



2012 California Farm Production Expenditures Release



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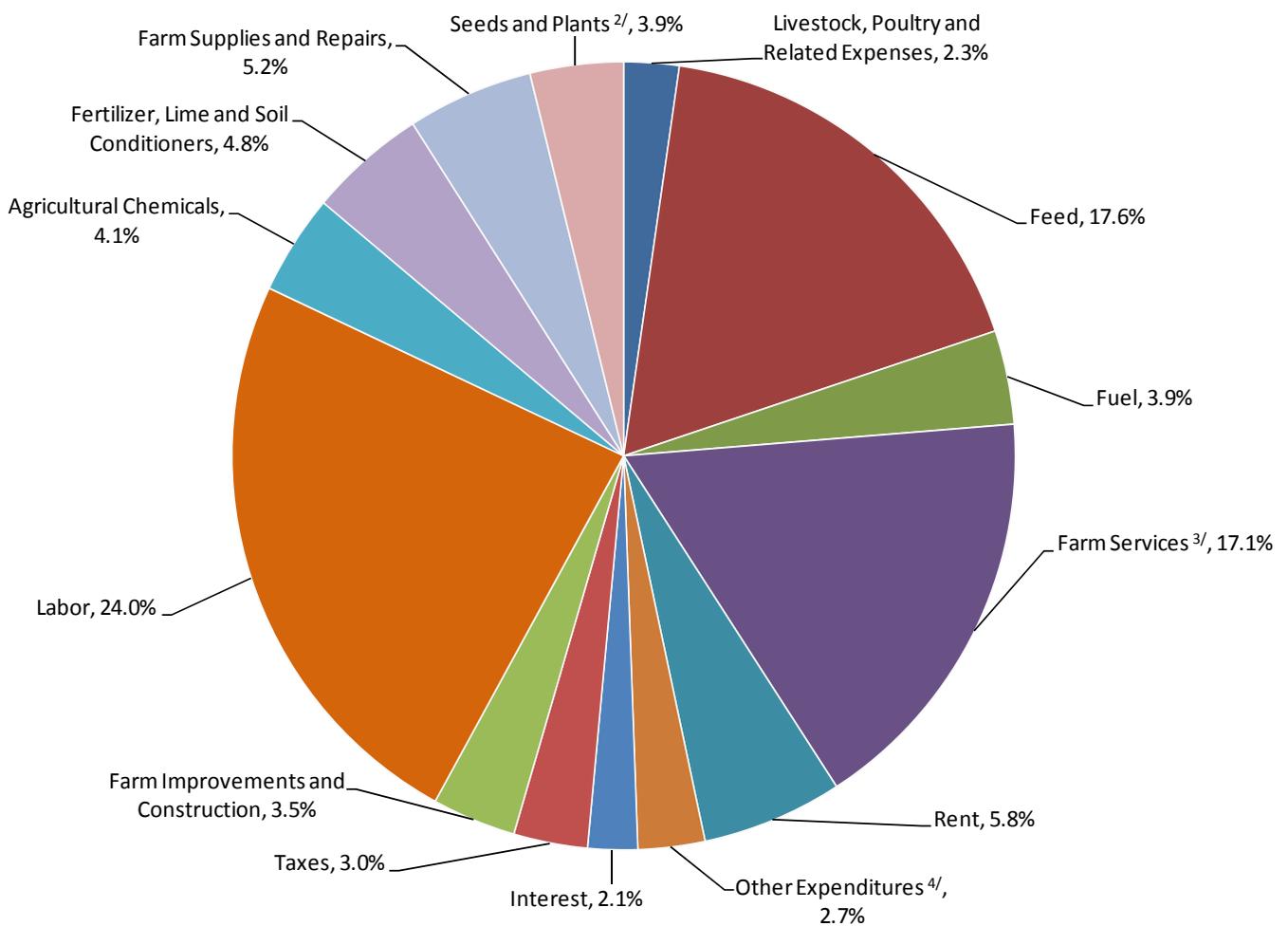
CALIFORNIA PRODUCTION EXPENDITURES

California's Total Farm Production Expenditures totaled \$31.2 billion in 2012, up 0.5 percent from the 2011 revised estimate of \$31.0 billion. California had the largest percentage of the 2012 U.S. total expenditures at 8.9 percent. Expense items showing the largest increase from the previous year were: Feed, up \$370 million; Farm Supplies and Repairs, up \$190 million; and Seeds and Plants, up \$130 million. The three largest decreases occurred in: Interest, down \$200 million from 2011; Other Farm Machinery, down \$120 million; and Farm Services and Fertilizer, Lime and Soil Conditioners were both down \$110 million. Expenditures per California farm averaged \$387,081 in 2012, compared with \$380,245 in 2011. On average, California producers spent the most on Labor at \$92,919 per farm, Feed at \$68,075 and Farm Services at \$66,335.

U.S. PRODUCTION EXPENDITURES

U.S. Total Farm Production Expenditures were \$352 billion for 2012, up from \$319 billion in 2011. The 2012 Total farm production expenditures were up 10.4 percent compared with 2011 Total farm production expenditures. All expense items showed increases from the previous year except Interest, which decreased \$1.50 billion. The top three largest itemized expense increases from 2011 were in the following categories: Feed, up \$4.50 billion; Tractors and Self-Propelled Farm Machinery, up \$4.10 billion; and Labor, up \$4.00 billion. The four largest expenditures at the United States level totaled \$161.8 billion and accounted for 46.0 percent of Total expenditures in 2012. These include Feed, 16.8 percent, Farm services, 11.3 percent, Livestock, poultry and related expenses, 9.1 percent, and Labor, 8.8 percent.

