

Agricultural Crop Report

County of Imperial

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AGRICULTURAL CROP REPORT — 1956

TO: THE HONORABLE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AND
W. C. JACOBSON, DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE

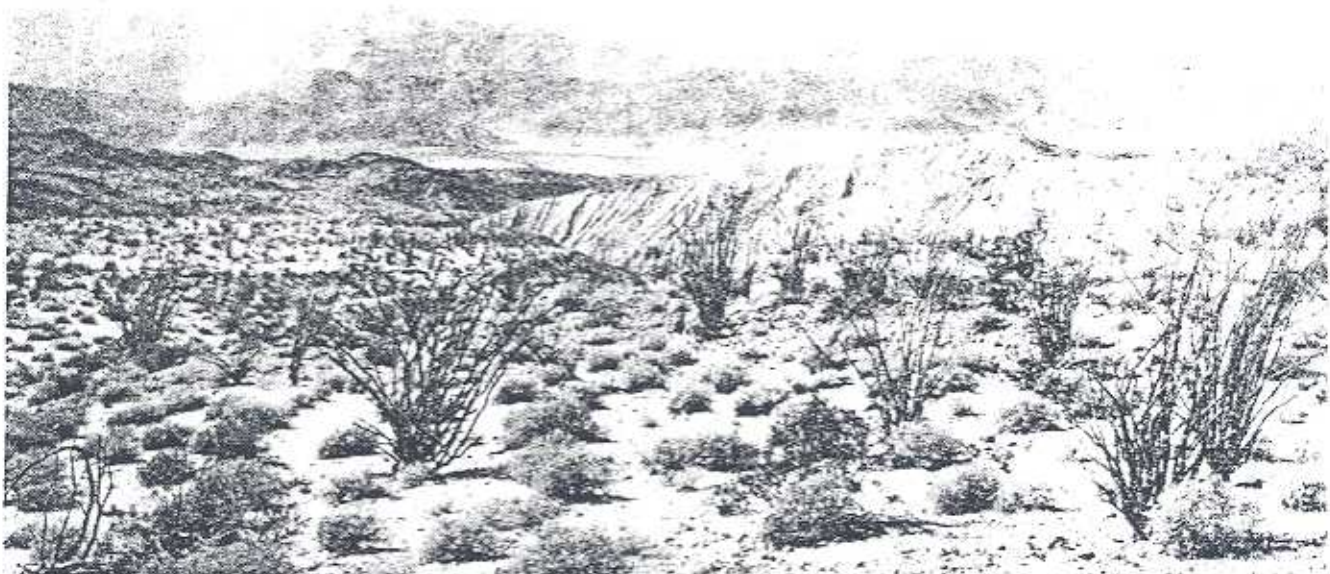
I herewith submit the annual report on the value of agricultural production in the County of Imperial for 1956 as required in Section 65.5 of the Agricultural Code.

This report is a compilation of the gross value of all the commodities produced in Imperial County and represents the gross F. O. B. Shipping Point Values. It is not intended to show the net income to farmers, which due to lower farm prices, increased incidence of pests and diseases, primarily curly top virus, reduced values of some crops drastically. This was offset in some measure by increased production for some commodities.

The figures contained herein were received from many sources and many individuals and was compiled under the direction of Assistant Agricultural Commissioner J. A. Sinclair. To all of those who have made this report as accurate as possible, we wish to express our sincere gratitude.

Respectfully submitted,

AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER
IMPERIAL COUNTY



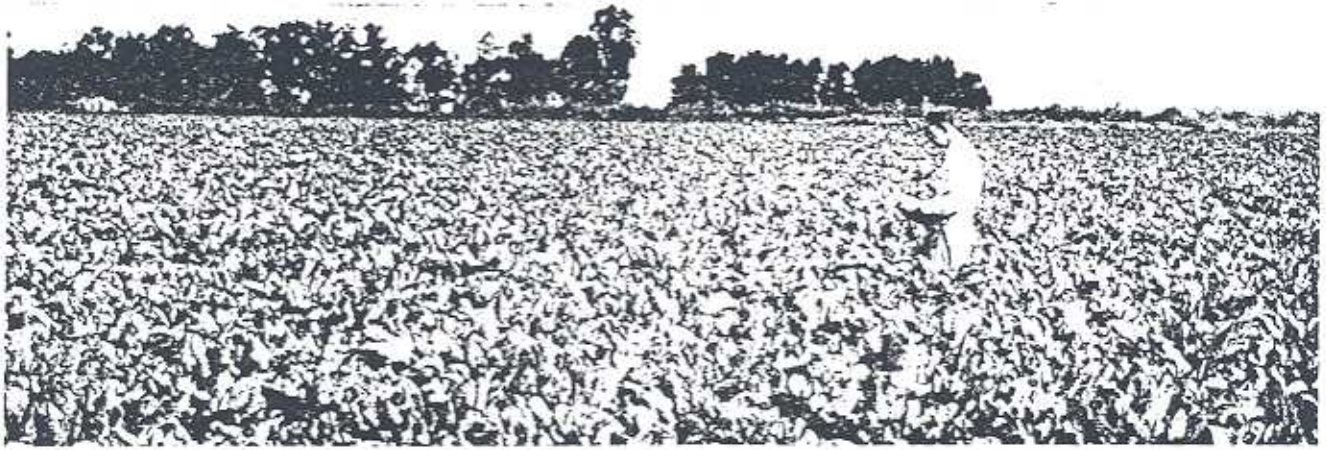
DESERT SCENE.

