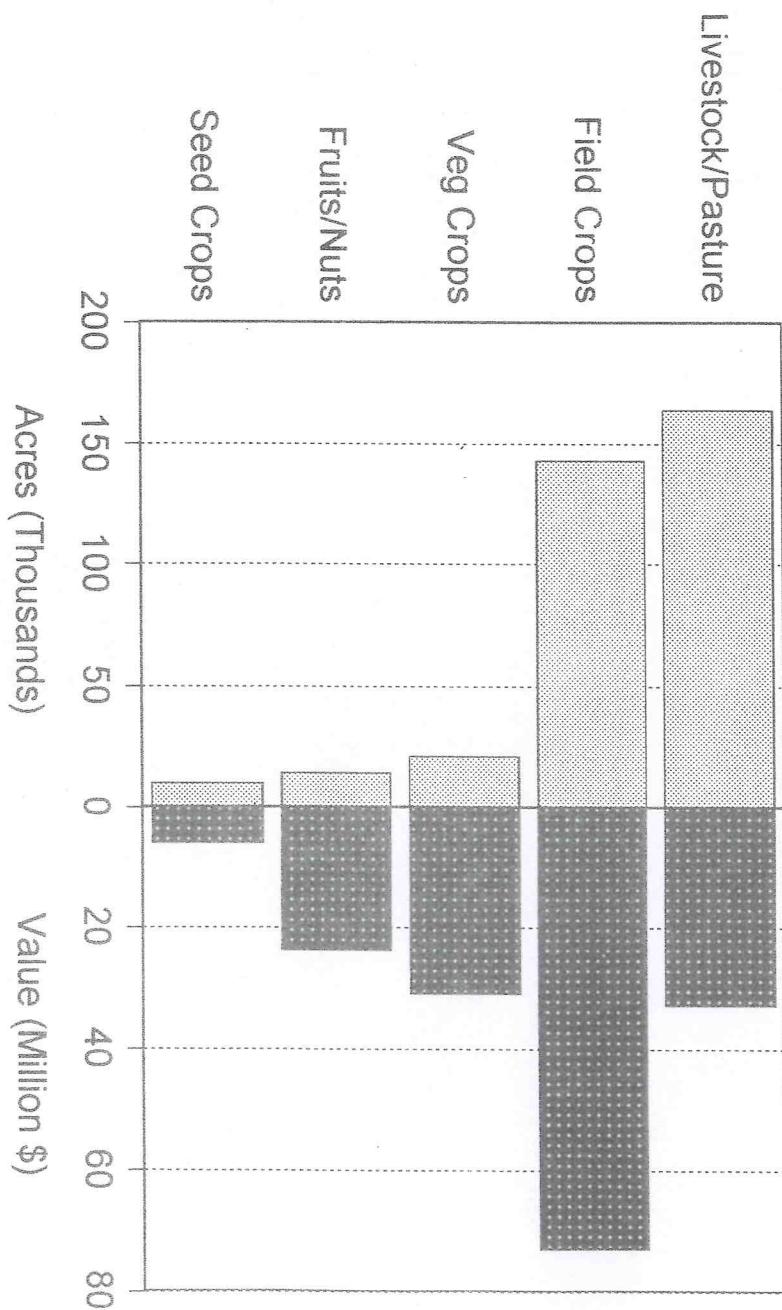


## Historical Production of Processing Tomatoes in Solano County

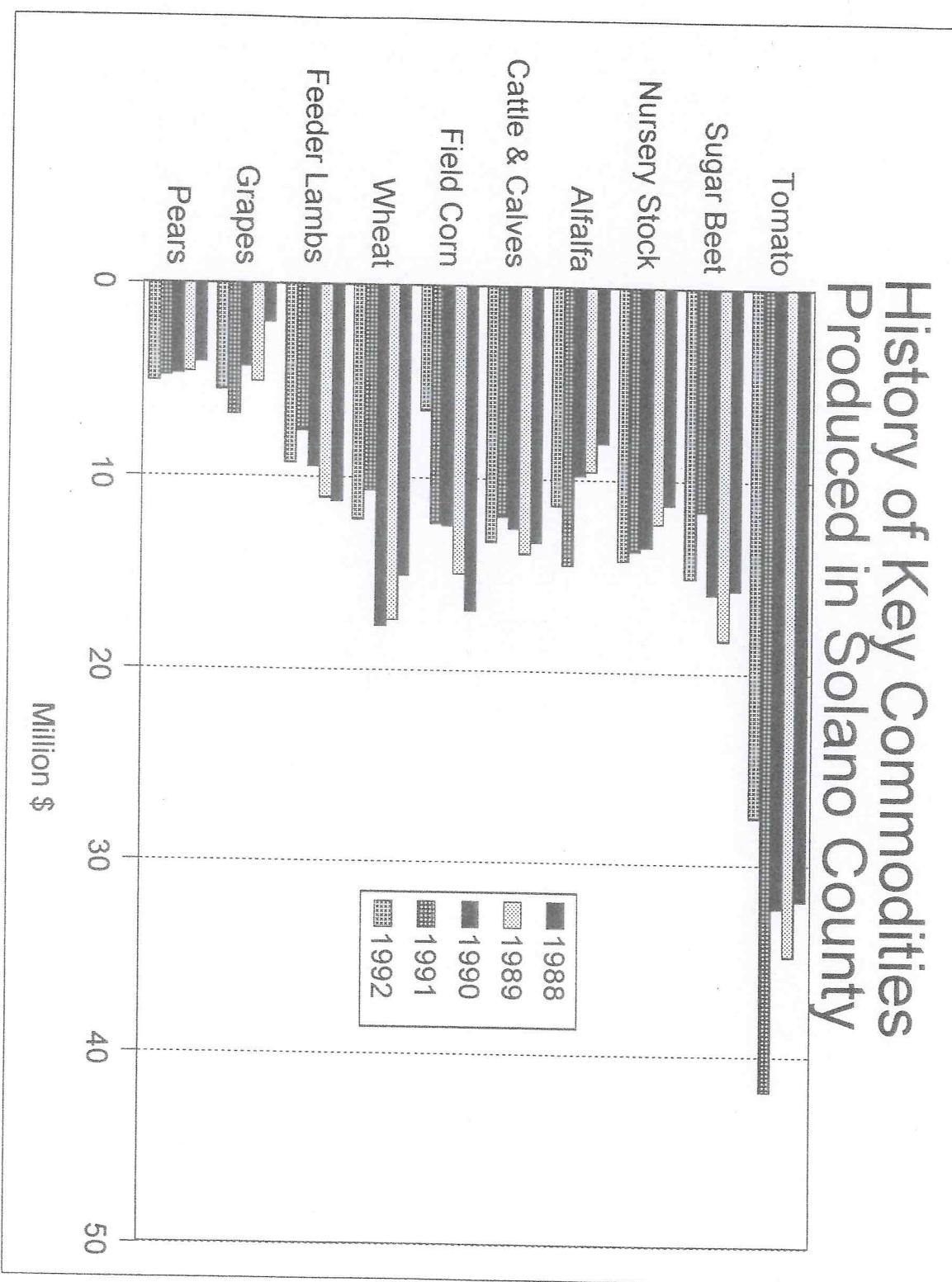


# Solano County Crop Production 1992

By Major Commodities



## History of Key Commodities Produced in Solano County



## MILLION DOLLAR CROPS

		1992 RANK	1991 RANK
TOMATOES, PROCESSING . . . . .	\$27,585,400	1	1
SUGAR BEETS . . . . .	15,117,300	2	6
NURSERY STOCK . . . . .	14,169,000	3	3
CATTLE & CALVES . . . . .	13,267,700	4	5
WHEAT, IRRIGATED . . . . .	12,264,400	5	7
ALFALFA HAY . . . . .	11,403,200	6	2
FEEDER LAMBS . . . . .	9,322,600	7	8
FIELD CORN . . . . .	6,516,300	8	4
GRAPES . . . . .	5,442,600	9	9
PEARS . . . . .	5,135,600	10	11
WALNUTS . . . . .	4,225,000	11	10
MILK . . . . .	3,501,700	12	14
BARLEY, IRRIGATED . . . . .	3,150,000	13	15
PRUNES . . . . .	2,981,300	14	13
SAFFLOWER, OIL . . . . .	2,639,700	15	--
SUNFLOWER SEED CERTIFIED . . . . .	2,429,400	16	12
BEANS, EDIBLE, DRY ALL MARKET CLASSES . . . . .	2,427,300	17	16
PASTURE, RANGELAND . . . . .	2,155,500	18	17
STOCK SHEEP . . . . .	1,728,000	19	18
PASTURE, IRRIGATED . . . . .	1,722,000	20	21
APRICOTS . . . . .	1,333,500	21	19
POP CORN . . . . .	1,149,100	22	22
ALMONDS . . . . .	1,011,000	23	--
BEANS, SEED, DRY ALL MARKET CLASSES . . . . .	20		
OATS, GRAIN . . . . .	23		

