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SANTA CLARA COUNTY
AGRICULTURAL
CROP REPORT
1993

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Once again it is my pleasure to submit our annual crop report for 1993. The efforts of our agricultural industry are displayed as the acreage, yield and gross value of commodities produced in Santa Clara County.

The total gross value of Santa Clara County agriculture for 1993 was \$156,779,321 an increase of \$2.5 million from 1992.

For the second consecutive year, mushrooms were the number one agricultural crop in Santa Clara County in 1993 with a gross value of \$28 million. This is an increase of more than \$1,000,000 from the 1992 value. The increase can be attributed to additional acreage harvested and a slight price increase.

Nursery crops, which includes bedding plants, indoor decorative plants, and ornamental trees and shrubs, remained the number two crop in 1993 with a value of \$24.8 million. Cut flowers remained the county's number three crop with a 1993 value of \$21,408,000. Both of these crops declined in overall value from 1992 because of lower acreage harvested, especially in our carnation plantings.

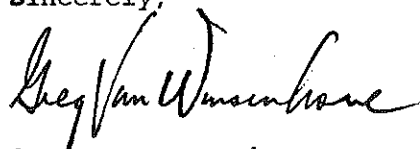
Fruit and nut crops also declined in value by \$2.3 million over 1992. Much of this drop in crop value can be attributed to an untimely rain at the cherry harvest.

On the other hand, vegetable crops as a group, increased their 1993 value by nearly \$5 million from 1992, totaling \$72,842,000. An increase in gross value of fresh tomatoes, wax and chili peppers, mushrooms and snap beans accounted for the increase.

The value of our milk and egg commodities increased slightly by \$725,000 to a combined value of \$6,822,000 for 1993. The value of the Santa Clara County's livestock and poultry also increased by \$2.8 million to \$8.6 million.

I would like to express my thanks for the continuing cooperation of all individuals, growers and agencies who have contributed the information necessary for the preparation of this report. I would especially like to acknowledge the contributions of my staff who compiled this report.

Sincerely,



Greg Van Wassenhove,
Agricultural Commissioner/Sealer

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

BUSHBERRIES AND STRAWBERRIES

ITEM	YEAR	HARVESTED ACREAGE	TONS PER ACRE	PRODUCTION TOTAL	UNIT	VALUE PER UNIT	TOTAL
Bushberries	1993	33	8.00	264	TON	\$ 1,955.	\$ 516,000.
	1992	30	5.50	165	TON	1,900.	314,000.
Strawberries	1993	195	17.00	3,315	TON	766.	2,539,000.
	1992	295	12.50	3,688	TON	580.	2,139,000.
TOTAL	1993	228					3,055,000.
	1992	325					2,453,000.

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY

ITEM	YEAR	NUMBER OF HEAD	PRODUCTION TOTAL LIVE WEIGHT	UNIT	VALUE PER UNIT	TOTAL
Cattle & Calves	1993	12,400	74,400	CWT	\$ 90.00	\$ 6,696,000.
	1992	11,250	61,875	CWT	80.00	4,950,000.
Breeding Stock	1993	900		EA	1,800.00	1,620,000.
	1992	800		EA	800.00	640,000.
Sheep & Lambs	1993	2,500	3,000	CWT	55.00	165,000.
	1992	1,700	2,040	CWT	55.00	112,000.
Hogs & Pigs	1993	850	1,913	CWT	50.00	95,650.
	1992	800	1,800	CWT	45.00	81,000.
Chickens ¹	1993	210,000	840,000	LBS	0.35	29,400.
	1992	150,000	600,000	LBS	0.04	24,000.
TOTAL	1993	264,250				\$ 8,606,050.
	1992	164,550				5,807,000.

¹Includes cull hens and other chickens from egg producers.

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FRUITS AND NUTS

ITEM	YEAR	HARVESTED ACREAGE	TONS PER ACRE	PRODUCTION TOTAL	UNIT	VALUE PER UNIT	TOTAL
Apricots	1993	685	2.50	1,713	TON	\$ 775.	\$ 1,328,000.
	1992	685	3.75	2,569	TON	665.	1,708,000.
Cherries	1993	985	1.70	1,675	TON	1,935.	3,241,000.
	1992	935	2.50	2,338	TON	2,120.	4,957,000.
Grapes	1993	1,455	2.75	4,001	TON	665.	2,661,000.
	1992	1,430	2.50	3,575	TON	690.	2,467,000.
Kiwi	1993	40	5.00	200	TON	2,100.	420,000.
	1992	40	5.00	200	TON	2,000.	400,000.
Pears	1993	100	11.50	1,150	TON	211.	243,000.
	1992	100	11.50	1,150	TON	222.	255,000.
Prunes	1993	700	2.50	1,750	TON	975.	1,706,000.
	1992	750	3.00	2,250	TON	895.	2,014,000.
Walnuts	1993	925	1.05	971	TON	1,300.	1,262,000.
	1992	950	1.15	1,093	TON	1,290.	1,409,000.
Miscellaneous ¹	1993	100					340,000.
	1992	110					375,000.
TOTAL	1993	4,990					\$ 11,201,000.
	1992	5,000					13,585,000.

