

SANTA ROSA COUNTY AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS - 2007

CROP	ACREAGE PLANTED	PRODUCTION PER ACRE	TOTAL PRODUCTION	UNIT \$ VALUE	GROSS \$ VALUE
Soybeans	800	48 bu.	38,400 bu.	8.00	307,200
Peanuts	15,282	3,640 lbs.	27,813 tons	0.18	10,012,766
Cotton	23,065	839 lbs.	38,703 bales	0.62	11,901,194
Cottonseed		1,369 lbs.	15,787 tons	150.00	2,368,017
Corn	625	75 bu.	46,875 bu.	4.00	187,500
Wheat *	954	81 bu.	77,274 bu.	7.00	540,918
Oats	200	50 bu.	10,000 bu.	4.00	40,000
Sorghum	50	55 bu.	2,750 bu.	3.24	8,910
Hay-Silage	6,834	4.35 tons	\$690 /acre		4,715,460
Improved Pasture	7,536		\$148 /acre		1,115,328
Native Pasture	10,000		\$35 /acre		350,000
Truck Crops	2,500		\$1,100 /acre		2,750,000
Watermelons	110		\$1,500 /acre		165,000
Pecans	229	600 lbs.	137,400 lbs.	0.70	96,180
Orna. Horticulture	**				15,000,000
CRP ***	4,188				188,400
				****	7,838,119
TOTAL	72,373 *****				\$57,584,992

LIVESTOCK	APPROXIMATE PRODUCTION	PER UNIT \$ VALUE	GROSS \$ VALUE
Beef			
(Breeding Cattle)	500 head	772.54	386,270
(Steers/Heifers)	3,500 head	583.88	2,043,580
Hogs (Market)	200 head	101.82	20,364
Goats	3,820 head	65.00	248,300
Aquaculture (Catfish)	2,500 lbs.	2.25	5,625
Quail	9,000 head	3.00	27,000
Equine	14,000 head		
TOTAL			\$2,731,139

TOTAL CROPS & LIVESTOCK \$60,316,131

FORESTRY FACTS

Timberland Acres:	474,426	Direct Employees:	400
(Public Land Acres:	225,343)		
(Forest Industry and Private Land:	249,083)	Forest Manufacturing Output	\$36,900,000

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: Hurricanes Ivan and Dennis 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.
- ***** Approximately 2,500 acres of cropland were either left fallow or converted to other use.

Santa Rosa County AG Facts

- 1) Florida's leader in the adoption of conservation tillage with approximately 35,000 acres for the major row crops of cotton, peanuts, and soybeans.
- 2) Florida's leader in cotton yields. In 1993, we were the U.S. leader in dryland cotton yield per acre and we broke our own record in 2006.
- 3) Second in the state in total peanut acreage and production. Usually rank first in average yields per acre and in crop quality. Because of the high quality, the majority of our peanuts are used for seed peanuts.
- 4) Leads the state with the number of acres of Class I farmland.
- 5) The Santa Rosa County Farm Tour began in 1966 and is the longest running annual farm tour of its kind in the state. This is the 42nd consecutive year.

Dry weather and drought stress characterized most of the crop growing season through early August. However, rainfall received during mid August through October allowed many cotton and peanut fields to mature a late crop, resulting in above average yields.

2007 Precipitation in Inches

(West Florida Research and Education Center, Jay Research Farm)

	<u>Jan.</u>	<u>Feb.</u>	<u>Mar.</u>	<u>Apr.</u>	<u>May</u>	<u>June</u>	<u>July</u>	<u>Aug.</u>	<u>Sept.</u>	<u>Oct.</u>	<u>Nov.</u>	<u>Dec.</u>
59-yr.	5.16	3.31	1.18	2.98	1.75	1.33	6.79	2.87	5.20	7.32	5.29	4.90
Avg.	5.26	4.94	6.32	4.78	4.12	7.40	7.89	6.42	6.47	3.69	4.45	4.90

Total Rainfall

<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>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>59-yr. Avg.</u>
70.19	77.29	53.07	52.13	55.02	69.03	69.51	75.13	77.55	41.86	48.08	66.62

2007 Temperature °F

Max.	75.1	78.4	85.7	86.3	91.5	101.1	94.3	96.9	102.1	87.3	77.7	78.7
Min.	24.5	21.4	31.2	38.2	48.2	63.0	66.7	69.8	59.8	40.6	31.7	28.9