



**AGRICULTURAL  
CROP  
REPORT**

**1972**

COUNTY OF AMADOR  
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

DAVID A. THOMPSON, JR.  
AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER

A N N U A L C R O P R E P O R T  
FOR YEAR 1972

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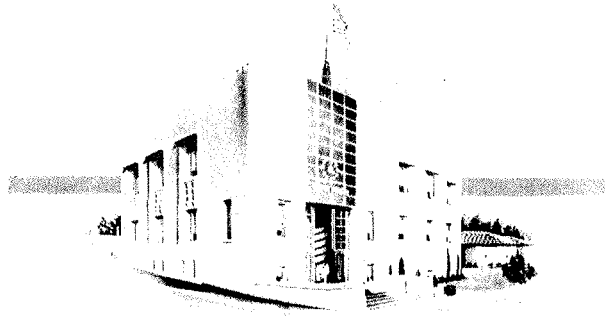
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Gentlemen:

It is my pleasure to submit the 1972 Agricultural Crop Report for Amador County in accordance with Section 2279 of the California Agricultural Code.

The values in this report represent the gross values of commercial agricultural production in Amador County. On this basis the total value of farm production in the County amounted to \$6,923,100 for 1972 as compared to \$6,751,800 for 1971.

Again severe weather conditions adversely affected fruit and nut crops. The prune crop was a complete loss, walnut production was down 30% and there was a 20% loss in grape production.

Although the gross income indicated by this report is a new record, it is not a reflection of increased grower profit. Production and marketing costs have continued to rise, limiting net incomes.

I wish to thank the many growers and other individuals who have contributed to the preparation of this report.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID A. THOMPSON, JR.  
Agricultural Commissioner  
County Director of Weights and Measures

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GENERAL INFORMATION\*

County Seat.....	Jackson
Population .....	12,861
Total Assessed Valuation (71-72).....	\$70,077,815
County Tax Rate (71-72).....	\$1.94
Area of County (Acres) .....	374,947
Public Land.....	76,827
Urban Land .....	5,300
Surface Water Acres .....	9,000
Cropland Acres .....	13,331
Irrigated Acres .....	4,355
Rangelands (Woodlands and Forests) .....	235,000
County Road Miles .....	398
State Highway Miles .....	135

\*Sources of Information - Amador County Assessor's Office  
California Soil and Water Conservation  
Need Inventory  
U.S.D.A. Census of Agriculture 1969  
Amador County Department of Public Works  
Amador County Chamber of Commerce

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FIELD CROPS - ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE

<u>CROP</u>	<u>HARVESTED</u>		<u>PRODUCTION PER</u>			<u>VALUE PER</u>	
	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>ACREAGE</u>	<u>ACRE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Hay, (all)	1972	3,038	2.39	7,306	ton	33.08	\$241,900
	1971	2,913	2.32	6,460	ton	28.67	189,600
Alfalfa	1972	983	3.96	3,893	ton	35.00	136,300
	1971	774	3.87	2,995	ton	32.00	95,700
Grain, Hay	1972	1,205	1.95	2,350	ton	32.50	76,400
	1971	1,367	1.80	2,461	ton	28.50	69,300
Hay, Other	1972	850	1.25	1,063	ton	27.50	29,200
	1971	972	1.30	1,004	ton	24.50	24,600
Pasture, Irrigated	1972	2,050			acre	50.00	102,500
	1971	2,000			acre	50.00	100,000
Pasture, Dry Seeded	1972	2,200			acre	25.00	55,000
	1971	2,112			acre	25.00	52,800
Range and Pasture	1972	194,400			acre	3.75	729,000
	1971	194,400			acre	3.75	729,000
Milo	1972	500	2.00	1,000	ton	55.00	55,000
	1971	431	2.22	957	ton	45.00	43,100
Corn Silage	1972	138	12.0	1,656	ton	7.50	12,400
	1971	152	12.0	1,824	ton	7.00	12,800
Other Grain Crops*	1972	195	1.55	302	ton	56.00	16,900
	1971	165	1.60	264	ton	50.00	13,200
Sugar Beets	1972	345	30.0	10,350	ton	14.30	148,000
	1971	480	25.0	11,800	ton	14.50	171,000
Miscellaneous Crops**	1972	230					124,000
	1971	317					73,300
TOTAL	1972						\$1,726,600
	1971						1,574,400

