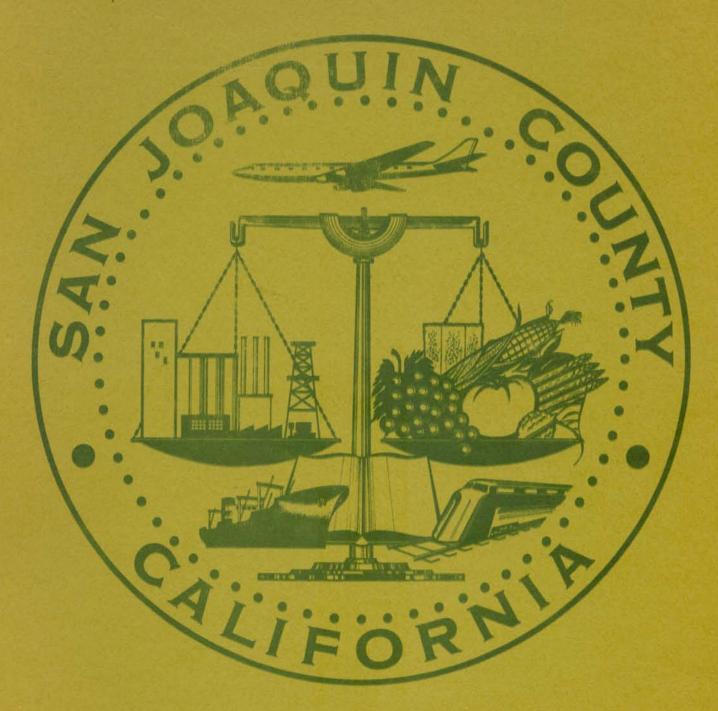
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Gentlemen:

In accordance with Section 2279 of the California Agricultural Code, I am pleased to present the thirty-sixth annual report of agricultural production in the County of San Joaquin.

Values are based on the most common method of sale for the individual commodity, except fresh market fruit and vegetables, whose gross value is based on packed price F.O.B. shipping point.

Figures presented in this report do not reflect $\underline{\text{NET}}$ income to farmers but only the GROSS value of agriculture production.

Production costs for the farmer have steadily risen while the value of farm products have not kept up with this trend. Only through increased production from improved farming practices has the farmer been able to survive the "Cost Price Squeeze".

The gross value of agriculture products for 1969 was \$249,013,670, a slight decrease from the previous year, which was \$249,077,845.

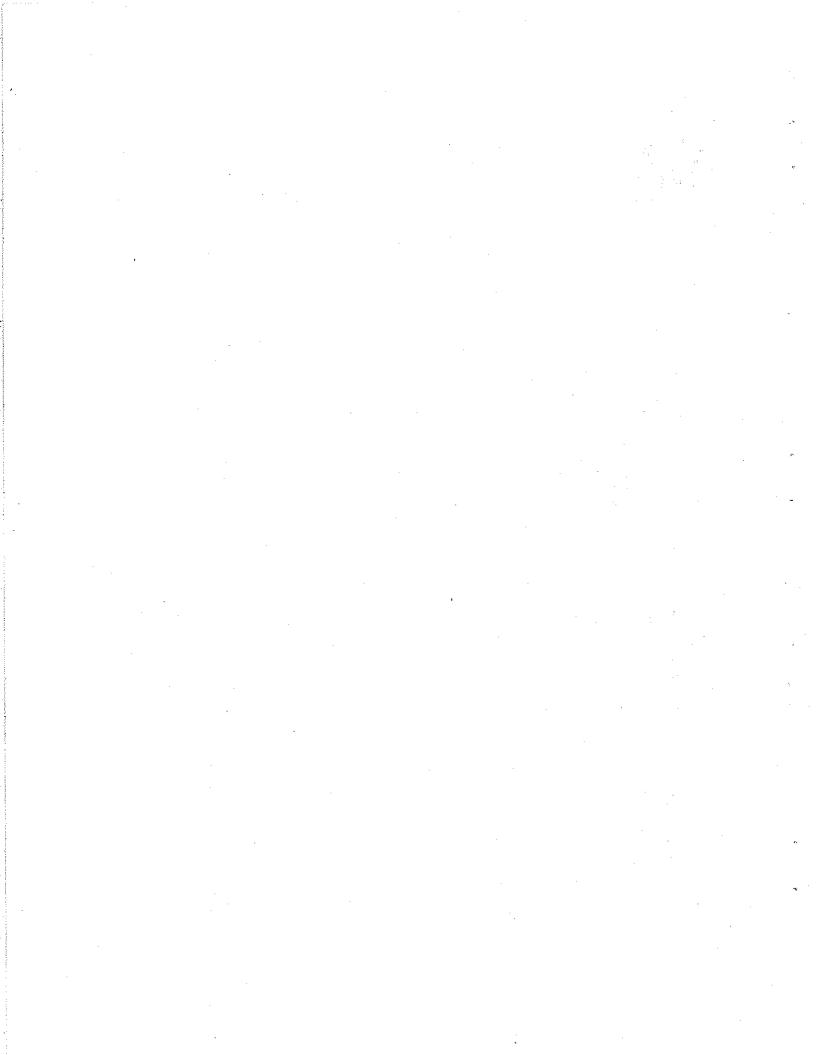
I wish to express my sincere appreciation to all who have assisted my inspectors and deputies by furnishing necessary information to them which has made the compilation of this report possible.

