

Yolo County Department of Agriculture and Weights & Measures

"We exist to satisfy the needs of our clients not just to produce an output." (Unknown Author)

YOLO COUNTY STRATEGIC GOALS

Advance innovation
Champion job creation and economic opportunities
Collaborate to maximize success
Enhance and sustain the safety net
Preserve and ensure safe and crime free communities
Preserve and support agriculture
Protect open space and the environment
Provide fiscally sound, dynamic and
responsive services



VISION

Our vision is to serve agriculture, the business community and the residents of Yolo County, through collaboration and partnership using the most efficient, effective and progressive means available, doing our part to ensure Yolo County has preserved agriculture and is a safe, healthy, and enjoyable environment in which to work, play and live.

MISSION

Our mission is to promote and protect Yolo County agriculture and the environment, ensure the health and safety of our residents, and foster confidence and equity in the marketplace through the fair and equitable enforcement of the laws, regulations, and ordinances enacted by the people of the State of California and the County of Yolo.

VALUES

Employees of the Department of Agriculture and Weights & Measures, in an effort to accomplish the Department's Vision and Mission, share these values in the course of our work and our employment with Yolo County.

Honesty Integrity Trust

Enthusiasm Courtesy Customer Service

Initiative Continuous Improvement Good Stewardship of Scarce Public Resources

Personal and Professional Growth

Respect and Tolerance of the Rights and

Beliefs of Others



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June 2015

Karen Ross, Secretary, California Department of Food and Agriculture and Honorable Board of Supervisors, County of Yolo

Pursuant to the provisions of Sections 2279 and 2272 of the California Food and Agricultural Code, I am pleased to present the Yolo County Crop Report for 2014. This annual publication summarizes the acreage production and valuation of Yolo County's agricultural commodities. These figures denote gross value of production and do not attempt to reflect net farm income.

The gross value of Yolo County's agricultural production for 2014 was \$801,205,000 an all-time high, and an increase of 11% from 2013. This increase reflects overall higher price per unit for commodities and increases in acreage. Nut crops (walnuts and almonds) exhibited marked increases in price per unit from 2013 with total farm gate values 39% higher for the 2014 cropping season.

Processing tomatoes remain Yolo County's leading commodity with a gross value of \$151,714,000. Almonds, walnuts, rice, and wine grapes remain in the top five commodities according to gross value, with almonds moving to the number two position ahead of grapes. Alfalfa, organic production, sunflower seed, cattle and calves, and wheat round out the top ten commodities for 2014.

I would like to express my appreciation to all the farmers, ranchers, and agencies who contributed data making this report possible. Special recognition for the compilation of this report goes to Jenni King, Cecilia Gonzales, Dennis Chambers, and Leslie Churchill.

To see this or any previous crop reports online, or to learn about the programs and services provided by the Yolo County Department of Agriculture, visit: www.yolocounty.org/ag.

Respectfully submitted,

John Young

Agricultural Commissioner

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TOP 20 COMMODITIES

Commodity	2014	2013	1/1	2012	
1. Tomatoes, Processing	\$ 151,714,000	\$ 107,881,000	\$	111,567,000	
2. Almonds (Meats)	\$ 107,409,000	\$ 69,361,000	\$	41,412,000	
3. Walnuts (All)	\$ 76,399,000	\$ 62,669,000	\$	49,284,000	
4. Rice ¹	\$ 69,202,000	\$ 62,738,000	\$	60,012,000	
5. Grapes, Wine (All)	\$ 68,960,000	\$ 69,493,000	\$	66,293,000	
6. Hay, Alfalfa	\$ 55,246,000	\$ 52,657,000	\$	51,446,000	
7. Organic Production (All)	\$ 52,383,000	\$ 60,112,000	\$	40,162,000	
8. Sunflower Seed	\$ 28,921,000	\$ 27,997,000	\$	23,218,000	
9. Cattle and Calves	\$ 20,327,000	\$ 18,241,000	\$	17,289,000	
10. Wheat	\$ 14,771,000	\$ 19,816,000	\$	20,435,000	
11. Hay, Grain ²	\$ 13,143,000	\$ 6,365,000	\$	4,847,000	
12. Nursery (All) ³	\$ 13,053,000	\$ 15,102,000	\$	12,793,000	
13. Plums (Dried)	\$ 9,773,000	\$ 4,223,000	\$	6,077,000	
14. Corn, Field	\$ 9,489,000	\$ 23,461,000	\$	29,796,000	
15. Olives (Oil)	\$ 7,322,000	\$ 7,441,000	\$	2,131,000	
16. Apiary ⁴	\$ 7,120,000	\$ 6,445,000	\$	5,549,000	
17. Pasture and Grass Seed	\$ 5,653,000	\$ 4,938,000	\$	4,357,000	
18. Safflower	\$ 3,625,000	\$ 3,857,000	\$	5,238,000	
19. Almonds (Hulls)	\$ 3,509,000	\$ 2,128,000		111	
20. Sheep and Lambs	\$ 2,018,000	\$ 1,668,000	\$	2,148,000	

