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FARMS (AND ACREAGE IRRIGATED, IRRIGATION WORKS, COST OF CONSTRUCTION, COST OF OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, AND CROPS (RRIGATED

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#### INTRODUCTION.

This bulletin presents the larger part of the statistics of irrigation for Arizona obtained in connection with the Thirteenth Census: These data, with additional information, will be embodied in a special report of the Census of Irrigation and in the final reports of the Thirteenth Census. The statistics of the number of farms and acreage irrigated, cost of operation and maintenance, and irrigated crops are for the calendar year 1909; those of irrigation works, cost of enterprises, acreage enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910, and acreage included in projects are of the date July 1, 1910.

These statistics have been collected under the law of February 25, 1910, which contained the following clause relating to irrigation:

Inquiries shall also be made as to the location and character of irrigation enterprises, quantity of land irrigated in the arid region of the United States and in each state and county in that section under state and Federal laws; the price at which these lands, including water rights, are obtainable; the character and value of crops produced on irrigated lands, the amount of water used per acre for said irrigation and whether it was obtainable from national, state, or private works; the location of the various projects and methods of construction, with facts as to their physical condition; the amount of capital invested in such irrigation works.

The information called for by this law which could be supplied by farm operators was obtained on supplemental schedules by the regular census enumerators as a part of the agricultural census. The remaining data, which were supplied by the owners or officials of irrigation enterprises, were obtained on special schedules by special agents. The data relating to number of farms irrigated and irrigated crops are taken from the supplemental schedules, while all data relating to acreage irrigated and to irrigation works and their construction and operation are taken from the special schedules.

In accordance with the law, the data collected have been classified primarily by the state and Federal laws by virtue of which the land was brought under irrigation. The results are presented in detail at the end of this bulletin and summarized in text tables.

Such of the terms used as are not self-explanatory are defined below.

Farms irrigated.—The number of "farms irrigated" is the number of farms on which irrigation is practiced and is equivalent to the term "number of irrigators" used in previous census reports.

Types of enterprise.—The types of enterprise under which the lands irrigated in 1909 are classified are as follows:

United States Reclamation Service enterprises, which operate under the Federal law of June 17, 1902, providing for the construction of irrigation works with the receipts from the sale of public lands.

United States Indian Service enterprises, which operate under various acts of Congress providing for the construction by that service of works for the irrigation of land in Indian reservations.

Carey Act enterprises, which operate under the Federal law of August 18, 1894, granting to each of the states in the arid region 1,000,000 acres of land on condition that the state provide for its irrigation, and under amendments to that law granting additional areas to Idaho and Wyoming.

Irrigation districts, which are public corporations that operate under state laws providing for their organization and management, and empowering them to issue bonds and levy and collect taxes with the object of obtaining funds for the purchase or construction, and for the operation and maintenance of irrigation works.

Cooperative enterprises, which are controlled by the water users under some organized form of cooperation. The most common form of organization is the stock company, the stock of which is owned by the water users.

Commercial enterprises, which supply water for compensation to parties who own no interest in the works. Persons obtaining water from such enterprises are usually required to pay for the right to receive water, and to pay, in addition, annual charges based in some instances on the acreage irrigated and in others on the quantity of water received.

Individual and partnership enterprises, which belong to individual farmers or to neighboring farmers, who control them without formal organization. It is not always possible to distinguish between partnership and cooperative enterprises, but as the difference is slight this is unimportant.

Source of water supply.—Of the terms used in the classification according to source of water supply, none requires explanation except "reservoirs." The only reservoirs which are treated as independent sources of supply are those filled by collecting storm water or from watercourses that are ordinarily dry. When reservoirs are filled from streams or wells, the primary source is considered the source of supply.

Acre-foot.—The "acre-foot," used to express the capacity of reservoirs, is the volume of water required to cover 1 acre to a depth of 1 foot, or 43,560 cubic feet.

Cost.—The cost of irrigation enterprises is that given by the owners. For the larger works the cost given is taken, in most cases, from the books of account and represents the actual cost. In the case of most of the private and partnership and many of the cooperative enterprises, however, the works were built by their owners without records of money or labor expended, and the cost given represents the owners' estimates. The cost reported for 1910 includes the cost of construction and of acquiring rights. The latter usually consists of filing fees only. In some instances it includes the purchase price of rights, but these cases are so rare that they are unimportant. The cost reported for 1899 is designated "cost of construction," but probably includes the cost of acquiring rights, as in 1910. The average cost per acre is based on the acreage enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910 and the cost to July 1, 1910.

#### FARMS AND ACREAGE IRRIGATED.

Arizona is divided into two sections of widely different topographic and climatic characteristics. The northern and northeastern parts form a plateau, broken by mountains of high altitude, while the southern and southwestern parts consist of broad desert plains, broken by nearly parallel mountain ranges, and traversed by the Salt and Gila Rivers, which supply the greater part of the water used for irrigation in the state. In the western half of Arizona the annual precipitation ranges from 1 to 10 inches and in the eastern half from 10 to 25 inches. Irrigation is necessary to the growth of crops in the low valleys, but on the higher plains some crops are grown without it. The location of the irrigated lands of the state is indicated in a general way by the accompanying maps, which show the class in which each county falls with reference to the percentage which the irrigated land forms of the total land area and the percentage

which irrigated farms represent of all farms in the state.

The following table shows for the state as a whole the number of farms and the acreage irrigated in 1909 in comparison with the total number of farms, the total land area, the total land in farms, and the total acreage of improved land in farms in 1910, together with the areas not yet irrigated for which water has been or is being made available. Comparative statistics for the census of 1900 are included as far as possible. The figures in respect to number of farms and acreage irrigated in 1899 do not include the Indian reservations in Arizona, which were not covered by the irrigation report for that year, and therefore these figures are not strictly comparable with the figures for 1909. In computing the increases in these items, however, the totals for Indian Service irrigation in 1909 have, where possible, been eliminated from the figures for that year.

	CENSU	JS OF-	increase.		
	1910	1900	Amount.	Per cent.	
Number of all farms	<sup>2</sup> 9, 227 72, 838, 400	<sup>3</sup> 5, 809 72, 838, 400	3, 418	58.8	
Land in farms. acres Improved land in farms. acres	<sup>2</sup> 1, 246, 613 <sup>2</sup> 350, 173	3 1, 935, 327 3 254, 521	-688,714 95,652	-35.6 37.6	
Number of farms irrigated	4 4, 841 4 320, 051	<sup>5</sup> 2, 981 <sup>5</sup> 185, 396	6 1, 185 6 115, 269	6 39.8 6 62.2	
Acreage enterprises were capable of irrigating.  Acreage included in projects.	7 387, 655 7 944, 090	(8) (8)		02.2	
Percentage irrigated of— Number of all farms. Approximate land area of the state.	52. 5 0. 4	<sup>6</sup> 73.8 <sup>6</sup> 0.3			
Land in farms	25.7 $91.4$	<sup>8</sup> 9. 8 <sup>8</sup> 81. 4			
Excess of acreage enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910 over acreage irrigated in 1909	67, 604				
Excess of acreage included in projects over acreage irrigated in 1909	624, 039				

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> A minus sign (—) denotes a decrease. 
<sup>2</sup> April 15. 
<sup>3</sup> June 1. 
<sup>5</sup> Based on figures which are exclusive of Indian reservations.

<sup>4</sup> In 1909. <sup>7</sup> July 1.

<sup>5</sup> In 1899, exclusive of Indian reservations.
<sup>8</sup> Not reported.

Number of farms irrigated.—The number of farms given as irrigated in 1909 is made up of the number reported on the supplemental schedules by the regular enumerators, together with an estimate of the number of farms covered by enterprises which were reported by special agents but not by the regular enumerators. This estimate was based upon the average acreage irrigated per farm shown by the supplemental schedules. According to the figures presented in the table, irrigation was practiced on slightly more than onehalf (52.5 per cent) of the farms in Arizona in 1909. In 1899 the proportion of irrigated farms among those outside of Indian reservations was 73.8 per cent, while in 1889 it was 75.4 per cent. It is evident that between 1889 and 1899 the number of unirrigated farms increased more rapidly than the number of irrigated farms, while the difference in favor of unirrigated farms has been even more marked during the later decade.

In 5 out of the 13 counties in the state more than half the farms are irrigated, in 3 the proportion is between 40 and 50 per cent, while in 2 it is between 25 and 40 per cent. In the remaining counties—Apache, Navajo, and Coconino—less than one-fourth of the farms are irrigated. These latter counties are in the northeastern portion of the state, where a large percentage of the farms reported are cattle ranches, on which the raising of crops is of secondary importance. Pinal County shows the largest proportion of irrigated farms, 92.8 per cent, and Graham County the next largest, 86.1 per cent.

From 1899 to 1909 the increase in the number of irrigated farms in Arizona, outside of those supplied by Indian Service enterprises, was 39.8 per cent. This percentage of increase was exceeded in five counties, all but one of which are in the southern part of the state, the highest rates of gain being 132.5 per cent in Cochise County, 110 per cent in Yuma County,

and 64.1 per cent in Graham County. In five counties decreases in the number of farms irrigated are shown, while in one county the number of irrigated farms remained the same. For three of the five counties which show decreases in the number of irrigated farms increases in the irrigated acreage were reported, from which fact an increase in the acreage irrigated per farm is apparent.

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Acreage irrigated.—The acreage irrigated is taken from the special schedules filled out by agents from information secured from owners or officials of irrigation enterprises and, in some instances, from public records. The acreage thus obtained is considerably larger than the irrigated acreage reported on the supplemental schedules filled out by the farm enumerators. This difference is due in a measure to the fact that the special agents found enterprises which were not reported on any schedules returned by the enumerators, indicating that the acreage reported on the supplemental schedules is to some extent under the true figure. There is a natural tendency, however, for the officials of irrigation enterprises to report as irrigated the entire area of farms of which only a part was irrigated. Furthermore, some farms are so situated as to receive water from more than one enterprise, and may be reported as irrigated by each, which results in duplication. Owing to the two causes last enumerated, it is probable that the acreage irrigated as shown in this bulletin is somewhat excessive, but the extent of this excess can not be determined. It is believed, however, to be less than 10 per cent for Arizona.

The total acreage reported as irrigated in 1909 was 320,051, as against 185,396 acres in 1899 and 65,821 acres in 1889. The acreage given for 1909 includes land lying in Indian reservations, while the figures for 1889 and 1899 do not. The percentage of increase from 1889 to 1899 was 181.7, while that from 1899 to 1909, eliminating lands irrigated by the Indian Service from the total for the latter year, was 62.2.

The percentage of increase between 1899 and 1909 in the acreage irrigated was considerably higher than the percentage of increase in the number of farms irrigated, the acreage irrigated per farm for the state as a whole outside of Indian reservations increasing from 62.2 in 1899 to 72.2 in 1909. During the same period the average size reported for farms in the state decreased from 333.2 acres to 135.1 acres, which change, considered in connection with the increase in the acreage irrigated per farm, indicates that farmers are irrigating larger parts of their holdings than formerly.

The percentage of the total land area of Arizona which was irrigated was 0.4 in 1909 as against 0.3 in 1899, while in the ratio which the irrigated land bears to the total farm acreage reported as improved there

has been an increase from 81.4 per cent in 1899 for the land outside of Indian reservations to 91.4 per cent in 1909 for the state as a whole.

In both 1909 and 1899 the county for which the largest area of irrigated land was reported was Maricopa, with an irrigated acreage of 199,052 and 109,655 at the respective censuses. For only two other counties was an irrigated area in excess of 25,000 acres reported in 1909, while but one additional county had over 10,000 acres of irrigated land in that year. In addition to having the largest irrigated area of any county, Maricopa was also the county in which irrigated land formed the highest percentage of the total land area, the proportion being 3.5 per cent. In no other county was the proportion as high as 1 per cent.

Acreage included in projects.—The foregoing table shows that in 1910 existing enterprises were ready to supply water to 387,655 acres, or 67,604 acres more than were irrigated in 1909. It is probable that, after allowance is made for an increase in the area irrigated in 1910 over that in 1909, there remained at the close of 1910 under ditch but not irrigated at least onethird as much land as was brought under irrigation in the 10 years from 1899 to 1909. The acreage included in projects exceeds the acreage irrigated in 1909 by 624,039 acres, which is more than four times the acreage brought under irrigation in the last decade and almost twice the total area irrigated in 1909. This acreage represents the area which will be available for the extension of irrigation in the next few years upon the completion of existing enterprises and without new undertakings. It indicates in a general way the area available for settlement, although much of this unirrigated land is in farms already settled.

Acreage irrigated, classified by character of enterprise.—The following table gives the distribution of the acreage irrigated in 1909 according to the character of the enterprise controlling the irrigation works. There are no Carey Act enterprises or irrigation districts in the state. Of the 138,364 acres irrigated by the United States Reclamation Service, 134,364 acres are reported as having been irrigated by works which were built by other classes of enterprises and taken over by the United States Reclamation Service.

	ACREAGE IRRIGATED IN 1909.			
CHARACTER OF ENTERPRISE.	Amount.	Per cent distribu- tion.		
All classes U. S. Reclamation Service U. S. Indian Service Cooperative enterprises. Commercial enterprises. Individual and partnership enterprises	320, 051 138, 364 19, 386 101, 025 80 61,196	100. 0 43. 2 6. 1 31. 6 (1) 19. 1		

<sup>1</sup> Less than one-tenth of 1 per cent

Cooperative enterprises and individual and partnership enterprises, which together supplied 50.7 per cent of the acreage irrigated in 1909, are controlled by the water users. United States Reclamation Service enterprises, which are to be turned over to the water users, supplied 43.2 per cent of the acreage irrigated. Thus only a small percentage of the irrigated land is supplied by works which are not either controlled by the water users or to be turned over to them ultimately. The cooperative enterprises, which supplied water for 31.6 per cent of the land irrigated, are principally stock companies, of which the stock is owned by the water users.

Acreage irrigated, classified by source of water supply.—The table following shows the distribution

of the acreage irrigated in 1909 according to the source of water supply. From this table it is apparent that up to the present time the development of sources of water supply other than streams has been unimportant relatively to that of streams.

A		ACREAGE IBRIGATED IN 1909.		
SOURCE OF WATER SUPPLY.	Amount.	Per cent distribu- tion.		
All sources. Streams Lakes Wells Springs Reservoirs	320, 051 307, 778 570 7, 585 3, 631 487	100.0 96.1 0.2 2.4 1.1 0.2		

#### IRRIGATION WORKS.

The table following summarizes the data collected relating to works for supplying water for irrigation in 1910 and 1900. As only a few of the items reported in 1910 were reported in 1900, there is little opportunity for comparison between the two censuses. The figures shown for the earlier census relate only to systems that obtained water from streams, which supplied 99.5 per cent of the land reported as irrigated in 1899, and do not include statistics for Indian reservations. In computing the percentages of increase, for the sake of securing closer comparability, the figures for Indian Service irrigation have been eliminated from the totals for 1910.

Assuming that the enterprises in operation in 1909 were identical with those reported in 1910, the average acreage irrigated per enterprise in 1909 was 252.2, and the acreage irrigated per mile of main ditch was 185.3. For the enterprises shown for the preceding census, the average acreage irrigated per enterprise in 1899 was 355.3, and the average per mile of main ditch was 123.6.

Considerable attention has been devoted to the utilization of underground water in Arizona for purposes of irrigation. The table shows 214 flowing wells, which in 1909 irrigated 1,489 acres, and 470 wells pumped for irrigation, which supplied 6,096 acres altogether in 1909. Of the flowing wells all but 7 are in Cochise and Graham Counties. Pumped wells

are reported from all counties except Coconino, but more than three-fourths of the number are located in Cochise, Maricopa, and Pima Counties.

Pumping from streams has also been practiced to a considerable extent in some parts of the state, an area of 7,000 acres in the Yuma project of the United States Reclamation Service having been supplied with pumped water in 1909. Upon the completion of the project, however, these lands will be supplied by gravity diversion. The total acreage irrigated with pumped water in 1909 was 13,807.

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IRRIGATION WORKS.	1910	1900 2	Amount.	Per cent.	
Independent enterprises	1,269 2,507	519 (3)	699	134.7	
Main ditchesnumber Longthmiles Capacitycu. ft, per second	.891	519 1,492 (a)	315 116	60. 7 7. 8	
Lateral ditchesnumber Lengthmiles Reservoirsnumber.	313 870 402	(3) (3) (8)			
Capacity acre-feet. Flowing wells number. Capacity gallons per minute.	1,349,938 214 9,953	(3) (8)			
Pumped wellsnumber Capacitygallons per minute		(3) (3) (3)		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	
Pumping plants	37, 258 851, 873	(3)		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	

Based on figures which are exclusive of Indian reservations.
 Figures relate only to systems obtaining water from streams in 1899, excluding Indian reservations.
 Not reported.

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## COST OF CONSTRUCTION, OPERATION, AND MAINTENANCE.

The table following shows the total cost of irrigation enterprises up to July 1, 1910, including construction of works and acquisition of rights, but not operation and maintenance, with the average cost per acre, based on the acreage the enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910; the estimated final cost of enterprises completed and enterprises now under construction, with the average cost per acre, based on the acreage included in projects; and the total cost and average cost per acre of operation and maintenance in 1909. Data relating to the cost of construction and maintenance of systems operated in 1899 are included for comparison. The figure for average cost, per acre of operation and maintenance in 1899 does not cover the cost for systems receiving water from wells, but these are comparatively unimportant, having supplied only 974 acres in that year. Indian reservations, as previously stated, are not covered by the figures for the earlier census.

The cost of operation and maintenance is not reported for individual and partnership enterprises, for the reason that farmers whose land is irrigated by such systems generally clean their own ditches at odd times without keeping any record of the time spent. In the case of the larger enterprises this cost represents a cash outlay by the farmers, while in the case of many of the smaller cooperative enterprises the cost is worked out by the farmers.

	CENSUS OF INCRI			EASE.	
	1910	1900	Amount,	Per cent.	
Cost of irrigation enterprises Average per acre Estimated final cost of existing	1 \$17,677,966 1 \$45.60	<sup>2</sup> \$4,438,352 <sup>5</sup> \$23.04	<sup>3</sup> \$12,755,635 (6)	3 287. 4	
enterprises.  A verage per acre included in projects.	\$24, 828, 868 26. 30	( <sup>7</sup> )			
Operation and maintenance: Acreage for which cost is reported. Total cost reported. Average cost per acre.	8 230, 429 8 \$214, 358 8 \$0. 93	(7) (7) 9 \$0. 82	\$0.11	13, 2	

- Reported July 1.
  Cost of systems operated in 1809, exclusive of Indian reservations.
  Based on figures which are exclusive of Indian reservations.
  Based on acreage enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910.
  Based on acreage irrigated in 1899.
  Figures not comparable. (See explanation in text).
  Not reported.

- 7 Not reported.
  8 For 1909.
  9 Figure relates only to systems obtaining water from streams in 1899.

The cost of irrigation systems shows the largest increase of any item included in the census of irrigation, 287.4 per cent. The average cost per acre shown for 1910 is based on the acreage under ditch in that year, but since the corresponding acreage for 1900 was not reported, the figure for average cost at the earlier census is based on the acreage irrigated in 1899. If computed on the basis of the acreage irrigated in 1909, the average cost in 1910 would be \$55.23, representing an increase of 130.7 per cent over the figure for the average cost at the census of 1900. The year 1899 was near the close of the period of private and cooperative construction, when most of the works were built by the water users themselves with little or no expenditure of money, and near the beginning of the present period of large-scale construction by corporations and the Federal Government. This later construction is not only on a more extensive scale, but also more difficult and of a better type. Largely as a result of these changed conditions the average cost per acre of irrigation has greatly increased. A number of large enterprises are under construction, upon which considerable expenditures have been made, while but little land is irrigated as yet. This condition tends to make the average cost shown higher than the true average. The average based on the estimated final cost and the acreage included in projects, \$26.30 per acre, probably more truly represents the average cost per acre of irrigation in Arizona.