VEGETABLES

Lettuce	17,091	Carloads	\$16,950,853.00
Carrots	8,805	Carloads	2,830,245.00
Carrots (topped)	2,195	Tons	122,920.00
Carrots (burlap)	12,923	Tons	297,229.00
Cabbage	1,018	Carloads	618,944.00
Cabbage (bulk)	5,401	Tons	108,020.00
Garlic	28	Carloads	100,800.00
Onions	41	Carloads	49,200.00
Broccoli	172	Carloads	210,700.00
Romaine	123	Carloads	94,464.00
Mixed Vegetables	77	Carloads	59,136.00
Potatoes	21	Carloads	75,600.00
Mustard Greens	40,236	Crates	100,590.00
TOTAL			\$21,618,701.00

TRUCK CROPS

Cantaloupes	2,301	Carloads	\$3,856,476.00
Watermelons	2,088	Carloads	1,357,200.00
Mixed Melons	8	Carloads	14,000.00
Tomatoes	1,982	Carloads	3,812,872.00
Tomatoes (cannery)	10,805	Tons	378,175.00
Squash	263	Carloads	526,000.00
Cucumbers	4	Carloads	6,000.00
Asparagus	39	Carloads	159,688.00
Green Corn	22	Carloads	31,020.00
TOTAL			\$10,121,431.00



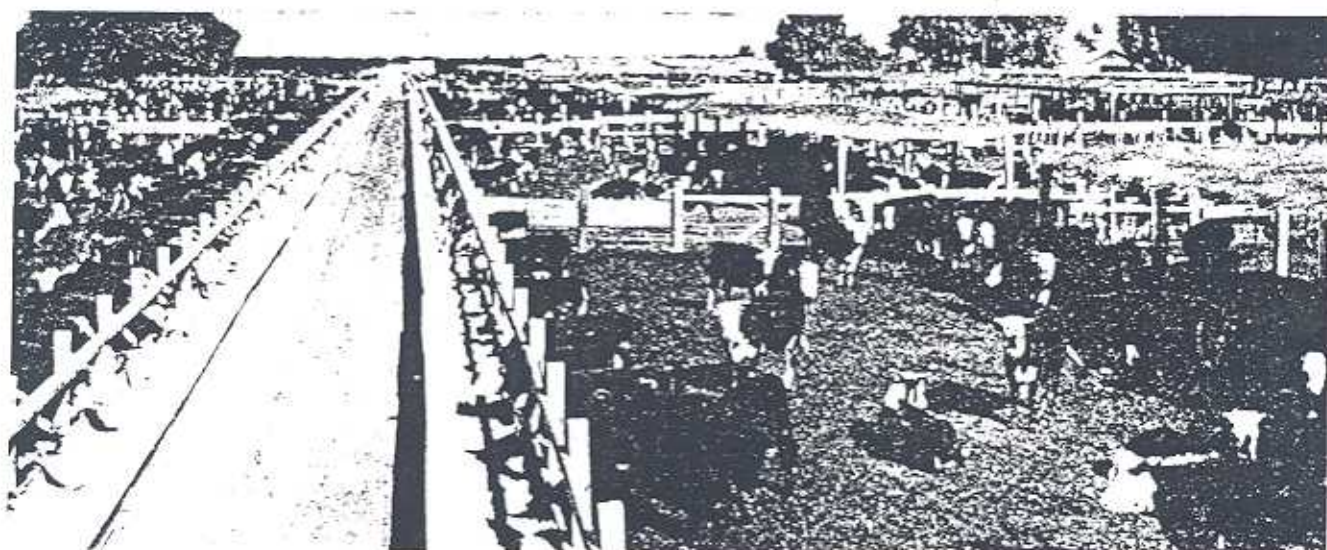
SUGAR BEET FIELD

FIELD CROPS

Alfalfa	534,089 Tons	\$12,818,136.00
Alfalfa Meal	951 Carloads	1,397,970.00
Barley	2,967 Carloads	5,996,307.00
Wheat	6 Carloads	19,626.00
Milo Maize	379 Carloads	798,553.00
Flax Straw	1,090 Carloads	183,218.00
Flax Fibre	209 Carloads	494,900.00
Flax Shive	21 Carloads	5,364.00
Flax Seed	464 Carloads	2,770,080.00
Screenings - Seed	70 Carloads	46,200.00
Sugar Beets	18,772 Carloads	10,362,144.00
Sugar Beet By-products	52,460 Tons	2,182,000.00
Cotton	91,989 Bales	14,994,207.00
Cotton By-products	16,968 Tons	1,257,352.00
Cottonseed	36,795 Tons	2,097,315.00
Soy Beans	13 Carloads	55,250.00
Straw	121 Carloads	23,595.00
Grain Hay	524 Carloads	143,052.00
	TOTAL	\$55,645,269.00