¹Includes Apples, Peaches, Nectarines, etc.

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LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY (CONTINUED)

ITEM	YEAR	PRODUCTION	UNIT	VALUE PER ITEM	TOTAL
Milk Fresh	1993	218,306	CWT	\$ 11.44	\$ 2,497,000.
	1992	202,765	CWT	11.61	2,354,000.
Processed	1993	1,020	CWT	11.05	11,271.
	1992	-----	CWT	-----	-----
Eggs, Chicken	1993	7,190,000	DOZ	.60	\$ 4,314,000.
	1992	7,340,000	DOZ	.51	3,743,000.
TOTAL	1993				\$ 6,822,271.
	1992				6,097,000.

INVENTORIES OF LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY (NUMBER OF HEAD)

ITEM	JANUARY 1, 1993	JANUARY 1, 1994
Milk Cows and Heifers that have calved	2,800	2,800
Other Cattle and Calves	67,000	67,000
Sheep and Lambs	3,700	2,200
Hogs and Pigs	100	100
Hens and Pullets of Laying Age	385,000	390,000

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VEGETABLE CROPS

ITEM	YEAR	HARVESTED ACREAGE	TONS PER ACRE	PRODUCTION TOTAL	UNIT	VALUE PER UNIT	TOTAL
Beans, Snap ¹	1993	450	5.00	2,250	TON	\$ 1,050.	\$ 2,363,000.
	1992	150	9.00	1,350	TON	890.	1,202,000.
Broccoli	1993	500	5.00	2,500	TON	360.	900,000.
	1992	490	4.00	1,960	TON	320.	627,000.
Cabbage	1993	225	17.50	3,938	TON	220.	866,000.
	1992	275	15.00	4,125	TON	200.	825,000.
Cauliflower	1993	100	4.5	450	TON	460.	207,000.
	1992	---	---	---	TON	---	---
Celery	1993	235	24.00	5,640	TON	170.	959,000.
	1992	160	30.00	4,800	TON	200.	960,000.
Chinese Vegetables	1993	300	15.00	4,500	TON	660.	2,970,000.
	1992	490	15.00	7,350	TON	370.	2,720,000.
Corn	1993	1,250	7.00	8,750	TON	325.	2,844,000.
	1992	1,150	7.00	8,050	TON	320.	2,576,000.
Cucumbers	1993	300	16.00	4,800	TON	240.	1,152,000.
	1992	350	16.00	5,600	TON	220.	1,232,000.
Garlic	1993	600	7.00	4,200	TON	600.	2,520,000.
	1992	600	7.50	4,500	TON	720.	3,240,000.
Lettuce Leaf	1993	1,500	10.50	15,750	TON	270.	4,253,000.
	1992	1,260	10.00	12,600	TON	315.	3,969,000.
Head	1993	335	16.00	5,360	TON	250.	1,340,000.
	1992	500	14.00	7,000	TON	280.	1,960,000.
Romaine	1993	100	14.00	1,400	TON	275.	385,000.
	1992	80	12.00	960	TON	250.	240,000.
Mushrooms	1993	105	130.00	13,650	TON	2,060.	28,119,000.
	1992	100	135.00	13,500	TON	2,000.	27,000,000.

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VEGETABLE CROPS (CONTINUED)

ITEM	YEAR	HARVESTED ACREAGE	TONS PER ACRE	PRODUCTION TOTAL	UNIT	VALUE PER UNIT	TOTAL
Mustard Greens	1993	25	4.00	100	TON	600.	60,000.
	1992	30	4.00	120	TON	660.	79,000.
Onions, Dry (Yellow & Red)	1993	300	23.00	6,900	TON	350.	2,415,000.
	1992	370	18.00	6,660	TON	285.	1,898,000.
Peppers Bell	1993	2,000	17.00	34,000	TON	235.	7,990,000.
	1992	1,800	19.00	34,200	TON	240.	8,208,000.
Wax & Chili	1993	600	18.00	10,800	TON	475.	5,130,000.
	1992	415	18.00	7,470	TON	460.	3,436,000.
Pumpkins	1993	---	---	---	TON	---	---
	1992	350	12.00	4,200	TON	140.	588,000.
Spinach	1993	100	6.00	600	TON	600.	360,000.
	1992	90	5.50	495	TON	550.	272,000.
Squash	1993	250	12.00	3,000	TON	350.	1,050,000.
	1992	230	12.00	2,760	TON	300.	828,000.
Tomatoes Fresh	1993	275	14.00	3,850	TON	555.	2,137,000.
	1992	300	12.50	3,750	TON	540.	1,275,000.
Processed	1993	2,000	37.00	74,000	TON	48.	3,552,000.
	1992	1,700	45.00	76,500	TON	48.	3,672,000.
Cherry	1993	40	14.00	560	TON	340.	190,000.
	1992	50	14.00	700	TON	335.	235,000.