\*Wheat, Oats, Barley

\*\*Beans, Seed Crop, Field Corn

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FRUIT AND NUT CROPS - ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>BEARING ACRES</u>	<u>PRODUCTION PER</u>		<u>VALUE</u>	
			<u>ACRE</u>	<u>TONS</u>	<u>TON</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Grapes, Wine	1972	556	2.82	1,568	345.00	541,000
	1971	551	3.84	2,116	210.00	444,400
Prunes	1972	119	None Produced			
	1971	147	None Produced			
Walnuts	1972	598	.16	96	540.00	52,000
	1971	654	.22	143	364.00	52,000
Miscellaneous*	1972	69				2,000
	1971	78				6,500
TOTAL	1972	1,342				\$595,000
	1971	1,430				\$502,900

\*Apples, olives, pears and other nut crops.

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY PRODUCTS - PRODUCTION AND VALUE

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>PRODUCTION UNIT</u>		<u>VALUE PER</u>	
				<u>UNIT</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Milk	1972	-	-	-	-
	1971	8,200	cwt.	4.	\$ 37,000
Wool, Mohair and Eggs*	1972				89,900
	1971				96,400
TOTAL	1972				89,900
	1971				170,400

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LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY - PRODUCTION AND VALUE

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>PRODUCTION</u>		<u>UNIT</u>	<u>VALUE PER</u>	
		<u>NO. OF HEAD</u>	<u>LIVEWEIGHT</u>		<u>UNIT</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Cattle and Calves	1972	14,200	113,600	cwt.	35.10	\$3,987,400
	1971	16,300	130,400	cwt.	31.20	4,068,500
Milk Cows	1972	104		head	500.00	52,000
	1971	100		head	440.00	44,000
Horses	1972	275		head	250.00	68,800
	1971	340		head	250.00	85,000
Hogs and Pigs	1972	1,350	1,850	cwt.	29.50	54,000
	1971	1,260	1,550	cwt.	20.00	31,000
Sheep and Lambs	1972	2,600	2,340	cwt.	29.80	69,700
	1971	3,208	2,890	cwt.	26.00	75,140
Goats (Angora)	1972	950		head	14.00	13,300
	1971	950		head	13.00	12,400
Miscellaneous	1972					147,200
	1971					46,500
TOTAL	1972					\$4,392,400
	1971					\$4,362,540

\*Includes milk goats, poultry, rabbits, pheasants, chukars, fish, and fur bearing animals.

\* JANUARY 1, INVENTORIES OF LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>January 1, 1972</u>	<u>January 1, 1973</u>
Cattle and Calves (all)	16,300	14,200
Sheep and Lambs	1,800	1,900
Hogs and Pigs	300	200

\*Figures from California Crop & Livestock Reporting Service

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MISCELLANEOUS PRODUCTION AND VALUE

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>ACREAGE</u>	<u>PRODUCTION UNIT</u>	<u>VALUE PER</u>	
				<u>UNIT</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Vegetables, Fresh	1972	40	-		9,800
	1971	63	-		14,300
Apiary	1972				36,400
	1971				31,300
Christmas Trees and Nursery Stock	1972				73,000
	1971				96,000
TOTAL	1972				\$119,200
	1971				\$141,600

<u>RECAPITULATION</u>	<u>1971</u>	<u>1972</u>
Field Crops	\$1,574,400	\$1,726,600
Fruit and Nut Crops	502,900	595,000
Livestock and Poultry	4,362,500	4,392,400
Livestock and Poultry Products	170,400	89,900
Miscellaneous	141,600	119,200
GRAND TOTAL	\$6,751,800	\$6,923,100

TOTAL FOR PAST TEN YEARS

1962	2,469,348
1963	3,077,194
1964	2,609,718
1965	3,275,118
1966	3,913,750
1967	4,557,430
1968	5,516,410
1969	6,033,480
1970	6,607,250
1971	6,751,800
1972	6,923,100