Respectfully submitted,

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1969 ANNUAL CROP REPORT

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FIELD CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION, AND GROSS VALUE, 1969 & 1968

•		Production					<i>Gross</i> Value		
Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Per Acre	Total	Unit	Per Unit		Total	
Barley	1969 1 968	47,100 50,300	1.60 1.70	75,400 85,500	Ton	\$ 50.25 44.00	\$	3,789,000 3,762,000	

At the beginning of the year, high rain fall resulted in excessive soil moisture which turned early plantings yellow and held up later plantings of barley. Some of the early plantings were disced under. By the 1st of April, most barley had recovered from excessive moisture stress and some had begun to head out. Favorable growing conditions prevailed during the rest of the growing season. Selective weed control was particularly active in late barley in the Delta area.

Beans, Dry Total	1969 1968	18,300 14,230	16.67 22.65	305,100 322,300	Cwt.	10.34 9.66	3,154,800 3,113,000
B lac keye	1969 1968	2,300 3,830	15.50 21.20	35,600 81,200		9.25 7.2 5	329,300 589,000
Kidney	1969 1968	9,500 4,100	14.00 17.10	133,000 70,100		12.50 15.60	1,663,000 1,094,000
Lima	1969 1968	6,200 5,900	21.30 28.00	132,000 165,000		8.50 8.30	1,122,000 1,370,000
Others	1969 1968	300 400	15.00 15.00	4,500 6,000		9.00 10.00	40,500 60,000

By the 1st of June, some plantings had emerged, however, planting continued throughout the month of June into the first part of July. Favorable growing conditions prevailed during the season with a minimum of problems with insect pests; some fields suffered fairly heavy damage from the pod borer. Surprisingly, the yield per acre was lighter than average which some attributed to excessive hot weather during the season. All fields were harvested. Some late fields were held up only temporarily, due to rain. The kidney bean acreage doubled over the previous year, apparently stimulated by high prices during 1968 and poor prospects on tomato demand.

Com	1969	35,300	3.00	105,900	Ton	50.50	5,348,000
	1968	33,300	3.15	104,900		52.00	5,455,000

As usual, growers were engaged in planting corn during mid-April. Growing conditions were satisfactory in general. The first part of June, growers sprayed for weeds. October winds downed some varieties, which caused harvesting problems.

Hay, Total	1969 1968	78,850 88,600	5.66 5.67	446,500 502,600	Ton	28.80 26.37	12,857,400 13,253,600
Alfalfa	1969 1968	61,600 66,500	6.75 6.80	415,800 452,200		29.25 27.00	12,162,000 12,209,000
Grain	1969 1968	10,700 14,200	2.25 3.00	24,100 42,600		23.60 21.00	568,800 894,600

FIELD CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION, AND GROSS VALUE, 1969 & 1968 cont'd

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production Per Acre	Total	Unit	<i>Gro</i> Per Unit)\$3 `	Value Total
Hay, cont'd								
Wild	1969 1968	1,350 1,500	2.00 2.00	2,700 3,000	Ton	\$ 18.00 18.00	\$	48,60 0 54,000
Straw	1969 1968	5,200 6,400	. 75 . 75	3,900 4,800		20.00 20.00		78,000 96,000

Growth was held up at the beginning of the year due to excess soil moisture and cold weather. Some root damage developed, due to flooding. Milder weather in March stimulated normal growth, thus growers started the season with a good cutting about mid-April. Some fields were excessively weedy and some fields were cut early, due to alfalfa weevil. A number of growers on early cuttings treated for alfalfa weevil. Worm damage was heavy in some fields the latter part of August. In general, throughout the season, yield and quality were high. Growers enjoyed favorable prices throughout the season.

Oats	1969 1968	2,500 2,900	.80 .53	2,000 1,540	Ton	53.00 55.00	106,000 84,700
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Growing conditions were the same as barley. Both total yield and value were up.

Pasture & Range, Total	1969 1968	350,230 365,900	Acre	16.97 17.26	5,943,500 6,317,000
Irrigated	1969 1968	86,900 93,600		55.00 55.00	4,780,000 5,148,000
Range	1969 1968	141,400 145,000		5.00 5.00	707,000 725,000
Sudan	1969 1968	1,930 2,300		50.00 30.00	96,500 69,000
Stubble	1969 1968	120,000 125,000		3.00 3.00	360,000 375,000

Range grass was retarded during the first two months of the year, due to cold weather. However, as the weather became milder and with the abundance of moisture, both range grass and permanent pastures progressed with excellent growth. By the end of May, although range grass was dry, there was an abundance of feed.

Riœ	1969	7,900	2.70	21,300	Ton	100.00	2,130,000
	1968	8,550	2.60	22,200		97.00	2,150,000

Seeding of rice fields commenced about the first of May and continued during the rest of the month. By mid-May some fields were treated for tadpole shrimp. Before the end of May some rice was above water. Weed spraying was carried out by many growers during the first part of June. Good growth was stimulated by hot weather, resulting in favorable yields.

FIELD CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION, AND GROSS VALUE, 1969 & 1968 cont'd

		<i>Gross</i> Value Per						
Crop	Year	Acreage	Per Acre	Total	Unit	Unit		Total
Safflower	1969 1968	6,200 5,300	1.30 1.40	8,100 7,400	Ton	\$ 80.00 82.50	\$	648,000 610,500

It was the end of March before land could be prepared for planting. Consequently, the planting the first part of April was about a month later than the previous year. The end of June found the crop in full bloom. The season was successfully concluded with harvesting done in late August and the first part of September.

Silage, Corn	1969 1968	12,900 8,700	22.00 22.00	284,000 191,400	Ton	7.75 7.60	2,201,000 1,455,000
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Planting started the end of May and continued into July. By mid-July, silage corn was found in all stages of maturity. Cutting started the end of August and continued into October. During the season, demand was strong.

Sorghum, Grain	1969	20,400	2.66	54,300	Ton	46.00	2,498,000
	1968	22,700	2.75	62,400		46.00	2,870,000

Planting started the latter part of April and continued into July. During August heavy infestations of greenbug in numerous fields required control measures. By the first part of September, some fields were ready for harvest.

