



# City and County of San Francisco 2014 Agricultural Crop Report



## Agriculture Program





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In compliance with the provisions of Section 2279 of the California Food and Agriculture Code, I respectfully submit this report of the agricultural production for the City and County of San Francisco for the calendar year 2014. This report represents the gross value for crops produced in the County and does not reflect net farm income or profit and loss value for these commodities.

My appreciation goes to the individuals for their cooperation in providing the necessary information for the preparation of this crop report. I also especially thank the members of my staff for their assistance in compiling this report.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Miguel A. Monroy".

Miguel A. Monroy

Agricultural Commissioner

Sealer of Weights and Measures

## 2014 Agricultural Report

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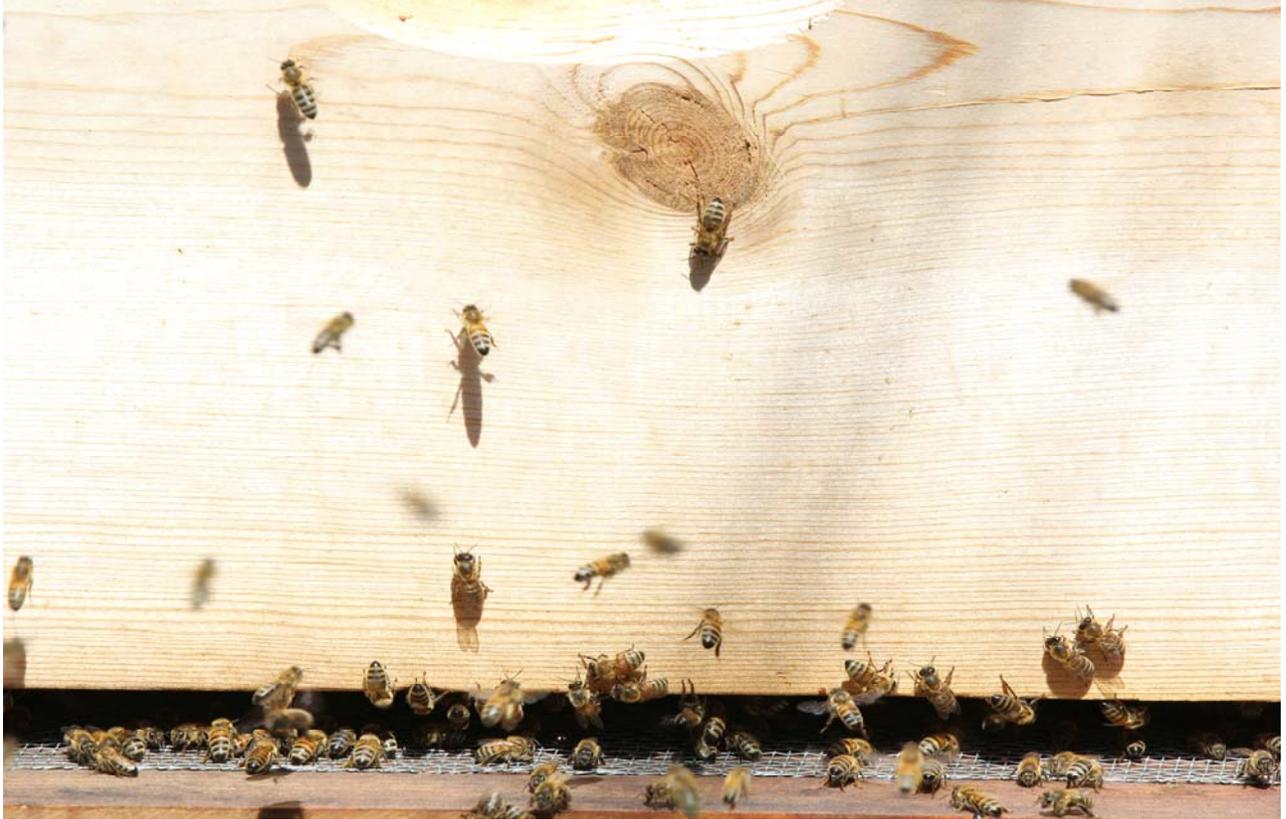
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		GROSS VALUE
<b>MISCELLANEOUS FARM PRODUCTS</b>		\$755,800.00
Urban Honey Production	<u>250 hives</u>	<u>52,500.00</u>
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$808,300.00</b>



## *2014 San Francisco County Sustainable Agriculture Report*



*Inspected 5,470 shipments for Invasive Pests*

*Issued 125 Federal Phytosanitary Certificates for outgoing shipments*

*Issued 206 State Phytosanitary Certificates for outgoing shipments*

*Inspected 227 Glassy-Winged Sharpshooter Traps*

*Inspected 1,065 Plant Shipments for Glassy-Winged Sharpshooter*

*Inspected 183 Outgoing Shipments for Light Brown Apple Moth Regulatory Compliance*