¹ Includes seed. Values include Federal Rice Payments.

² Includes oat, ryegrass, sudangrass, and volunteer hay

³ Includes bareroot, benchcraft, budwood, cuttings, trees, container stock, organic transplants, and transplants.

⁴ Includes honey, pollination, package bees, queens, colonies and wax.



VEGETABLE CROPS

A PARTITION OF		Pro	Production			Val	ue
1000	-	Harvested	Per	Total	-		100
Crop	Year	Acres	Acre	Tons	Per Ton		Total
Tomatoes, Processing	2014	39,845	45.54	1,814,541	\$ 83.61	\$	151,714,000
St. March	2013	34,558	44.45	1,536,103	\$ 70.23	\$	107,881,000
Miscellaneous ¹	2014	5,699				\$	22,686,000
	2013	5,972		Total April 1	17 15 M. A. A. SA	\$	21,245,000
TOTAL	2014	45,544		- 1	7	\$	174,400,000
	2013	40,530		13		\$	129,126,000

¹ Miscellaneous-Asparagus, broccoli, carrot, cucumber, garlic, leek, lettuce, melon (including honeydew), peppers, pumpkin, squash, sweet corn, tomato (fresh), watermelon, and other truck crops.

ORGANIC PRODUCTION

	Year	Acres	Total
Production, Organic	*2014	13,495	\$ 35,351,000
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Fresh Market, Organic	2014	1,433	\$ 17,032,000
	2013	1,356	\$ 12,235,000
TOTAL	2014	14,928	\$ 52,383,000
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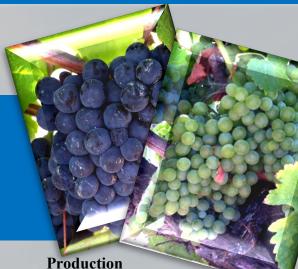
^{*} Includes organic rangeland.

NURSERY PRODUCTS

	Year	Acre	Total
Propagative Stock ²	2014	337	\$ 4,180,000
	2013	262	\$ 4,171,000
Nursery Stock ³	2014	85	\$ 8,873,000
	2013	85	\$ 10,931,000
TOTAL	2014	422	\$13,053,000
	2013	347	\$15,102,000

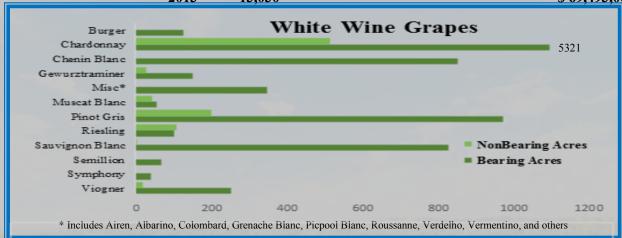
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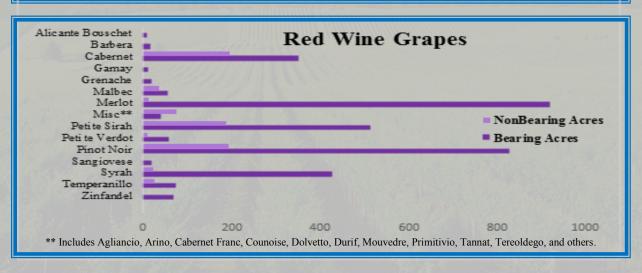
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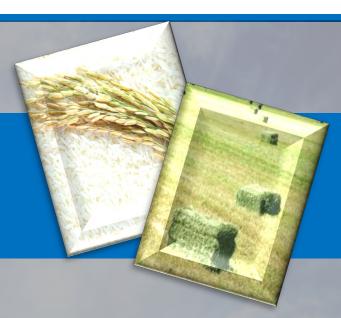