The county showing the lowest average cost per acre is Graham, which ranks second with respect to acreage irrigated. In Maricopa County, which is first with respect to acreage irrigated, the average cost per acre is practically the same as in the state as a whole, this county having reported approximately 60 per cent both of the total acreage under ditch in the state in 1910 and of the total cost of works up to July 1, 1910. Yuma County shows the highest average cost per acre, \$259.55, which unusually high average is due to the large preliminary expenditures made on the Yuma project of the United States Reclamation Service. The average cost per acre for Yuma County upon the completion of this and other enterprises now under way is estimated at \$45.83, or slightly more than the average cost up to July 1, 1910, shown for the state.

The acreage for which cost of operation and maintenance in 1909 was reported constitutes 72 per cent of the total acreage reported as irrigated in 1909 and 89 per cent of the acreage reported as irrigated by other than individual and partnership enterprises. The cost reported can be said, therefore, to represent fairly the average annual expense for all but individual and partnership enterprises.

#### CROPS.

As previously stated, the data relating to irrigated crops are taken from supplemental schedules filled out by the regular census enumerators. Since the special agents found enterprises which the enumerators had not reported, it is evident that the information relating to irrigated crops is incomplete to some extent. It shows, however, the relative importance of the different irrigated crops and is sufficiently complete to afford reliable averages of yields.

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The following table shows the acreage, yield, and value of the principal crops reported as grown under

irrigation in 1909, in comparison with totals for the same crops reported for the entire state. While small quantities of other crops are grown both on irrigated and unirrigated land, the leading crops of the state, as well as the leading crops grown under irrigation, are represented in the table. In the reports of the agricultural census the acreages of seed crops are not generally given, but since the growing of alfalfa seed is coming to be an industry of some importance in the irrigated sections of the country, statistics for this crop are presented here.

		ACREAGE,			YIELD.			VALUE.	
CROP.	(Data) to	Irrig	ated.			On		For	
	Total for state.	Amount. Per cent of total. Unit. Total fe state.	Unit.	Total for state.	irrigated land.	Total for state.	irrigated land.		
Cereals: Corn Oats Whent Barley	5,867 20,028	7,797 5,406 17,901 32,268	50. 0 92. 1 89. 4 98. 1	Bushels Bushels Bushels	298,604 189,312 362,875 1,008,442	171, 907 177, 057 358, 175 1, 001, 611	\$293, 847 130, 384 410, 214 714, 834	\$158, 993 127, 003 398, 294 711, 251	
Other grains and seeds: Alfalfa seed. Dry edible beans.	6,378 2,301	6,355 7£9	99. 6 <b>33</b> . 0	Bushels	22, 492 18, 457	22,264 6,863	150,628 44,997	156, 343 14, 712	
Hay and forage: Timothy alone Timothy and clover mixed. Clover alone. Alfalfa. Other tame or cultivated grasses 1 \( \) ild, salt, or prairie grasses. Grains cut green Coarse forage.	66,102 2 188	53 40 118 65, 369 437 1, 462 15, 266 2, 565	44. 2 28. 0 99. 2 98. 9 20. 0 15. 4 80. 1 64. 4	Tons	182 289 119 194,534 2,987 8,168 29,712 7,762	54 60 113 194,171 438 1,756 24,291 6,221	1,948 4,984 1,255 1,896,459 42,812 81,987 308,316 84,003	911 1, 200 1, 247 1, 880, 244 5, 213 13, 459 285, 166 53, 528	
Sundry crops: Potatoes. Sugar beets Orchard fruits and grapes. Small fruits	1,151 2 4,443 ( <sup>3</sup> ) 2 76	1,011 4,123 1,518 75	87. 8 92. 8 98. 7	Bushels			98, 597 236, 887 266, 481 12, 987	74, 885 226, 367 174, 122 12, 478	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Includes millet or Hungarian grass.

Acreage.—Of the entire acreage of the crops for which totals are presented in the table, 84.8 per cent is irrigated, but the proportion irrigated varies widely for the different crops.

Few crops are grown to any great extent in Arizona without irrigation. The only crop covering an acreage in excess of 5,000 of which less than half of the acreage is reported as irrigated is "wild, salt, or prairie grasses," for which the proportion is only 15.4 per cent.

Of the acreage of the combined cereals 85.2 per cent is irrigated. The highest proportion of the acreage of any cereal reported as irrigated is 98.1 per cent for barley and the lowest 50 per cent for corn.

The irrigated area of the hay and forage crops shown in the table forms 84.3 per cent of the total reported. Very little alfalfa is grown without irrigation, 98.9 per cent of the total acreage in this crop being irrigated. For grains cut green the percentage is 80.1, while that for clover alone, which covers only a very small acreage, is 99.2, and that for coarse forage is 64.4.

In the case of each of the miscellaneous crops for which the total acreage is shown more than 85 per cent of the acreage is irrigated.

Of the crops shown in the table, alfalfa covers the largest irrigated acreage, representing 40.2 per cent of the total irrigated acreage of these crops. Barley is second with 19.9 per cent of this total, followed by wheat with 11 per cent, and grains cut green with 9.4 per cent. No other single crop covers as much as 5 per cent of the total acreage of the irrigated crops presented in the table.

While most of the crops irrigated are well distributed geographically, there is a tendency toward the concentration of certain crops in particular localities. This is shown by the statement following, which gives the counties reporting the largest acreages of the principal irrigated crops, with the proportions which they contain of the total irrigated acreages of these crops in the state.

*Corn.*—Graham County, 28.7 per cent; Maricopa, 16 per cent; Pinal, 13.6 per cent.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Preliminary tabulation, subject to correction.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Agricultural returns show number of trees and not acreage.

Oats.—Apache County, 42.8 per cent; Maricopa, 39.1 per cent; Navajo, 7.6 per cent.

Wheat.—Maricopa County, 49.8 per cent; Pinal, 27 per cent; Graham, 15.3 per cent.

Barley.—Maricopa County, 64.8 per cent; Graham, 16.4 per cent; Pinal, 8 per cent.

Alfalfa seed.—Maricopa County, 95.7 per cent; Yuma, 4.3 per cent.

Alfalfa.—Maricopa County, 67.2 per cent; Graham, 17.5 per cent; Yavapai, 3.2 per cent.

"Wild, salt, or prairie grasses."—Apache County, 37.8 per cent; Maricopa, 17 per cent; Santa Cruz, 12.7 per cent.

Grains cut green.—Maricopa County, 36.4 per cent; Pinal, 16.5 per cent; Pima, 14.2 per cent.

Coarse forage.—Maricopa County, 51.6 per cent; Cochise, 17.5 per cent; Yavapai, 16.1 per cent.

Potatoes.—Graham County, 31.7 per cent; Maricopa, 24.2 per cent; Yavapai, 10.8 per cent.

Sugar beets.—Maricopa County, 99.9 per cent.

Orchard fruits and grapes.—Yavapai County, 33.9 per cent; Graham, 23.8 per cent; Maricopa, 18.3 per cent. Small fruits.—Maricopa County, 54.7 per cent;

Pima, 18.7 per cent; Yavapai, 9.3 per cent.

Of the acreage of orchards not bearing that was irrigated in 1909, 1,046 acres, 61.3 per cent was in Maricopa County, 16.8 per cent in Yavapai County, and 5.4 per cent in Yuma County.

Yield.—In the following table the average yields per acre of crops extensively grown both with and without irrigation are shown. The yields on unirrigated land are obtained by subtracting the totals for irrigated crops from the totals for the state.

	AVERAGE YIELD PER ACRE.				
		On irrigated land.			
CROP,	On unirrigated land.	Amount.	Par cent of excess over yield on unirri- gated land.		
Corn bushels Oats bushels Wheat bushels Dry edible beans bushels Alfalfa tons Wild, salt, or pruirie grasses tons Grains cut green tons Conrse forage tons	26. 6 2. 2 7. 5 0. 50 0. 80	22. 1 32. 8 20. 0 9. 0 2. 99 1. 20 1. 50 2. 43	36, 4 23, 3 809, 1 20, 0 498, 0 50, 0 11, 2 122, 0		

The yields on irrigated lands were, in the case of all crops included in the table, higher than those on unirrigated land. The small average yields of wheat and alfalfa on unirrigated land and the resulting large excess in the average yields on irrigated land can not be explained except upon the assumption of a partial failure of the crops on unirrigated land in 1909. In considering these comparisons it should be borne in mind that they are not comparisons of yields on irrigated and on unirrigated land in the same localities, but of yields under irrigation in localities where crops can not be grown to advantage without it with yields in localities where irrigation is not necessary. They do not present, therefore, the relative advantages of farming with and without irrigation in a given community, but rather give one factor for determining the relative advantages of farming where irrigation is necessary and where it is not necessary for the successful growing of crops.

#### COUNTY TABLE.

The next table gives in detail, by counties, the data summarized above, except those relating to crops. For purposes of comparison the total number of farms in the state, the approximate land area of the state, the total land in farms, and the improved land in farms have been included in the table.

Attention is again directed to the fact that the totals for 1899 do not cover Indian reservations, no report as to irrigation on reservations in Arizona having been made at the Twelfth Census. Consequently, the percentages of increase shown in the table are,

with the exception of those relating to cost of operation and maintenance, based on figures exclusive of Indian reservations.

Certain enterprises extend into more than one county, and in the case of some of these enterprises the reports do not segregate the data by counties. In all cases of this kind a distribution among the counties involved has been made according to the best estimates possible from all the information in the possession of the bureau. It is believed that these estimates are approximately correct.

ACREAGE IRRIGATED, EXTENT AND COST OF IRRIGATION ENTERPRISES, AND COST OF OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, BY COUNTIES: 1909 AND 1910.

[Comparative data for 1899 in italies.]

=		data for 1899 f	11		1	1		1
	· .	THE STATE.	Apache.	Cochise.	Coconino.	Gila.	Graham.	Maricopa.
1 2 3 4 5	Number of all farms in 1910  Number of farms irrigated in 1909.  Per cent of all farms.  Number of farms irrigated in 1899.  Per cent of increase, 1899-1909 1.  LAND AND FARM AREA	9,227 4,841 52.5 2,981 39.8	803 184 22.9 215 122.3	1,042 293 28.1 126 132.5	656 38 5.8 50 2 32.0	515 251 48.7 102 5.6	889 765 86.1 462 64.1	2,229 1,726 77.4 1,038 56.5
6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15	Approximate land area	72, 838, 400 1, 246, 613 350, 173 320, 051 0, 4 25, 7 91, 4 185, 896 62, 2 387, 655 944, 090	7,282,500 104,859 17,954 8,853 0.1 8.4 49.3 7,878 26.3 9,330 34,807	3,948,800 309,985 34,787 4,900 0.1 1.6 14.1 4,989 2 1.8 6,488 14,141	11,672,320 29,054 5,671 901 (3) 1,15.9 1,114 251.9 1,183 3,223	2,997,120 22,006 6,660 2,778 0.1 12.6 41.7 8,984 249.0 3,272 4,233	4, 165, 120 72, 760 33, 715 38, 824 0.9 53. 4 4 115. 2 18, 297 111. 5 41, 223 52, 143	5,690,240 248,271 172,592 199,052 3.5 80.2 115.3 109,655 77.3 236,061 455,361
17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25	CLASSIFIED BY CHARACTER OF ENTERPRISE.  U. S. Reclamation Service, irrigated in 1909.  Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910.  Included in projects.  U. S. Indian Service, irrigated in 1909.  Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910.  Included in projects.  Carey Act enterprises, irrigated in 1909.  Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910.  Included in projects.	370,000 19,386 20,974 36,017	1,944 1,944 4,730		365 395 1,500	778 823 1,084	123 523 593	131, 364 150, 000 240, 000 4, 660 5, 800
26 27 28 29 30 31	Irrigation districts, irrigated in 1909.  Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910. Included in projects Cooperative enterprises, irrigated in 1909 Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910. Included in projects.	101,025 120,559 360,639	3,985 4,012 24,237	640 900 3,000				51, 205 60, 465 160, 980
32 33 34 35 36 37	Commercial enterprises, irrigated in 1909.  Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910. Included in projects Individual and partnership enterprises, irrigated in 1909. Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910. Included in projects.  ACREAGE IRRIGATED	80 200 1,600 61,196 81,422 175,834	2,924 3,374 5,840	4,260 5,588 11,141	236 488 723	2,000 2,449 3,169		11, 763 20, 936 48, 581
38 39 40 41 42 43	CLASSIFIED BY SOURCE OF WATER SUPPLY.  Supplied from streams.  By gravity.  By pumping.  Supplied from lakes.  By gravity.  By gravity.  By gravity.  By gumping.	307, 778 300, 067 7, 711 570 570	7,965 7,965 550 550			2,524 2,524	37,336 37,181 155	196, 263 196, 263
	Supplied from wells. Flowing By pumping. Supplied from springs Supplied from reservoirs Total acreage supplied by pumping.	7,585 1,489 6,096 3,631 487 13,807	10 128 200 10	1,173 27 39	110	69 69 185	948 898 50 440 100 205	2,235 2,235 539 16 2,235
56 57 58	IRRIGATION ENTERPRISES	1,209 519 134.7 891 619 60.7 1,727 1,492 7.8 17,200 313 870 402 1,349,988	64 87 59. 5 67 87 70. 3 112 80 35. 0 577 48 40 32 39, 456	244 36 577.8 71 86 97.2 94 51 84.3 349 3 2 170 68	20 7 128.6 20 7 128.6 17 8 62.5 49 25 20 11 5,428	117 40 132.5 102 95.0 95.0 90 84 214.1 458 11 5 3	190 \$5 422.9 124 \$5 234.3 216 158 46.4 1,075 10 14 73 2,950	88 81 174. 2 64 87. 1 433 448 27. 2 7, 468 29 525 17 1, 284, 013
1	Flowing wells	214 9,953 470 765,921 429 37,258 851,873	4 65 4 7 65	27, 185 194 4, 336		10 2,858 11 43 2,908	117 6,799 9 4,002 19 1,248 8,517	95 617, 790 55 26, 781 617, 790
71 72 78 74 75 76 77	Cost of enterprises up to July 1, 1910	17, 677, 966 4, 498, 552 287. 4 45. 60 23, 94 24, 828, 868 26, 30	234, 838 73, 756 123. 0 25. 17 10. 06 384, 838 11. 06	513, 333 27, 561 1, 762, 5 79, 12 6, 19 513, 333 36, 30	42,266 9,280 122.7 35.73 8.72 42,266 13.11	38, 667 18,767 47. 3 11. 82 4.85 38, 667 9. 18	335, 971 127, 286 159. 4 8. 15 6. 96 346, 721 6. 65	10,759,817 \$,080,000 244.7 45.58 28.14 13,418,557 29.47
79 80 81 82	Acreage for which cost is reported.  Total cost reported.  Average per acre for which cost is reported.  Average per acre to 1899 to dollars.  Average cost per acre to 1899 to dollars.  Per cent of increase, 1899–1909.	230, 429 214, 358 0. 93 0. 89 13. 2	. l <u>.</u>		1.68		32, 813 42, 763 1, 30	183, 229 140, 935 0. 77

Based on figures which are exclusive of Indian reservations.
 Decrease.
 Less than one-tenth of 1 per cent.
 Acreage irrigated includes wild grass, while improved land in farms does not.

Figures relate only to systems obtaining water from streams.
 Total cost shown for state includes \$30,194, representing the cost of well systems which was not reported by counties. County figures relate only to systems obtaining water from streams.
 Not reported by counties. Figure relates only to systems obtaining water from streams.

## IRRIGATION—ARIZONA.

ACREAGE IRRIGATED, EXTENT AND COST OF IRRIGATION ENTERPRISES, AND COST OF OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, BY COUNTIES: 1909 AND 1910—Continued.

[Comparative data for 1809 in italies.] Santa Cruz Yavapai. Yuma. Pinal. Pima. Navajo. Mohave. 176 75 42. 6 76 Number of all farms in 1910.

Number of farms irrigated in 1909.

Per cent of all farms.

Number of farms irrigated in 1899.

Per cent of increase, 1899-1909 <sup>1</sup>. 614 111 44 39.6 12345 570 52.8 160 25.0 297 229 188 183 56. 9  $79.\tilde{5}$ 18.5 11.4 57.0 46.4 110.0 24.7 21.7 186 58 58 2 1.3 2 20 3 LAND AND FARM AREA 786, 560 51, 874 6, 070 4, 773 0, 6 9, 2 78, 6 2, 502 86, 3 4, 895 0, 872 5,216,000 6,391,680 6,592,000 105,589 11,176 6,083,200 3,443,200 150, 434 18, 097 8, 571 8,569,600 43, 199 18, 789 25, 431 0. 7 58. 9 32,555 13,131 8,569,600 4,090 1,027 1,688 (3) 41.3 41.4 1,419 14.1 71,937 10,504 7,662 0.1 23.5 58.4 6,458 0,1 6,1 57,8 3,007 10,160 8,571 0.2 5.7 47.4 8,780 \* 1.8 9,538 16,588 0.2 14.1 96.7 8,617 10 11 4 135, 4  $\frac{12}{13}$   $\frac{13}{14}$ 11,297 54.3 31,100 4,418 15,687 177,217 11,876 24,484 ACREAGE IRRIGATED AND INCLUDED IN PROJECTS CLASSIFIED BY CHARACTER OF ENTERPRISE. CLASSIFIED BY CHARACTER OF ENTERPRISE.

U. S. Reclamation Service, irrigated in 1909

Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910.

Included in projects.

U. S. Indian Service, irrigated in 1909

Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910.

Included in projects.

Carey Act enterprises, irrigated in 1909.

Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910.

Included in projects. 7,000 14,500 130,000 200 18 19 205 1,600 2,200 7.500 Irrigation districts, irrigated in 1909

Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910.

Included in projects.

Cooperative enterprises, irrigated in 1909

Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910.

Included in projects. 26 27 28 29 100 3,600 5,700 **44**,100 1.667 155 4,100 30 31 12,600 Commercial enterprises, irrigated in 1909

Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910.

Included in projects.

Individual and partnership enterprises, irrigated in 1909.

Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910.

Included in projects.

CONTROL IRRIGATION  $\frac{32}{33}$ 200 1,600 678 2,176 34 35 36 37 302 1,464 1,792 3,274 4,773 4,895 7,313 7,956 18,604 0,904 7,79917,400 37,300 14,246 8,717 ACREAGE IRRIGATED CLASSIFIED BY SOURCE OF WATER SUPPLY. Supplied from streams.... 3,563 3,563 7,610 230 7,380 8,150 8,150 25,418 25,418 Supplied from streams

By gravity.

By pumping.

Supplied from lakes

By gravity.

By pumping. 39 40 41 42 43 20 20 11 845 62 1,690 Flowing
Flowing
By pumping.
Supplied from springs
Supplied from reservoirs
Total acreage supplied by pumping. ...... 8 485 ii 2 645 52 80 1,690 46 47 48 49 535 10 437 473 50 95 1,690 11 045 104 7, 432 IRRIGATION ENTERPRISES 23 50 17 12 110 196 33.3 28 | 12 58.8 57 34 157.1 85.4<sup>41</sup> 167 17. 4 176 29 51 52 53 55 56 57 58 56 60 61 127. 0 175.0 53 67 45 17 125.0 87 89 21.4 41 20 107 60.0 5.4 51.2 55. 2 100.0 70 108 170 127 03 *04* 61 *35* 115.4 98 | 50 40 68. 6 336 | 46 7 298 23. 6 2 29.2 170 12 12 752 24 2,822698 2,353 135 40 11 57  $\frac{62}{63}$ 3,124 3,4289,961 1,235 Flowing wells.