FRUITS AND NUTS

Grapefruit	154 Carloads	\$177,870.00
Oranges	43 Carloads	68,843.00
Tangerines	26 Carloads	45,760.00
Lemons	27 Carloads	56,133.00
Grapes	23 Carloads	57,960.00
Dates	313,210 Pounds	62,642.00
Pecans	15,000 Pounds	7,500.00
	TOTAL	\$476,708.00



CATTLE FEED YARD

ANIMAL INDUSTRIES

Cattle	276,080	Head	\$14,908,320.00
Sheep	320,550	Head	5,831,550.00
Hogs	16,947	Head	478,678.00
Dairy Cattle	12,382	Head	1,857,300.00
Hides	28	Carloads	100,800.00
Wool	30	Carloads	901,200.00
Pasturage (cattle)	69,017	Head	1,380,340.00
Pasturage (sheep)	320,617	Head	961,650.00
Market Milk	1,914,682	Gallons	1,512,598.00
Manufacture Milk	1,253,406	Gallons	376,021.00
Meat	1,967	Tons	1,332,040.00
Meat By-Products	630	Tons	40,500.00
Fertilizer	9,055	Carloads	679,125.00
		TOTAL	\$30,410,122.00

Mineral Products	14,491	Carloads	\$11,514,800.00
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APICULTURE AND POULTRY

Bees	45,193	Colonies	\$ 542,316.00
Honey	2,259,650	Pounds	259,859.00
Bees Wax	56,491	Pounds	33,894.00
Eggs	19,640	Cases	216,040.00
Turkeys	1,800	Head	8,100.00
Poultry	129,220	Head	80,543.00
		TOTAL	\$1,140,752.00



DESERT FLOWERS

SEED AND CUT FLOWERS

Cut Flowers	193,330 Bunches	\$ 115,998.00
Flower Seed	2,800 Pounds	6,000.00
Lettuce Seed	40,000 Pounds	40,000.00
Onion Seed	95,000 Pounds	95,000.00
Alfalfa Seed	11,230,500 Pounds	2,470,710.00
Clover Seed	200,000 Pounds	20,000.00
Sesbania Seed	100,000 Pounds	7,000.00
Miscellaneous Seed	30,000 Pounds	30,000.00
Oat Seed	100,000 Pounds	3,500.00
Barley Seed	10,000,000 Pounds	350,000.00
Wheat Seed	100,000 Pounds	3,500.00
Soy Bean Seed	57,850 Pounds	3,181.00
Flax Seed	1,230,000 Pounds	166,050.00

TOTAL \$3,310,939.00

Soil Improvement Payments Total \$ 272,000.00

RECAPITULATION

Field Crops	\$55,645,269.00
Fruits and Nuts	476,708.00
Vegetables	21,618,701.00
Truck Crops	10,121,431.00
Animal Industries	30,410,122.00
Mineral Products	11,514,800.00
Apiculture and Poultry	1,140,752.00
Seed and Cut Flowers	3,310,939.00
Soil Improvement Payments	272,000.00

TOTAL \$134,510,722.00

IMPERIAL IRRIGATION DISTRICT
 REPORT OF CROPS GROWING
 MARCH 15, 1956

FIELD CROPS	ACRES	GARDEN CROPS	ACRES
Alfalfa	173,981	Banana Squash	65
Barley	79,873	Beets	37
Bermuda Grass	655	Black-eyed Peas	1
Berseem Clover	35	Broccoli, seed	43
Cattails and Millet	260	Cabbage	1,037
Clover	328	Cantaloupes	7,252
Cotton	45,311	Carrots	4,779
Field Corn	797	Cauliflower	4
Flax	40,448	Fava Beans	30
Flowers, Mixed	36	Garden Peas	40
Grain, Mixed	3	Garlic	539
Milo	9,250	Honeyballs	295
Oats	1,778	Horsebeans	48
Pasture	393	Lettuce	32,468
Red Top Cane	50	Lettuce, seed	158
Sudan Grass	4,454	Melons, mixed	6
Sugar Beets	40,359	Onions	834
Sugar Cane	5	Onions, seed	39
Water Grass	80	Peas	68
Wheat	1,282	Persian Melons	94
Wheat Grass	2	Potatoes	311
TOTAL	<u>399,380</u>	Squash	848
		Stock	51
		Sugar Peas	5
		Sweet Potatoes	11
		Swiss Chard	8
		Tomatoes	7,667
		Vegetables, mixed	6
		Water Lilies	6
		Watermelons	<u>5,356</u>
		TOTAL	<u>62,106</u>
PERMANENT CROPS			
Asparagus	571		
Citrus, Mixed	108		
Dates	115		
Grapefruit	872		
Grapes	311		
Lemons	263		
Lemon Seedlings	3		
Nursery	5		
Nursery Lemons	1		
Nursery Stock	1		
Oranges	345		
Pecans	114		
Roses, Root Stock	1		
Tangerines	<u>230</u>		
TOTAL	<u>2,940</u>	GRAND TOTAL	<u><u>464,426</u></u>