WINE GRAPES

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		Harvested	Per	Total		
Crop	Year	Acres	Acre	Tons	Per Ton	Total
Wine Grapes (Red)	2014	3,463	6.14	21,263	\$ 980.24	\$ 20,843,000
	2013	3,651	6.35	23,184	\$ 828.41	\$ 19,206,000
Wine Grapes (White)	2014	9,115	7.85	71,553	\$ 672.47	\$ 48,117,000
	2013	9,379	8.30	77,846	\$ 645.98	\$ 50,287,000
	2014	12,578				\$ 68,960,000
	2013	13.030				\$ 69,493,000







FIELD CROPS

		Production				Va	lue	
		Harvested	Per	Total				
Crop	Year	Acres	Acre	Tons		Per Ton		Total
Corn, Field	2014	6,917	5.50	38,044		\$ 249.43	\$	9,489,000
	2013	19,368	5.83	112,915		\$ 207.78	\$	23,461,000
Hay, Alfalfa	2014	37,093	6.00	222,558		\$ 248.23	\$	55,246,000
	2013	41,030	6.22	255,207		\$ 206.33	\$	52,657,000
Hay, Grain ¹	2014	17,786	3.00	53,358		\$ 246.32	\$	13,143,000
	2013	15,978	2.67	42,661		\$ 149.21	\$	6,365,000
Pasture, Irrigated	2014	16,131			*	* \$ 136.00	\$	2,194,000
	2013	11,500			*	* \$ 145.00	\$	1,668,000
Pasture, Dry	2014	15,466			*	* \$ 23.25	\$	360,000
	2013	116,200			*	* \$ 12.40	\$	1,441,000
Rice ²	2014	39,325	4.22	165,952		\$ 417.00	\$	69,202,000
	2013	38,432	4.21	161,799		\$ 387.75	\$	62,738,000
Safflower	2014	7,170	1.00	7,170		\$ 505.56	\$	3,625,000
	2013	7,808	0.97	7,574		\$ 509.22	\$	3,857,000
Wheat	2014	29,185	2.34	68,293		\$ 216.29	\$	14,771,000
	2013	33,276	2.48	82,524		\$ 240.13	\$	19,816,000
Miscellaneous ³	2014	6,887					\$	17,051,000
	2013	88,744					\$	19,474,000
Total	2014	175,960					\$	185,081,000
	2013	372,336					\$	191,477,000

¹ Includes oat, ryegrass, sudangrass, triticale hay, volunteer hay, and wheat hay.

² Includes seed. Values include Federal Rice Payments.

³ Includes barley, canola, dry beans, milo, oats, screenings, straw, triticale, and wild rice. Screenings are generated by the mill, not by the grower.