Capacity gallons per minute.

Pumped wells number.

Capacity gallons per minute.

Pumping plants gallons per minute.

Engine capacity horsepower.

Pump capacity gallons per minute. 64 65 66 67 68 69 0 175 20 21 68 700 2,170 38,829 48,875 3,047 3,158 20  $\frac{6}{112}$  $\frac{2,743}{73,733}$ 769 39, 243 10, 224 2.020 4,071 COST Cost of enterprises up to July 1, 1910. dollars. Cost in 1899. dollars. Per cent of increase, 1890-1910. A verage cost per acre enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910. dollars. Average cost per acre irrigated in 1899. dollars. Average cost per acre irrigated in 1899. dollars. Average per acre included in projects. dollars. Average per acre included in projects. dollars. 85,948 10,670 651.8 9.85 7.86 219,770 151,191 45,4 23.04 258,803 127,200 58,051 20,007 177.7 11.86 71 72 73 74 75 76 77 40,840 944.3 35.96 521,200 2 10.5 20.32 200'.00U 102.9 31.27 48.80 299,915 1,031.7 259.55 46.58 8,122.491 46,14 031,934 7.07 4.68 17.32 320, 248 427,077 224,770 13.55 12.00 46,83 OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE Acreage for which cost is reported.

Total cost reported.

Average per acre for which cost is reported.

Average cost per acre in 1899\*

Gollars.

Average cost per acre in 1899\*

Gollars.

Per cent of increase, 1899-1909. 10, 267 2. 50 700 4,595 2,76 1,320

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Based on figures which are exclusive of Indian reservations.

<sup>2</sup> Decrease.
8 Less than one-tenth of 1 per cent.

Acreage irrigated includes wild grass, while improved land in farms does not
 Figures relate only to systems obtaining water from streams.
 Not reported by counties.

### THIRTEENTH CENSUS OF THE UNITED STATES: 1910

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## IRRIGATION: CALIFORNIA

FARMS AND ACREAGE IRRIGATED, IRRIGATION WORKS, COST OF CONSTRUCTION, COST OF OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, AND CROPS IRRIGATED

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#### INTRODUCTION.

This bulletin presents the larger part of the statistics of irrigation for California obtained in connection with the Thirteenth Census. These data, with additional information, will be embodied in a special report of the Census of Irrigation and in the final reports of the Thirteenth Census. The statistics of the number of farms and acreage irrigated, cost of operation and maintenance, and irrigated crops are for the calendar year 1909; those of irrigation works, cost of enterprises, acreage enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910, and acreage included in projects are of the date July 1, 1910.

These statistics have been collected under the law of February 25, 1910, which contained the following clause relating to irrigation:

Inquiries shall also be made as to the location and character of irrigation enterprises, quantity of land irrigated in the arid region of the United States and in each state and county in that section under state and Federal laws; the price at which these lands, including water rights, are obtainable; the character and value of crops produced on irrigated lands, the amount of water used per acre for said irrigation and whether it was obtainable from national, state, or private works; the location of the various projects and methods of construction, with facts as to their physical condition; the amount of capital invested in such irrigation works.

The information called for by this law which could be supplied by farm operators was obtained on supplemental schedules by the regular census enumerators as a part of the agricultural census. The remaining data, which were supplied by the owners or officials of irrigation enterprises, were obtained on special schedules by special agents. The data relating to number of farms irrigated and irrigated crops are taken from the supplemental schedules, while all data relating to acreage irrigated and to irrigation works and their construction and operation are taken from the special schedules.

In accordance with the law, the data collected have been classified primarily on the basis of the state and Federal laws by virtue of which the land was brought under irrigation. The results are presented in detail at the end of this bulletin and summarized in text tables.

Such of the terms used as are not self-explanatory are defined below.

Farms irrigated.—The number of "farms irrigated" is the number of farms on which irrigation is practiced and is equivalent to the term "number of irrigators" used in previous census reports.

Types of enterprise.—The types of enterprise under which the lands irrigated in 1909 are classified are as follows:

United States Reclamation Service enterprises, which loperate under the Federal law of June 17, 1902, providing for the construction of irrigation works with the receipts from the sale of public lands.

United States Indian Service enterprises, which operate under various acts of Congress providing for the construction by that service of works for the irrigation of land in Indian reservations.

Carey Act enterprises, which operate under the Federal law of August 18, 1894, granting to each of the states in the arid region. 1,000,000 acres of land on condition that the state provide for its irrigation, and under amendments to that law granting additional areas to Idaho and Wyoming.

Irrigation districts, which are public corporations that operate under state laws providing for their organization and management, and empowering them to issue bonds and levy and collect taxes with the object of obtaining funds for the purchase or construction, and for the operation and maintenance of irrigation works.

Cooperative enterprises, which are controlled by the water users under some organized form of cooperation. The most common form of organization is the stock company, the stock of which is owned by the water users.

Commercial enterprises, which supply water for compensation to parties who own no interest in the works. Persons obtaining water from such enterprises are usually required to pay for the right to receive water, and to pay, in addition, annual charges based in some instances on the acreage irrigated and in others on the quantity of water received.

Individual and partnership enterprises, which belong to individual farmers or to neighboring farmers, who control them without formal organization. It is not always possible to distinguish between partnership and cooperative enterprises, but as the difference is slight this is unimportant.

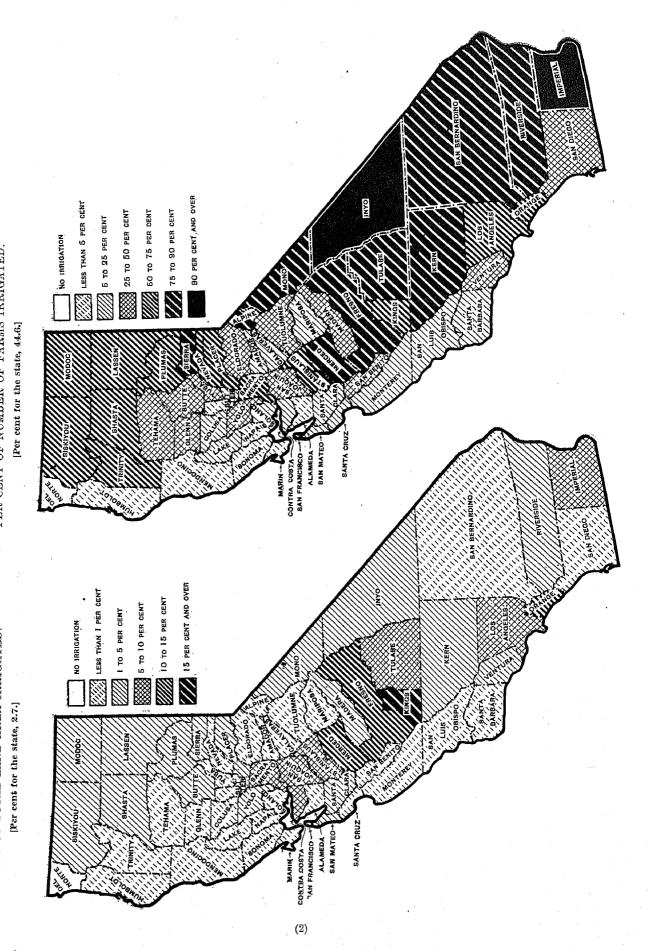
Source of water supply.—Of the terms used in the classification according to source of water supply, none requires explanation except "reservoirs." The only reservoirs which are treated as independent sources of supply are those filled by collecting storm water or from watercourses that are ordinarily dry. When reservoirs are filled from streams or wells, the primary source is considered the source of supply.

Acre-foot.—The "acre-foot," used to express the capacity of reservoirs, is the volume of water required to cover 1 acre to a depth of 1 foot, or 43,560 cubic feet.

Cost.—The cost of irrigation enterprises is that given by the owners. For the larger works the cost given is taken, in most cases, from the books of account and represents the actual cost. In the case of most of the private and partnership and many of the cooperative enterprises, however, the works were built by their owners without records of money or labor expended, and the cost given represents the owners' estimates. The cost reported for 1910 includes the cost of construction and of acquiring rights. The latter usually consists of filing fees only. In some instances it includes the purchase price of rights, but these cases are so rare that they are unimportant. The cost reported for 1899 is designated "cost of construction," but probably includes the cost of acquiring rights, as in 1910. The average cost per acre is based on the acreage enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910 and the cost to July 1, 1910.

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PER CENT OF TOTAL LAND IRRIGATED, AND PER CENT OF NUMBER OF FARMS IRRIGATED, IN CALIFORNIA, BY COUNTIES: 1909. PER CENT OF NUMBER OF FARMS IRRIGATED. PER CENT OF TOTAL LAND AREA IRRIGATED.



#### FARMS AND ACREAGE IRRIGATED.

California is traversed by the Sierra Nevada Mountains and the Coast Range, both of which are parallel to the coast in a general way. The greater part of the agricultural land of the state lies in the great central valley between these ranges and in the portion of the state south of the Kern River Mountains. In most sections of the state there is usually sufficient rainfall for the maturing of some crops, although there are some sections where no crops can be grown without irrigation. The normal annual precipitation ranges from about 2 inches in the Imperial Valley in the southeastern part of the state to about 60 inches along the coast in the northwestern part.

Irrigation is practiced to some extent throughout the state, but the larger part of the irrigated land lies in the southern part of the great central valley and in the southern part of the state. The location of the irrigated lands of the state is indicated in a general way by the maps on the opposite page, in which the different counties are graphically classified with reference to the percentage which the irrigated land forms of the total land area and the percentage which irrigated farms represent of all farms.

The following table shows for the state as a whole the number of farms and acreage irrigated in 1909, in comparison with the total number of farms, the total land area, the total land in farms, and the total acreage of improved land in farms in 1910, together with the areas not yet irrigated for which water was available in 1910, and the acreage included in projects completed or under way in 1910. Comparative data for the census of 1900 are included as far as possible.

	CENS	us of—	INCREA	SE.1
	. 1910	1900	Amount.	Per cent,
Number of all farms.	<sup>2</sup> 88, 197 99, 617, 280	<sup>3</sup> 72, 542 99, 617, 280	15, 655	21.6
Number of all farms.  Approximate land area of the state	<sup>2</sup> 27, 931, 444 <sup>2</sup> 11, 389, 894	<sup>3</sup> 28, 828, 951 <sup>3</sup> 11, 958, 837	-897, 507 -568, 943	$\begin{array}{r} -3.1 \\ -4.8 \end{array}$
Number of farms irrigated	4 39, 352 4 2, 664, 104	<sup>5</sup> 25, 675 <sup>5</sup> 1, 446, 114	$\begin{array}{c c} 13,677 \\ 1,217,990 \end{array}$	53.3 84.2
Acreage enterprises were capable of irrigating	<sup>6</sup> 3, 619, 378 <sup>6</sup> 5, 490, 360	(7)		
Percentage irrigated of— Number of all farms. Approximate land area of the state.	$\frac{44.6}{2.7}$	35, 4 1, 5	9, 2 1, 2	
Land in farms.	$9.5 \\ 23.4$	5. 0 12, 1	4, 5 11, 3	
Excess of acreage enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910 over	955, 274			
Excess of acreage included in projects over acreage irrigated in 1909	2, 826, 256			

<sup>1</sup> A minus sign (—) denotes decrease.

<sup>2</sup> April 15.

3 June 1.

4 In 1909.

5 In 1899.

6 July 1.

7 Not reported.

Number of farms irrigated.—The number of farms irrigated is made up of the number reported on the supplemental schedules by the regular enumerators, together with an estimate of the number of farms covered by enterprises which were reported by special agents but not by the regular enumerators. This estimate was based upon the average acreage irrigated per farm as shown by the supplemental schedules.

According to the figures presented in the table, irrigation was practiced on somewhat more than two-fifths (44.6 per cent) of the farms in the state in 1909. In 1899 the proportion of irrigated farms was 35.4 per cent and in 1889 it was only 26 per cent. Thus in both decades the number of irrigated farms increased at a higher rate than the number of unirrigated farms.

In 24 of the 58 counties in the state more than half the farms are irrigated, in 2 the proportion is between 40 and 50 per cent, in 5 it is between 30 and 40 per cent, in 7 between 20 and 30 per cent, and in 8 between 10 and 20 per cent, while in 11 it is less than 10 per cent. No irrigation was reported from Del Norte County in the extreme northwestern part of the state. In general the counties in which the percentage of farms irrigated is highest are in the south central and southeastern parts of the state where the climate is so dry as to make irrigation almost essential to the successful growing of crops. Along the coast in the northern part of the state and in the region surrounding San Francisco Bay, irrigation is less generally practiced. Imperial County has the largest percentage of farms irrigated, 94.6, and Inyo the next largest, 93.2 per cent.

From 1899 to 1909 the increase in the number of farms irrigated was 9.2 per cent for the state as a whole. Of the 53 irrigated counties which did not change in area during that period, 28 show increases, varying greatly in degree, and 15 decreases, while for 10 comparative figures are not available. Increases are reported for the combined territory of Fresno and Kings Counties and for the territory which constituted San Diego County in 1900 and Imperial and San Diego Counties in 1910.

Acreage irrigated.—The acreage irrigated is taken from the special schedules filled out by agents from information secured from owners or officials of irri-

gation enterprises and, in some instances, from public records. The acreage thus obtained is considerably larger than the irrigated acreage reported on the supplemental schedules filled out by the farm enumerators. This difference is due in a measure to the fact that the special agents found enterprises which were not reported on any schedules returned by the enumerators, indicating that the acreage reported on the supplemental schedules is under the true figure. There is, however, a natural tendency for the officials of irrigation enterprises to report as irrigated the entire area of farms of which only a part was irrigated. Furthermore, some farms are so situated as to receive water from more than one enterprise, and may be reported as irrigated by each, which results in duplication. Owing to the two causes last enumerated, it is probable that the acreage reported irrigated is somewhat excessive, but the extent of this excess can not be determined. It is believed, however, to be less than 10 per cent for the state of California.

The total acreage reported as irrigated in 1909 was 2,664,104 acres, as against 1,446,114 acres in 1899 and 1,004,233 acres in 1889. The percentage of increase from 1889 to 1899 was 44, and that from 1899 to 1909, 84.2. The absolute increase during the latter decade was nearly three times as great as that during the former, amounting to 1,217,990 acres, as against 441,881 acres.

The percentage of increase between 1899 and 1909 in the acreage irrigated was considerably higher than that in the number of farms irrigated, the acreage irrigated per farm increasing from 56.3 in 1899 to 67.7 in 1909. As a decrease from 397.4 acres to 316.7 acres in the average size of the farms of the state was reported for the same period, it is probable that farmers are irrigating larger parts of their holdings than formerly. It is not possible, however, to determine how far this is actually the case, as the higher average size shown for 1900 was due to some extent to the inclusion as farm land in 1900 of some tracts of land used for grazing which were not reported as farm land in 1910.

The percentage which irrigated land formed of the total land area of the state increased from 1.5 in 1899 to 2.7 in 1909, and the percentage which such land formed of all land in farms increased from 5 in 1899 to 9.5 in 1909, while the ratio between the irrigated acreage and the total improved land in farms increased from 12.1 per cent to 23.4 per cent.

In both 1909 and 1899 the county for which the largest area of irrigated land was reported was Fresno, with an irrigated acreage of 402,318 and 283,737 at the

respective censuses. In Tulare County 265,404 acres were irrigated in 1909, and in 5 counties besides the 2 named the area of irrigated lands exceeded 100,000 acres, while in 10 counties the irrigated area was between 50,000 and 100,000 acres.

The county in which irrigated land formed the highest percentage of the total land area in 1909 was Kings, where 25.7 per cent of the land was irrigated.

Acreage included in projects.-The foregoing table shows that in 1910 existing enterprises were ready to supply water to 3,619,378 acres, or 955,274 acres more than were irrigated in 1909. It is probable that, after allowance is made for an increase in the area irrigated in 1910 over that in 1909, there remained at the close of 1910 under ditch but not irrigated considerably more than half as much land as was brought under irrigation in the 10 years from 1899 to 1909. The acreage included in projects exceeds the acreage irrigated in 1909 by 2,826,256 acres, which is more than twice the acreage brought under irrigation in the last decade and somewhat greater than the total area irrigated in 1909. This acreage represents the area which will be available for the extension of irrigation in the next few years upon the completion of projects now under way and without new undertakings. It indicates in a general way the area available for settlement, although much of this unirrigated land is in farms already settled.

Acreage irrigated, classified by character of enterprise.—The following table gives the distribution of the acreage irrigated in 1909 according to the character of the enterprise controlling the irrigation works. There are no Carey Act enterprises in California.

	ACREAGE IRRIGATED IN 1909.		
CHARACTER OF ENTERPRISE.	Amount.	Per cent distribu- tion.	
All classes U. S. Reclamation Service. U. S. Indian Service. Irrigation districts Cooperative enterprises. Commercial enterprises. Individual and partnership enterprises.	173, 793 779, 020 746, 265	100. 0 (1) 0. 1 0. 5 29. 2 28. 0 36. 1	

1 Less than one-tenth of 1 per cent.

Irrigation districts, cooperative enterprises, and individual and partnership enterprises, which together supplied about 72 per cent of the acreage irrigated in 1909, are all controlled by the water users. Commercial enterprises, the only other class in the state that irrigated any extensive acreage in 1909, supplied 28 per cent of the total irrigated area.

Acreage irrigated, classified by source of water supply.—The following table shows the distribution of the acreage irrigated in 1909 according to the source of water supply.

As in other states, streams are the principal source of supply of water for irrigating, but in California wells supply much more land than in any other state. Much land receives water from both sources, but most of this is credited to streams.

	ACREAGE IRRIGATED IN 1909.		
SOURCE OF WATER SUPPLY.	Amount.	Per cent distribu- tion.	
All sources. Streams. Lakes. Wells. Springs. Reservoirs.	2, 664, 104 2, 246, 722 18, 470 350, 723 31, 779 16, 410	100. 0 84. 3 0. 7 13. 2 1. 2 0. 6	

#### IRRIGATION WORKS.

The table following summarizes the data collected relating to works for supplying water for irrigation in 1910. As none of the items reported in 1910 were reported in 1900 for all irrrigation works in the state, there is no opportunity for comparisons between the two censuses.

Independent enterprises	number	13,970
Ditches, total length	miles	
Main ditches		
Length	miles	12,620
Capacity	cu. ft. per second	89,597
Lateral ditches	number	6,143
Length		8,509
Reservoirs	number	1,583
Capacity		743, 269
Flowing wells	number	2,361
Capacity	gals, per minute	477,343
Pumped wells	number	10,724
Capacity		4, 119, 575
Pumping plants	number	9,297
Engine capacity	horsepower	128, 143
Pump capacity	gals. per minute	5, 276, 298

Assuming that the enterprises in operation in 1909 were identical with those reported in 1910, the average acreage irrigated per enterprise in 1909 was 190.7. and the acreage irrigated per mile of main ditch was

This table and the preceding one relating to source of supply show the extent to which underground water is utilized for irrigation in California. The flowing wells, of which there were 2,361, with a total capacity of 477,343 gallons per minute, irrigated

74,128 acres in 1909. The great majority of these wells are in southern California and the San Joaquin Valley, 93.7 per cent of the total number reported and 96.9 per cent of the land thus irrigated being in Kern, Kings, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, Santa Clara, and Tulare Counties. Of the 10,724 pumped wells reported, 5,248 were in the counties named and 4,503 in Fresno, Merced, Monterey, Sacramento, San Benito, San Diego, San Joaquin, and Ventura Counties. The pumped wells in these two groups of counties irrigated 258,687 of the 276,595 acres irrigated by such wells in the entire state.

