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AG DAY



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Why Celebrate Ag Day?

Americans need to understand the value of agriculture in their daily lives. Here are just some of the key reasons why it's important to recognize — and celebrate — Ag Day each year:

🚜 Increased knowledge of agriculture and nutrition allows individuals to make informed personal choices about diet and health.

👤 Informed citizens will be able to participate in establishing the policies that will support a competitive agricultural industry in this country and abroad.

👤 Employment opportunities exist across the board in agriculture — career choices include:

- 🏠 Farm Production
- 🏠 Agribusiness Management and Marketing
- 🏠 Agricultural Research and Engineering
- 🏠 Food science
- 🏠 Processing and Retailing
- 🏠 Banking
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- 🏠 Landscape Architecture
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- 🏠 Energy
- 🏠 and many other Ag-related fields

FACTS About Farming

Small family farms account for

90%

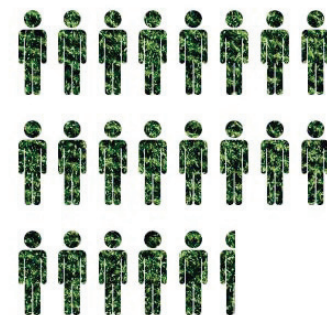
(2018 USDA)

of all U.S. farms

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The U.S. **DEPENDS** on Farming



Farming and related industries employ

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million people

making up 11% of total U.S. employment

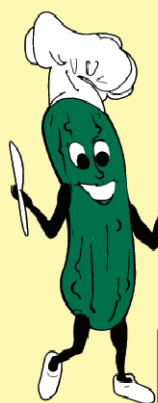
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👤 Beginning in kindergarten and continuing through 12th grade, all students should receive some systematic instruction about agriculture.

👤 Agriculture is too important a topic to be taught only to the small percentage of students considering careers in agriculture & pursuing vocational agricultural studies.

👤 Agricultural literacy includes an understanding of agriculture's history and current economic, social and environmental significance to all Americans. This understanding includes some knowledge of food, fiber and renewable resource production, processing and domestic and international marketing.

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American agriculture is the foundation of our country. It's the backbone of a healthy and prosperous nation that made possible by the hard work of America's farms and farm families.

March 24, 2020 is National Ag Day, a time when producers, agricultural associations, corporations, universities, government agencies and countless others across America gather to recognize and celebrate the abundance provided by American agriculture.

As the world population soars, there is even greater demand for the food, fiber and renewable resources produced in the United States.

The National Ag Day program believes that every American should:

- Understand how food, fiber and renewable resource products are produced.
- Value the essential role of agriculture in maintaining a strong economy.
- Appreciate the role agriculture plays in providing safe, abundant and affordable products.

• Acknowledge and consider career opportunities in the agriculture, food, fiber and renewable resource industries.

Agriculture provides almost everything we eat, use and wear on a daily basis, and is increasingly contributing to fuel and other bio-products. Each year, members of the agricultural industry gather together to promote American agriculture. This effort helps educate millions of consumers.

By far, the most effective part of this program is the role you play in helping spread the word. A few generations ago, most Americans were directly involved in — or had relatives or friends involved in — agricultural-related endeavors.

Today, that is no longer the case. That is why it is so important that we join together at the community level...our voices, in concert, become a shout that carries our message a great deal further than any one of us can do alone! We are pleased that you have joined this effort to promote American agriculture.



