SANTA ROSA COUNTY AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS - 2004

	ACREAGE	PRODUCTION	TOTAL	UNIT	GROSS
CROP	PLANTED	PER ACRE	PRODUCTION	\$ VALUE	\$ VALUE
Soybeans	542	40 bu.	21,680 bu.	5.30	114,904
Peanuts	17,783	3,980 lbs.	35,388 tons	0.17	12,031,978
Cotton	21,876	795 lbs.	34,783 bales	0.48	8,347,882
Cottonseed		1,297 lbs.	14,188 tons	95.00	1,347,835
Corn	625	85 bu.	53,125 bu.	2.25	119,531
Wheat *	2,530	45 bu.	113,850 bu.	3.40	387,090
Oats	350	50 bu.	17,500 bu.	1.75	30,625
Sorghum	50	55 bu.	2,750 bu.	1.95	5,363
Hay-Silage	6,250		\$240 /acre		1,500,000
Improved Pasture	6,850		\$125 /acre		856,250
Native Pasture	10,500		\$25 /acre		262,500
Truck Crops	2,500		\$800 /acre		2,000,000
Watermelons	300		\$1,500 /acre		450,000
Pecans	210	0 lbs.	0 lbs.	1.17	0
Orna. Horticulture	**				15,000,000
CRP ***	4,304				370,789
				****	18,900,324
TOTAL	74,670				\$61,725,070

LIVESTOCK	APPROXIMATE PRODUCTION	PER UNIT \$ VALUE	GROSS \$ VALUE
Beef			
(Breeding Cattle)	500 head	745.34	372,670
(Steers/Heifers)	3,500 head	558.58	1,955,030
Hogs (Market)	225 head	65.00	14,625
Goats	4,000 head	57.00	228,000
Quail (Mature)	30,000	3.00	90,000
Pheasants	20,000	10.00	200,000
Aquaculture (Catfish)	5,000 lbs.	1.50	7,500
TOTAL			\$2,867,825

TOTAL CROPS & LIVESTOCK \$64,592,895

FORESTRY FACTS

Timberland Acres:	478,100	Direct Employees: 400	
Government Acres:	187,400	Value of Standing Timber (Before Ivan):	\$550,000,000
Forest Industry Acres	165,900	Forest Mfg & Forest Value Added:	\$34,400,000
Other Private Acres:	124,800		

The above statistics are estimates based on FSA and Farm Market records compiled by County Agricultural Agencies (Cooperative Extension, FSA, NRCS, and Florida Division of Forestry).

- * Wheat harvested for grain which was double-cropped to either cotton or soybeans.
- ** Approximately 30 nurseries.
- *** Conservation Reserve Program. (Note: Hurricane Ivan damaged a number of tree plantings that had to be clear-cut and taken out of the program.)
- **** Amount paid by FSA for disaster payments, conservation programs and for participation in voluntary farm programs in cotton, corn, grain sorghum, oats, and wheat.

Santa Rosa County AG Facts

- 1) Florida's leader in conservation tillage. Growers continued to expand the adoption of conservation tillage in 2004 to approximately 28,000 acres (16,000 ac. cotton and 12,000 ac. peanuts).
- 2) Florida's leader in cotton production. In 1993, we were the U.S. leader in dryland cotton production.
- 3) Florida's leader in peanut yields.
- 4) Leads the state in farmer participation in the Environmental Quality Incentive Program (EQIP) with over 275 contracts.
- 5) Leads the state with the number of acres of Class I prime farmland.
- 6) The Santa Rosa County Farm Tour began in 1966 and is the longest running annual farm tour in the state.

Adequate rainfall and good growing conditions occurred through mid-September resulting in excellent potential for most crops. However, Hurricane Ivan struck the area on September 16 resulting in loss of approximately 100 percent of the pecan crop and 30 percent of the cotton crop.

2004 Precipitation in Inches

(West Florida Research and Education Center, Jay Farm)

	<u>Jan.</u> 3.40	<u>Feb.</u> 7.19	<u>Mar.</u> 0.87	<u>Apr.</u> 3.65	<u>May</u> 1.47	<u>June</u> 10.87	<u>July</u> 8.80	<u>Aug.</u> 8.31	<u>Sept.</u> 13.16	Oct. 2.84	<u>Nov.</u> 9.36	<u>Dec.</u> 5.21
56-yr. Avg.	5.31	5.00	6.44	4.68	4.21	7.59	7.79	6.45	6.59	3.68	4.47	4.99
Total Rainfall												
<u>1995</u>	<u>1996</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1999</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>2001</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>2004</u>		<u>56-yr.</u>	Avg.
87.17	65.42	70.19	77.29	53.07	52.13	55.02	69.03	69.51	75.13		67.20	
2004 Temperature °F												
Max.	72.1	70.7	84.4	83.9	91.0	92.6	96.0	93.0	89.9	88.4	82.7	75.8
Min.	25.8	27.9	32.6	37.6	45.8	65.1	68.9	63.9	62.8	44.6	33.1	23.2