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1979 ANNUAL CROP & LIVESTOCK REPORT



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It is my pleasure to submit to you the 1979 AGRICULTURAL CROP REPORT as required by Section 2279 of the California Food and Agriculture Code.

Inyo-Mono farmers and ranchers produced food, feed, and fiber from the land with an estimated valuation of \$19,404,739 in 1979. This was a considerable increase over 1978 and was due mainly to increased prices paid to local producers for cattle and alfalfa hay. It must be remembered that the values in this report represent gross returns only and do not reflect net income.

Alfalfa brought good returns, especially late in the year when supplies were insufficient to meet demand. Yields were up slightly. Potatoes, a new crop in 1979, were produced in the Oasis area.

Cattlemen received the best prices in many years for cattle with a slight increase in numbers sold.

A special word of thanks goes to all who assisted with the preparation of this report, especially P. Dean Smith, Inyo-Mono Farm Advisor, and George Milovich, Agricultural Inspector.

Respectively Submitted

Edmond W. Hale
Agricultural Commissioner

INYO COUNTY

* LIVESTOCK *

<u>PRODUCTION</u>				<u>VALUE</u>		
<u>ITEM</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>NUMBER HEAD</u>	<u>LIVEWEIGHT</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>PRICE PER UNIT</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
CATTLE & CALVES						
Calves-Steers	1979	4,980	24,900	cwt.	\$92.00	\$2,290,800
Heifers	1979	4,400	19,800	cwt.	\$86.00	\$1,702,800
Cows	1979	1,133	11,330	cwt.	\$60.00	\$ 679,800
Bulls	1979	200	2,700	cwt.	\$63.00	\$ 170,100
All Cattle & Calves (adj.)	1978	10,075	55,472	cwt.	\$62.00	\$3,439,072
Feeders (Gain)	1979	1,500	X	cwt.	\$80.00	\$ 360,000
	1978	1,575	X	cwt.	\$67.00	\$ 316,575
Sheep & Lambs	1979	1,440	1,296	cwt.	\$67.00	\$ 86,832
	1978	1,200	1,080	cwt.	\$60.00	\$ 64,800
TOTAL LIVESTOCK				1979	\$ 5,290,332	
				1978	\$ 3,820,447	

LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>PRODUCTION</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>PRICE PER UNIT</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Wool	1979	115	cwt.	\$77.00	\$8,855
Wool	1978	96	cwt.	\$73.00	\$7,008
Milk Manufacturing	1979	400	.lbs	\$ 4.00	\$1,600
	1978	400	.lbs	\$ 4.00	\$1,600
TOTAL LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS			1979	\$ 10,455	
			1978	\$ 8,608	

LIVESTOCK INVENTORY

	FOR PERIOD	
	January 1, 1979	January 1, 1980
Cattle & Calves	23,000	24,400
Cows & Heifers that have calved	10,000	11,000
Sheep & Lambs	1,200	1,400

* INYO COUNTY FIELD CROPS *

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>HARVESTED ACREAGE</u>	<u>TONS PER ACRE</u>	<u>TOTAL TONS</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>PRICE PER UNIT</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Alfalfa	1979	3,777	6.00	22,662	Ton	\$90.00	\$2,039,580.
Hay	1978	3,312	5.25	17,388	Ton	\$55.00	\$ 956,340.
Irrigated	1979	14,450	X	X	Acre	\$14.00	\$ 202,300.
Pasture	1978	10,985	X	X	Acre	\$10.50	\$ 115,342.
Dry	1979	184,500	X	X	Acre	\$.61	\$ 112,545.
Grazing	1978	182,607	X	X	Acre	\$.59	\$ 107,738.
TOTAL FIELD CROPS				1979	\$2,354,425.		
				1978	\$1,179,420.		

MISCELLANEOUS FRUIT-VEGETABLE PRODUCTION

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>ACREAGE</u>	<u>YIELD PER ACRE</u>	<u>TOTAL YIELD</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>PRICE PER UNIT</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Misc. Fruits	1979	38	.2	7.6	Ton	\$2,000.00	\$ 15,200.
	1978	28	.1	3	Ton	\$2,000.00	\$ 6,000.
Misc. Veg.	1979	40	400	16,000	cwt	\$ 2.53	\$ 40,480.
	1978	--	--	--	--	--	--
TOTAL FRUIT & VEGETABLE PRODUCTION						1979	\$ 55,680.
						1978	\$ 6,000.

