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A Report of
**AGRICULTURAL
PRODUCTS**

Produced in
SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY
During 1956

County Department of Agriculture

THOMAS CHALMERS, Commissioner

Compiled by J. B. GOTTFRIED, Deputy Agricultural Commissioner

ANIMAL INDUSTRY	ANIMALS	YIELD	VALUATION 1956	VALUATION 1955
Beef Cattle	58,500		\$ 9,282,200	\$ 8,775,800
Cows (Butterfat)	11,500	2,645,000 lbs.	2,679,400	2,470,800
Calves (Veal)	4,700		152,800	164,300
Cows and Heifers	2,500		525,000	192,000
Chickens, Eggs	239,000	4,302,000 doz.	1,677,700	2,006,000
Chickens, Meats	1,826,700	5,352,300 lbs.	1,016,900	1,514,900
Baby Chicks	4,284,100		774,000	1,615,000
Hogs	3,400	765,000 lbs.	126,200	111,200
Turkeys, Meats	388,000	6,984,000 lbs.	1,815,800	2,118,800
Turkey Poults	150,000		102,000	105,000
Sheep	4,300		80,400	72,200
(Wool)			7,200	6,900
Honey Bees	5,652 colonies	65 tons	16,500	11,000
Misc. (Horses, Goats, Hides, etc.)			50,000	50,000
TOTAL			\$18,306,100	\$19,213,900

FIELD CROPS	ACREAGE	YIELD	VALUATION 1956	VALUATION 1955
Alfalfa	10,700	44,700 ton	\$ 1,296,300	\$ 1,170,400
Beans				
Small Whites		27,900 cwt.	186,900	286,500
Pinks		3,400 cwt.	24,700	45,500
Misc.		5,900 cwt.	41,300	40,600
TOTAL	2,400	37,200 cwt.	\$ 252,900	\$ 372,600

Corn (Field)	1,300	39,000 cwt.	\$ 113,100	\$ 117,600
Grain				
Barley	73,800	1,298,400 cwt.	3,181,100	2,092,300
Oats	7,600	91,200 cwt.	250,800	154,800
Wheat	82,600	793,000 cwt.	2,762,700	3,166,200
Hay	45,800	87,000 ton	2,436,000	2,297,700
Permanent Pasture	4,200	Value Reflected in Livestock Sales		
TOTAL	215,300		\$ 8,743,700	\$ 7,711,000

Potatoes	600	149,400 sks.	\$ 388,400	\$ 267,300
Sugar Beets	1,720	36,500 ton	390,100	353,100
Government Payment			83,800	83,800
TOTAL			\$ 862,300	\$ 436,900

Field Crops, Vegetable, Flower				
Seed and Strawberry plants	2,200		\$ 286,100	\$ 209,000
Miscellaneous	7,500		250,000	250,000
TOTAL Field Crops	240,420		\$11,691,300	\$10,534,800

FRUIT AND NUT CROPS	ACREAGE	YIELD (tons)	VALUATION 1956	VALUATION 1955
Almonds -----	7,095	1,050	\$ 819,000	\$ 628,000
Apples -----	168	500	31,000	10,200
Apricots -----	151	375	75,000	39,900
Grapes -----	473	587	28,800	40,800
Pears -----	202	175	21,000	2,100
Walnuts -----	972	360	223,200	227,200
Miscellaneous -----	95	60	9,000	13,500
TOTAL -----	9,156		\$ 1,207,000	\$ 961,700

VEGETABLE CROPS	ACREAGE	YIELD	VALUATION 1956	VALUATION 1955
Artichokes -----	658	114,500 7" box	\$ 200,400	\$ 269,100
Beans (Green limas processing) -----	280	6,500 cwt.	52,000	48,800
Bell Peppers -----	266	55,900 cr.	134,200	159,000
Broccoli -----	3,967	630,800 cr.	1,854,500	1,052,800
Brussels Sprouts -----	32	3,900 cwt.	33,200	24,300
Cabbage -----	149	33,500 cwt.	67,000	45,900
Carrots -----	579	141,900 cwt.	510,800	134,800
Cauliflower -----	1,477	598,200 cr.	909,300	954,100
Celery -----	1,494	1,647,900 cr.	3,361,700	2,574,500
Cucumbers -----	106	45,100 lgs.	56,400	43,900
Lettuce -----	3,059	605,700 cr.	1,060,000	1,416,600
Peas (Green) -----	1,489	25,700 cwt.	231,300	237,200
Romaine -----	431	146,500 cr.	219,800	167,400
Spinach (Processing) -----	118	11,800 cwt.	16,500	21,400
Strawberries -----	465	767,300 trays	1,227,700	878,600
String Beans -----	895	90,400 cwt.	813,600	779,000
Tomatoes -----	78	38,200 flats	80,200	103,300
Mixed Vegetables -----	434	400 cars	240,000	234,000
TOTAL -----	15,977		\$11,068,600	\$ 9,144,700

GRAND TOTAL of all Agricultural Products	265,553		\$42,273,000	\$39,855,100
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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
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
1954 -----	18,019,000	9,681,100	724,600	8,127,700	36,552,400
1955 -----	19,213,900	10,534,800	961,700	9,144,700	39,855,100
1956 -----	18,306,100	11,691,300	1,207,000	11,068,600	42,273,000