Sugar Beets	1969	27,180	23.30	633,000	Ton	13.27	8,400,000
	1968	20,200	25.70	520,000		13.70	7,124,000

Harvesting of sugar beets, held over from the previous year, finally started the end of March. Record yields and high sugar content resulted. During April, sugar beets were being harvested and new fields were being planted. The last part of June, cutworms caused serious damage to many fields of new beets, which required extensive control measures.

Sunflowers	1969	7,600	. 85	6,460	Ton	180.00	1,163,000
	1968	5,380	.87	4,680		200.00	936,000

This crop, from the planting in late March to the harvesting in October, had a minimum of problems during the growing period. Final results were good yields and quality.

Wheat	1969	7,800	2.20	17,200	Ton	46.00	791,200
	1968	8,200	1.80	14,800		47.00	695,600

The wheat crop experienced about the same problems as related under barley. Growers enjoyed good yields and quality.

TOTAL	1969	622,260	,	\$ 49,029,900
	1968	634,260		47,826,400

FIELD CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION, AND GROSS VALUE, 1969 & 1968 cont'd

		Harvested	Production Per	n		<i>Gross</i> Per	Value
Crop	Year	Acreage	Acre	Total	Unit	Unit	Total
Feed Grain Program	1969						
Corn		2,919 1,328	Planted Diverted.	price suppo .payment	ort	\$	99,932 44,750
Grain Sorghu	i m	629 74 5	Planted Diverted.	price suppo .payment	ort		17,634 31,772
Barley		1,828 2,903	Planted Diverted.	price suppo .payment	ort		23,775 33,336
Wheat		1,982 1,168	Planted Diverted.	price suppo .payment	ort		174,090 40,186
Crop Land Adju	stment	368					5,212
Land Under Soi	l Bank	91					963
TOTAL		13,961				\$	471,650
Feed Grain Program	1968						
Corn		1,997 1,855	·			\$	61,559 45,231
Grain Sorghu	m	747 284					19,947 10,495
Barley		0					0
Wheat		2,254 0					199,676 0
Crop Land Adjus	stment	368					5,212
Land Under Soi	l Bank	3,368					41,645
TOTAL		10,873				\$	383,765
GRAND TOTAL	1969 1968	636,221 645,133				\$	49,501,550 48,210,165

VEGETABLE CROPS: ACREAGE, 1 TODUCTION, AND GROSS VALUE, 1969 & 1968

		77	Production			Gross Value		
Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Per Acre	Total	Unit	Per Unit	Total	
Asparagus Total	1969 1968	28,700 28,800	1.55 1.73	44,500 49,900	Ton.	\$ 35 7.44 356.91	\$ 15,906,000 17,810,000	
Fresh	1969 1968		.52 .57	14,900 16,300		400.00 400.00	5,960,000 6,520,000	
Processing	1969 1968		1.03 1.16	29,600 33,600		336.00 336.00	9,946,000 11,290,000	

By the latter part of March, cutting of asparagus for fresh market was in progress. Cutting of asparagus proceeded in fair volume through the first part of April. However, by mid-April, diversion to the processors decreased the volume to fresh market. By the end of April, most of the production was destined for processors. Harvesting operations were nearly completed by mid-June, and fields were allowed to go to ferm. Yield and quality were good; prices were generally firm.

Beans, I	ima*	1969 196 8	856 XXX	1.20	1,030	Ton	90.00	92,700 XXX
Beans, S	Snap**		2,390 5,400	2.42 2.00	5,790 10,800		102.00 97.00 1	591,000 ,048,000

Nearly all of this crop went to the processor. Yields were fairly good, but grading for quality substantially reduced net yields. Acreage dropped to nearly half as much as the previous year.

Cabbage	1969 1968	47 30	6.25 13.00	294 390	Ton.	80.00 54.00	23,500 21,100
Carrots	1969 1968	540 480	18.00 17.00	9,700 8,200		85.00 90.00	824,500 738,000

Carrot growers enjoyed good yields and fairly good prices. Harvesting of this crop occurred in March, June and November.

Cauliflower	1969	300	4.50	1,350	Ton	180.00	243,000
	1968	320	4.00	1,280		165.00	211,200

Frost in the fall spotted the curds and lowered the quality. Most of the crop went to processors.

Corn, Sweet	1969	130	250.00	32,500	46#)	2.50	81,300
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	1968	100	225.00	22,500	pka)	2.80	63,000

Growers enjoyed good quality this year. There was a minimum of problems with worms or smut.

^{*} Included with Snap Beans last year

^{**} Data supplied by California Crops & Livestock Reporting Service

VEGETABLE CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION, AND GROSS VALUE, 1969 & 1968 cont'd

		Harvested	Production Per			<i>Gr</i> Per	oss	Value
Crop	Year	Acreage	Acre	Total	Unit	Unit		Total
Cucumbers*	1969 1968	1,310 1,610	11.60 11.70	15,200 18,800	Ton	\$ 80.10 83.80	\$	1,218,000 1,575,000

By mid-May, growers were planting their fields. The crop progressed without interruption, with good growing conditions. Harvest operations started about the first of July, and continued into August. A tight labor market was a constant concern to growers.

Lettuce, Head	1969	400	600.00	240,000	43#)	2.25	540,000
	1968	665	350.00	232,800	pkg)	1.75	407,400
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The first of September, growers experienced trouble with worms and tip burn. Harvest started the latter part of September. Quality ranged from fair to good. During October, considerable damage resulted from worms; growers lost approximately 200 acres. Harvest was completed by November. Early lettuce brought a very poor price. However, the last cuttings of lettuce salvaged operations for some growers, with exceptionally high prices.