^{*} Indicates value per acre-

SEED CROPS

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		Harvested		Non-Certified		Harvested	
Certified Seed	Year	Acres	Total Value	Seed	Year	Acres	Total Value
Small Grain	2014	1,632	\$ 924,000	Pasture and Grass	2014	699	\$ 5,653,000
	2013	2,551	\$ 1,501,000		2013	588	\$ 4,938,000
Sunflower	2014	17,754	\$ 28,921,000	Vine Seed	2014	0	\$ -
200.00	2013	24,491	\$ 27,997,000		2013	1,163	\$ 2,074,000
Miscellaneous ¹	2014	4,819	\$ 18,274,000	Miscellaneous ²	2014	2,070	\$ 2,765,000
	2013	5,969	\$ 21,793,000		2013	1,000	\$ 4,329,000
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Total	2014	24,205	\$48,119,000	Total	2014	2,769	\$ 8,418,000
E-1 (2)000 (2-19)	2013	33,011	\$51,291,000		2013	2,751	\$11,341,000

¹Includes alfalfa, beans, canola, carrots, cole crops, corn, cucumbers, melons, onions, rice, safflower, sorghum/sudan, squash, tomatoes, turnips, and watermelons.

FRUIT & NUT CROPS

	•	Pro	duction		CALL OF	Val	lue
		Harvested	Per	Total			
Type	Year	Acres	Acre	Tons	Per Ton		Total
Almond (Meats)	2014	19,891	1.00	19,891	\$5,399.88	\$	107,409,000
	2013	17,737	0.93	16,495	\$4,205.00	\$	69,361,000
Almond (Hulls)	2014	19,891		23,869	\$147.00	\$	3,509,000
	2013	17,737		21,279	\$100.00	\$	2,128,000
Olives (Oil)	2014	3,686	3.35	12,348	\$593.00	\$	7,322,000
	2013	3,107	3.64	11,309	\$658.00	\$	7,441,000
Plums, Dried	2014	1,820	2.35	4,277	\$2,280.00	\$	9,773,000
	2013	1,746	1.63	2,846	\$1,484.00	\$	4,223,000
Walnuts, All	2014	15,279	1.44	22,002	\$3,472.38	\$	76,399,000
	2013	14,400	1.32	19,008	\$3,297.00	\$	62,669,000
Miscellaneous ¹	2014	3,869				\$	14,746,000
	2013	1,699			399	\$	14,281,000
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Total	2014	64,436				\$	219,158,000
	2013	56,426				\$	160,103,000

¹ Includes apples, apricots, blackberries, blueberries, cherries, chestnuts, citrus, figs, jujubes, kiwis, mulberries, nectarines, oranges, peaches, pears, persimmons, pistachios, plums, pomegranates, strawberries, and table grapes.

Acreage Statistics 2014

Crop	Bearing Acres	Non-Bearing Acres	Total Acres
Almond	19,891	7,941	27,832
Walnut	15,279	1,041	16,320
Olives	3,686	281	3,967

² Includes artichokes, carrots, cole crops, corn, melons, onions, rice, and soybeans.

YOLO COUNTY 2014 **EXPORT PARTNERS**



Afghanistan Algeria Angola Argentina Armenia Australia

Austria

Bahrain Belgium Brazil

Chile Canada Columbia Cyprus

Denmark Dominican Republic

Ecuador Egypt El Salvador Estonia Ethiopia

Finland France French Polynesia

Japan Jordan

Mali-Malaysia Mauritius Mexico Mongolia Moroc-

Kenya Kuwait Korea, Republic of Korea, Democratic People's Republic

> Netherlands New Zealand Norway Nicaragua Oman

Pakistan Panama Peru Philippines Poland Portugal Papua New Guinea

Belarus China Costa Rica

Czech Republic Georgia Germany Ghana Greece

> Honduras Hong Kong Hungary

Guatemala

Latvia Lebanon Libya

India Indonesia Iraq Ireland Italy Israel Iran, Islamic Republic of

Thailand Tunisia Turkey Turkmenistan Trinidad and Tobago

Uganda Ukraine United States United Kingdom United Arab Emirates

Sunflower

Vietnam Venezuela, Bolivarian Republic of Qatar Romania Russian Federation

> Saudi Arabia Serbia Singapore Slovenia South Africa Spain Sweden Switzerland

LIVESTOCK & POULTRY

Livestock & Poultry Production

Value

		121 -3	Live Weight		1	
Commodity	Year	Head	Cwt.		Per Cwt.	Total
Cattle and Calves	2014	18,944	109,875	1115000	\$ 185.00	\$ 20,327,000
	2013	19,725	133,143		\$ 137.00	\$ 18,241,000
Sheep and Lambs	2014	11,940	13,731		\$ 147.00	\$ 2,018,000
	2013	12,640	13,904		\$ 120.00	\$ 1,668,000
Miscellaneous ¹	2014					\$ 923,000
	2013					\$ 982,000
Total	2014					\$ 23,268,000
	2013					\$ 20,891,000