Pumping from lakes and streams has also been practiced extensively in many sections of the state, 32,539 acres having been irrigated in this way in 1909. Water pumped from all sources, including lakes, streams, and wells, supplied an area of 309,134 acres. It should be noted that this figure represents only the acreage which received water wholly or mainly from pumps, and hence does not take into account large areas where in addition to a flow from gravity ditches a supplemental supply from pumped wells is received in times of temporary scarcity or drought. The pumping plants and wells so used are included in the totals given in the table, but the acreage thus irrigated is credited to the source of supply upon which the greater dependence is placed.

#### COST OF CONSTRUCTION, OPERATION, AND MAINTENANCE.

The table following shows the total cost of irrigation enterprises up to July 1, 1910, including construction of works and acquisition of rights but not operation and maintenance, with the average cost per acre, based on the acreage the enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910; the estimated final cost of enterprises completed and enterprises now under construction, with the average cost per acre, based on the acreage included in projects; and the total cost and average cost per acre of operation and maintenance in 1909. Similar data from the census of 1900, so far as available, are included for comparison.

The cost of operation and maintenance is not reported for individual and partnership enterprises, for the reason that farmers whose land is irrigated by such systems generally clean their own ditches at odd times without keeping any record of the time spent. In the case of larger enterprises this cost represents a cash outlay by the farmers, while in the case of many of the smaller cooperative enterprises the cost is worked out by the farmers.

CENSI	IS OF—	INCREA	BE.
1910	1900	Amount.	Per cent.
1 \$72,580,030 3 \$20.05	2 \$19, 181, 610 4 \$13. 27	\$53,398,420 ( <sup>6</sup> )	278.3
\$84,392,344	(f)		
\$15.37	( <sup>6</sup> )		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
\$1,368,247 7 \$2,109,431 \$1.54	(6) (6) (6)		·····
	1910  1 \$72,580,030	1 \$72,580,030 3 \$20.05 \$84,392,344 \$15.37 (6) \$1,368,247 7 \$2,100,431	1910 1900 Amount.  1 \$72,580,030 2 \$19,181,610 \$53,398,420  \$84,392,344 (*)  \$15.37 (*)  \$1,368,247 (*)  7 \$2,109,431 (*)

<sup>1</sup> Reported July 1.
2 Cost of construction of systems operated in 1899, exclusive of those on Indian invariants.
3 Based on acreage enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910.
4 Based on acreage irrigated in 1899, exclusive of 242 acres on Indian reservations.
5 Figures not comparable. (See explanation in text.)
6 Not reported.
7 For 1909.

The cost of irrigation systems shows the largest increase of any item included in the census of irrigation, 278.4 per cent. In the average cost per acre there was also a considerable increase. The average cost per acre shown for 1910 is based on the acreage to which enterprises were capable of supplying water in that year, but since the corresponding acreage for 1900 was not reported, the figure for average cost at the earlier census is based on the acreage irrigated in 1899, and consequently is not comparable with the figure for the last census. If computed on the basis of the acreage irrigated in 1909, the average cost per acre in 1910 would be \$27.24, representing an increase of 105.3 per cent over the figure for the average cost at the census of 1900. The largely increased cost of irrigation enterprises is due in a considerable measure to the expensive equipment installed to secure a water supply and protect it from loss by seepage and evaporation, in sections where water is scarce and crop values are high. Furthermore, a number of large enterprises are under construction upon which considerable expenditures have been made, but which are irrigating little land as yet, making the average cost reported higher than the true average. The average based on the estimated final cost and the acreage included in projects, \$15.37 per acre, probably more truly represents the average cost per acre of irrigation in California.

The county showing the lowest average cost per acre enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910, \$1.29, is Mono, where much of the irrigated land consists of flooded pastures. The highest average cost per acre, \$368.40, is in Nevada County, where the unusual cost is due to the fact that many of the ditches now used for irrigation were originally constructed at heavy expense for mining purposes.

The acreage for which cost of operation and maintenance in 1909 was reported forms 51.4 per cent of the total acreage reported as irrigated in 1909, and 80.3 per cent of the acreage reported as irrigated by other than individual and partnership enterprises. The cost reported can be said, therefore, to represent fairly the average annual expense for all but individual and partnership enterprises.

#### CROPS.

As previously stated, the data relating to irrigated crops are taken from supplemental schedules filled out by the regular census enumerators. Since the special agents found enterprises which the enumerators had not reported, it is evident that the information relating to irrigated crops is incomplete to some extent. It shows, however, the relative importance of the dif-

ferent irrigated crops, and is sufficiently complete to afford reliable averages of yields and for comparison with totals for the state.

The following table shows the acreage, yield, and value of the principal crops reported as grown under irrigation in 1909, in comparison with totals for the same crops reported for the entire state:

		ACREAGE.			YIELD,		VAL	UE.
· CROP.	m-4-1 C	Irrige	ited.		4F) 4 4 C	On	T -1-1 5	For
	Total for state.	Amount.	Per cent of total.	Unit.	Total for state.	irrigated land.	Total for state.	irrigated land.
Cereals: Corn Oats Wheat Barley Rye	51,935 192,158 478,217 1,195,158 7,027	17,802 5,903 22,603 77,785 107	34.3 3.1 4.7 6.5 1.5	Bushels Bushels Bushels Bushels Bushels	1,273,001 4,143,688 6,203,206 26,441,954 70,683	491,078 205,727 408,700 1,844,971 1,265	\$1,077,411 2,637,047 6,323,983 17,184,508 65,846	\$440,312 137,160 428,668 1,097,541 1,133
Other grains and seeds: Alfalfa seed Dry edible beans. Dry peas.	8,761 157,987 2,959	2,570 11,384 290	29.3 7.2 9.8	Bushels Bushels Bushels	23,791 3,328,218 57,468	5,911 244,624 9,902	200, 823 6, 295, 457 101, 016	53,829 378,770 15,331
Hay and forage: Timothy alone. Timothy and clover mixed. Clover alone. Alfalfa. Other tame or cultivated grasses! Wild, salt, or prairie grasses. Grains cut green. Coarse forage.	8,519 484,134	8,026 20,880 1,176 366,692 6,504 153,672 101,187 7,593	58. 5 44. 7 13. 8 75. 7 7. 0 60. 7 6, 3 29. 4	Tons	20,001 73,183 20,380 1,630,707 122,103 281,033 2,010,526 60,611	11,236 34,177 2,689 1,280,105 10,656 189,064 146,013 19,151	185, 579 629, 575 213, 280 13, 088, 530 1, 280, 911 2, 028, 494 224, 056, 727 438, 005	90,083 316,993 40,429 9,983,370 112,997 1,194,716 1,532,681 152,542
Sundry crops: Potatoes. Sugar beets. Orchard fruits. Small fruits. Tropical fruits. Nuts. Orapes.	67,688 <sup>2</sup> 78,671 ( <sup>3</sup> ) <sup>2</sup> 9,687 ( <sup>3</sup> ) ( <sup>3</sup> ) ( <sup>3</sup> )	32, 735 14, 657 73, 401 6, 876 98, 969 22, 429 74, 984		Bushels			4,879,449 2 4,313,981 2 18,358,807 2 1,780,214 2 16,752,102 2 2,959,845 2 10,846,812	2,440,931 839,561 6,397,138 1,585,808 15,269,911 1,637,741 3,038,435

<sup>1</sup> Includes millet or Hungarian grass. 2 Preliminary tabulation, subject to correction. 3 Agriculture returns show number of trees and vines, and not acreage.

Although considerable quantities of other crops are grown both on irrigated and unirrigated land, the leading crops of the state, as well as the leading crops grown under irrigation, are represented in the table. In the reports of the agricultural census the acreages of seed crops are not usually given, but since the growing of alfalfa seed is coming to be an important industry in the irrigated sections of the country, statistics for this crop are given in the preceding table.

Acreage.—Of the entire acreage of the crops for which totals are presented in the table, slightly less than one-fifth is irrigated, the proportion irrigated varying widely for the different crops.

The cereals are very generally grown without irrigation, only 6.5 per cent of the total acreage of the cereal crops given in the table being irrigated. The highest percentage of acreage irrigated shown for any cereal, 34.3, is reported for corn, and the next highest, 6.5, for barley. The proportions for wheat and oats are, respectively, 4.7 and 3.1 per cent.

The hay and forage crops are more generally irrigated than the cereals, the irrigated acreage forming 26.3 per cent of the total reported for these crops. In the case of three of the eight hay and forage crops included in the table more than half of the total acreage is irrigated. For alfalfa the proportion is 75.7 per cent, for "wild, salt, or prairie grasses" 60.7 per

cent, and for "timothy alone" 58.5 per cent.

Of the entire acreage in potatoes 48.4 per cent was irrigated in 1909 and of that in small fruits 71 per cent. Sugar beets are grown for the most part without irrigation in California, only 18.6 per cent of the total acreage of the crop being irrigated. The relative importance of the irrigated acreage in orchard and tropical fruits can not be determined, because the total acreage devoted to such fruits was not reported. It will be observed, however, that more than onethird of the value of all orchard fruits produced in the state and more than nine-tenths of the value of all tropical fruits produced represent the value of products grown on irrigated land. The value of the nuts grown on irrigated land forms 55.3 per cent of that of the total crop and the value of grapes from irrigated land 28 per cent of that of all grapes grown.

Of the crops shown in the table, alfalfa has the largest irrigated acreage, such acreage representing 32.5 per cent of the total irrigated area of the crops given. "Wild, salt, or prairie grasses" are next, with 13.6 per cent of this total, followed by grains cut green, with 9 per cent; tropical fruits, with 8.8 per cent; barley, with 6.9 per cent; grapes, with 6.6 per cent, and orchard fruits, with 6.5 per cent. No other single crop occupies as much as 3 per cent of the total acreage of the irrigated crops presented in the table. It will be observed, however, that, in point of value, the alfalfa crop is exceeded by that of tropical fruits, which contributed 32.4 per cent of the total value of irrigated crops, as against 21.2 per cent for alfalfa.

While many of the crops irrigated are well distributed geographically, there is a tendency toward the concentration of certain crops in particular localities. This is shown by the following statement, which gives the counties having the largest acreages of the principal irrigated crops, with the proportions which each contains of the total irrigated acreages of these crops in the state.

Corn.—Kern County, 29.4 per cent; Los Angeles, 13.4 per cent; Inyo, 10.5 per cent; Tulare, 7.9 per cent.

Oats.—Plumas County, 29 per cent; Lassen, 11.3 per cent; Siskiyou, 10.9 per cent; Inyo, 8.7 per cent.

Wheat.—Kern County, 20 per cent; Tulare, 17.9 per cent; Kings, 15.1 per cent; Lassen, 12.5 per cent.

Barley.—Imperial County, 43.9 per cent; Kings, 15.4 per cent; Kern, 8.2 per cent; Merced, 7.6 per cent.

Alfalfa seed.—Kings County, 47.7 per cent; Fresno, 17.6 per cent; Lassen, 10.8 per cent; Kern, 9.4 per cent.

Dry edible beans.—San Joaquin County, 64.2 per cent; Orange, 13.1 per cent; Ventura, 6.4 per cent; Contra Costa, 5.2 per cent.

Timothy alone.—Shasta County, 30.7 per cent; Plumas, 19.5 per cent; Modoc, 14.1 per cent; Siskiyou, 11.5 per cent.

Timothy and clover mixed.—Siskiyou County, 30.1 per cent; Lassen, 16.7 per cent; Plumas, 15.3 per cent; Shasta, 8.2 per cent.

Clover alone.—Nevada County, 18.3 per cent; Shasta, 16.1 per cent; Eldorado, 15.1 per cent; Yuba, 11.7 per cent.

Alfalfa.—Fresno County, 11.7 per cent; Stanislaus, 10.8 per cent; Merced, 10.3 per cent; Kings, 8.5 per cent.

"Other tame or cultivated grasses."—Siskiyou County, 26.4 per cent; Sierra, 20.5 per cent; Modoc, 10.3 per cent; Nevada, 8.9 per cent.

"Wild, salt, or prairie grasses."—Modoc County, 33 per cent; Lassen, 24 per cent; Plumas, 12.1 per cent; Sierra, 8 per cent.

Grains cut green.—Fresno County, 22.3 per cent; Imperial, 20.5 per cent; Kern, 11.9 per cent; Kings, 10.2 per cent.

Coarse forage.—Tulare County, 33.8 per cent; Fresno, 15.8 per cent; Imperial, 12.3 per cent; Los Angeles, 10.6 per cent.

Potatoes.—San Joaquin County, 48 per cent; Contra Costa, 20 per cent; Los Angeles, 9.3 per cent; Orange, 4.5 per cent.

Sugar beets.—Monterey County, 34.3 per cent; Los Angeles, 30.6 per cent; Santa Barbara, 13.5 per cent; Orange, 8.7 per cent.

Orchard fruits.—Fresno County, 31.9 per cent; Placer, 14.8 per cent; Tulare, 8.4 per cent; Santa Clara, 6.5 per cent.

Small fruits.—Los Angeles County, 30.4 per cent; Santa Clara, 13.9 per cent; Sacramento, 10.9 per cent; Santa Cruz, 7.2 per cent. Tropical fruits.—San Bernardino County, 25.6 per cent; Los Angeles, 24.8 per cent; Riverside, 14.2 per cent; Tulare, 11.6 per cent.

Nuts.—Orange County, 46 per cent; Los Angeles,

34.7 per cent; Ventura, 12.1 per cent.

Grapes.—Fresno County, 62.6 per cent; Tulare, 12.2 per cent; Kings, 6.2 per cent; Sacramento, 5.7 per cent.

Of the total irrigated acreage of fruit trees and vines not bearing in 1909, amounting to 59,031, 36.1 per cent was in Fresno County, 14 per cent in Tulare County, 8 per cent in Orange County, and 7.2 per cent in Los Angeles County.

Yield.—In the table following the average yields per acre of crops extensively grown, both with and without irrigation, are shown. The yields on unirrigated land are obtained by subtracting the totals for irrigated crops from the totals for the state.

For all the crops given in the table, except alfalfa seed, "timothy alone," and "clover alone," there were greater average yields in 1909 on irrigated than on unirrigated land. The relative excess is greatest in the case of oats, 65.4 per cent, and next greatest in the case of wheat, 42.5 per cent.

For the cereals there was in every case an excess in the average yield under irrigation over that without irrigation, this excess ranging from 7.7 to 65.4 per cent. In the case of six of the hay and forage crops the average yield on irrigated land was greater than that on unirrigated land, the differences varying from 8.6 to 34.8 per cent, but for two a greater average yield on unirrigated land was reported. Comparisons can not be made for fruits, for the reason that the agricultural

returns do not give the total acreage devoted to these crops

	AVERAG	E YIELD PE	R ACRE.			
		On irrigated land.				
CROP.	On unirrigated land.	Amount.	Per cent of excess over yield on unirrigated land.1			
Corn bushels Oats. bushels Wheat bushels Barley bushels Alfalfa seed bushels Dry edible beans bushels Timothy alone. tons Timothy and clover mixed tons Clover alone tons Alfalfa tons Other tame or cultivated grasses. tons Wild, salt, or prairie grasses. tons Grains cut green tons Coarse forage tons Potatoes bushels	22. 9 21. 1 12. 7 22. 0 2. 9 21. 0 1. 54 1. 51 2. 41 3. 00 0. 92 1. 25 1. 25 1. 25 1. 27 132. 9	27. 6 34. 9 18. 1 23. 7 2. 3 21. 5 1. 40 2. 20 3. 49 1. 64 1. 24 2. 52 158. 2	20.5 65.4 42.5 7.7 -20.7 2.4 -9.1 8.6 -5.0 14.1 26.2 34.8 15.2 11.0 19.0			

 $^1\,\Lambda$  minus sign (—) indicates that the yield on irrigated land is less than that on unirrigated land.

In considering these comparisons it should be borne in mind that they are not comparisons of yields on irrigated and on unirrigated land in the same localities, but of yields under irrigation in localities where crops can not be grown to advantage without it with yields in localities where irrigation is not necessary. They do not indicate, therefore, the relative advantages of farming with and without irrigation in a given community, but rather give one factor for determining the relative advantages of farming where irrigation is necessary and where it is not necessary for the successful growing of crops.

#### COUNTY TABLE.

The next table gives in detail, by counties, the data summarized above, except those relating to crops. For purposes of comparison the total number of farms in the state, the approximate land area of the state, the total land in farms, and the improved land in farms have been included in the table.

Certain irrigation enterprises extend into more than one county, and in the case of some of these enterprises the reports do not segregate the data by counties. In such cases a distribution has been made according to the best estimates possible from all the information in the possession of the bureau. It is believed that these estimates are approximately correct.

The number of farms irrigated in 1909 includes 350 farms in Contra Costa, Del Norte, Humboldt, Marin, Mendocino, Napa, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Cruz, Sonoma, and Sutter Counties, shown under "all other counties" in Twelfth Census report, and 64 farms on Indian reservations.

The acreage irrigated in 1909 includes 3,834 acres in Contra Costa, Del Norte, Humboldt, Marin, Mendocino, Napa, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Cruz,

Sonoma, and Sutter Counties, shown under "all other counties" in Twelfth Census report, and 242 acres on Indian reservations.

The figures for number and length of main ditches for 1899 relate only to main ditches, outside of Indian reservations, receiving water by gravity from streams, lakes, and springs in 1899 and used chiefly or solely for irrigation purposes.

Figures for cost in 1899 are exclusive of Indian reservations.

Change of boundaries.—In comparing the data secured for 1910 with those from the census of 1900, the following changes in county boundaries should be considered: (1) The organization of Imperial County from a part of San Diego County in 1907; and (2) the annexation of a part of Fresno County to Kings County in 1909.

Land in farms in Sutter County.—In accordance with instructions to assign all of the acreage of a farm to the county in which the residence of the operator was located, a large acreage in adjoining counties has been tabulated as in Sutter County.

ACREAGE IRRIGATED, EXTENT AND COST OF IRRIGATION ENTERPRISES, AND COST OF OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, BY COUNTIES: 1909 AND 1910.

[Comparative data for 1809 in italies.]

