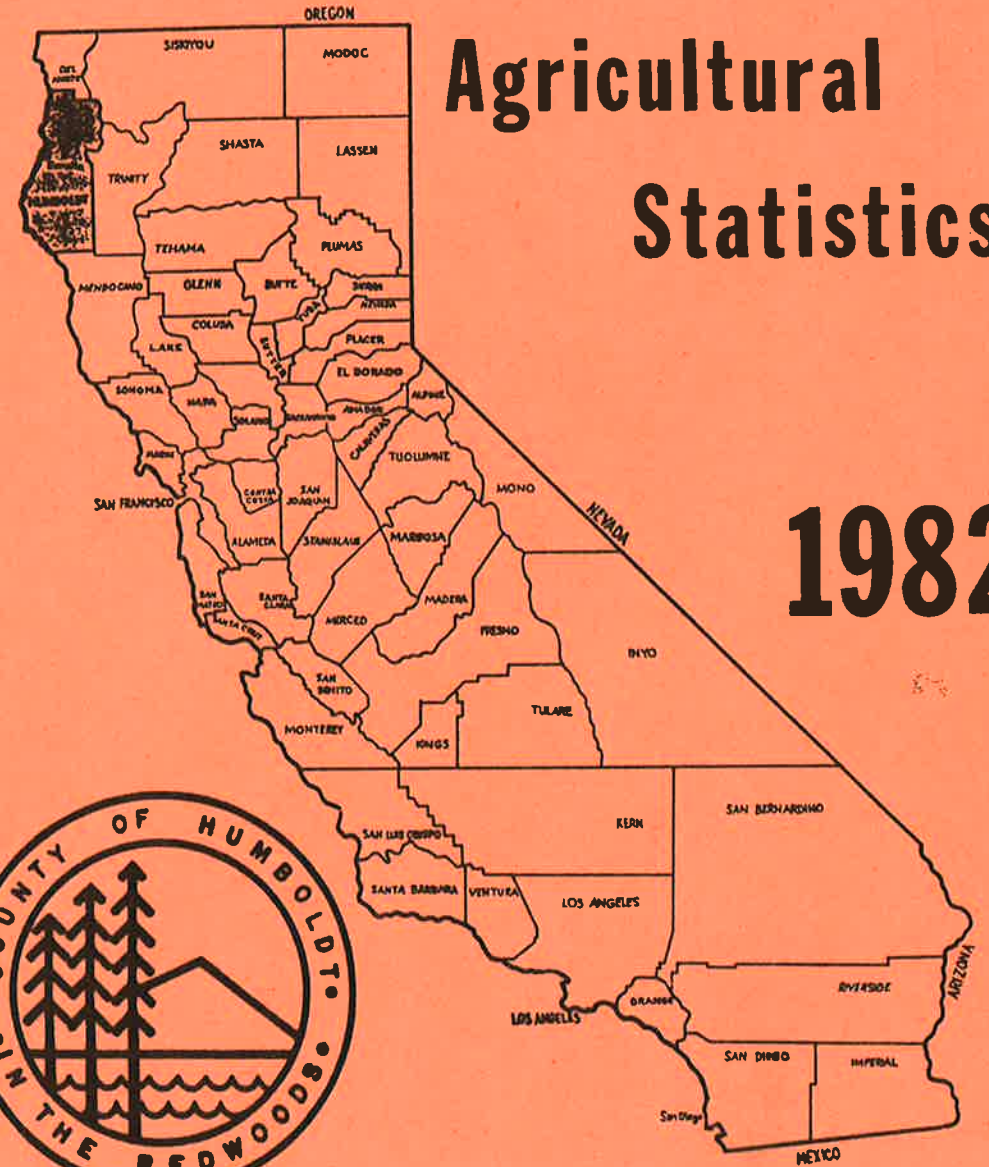


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Agricultural Statistics

1982



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In accordance with Section 2279 of the Food and Agriculture Code of the state of California, I am pleased to present a report of the agricultural production of the county of Humboldt for 1982. The figures represent value of production regardless of utilization.

Agriculture had a somewhat mediocre year in 1982. Cool temperatures during the growing season slowed plant growth. Rains were untimely delaying hay curing and causing harvest delays and loss to vegetable and fruit crops. As a result yields and production were below 1981 levels. One exception was commercial potatoes which did well. Values, though mixed, were higher than 1981.