CALIFORNIA FARM EXPENDITURES AS A PERCENT OF TOTAL FARM EXPENDITURES, 2012^{1/}



^{1/} Totals may not add due to rounding. Includes operator, landlord and contractor share of farm production expenses.

^{2/} Includes all purchases of seed, plants, and seed treatments for nursery and farming operations. Excludes bedding plants, nursery stock, and seed purchased for resale.

^{3/} Includes all crop custom work, veterinary custom services, transportation costs, marketing charges, insurance, leasing of machinery and equipment, utilities, general expenses and miscellaneous business expenses.

^{4/} Includes interest, taxes, farm improvements and construction, tractors and self-propelled farm machinery, other farm machinery, trucks and autos, and miscellaneous capital expenses

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More results, including data for the Western region, can be found at:

<http://www.nass.usda.gov/Publications> and <http://www.ers.usda.gov/Briefing/ARMS/>.

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California Farm Production Expenditures by Farms Reporting, Average per Farm, and Total, 2011-12^{1/}

Expenditure ^{2/}	Average per Farm ^{3/}		Total Expenditures			Farms Reporting	
	2011	2012	2011	2012	Change from 2011	2011	2012
	<i>(dollars)</i>		<i>(million dollars)</i>		<i>(percent)</i>	<i>(percent)</i>	
Livestock, Poultry and Related Expenses	9,571	8,820	780	710	-9.0%	10.6	15.6
Feed	62,699	68,075	5,110	5,480	7.2%	32.3	36.2
Farm Services ^{4/}	66,871	66,335	5,450	5,340	-2.0%	90.5	95.3
Rent	20,859	22,484	1,700	1,810	6.5%	20.2	23.6
Agricultural Chemicals	15,828	15,901	1,290	1,280	-0.8%	42.8	47.6
Fertilizer, Lime and Soil Conditioners	19,877	18,758	1,620	1,510	-6.8%	49.0	51.9
Interest	10,307	7,950	840	640	-23.8%	26.1	22.8
Taxes	12,761	11,801	1,040	950	-8.7%	100.0	100.0
Labor	91,779	92,919	7,480	7,480	0.0%	54.4	51.9
Fuel	13,742	14,907	1,120	1,200	7.1%	71.6	77.4
Farm Supplies and Repairs	17,546	20,124	1,430	1,620	13.3%	70.1	78.9
Farm Improvements and Construction	12,270	13,416	1,000	1,080	8.0%	39.9	37.5
Tractors and Self-Propelled Farm Machinery	6,380	6,087	520	490	-5.8%	14.9	9.0
Other Farm Machinery	3,313	1,863	270	150	-44.4%	13.2	6.2
Seeds and Plants ^{5/}	13,129	14,907	1,070	1,200	12.1%	29.5	28.9
Trucks and Autos	2,822	1,988	230	160	-30.4%	13.9	8.1
Miscellaneous Capital Expenses	491	745	40	60	50.0%	10.3	3.1
Total Farm Production Expenditures	380,245	387,081	30,990	31,160	0.5%	100.0	100.0

^{1/} Totals may not add due to rounding.

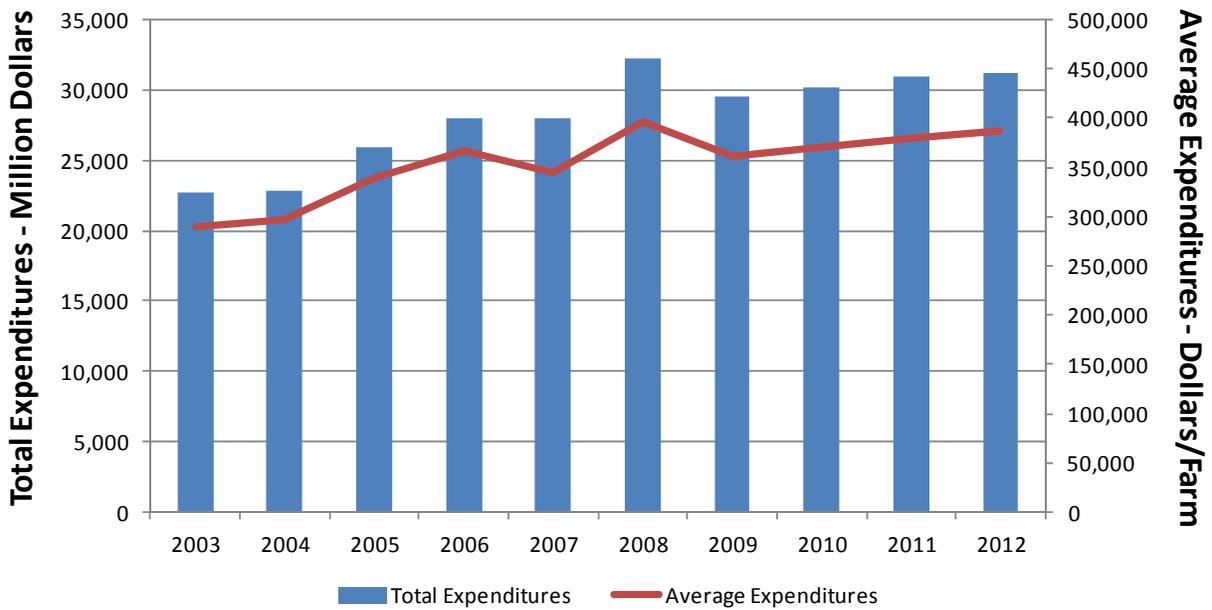
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^{3/} Computed by dividing the line-item total expense by the total number of farms at that level.

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California Farm Production Expenditures, Total and Average per Farm by Year: 2003 - 2012



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