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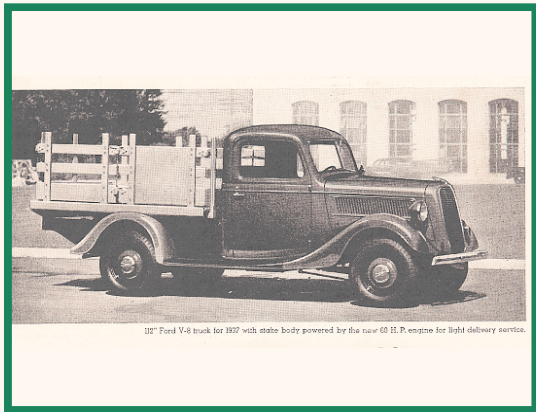
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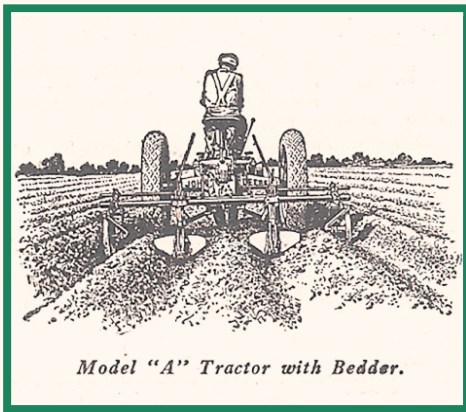
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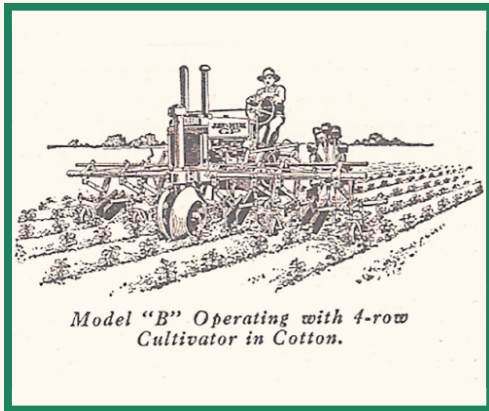
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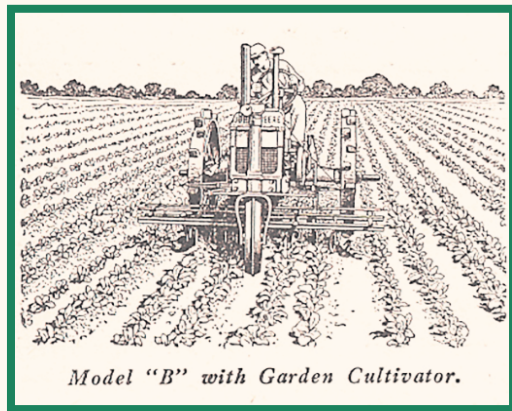
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Yolo County Crop Report 2018

The gross value of Yolo County’s agricultural production for 2018 was \$675,896,000. This represents an increase of \$39,501,000 or 6.2% above 2017’s value of \$636,395,000 corrected value. Almonds remain in the number one spot with a gross value of \$112,980,000, followed by Processing Tomatoes with a gross value of \$100,944,000.

Almonds, Tomatoes, Wine Grapes, Rice and Organic Production are the top five commodities according to gross value.

Alfalfa Hay, Walnuts, Sunflower Seed, Nursery Products, and Cattle round out the top ten commodities for 2018.

We would like to express our appreciation to all the farmers, ranchers, and agencies who contributed data to make this Yolo County Department of Agriculture report possible. 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.

TOP 20 COMMODITIES

Commodity	2018	2017	2016
1. Almonds (Meats)	\$112,980,000	\$115,020,000	\$99,234,000
2. Tomatoes, Processing	\$100,944,000	\$86,800,000	\$121,513,000
3. Grapes, Wine (All)	\$83,596,000	\$86,012,000	\$81,264,000
4. Rice ¹	\$52,000,000	\$39,585,000	\$43,016,000
5. Organic Production (All)	\$48,525,000	\$49,989,000	\$58,863,000
6. Hay, Alfalfa	\$28,457,000	\$21,359,000	\$23,290,000
7. Walnuts (All)	\$25,842,000	\$44,457,000	\$34,176,000
8. Sunflower Seed	\$24,978,000	\$32,437,000	\$34,354,000
9. Nursery (All) ²	\$19,687,000	\$19,068,000	\$18,303,000
10. Cattle and Calves	\$16,704,000	\$15,707,000	\$15,730,000
11. Apiary ³	\$13,175,000	\$11,432,000	\$9,115,000
12. Wheat	\$12,901,000	\$6,670,000	\$9,749,000
13. Plums (Dried)	\$9,594,000	\$6,673,000	\$3,137,000
14. Corn, Field	\$9,570,000	\$4,377,000	\$5,197,000
15. Olives (Oil)	\$7,216,000	\$10,488,000	\$5,586,000
16. Pasture and Grass Seed	\$7,132,000	\$6,623,000	\$6,221,000
17. Hay, Grain ⁴	\$6,655,000	\$1,967,000	\$2,909,000
18. Almonds (Hulls)	\$4,030,000	\$3,600,000	\$3,060,000
19. Sheep and Lambs	\$2,695,000	\$2,170,000	\$2,280,000
20. Pasture, Irrigated	\$830,000	\$686,000	\$813,000

¹ Includes seed; values include Federal Rice Payments
² Includes bareroot, benchcraft, budwood, container stock, cuttings, organic transplants, transplants, and trees
³ Includes colonies, honey, package bees, pollination, queens, and wax
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Yolo County Farm Bureau's 24th Annual National Ag Week Art Contest

The Yolo County Farm Bureau hosted its 24th annual 2020 National Ag Week Art Contest and received hundreds of pictures from kids in Kindergarten through 6th grade from all over Yolo County for this year's contest themed Equipment & Technology in Agriculture!