*Inspected 33 Farmers Markets*

*Approved 22 Certified Farmer's Markets*

*Registered 18 Organic Handlers*

# *2014 San Francisco Certified Farmers Markets*

<b>Monday:</b>	50 Fremont	<b>Friday:</b>	Heart of City
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Ferry Plaza Yerba Buena	<b>Saturday:</b>	Alemany Ferry Plaza Fillmore Noe Valley
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Castro Heart of City Mission Bay San Francisco Kaiser San Francisco VA Second Street UCSF Parnassus Upper Haight	<b>Sunday:</b>	Divisadero Fort Mason Glen Park Heart of City Inner Sunset Clement Stonestown
<b>Thursday:</b>	Crocker Galleria Ferry Plaza SF State University Mission Community		



## *Urban Agriculture Incentive Zone*



### California's first Urban Agriculture Incentive Zone participant: 18th & Rhode Island Garden

In just a few short years, an empty lot at the corner of 18th and Rhode Island Streets in Potrero Hill has transformed from a sandy lot to a verdant and beautiful permaculture garden boasting many varieties of vegetables, fruit and nut trees, and rare plants, thanks to neighborhood volunteers and the vision of the site's owner. The garden has become a prized open space in this dense residential neighborhood, where locals can meet one another and participate in growing and harvesting fresh fruits and vegetables.

The garden has become the first participant to take advantage of the state's Urban Agriculture Incentive Zones Act (CA Assembly Bill 551), meant to incentivize the creation and preservation of urban agriculture sites. The legislation acknowledges that urban agriculture benefits communities in many ways, through education about food, nutrition, and the environment; addressing sustainability goals; building community; creating green spaces, and benefiting the local economy. Under this program, property taxes for the 18th and Rhode Island Garden will be deeply discounted for five years, on the condition that the site will be preserved as publicly-accessible urban agriculture over this period.

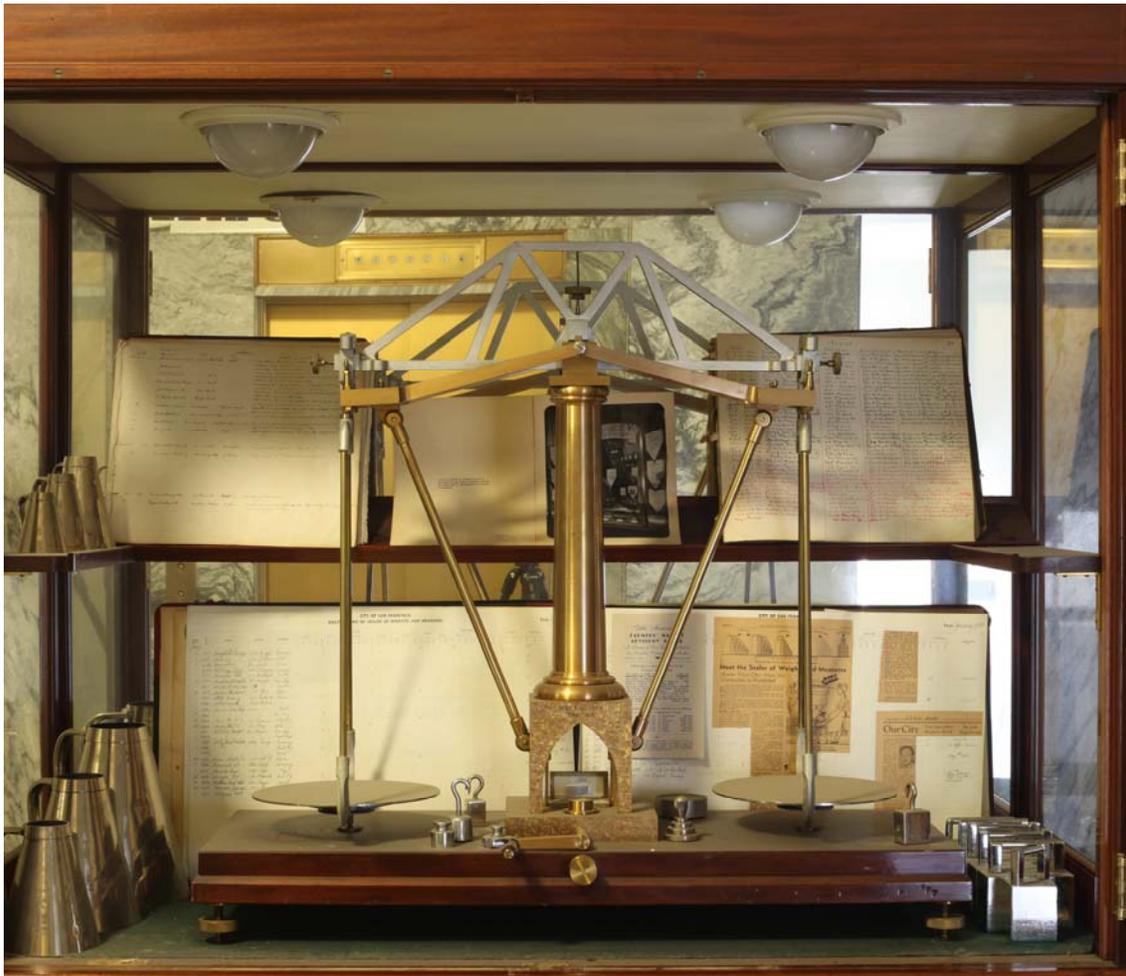
For more information: Department of Public Health [www.sfdph.org](http://www.sfdph.org)  
San Francisco Recreation & Parks <http://sfrecpark.org/park-improvements/urban-agriculture-program-citywide/>

