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A REPORT OF

AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

Produced in
SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY
During 1953

County Department of Agriculture
THOMAS CHALMERS, Commissioner

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Deputy Agricultural Commissioner

ANIMAL INDUSTRY	ANIMALS	YIELD	VALUATION 1953	VALUATION 1952
Beef Cattle	59,100		\$10,676,900	\$14,200,000
Cows (Butterfat)	14,400	2,309,100 lbs.	2,800,800	2,680,400
Calves (Veal)	5,300		190,800	220,300
Cows and Heifers	2,000		400,000	900,000
Chickens, Eggs	276,600	4,978,800 doz.	2,589,000	2,895,100
Chickens, Meats	2,212,800	6,483,500 lbs.	1,873,700	1,839,500
Hogs	5,200	1,170,000 lbs.	245,700	223,800
Turkeys, Meats	225,100	4,389,400 lbs.	1,316,800	1,027,800
Turkeys, Eggs		246,000 eggs	76,300	170,300
Sheep	2,600	221,000	48,600	46,800
(Wool)			3,200	3,500
Honey Bees	7,799 colonies	60 tons	12,400	45,300
Misc. (Horses, Goats, Hides, etc.)			50,000	70,000
TOTAL			\$20,284,200	\$24,322,800

FIELD CROPS	ACREAGE	YIELD	VALUATION 1953	VALUATION 1952
Alfalfa	9,800	39,200 ton	\$ 940,800	\$ 1,134,000
Beans				
Small Whites		25,600 cwt.	217,600	207,200
Pinks		16,100 cwt.	140,900	30,400
Misc.		2,300 cwt.	19,600	14,400
TOTAL	3,800	42,200 cwt.	\$ 378,100	\$ 252,000
Corn (Field)	1,100	31,900 cwt.	\$ 102,100	\$ 72,000
Grain				
Barley	48,300	724,500 cwt.	\$ 2,028,600	\$ 2,618,900
Oats	5,800	63,800 cwt.	213,700	199,100
Wheat	135,100	917,700 cwt.	3,282,200	3,993,900
Hay	35,800	68,000 ton	1,428,000	2,058,000
Permanent Pasture	4,200	Value Reflected in Livestock Sales		
TOTAL	229,200		\$ 6,952,500	\$ 8,869,900
Potatoes	900	143,100 sks.	\$ 283,400	\$ 790,500
Sugar Beets	1,800	35,910 ton	406,200	401,900
Government Payment			89,800	
TOTAL			\$ 496,000	
Field Crops, Vegetable and Flower Seeds	1,300		\$ 399,400	\$ 251,500
Miscellaneous	7,500		350,000	360,000
TOTAL Field Crops	255,400		\$ 9,902,300	\$12,131,800

FRUIT AND NUT CROPS	ACREAGE	YIELD (tons)	VALUATION 1953	VALUATION 1952
Almonds -----	7,190	530	\$ 249,100	\$ 310,200
Apples -----	204	670	53,600	19,200
Apricots -----	167	460	60,700	83,200
Grapes -----	677	1,030	41,200	42,000
Pears -----	289	97	6,800	11,400
Walnuts -----	643	340	148,700	227,300
Miscellaneous -----	199	75	9,800	12,500
TOTAL -----	9,369		\$ 569,900	\$ 705,800

VEGETABLE CROPS	ACREAGE	YIELD	VALUATION 1953	VALUATION 1952
Artichokes -----	440	63,800 bx.	\$ 229,700	\$ 185,900
Beans (Green lima processing) --	590	14,600 cwt.	116,800	40,800
Bell Peppers -----	314	72,200 cr.	216,600	216,300
Broccoli -----	2,594	366,100 cr.	1,189,900	1,485,100
Brussels Sprouts -----	21	2,460 cwt.	29,500	52,800
Cabbage -----	71	11,700 cwt.	23,400	45,500
Carrots -----	70	18,900 cr.	69,900	268,300
Cauliflower -----	1,436	574,400 cr.	746,800	978,400
Celery -----	1,297	985,400 cr.	2,172,300	2,583,000
Cucumbers -----	193	69,500 lgs.	75,100	58,900
Lettuce -----	3,663	806,500 cr.	1,696,300	1,466,000
Peas (Green) -----	1,171	35,600 cwt.	356,000	524,800
Romaine -----	397	131,800 cr.	263,600	268,000
Spinach (Processing) -----	61	5,300 cwt.	10,600	7,000
Strawberries -----	194	310,400 trays	620,800	876,600
String Beans -----	373	43,300 cwt.	43,300	817,000
Tomatoes -----	164	32,000 lgs.	60,800	105,500
Mixed Vegetables -----	407	380 cars	180,500	191,300
TOTAL -----	13,456		\$ 8,101,900	\$10,171,200

GRAND TOTAL of all Agricultural Products -----	278,225	\$38,858,300	\$47,331,600
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COMPARISON OF THE VALUATIONS OF THE FOUR MAJOR GROUPS DURING THE PAST TEN YEARS:

	ANIMAL INDUSTRY	FIELD CROPS	FRUIT & NUT CROPS	VEGETABLE CROPS	TOTAL VALUATIONS
1944 -----	\$ 9,700,400	\$ 7,602,100	\$ 2,424,700	\$ 6,488,300	\$26,215,500
1945 -----	9,540,600	7,536,500	1,330,180	6,344,800	24,752,080
1946 -----	11,741,500	9,226,600	1,355,000	6,972,400	29,295,500
1947 -----	15,326,900	11,659,700	1,359,200	7,339,200	35,685,000
1948 -----	17,228,200	10,374,100	430,400	6,710,500	34,743,200
1949 -----	16,709,000	9,449,600	741,100	6,889,500	33,789,200
1950 -----	19,553,900	9,152,300	748,500	7,686,800	37,141,500
1951 -----	28,154,900	9,144,800	760,700	9,920,100	47,980,500
1952 -----	24,322,800	12,131,800	705,800	10,171,200	47,331,600
1953 -----	20,284,200	9,902,300	569,900	8,101,900	38,858,300