Apiary, Livestock & Poultry Products

Commodity	Year		Total
Apiary ²	2014	\$	7,120,000
	2013	\$	6,445,000
Miscellaneous ³	2014	\$	1,245,000
	2013	** \$	1,256,000
Total	2014	\$	8,365,000
	2013	\$	7,701,000

¹Includes poultry, hogs, slaughter sheep, and game birds

COMMODITY SUMMARY

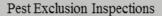
Commodity	2014	2013	2012
Field Crops	\$185,081,000	\$191,477,000	\$193,849,000
Fruit and Nut Crops	\$219,158,000	\$160,104,000	\$110,146,000
Vegetable Crops	\$174,400,000	\$129,125,000	\$126,453,000
Wine Grapes	\$68,960,000	\$69,493,000	\$66,293,000
Seed Crops	\$56,537,000	\$62,631,000	\$57,631,000
Organic Production	\$52,383,000	\$60,112,000	\$40,162,000
Livestock and Poultry	\$23,268,000	\$20,891,000	\$20,383,000
Nursery Products	\$13,053,000	\$15,102,000	\$12,793,000
Apiary, Livestock, and Poultry Products	\$8,365,000	\$12,700,000	\$11,506,000
Total	\$801,205,000	\$721,635,000	\$639,216,000

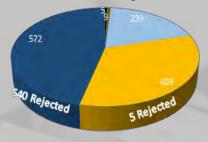
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³¹ncludes eggs, milk and wool.

^{**}corrected from 2013 crop report

Sustainable Agriculture Report 2014





- Household Goods, Gypsy Moth Truck Shipments, various insects
- □ Blue Tags, GWSS
- UPS, various insects
- USPS, various insects

In 2014, Yolo County Staff inspected 899 certified fields which amounted to over 22,500 acres. Most fields are inspected twice for diseases of concern and must pass inspection to meet certified seed standards. Yolo County Staff work diligently to keep destructive pests and diseases from affecting county agriculture.

Some insects and plant diseases are world renowned for the destruction they cause to agriculture, urban landscapes, and forests. Most of these pests are exotic to Yolo County, and could quickly infest a territory as rich in agriculture as ours. The Agricultural Commissioner's office maintains a diligent Exclusion program to prevent pests from entering our borders. Inspectors keep watch over incoming plant shipments to nurseries, farms, research facilities, box stores, and individuals. In 2014, over 1200 plant shipments were inspected and 545 were rejected for Federal or State Quarantine violations for live pest finds. Yolo County led the State in pest interceptions at the USPS in California for 2014. Over 150 serious pests were stopped from entering the 20 County delivery area covered by the Postal Sectional Center in West Sacramento. Funding was obtained from State and Federal sources to increase inspections in 2015.

PEST EXCLUSION

Pest Exclusion

Crops	Mechanism	Scope of Program
Export Commodities	Federal & Domestic Certification	6608 certificates issued
Export Seed	Field Inspection	899 sites/22,568 acres

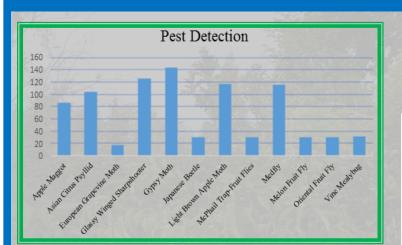
ORGANIC FARMING

Organic Farming

Number of Registered Farms

- 91 Farms registered organic
- 33 Farms certified organic by Yolo Certified Organic Agriculture (YCOA)

