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A Report of Agricultural Products
produced in
SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY
DURING 1948

Compiled by County Department of Agriculture
THOMAS CHALMERS, Commissioner

ANIMAL INDUSTRY	Number Animals	Yield	Valuation 1948	Valuation 1947
Beef Cattle -----	44,900		\$10,713,800	\$ 9,427,500
Chickens, Eggs -----	188,300	2,104,300 doz.	1,315,100	1,204,000
Meats -----	353,000	970,800 lbs.	271,900	309,000
Cows (Butterfat) -----	17,800	2,632,100 lbs. b. f.	2,889,900	2,917,200
Calves (Veal) -----	8,500		367,200	325,500
Goats (Butterfat) -----		18,322 lbs. b. f.	35,600	22,300
Hogs -----	3,220		173,100	168,800
Sheep -----	2,100		37,500	87,800
(Wool) -----			2,200	24,000
Turkeys, Meats -----	102,000	1,864,300 lb.	1,137,200	721,000
Eggs -----		765,000	229,500	60,200
Misc. (Horses, etc.) -----			50,000	50,000
Bees -----	2,105 colonies	26 tons	5,200	9,600
			<u>\$17,228,200</u>	<u>\$15,326,900</u>

FIELD CROPS	Acreage	Yield	Valuation 1948	Valuation 1947
Alfalfa -----	4,300	16,100 tons	\$ 563,500	\$ 439,200
Beans				
Small Whites -----		34,100 cwt.	306,900	448,500
Pinks -----		9,500 cwt.	95,000	89,600
Miscellaneous -----		1,800 cwt.	14,400	9,800
TOTAL -----	3,080	45,400 cwt.	416,300	547,900
Corn (Field & Popcorn) -----	300	1,100 cwt.	6,200	40,500
Grain				
Barley -----	37,900	643,300 cwt.	1,608,300	1,587,300
Oats -----	10,900	119,400 cwt.	406,000	297,800
Wheat* -----	112,000	430,900 cwt.	1,621,500	3,405,900
Hay -----	43,900	83,400 tons	2,447,200	1,635,000
Insurance -----			600,000	500,000
TOTAL -----	204,700		6,683,000	7,426,000
Potatoes -----	3,500	665,000 cwt.	1,828,800	2,261,300
Sugar Beets** -----	1,805	32,600 tons	383,800	479,800
Vegetable & Flower Seeds -----	970		292,500	265,000
Miscellaneous -----	6,000		200,000	200,000
TOTAL of Field Crops -----	224,655		<u>\$10,374,100</u>	<u>\$11,659,700</u>

* Acres seeded (13,500 acres of this total were abandoned)

** Acres harvested (96 acres of this total were abandoned)

FRUIT AND NUT CROPS	Acreage	Yield Tons	Valuation 1948	Valuation 1947
Almonds -----	13,042	390	\$ 148,200	\$ 1,043,100
Apples -----	260	300	12,000	7,700
Apricots -----	241	480	31,200	25,500
Grapes -----	779	940	43,200	37,400
Pears -----	370	190	22,800	30,800
Walnuts -----	643	350	161,000	198,700
Miscellaneous -----	240	80	12,000	16,000
TOTAL -----	15,575	2,730	\$ 430,400	\$ 1,359,200

VEGETABLE CROPS	Acreage	Yield	Valuation 1948	Valuation 1947
Artichokes -----	449	69,600 boxes	\$ 267,900	\$ 156,900
Broccoli -----	1,397	165,600 crates	662,400	372,000
Brussels Sprouts -----	47	11,300 boxes	44,100	43,100
Cabbage -----	134	40,800 cwt.	70,400	42,500
Carrots -----	436	91,600 crates	238,200	334,100
Cauliflower -----	2,817	986,000 crates	1,133,900	1,510,200
Celery -----	859	638,200 crates	1,499,800	1,427,000
Cucumbers -----	198		45,700	85,900
Lettuce -----	3,348	600,500 crates	1,681,400	1,848,900
Peas (Green) -----	670*	7,400 cwt.	59,200	602,400
Romaine -----	250	78,800 crates	256,100	240,600
Squash -----	89	31,200 lugs	39,000	45,600
Squash (Winter) -----	45	160 tons	8,000	12,000
String Beans -----	467	32,900 cwt.	296,100	268,800
Tomatoes -----	782	168,100 lugs	193,300	129,200
Mixed Vegetables -----	437	430 cars	215,000	220,000
TOTAL -----	12,425		\$ 6,710,500	\$ 7,339,200

*Acres Harvested

GRAND TOTAL of All Agricultural Products -----	252,655		\$34,743,200	\$35,685,000
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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
1939 -----	\$ 4,891,500	\$ 3,098,200	\$ 655,200	\$ 3,256,000	\$11,900,900
1940 -----	5,373,500	3,201,900	540,900	2,803,100	11,919,400
1941 -----	7,329,400	4,535,800	1,385,000	3,111,300	16,361,500
1942 -----	8,819,400	6,176,700	1,234,100	3,716,600	19,946,800
1943 -----	9,966,300	8,026,100	1,632,000	5,316,000	24,940,400
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	7,399,200	35,685,000
1948 -----	17,228,200	10,374,100	430,400	6,710,500	34,743,200