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VEGETABLE CROPS (CONTINUED)

ITEM	YEAR	HARVESTED ACREAGE	TONS PER ACRE	PRODUCTION TOTAL	UNIT	VALUE PER UNIT	TOTAL
Miscellaneous ²	1993	370					\$ 1,080,000. 880,000.
	1992	375					
TOTAL	1993	11,960					\$ 72,842,000. 67,922,000.
	1992	11,315					

¹Fresh only

²Parsley, Carrots, Leeks, Beets, Peas, Endive, Cardine, Anise, Pumpkins, etc.

FIELD CROPS

ITEM	YEAR	HARVESTED ACREAGE	TONS PER ACRE	PRODUCTION TOTAL	UNIT	VALUE PER UNIT	TOTAL
Barley	1993	---	---	---	TON	\$ ---	---
	1992	200	1.50	300	TON	113.	33,900.
Oats	1993	5,400	1.50	8,100	TON	90.	729,000.
	1992	5,400	2.00	10,800	TON	70.	756,000.
Hay Alfalfa	1993	---	---	---	TON	---	---
	1992	200	9.00	1,800	TON	145.	261,000.
Grain	1993	3,000	1.50	4,500	TON	85.	383,000.
	1992	8,000	1.50	12,000	TON	90.	1,080,000.
Safflower	1993	1,490	1.00	1,490	TON	310.	462,000.
	1992	1,155	.90	1,040	TON	300.	312,000.
Pasture Improved	1993	4,500			ACRE	50.	225,000.
	1992	4,500			ACRE	50.	225,000.
Irrigated	1993	2,500			ACRE	250.	625,000.
	1992	2,500			ACRE	250.	625,000.

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FIELD CROPS (CONTINUED)

ITEM	YEAR	HARVESTED ACREAGE	TONS PER ACRE	PRODUCTION TOTAL	UNIT	VALUE PER UNIT	TOTAL
Range	1993	215,000			ACRE	10.	\$ 2,150,000.
	1992	215,000			ACRE	10.	2,150,000.
Wheat	1993	3,800	1.50	5,700	TON	103.	587,000.
	1992	3,300	2.25	7,425	TON	125.	928,000.
Dry Beans	1993	-----	-----	-----	TON	-----	-----
	1992	725	1.00	725	TON	520.	377,000.
Sugar Beets	1993	210	35.00	7,350	TON	23.	169,000.
	1992	233	51.00	11,883	TON	31.	368,000.
Miscellaneous ¹	1993	420					385,000.
	1992	-----					-----
TOTAL	1993	236,320					\$ 5,715,000.
	1992	241,213					7,115,900.

¹Dry Beans, Barley, Hay, etc.

NURSERY CROPS - INDOOR AND OUTDOOR GROWN
PRODUCTION AREA

CROP	YEAR	HOUSE SQ. FT.	FIELD ACRES	SOLD BY PRODUCERS	UNIT	VALUE PER UNIT	TOTAL
Bedding Plants	1993	618,000	17.00	760,000	FLATS	VARIOUS	\$ 5,700,000.
	1992	650,000	18.00	800,000	FLATS	VARIOUS	6,000,000.
Christmas Trees	1993		380.00	76,000	TREE	\$ 30.00	2,280,000.
	1992		380.00	76,000	TREE	30.00	2,280,000.
Ornamental Trees Roses & Shrubs	1993	14,250	340.00	2,119,000	PLANT	VARIOUS	13,990,000.
	1992	15,000	360.00	2,230,000	PLANT	VARIOUS	14,725,000.

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NURSERY CROPS - INDOOR AND OUTDOOR GROWN
PRODUCTION AREA (CONTINUED)

CROP	YEAR	HOUSE SQ. FT.	FIELD ACRES	SOLD BY PRODUCERS	UNIT	VALUE PER UNIT	TOTAL
Miscellaneous ¹	1993	665,000	95.00				\$ 2,850,000.
	1992	700,000	100.00				3,000,000.
TOTAL	1993						\$ 24,820,000.
	1992						26,005,000.

¹Includes Indoor Decorative, Propagative Materials, Vegetable Plants & Herbaceous Perennials

SEED CROPS

CROP	YEAR	HARVEST ACREAGE	TOTAL
Vegetable and Flower	1993	1,000	\$ 2,310,000.
	1992	1,000	2,660,000.

