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Cover photograph depicts assorted fresh vegetables available at Amador's  
Farmers Market.  
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Henry J. Voss, Secretary  
California Department of Food and Agriculture

and

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
Amador County

In accordance with Section 2279 and 2272 of the California Food and Agriculture Code, I am pleased to present the 1994 Crop and Livestock Report of Agricultural Production and Report of Sustainable Agriculture in Amador County.

The gross valuation of all agricultural products was \$24,886,801, a slight decrease of 2% as compared to 1993. This was due primarily to reduced wine grape yields.

Wine grapes and cattle and calves still remain atop of this report as the county's primary farming commodities.

These production values only partially reflect the overall measure of the economic impact agriculture has on the local economy. Processing, transporting, marketing and other farm-related services significantly multiply the value agriculture has to Amador County.

It must be emphasized that this report deals with gross value of production only and does not attempt to reflect net farm income.

I would like to thank all of the individuals, producers, processors, government agencies, and others whose cooperation and assistance contributed in the preparation of this report. My sincerest thanks and appreciation must also be extended to my staff for their efforts in finalizing this report.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott T. Paulsen  
Agricultural Commissioner

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### FRUIT AND NUT CROPS

	YEAR	HARVESTED ACRES	PROD./ACRE	TOT. TONS	\$/UNIT	\$ TOTAL
WINE GRAPES *	1994	2,212	3.28	7,255	618	4,483,590
	1993	2,114	4.45	9,407	531	4,995,117
PRUNES	1994	34	2.00	68	950	64,600
	1993	34	2.00	68	900	61,200
WALNUTS	1994	602	.75	452	1000	452,000
	1993	570	.80	456	1280	583,680
MISC.**	1994	34				172,000
	1993	35				192,100
TOTAL FOR	1994	2,882				5,172,190
	1993	2,753				5,832,097

\* Weighted Average Determination

\*\* Apples, Kiwis, Asian Pears and Pistachio



### MISCELLANEOUS PRODUCTION AND VALUE

	YEAR	\$ TOTAL
VEGETABLES, FRESH AND PROCESSING	1994	144,000
	1993	110,000
CHRISTMAS TREES	1994	30,000
	1993	22,420
TOTAL FOR	1994	174,000
	1993	132,420



## FIELD CROPS

	YEAR	ACREAGE	PROD. / ACRE	TOTAL	UNITS	\$/ UNITS	\$ TOTAL
HAY, ALFALFA	1994	318	6.0	1,908	Ton	100	190,800
	1993	195	6.50	1,268	Ton	95	120,460
HAY, GRAIN	1994	666	3.75	2,498	Ton	80	199,840
	1993	650	3.75	2,438	Ton	75	182,850
HAY, OTHER	1994	600	.65	390	Ton	55	21,450
	1993	700	.65	455	Ton	55	25,025
PASTURE, IRRIGATED	1994	1800			Acre	120	216,000
	1993	1,600		0	Acre	120	192,000
PASTURE AND RANGE	1994	167,000			Acre	9.0	1,503,000
	1993	167,000		0	Acre	9.5	1,586,500
CORN	1994	578	5.6	3,237	Ton	105	339,885
	1993	296	5.6	1,658	Ton	100	165,800
WHEAT	1994	252	1.7	428	Ton	115	49,220
	1993	205	1.5	308	Ton	110	33,880
Barley	1994	409	1.7	695	ton	100	69,500
	1993	533	1.5	800	Ton	100	80,000
MISC. CROPS *	1994	305					180,835
	1993	518		0			249,638
TOTAL FOR	1994	171,928		0			2,770,530
	1993	171,697		0			2,636,153

\* Sugar beets, safflower, sudan



## LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY

	YEAR	NUMBER OF HEAD	WEIGHT (CWT)	\$ VALUE PER UNIT	\$ TOTAL
CATTLE AND CALVES	1994	12,000	72,000	57.40	4,132,800
	1993	10,250	61,500	64.60	3,972,900
HOGS AND PIGS	1994	100	230	46.70	10,741
	1993	100	230	50.10	11,523
SHEEP AND LAMBS	1994	900	900	65.60	59,040
	1993	1000	1,100	67.10	73,810
GOATS (ANGORA)	1994	200		45.00	9,000
	1993	150		40.00	6,000
MISCELLANEOUS*	1994				142,500
	1993				132,500
TOTAL FOR	1994	13,210			4,354,081
	1993	11,510			4,196,733

\* Includes milk cows, milk goats, poultry, rabbits, game birds, and fish

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY PRODUCTS	YEAR	\$ TOTAL
WOOL, MOHAIR, AND APIARY PRODUCTS	1994	\$30,500
	1993	\$ 32,500