Melons, Total	1969 1968	2,799 1,850	10.89 11.24	30 ,493 20,790	Ton	43.29 32.81	1,320,000 682,100
Cantaloupe	1969 1968	52 100	4.10 6.90	213 690		98.40 54.50	20,900 37,600
Casaba	1969 1968	700 400	12.60 8.50	8,820 3,400		31.00 29.00	273,400 98,600
Cranshaw	1969 1968	56 90	7.00 10.00	390 900		121.00 115.00	47,200 103,500
Watermelon	1969 1968	1,670 1,260	10.60 12.50	17,700 15,800		41.00 28.00	725,700 442,400
Honey <i>de</i> w	1969 1968	321. XXX	10.50	3,370		75.00	252,800 XXX

Growth of melons was slow during the month of May, due to cool weather; however, warmer weather stimulated vine growth. By mid-July, harvesting of melons started on a limited scale. During the season, yields remained low. Consequently, prices advanced to as high as \$60.00 per ton. Hot summer weather retarded blossom set and held yields to lower than average level. Quality was very good. Casaba were of good yield and quality. Demand was strong.

^{*} Data supplied by California Crop & Livestock Reporting Service

		TT	Production	า			oss Value
Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Per Acre	Total	Unit	Per Unit	Total
Onions, Dry Total	1969 1968	1,970 1,890	788.58 834.39	1,553,500 1,577,000	50#) sack)	\$ 1.70 1.59	\$ 2,634,300 2,501,000
Early	1969 1968	1,520 1,400	800.00 855.00	1,216,000 1,197,000		1.75 1.55	2,128,000 1,855,000
Late	1969 1968	450 490	750.00 775.00	337,500 380,000		1.50 1.70	506,300 646,000

Favorable growing conditions during April developed quality onions. Harvesting operations started the first part of May and continued into October, with good yields.

Peas	1969	540	1.50	810	Ton	87.2 5	70,700
1000	1968	XXX					XXX

Although planting of this crop was delayed due to wet soil, by early May there were good stands about a foot high. Harvesting started in late May and was completed early in June. The entire crop went to processors.

This crop has been included with beets and spinach in previous years.

Peppers	1969	925	10.00	9,250	Ton	90.20	834,000
	1968	1,100	12.00	13,200		85.00	1,122,000

Hot beds were prepared early in April. In late June, transplants were going into fields. Favorable growing conditions prevailed up to the harvest season, in September and November. Some peppers went to fresh market, but predominant movement was to the processors.

Potatoes	1969	3,600	320.00	1,152,000	Cwt.	2.50	2,880,000
	1968	3,820	315.00	1,203,000		2.30	2,767,000

Planting of potatoes took place during the month of April. No special problems were encountered by growers during the growing season. Growers, with fields of potatoes destined for seed, carried out their usual elaborate pest control program to eliminate vectors of potato diseases. Harvesting started the latter part of August and continued to almost the end of the year.

Pumpkins, Total	1969 1968*	1,052 715	27.50	19,700	Ton. \$	XX \$ 15.00	310,900 295,000
Cannery	1969 1968	525 XXX	21.00	11,000		11.00	121,000 XXX
Halloween	1969 1968	527 XXX	12.00	6,330		30.00	189,900 XXX
୍ଟ ଏକ୍ଟର	1969 1968	355 290	15.00 11.00	5,330 3,200		33.00 33.75	175,900 108,000

The demand for pumpkins and squash was good. Growers experienced trouble with squash bug, a difficult pest to control.

VEGETABLE CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION, AND GROSS VALUE, 1969 & 1968 cont'd

Crop	Year.	Harvested Acreage	Production Per Acre	Total	Unit	<i>Gro</i> Per Unit	988 [†]	Value Total
Sweet Potatoes	1969 1968	265 250	180.00 150.00	47,700 37,500	40#) ctn)	\$ 2.80 3.00	\$	133,600 112,000

Growers of sweet potatoes were again plagued by disease. Quality was fair. Acreage for the county remained at a low level.

Tomatoes, Total	1969 1968	37,460 51,700	18.75 21.15	702,500 1,093,500	Ion	35.93 40.47	25,238,000 44,256,000
Shipping	1969 1968	5,280 XXX	7.50 [.]	39,600 52,500		182.00 145.00	7,207,000 7,613,000
Processing*	1969 1968	32,180 XXX	20.60	662,900 1,041,000		27.20 35.20	18,031,000 36,643,000

Direct seeding of tomato fields started in late March and continued into May. Transplants started in early April. A number of fields, suffering damage from flea beetles and cutworms, required control measures. By the first of September, harvest was in full swing. Harvesting of many fields was soon strongly curtailed, due to pro-rating by the processors. This resulted in lower yields for many growers. Mold became a problem in a number of fields the latter part of September, due to rain.

Beets &	1969	170	\$ 81,250
Spinach	1968	640	161,000
Truck Garden	1969	2,500	2,000,000
	1968	2,700	2,500,000
TOTAL	1969	86,309	\$ 55,198,650
	1968	102,360	76,377,800

^{*} Acreage & production supplied by California Crop & Livestock Reporting Service

FRUIT AND NUT CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION, AND GROSS VALUE, 1969 & 1968

		Harvested	Production Per			<i>Gross</i> Value Per		
Crop	Year	'Acreage	Acre	Total	Unit	Unit	Total	
Almonds	1969 1968	18,155 18,934	1.20 .58	21,800 11,000	Ton	\$ 600.00 580.00	\$ 13,100,000 6,380,000	
Almond Hulls	1969 1968			12,000 5,000		10.00 10.00	120,000 50,000	

By the time almonds had started blooming, rains had stopped and the weather cleared. Ideal pollination conditions resulted in a heavy set of nuts. With favorable growing and harvesting conditions, yields were high and quality good. Price also improved over the previous year.