Sustainable Agriculture Report 2014



Yolo County also keeps a comprehensive Detection Program, as a second line of defense and early warning system against inadvertent pest introductions. This system of insect trapping identifies foreign pests before they can become established, avoiding major financial and environmental impacts. In 2014 over 1,000 Yolo County residents cooperated to host residential traps for Mediterranean, Oriental, and Melon Fruit Flies; Gypsy Moth, Japanese Beetle, Glassy-winged Sharpshooter, and Light Brown Apple Moth. Additional Glassy-winged Sharpshooter traps were placed in plant nurseries. European Grapevine Moth and Apple Maggot traps were situated among corresponding host crops. In total, traps were checked 5,000 times by Yolo County Pest Detection Trappers. In 2014, 3 instances of Apple Maggot were intercepted in a limited area. No other targeted insects were detected.

Pest	Agent/Mechanism	Scope of Program
Puncture Vine	Seedhead Weevil	Countywide
Tribulus terrestris	Microlarinus lareynil	
Yellow Starthistle	Seedhead Weevil	Countywide
Centaurea solstitialis	Bandastemus orientalis	
	Hairy Weevil	Countywide
	Eustenopus villosus	
	Yello Starthistle Rust	4 Sites
	Puccinia jaceae var. solstitialis	
Ash Whitefly	Parastic Wasps	Countywide
Syphoninus phillyreae	Encarsia parenopea	

Yolo County Community Supported Agriculture

Farm Fresh to You

Farming organically since 1976
Home delivered CSA boxes
23808 State Highway 16, Capay, CA 95607
(800) 796-6009 www.farmfreshtoyou.com

Full Belly Farm

Founded in 1985 in the Capay Valley 200 acre highly diversified organic farm P.O. Box 251, Guinda, CA 95637

(530) 796-2214 www.fullbellyfarm.com

Good Humus Produce

Founded in the 1970s by Jeff & Annie Main Small, diversified, organic family farm 12255 County Road 84A, Capay, CA 95607 (530) 787-3187 www.goodhumus.com

Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) consists of members or "shareholders" of a farm or garden who cover the anticipated costs of the farm operation and famer's salary. The consumer joins a CSA program and purchases, in advance, a share of the farm's crop each week, delivered to a predetermined spot, usually near the customer's home or worksite.



Small organic farm located in the Capay Valley Vegetables, fruits, nuts, olives for olive oil, and flowers P.O. Box 73, Rumsey, CA 95679 3880 Highway 16, Rumsey, CA (530) 796-4084

Pacific Star Gardens

Owned by Robert & Debra Ramming
20872 County Road 99, Woodland, CA 95695
(530) 666-7308 pacificstargardens@yahoo.com

Riverdog Farm

Owned by Trini Campbell & Tim Mueller
200 acre organic farm in the Capay Valley
P.O. Box 42, Guinda, CA 95637
(530) 796-3802
www.riverdogfarm.com

Terra Firma Farm

Founded by Paul Holmes in 1990, partnered with Paul Underhill 99 acre organic fruit and vegetable farm P.O. Box 836, Winters, CA 95694 (530) 756-2800 www.terrafirmafarm.com

Yolo County Certified Farmers Markets

Davis Farmers Market

Central Park, 4th & C Street, Davis www.davisfarmersmarket.org March through October: November through February: All Year:

Wednesdays 4:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. Wednesdays 2:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m. Saturdays 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

UC Davis Farmers Market

University of California, Davis, Silo building outside plaza

March through November: Wednesdays 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

Sutter Davis Hospital Farmers Market

2000 Sutter Place, Davis

May through August: Thursdays 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

The certified farmers market concept is an effort to re-establish the traditional link between farmers and consumers. Certified farmers markets are locations approved by the agricultural commissioner where certified farmers offer for sale only those agricultural products they grow themselves.

West Sacramento Famers Market

1271 West Capital Avenue, West Sacramento
June through September: Thursdays 4:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.