		TIE STATE.	Alameda.	Alpine,	Amador.	Butte.	Calaveras.	Colusa.	Contra Costa.	Eldorado.
1 2 3 4 5	Number of all farms in 1910.  Number of farms irrigated in 1909.  Per cent of all farms.  Number of farms irrigated in 1899.  Per cent of increase, 1899–1909.  LAND AND FARM AREA	1 88, 197 39, 352 44, 6 2 25, 675 53, 3	2,422 50 2.1 101 4 50.5	42 32 76. 2 73. 0	537 73 13.6 137 4 46.7	1,500 556 37.1 455 22.2	632 154 24.4 143 7.7	667 112 16. 8 62 80. 6	1,465 78 5,3 (8)	716 244 34. i 295 4 17. 3
6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16	Approximate land area	1 11,389,894 2,664,104	468, 480 311, 327 177, 314 1, 859 0, 4 0, 6 1, 0 2, 539 4 26, 6 1, 872 2, 605	496, 640 32, 004 7, 579 3, 349 0, 7 10, 5 44, 2 4, 391 4 23, 7 3, 399 3, 435	384, 640 291, 730 46, 969 826 0. 2 0. 3 1. 8 1, 167 4 29. 2 3, 973 4, 130	1,102,080 490,777 247,097 28,754 2.6 5.9 11.6 7,332 292.2 115,075 233,500	657, 280 271, 401 59, 104 1, 275 0, 2 0, 5 2, 2 1, 476 4 13, 6 3, 161 3, 919	729, 600 522, 376 336, 509 4, 276 0. 6 0. 8 1. 3 2, 995 42. 8 16, 541 18, 783	456, 960 406, 433 262, 152 26, 856 5, 9 6, 6 10, 2 (3) 32, 562 32, 640	1,121,920 210,881 41,682 5,122 0.5 2.4 12.3 3,387 51.2 5,501 20,264
17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	PROJECTS  CLASSIFIED BY CHARACTER OF ENTERPRISE.  U. S. Reclamation Service, irrigated in 1900.  Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910.  Included in projects.  U. S. Indian Service, irrigated in 1909.  Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910.  Included in projects.  Carey Act enterprises, irrigated in 1909.  Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910.  Included in projects.  Irrigation districts, irrigated in 1909.  Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910.  Included in projects.  Cooperative enterprises, irrigated in 1909.  Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910.  Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910.  Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910.  Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910.	294, 108 606, 351 779, 020 984, 570			······································					
31 32 33 34 35 36 37	Included in projects  Commercial enterprises, irrigated in 1909.  Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910.  Included in projects  Individual and partnership enterprises, irrigated in 1909  Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910.  Included in projects.  ACREAGE IRRIGATED	746, 265 1, 204, 050	1,859 1,872 2,605		360 3,500 3,500 466 473 639	24, 930 110, 200 221, 450 3, 824 4, 875 12, 050	180 1,300 1,700 1,095 1,861 2,219	1,000	26, 856 32, 562 32, 640	3,661
38 39 40 41 42 43	CLASSIFIED BY SOURCE OF WATER SUPPLY. Supplied from streams. By gravity. By pumping. Supplied from lakes. By gravity. By pumping.	2, 246, 722 2, 216, 757 29, 965 18, 470 15, 896 2, 574	651 546 105		781 779 2	27,803 27,771 32	906 893 13	4,258 3,318 940	26,504 20,818 5,686	3,557 3,557 1,500 1,500
44 45 40 47 48 49	By pumping. Supplied from wells. Flowing. By pumping. Supplied from springs Supplied from reservoirs. Total acreage supplied by pumping.	350,723	1,125 1,125 83 1,230		45	646 646 305	52 4 48 247 70 61	11 11 7 951	267 30 237 85 5,923	.05
50 51	IRRIGATION ENTERPRISES	10.070	53	21	49	144	150	45	185	50
51 52 53 54	Independent enterprises	8,590 1,918	49	25	55	135	148	38	176	56
56 57 58 59 60 61 62	Per cent of increase, 1899-1910  Length	89,597 6,143	605	34 179 3 1	255 12 56 14 309	2,028 145 170 27 360	206 32 31 29 12,029	531 10 7	172 60 1	285 445 25 55 52 22 711
63 64 65 66 67 68 69 70	Flowing wells. number Capacity gallons per minute Pumped wells. number Capacity gallons per minute Pumping plants number Engine capacity horsepower Pump capacity gallons per minute.	2,361 477,343 10,724	3,740 3,740 57 384 5,019		1 5 100	46 20,686 46 555 32,391	12,029 6 40 7 844 9 44 1,094	3 977 12 516 51,365	1 143 26 1,339 30 751 138,947	711
71 72 73 74	Cost of enterprises up to July 1, 1910	72,580,030 19,181,610	57,156	7, 493	265,608	1,231,894	121,033	76,112	90,503	346,939
73 74 75 76 77	Per cent of increase, 1899-1910.  Average cost per acre enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910.  Average cost per acre trrigated in 1899 . dollars.  Average per acre included in projects dollars.  Average per acre included in projects.	13.27	30. 53 57, 156 21. 94	2, 20 7, 493 2, 18	66.85 265,608 64.17	10.71 1,381,894 5.92	38. 29 121,033 30. 88	4.60 76,112 4.05	2. 78 90, 503 2. 77	63.07 346,939 17.12
78 79 80 81 82	Acreage for which cost is reported.  Acreage for which cost is reported.  Cotal cost reported.  Average per acre for which cost is reported.  Average cost per acre in 1890 .  Per cent of increase, 1899–1900.		11		360 8,505 23,63	24,380 28,546 1.17	140 918 6.56	800 4,055 5.07		3,590 16,325 4,55
-				1 7 3		+	H in Thurstiff	h Census re	nort	

<sup>1</sup> Includes figures for Del Norte County, from which no irrigation is reported at the census of 1910.
2 Includes figures shown under "all other counties" in Twelfth Census report, and for Indian reservations. (See explanation at close of text.)

<sup>\*</sup> Included in "all other counties" in Twelfth Census report.
4 Decrease.
5 Not reported.
6 Not reported by counties. (See explanation at close of text.)

## ACREAGE IRRIGATED, EXTENT AND COST OF IRRIGATION ENTERPRISES, AND

[Comparative data for 1899 in italies.]

.=		Fresno.1	Glenn.	Hum- boldt.	Imperial.	Inyo.	Kern.	Kings.1	Lake.	Lassen.
1 2 3 4 5	Number of all farms in 1910.  Number of farms irrigated in 1909.  Per cent of all farms.  Number of farms irrigated in 1899.  Per cent of increase, 1899–1909.	6,245 5,310 85.0 2,459	663 196 29.6 67 192.5	1,534 33 2,2 (2)	1,322 1,250 94.6 (¹)	438 408 93. 2 562 12. 7	876 75. 1	1,837 1,126 61.3 780	7.1	355 70. 7
6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15	Approximate land area. acres. Land in farms. acres. Improved land in farms. acres. Acreage irrigated in 1909 Per cent of total land area. Per cent of land in farms. Per cent of land in farms. Acreage irrigated in 1899. Per cent of increase, 1899–1909. Acreage enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910. Acreage included in projects.	3,808,000 1,106,616 590,205 402,318 10.6 36.4 68.2 288,787 560,326 633,652	805,760 491,198 309,765 5,661 0,7 1,2 1,8 1,382 309,6 16,804 220,664	2, 325, 760 642, 536 105, 248 208 (4) 0, 2 (2) 333 966	2, 616, 960 223, 602 176, 069 190, 711 7, 3 85, 3 5108, 3 (1) 242, 000 375, 000	6, 412, 160 110, 142 38, 698 65, 163 1, 0 59, 2 6 168, 4 41, 026 58, 8 71, 815 92, 319	1,403,350 315,387	741,760 373,823 196,569 190,949 25.7 51.1 97.1 92,794 289,523 310,523	217,464	2,899,840 295,728 122,057 77,079 2,7 26,1 63,2 49,634 55,3 89,815 149,530
17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25	ACREAGE IRRIGATED AND INCLUDED IN PROJECTS  CLASSIFIED BY CHARACTER OF ENTERPRISE.  U. S. Reclamation Service, irrigated in 1909.  Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910.  Included in projects.  U. S. Indian Service, irrigated in 1909.  Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910.  Included in projects.  Carey Act enterprises, irrigated in 1909.  Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910.  Included in projects.		400 1,200 14,200							
26 27 28 29 30 31	Irrigation districts, irrigated in 1909.  Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910.  Included in projects.  Cooperative enterprises, irrigated in 1909.  Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910.  Included in projects.	0,329 21,335 21,335 52,017 71,492 88,498			100,711 242,000 375,000	25, 400 27, 200 37, 700	6,720 9,020 13,800	925 2,785 2,785 136,480 170,480	l	2,740
32 33 34 35 36 37	Commercial enterprises, irrigated in 1909.  Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910.  Included in projects.  Individual and partnership enterprises, irrigated in 1909.  Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910.  Included in projects.  ACREAGE IRRIGATED	304, 528 417, 379 452, 809 36, 444 50, 120 71, 010	2,500 9,000 198,000 2,761 6,604 8,464	208		39, 763	111,580 129,260 275,068 71,734 79,138 113,938	34,032 93,781 93,781 19,512 22,477 36,937	582 828 1,268	6, 200 15, 000 52, 000 68, 139 69, 735 90, 330
38 39 40 41 42 43	CLASSIFIED BY SOURCE OF WATER SUPPLY. Supplied from streams. By gravity. By pumping. Supplied from lakes. By gravity. By pumping.	380, 109 378, 472 1, 037 480	5,463 4,282 1,181				183, 112 183, 112 4	178, 187 178, 187 320 320	359 301 58	62,342 62,322 20 720
44 45 46 47 48 49	Supplied from wells. Flowing. By pumping. Supplied from springs. Supplied from reservoirs. Total acreage supplied by pumping IRRIGATION ENTERPRISES	01 700	198 198 1,379	11 18		141 141 1,620 1,000	6,387 2,097 4,290 581 4,294	12,442 11,400 1,042	10 2 8 213 66	4, 002 10, 015 740
50 51 52 53	Independent enterprises	975 254	116	33	9	188	244	77	43	233
54 55 56 57 58	Number in 1899 7           Per cent of increase, 1899–1910         miles           Length         miles           Length 1899 7         miles           Per cent of increase, 1899–1910         cubic feet per second           Capacity         cubic feet per second	831	136	26	117	396	441	137	26	368
59 60 61 62 63	Length miles .  Reservoirs number .  Capacity acre-feet .	6,299 688 1,354 8 402	1,659 554 1,073 12 45,009	145 4 2 5 7	3,250 179 890	2,752 326 168 1 11,300	9,990 118 257 51 1,601	4,840 51 159 37 111	90 21 2 3 2	2,248 263 116 29 169,552
64 65 66 67 68 69 70	Flowing wells	3 450 855 443,024 8,990 515,380	105 26, 484 77 896 62, 449	2 105 1 3 105		10 500 1 100 1 5 100	25 12, 283 140 90, 618 114 2, 846 90, 668	75 19,436 20 8,700 18 174 12,759	1 75 3 272 11 49 4,577	2 90 6, 100
71 72 73 74	Cost of enterprises up to July 1, 1910	1,898,460	1, 519, 561	20, 027 87. 17	4,955,272	962, 698	1,788,635 8,23	687,381	12, 124 	884,065
75 76 77	A verage cost per acre irrigated in 18907 dollars.  Estimated final cost of existing enterprises dollars.  Average per acre included in projects dollars.  OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE	1,898,460 3.00	3,716,976 16.84	29, 027 30, 05	5,884,182 15.69	962, 698 10. 43	1,788,635 4,44	687,381 2,21	12, 124 9, 56	9, 85 1, 034, 965 6, 92
78 79 80 81 82	Acreage for which cost is reported				190, 711 393, 724 2. 06	25,400 9,946 0,39	4,080 5,533 1.36	0. 26		6, 920 18, 450 2, 67

<sup>1</sup> Change of boundary. (See explanation at close of text.) 2 Included in "all other counties" in Twelfth Census report. 2 Decrease. 4 Less than one-tenth of 1 per cent.

COST OF OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, BY COUNTIES: 1909 AND 1910-Continued.

[Comparative data for 1899 in italics.]

		Los Angeles.	Madera.	Marin,	Mari- posa.	Mendo- cino.	Merced.	Modoc.	Mono.	Monterey.	Napa.
1 2 3 4 5	Number of all farms in 1910.  Number of farms irrigated in 1909.  Per cent of all farms.  Number of farms irrigated in 1899.  Per cent of increase, 1899–1909.	7, 919 4, 669 59. 0 4,000- 14. 8	573 158 27. 6 120 31. 7	498 6 1.2 (²)	330 56 17. 0 66 3 15. 2	1,356 30 2.9 (²)	1,856 1,417 76.3 520 172.5	736 437 59. 4 467 3 6. 4	91 76 83. 5 97 3 21. 6	1,658 258 15.6 88 193.2	1,537 36 2.3 (²)
6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16	LAND AND FARM AREA Approximate land area		1, 351, 680 620, 663 391, 086 38, 705 2. 9 6. 2 9. 9 23, 152 67. 2 51, 230 82, 321	338, 560 263, 442 93, 115 67 (4) 0.1 (2) 71	936, 320 206, 059 37, 017 376 (4) 0.2 1.0 574 3 34.5 546 767	2,209,920 721,325 82,578 371 (4) 0.1 0.4 (2) 590 1,365	1, 276, 800 1, 102, 167 607, 742 151, 998 11, 9 13, 1 25, 0 111, 330 36, 5 248, 670 281, 719	2, 446, 720 410, 134 164, 784 82, 075 3, 4 20, 0 40, 8 78, 016 5, 2 89, 476 124, 166	1,939,200 115,672 43,382 49,027 2.5 42.4 5113.0 59,202 3 17.2 50,007 84,973	2.131,200 1,147,416 371,509 15,056 0,7 1.3 4.1 6,675 125,6 27,176 29,914	501, 120 360, 580 101, 114 1, 191 0, 2 0, 3 1, 2 (2) 2, 035 2, 443
17 18 10 20 21 22 23 24 25	PROJECTS  CLASSIFIED BY CHARACTER OF ENTERPRISE.  U. S. Reclamation Service, irrigated in 1909. Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910. Included in projects.  U. S. Indian Service, irrigated in 1909 Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910. Included in projects.  Carey Act enterprises, irrigated in 1909. Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910. Included in projects.										
26 27 28 29 30 31	Irrigation districts, irrigated in 1909. Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910. Included in projects. Cooperative enterprises, irrigated in 1909. Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910. Included in projects.	850 850 850 64,008 75,196 84,538	8, 696 16, 000 16, 000			29	8,200 15,917 19,980 860 1,110 1,110	2, 190 2, 500 3, 000 8, 850		5,773 9,288 9,350 5,000	
32 33 34 35 36 37	Commercial enterprises, irrigated in 1900  Enterprises were enpable of irrigating in 1910  Included in projects.  Individual and partnership enterprises, irrigated in 1900  Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910  Included in projects.  ACREAGE IRRIGATED  CLASSIFIED BY SOURCE OF WATER SUPPLY.	16,757 40,757 75,401 90,703 115,649	30, 009 35, 230 66, 321	67 71 71	376 540 767	342 530 1,305	221, 428 248, 765 8, 710 10, 215 11, 864	9,500 12,150 71,035 77,476 109,016	49, 027 50, 007 84, 973	9,500 9,500 4,283 8,388 11,004	1,191 2,035 2,443
38 39 40 41 42 43	Chassified by Source of Water Softly.  Supplied from streams.  By gravity.  By pumping.  Supplied from lakes.  By gravity.  By pumping.	46,754 46,689 65	37,042 37,042	64	324 324	278 270 8	149,714 147,138 2,576	69,164 69,164 690 690	46,142 46,142 2,420 2,420	10,603 9,769 834 20	1,070 832 238 5 5
44 45 46 47 48 49	Supplied from wells. Flowing. By pumping Supplied from springs. Supplied from reservoirs. Total acreage supplied by pumping. IRRIGATION ENTERPRISES	97, 318 13, 570 83, 748 1, 512 2 83, 813	1,663 1,663	3	6 46 6	29 4 60 37	2,264 262 2,002 20 4,578	308 305 3 7, 189 4 4, 724 3	465	4, 428 4, 428 5 5, 282	7 7 94 15 245
50 51 52	Independent enterprises number Number in 1809 6 Per cent of increase, 1899–1910.  Main ditches number number.	1,567	35	6	48	37	135 45	388	77 85	117	35 
53 54 55 56	Main ditches	800	34 79	5	49 21	33	261	637	172	223	
- 1	Per cent of increase, 1899–1910. Capacity	2, 296 494 500 279 993	1,515 30 294 3 12,341	21 1 1	28	49 8 6 7 10	4, 478 353 352 10 15,003	2,907 490 175 32 33,993	1,243 101 65	1,903 23 32 10 2	25 3 3 3 13
64 65 66 67 68 69 70	Flowing wells number .  Capacity gallons per minute.  Cupacity gallons per minute.  Capacity gallons per minute.  Cupacity gallons per minute  Pumping plants number.  Engine capacity horsepower.  Pump capacity gallons per minute.	376 70,818 1,673 871,143 1,361 30,632 872,718	33 26, 518 25 604 26, 518	1 150 6 48 1,100	2 49 2 1 49	6 2,296 10 65 3,586	29 2, 567 78 52, 008 108 1, 505 93, 239	45 1,256 2 44 2 2 44		102 196, 236 124 5, 338 260, 513	2 300 17 115 7,751
71 72 73 74	COST  Cost of enterprises up to July 1, 1910	7,817,023	512,098	3,380	13,440	30,297	3,748,211	301,040	64, 282	495, 916	53,948
74 75 76 77	Average cost per acre enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910. dollars  Average cost per acre irrigated in 1899 7. dollars Estimated final cost of existing enterprises dollars  Average per acre included in projectsdollars	42.60 9,266,023 38,32	10.00 512,098 6.22	47.61 3,380 47.61	24.62 13,440 17.52	51.35 30,297 22.20	15.07 3,748,211 13.30	3,36 316,040 2,55	1. 29 64, 282 0. 76	18, 25 578, 916 19, 35	26,51 53,948 22,08
78 79 80 81 82	OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE  Acreage for which cost is reported.  Total cost reported.  Average per acre for which cost is reported. dollars.  Average cost per acre in 1890	67, 361 357, 967 5. 31	8,696 5,175 0.60				103, 288 94, 228 0. 91			10,073 12,916 1.28	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Acreage irrigated includes wild grass land, while improved acreage does not.

## ACREAGE IRRIGATED, EXTENT AND COST OF IRRIGATION ENTERPRISES, AND

[Comparative data for 1899 in italics.]

