

**SONOMA COUNTY, CA**

Information based on Congressional Districts of the 106th U.S. Congress, 1997

	1997	1992	1987
<b>Farms</b>			
Number	2,745	2,737	3,039
Acreage	570,804	517,114	549,539
Average size (acres)	208	189	181
Median size (acres)	20	N	N
<b>Estimated market value average per farm</b>			
Land/buildings (dollars)	1,025,359	894,536	472,562
Machinery/equip (dollars)	46,913	33,159	25,933
<b>Cropland (acres)</b>			
Total	144,544	147,467	160,362
Harvested	80,771	80,614	86,695
Irrigated	57,181	44,549	36,434
<b>Agricultural products sold - market value</b>			
(\$1,000)	463,616	280,854	209,066
(dollars avg. per farm)	168,895	102,614	68,794
<b>Agricultural sales - Net cash return per farm</b>			
(dollars average)	49,092	21,572	14,106
<b>Livestock inventory (number)</b>			
Cattle and calves	93,462	97,243	92,795
Beef cows	15,502	18,348	16,684
Milk cows	32,407	32,987	30,293
Hogs and pigs	1,039	4,271	5,425
Sheep and lambs	21,314	35,185	42,611
Layers 13 wks or/older	1,149,259	D	1,304,735
Broilers and chicken (sold)	10,322,406	4,643,902	D
<b>Harvested commodities (acres)</b>			
Corn, grain or seed	N	N	N
Corn, silage or green chop	N	N	N
Sorghum, grain or seed	N	N	N
Wheat	D	D	D
Barley	0	0	D
Oats	N	N	N
Rice	0	0	0
Sunflower seed	N	N	N
Cotton	0	0	0
Tobacco	N	N	N
Soybeans	N	N	N
Dry edible beans, excl limas	N	N	N
Potatoes, excl sweetpotatoes	N	N	N
Sugar beets for sugar	N	N	N
Sugarcane for sugar	N	N	N
Peanuts for nuts	N	N	N
Hay-alfalfa	26,565	26,534	33,232
<b>Vegetables</b>			
Number of farms	177	118	91
Acreage	2,001	1,165	642
<b>Orchards</b>			
Number of farms	1,415	1,348	1,387
Acreage	50,301	48,812	47,632

**Abbreviations/footnotes:**

N represents zero.

0 represents an insignificant amount.

D-Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual farms.

Source: USDA, NASS, 1997 Census of Agriculture