Apricots*	1969	2,992	8.90	26,600	Ton	120.00	3,192,000
4	1968	2,474	8.73	21,600	3.011	155.00	3,348,000

There was considerable apprehension by growers at the time of blooming due to the rain. Brown rot, however, was held to a minimum with appropriate fungicide applications. The remainder of the season good growing conditions prevailed. The final crop was of good quality and high yields, with an additional bonus of a good price.

Cherries, Total	1969 1968	7,474 8,295	2.72 2.39	20,300 Ton 19,860	561.08 540.94	11,390,000 10,743,000
Fresh Market	1969 1968			13,600 11,000	670.00 735.00	9,112,000 8,085,000
Processing*	1969 1968			6,700 8,860	340.00 300.00	2,278,000 2,658,000

During harvest of the early varieties, an unusual defect of internal discoloration of the fruit was found to be rather widely spread. This was prevalent particularly in the Tartarian variety, resulting in losses to a number of growers. Fortunately, the Bing variety, which comprises the bulk of the cherry crop, was virtually free of this defect. With the absence of brown rot and favorable weather outstanding, quality fruit was produced, especially in the Bing and Lambert varieties.

^{*} Production figures supplied by California Crop & Livestock Reporting Service

FRUIT AND NUT CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION, AND GROSS VALUE, 1969 & 1968 cont'd

		Production Harvested Per				Gross Value Per		
Crop	Year	Acreage	Acre	Total	Unit	Unit	Total	
Grapes, All Total	1969 1968	43,455 45,817	8.69 5.58	377,665 255,601	Ton	\$ 71.40 80.48	\$ 26,956,900 20,572,400	
Table, All Total	1969 1968	21,678 23,382	10.89 5.84	236,165 136,501		62.33 76.77	14,720,900 10,479,400	
Tokay, Total*	1969 1968	20,875 22,275	11.00 5.86	229,723 130,460		62.45 78.13	14,347,000 10,193,000	
Fresh	1969 1968		. •	1,936,400 2,520,000	26#) p k g)	2.55 2.30	4,938,000 5,796,000	
Crushed	1969 1968			204,550 97,700	Ton	46.00 45.00	9,409,000 4,397,000	
Other Table, Total	1969 1968	803 1,107	8.00 5.46	6,442 6,041		58.04 47.41	373,900 286,400	
Fresh	1969 1968			34,000 26,200	26#) pkg)	2.35 2.00	79,900 52,400	
Crushed	1969 1968			6,000 5,700	Ton	49.00 41.00	294,000 234,000	
Wine Varieties, Total	1969 1968	21,777 22,435	6.50 5.31	141,500 119,100		86.47 84.74	12,236,000 10,093,000	
Fresh	1969 1968			25,600 23,100		152.00 146.00	3,891,000 3,373,000	
Crushed	1969 1968			115,900 96,000		72.00 70.00	8,345,000 6,720,000	

In the southern portion of the county, juice grapes were of good quality. Growers also enjoyed favorable yields and prices. In the northern portion of the county, referred to as the Lodi area, grape harvesting started by the end of August. By mid-September, a few wineries had started crushing. The sugar content was extremely low and remained low during the season. Crushing operations were completed by the first of December. Worthy of note was the record crop of Tokay's — the largest in 20 years. The total tonnage of all grapes was the third largest in the last twenty years. The shipment of Tokay's to fresh market was approximately 11%, which was the second lowest in the past twenty years.

^{*} Tokay production figures supplied by Tokay Marketing Agreement

FRUIT AND NUT CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION, AND GROSS VALUE, 1969 & 1968 cont'd

			Production		<i>Gross</i> Value			
		Harvested	Per			Per		
Crop	Year	Acreage	Acre	Total	Unit	Unit		Total
Nectarines	1969 1968	42 106	6.80 6.50	286 689	Ton.	\$ 270.00 260.00	\$	77,200 179,000
Olives	1969 1968	196 210	2.25 3.70	441 777		316.00 330.00		139,000 256,000
Peaches, All	1969	7,464	10.72	80,050	Ton	73.00		5,844,950
Total	1968	7,694	9.83	75,640		79.50		6,013,000
Clingstone	1969	6,299	10.76	67,800		74.00		5,017,200
Processing	1968	7,137	9.04	64,500		76.00		4,902,000
Freestone	1969	1,165	10.52	12,250		67.57		827,750
Total	1968	557	20.00	11,140		99.77		1,111,000
Fresh	1969			79,300	24#)	2.25		178,000
	1968			153,000	pkg)	2.55		390,000
Processing	1969			11,300	Ton	57.50		649,750
•	1968			9,300		77.50		721,000

The freestone peaches were of good quality and size. The clingstone orchards varied on quality and size. Some growers enjoyed good quality and yields; however, other growers had heavy grade-out of pickle size fruit. Brown rot and fruit drop was prevalent in some varieties. Once more, all peach and nectarine orchards were surveyed for the virus disease, Yellow Leaf Roll.

Pears, Fresh	1969	1,000	5.63	5,630	Ton	102.00	574,300
& Processing	1968	996	4.22	4,200		121.00	508,000

Growers had a very poor season. There was about half the usual crop and the price was down.

Plums, Fresh	1969	492	2.09	1,030	Ton	262.00	269,900
& Processing	1968	625	1.85	1,160		270.00	313,000

The plum crop was light in general. A few varieties did not produce a crop. Prices were somewhat improved over the preceding season.