Woodland Certified Farmers Market

Heritage Plaza at Main and Second Streets, Woodland
May through October: Saturdays 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Woodland Certified Farmers Market

Woodland Healthcare Campus

1325 Cottonwood Street, Woodland

May through October: Tuesdays 4:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

Yolo County Wine Tasting Rooms

Berryessa Gap Vineyards

15 Main Street, Winters (530) 795-3201 www.berryessagap.com Thursdays 4:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. Friday & Saturday 11:30 a.m.-8:30 p.m. Sunday 11:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Berryessa Gap Winery & Tasting Room

27260 Highway 128, Winters Tuesday-Sunday 11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. or by appointment

Bogle Vineyards

37783 County Road 144, Clarksburg (916) 744-1139 www.boglewinery.com Monday-Friday 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Saturday & Sunday 11:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Capay Valley Vineyards

13757 State Highway 16, Brooks (530) 796-4110 www.capayvalleyvineyards.com Saturday & Sunday 12:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

Fiddlehead Cellars Tasting Room & **Business Office**

606 Pena Drive, Suite 500, Davis (530) 756-4550 www.fiddleheadcellars.com Open for weekend tastings by appointment

Old Sugar Mill Ten Wineries, One Location

Draconis by Matt Powell **Todd Taylor** Three Wine Company Heringer Estates Family Vineyards & Winery Elevation Ten Rendez-vous Winery Merlo Family Vineyards Clarksburg Wine Company Due Vigne di Famiglia Carvalho Family Winery

35265 Willow Avenue, Clarksburg (916) 744-1615 www.oldsugarmill.com Daily 11:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

River Grove Winery

52183 Clarksburg Road, Clarksburg (916) 744-9000 www.rivergrovewinery.com Call for dates, times, and locations of tastings

RootStock **Tasting Room and Gift Shop**

22 Main Street, Winters (530) 794-6008 www.rootstockgifts.com Wednesday 10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Thursday-Saturday 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Live music Fridays 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

Satiety Winery & Café

40101 County Road 25A, Woodland (530) 661-0680 Monday-Sunday 11:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

Turkovich Family Wines

304 Railroad Avenue, Winters (530) 795-3842 www.turkovichwines.com Sunday-Wednesday 12:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. Thursday-Saturday 12:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. or by appointment

Additional Wineries Roots to Wine

Berryessa Gap Vineyards Capay Valley Vineyards Casey Flat Ranch Crew Wine Co. Julie LePla Winery Marketing Collaborative Putah Creek Winery Route 3 Wines Seka Hills www.rootstowine.com



Farm to School Yolo

The Farm to School concept has deep roots in Yolo County with programs ranging from School Gardens to Nutrition Education to School Wellness Policy to Procurement of local food for local schools. Programs such as Davis Farm to School, Winters Farm to School, UC Cooperative Extension, WIC-Nutrition Education Obesity Prevention, Rural Innovations Sustainable Enterprise, Yolo Farm to Fork, and others are all part of the array of Farm to School activity in Yolo County. As a result, the county has enjoyed a robust and mature Farm to School movement that eventually led to the implementation of Farm to School elements being added to the Yolo County General Plan by the Board of Supervisors in 2010. After adding the concept of Farm to School to the General Plan, the Board subsequently assigned the project to the Yolo County Department of Agriculture.

In 2012, the Yolo County Depart-California Department of Agriculture Spejumpstarted a unique program focused on: food service staff, creating an online marschool food service use, tracking school (within 300 miles), procurement of product sive evaluation.

Yolo County General Plan:

"Goal 6-B: Create an effective Farm-to-School program to bring fresh, locally grown/produced food to school meals and provide farm education programs." ment of Agriculture pursued and was granted a cialty Crop Block Grant. This grant award developing scratch cooking skills in school ketplace, writing a guidebook with recipes for food service growth in local procurement for local schools, farmer trainings, and exten-

Finalized in 2015, the grant program has laid the foundation for new pathways for farms to access to the school food market. Likewise, local school districts have grown in their motivation and ability to purchase farm fresh product. From 2012-2015, we've seen more than \$400,000 in sales made between local farms and local school districts.