Sheep numbers continued to plummet as more growers convert to beef cattle as a means of escaping coyote depredation pressures. Livestock values were below 1981 figures.

This report will reflect a major increase in income due to the adding of timber production figures for the first time.

We wish to extend our thanks and appreciation to those individuals, ranchers, growers, and organizations who through their cooperation have made this report possible.

This report was compiled by Assistant Commissioner James Spallino.

Respectfully submitted,

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FIELD CROPS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Per Acre	Total	Unit	Per Unit	Total
Beans, dry	1982	13	0.5	6.63	ton	\$1,010.56	\$ 6,700
	1981	---	---	---	---	---	---
Hay, all	1982	4,795	2.5	11,830	ton	44.12	521,900
	1981	8,407	6.3	53,112	ton	25.47	1,353,165
Alfalfa	1982	330	3.8	1,265	ton	81.66	103,300
	1981	372	3.6	1,354	ton	77.86	105,430
*Grass clover	1982	3,938	2.5	9,810	ton	37.54	368,300
	1981	7,633	6.6	50,574	ton	23.60	1,193,590
Grass	1982	407	1.4	575	ton	63.30	36,400
	1981	266	3.4	911	ton	38.86	35,405
Oat	1982	120	1.5	180	ton	77.22	13,900
	1981	136	2.0	273	ton	68.64	18,740
Silage, all	1982	4,842	12.0	58,062	ton	17.79	1,033,000
	1981	565	24.7	13,935	ton	24.39	339,975
Pasture							
Irrigated	1982	19,500				180.00	3,510,000
	1981	19,500				180.00	3,510,000
Range	1982	319,000				9.00	2,871,000
	1981	319,000				9.00	2,871,000
TOTAL	1982						\$7,942,600
	1981						\$8,074,140

*Includes vetch/grass

VEGETABLE CROPS: ACREAGE PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per Acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
Corn, sweet	1982	47	2.72	127.80	ton	\$299.69	\$ 38,300
	1981	43	4.80	206.47	ton	220.46	45,519
Tomatoes	1982	13	16.55	215.21	ton	397.75	85,600
	1981	15	20.26	304.04	ton	343.04	104,300
Potatoes	1982	538	16.07	8,647.00	ton	111.99	968,400
	1981	518	14.55	7,540.00	ton	110.00	829,400
Cucumbers	1982	2	12.75	25.50	ton	403.92	10,300
	1981	2	12.99	25.90	ton	300.19	7,802
(a) Misc. Squash	1982	2	---	45.26	ton	---	5,000
	1981	3	---	6.20	ton	---	42,271
(b) Misc. Cucurbits	1982	6	---	24.69	ton	---	11,000
	1981	3	---	8.02	ton	---	9,256
(c) Misc. Vegetables	1982	19	---	190.20	ton	---	152,000
	1981	17	---	132.67	ton	---	129,022
TOTAL	1982	627	---	9,275.66	ton	---	\$1,270,600
	1981	601	---	8,223.39	ton	---	\$1,167,570

(a) Includes hubbard, scallop, zucchini and pumpkin

(b) Includes canteloups, watermelons and melons

(c) Includes cabbage, beets, lettuce, cauliflower, onion, snap beans, garlic, peppers, sprouts (alfalfa, mung bean), carrots, broccoli and spinach

FRUIT AND NUTS: ACREAGE, PRODUCTION, AND VALUE

Crop	Year	Harvested Acreage	Production		Value Total
			Total	Unit	
(a) Apples, all	1982	39	146.81	ton	\$44,400
	1981	41	122.43	ton	33,977
(b) Misc. Fruits	1982	12	16.60	ton	13,500
	1981	19	23.02	ton	21,453
(c) Misc. Nuts	1982	10	3.69	ton	5,000
	1981	9	3.31	ton	4,674
TOTAL	1982	61	167.10	ton	\$62,900
	1981	69	148.76	ton	\$60,104

(a) Includes processed

(b) Includes peaches, berries, grapes, pears, prunes, cherries and figs

(c) Includes walnut and chestnut

NURSERY PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Item	Year	Acreage	Production		Unit	Value	
			Per acre	Total		Per Unit	Total
*Cut flowers & decoratives	1982	204					\$1,611,000
	1981	169					1,456,480
**Plants ornamentals	1982						658,000
	1981						679,105
Bedding							
SUBTOTAL	1982	204					\$2,269,000
	1981	169					2,135,585
Tree, forest Nursery	1982	136		15,666	M	\$137.43	2,153,000
	1981			21,522	M	112.00	2,414,520
GRAND TOTAL	1982	340					\$4,422,000
	1981	169					\$4,550,105