FRUIT AND NUT CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION, AND GROSS VALUE, 1969 & 1968 cont'd

		Harvested	Production Per			<i>Gross</i> Value		
Crop	Year	Acreage	Acne	Total	Unit	Per Unit		Total
Strawberries, Total	1969 1968	121 134	5.36 7.40	648 992	Ton	\$ 351.23 378.43	\$	227,600 375,400
Fresh	1969 1968			232 456		461.00 400.00		107,000 182,400
Processing	1969 1968			416 536		290.00 360.00		120,600 193,000

By mid-April, strawberries were in full bloom, resulting in a good set. Yields of quality fruit were harvested. Prices were improved for fresh market fruit, but fruit to the processor dropped substantially.

Walnuts, English		•	.81	17,000	Ton	500.00	8,500,000
	1968	20,999	.66	13,900		700.00	9,730,000

There was a good set of walnuts on all varieties. Favorable weather during harvest period permitted growers to obtain maximum yields in all varieties without losses. The prolonged hot weather during the latter part of the summer caused heavy sunburn damage. This was especially evident in the Payne variety. Prices received by growers were mediocre to very poor, especially in lots of poor quality. The price offering was so low that a number of growers were still holding their crop, by the end of the year.

figs, oranges, chestnuts, peca persimmons, problack walnuts, bushberries)	1968 ans, unes,			245,000 276,500
TOTAL	1969 1968	102,421 107,334		0,636,850 3,744,300

SEED CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION, AND GROSS VALUE, 1969 & 1968

			Gross Value				
Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Per Acre	Total	Unit	Per Unit	Total
Alfalfa	1969 1968	37 -73	486. 650.	18,000 47,500	Lb.	\$.39 .40	\$ 7,000 19,000
Asparagus	1969 1968			20,000 9,800		2.00 2.50	40,000 24,500
Barley	1969 1968	2,940 2,864		8,085,000 6,874,000		.027 .025	218,300 172,000
Beans,Certifie	d Seed						
Dark Red Kidney	1969 1968	2,300 1,800	12. 16.	27,600 28,800	Cwt.	14.50 16.50	400,000 475,000
Light Red Kidney	1969 1968	5,800 4,200	15. 17.	87,000 71,400		15.00 17.00	1,305,000 1,214,000
White	1969 1968	70 160	15. 20.	1,050 3,200		16.00 10.00	16,800 32,000
Blackeye	1969 1968	100 230	15.3 15.	1,530 3,450		10.00 8.00	15,300 27,600
Snap Beans	1969 1968	95 10	16. 24.	1,500 240		18.00 18.00	27,000 4,320
Others	1969 1968	162 85	16.5 15.	2,700 1,300		15.00 10.00	40,500 13,000
Clover	1969 1968	780 540	440. 450.	343,200 243,000	Lb.	.60 .74	205,900 180,000
Oats	1969 1968	1,740 1,233		2,610,000 1,850,000		.025 .026	65,250 48,100
Ornamental Seed	1969 1968	178 240	250. 315.	44,500 75,600		1.50 1.35	66,750 102,000
Potatoes	1969 1968	1,290 1,400	255. 295.	329,000 413,000	Cwt.	3.95 4.00	1,300,000 1,652,000
Sudan	1969 1968	225 330	3,000. 1,500.	675,000 495,000	Lb.	.065 .065	43,900 32,200
Vegetable Seed	1969 1968	5 4 5 7 61	385. 233.	209,800 177,000		1.52 2.13	318,900 377,000
Wheat	1969 1968	405 538	•	1,417,000 1,614,000		.030 .030	42,500 48,400
TOTAL	1969 1968	16,667 14,464	•				\$ 4,113,100 4,421,120

NURSERY PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION AREA, SALES AND GROSS VALUES, 1969 & 1968

		Production House	n Area Field	Quantity sold by		<i>Gros</i> Per	s Value
Item	Year	sq.ft.	Acres	Producers	Unit	Unit	Total
Nursery Crops Deciduous Fruit & Nut Trees*	1969 1968		25.0 27.0	343,700 540,000	Plant	\$ 1.15 1.20	\$ 395,000 648,000
Grape Vines	1969 1968		13.0 10.0	240,500 185,000		.18 .18	43,300 33,300
Vegetable Plants field grown, Total	1969 1968			151,930,000 132,100,000	Plant		823,270 820,200
Asparagus	1969 1968			35,900,000 51,300,000		.01 .01	359,000 513,000
Celery	1969 1968			30,000 300,000		.009 .009	270 2,700
Onions	1969 1968			80,000,000 60,000,000		.001	80,000 60,000
Peppers	1969 1968			26,000,000 10,500,000		.009 .009	234,000 94,500
Tomatoes	1969 1968			10,000,000 10,000,000		.015 .015	150,000 150,000
Ornamental Trees & Shrubs**	1969 1968		27.0 27.5	422,000 560,000		.85 1.10	358,700 616,000
Bedding Plants	1969 1968	30,000 29,000		46,000 45,000	Flat	2.60 2.35	119,600 105,750
Herbaceous Perennials	1969 1968	190,000 185,000		2,500,000 2,170,000	Plant	•25 •29	625,000 629,300
Indoor Decorative Plants	1969 1968	100,000 97,200		206,000 155,500		1.20 1.48	247,200 230,140
Cacti & Succulents	1969 1968	75,000 26,000		200,000 52,000		.09 .35	18,000 18,200
Bulbs, Rhizomes, Roots, etc.	1969 1968		5.0 6.0	28,400 24,000	Each	1.50 1.35	42,600 32,400
Propagative Materials, pits, budwood, cuttings,	1969 1968 etc.			700,000 800,000		.07 .07	49,000 56,000
Cut Flowers & Decoratives	1969 1968		9.25 8.0		Acre	130.00 100.00	1,200 800
TOTAL	1969 1968						\$ 2,722,870 3,190,090

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY: PRODUCTION AND GROSS VALUE, 1969 & 1968