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_		Nevada	Orange.	Placer.	Plumas.	River- side.	Sacra- mento.	San Benito.	San Ber- nardino.	San Diego.1	San Fran- cisco.
1 2 3 4 5	Number of all farms in 1910  Number of farms irrigated in 1909.  Per cent of all farms.  Number of farms trigated in 1899.  Per cent of increase, 1899–1909.	544 300 55. 1 283 6. 0	2,215 70.0	1,062 618 58.2 618 19.3	221 151 68.3 187 3 19.3	2,688 2,174 80.9 1,787 25.2	65.8	921 240 26.1 106 44.6	2, 949 2, 463 83. 5 1, 854 32. 8	38.7	157 25 15.9 (2)
6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16	Approximate land area acres Land in farms acros Land in farms acros Improved land in farms acros Acreage irrigated in 1909.  For cent of total land area Per cent of land in farms Per cent of land in farms Per cent of land in farms Acreage irrigated in 1809.  Fer cont of increase, 1809–1909 Acreage enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910 Acreage included in projects  ACREAGE IRRIGATED AND INCLUDED IN FROJECTS		508, 800 371, 692 180, 463 55, 056 10. 8 14. 8 29. 1 41, 549 32. 5 63, 486 71, 444	892,800 248,080 98,608 16,845 1.9 6.8 17.1 10,308 63,4 23,365 61,751	1,600,160 134,259 54,281 36,602 2,2 27.3 67.4 98,428 28.8 37,529 37,901	4, 033, 600 520, 806 278, 151 71, 430 1.5 13.7 25.7 52, 947 116. 8 103, 233 210, 452	629,120 473,044 275,682 53,683 8,5 11,3 19,5 18,409 382,6	890,880 544,301 186,573 7,186 0.8 1.3 3.9 £,870 150.4 13,790 20,067	12,000,480 208,396 136,625 70,278 0.5 33.7 51.4 87,877 85.5 86,107 152,415	2,701,440 834,426 234,045 24,944 0.9 3.0 10.7 16,022 55.7 31,205 45,535	27,520 2,091 1,562 383 1.4 18.3 24.5 (2)
17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25	CLASSIFIED BY CHARACTER OF ENTERPRISE.  United States Reclamation Service, irrigated in 1909. Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910. Included in projects.  United States Indian Service, irrigated in 1909. Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910. Included in projects.  Carey Act enterprises, irrigated in 1909. Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910. Included in projects.					600 600 731				2,890 2,890 3,069	
26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34	Irrigation districts, irrigated in 1909. Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910. Included in projects. Cooperative enterprises, irrigated in 1909. Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910. Included in projects.	85 85 85	30, 528 31, 965 38, 425	16, 310 22, 667		44, 464 66, 659 154, 011 7, 663 11, 813	8, 819 22, 162	765 1,500 1,500 3,180 8,000	49, 200 55, 860 62, 764 2, 683 2, 883	2,640 4,040 5,560 10,000 11,000	
34 35 36 37	Commercial enterprises, irrigated in 1909.  Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910.  Included in projects.  Individual and partnership enterprises, irrigated in 1909.  Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910.  Included in projects.  ACREAGE IRRIGATED  CLASSIFIED BY SOURCE OF WATER SUPPLY.	2,065 3,073	24,528 31,521 33,019	535 698 1,084	36, 602 37, 529 37, 901	11,813 18,709 24,161 43,897	22, 162 44, 864 47, 808 52, 426	12,000 3,241 4,290 6,567	48, 383 18, 395 27, 364 41, 268	13,250 9,414 13,275 23,656	283 383 383 383
38 30 40 41 42 43	Supplied from streams.  By gravity.  By pumping.  Supplied from lakes.  By gravity.  By pumping.	3,662 3,647 15	I .		35, 279 35, 279 320 320	29,686 29,445 241		4, 425 4, 374 51 100 100			
44 45 46 47 48 49	Supplied from wells. Flowing. By pumping. Supplied from springs. Supplied from reservoirs. Total acreage supplied by pumping. IRRIGATION ENTERPRISES	5 172 20	26,683 6,526 20,157 20,207	17 17 48	20 20 983	40,643 20,806 19,837 1,107	9,398 9,398 11,295	2,659 847 1,812 2 1,863	26,544 3,374 23,170 1,100 23,636	5,030 5,030 75 5,337	383 383 383
50 51 52 53 54 55 56	Independent enterprises   number   Number in 1899 4   Per cent of increase, 1899-1910   Main ditches   number   Number in 1899 5   Per cent of increase, 1899-1910   Lepth   miles	103	300 300	35 35 194	127 147	301 500	213	109 64 61	521 291 466	288 259	39 24 7
55 56 57 58 59 60 61 62 63	Length miles.  Lenyth in 1899 5 miles. Per cent of increase, 1899-1910.  Capacity cubic feet per second. Laterals number. Length miles. Reservoirs number. Capacity acre-feet.	372 46 32 24 26,438	876 115 246 19 189	437 46 108 29 53, 354	1,176 62 16	2, 825 262 288 131 58, 440	1,556 5 8 2 352	366 12 33 6 5,302	1,315 237 283 83 96,969	1, 464 244 140 68 26, 845	11 27 2
64 65 66 67 68 69 70	Flowing wells	5 48 4 12 \$48	588 92,680 580 260,947 433 8,575 286,003	2 289 5 30 1,284	3 504	90, 331 792 289, 472 405 11, 067 346, 788	1,168 260,303 1,192 5,059 335,666	87 25, 822 54 677 29, 452	79 21,825 449 209,747 402 10,700 233,136	438 110,807 363 2,857 112,256	39 4,444 39 89 4,444
71 72 78 74 75 76 77	Cost of enterprises up to July 1, 1910	368.40	30.69	119.78 2,798,740 119.78 2,798,740 46.32	2.85 107,118 2.83	5, 648, 469 54. 72 5, 698, 469 27, 08	20.76 1,452,471 19.47	177,924 12.90 267,924 13.35	9, 416, 960 109. 36 13, 038, 449 85. 55	120.27 3,767,127 82.73	57.38 21,975 57.38
78 79 80 81 82	OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE Acreage for which cost is reported.  Total cost reported.  Average per acre for which cost is reported. dollars.  Average cost per acre in 1899 4 dollars.  Per cent of increase, 1899-1909.	804 3,150 3.92	29, 239 78, 375 2. 70	73,064 .		51, 419 293, 871 5. 72	7,229 16,079 2,22	3, 665 3, 584 0. 98	33, 973 187, 877 5. 53	12, 640 64, 374 5. 09	

<sup>1</sup> Change of boundary. (See explanation at close of text.)

COST OF OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, BY COUNTIES: 1909 AND 1910-Continued.

[Comparative data for 1899 in Italics.]

		San Joaquin.	San Luis Obispo.	San Mateo.	Santa Barbara.	Santa Clara.	Santa Cruz.	Shasta.	Sierra.	Siskiyou.	Solano.
1 2 3 4 5	Number of all farms in 1910.  Number of farms irrigated in 1909.  Per cent of all farms.  Number of farms irrigated in 1899.  Per cent of increase, 1899–1909.	3,286 1,452 44.2 414 250.7	1,714 91 5.3 78 16.7	665 75 11. 3 (2)	1,355 137 10.1 182 3 24.7	4,731 1,101 23.3 1,129 8 2.5	1,466 106 7.2 (²)	1,010 639 63.3 <i>686</i> 86.9	110 94 85. 5 98 8 4. 1	1,114 636 57.1 <i>694</i> 7.1	1,143 150 13.1 29 417.2
6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15	Approximate land area	926,720 763,048 611,762 55,811 6.5 7.8 9.8 18,466 223,9 77,083 173,563	2, 133, 760 1, 588, 660 326, 928 1, 687 0. 1 0. 5 1, 187 48. 4 2, 416 2, 539	286, 080 160, 655 100, 800 3, 648 1. 3 2. 3 3. 6 (²)	1,753,600 1,120,475 215,552 12,012 0.7 1.1 5.6 3,918 273.3 13,572 13,603	849, 920 734, 819 237, 170 37, 637 4, 4 5, 1 15, 9 40,097 8, 6, 1 50, 939 60, 140	278, 400 157, 308 66, 875 1, 201 0. 4 0. 8 1. 8 (2) 1, 313 2, 232	2, 469, 120 389, 218 96, 217 33, 004 1. 3 8. 5 34. 3 16, 159 104. 2 36, 564 72, 653	590, 720 84, 220 30, 794 17, 504 3.0 20.8 56.8 13, 603 28.7 17, 505 18, 249	4,003,840 455,876 186,147 60,301 1.5 13.2 82.4 49,108 22.8 66,866 79,161	526, 080 474, 866 310, 452 3, 610 0. 7 0. 8 1. 2 2, 805 28. 7 7, 160 8, 192
17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25	PROJECTS  CLASSIFIED BY CHARACTER OF ENTERPRISE.  U. S. Reclamation Service, irrigated in 1909. Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910. Included in projects.  U. S. Indian Service, irrigated in 1909. Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910 Included in projects.  Carey Act enterprises, irrigated in 1909. Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1010 Included in projects.										
26 27 28 29 30 31	Irrigation districts, irrigated in 1909. Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910. Included in projects. Cooperative enterprises, irrigated in 1909 Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910. Included in projects.	3,000 3,000 71,050 3,000 6,000 6,000			90 200 200	2,175 2,175 2,475		8,854 9,779 28,054		2,750 2,800 2,800 2,800	
32 33 34 35 36 37	Commercial enterprises, irrigated in 1909  Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910  Included in projects  Individual and partnership enterprises, irrigated in 1909.  Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910  Included in projects	2,024 7,563 30,000 51,787 60,520 66,513	1,239 1,414 1,537		1,000 1,000 1,000 11,762 12,372 12,403	3,800 10,000 12,000 31,662 38,764 45,605	145 145 155 1,056 1,168 2,077	24, 150 26, 785 44, 599	17, 504 17, 505 18, 249	500 500 500 57,051 63,566 75,861	3,610 7,160 8,192
38 39 40 41 42 43	ACREAGE IRRIGATED  CLASSIFIED BY SOURCE OF WATER SUPPLY.  Supplied from streams.  By gravity.  By pumping.  Supplied from lakes.  By gravity.  By pumping.	51, 169 47, 512 3, 657	1,490 1,211 279	2, 551 1, 155 1, 396	3,717 3,382 335	14, 195 11, 987 2, 208	576 367 209 293	31,843 30,584 1,259	17,154 17,154	51,104 51,006 98	1,575 792 783 20 26
44 45 46 47 48 49	Supplied from wells.  Flowing. By pumping. Supplied from springs Supplied from reservoirs. Total acreage supplied by pumping. IRRIGATION ENTERPRISES	8,642	127 18 109 70	1,057 1,057 40 2,453	8,220 67 8,153 55 20 8,488	23,362 7,415 15,947 37 43 18,155	249 2 247 64 19 749	213 1 212 901 47 1,471	350	140 9,051 6 238	2,008 2,008 1 2,791
50 51 52 53	Independent enterprises number.  Number in 1899 4 Per cent of increase, 1899–1910.  Main ditches number.	1,206 298	65 51	85 57	108 76	842 458	97	472 446	100	572 595	132
54 55 56 57 58 59 60 61 62 63		5,415 49 192 73 134,014	84 5 3 8 5 5	458 3 33	75 140 4 5 32 13	1,511 39 27 142 9	161 55 1,228	3,150 130 81 10 3,903	2,304 4 1 3 8	2,576 172 41 20 107	101 3
64 65 66 67 68 69 70	Flowing wells number Capacity gallons per minute Pumped wells number Capacity gallons per minute Pumping plants number Engine capacity horsepower Pump capacity gallons per minute.	1.618	4 70 12 4,416 31 155 12,116	40 3,956 59 421 8,341	7 250 113 24,520 65 1,442 37,135	438 110,816 800 287,668 587 9,404 338,915	2 10 58 8,383 70 384 16,324	2 290 34 6,550 61 418 31,937		3 250 10 69 1,217	125 70,338 127 1,862 100,715
71 72 73 74 75 76 77	COST Cost of enterprises up to July 1, 1910. dollars. Cost in 1899 5. dollars. Per cent of increase, 1899-1910. Average cost per acre enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910. dollars. Average cost per acre irrigated in 1899 dollars. Lestimated final cost of existing enterprises. dollars. Average per acre included in projects. dollars.	1,689,720 21.92 3,324,720	32, 311 13, 37 32, 311 12, 78	90, 921 24. 89	27. 28 370, 186 370, 186	26. 25 1, 337, 216 22. 24	76, 621 58. 36 76, 621 34. 33	430,766 11.78 440,766 6.07	3.98 69,650 3.82	370, 627 5. 54 370, 627 4. 68	135, 532 18. 93 135, 532 16. 54
77 78 79 80 81 82	Average per acre included in projectsdollars  OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE  Acreage for which cost is reporteddollars  Average per acre for which cost is reported. dollars  Average cost per acre in 1899 dollars  Per cent of increase, 1899-1909dollars	5,024 5,053 1.01	12. 73 184 395 2, 15	22. 83	90 704 7.82	5,800 3,674 0.63	94.00	8,694 6,934 0.80	3. 52	1,700 898	10.02

## IRRIGATION—CALIFORNIA,

ACREAGE IRBIGATED, EXTENT AND COST OF IRRIGATION ENTERPRISES, AND COST, OF OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, BY COUNTIES: 1909 AND 1910—Continued.

[Comparative data for 1899 in italies.]

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		Sonoma.	Stanislaus	. Sutter.	Tehama.	Trinity.	Tulare.	Tuol- umne.	Ventura.	Yolo.	Yuba.
1	Number of all farms in 1910.	1 20	2,687 1,911	873 39	1,006 366	308 201		386 157	1,293 489		436
2 3 4	Number of farms irrigated in 1909.  Per cent of all farms.  Number of farms invigated in 1909.	.1 0.8	71. 1	4.5	36. 4 209	65.3	75.8	40.7	37.8 553	26.5	25. 7
5	Number of farms irrigated in 1899 Per cent of increase, 1899-1909		764.7	(1)	75.1	18.2	107.8	3 15. 1	38.5	99.4	3 38. 1
6	LAND AND FARM AREA Approximate land areaacres	1,009,280	928,000	389, 120	1,851,520	2,026,240	3,107,840	1,401,600	1.201.920	648,960	408,960
7 8	Land in farms acres.	744 644	649,392 512,189	4 385, 462 199, 510	915,227 186,642	91,310	1,045,231	1 - 193.072	550, 199	463,383 317,268	249, 108 94, 250
9 10	Improved land in farms acres Acreage irrigated in 1909 Per cent of total land area	631 0. 1	84,015 9.1	1,173	14,281	6,324 0.3	265, 404 8. 5	36, 407 2, 035 0. 1	1,201,920 550,199 213,868 25,273 2.1	11,754 1.8	3,078
11 12	Per cent of land in farms.  Per cent of improved land in farms.	0.1 0.3	12.9 16.4	0.3	1.6 7.7	6.9 47.5	25. 4 52. 3	1, 1 5, 6	11.8	$\begin{vmatrix} 2.5 \\ 3.7 \end{vmatrix}$	1.2 3.3
13 14	Per cent of land in farms Per cent of improved land in farms Acreage irrigated in 1899. Per cent of increase, 1899-1909.	(1)	17,505 379.9	(1)	11,512 24.1	4,710 34,3	<sup>2</sup> 86, 864 205. 6	1,381 47.4	11,985 111.8	127.7	2,477 24,1
15 16	Acreage enterprises were capable of frigating in 1910.	761 951	141,785 340,914	1,361 1,959	23,167 36,020	7,127 9,513	337, 938 466, 735	2, 083 5, 958	49, 407 56, 357	14,697 55,967	6,401 46,322
	ACREAGE IRRIGATED AND INCLUDED IN PROJECTS									2 3	
	CLASSIFIED BY CHARACTER OF ENTERPRISE.			1							
17 18	Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910										
20	U. S. Indian Service, irrigated in 1909.  Enterprises were carreble of irrigating in 1910.										
22	Included in projects	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •									
17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25	U. S. Reclamation Service, irrigated in 1909.  Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910. Included in projects.  U. S. Indian Service, irrigated in 1909. Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910. Included in projects. Carey Act enterprises, irrigated in 1909 Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910. Included in projects.				•••••						
	Irrigation districts, irrigated in 1909		67,313					1	l	Í	1.750
26 27 28 29 30 31	Irrigation districts, irrigated in 1909. Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910. Included in projects. Cooperative enterprises, irrigated in 1909. Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910. Included in projects.		121,083 303,313				.1 144.038			1	4,500
29 30	Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910		4,000		1,700 3,200		125,411 146,571		10,180 16,388		
32							227,788		j.	1 .	l
33 34	Commercial enterprises, irrigated in 1909.  Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910 Included in projects. Individual and partnership enterprises, irrigated		12,230 12,230 14,127	500 500 1,000			11, 150 11, 630 16, 820	1,450 1,450	7,650 20,400 22,000	10,400 10,400	281 781
35	Individual and partnership enterprises, irrigated in 1909	631	4,472	673	9,681	6,324	46,417	5, 055 585	,	50,400	781
36 37	in 1909. Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910 Included in projects.	761. 951	$\frac{4}{4}, \frac{472}{474}$	861 959	14,467 21,320	7, 127 9, 513	55,099 78,089	633 903	7, 443 12, 619 15, 932	1,354 4,297 5,567	1,042 $1,120$ $2,541$
	ACREAGE IRRIGATED		, ,		-2,2	,,,,,	1.5,550		10,002	0,000	2,011
38	CLASSIFIED BY SOURCE OF WATER SUPPLY. Supplied from streams	434	84,010	660	13,464	5,984	227,280	1,891	18, 198		2,791
39 <b>4</b> 0	By gravity. By pumping.	255 179	82, 120 1, 890	660	12,891 573	5,911 73	226, 939 341	1,869	18, 130 68		2,791
41 42	By gravity By pumping Suppiled from lakes By gravity By pumping Suppiled from lakes	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·								11,457 10,400	
43 44	By pumping			1	1		<b>6</b>			1,057	
45 46	Flowing. By numing	107	5	313	566 1 565		37,942 6,656	8	6,750 581	297	238 238
47 48	Supplied from wells Flowing By pumping Supplied from springs Supplied from reservoirs Total acreage supplied by pumping	40		200	251	338	31,286 169 13	136	6, 169 72 253	297	238 44
49	Total acreage supplied by pumping	336	1,895	313	1,138	75	31,627	27	6,237	1,354	238
50	Independent enterprises number	40	27	21	270	193	908	61	189	47	39
51 52 53	Number in 1899 5 Per cent of increase, 1899–1910 Main ditches number							• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •			
	Number in 1899 c. Per cent of increase, 1899–1910.	32	23	13	136	208	752	62	148	8	36
54 55 56 57	Length miles.	21	153	6	164	228	1,033	153	177	87	128
58 59	Capacity	14	3,074	27	1,325	802	6,526	245	627	214	398
60 61	Length miles		$\begin{array}{c} 34 \\ 274 \end{array}$		41 40	41 13	577 629	11 24	53 87	8 83	13 87
62 63	Reservoirs number Capacity aerc-feet	3 1	30,016	6 1	43 311	30 427	63 1,326	9 10	32 80	5 2	13 87 5 80
64 65	Flowing wells				1		79	.2	32		
66	Pumped wells number. Capacity gallons per minute	6, 831	950	18 6,616	$\begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 141 \\ 16,275 \end{bmatrix}$	1 750	35,513 794	14	17,455 157	58	11
68 69 70	Engine capacityhorsepower	27 134	21 707	19 124	10,276 165 751	3 34	237,420 739 7,864	16 7 89	64,829 126	29,409	1,605 11
70	Pump capacitygallons per minute	16, 763	185,950	6,616	39,680	1,920	244,318	765	2,976 72,704	981 69,694	62 1,605
71	Cost of enterprises up to July 1, 1910 dollars	13, 801	4,051,870	18,800	263,055	173,414	5,634,379	180, 474	2,262,205	311,660	198, 268
71 72 73 74	Cost in 1899 6										
75	of irrigating in 1910	18. 14	28.58	13. 81	11.35	24. 33	16.67	86.64	45. 79	21. 21	30.97
76 77	Estimated final cost of existing enterprises. dollars.  Average per acre included in projects. dollars.	13,801 14.51	5,326,870 15.63	18, 800 9, 60	342,555 9,51	173, 414 18. 23	5,643,379	180, 474	2,317,205	311,660	198, 268
ļ	OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE		10.00	0.00		10. 20	12.09	30.29	41, 12	5. 57	4.28
79	Total cost reported dollars t		69,633 1.				124,961 175,823	200 200	14,604 48,418	10,400 18,146	1,750 1,037
80 81	A verage per acre for which cost is reported dollars.  A verage cost per acre in 1899 6 dollars.  Per cent of increase, 1899-1909						1.41	1.00	48, 418 3, 32	1. 74	0.59
82	T et cette of increase, 10aa-1ana		•••••••								

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Included in "all other counties" in Twelfth Census report.

<sup>2</sup> Exclusive of Indian reservations.

6 Not reported.
6 Not reported by counties.

<sup>3</sup> Decrease. 4 See explanation at close of text.

### THIRTEENTH CENSUS OF THE UNITED STATES: 1910

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## IRRIGATION: COLORADO

FARMS AND ACREAGE IRRIGATED, IRRIGATION WORKS, COST OF CONSTRUCTION, COST OF OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, AND CROPS IRRIGATED

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#### INTRODUCTION.

This bulletin presents the larger part of the statistics of irrigation for Colorado obtained in connection with the Thirteenth Census. These data, with additional information, will be embodied in a special report of the Census of Irrigation and in the final reports of the Thirteenth Census. The statistics of the number of farms and acreage irrigated, cost of operation and maintenance, and irrigated crops are for the calendar year 1909; those of irrigation works, cost of enterprises, acreage enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910, and acreage included in projects are of the date July 1, 1910.