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FLORAL CROPS - CUT FLOWERS

CROP	YEAR	HOUSE SQ. FT.	FIELD ACRES	SOLD BY PRODUCERS	UNIT	VALUE PER UNIT	TOTAL
Asters	1993		50	20,000,000	BLOOM	\$ 0.08	\$ 1,600,000.
	1992		50	16,000,000	BLOOM	0.115	1,840,000.
Carnations Standard	1993	1,000,000		11,000,000	BLOOM	0.12	1,320,000.
	1992	1,715,800		18,868,000	BLOOM	0.15	2,830,000.
Miniature	1993	410,000		720,000	BUNCH	1.30	936,000.
	1992	510,000		896,000	BUNCH	1.60	1,434,000.
Roses - Hybrid	1993	790,000		12,690,000	BLOOM	0.24	3,046,000.
	1992	537,000		6,318,000	BLOOM	0.22	1,390,000.
Baby	1993	7,400		150,000	BLOOM	0.04	6,000.
	1992	7,400		148,000	BLOOM	0.05	7,400.
Chrysanthemums Standard	1993	7,400,000		20,000,000	BLOOM	0.20	\$ 4,000,000.
	1992	7,400,000		19,980,000	BLOOM	0.22	4,396,000.
Pompon	1993	7,500,000		4,200,000	BUNCH	0.85	3,570,000.
	1992	7,500,000		4,140,000	BUNCH	0.80	3,312,000.
Other Types	1993	9,000,000		21,350,000	BLOOM	0.17	3,630,000.
	1992	9,000,000		21,330,000	BLOOM	0.19 ¹	4,136,000.
Total	1993	23,900,000					11,200,000.
	1992	23,900,000					11,844,000.
Miscellaneous ²	1993						3,300,000.
	1992						3,290,000.
TOTAL	1993						\$ 21,408,000.
	1992						22,635,400.

¹Corrected figure

²Includes Agapanthus, Gypsophila, Iris, Statice, Yarrow, Turf, etc.

MILLION DOLLAR CROPS IN SANTA CLARA COUNTY

1992		1993	
AGRICULTURAL PRODUCT	VALUE	AGRICULTURAL PRODUCT	VALUE
1. Mushrooms	\$ 27,000,000.	1. Mushrooms	\$ 28,119,000.
2. Nursery Crops	26,005,000.	2. Nursery Crops	24,820,000.
3. Cut Flowers	22,635,400.	3. Cut Flowers	21,408,000.
4. Peppers, Bell	8,208,000.	4. Peppers, Bell	7,990,000.
5. Cherries	4,957,000.	5. Cattle & Calves	6,696,000.
6. Cattle & Calves	4,950,000.	6. Peppers, Wax & Chili	5,130,000.
7. Lettuce, Leaf	3,969,000.	7. Eggs, Chicken	4,314,000.
8. Eggs, Chicken	3,743,000.	8. Lettuce, Leaf	4,253,000.
9. Tomatoes, Processed	3,672,000.	9. Tomatoes, Processed	3,552,000.
10. Peppers, Wax & Chili	3,436,000.	10. Cherries	3,241,000.
11. Garlic	3,240,000.	11. Chinese Vegetables	2,970,000.
12. Chinese Vegetables	2,720,000.	12. Corn	2,844,000.
13. Vegetable & Flower Seed	2,660,000.	13. Grapes	2,661,000.
14. Corn	2,576,000.	14. Strawberries	2,539,000.
15. Grapes	2,467,000.	15. Garlic	2,520,000.
16. Milk, Fresh	2,354,000.	16. Milk, Fresh	2,497,000.
17. Range	2,150,000.	17. Onions, Dry	2,415,000.
18. Strawberries	2,139,000.	18. Beans, Snaps	2,363,000.
19. Prunes	2,014,000.	19. Vegetable & Flower Seed	2,310,000.
20. Lettuce, Head	1,960,000.	20. Range	2,150,000.
21. Onions, Dry	1,898,000.	21. Tomatoes, Fresh	2,137,000.
22. Apricots	1,708,000.	22. Prunes	1,706,000.
23. Walnuts	1,410,000.	23. Breeding Stock	1,620,000.
24. Tomatoes, Fresh	1,275,000.	24. Lettuce, Head	1,340,000.
25. Cucumbers	1,232,000.	25. Apricots	1,328,000.
26. Beans, Snap	1,202,000.	26. Walnuts	1,262,000.
27. Hay, Grain	1,080,000.	27. Cucumbers	1,152,000.
		28. Squash	1,050,000.

TOTAL GROSS \$ 1993 AGRICULTURE \$156,779,321.