		Prod		Gross Value		
Item	Year	No. Head	Total Liveweight	Unit	Per Unit	Total
Cattle and Calves	1969 1968	69,400 55,800	400,000 341,200	Cwt.	\$ 25.55 22.66	\$ 10,220,000 7,732,000
Sheep and Lambs	1969 1968	83,500 77,900	79,500 76,000		22.25 20.44	1,769,000 1,554,000
Hogs and Pigs	1969 1968	27,300 24,200	56,400 52,000		23.33 19.90	1,316,000
Broilers & Fryers	1969 1968	3,039,000 2,466,000	10,637,000 8,631,000	Lb.	.19 .17	2,021,000 1,467,000
Other Chickens	1969 1968	1,578,000 1,523,000	7,496,000 8,377,000		.10 .10	750,000 838,000
Turkeys	1969 1968	88,500 123,600	1,726,000 2,472,000		.24 .22	414,200 544,000
Miscellaneous: Pheasant,Squab, Duck, etc.	1969 1968	41,000 54,000		Each	1.50 2.00	61,500 108,000
TOTAL	1969 1968	XXX XXX				\$ 16,551,700 13,278,000

The market was strong for cattle, especially the latter part of the year. The number of head to market increased substantially over the previous year. Broiler and fryer production increased over 1968, along with a stronger price. Nearly all livestock and poultry prices improved during the year.

APIARY PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION AND GROSS VALUE, 1969 & 1968

Crop	Year	Production Total	Unit	Per Unit	Total
Honey	1969 1968	764,700 290,000	Lb.	\$.12 \$.12	91,800 34,800
Beeswax	1969 1968	9,400 2,610	Lb.	.58 .60	5,450 1,570
Pollination	1969 1968	26,400 29,400	Colony	6.00 6.60	158,400 194,000
TOTAL	1969 1968	XXX XXX		े. प	255,650 230,370

There was a dramatic increase in honey production over the previous year, of nearly three times. Beeswax increased over three times the 1968 production. An abundance of moisture provided excellent growth for wild flowers with a sustained nectar flow.

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION & GROSS VALUE, 1969 & 1968

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Item	Year	Production	Unit	Per Unit	Total
Milk, Total	1969 1968*	5,702,000 5,587,000	Cwt.	\$	\$ 27,422,000 25,896,000
Market	1969 1968	4,871,000 4,794,000		4.92 4.73	23,965,000 22,676,000
Manufacturing	1969 1968	831,000 793,000		4.16 4.06	3,457,000 3,220,000
₩∞1**	1969 1968	71 7,40 0 674,000	Lb.	.59 .67	423,300 452,000
Eggs, Chicken Market	1969 1968	67,235,000 67,696,000	Doz.	.33 .27	22,188,000 18,278,000
TOTAL	1969 1968	XXX XXX			\$ 50,033,300 44,626,000*

Most significant was the improved returns to poultry men on eggs. A strong market prevailed the latter part of the year.

JANUARY 1 INVENTORIES OF LIVESTOCK & POULTRY, 1969 & 1968 IN NUMBER OF HEAD

Item	January 1, 1969	January 1, 1968
Cattle & Calves, All Milk Cows 2 years and over	180,400 52,800	174,900* 53,700
Sheep and Lambs, All	33,100	40,000
Hogs and Pigs	11,300	9,400*
Hens & Pullets of laying age	3,955,000	3,385,000

^{*} Revised

^{**} Value includes government payment

PERMANENT CROPS

		Non-			Non-
Cream C 17 1	Bearing	Bearing		Bearing	Bearing
Crop & Variety	Acreage	Acreage	Crop & Variety	Acreage	Acreagé
ALMONDS					
Davey	667.5	1 7 C	GRAPES (Raisin)		
Drake	95.2	11.5	Muscat	19.3	0
IXL	41.4	0	Thompson Seedless	562.7	0
Jordanolo	484.9	0 12.9	TOPAL	582.0	0
Kapareil .	19.2	5.0			
Merced	963.9	1,233.2	GRAPES (Table)		
Ne Plus Ultra	891.6	407.5	Almeria	11.5	0
Nonpareil	10,246.7		Black Prince	32.4	0
Peerless	502.7	4,930.6 54.6	Cardinal	25.7	0
Texas	4,213.0		Cornichon	13.3	0
Thompson	•	1,117.7	Emperor	28.3	0
Other	14.5	239.7	Lady Finger	11.7	0
TOTAL	16.2	23.7	Malaga	17.0	0
IOIAL	18,156.8	8,036.4	Ribier	59.6	0
ADDITEC			Tokay	20,874.7	106.8
APPLES			Other	21.8	6.0
Delicious	8.7	74.1	TOTAL	21,096.0	112.8
Golden Delicious	5.6	64.2		•	
White Astrachan	6.5	0	GRAPES (Wine)		
Other	2.6	21.9	Alicante-Bouschet	1,032.1	0
TOTAL	23.4	160.2	Barbera	40.5	6.0
			Burger	581.6	59.1
APRICOIS			Cabernet-Sauvignon	62.1	.6
Blenheim	1,787.5	55.0	Carignane	7,064.6	150.9
Tilton	1,145.2	261.9	Chenin blanc	64.0	415.1
Other	59.7	22.3	Emerald Riesling	43.2	5.0
TOTAL	2,992.4	339.2	French Columbard	329.6	450.2
			Gray Riesling	94.4	14.6
CHERRIES			Grenache	2,494.0	14.4
Bing	5,284.7	1,565.5	Mataro	10.0	_
Black Tartarian	358.7	25.4	Mission	1,133.8	0
Burbank	8.9	0	Palomino	523.4	0
Burlat	80.2	217.1	Petite Sirah	343.8	0
Chapman	39.9	0	Pinot Noir	68.0	0
Jubilee	9.1	19.8	Royalty	92.9	0 0
Lambert	249.8	11.8	Rubired	55.8	
Moreau	38.I	6.2	Ruby Cabernet	33.8 82.0	0
Republican	13.8	0	Salvador		16.4
Royal Ann	1,278.8	85.1	Sauvignon Vert	188.7	0 -
Seedlings	7.7	397.7	Semillon	20.9	0
Van	100.7	26.1	Sylvaner	49.3	0
Others	11.4	28.8	Sylvaker Tinta Madeira	21.0	0
TOTAL	7,481.8	2,383.5		28.0	0
	,,	2 ,000a0	Valdepenas	261.2	23.1
CHESTNUTS (ALL)	27.9	.6	Zinfandel	6,960.4	478.5
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CITRUS (ALL)	1.6	0	Other White	9.1	1.8
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PERMANENT CROPS cont'd