These statistics have been collected under the law of February 25, 1910, which contained the following clause relating to irrigation:

Inquiries shall also be made as to the location and character of irrigation enterprises, quantity of land irrigated in the arid region of the United States and in each state and county in that section under state and Federal laws; the price at which these lands, including water rights, are obtainable; the character and value of crops produced on irrigated lands, the amount of water used per acre for said irrigation and whether it was obtainable from national, state, or private works; the location of the various projects and methods of construction, with facts as to their physical condition; the amount of capital invested in such irrigation works.

The information called for by this law which could be supplied by farm operators was obtained on supplemental schedules by the regular census enumerators as a part of the agricultural census. The remaining data, which were supplied by the owners or officials of irrigation enterprises, were obtained on special schedules by special agents. The data relating to number of farms irrigated and irrigated crops are taken from the supplemental schedules, while all data relating to acreage irrigated and to irrigation works and their construction and operation are taken from the special schedules.

In accordance with the law, the data collected have been classified primarily by the state and Federal laws by virtue of which the land was brought under irrigation. The results are presented in detail at the end of this bulletin and summarized in text tables.

Such of the terms used as are not self-explanatory are defined below.

Farms irrigated.—The number of "farms irrigated" is the number of farms on which irrigation is practiced and is equivalent to the term "number of irrigators" used in previous census reports.

Types of enterprise.—The types of enterprise under which the lands irrigated in 1909 are classified are as follows:

United States Reclamation Service enterprises, which operate under the Federal law of June 17, 1902, providing for the construction of irrigation works with the receipts from the sale of public lands.

United States Indian Service enterprises, which operate under various acts of Congress providing for the construction by that service of works for the irrigation of land in Indian reservations.

Carey Act enterprises, which operate under the Federal law of August 18, 1894, granting to each of the states in the arid region 1,000,000 acres of land on condition that the state provide for its irrigation, and under amendments to that law granting additional areas to Idaho and Wyoming.

Irrigation districts, which are public corporations that operate under state laws providing for their organization and management, and empowering them to issue bonds and levy and collect taxes with the object of obtaining funds for the purchase or construction and for the operation and maintenance of irrigation works.

Cooperative enterprises, which are controlled by the water users under some organized form of cooperation. The most common form of organization is the stock company, the stock of which is owned by the water users.

Commercial enterprises, which supply water for compensation to parties who own no interest in the works. Persons obtaining water from such enterprises are usually required to pay for the right to receive water, and to pay, in addition, annual charges based in some instances on the acreage irrigated and in others on the quantity of water received.

Individual and partnership enterprises, which belong to individual farmers or to neighboring farmers, who control them without formal organization. It is not always possible to distinguish between partnership and cooperative enterprises, but as the difference is slight this is unimportant.

Source of water supply.—Of the terms used in the classification according to source of water supply, none requires explanation except "reservoirs." The only reservoirs which are treated as independent sources of supply are those filled by collecting storm water or from watercourses that are ordinarily dry. When reservoirs are filled from streams or wells, the primary source is considered the source of supply.

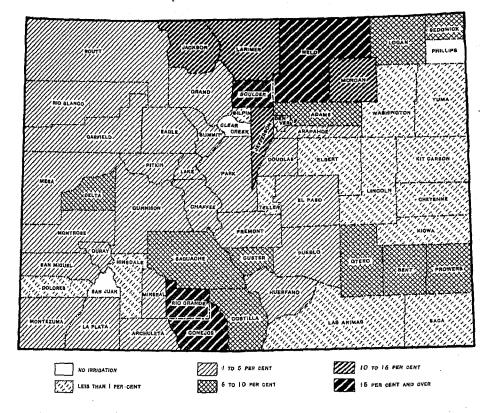
Acre-foot.—The "acre-foot," used to express the capacity of reservoirs, is the volume of water required to cover 1 acre to a depth of 1 foot, or 43,560 cubic feet.

Cost.—The cost of irrigation enterprises is that given by the owners. For the larger works the cost given is taken, in most cases, from the books of account and represents the actual cost. In the case of most of the private and partnership and many of the cooperative enterprises, however, the works were built by their owners without records of money or labor expended, and the cost given represents the owners' estimates. The cost reported for 1910 includes the cost of construction and of acquiring rights. The latter usually consists of filing fees only. In some instances it includes the purchase price of rights, but these cases are so rare that they are unimportant. The cost reported for 1899 is designated "cost of construction," but probably includes the cost of acquiring rights, as in 1910. The average cost per acre is based on the acreage enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910 and the cost to July 1, 1910.

# PER CENT OF TOTAL LAND AREA IRRIGATED, AND PER CENT OF NUMBER OF FARMS IRRIGATED, IN COLORADO, BY COUNTIES: 1909.

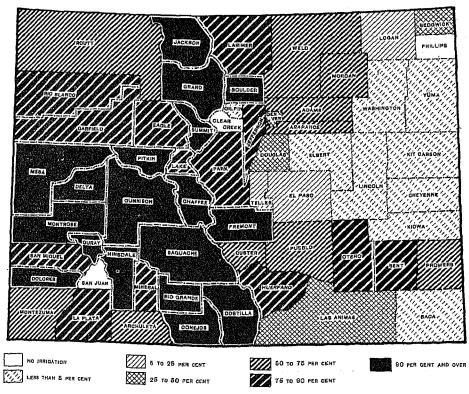
PER CENT OF TOTAL LAND AREA IRRIGATED.

[Per cent for the state, 4.2.]



PER CENT OF NUMBER OF FARMS IRRIGATED.

[Per cent for the state, 56.]



#### FARMS AND ACREAGE IRRIGATED.

The irrigated area of Colorado in 1909 was the largest reported for any of the states in the arid region. Irrigation is practiced generally throughout the state, only three counties, Clear Creek, Phillips, and San Juan, having no land under irrigation in that year. The eastern two-fifths of the state, which lies in the Great Plains section, is principally devoted to grazing and dry farming, except the lands in the valleys of the Arkansas and South Platte Rivers, extending from the mountains to the eastern boundary, which include the largest irrigated area in the state. The western and mountainous portion of Colorado contains numerous fertile valleys, in which irrigation has also been extensively developed. In this section irrigation is generally an essential factor in agriculture, but in portions of the eastern counties there is sufficient rainfall in most seasons for the successful growing of some crops without irrigation. The location of the irrigated lands of the state is indicated in a general way by the maps on the opposite page, in which the different counties are graphically classified according to the percentage which irrigated land forms of their total land area and the percentage which irrigated farms represent of all farms.

The following table shows, for the state as a whole, the number of farms and acreage irrigated in 1909, in comparison with the total number of farms, the total land area, the total land in farms, and the total acreage of improved land in farms in 1910, together with the areas not yet irrigated for which water has been or is being made available. Comparative statistics for the census of 1900 are included as far as possible. The figures as to farms and acreage irrigated in 1899 do not include statistics for Indian reservations, which were not shown in the irrigation report for Colorado for that year, and therefore they are not strictly comparable with the figures for the total number of farms and total farm acreage reported in 1900, as shown in this table, or with the statistics for farms and acreage irrigated in 1909. Since, however, irrigated farms and land on reservations formed only small proportions of the corresponding totals for the state in 1909, comparisons are but little affected by the omission in the Twelfth Census

	CENSI	us of—	INCREA	SE,I
	1910	1900	Amount.	Per cent.
Number of all farms	<sup>2</sup> 46, 170 66, 341, 120	<sup>3</sup> 24, 700 66, 341, 120	21, 470	86. 9
Land in farmsacres	1 * 13, 532, 113	<sup>3</sup> 9, 474, 588	4, 057, 525	42.8
Improved land in farmsacres	<sup>2</sup> 4, 302, 101	$^3$ 2, 273, 968	2, 028, 133	89. 2
Number of farms irrigated	4 25, 857	5 17,613	8, 244 1, 180, 761	46. 8 73. 3
Acreage irrigated	4 2, 792, 032 6 3, 990, 166	<sup>5</sup> 1, 611, 271	l	
Acreage enterprises were capable of irrigating	6 5, 917, 457	(7)		
Percentage irrigated of— Number of all farms	56. 0	71. 3		
Approximate land area of the state	4. 2	2. 4 17. 0	1.8	
Land in farms	64. 9	70.9	-6.0	
Excess of acreage enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910				
over acreage irrigated in 1909 Excess of acreage included in projects over acreage irrigated in 1909	$1, 198, 134 \\ 3, 125, 425$			
Excess of acreage included in projects over acreage irrigated in 1909	0, 120, 420			

<sup>1</sup> A minus sign (-) denotes decrease.

<sup>2</sup> April 15.

<sup>3</sup>June 1.

4 In 190

<sup>6</sup> In 1899, exclusive of Indian reservations.

<sup>6</sup>July 1.

<sup>7</sup> Not reported

Number of farms irrigated.—The number of farms irrigated is made up of the number reported on the supplemental schedules by the regular enumerators, together with an estimate of the number of farms covered by enterprises which were reported by special agents but not by the regular enumerators. This estimate was based upon the average acreage irrigated per farm shown by the supplemental schedules.

According to the figures presented in the table, irrigation was practiced on more than one-half (56 per cent) of the farms in the state in 1909. In 1899 the proportion of irrigated farms was much higher (71.3 per cent), while in 1889 it was 58.9 per cent. It is apparent that in the 10 years from 1889 to 1899 the number of irrigated farms increased more rapidly than the number on which irrigation was not practiced.

In the later decade, however, owing largely to the marked advance of dry farming in the eastern part of the state, the rate of increase in the number of unirrigated farms was about four times as great as that in the number of irrigated farms.

In 41 out of the 60 counties of the state more than half the farms are irrigated. The proportion is between 40 and 50 per cent in 1 county, between 30 and 40 per cent in 3, 20 per cent in 1, between 10 and 20 per cent in 2, and less than 10 per cent in 9. No irrigation was reported in 1909 for the remaining three counties. The counties in which more than half the farms are irrigated are all in the western three-fifths of the state, with the exception of those in the valley of the Arkansas River, which form a row extending eastward across the state, and four counties which

form a group in the northern part in the valley of the South Platte River. The counties having low percentages, with the exception of Gilpin County, are in the eastern section of the state, as is one of the three counties from which no irrigation was reported. Rio Grande County shows the highest proportion of irrigated farms, 99.6 per cent, but in 17 other counties more than 90 per cent of the farms are irrigated.

From 1899 to 1909 the increase in the number of farms irrigated for the state as a whole was 46.8 per cent. Of the 48 counties in which irrigation was practiced that did not undergo any change of area during the 10 years, 35 show increases, varying greatly in degree, while 13 show decreases. Of the latter group, 7 counties are in the "dry farm" section, while the other 6 are scattered through the mountainous portion of the state. In the territory constituting Adams, Arapahoe, Denver, Washington, and Yuma Counties in 1910, and Arapahoe, Washington, and Yuma Counties in 1900, there was an increase of 13.4 per cent, and in that comprising Jackson and Larimer Counties in 1910 and Larimer County in 1900, an increase of 31.7 per cent, while the combined area of Jefferson and Park Counties showed an increase of 42.3 per cent.

Acreage irrigated.—The acreage irrigated is taken from the special schedules filled out by agents from information obtained from owners or officials of irrigation enterprises and, in some instances, from public records. The acreage thus obtained is considerably larger than the irrigated acreage reported on the supplemental schedules filled out by the farm enumerators. This difference is due in a measure to the fact that the special agents found enterprises which were not reported on any schedules returned by the enumerators. indicating that the acreage reported on the supplemental schedules is under the true figure. There is, however, a natural tendency for the officials of irrigation enterprises to report as irrigated the entire area of farms of which only a part was irrigated. Furthermore, some farms are so situated as to receive water from more than one enterprise, and may be reported as irrigated by each, which results in duplication. Owing to the two causes last enumerated, it is probable that the acreage irrigated as shown in this bulletin is somewhat excessive, but the extent of this excess can not be determined. It is believed, however, to be less than 10 per cent for the state of Colorado.

The total acreage reported as irrigated in 1909 was 2,792,032 acres, as against 1,611,271 acres in 1899 and 890,735 acres in 1889. The percentage of increase from 1889 to 1899 was 80.9, while that from 1899 to 1909 was 73.3. The absolute increase shown for the later decade was the larger, however, 1,180,761 acres, compared with 720,536 acres in the earlier decade.

The percentage of increase between 1899 and 1909 in the acreage irrigated was considerably higher than the percentage of increase in the number of farms irrigated, the acreage irrigated per farm increasing from 91.5 in 1899 to 108 in 1909. As a decrease from 383.6 acres to 293.1 acres in the average size of the farms of the state was reported for the same period, it is probable that farmers are irrigating larger parts of their holdings than formerly. It is not possible, however, to determine how far this is actually the case as the higher average size shown for 1900 was due to a considerable extent to the inclusion of some large tracts of land used for grazing which in 1910 were not reported as farm land.

The percentage irrigated of the total land area of the state increased from 2.4 in 1899 to 4.2 in 1909, while the percentage of all land in farms which was under irrigation increased from 17 in 1899 to 20.6 in 1909. As a result of the rapid development of dry farming in recent years, however, there was a decrease in the percentage of the total improved land in farms which was under irrigation, from 70.9 in 1899 to 64.9 in 1909.

In both 1909 and 1899 the county for which the largest area of irrigated land was reported was Weld, with an irrigated acreage of 395,514 and 226,613 at the respective censuses. No other county had an area of irrigated land amounting to 200,000 acres in 1909, but in 7 others the land reported as irrigated exceeded 100,000 acres, while in 15 additional counties it exceeded 50,000 acres.

The county in which irrigated land formed the highest percentage of the total land area was Boulder, the proportion being 23.1 per cent. In three other counties, namely, Rio Grande, Conejos, and Weld, the percentage was over 15, and in 4 it was between 10 and 15.

Acreage included in projects.—The foregoing table shows that in 1910 existing enterprises were ready to supply water to 3,990,166 acres, or 1,198,134 acres more than were irrigated in 1909. It is probable that, after allowance is made for an increase in the area irrigated in 1910 over that in 1909, there remained at the close of 1910 under ditch, but not irrigated, almost as much land as was brought under irrigation in the 10 years from 1899 to 1909. The acreage included in projects exceeds the acreage irrigated in 1909 by 3,125,425 acres, which is more than two and one-half times the acreage brought under irrigation in the last decade, and somewhat more than the total area irrigated in 1909. This acreage represents the area which will be available for the extension of irrigation in the next few years upon the completion of existing enterprises and without new undertakings. It indicates in a general way the area available for settlement, although much of this unirrigated land is in farms already settled.

Acreage irrigated, classified by character of enterprise.—The next table gives the distribution of the acreage irrigated in 1909 according to the character of the enterprise controlling the irrigation works.

Irrigation districts, cooperative enterprises, and individual and partnership enterprises are all controlled by the water users. These supplied 93.6 per cent of

the acreage irrigated in 1909, while United States Reclamation Service and Carey Act enterprises, which are to be turned over to the water users, supplied 0.6 per cent of the acreage irrigated. Thus less than 6 per cent of the irrigated land is supplied by works which are not either controlled by the water users or to be turned over to them ultimately.

	ACREAGE IR IN 190	
CHARACTER OF ENTERPRISE.	Amount.	Per cent distribu- tion.
All classes. U. S. Reclamation Service. U. S. Indian Service. Carey Act enterprises. Irrigation districts. Cooperative enterprises. Commercial enterprises. Individual and partnership enterprises.	2,792,032 16,600 1,020 485 115,304 1,273,141 159,457 1,226,025	100. 0 0. 6 (1) (1) 4. 1 45. 6 5. 7 43. 9

1 Less than one-tenth of 1 per cent.

Acreage irrigated, classified by source of water supply.—The table following shows the distribution of the acreage irrigated in 1909 according to the source from which the water supply for irrigation is obtained:

	ACREAGE IN 190	
SOURCE OF WATER SUPPLY.	Amount.	Per cent distribu- tion.
All sources. Streams Lakes. Wells. Springs. Reservoirs.	1,056 8,282 8,320	100. 0 98. 8 (1) 0. 3 0. 3 0. 0

1 Less than one-tenth of 1 per cent.

From this table it is apparent that up to the present time there has been comparatively little development of any source of water supply other than streams.

#### IRRIGATION WORKS.

The following statement summarizes the data collected relating to works for supplying water for irrigation in 1910:

Number of independent enterprises.	9,065
Ditches, total lengthmiles.	22,570
Main ditchesnumber.	8,405
Lengthmiles.	17,564
Capacity	148, 483
Lateral ditchesnumber	5,612
Lengthmiles	5,006
Reservoirsnumber	1,084
Capacityacre-feet	2,646,593
Flowing wellsnumber.	313
Capacitygallons per minute.	41,989
Pumped wellsnumber	121
Capacity:gallons per minute	53,564
Pumping plantsnumber.	206
Engine capacityhorsepower	7,969
Pump capacitygallons per minute	296, 937

The only figures available for comparison from the earlier census are those for the number of systems (1,890), outside of Indian reservations, that received water from streams by gravity diversion in 1899, and the length of main ditches reported for these systems (7,374 miles). As compared with the latter figure, the length of main ditches reported in 1910 represents an increase of 10,190, or 138.2 per cent, which, however, is somewhat higher than the actual increase, owing to the fact that the figure for

1910 covers Indian reservations and enterprises receiving water from sources other than streams.

Assuming that the enterprises in operation in 1909 were identical with those reported in 1910, the average number of acres irrigated per enterprise in 1909 was 308, and the acreage irrigated per mile of main ditch was 159. For the 1,890 irrigation systems that, in 1899, received water from streams by gravity diversion, the average acreage irrigated per enterprise in that year was 849 and the acreage irrigated per mile of main ditch was 218.

In certain sections of the state, considerable attention is being given to the utilization of underground water for irrigation. The statement above shows 313 flowing wells and 121 wells pumped for irrigation, which watered altogether 8,282 acres in 1909. Of the flowing wells, which irrigated 5,171 acres, more than one-third were in Conejos County, but Fremont, Saguache, Rio Grande, and El Paso Counties each reported a considerable number. The pumped wells are scattered generally over the state, and no county, except Weld, with 47, showed a large number. The water pumped for irrigation is, however, for the most part taken from streams.

#### COST OF CONSTRUCTION, OPERATION, AND MAINTENANCE.

The table following shows the total cost of irrigation enterprises up to July 1, 1910, including construction of works and acquisition of rights but not operation and maintenance, with the average cost per acre, based on the acreage the enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910; the estimated final cost of enterprises completed and enterprises now under construction, with the average cost per acre, based on the acreage included in projects; and the total cost and average cost per acre of operation and maintenance in 1909. Data relating to the cost of construction and maintenance of systems operated in 1899 are included

for comparison. The figure for average cost per acre of operation and maintenance in 1899 does not cover the cost for systems receiving water from wells, which supplied 7,058 acres in that year. Indian reservations, as previously stated, are not covered by the figures from the earlier census.

The cost of operation and maintenance is not reported for individual and partnership enterprises, for the reason that farmers whose land is irrigated by such systems generally clean their own ditches at odd times without keeping any record of the time spent. In the case of the larger enterprises this cost repre-

sents a cash outlay by the farmers, while in the case of many of the smaller cooperative enterprises the cost is worked out by the farmers.

