

CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO
2012 AGRICULTURAL REPORT





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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 2012. 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 and growers 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,



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	AREA (sq. ft.)	GROSS VALUE
NURSERY PRODUCTS		
<i>Cut Flower & Indoor Decorative</i>		
Orchids	<u>25,500</u>	<u>\$459,000.00</u>
Total	25,500	\$459,000.00
MISCELLANEOUS FARM PRODUCTS		
Sprouts	<u>5,500</u>	<u>\$589,500.00</u>
NURSERY PRODUCTION	0.6 ACRES	\$459,000.00
MISCELLANEOUS	<u>0.1 ACRES</u>	<u>\$589,500.00</u>
TOTAL	0.7 ACRES	\$1,048,000.00



2012 Annual Sustainable Agriculture Report



Visited 1,642 establishments for Pest Exclusion Inspections

Inspected 5,891 shipments for Pest Exclusion

Issued 173 Federal Phytosanitary Certificates

Issued 339 State Phytosanitary Certificates

Inspected 169 Glassy-Winged Sharpshooter Traps

Inspected 1,065 Plant Shipments for Glassy-Winged Sharpshooter

Inspected 34 Farmers Markets

Approved 23 Certified Farmer's Markets

Registered 18 Organic Handlers

2012 San Francisco Certified Farmers Markets

- Monday:** Fremont
- Tuesday:** Crocker Galleria
Ferry Plaza
Yerba Buena
- Wednesday:** Castro
Heart of City
Mission Bay
San Francisco Kaiser
San Francisco VA
Second Street
UCSF Parnassus
Upper Haight



- Thursday:** Crocker Galleria
Ferry Plaza
SF State University
- Friday:** Heart of City

- Saturday:** Alemany
Fern Alley
Ferry Plaza
Fillmore
Noe Valley

- Sunday:** Divisadero
Fort Mason
Glen Park
Heart of City
Inner Sunset
North Beach
Stonestown

Port of San Francisco



The Port of San Francisco was born out of the Gold Rush when hundreds of ships arrived in San Francisco delivering both passengers and products. Initially, a State Commission was responsible for improving the City's harbor, but in 1968, the Burton Act transferred authority to the City and County of San Francisco. Currently, the Port is managed by a five-member Commission appointed by the Mayor and the Board of Supervisors. It spans nearly eight miles of waterfront lands, commercial real estate and maritime piers. Many famous landmarks are located within this area: Fisherman's Wharf, Pier 39, the Ferry Building and AT&T Park. The Port's Commission oversees maritime commerce and fishing, the restoration of the environment, including the preservation of Port properties and is also responsible for providing recreation to the public via open space along the Bay.

San Francisco won the right to host the next America's Cup, a race established in 1851, 45 years before the Olympics. During the America's Cup World Series event in 2012, four days of match racing took place on the Bay to determine qualifiers for the 34th America's Cup. Tourists flocked to the City from around the world to enjoy the qualifying races, along with the landmarks along the Bay.

Throughout the century, the Port's functions have changed, although its importance continues to be viable in other developments. Obstacles and limitations have prevented the physical expansion of the Port although it still is a major player specializing in bulk cargo, ship repair and ferry services. The history of the Port and the waterfront revitalization occurring there are essential to San Francisco's narrative.

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 PROGRAM

San Francisco Weights and Measures inspectors use weight standards to determine the accuracy of weighing devices (scales) and measure standards to determine the accuracy of measuring devices (gas pumps, electric meters, water meters and taximeters.) Every one of these standards is checked for accuracy against the same State of California standards.

All weighing and measuring devices used commercially in San Francisco are inspected annually by Weights and Measures inspectors to minimize measurement errors.

In 2012, Weights and Measures inspectors conducted investigations at 2,716 locations and inspected a total of 5,170 devices. This included 2,196 gasoline and diesel pumps and 2,936 scales. Inspectors issued 117 Notices of Violation to non-compliant businesses.

DEVICE REPAIRMAN PROGRAM

Any person, firm, corporation or association who repairs commercial weighing and measuring devices for payment of any kind is a service agency and must be registered with the Department of Food and Agriculture, Division of Measurement Standards. The agency is required to notify the County Sealer of Weights and Measures of any repair in writing within 24 hours by submitting a Placed in Service report.

Any person employed by the Service Agency to install, service, repair or recondition commercial weighing and measuring devices must be a licensed service agent. Service agents are tested on their knowledge of weights and measures laws and regulations.

Weights and Measures inspectors inspect the work of service agents to verify that the placed in service devices are accurate and meet all tolerance and specification requirements.

Weights and Measures inspectors inspected the repair and installation of 682 devices in 2012.

WEIGHMASTER ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM

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

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

Weights and Measures inspectors conducted 24 weighmaster audits at 26 licensed weighmaster locations in 2012.

Weights and Measures Program

QUANTITY CONTROL PROGRAM

The primary function of the Quantity Control Program is to ensure that equity prevails in all commercial transactions involving quantity representations at retail establishments and wholesale and manufacturing locations such as warehouses, packing plants, feed mills, shipping companies and lumber yards. Another responsibility of the program is for the enforcement of the Fair Packaging and Labeling Act. This Act provides potential customers with information needed to compare values and it also prevents unfair and deceptive packaging practices.

Weights and Measures inspectors work behind the scenes to protect consumers, businesses and manufactures from unfair practices through the following programs: Labeling Program, Test Purchase Program, Package Inspection Program and the Price Verification Program, also known as the Automated Point of Sale Inspection Program.

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

In 2012 Weights and Measures inspectors conducted inspections at 1,461 locations using point-of-sale systems and verified the price accuracy of 14,845 transactions. There were 142 overcharges and 280 undercharges. A total of 81 Notices of Violation were issued.



Weights and Measures Program

PETROLEUM INSPECTION PROGRAM

The Petroleum Inspection Program monitors compliance with minimum quality standards for most automotive products such as gasoline, oxygenated blends, diesel fuel, motor oil, brake fluid, automatic transmission fluid, antifreeze/coolants and alternative engine fuels sold and used in the City and County of San Francisco. In addition, the Petroleum Inspection Program investigates complaints regarding the advertising and labeling of these products.

Weights and Measures inspectors conducted inspections of 101 gas stations and issued 13 Notices of Violation in 2012.

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