## *Weights and Measures Program*

The San Francisco County Sealer of Weights and Measures is responsible for the inspection, testing and certification of all weighing and measuring devices used commercially in the City and County of San Francisco.

The primary function of the Weights and Measures Program is to offer protection to consumers, ensure fair competition for industry and accurate value comparison for consumers.

It offers protection to consumers through the following programs: Device Program, Device Repairman Program, Quantity Control Program, Weighmaster Program and Petroleum Program. These programs monitor the accuracy of commercial weighing and measuring devices, pricing accuracy at the checkout to maintain consumer confidence and value comparison, as well as monitoring the quality, advertising and labeling standards for most petroleum products.



## Weights and Measures Program

### *Device Inspection Program*

The San Francisco County Sealer of Weights and Measures is responsible for the inspection, testing, and certification of all commercial scales and meters within the City and County of San Francisco.

The goal of the Weights and Measures Program is to ensure and enforce fair competition for industry, protect consumers, and guarantee accurate value comparisons.

There are several programs that seek to offer protection for consumers: the Device Program, the Device Repairman Program, the Quantity Control Program, The Weighmaster Program, and the Petroleum Program. The Device Inspection Program monitors the accuracy of commercial weighing and measuring devices to ensure equity in transactions.

*Staff inspected and sealed a total of 4571 weighing and measuring devices in 2014.*

## Weights and Measures Program

### *Device Repairman Program*

All persons, firms, or associations that repair commercial measuring or weighing devices for payment of any kind must be registered with the Department of Food and Agriculture Division of Measurement Standards as a service agency. The aforementioned agency must notify the County Sealer of Weights and Measures of all repairs in writing within 24 hours with a "Placed in Service" report.

All employees of the Service Agency that repair, service, install, or recondition commercial measuring and weighing devices must be licensed by the State of California. All servicepersons are examined to ensure knowledge of weights and measures laws and regulations.

Inspectors from the Department of Weights and Measures inspect the work of service agents to ensure that all serviced devices are accurate and meet all tolerance and specification requirements.

*Weights and Measures inspectors examined the repair and installation of 494 devices in 2014*

# Weights and Measures Program

## Quantity Control Program

The purpose of the Quantity Control Program is to guarantee equity and accuracy in all commercial transactions that involve quantity representations at retail establishments, wholesale locations, and manufacturing locations including warehouses, packaging plants, feed mills, shipping companies, and lumber yards. The Quantity Control Program is also responsible for the enforcement of the Fair Packaging and Labeling Act. The Fair Packaging and Labeling Act prevents deceptive packaging practices and ensure that customers receive the information they need to compare values.

Weights and Measures Inspectors work diligently to protect consumers, businesses, and manufacturers from unfair practices—the Labeling Program, the Test Purchase Program, the Package Inspection Program, and the Price Verification Program are such programs.

The Price Verification Program, also known as the Automated Point of Sale Inspection Program, requires that all retail stores using automated point-of-sale systems (scanners, Price Look Up, SKU codes) register with the San Francisco County Sealer of Weights and Measures.

*Weights and Measures inspectors conducted inspections at 1909 locations using point-of sale systems and scanned 28,501 packages to verify the price accuracy of transactions. There were 250 overcharges and 398 undercharges. A total of 435 Notices of Violation were issued.*



## Weights and Measures Program

### *Weighmaster Enforcement Program*

Weighmasters are persons that weigh and measure bulk commodities and issue weighmaster certificates of accuracy. This includes jewelry dealers who buy and sell non-ferrous precious scrap metal, gold, silver, and platinum.

Weighmasters and their deputies are licensed by the State of California Division of Measurement Standards and are subject to inspections of documentation and accuracy of measurement.

*Weights and Measures inspectors conducted 14 weighmaster audits in 2014*

## Weights and Measures Program

### *Petroleum Inspection Program*

The Petroleum Inspection Program monitors compliance with quality standards for the majority of automotive products such as gasoline, oxygenated blends, motor oil, brake fluid, transmission fluid, diesel fluid, antifreeze, and alternative engine fuels sold and used in the City and County of San Francisco. Additionally, the Program responds to complaints that involve the advertising and labeling of the aforementioned products.

*Weights and Measures Inspectors conducted 95 inspections of gas stations and issued 16 Notices of Violation in 2014.*

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