*Includes bulbs

**Includes bedding plants

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY: PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Item	Year	Production		Unit	Value	
		No. of Head	Live-Weight		Per Unit	Total
Cattle and calves, all	1982	18,000	94,950	cwt.	\$49.74	\$4,723,000
	1981	17,250	91,000	cwt.	52.44	4,772,329
Cows	1982	5,310	43,542	cwt.	39.80	1,733,000
	1981	5,089	41,727	cwt.	42.40	1,769,225
Steers	1982	3,420	29,070	cwt.	61.30	1,782,000
	1981	3,277	27,858	cwt.	63.10	1,757,840
Bulls	1982	450	5,580	cwt.	48.03	268,000
	1981	432	5,356	cwt.	52.00	278,512
Calves	1982	8,820	16,758	cwt.	56.09	940,000
	1981	8,452	16,059	cwt.	60.20	966,752
Sheep & lambs, all	1982	15,504	13,856	cwt.	39.12	542,000
	1981	16,968	14,988	cwt.	39.51	592,304
Sheep	1982	4,896	6,218	cwt.	18.66	116,000
	1981	5,040	6,400	cwt.	17.00	108,800
Lambs	1982	10,608	7,638	cwt.	55.77	426,000
	1981	11,928	8,588	cwt.	56.30	483,504
Hogs	1982	200	414	cwt.	57.97	24,000
	1981	200	414	cwt.	48.00	19,872
*Misc.	1982					2,000
	1981					3,000
TOTAL	1982					\$5,291,000
	1981					\$6,320,105

*Includes rabbits, earthworms and poultry.

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Item	Year	Production	Unit	Value	
				Per Unit	Total
Milk, all	1982	2,031,000	cwt.	\$13.25	\$26,902,000
	1981	1,842,000	cwt.	13.65	25,145,000
Manufacturing	1982	610,000	cwt.	12.42	7,576,000
	1981	545,000	cwt.	12.55	6,839,000
Market	1982	1,421,000	cwt.	13.60	19,326,000
	1981	1,297,000	cwt.	14.11	18,306,000
Wool	1982	70,013	lbs.	.80	56,000
	*1981	75,076	lbs.	.91	68,319
TOTAL	1982				\$26,958,000
	*1981				\$25,213,319

*Figures corrected

JANUARY 1 INVENTORIES OF LIVESTOCK
(in number of head)

Item	January 1983	January 1982
Cattle and calves	70,000	72,000
Milk cows, 2 years and older	14,300	14,100
Beef cows and calves (excluding steers)	26,000	30,000
Sheep and lambs		
Sheep (breeding stock)	15,500	20,400
Hogs	200	200

MISCELLANEOUS PRODUCTS: PRODUCTION AND VALUE

Item	Year	Value	
		Per Unit	Total
*Honey	1982	\$	4,200
	1981		4,018
SUBTOTAL	1982		4,200
	1981		4,018
Timber Production	1982	405.3 (1981) MBF	96,400,000
	1981	419.9 (1980) MBF	111,100,000
SUBTOTAL	1982		96,400,000
	1981		111,100,000
GRAND TOTAL	1982		\$ 96,404,200
	**1981		\$111,104,018

	RECAPITULATION	
	1982	1981
Field Crops	\$ 7,942,600	\$ 8,074,140
Vegetable	1,270,600	1,167,570
Fruit and nut crops	62,900	60,104
Nursery stock	4,422,000	4,550,105
Livestock and poultry	5,291,000	5,387,505
Livestock and poultry products	26,958,000	25,204,219
Miscellaneous products	96,404,200	** 111,104,018
GRAND TOTAL	\$142,351,300	**\$155,547,661

*Includes wax
**Revised total

FIVE YEAR AVERAGE	
1976-1980	\$34,316,075
1971-1975	\$19,979,350

	ANNUAL RAINFALL (Inches)											YEAR TOTAL	MONTH AVER.	
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1982	5.68	5.79	8.02	6.24	.10	.78	.05	.11	1.33	4.77	10.44	11.86	55.17	4.60

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