## TIMBER AND RELATED PRODUCTS

YEAR	HARVESTED BOARD FEET	\$ TOTAL
1994 *	26,232 MBF	\$ 12,385,500
1993	26,343 MBF	\$ 12,594,362

\* Preliminary Data

**SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURAL REPORT**

**BIOLOGICAL CONTROL PROGRAMS**

PEST	AGENT/MECHANISM	PROGRAM
KLAMATH WEED HYPERICUM PERFORATUM	KLAMATH WEED BEETLE CHRYSOLINA GEMELLATA	COUNTY WIDE
ITALIAN THISTLE CARDUUS PYCHOCEPHALUS	SEEDHEAD WEEVIL RHINOCYLLUS CONICUS	COUNTY WIDE
PUNCTURE VINE TRIBULUS TERRESTRIS	STEM-SEED WEEVILS MICROLARINUS LYPRIFORMIS MICROLARINUS LAREYNII	COUNTY WIDE
ASH WHITE FLY SIPHONINUS PHILLYREAE	ENCARSIA WASP ENCARSIA SP. NR. INARON	COUNTY WIDE
YELLOW STAR THISTLE CENTAUREA SOLSTITIALIS	SEED WEEVILS BANGASTERNUS ORIENTALIS LARINUS CURTUS EUSTENOPUS VILLOSUS	2 SITES 1 SITE 1 SITE
YELLOW STAR THISTLE CENTAUREA SOLSTITIALIS	YELLOW STAR THISTLE GALL FLY UROPHORA SIRUNASEVA	1 SITE

**PEST PREVENTION ACTIVITIES**

**PEST ERADICATION**

SKELETON WEED CHONDRILLA JUNCEA SPOTTED KNAPWEED	CHEMICAL	33 SITES 4 NEW SITES FOUND 37 TOTAL SITES
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**PEST EXCLUSION**

TYPE	SHIPMENTS INSPECTED	REJECTIONS
TRUCKS	1438	0
GYPSY MOTH	5	0
POST OFFICE	6	0

**PEST DETECTION**

**INSECT TRAPPING PROGRAM**

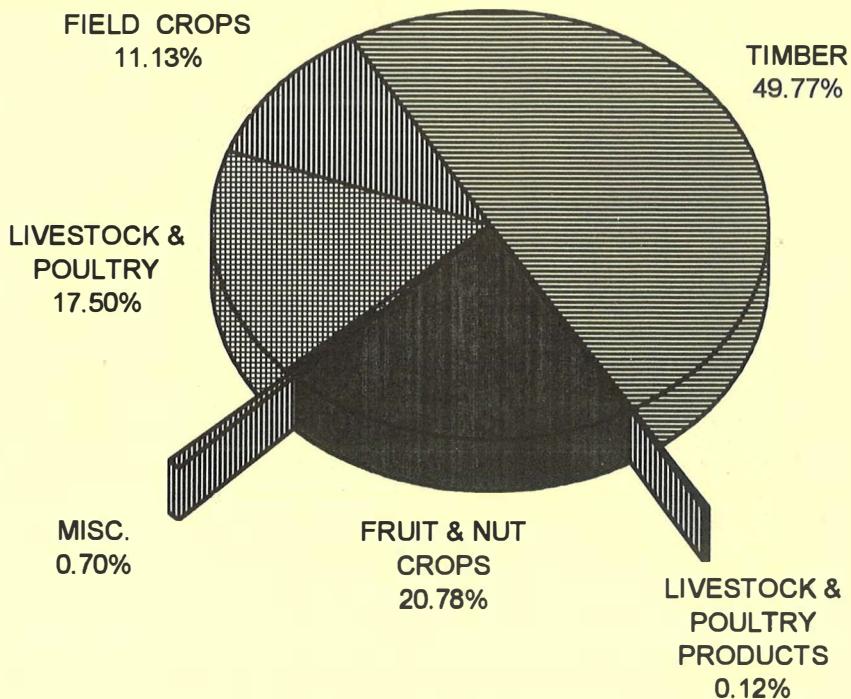
TYPE OF TRAPS	NUMBER OF TRAPS
GYPSY MOTH	250
MEDFLY	75
JAPANESE BEETLE	24
ORIENTAL FRUIT FLY	20
MELON FRUIT FLY	8

**ORGANIC FARMING STATISTICS**

TYPE OF FARM	NUMBER OF FARMS
VEGETABLES	3
WINE GRAPES	5

RECAPITULATION		
	1993	1994
TIMBER	\$ 12,594,362	\$ 12,385,500
LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY	\$ 4,196,733	\$ 4,354,081
FRUIT AND NUT CROPS	\$ 5,832,097	\$ 5,172,190
FIELD CROPS	\$ 2,636,153	\$ 2,770,530
MISCELLANEOUS	\$ 132,420	\$ 174,000
LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY PRODUCTS	\$ 32,500	\$ 30,500
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>25,424,265</b>	<b>24,886,801</b>

### 1994 CROP BREAKDOWN



**STATISTICS**

TOTAL LAND AREA	363,500 ACRES
WILLIAMSON ACT LAND	93,000 ACRES
TIMBER PRESERVE LAND	27,485 ACRES
PASTURE AND RANGELAND	167,000 ACRES
LAND IN FARMS	218,000 ACRES *
FARMS IN COUNTY	371 *

\* 1987 Census U.S. Department of Commerce

**TOTAL FOR THE PAST TEN YEARS**

1985	10,130,400	1990	24,997,329
1986	12,774,200	1991	20,265,246
1987	13,975,750	1992	24,533,341
1988	14,543,000	1993	25,424,265
1989	25,583,500	1994	24,886,801



Amador's Farmers Market provides fresh fruits and vegetables sold by certified producers directly to the consumer.  
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