APIARY

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>PRODUCTION</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>PRICE PER LB.</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Honey	1979	201,450	.lbs	.50	\$100,725.
Honey	1978	267,450	.lbs.	.50	\$133,725.
TOTAL APIARY PRODUCTS				1979	\$100,725.
				1978	\$133,725.

INYO COUNTY TOTALS

	1978	1979
Livestock	\$3,820,453.	\$5,290,332.
Livestock Products	\$ 8,608.	\$ 10,455.
Field Crops	\$1,179,420.	\$2,354,425.
Misc. Fruit & Vegetable Production	\$ 6,000.	\$ 55,680.
Apiary	\$ 133,725.	\$ 100,725.
	<u>\$5,148,206.</u>	<u>\$7,811,617.</u>

* MONO COUNTY FIELD CROPS *

ITEM	YEAR	ACREAGE	TONS PER ACRE	TOTAL TONS	UNIT	PRICE PER UNIT	TOTAL
Alfalfa	1979	6,170	5.5	33,935	Ton	\$90.00	\$3,054,150.
Hay	1978	6,423	5.	32,115	Ton	\$55.00	\$1,766,325
Misc.	1979	550	2.50	1,375	Ton	\$60.00	\$ 82,500.
Hay	1978	550	2.50	1,375	Ton	\$50.00	\$ 68,750.
Irrigated Pasture	1979	53,400	X	X	Acre	\$14.00	\$ 747,600.
	1978	9,392	X	X	Acre	\$10.66	\$ 100,119.
Dry Grazing	1979	37,000	X	X	Acre	\$.28	\$ 10,360.
	1978	36,000	X	X	Acre	\$.28	\$ 10,080.
TOTAL FIELD CROPS				1979		\$3,894,610.	
				1978		\$1,945,274.	

MONO COUNTY TOTALS

	1978	1979
Livestock	\$5,090,644.	\$7,529,112.
Livestock Products	\$ 116,800.	\$ 169,400.
Field Crops	\$1,945,274.	\$3,894,610.
TOTALS	\$7,152,718.	\$11,593,122.

MONO COUNTY
* LIVESTOCK *

<u>PRODUCTION</u>				<u>VALUE</u>		
<u>ITEM</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>NUMBER HEAD</u>	<u>LIVEWEIGHT</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>PRICE PER UNIT</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
CATTLE & CALVES						
Calves-Steers	1979	5,690	28,450	cwt.	\$92.00	\$2,617,400
Heifers	1979	4,990	22,455	cwt.	\$86.00	\$1,931,130
Cows	1979	1,280	12,800	cwt.	\$60.00	\$ 768,000
Bulls	1979	220	2,970	cwt.	\$63.00	\$ 187,110
All Cattle & Calves (adj.)	1978	10,880	59,631	cwt.	\$62.00	\$3,709,144
Feeders	1979	1,500	X	cwt.	\$80.00	\$ 360,000
(gain)	1978	1,500	X	cwt.	\$67.00	\$ 301,500
Sheep & Lambs	1979	27,500	24,750	cwt.	\$67.00	\$1,658,250
Sheep & Lambs	1978	20,000	18,000	cwt.	\$60.00	\$1,080,000
Hogs	1979	70	157	cwt.	\$46.00	\$ 7,222
Hogs	1978	-----	-----	----	-----	-----
TOTAL LIVESTOCK				1979	\$ 7,529,112	
				1978	\$ 5,090,644	

		<u>LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS</u>			
<u>ITEM</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>PRODUCTION</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>PRICE PER UNIT</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Wool	1979	2,200	cwt.	\$77.00	\$169,400
Wool	1978	1,600	cwt.	\$73.00	\$116,800
TOTAL LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS				1979	\$ 169,400
				1978	\$ 116,800

<u>LIVESTOCK INVENTORY</u>		<u>FOR PERIOD</u>	
		January 1, 1979 - January 1, 1980	
Cattle & Calves		24,900	25,000
Cows & Heifers that have calved		10,700	11,000
Sheep & Lambs		20,000	27,500