Submitted pictures were hung throughout the Farm Bureau office in February and winners were chosen in each grade for

first through fourth place. There will be an awards ceremony for all the winners to be held at the Woodland Community Center where they will receive a rosette, certificate and their framed original drawing.

First place winners will receive an ice cream party for their whole class where the entire class gets to build their own ice cream sundaes, learn about agriculture from a farmer and do a fun craft. This year,

one grand prize winner will have their artwork featured on the volunteer shirts for Farm Connection Day.

The Yolo County Farm Bureau and The Daily Democrat are please to share this year's winners with you below. We send out a very special Thank You! To all the students who participated in this year's contest!

If you have any questions, please contact the Yolo County Farm Bureau.

2020 YOLO COUNTY FARM BUREAU AG ART CONTEST WINNERS

KINDERGARTEN



1ST PLACE • Gabriela Beltran



2ND PLACE • Drake Locatelli Plainfield



1ST PLACE • Lizzy Tassone



2ND PLACE • Cole Anger Waggoner



3RD PLACE • Kylie Cano Esparto



4TH PLACE • Zoey McKinnon OLG



3RD PLACE • Samantha Lucero Esparto



4TH PLACE • Olivia Lopez WC

2ND GRADE



1ST PLACE • Violet Forristall



2ND PLACE • Amelia Cabrera



3RD PLACE • Karanveer Sran

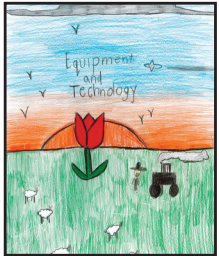


4TH PLACE • Keira Elliot

3RD GRADE



1ST PLACE • Tatiana Gaytan
Whitehead Lopez



2ND PLACE • Naomi Copaciu
Maxwell Avalos



3RD PLACE • Joshua Golladay
Whitehead Lopez



4TH PLACE • Jax Richter

4TH GRADE



1ST PLACE • Maya Flores Tafoya



2ND PLACE • Elianna Passerini
Pioneer



3RD PLACE • Chloe Groveman



4TH PLACE • Liliana Garcia

5TH GRADE



1ST PLACE • Gavin Ross



2ND PLACE • Joey Ramirez Tafoya



3RD PLACE • Isabel Peters

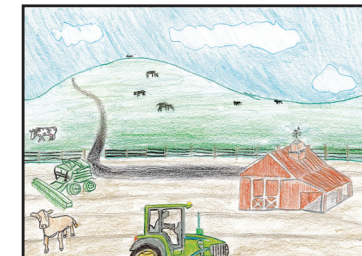


4TH PLACE • Morris Wang

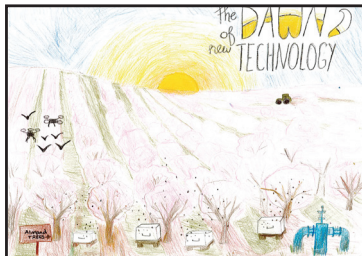
6TH GRADE



1ST PLACE • Zoe Honda Scully
Cesar Chavez Sureda



2ND PLACE • Samuel Liao Grace
Valley Washabaugh





3RD PLACE • Lily Krivanek Cesar
Chavez Sureda



4TH PLACE • Damian Jaime
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Woodland’s ideal climate, rich soil, and reliable water supply support a wide variety of crops that sustain a diverse portfolio of businesses. The Food Front is home to all facets of the food system from local farms and food processors to seed research and Ag technology companies. As this diverse and collaborative community grows, our food and agriculture industry thrives.



The Food Front dedicated to keeping Woodland at the forefront of food and Ag responsibility by cultivating existing relationships and warmly welcoming new ones. With the same humility and pride Woodland was built on, The Food Front will continue to serve as leaders for a responsible future.

Every Woodland company’s contribution to The Food Front’s mission is unique and constantly evolves the definition of responsibility in food and Ag. Their partners in every facet of the food system push the limits of organic, sustainable, local, and healthy products. The Food Front and their partners work together to continually improve how our food is grown, harvested, processed, and enjoyed. This sense of duty begins with a deep respect for the land and the people who work it and extends to the nutritional health our foods provide today and for future generations.



Estimations based on population growth show a need to increase food production 70% by 2050. Demands on the food system are rapidly translating to potentially irreversible impacts on our natural environment and human health.

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