

## SANTA ROSA COUNTY AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS - 2006

<b>CROP</b>	<b>ACREAGE PLANTED</b>	<b>PRODUCTION PER ACRE</b>	<b>TOTAL PRODUCTION</b>	<b>UNIT \$ VALUE</b>	<b>GROSS \$ VALUE</b>
Soybeans	1,500	45 bu.	67,500 bu.	6.00	405,000
Peanuts	15,187	3,680 lbs.	27,944 tons	0.17	9,500,987
Cotton	24,250	1,133 lbs.	54,951 bales	0.58	15,935,645
Cottonseed		1,849 lbs.	22,414 tons	75.00	1,681,051
Corn	800	65 bu.	52,000 bu.	3.48	180,960
Wheat *	2,600	58 bu.	150,800 bu.	4.70	708,760
Oats	200	50 bu.	10,000 bu.	2.05	20,500
Sorghum	50	55 bu.	2,750 bu.	3.24	8,910
Hay-Silage	7,000	5 tons	\$690 /acre		4,830,000
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	100		\$1,500 /acre		150,000
Pecans	229	450 lbs.	103,050 lbs.	0.70	72,135
Orna. Horticulture	**				15,000,000
CRP ***	4,188				188,400
				****	17,193,185
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>76,140 *****</b>				<b>\$70,090,862</b>

<b>LIVESTOCK</b>	<b>APPROXIMATE PRODUCTION</b>	<b>PER UNIT \$ VALUE</b>	<b>GROSS \$ VALUE</b>
Beef			
(Breeding Cattle)	500 head	735.76	367,880
(Steers/Heifers)	3,500 head	556.08	1,946,280
Hogs (Market)	200 head	107.80	21,560
Goats	4,320 head	64.00	276,480
Aquaculture (Catfish)	3,000 lbs.	1.80	5,400
Equine	14,000 head		
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$2,617,600</b>

**TOTAL CROPS & LIVESTOCK                    \$72,708,462**

### 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: 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 4,000 acres of cropland were either left fallow or lost to development.

***Santa Rosa County AG Facts***

- 1) Florida's leader in conservation tillage. Growers continued to expand the adoption of conservation tillage in 2006 to approximately 35,000 acres (20,000 ac. cotton and 15,000 ac. peanuts).
- 2) Florida's leader in cotton production. In 1993, we were the U.S. leader in dryland cotton production and in 2006 we have potentially broken this record again.
- 3) Florida's leader in peanut yields and 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 41<sup>st</sup> consecutive year.

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

**2006 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>
58-yr.	4.27	4.36	1.82	4.77	2.21	3.17	4.7	6.92	1.64	4.36	2.51	1.13
Avg.	5.26	4.97	6.41	4.81	4.16	7.50	7.91	6.48	6.49	3.63	4.44	4.90

**Total Rainfall**

<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>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>58-yr. Avg.</u>
65.42	70.19	77.29	53.07	52.13	55.02	69.03	69.51	75.13	77.55	41.86	66.94

**2006 Temperature °F**

Max.	78.1	77.1	78.5	90.5	95.0	97.4	95.2	94.2	89.7	89.8	80.4	79.6
Min.	26.5	24.9	34.5	42.8	52.0	60.7	66.0	66.1	51.9	38.2	32.4	23.5