Currently, the Farm to School Yolo program at the Yolo County Ag Department is focused on :

Helping farms make sales to schools

Helping farms acquire needed 3rd party food safety certification

Foraging for particular products or crops on behalf of school districts

2014-15 School Year Harvest of the Month

Month	Featured Fruit	Featured Vegetables
August	Stone Fruit	Zucchini
September	Apples	Tomatoes
October	Pears	Sweet Peppers
November	Persimmons	Cauliflower
December	Citrus	Cabbage
January	Citrus	Endives
February	Citrus	None
March	Dried Fruits & Nuts	Carrots
April	Strawberries	Asparagus
May	Strawberries	Spinach

AG IN THE CLASSROOM

2014
National Ag
Week Art
Contest Winners











Alicia Runninghawk-Vazquez
Esparto Elementary

Skye Adams
Willett Elementary

Amara Higgins
Birch Lane Elementary









Daniela Tamayo-Moreno
Plainfield Elementary

Andreas Olvera
Plainfield Elementary

Second Place





Miya Alamares
Zamora Elementary

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Maya Delaney St. James School Kindergaten-Rylee Villegas
Zamora Elementary Mrs. Ritcher
1st Grade-Noah Jauregui
Zamora Elementary Mrs. Imbach
2nd Grade-Emily Fierro
Esparto Elementary Mrs. Spalding
3rd Grade-Joanna Shields
Pioneer Elementary Mrs. Batha
4th Grade-Cameron Donald
Pioneer Elementary Cathy West
5th Grade Namrata Paudel
Prairie Elementary Mr. Soltero
6th Grade-Beth Delgado
Zamora Elementary Ms. Welty

Kindergarten 3rd-Alejandro Ramos Waggoner Elementary Mrs. Camilla Kindergarten 4th-Molly Terry Zamora Elementary Ms. Hagopian

First Grade 3rd– Isha Khab Zamora Elementary Mrs. Grose First Grade 4th-Riley Valle Esparto Elementary Ms. Anderson

Second Grade 3rd-Rachael Amen Gibson Elementary Mrs. Jarnagin Second Grade 4th-Riley Cramer Waggoner Elementary Mrs. Bryant

Third Grade 3rd-Emily Dodic
Winters Elementary Rachel Skinner
Third Grade 4th-Paige Sharp
Sci-Tech Academy Karen Flory

Fourth Grade 3rd-Alexis Fried Westmore Oaks Mrs. Butler Fourth Grade 4th-Jordan Cruz Holy Cross School Ms. Lisa Mann

Fifth Grade 3rd-Mia Truijillo Esparto Elementary Mrs. Pinter Fifth Grade 4th-Paige Telles Birch Lane Elementary Palow

Sixth Grade 3rd-Lizeth Bermudez Esparto Middle School Mrs. Pokswinski Sixth Grade 4th-Juliet Moody Birch Lane Elementary Ms. Palow This year's crop report would like to spotlight Yolo Food Bank. We recognize their diligence and hard work in helping to provide food for food closets, faith-based organizations, emergency shelters, migratory centers, soup kitchens, low-income housing sites, after-school programs, senior housing, Family Resource Centers, Summer Lunch Program and residential programs in Yolo County. In addition to these programs, Yolo Food Bank also helps to provide nutritious food to the 35,000 plus individuals in Yolo County who experience food insecurity.

Yolo County's local growers and ranchers generously donate farm-fresh produce, fresh eggs, tree fruits, and nuts. The Yolo Food Bank, with the help of over 300 volunteers, then receives, sorts, and repacks the donated items for distribution.

Yolo Food Bank's Shared Harvest program works with growers to obtain fresh local produce from Yolo County farms and orchards for distribution through its various programs

Since the program's inception in the summer of 2013,

Shared Harvest has received 600,00+ pounds of food

valued at **\$183,000**

which helped feed 17,000 households

from

37 local farms, ranches, and producers

Yolo Food Bank is eternally grateful for the ongoing support that it receives from our agricultural community and to the sharing of their harvest. If you are interested in participating in Shared Harvest, contact Kevin Sanchez at the Yolo Food Bank.

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