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Pest	Agent/Mechanism	Scope of Program *
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COUNTY BIOLOGICAL CONTROL

<u>Puncture Vine</u> <u>Tribulus terrestris</u>	Stem & Seed Weevils <u>Microlarinus lypriformis</u>	2 Sites
	<u>Microlarinus lareynii</u>	
<u>Yellow Star Thistle</u> <u>Centaurea solstitialis L.</u>	Seed Head Weevil <u>Bangasternus orientalis</u>	5 Sites

<u>Ash Whitefly</u> <u>Siphoninus phillyreae</u>	Parasitic Wasp <u>Encarsia sp.</u>	15 Sites
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PEST MANAGEMENT

<u>Artichoke Thistle</u> <u>Cynara cardunculus L.</u>	Mechanical/Chemical	Various Sites
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PEST EXCLUSION

<u>Gypsy Moth</u> <u>Lymantria dispar</u>	Household Goods Shipments 408 Shipments Inspected
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Exotic Pests

Inspections of packages and  
shipments at UPS, Trucks,  
Foreign Aircraft

Gypsy Moth/Asian Gypsy Moth  
Mediterranean Fruit Fly  
Oriental Fruit Fly  
Japanese Beetle/Melon Fly  
Khapra Beetle  
Nantucket Pine Tip Moth  
European Pine Shoot Moth

904 Traps placed throughout the  
county to detect the presence  
of these pests

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ORGANIC FARMING STATISTICS

F FARMS	PRODUCTS	ACRES
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15	VARIOUS FRUITS & VEGETABLES (Apricots, Beans, Carrots, Figs, Herbs, Lettuce, Melons, Mushrooms, Peppers, Squash, Tomatoes, Walnuts, Etc.)	500
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\* Represents total number of individual sites, trees, acres, etc.  
incorporated in program efforts (survey, trap servicings, releases,  
etc.)

## SOLANO COUNTY GENERAL INFORMATION

County Population (January 1, 1992) . . . . .	364,691	
Benicia - 26,368	Dixon - 11,526	Fairfield - 85,564
Rio Vista 3,597	Suisun - 23,562	Vacaville - 78,301
	Vallejo - 114,772	

State Ranking In 1991 For Agricultural Production Values . . . . . 28th

**Ranking Among California Counties For Gross Value Of Production (1991)**

2nd: Corn (For Grain) and Sheep & Lambs

### 3rd: Wheat (Excl. Seed)

4th: Pears. Sugarbeets. Tomatoes-Processing

5th: Barley (Excl. Seed)

Total Secured Assessed Value (1992-93) . . . . . \$15,615,130,119

Total Land Area in California (Acres, 1991). . . . . 100,000,000 Acres

California Agricultural Land (Acres. 1991) . . . . . 30,000,000 Acres

Area of County (Square Miles - Land) ..... 828.2 Sq. Mi.

Area of County (Acres - Land) 530,048 Acres

Area of County (Square Miles - Water) . . . . . 78.7 Sq. Mi.

Number of Farms in Solano County (1987) 895 Farms

Average U.S. Farm size (Acres, 1991) 467 Acres

Average California Farm Size (Acres, 1991) 361 Acres

Average Size of Solano Farm (Acres-1987) 359 Acres

Solano County Road Miles (Jan. 1, 1992) 610.3 Miles

Major Roadways - Interstates 80, 505, 680, 780, Highways 12, 29, 37

Major Farming Districts - Dixon, Winters, Rio Vista - Ryeo Island, Suisun

Major Rivers & Waterways - Sacramento and Napa Rivers Deep Water Ship

Channel, San Pablo and Suisun Bays