Crop & Variety	Bearing Acreage	Non- Bearing Acreage	Crop & Variety	Bearing Acreage	Non- Bearing Acreage
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NECTARINES LeGrand Rose Sun Grand Other TOTAL	3.8 5.6 13.6 19.2 42.2	0 0 0 0	PEACHES-FREESTONE Alamar Elberta Fay Elberta Kim Elberta La Fiesta Red Haven	10.0 365.1 651.4 18.6 5.0	0 53.7 91.8 4.5
OLIVES Ascolano Manzanillo	14.3 108.5	0	Rio Oso Gem Other	17.2 52.8 45.1	0 16.5 10.4
Mission Olbonga	39.0 27.8	0 2.1 0	TOTAL PECAN (All)	1,165.2 .4	176.9 0
Sevillanos TOTAL	6.1 195.7	0 2.1	PERSIMMON (All)	. 4	0
PEARS			TOTAL COLUMN COLUMN (T. T. T.)		
Bartlett Other	991.5 9.0	137.9	PISTACHIO (All) PLUMS	0	7.0
TOTAL PEACHES-CLINGSTONE	1,000.5	137.9	Ace Duarte El Dorado	5.3 32.8 59.3	0 0 0
Andora Andross Carolyn	51.5 13.8 368.9	0 44.7 157.1	Laroda Late Santa Rosa Nubiana	43.2 10.7 18.3	0
Carson Corona Cortez	177.8 116.3 233.7	114.2 17.7 0	Santa Rosa Satsuma	147.7 25.5	0 0
Dixon Fortuna	858.3 219.8	37.8 1.5	Sugar Tragedy Other	18.5 112.2 18.9	0 3.3 1.0
Gaume Gomez Halford	591.8 274.4 1,574.2	50.9 27.0 177.1	TOTAL WAINUIS-ENGLISH	492.4	4.3
Jungerman Klampt Loadel Paloro	46.6 32.1 96.0 240.0	42.7 47.6 134.1 29.8	Ashley Concord Eureka Franquette	50.1 24.4 6,273.9	408.1 0 808.7
Peak SEE 910 Shasta	41.6 5.0 35.3	11.4 10.6 0	Grove Hartley Hybrid	3,376.7 81.5 3,821.2 .9	72.4 0 1,054.3 47.3
Sierra Sims Stanford	28.4 30.2 56.2	0 0	Marchetti Mayette Nugget	0 442.3 107.3	48.6 7.5 7.1
Starn Sullivan, Carol Vivian Wiser	426.4 56.9 318.1 270.4	49.6 0 0 30.6	Payne Pedro Serr Teh <i>a</i> ma	6,477.6 0 2.6	1,062.1 69.0 42.4
Zolezzi Other TOTAL	67.2 60.1 6,291.0	8.1 70.1 1,062.6	Trinta Trinta Vina #4949 Waterloo Other	0 3.5 59.2 299.9	102.1 37.0 20.0 22.2
			TOTAL	9.1 21 , 030.2	98.0 3,906.8
			WALNUTS-BLACK (All)	35.6	639.7
			FINAL TOTAL ACRES	102,392.4	18,642.7

SUMMARY

Item	1969	1968
Field Crops	\$ 49,501,550	\$ 48,210,165
Vegetable Crops	55,198,650	76,377,800
Fruit & Nut Crops	70,636,850	58,744,300
Seed Crops	4,113,100	4,421,120
Nursery Products	2,722,870	3,190,090
Livestock & Poultry	16,551,700	13,278,000
Apiary Products	255,650	230,370
Livestock & Poultry Products	50,033,300	44,626,000*
TOTAL	\$ 249,013,670	\$ 249,077,845*

SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY'S TEN LEADING CROPS 1969 1968					
Crop	Acreage	Gross Value	Crop	Acreage	<i>Gross</i> Value
Milk	5,702,000 cwt.	\$ 27,422,000	Tomatoes	51,700	\$ 44,256,000
Grapes	43,455	26,956,900	Milk	5,587,000 owt.	25,896,000*
Tomatoes	37,460	25,238,000	Grapes	45,818	20,572,400
Eggs	67,235,000 doz.	22,188,000	Eggs	67,696,000 doz.	18,278,000
Asparagus	28,700	15,906,000	Asparagus	28,800	17,810,000
Almonds	18,155	13,100,000	Alfalfa	66,500	12,209,000
Alfalfa	61,600	12,162,000	Cherries	8,295	10,743,000
Cherries	7,474	11,390,000	Walnuts	21,499	9,742,500
Beef	400,000 owt.	10,220,000	Beef	341,200 cwt.	7,732,000
Walnuts	21,030	8,500,000	Sugar Beets	20,200	7,124,000
		\$ 173,082,900			\$ 174,362,900*

^{*} Revised