	CENSU	s of—	increase.				
Average per acre Estimated final cost of existing enterprises Average per acre included in projects Operation and maintenance: Acreage for which cost is re-	1910	1900	Amount.	Per cent.			
	1 \$56,636,443 3 \$14.19 \$76,443,239	<sup>2</sup> \$11, 758, 703 <sup>4</sup> \$7. 30 (6)	\$44,877,740 (b)	381.7			
A verage per acre included in	\$12.92	( <sup>6</sup> )					
Operation and maintenance: Acreage for which cost is reported Total cost reported Average cost per acre	1,401,670 7 \$1,046,268 \$0.75	(6) (6) 8 <b>\$</b> ().34	\$0.41	120.6			

1 Reported July 1.
2 Cost of construction of systems operated in 1899, exclusive of Indian reservations.
3 Based on acreage enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910.
4 Hased on acreage irrigated in 1899.
5 Figures not comparable. (See explanation in text.)
6 Not reported.
7 For 1909.
8 Figure relates only to systems obtaining water from streams, outside of Indian expectations.

The cost of irrigation systems shows the largest increase of any item included in the census of irrigation, 381.7 per cent, while the average cost per acre also shows a considerable increase. The figures shown for the average cost at the two censuses are not, however, strictly comparable. The average cost per acre shown for 1910 is based on the acreage under ditch in that year, but since the corresponding acreage for 1900 was not reported, the figure for average cost at the earlier census is based on the acreage irrigated in 1899. If computed on the basis of the acreage irrigated in 1909, the average cost in 1910 would be \$20.29, representing an increase of 177.9 per cent over the figure for the average cost at the census of 1900. The year 1899 was near the close of the period of private and cooperative construction, when most of the works were built by the water users themselves with little or no expenditure of money, and near the beginning of the present period of large-scale construction by corporations and the Federal Government. This later construction is not only on a more extensive scale, but also more difficult and of a better type. Largely as a result of these changed conditions, the average cost per acre of irrigation has greatly increased. A number of large enterprises are under construction, upon which considerable expenditures have been made, while but little land is irrigated as yet. This condition tends to make the average cost shown higher than the true average. The average based on the estimated final cost and the acreage included in projects, \$12.92 per acre, probably more truly represents the average cost per acre of irrigation in Colorado.

The county showing the lowest average cost to July 1, 1910, \$1.38 per acre, is Jackson. The highest average cost per acre, \$51.73, is reported for Montrose County, where the unusual cost is due to the large expenditures made on works which were nearly complete July 1, 1910, but on that date were ready to supply with water only a part of the land to be irrigated ultimately.

The acreage for which cost of operation and maintenance in 1909 was reported constitutes 50.2 per cent of the total acreage reported as irrigated in 1909 and 89.5 per cent of the acreage reported as irrigated by other than individual and partnership enterprises. The cost reported can be said, therefore, to represent fairly the average annual expense for all but individual and partnership enterprises.

The following table shows the acreage, yield, and | value of the principal crops reported as grown under | same crops reported for the entire state:

irrigation in 1909, in comparison with totals for the

		ACREAGE.			YIELD.		VALUE.		
CROP.	Total for	Total for			Total for	On	Total for	For	
	state.		Per cent of total.	Unit.	state.	irrigated land.	state.	irrigated land.	
Cereals: Corn				,					
Oats	077 010	25, 705 192, 311 174, 116	7.9 69.7 51,1	Bushels Bushels Bushels	4,903,304 7,642,855 7,224,057 324,713	567, 151 6, 235, 979 4, 727, 359 111, 120	\$2,673,584 4,177,267	\$370,400 3,458,308	
Wheat Enimer and spelt Barley Rye,	15,523 71,411 15,715	3,771 48,775 898	24. 3 68. 3 5. 7	Bushels Bushels	1.889.342	111, 120 1, 483, 112 14, 135	6,463,926 153,068 1,100,753 123,530	3,458,308 4,352,823 53,203 897,849 11,28	
Other grains and seeds:			57.8	Bushels	18,040	9,628	137, 212		
Dry peas.	1 " 0.0	4,483 2,504 15,537	49. 7 64. 1	Bushels	53,926 258,281	32,444 199,945	128, 767 397, 540	83,07 90,65 282,09	
flay and forage: Timothy alone. Timothy and clover mixed. Clover lone	51,505	45, 029	87.4	Tons	82,482	76,660	746, 146	602,21	
		24, 049 405	53. 4 28. 6	Tons	84,636 3,695	47,007 888	685, 164 29, 106	355,52 7,86	
Alfalfa. Other tame or cultivated grasses <sup>1</sup> Wild, salt, or prairie grasses.	508,892 102,956 394,799	480, 580 52, 844 299, 755	94. 4 51. 3 75. 9	Tons Tons	1,265,915 143,173 368,408	1,222,790 95,119 288,536	9,709,180 1,131,996 3,086,956	9,522,96 751,43	
Coarse forage.		48, 171 7, 767	64.2	Tons	94,260 156,547	70,057 20,775	845,544 848,532	2,444,55 501,20 101,78	
Sundry crops: Potatoes. Sugar basis	85,839	59, 221	69.0	Bushels	·	, i	<b>'</b>		
Sugar beets Orchard fruits and grapes Small fruits	<sup>2</sup> 108, 005	106,905 34,763	99.0	Tons	2 1,230,718	8,408,915 1,224,466	3, 704, 768 2 6, 057, 529 4, 679, 818	2,889,78 6,055,38 4,426,28	
I Includes millet or Hungarian grass 2 Prolimina 1	2 2,829	2,099	74. 2				2 398, 836	4, 426, 28 379, 97	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Preliminary tabulation, subject to correction.

<sup>3</sup> Agricultural returns show number of trees and not acreage.

As previously stated, the data relating to irrigated crops are taken from supplemental schedules filled out by the regular census enumerators. Since the special agents found enterprises which the enumerators had not reported, it is evident that the information relating to irrigated crops is incomplete to some extent. It shows, however, the relative importance of the different irrigated crops, and is sufficiently complete to afford reliable averages of yields.

While small quantities of other crops are grown both on irrigated and unirrigated land, the leading crops of the state, as well as the leading crops grown under irrigation, are represented in the table. In the reports of the agricultural census the acreages of seed crops are not usually given, but since the growing of alfalfa seed is coming to be an important industry in the irrigated sections of the country, statistics for this crop are presented in the preceding table.

Acreage.—Of the entire acreage of the crops for which totals are presented in the table, slightly more than 60 per cent is irrigated, but the proportion irrigated varies widely for the different crops.

The cereals are generally grown without irrigation in the eastern counties, but for the state as a whole the irrigated acreage of the cereal crops given in the table represents 42.6 per cent of the total acreage shown for these crops. The highest percentage of acreage irrigated shown for any cereal, 69.7, is reported for oats, and the next highest, 68.3, for barley. For wheat and corn, which are the most important cereals in Colorado in respect to total acreage, the proportions are respectively 51.1 and 7.9 per cent.

The hay and forage crops are more generally irrigated than the cereals, the irrigated area of such crops given in the table forming 74.8 per cent of their total acreage. In the case of six of the eight hay and forage crops included in the table, more than half of the total acreage is irrigated. The irrigated alfalfa acreage forms 94.4 per cent of the entire acreage in that crop, and the irrigated acreage devoted to timothy alone forms 87.4 per cent of the total land in timothy. For "wild, salt, or prairie grasses," and for grains cut green, the corresponding percentages are 75.9 and 64.2, respectively.

Of the entire acreage in sugar beets 99 per cent is irrigated, and of that in potatoes, 69 per cent. The relative importance of the irrigated orchard acreage can not be determined, because the total acreage of orchards in the state was not reported, but it will be observed that more than 90 per cent of the value of all orchard fruits and grapes produced in the state represents that of products grown on irrigated land.

Of the crops shown in the table, alfalfa covers the largest irrigated acreage, representing 29.5 per cent of the total irrigated acreage of the crops given. The crop next in importance with respect to irrigated acreage is "wild, salt, or prairie grasses," with 18.4 per

cent of this total, followed by oats, with 11.8 per cent, and wheat, with 10.7 per cent. The percentage for sugar beets is 6.6. No other single crop covers as much as 4 per cent of the total acreage of irrigated crops presented in the table.

While most of the crops irrigated are well distributed geographically, there is a tendency toward the concentration of certain crops in particular localities. This is shown by the following statement, which gives the counties having the largest acreages of the principal irrigated crops, with the proportions which they contain of the total irrigated acreages of these crops in the state.

Corn.—Weld County, 14.5 per cent; Morgan, 10.5 per cent; Pueblo, 9.5 per cent; Mesa, 6.9 per cent.

Oats.—Weld County, 13.9 per cent; Rio Grande, 9.5 per cent; Larimer, 7.3 per cent; Otero, 6.3 per cent.

Wheat.—Weld County, 24.9 per cent; Boulder, 11.6 per cent; Adams, 7.5 per cent; Rio Grande, 7.2 per cent.

Emmer and spelt.—Prowers County, 51 per cent; Bent, 11 per cent; Morgan, 9.3 per cent; Logan, 9.2 per cent.

Barley.—Weld County, 31.8 per cent; Larimer, 10.7 per cent; Boulder, 10 per cent; Morgan, 9.5 per cent.

Alfalfa seed.—Prowers County, 37.2 per cent; Otero, 16 per cent; Logan, 15.8 per cent; Bent, 13.8 per cent.

Dry edible beans.—Otero County, 27.2 per cent; Las Animas, 26.5 per cent; Weld, 10 per cent; Costilla, 8.9 per cent.

Dry peas.—Conejos County, 43.1 per cent; Costilla, 25.1 per cent; Rio Grande, 17.1 per cent; Chaffee, 8.1 per cent.

Timothy alone.—Routt County, 30.3 per cent; Gunnison, 12.6 per cent; Ouray, 6.7 per cent; Jackson, 6.6 per cent.

Timothy and clover mixed.—Routt County, 44.5 per cent; Summit, 12 per cent; Gunnison, 11.7 per cent; Eagle, 7 per cent.

Alfalfa.—Weld County, 12.7 per cent; Larimer, 8.5 per cent; Otero, 7.8 per cent; Prowers, 6.6 per cent.

"Other tame or cultivated grasses."—Grand County, 24.4 per cent; Rio Blanco, 13.5 per cent; Gunnison, 11.9 per cent; Routt, 9.6 per cent.

"Wild, salt, or prairie grasses."—Jackson County, 21.2 per cent; Park, 12.2 per cent; Conejos, 11.7 per cent; Saguache, 9.6 per cent.

Grains cut green.—Rio Grande County, 35.9 per cent; Saguache, 19.8 per cent; Conejos, 16.5 per cent; Park, 1.9 per cent.

Coarse forage.—Prowers County, 23 per cent; Otero County, 17.3 per cent; Morgan, 12.9 per cent; Bent, 11.4 per cent.

Potatoes.—Weld County, 52.5 per cent; Rio Grande, 8.8 per cent; Garfield, 7 per cent; Montrose, 5.2 per cent.

Sugar beets.—Weld County, 31.2 per cent; Larimer, 20.4 per cent; Otero, 13.9 per cent; Morgan, 6.7 per cent.

Orchard fruits and grapes.—Mesa County, 30.3 per cent; Delta, 25.9 per cent; Montrose, 7.8 per cent; Otero, 6.1 per cent.

Small fruits.—Jefferson County, 34.4 per cent; Fremont, 16.1 per cent; Larimer, 10.7 per cent; Boulder, 8.4 per cent.

Of the irrigated acreage of orchards not bearing in 1909, amounting to 15,175 acres, 46.4 per cent was in Mesa County; 13.1 per cent in Delta County; 7.7 per cent in Montrose County; and 7.5 per cent in Fremont County.

Yield.—In the next table the average yields per acre of certain crops extensively grown, both with and without irrigation, are shown. The yields on unirrigated land are obtained by subtracting the totals for irrigated crops from the totals for the state.

For all the crops given in the table, except alfalfa seed, greater average yields on irrigated than on unirrigated land in 1909 were reported. The percentage of excess is greatest in the case of sugar beets and next greatest in the case of oats.

Among the cereals shown the excess of the average yield under irrigation over that without irrigation ranges from 53.5 to 92.9 per cent. Of the hay and forage crops in the table, "timothy alone" shows the highest percentage of excess, 88.9, and timothy and clover mixed the lowest, 8.3.

In considering these comparisons it should be borne in mind that they are not comparisons of yields on irrigated and on unirrigated land in the same localities, but of yields under irrigation in localities where crops can not be grown to advantage without it with yields in localities where irrigation is not necessary. They do not indicate, therefore, the relative advantages of farming with and without irrigation in a given community, but rather give one factor for determining the relative advantages of farming where irrigation is necessary and where it is not necessary for the successful growing of crops.

	AVERAG	E YIELD PE	R ACRE.			
		On irrigated land.				
CROP.	On unirrigated land.	Amount.	Per cent of excess over yield on unirrigated land.1			
Corn. bushels Oats. bushels Wheat. bushels Wheat. bushels Emmer and spelt. bushels Burley. bushels Burley. bushels Dry edible beans bushels Dry edible beans bushels Timothy alone tons Timothy and clover mixed tons Alfalfa. tons Other tame or cultivated grasses tons Wild, salt, or prairie grasses tons Coarse forage tons Coarse forage tons Potatoes. bushels	18. 2 17. 9 2. 6 8. 5 6. 7 0. 90 1. 80 1. 52 0. 96	22. 1 32. 4 27. 2 29. 5 30. 4 2. 1 13. 0 12. 9 1. 70 1. 95 2. 54 1. 80 0. 96 0. 4 2. 1 1. 44 2. 1 1. 44 2. 1 1. 44 2. 1 1. 44 2. 1 1. 44 2. 1 1. 45 2. 67	53.5 92.9 61.3 62.1 69.8 -19.2 52.9 92.5 88.9 87.1 87.5 14.3 61.1 85.4 12.1			

 $^{\rm I}$  A minus sign (~) indicates that the yield on irrigated land is less than that on unirrigated land.

#### COUNTY TABLE.

The next table gives in detail, by counties, the data summarized above, except those relating to crops. For purposes of comparison the total number of farms in the state, the approximate land area of the state, the total land in farms, and the improved land in farms have been included in the table.

Certain enterprises extend into more than one county, and in the case of some of these enterprises the reports do not segregate the data by counties. In such cases a distribution has been made according to the best estimates possible from all the information in the possession of the bureau. It is believed that these estimates are approximately correct.

Attention is directed to the fact that the totals for 1899 shown in this table do not cover Indian reservations, no report as to irrigation on reservations in Colorado having been made at the Twelfth Census. Since, however, the figures for the present census show that the irrigation operations conducted on

reservations were unimportant relatively to those in the state as a whole, it is believed that this shortage is not of material consequence as concerns comparisons between the two censuses. For this reason the percentages of increase have been computed without attempt to estimate the extent of Indian Service irrigation in 1899 or without elimination from the 1909 and 1910 totals of figures representing irrigation on reservations.

Change of boundaries.—In comparing the data secured in 1910 with those from the census of 1900, the following changes in county boundaries should be considered: The organization of Adams and Denver Counties from parts of Arapahoe County in 1902; the annexation of parts of Adams and Arapahoe Counties to Washington and Yuma Counties in 1903; the annexation of part of Jefferson County to Park County in 1908; the annexation of a part of Denver County to Adams County in 1909; and the organization of Jackson County from part of Larimer County in 1909.

AND COST OF IRRIGATION ENTERPRISES, AND COST OF OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, BY COUNTIES: 1909 AND 1910. ACREAGE IRRIGATED, EXTENT

[Comparative data for 1899 in italics.]

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		THE STATE.	Adams.	Arapa- hoe.	Archu- leta.	Baca.	Bent.	Boulder.	Chaffee,	Cheyenne.
1 2 3 4 5	Number of all farms in 1910.  Number of farms irrigated in 1909.  Per cent of all farms.  Number of farms irrigated in 1899.  Per cent of increase, 1899-1909.  LAND AND FARM AREA	25, 857	1,357 726 53.5 (1)	948 493 52. 0 1, 153	282 206 73.0 151 36.4	540 8 1.5 10 3 20.0	463 404 87.3 223 81.2	1,181 1,118 94.7 887 26.0	230 212 92, 2 191 11, 0	791 0.1 3 92.9
6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15	Approximate land area acres Land in farms acres Improved land in farms acres Acreage irrigated in 1909. Per cent of total land area Per cent of land in farms Per cent of improved land in farms Per cent of improved land in farms Acreage irrigated in 1899. Per cent of increase, 1899–1909 Acreage enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910 Acreage included in projects ACREAGE IRRIGATED AND INCLUDED IN PROJECTS	2 13, 532, 113 2 4, 302, 101 2, 792, 032 4, 2 20, 6 64, 9 21, 611, 271 73, 3	807, 680 363, 785 109, 238 67, 339 8. 3 18. 5 61. 6 (1)	538, 880 284, 917 62, 608 26, 341 4.9 9.2 42.1 81, 807 57, 784	780,800 85,130 16,095 15,008 1.9 17.6 93.2 6,529 120.9 23,230 24,812	1,633,280 257,344 34,963 211 (4) 0.1 0.6 156 35.3 351 959	975, 360 168, 297 59, 919 59, 497 6, 1 35, 4 99, 3 35, 089 50, 1 69, 497 97, 731	488, 960 190, 922 113, 231 112, 724 23.1 59.0 99.6 83, 766 34.6 169, 040 172, 235	693, 120 37, 286 16, 733 16, 142 2, 3 43, 3 96, 5 18, 071 23, 5 32, 383 42, 605	1,137,280 216,210 75,755 200 (4) 0.1 0.3 291 3 31.3 200 200
17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25	CLASSIFIED BY CHARACTER OF ENTERPRISE.  U. S. Reclamation Service, irrigated in 1909.  Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910. Included in projects.  U. S. Indian Service, irrigated in 1909.  Enterprises were capable of Irrigating in 1910. Included in projects.  Carey Act enterprises, irrigated in 1909.  Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910. Included in projects.	16, 600 30, 000 193, 000 1, 020 2, 020 20, 020 485 6, 085 59, 480								
26 27 28 29 30 31	Irrigation districts, irrigated in 1909.  Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910.  Included in projects.  Cooperative enterprises, irrigated in 1909.  Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910.  Included in projects.	115, 304 207, 570 487, 370 1, 273, 141 1, 870, 447 2, 436, 367							1,400 1,400	
32 33 34 35 36 37	Commercial enterprises, irrigated in 1909  Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910  Included in projects.  Individual and partnership enterprises, irrigated in 1909  Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910  Included in projects.  ACREAGE IRRIGATED	159, 457 292, 103 681, 687 1, 226, 025 1, 581, 941 2, 039, 533	13,268 15,851 24,320 7,553 11,135 17,437			211 351 959		12,324 16,702 17,027 20,448 39,062 41,832	14, 742 30, 983 40, 805	200 200 200 200
38 39 40 41 42 43	CLASSIFIED BY SOURCE OF WATER SUPPLY. Supplied from streams. By gravity. By pumping. Supplied from lakes. By gravity. By pumping.	2,745,035 13,248	66, 531 66, 531 20			190 190				
44 45 46 47 48 49	Supplied from wells. Flowing. By pumping Supplied from springs Supplied from reservoirs. Total acreage supplied by pumping.  IRRIGATION ENTERPRISES	2 171	176 123 53 612	252 20 232 135		21	300	55 630	715 8	
50 51 52 53 54 55	Independent enterprises	9,065 1,890 379.6 8,405	70	62	136 135	1	50 52	270 265	203 187	i i
56 57 58 59 60 61 62 63	Per cent of licrease, 1899-1910. Length. miles. Length in 1899 a miles. Per cent of increase, 1899-1910 cubic feet per second. Capacity cubic feet per second. Laterals. number. Length miles. Reservoirs number. Capacity acro-feet.	17, 564 27, 374 148, 483 5, 612 5, 006 1, 084 2, 646, 593	3,453 18 26 81 38,151	2,192 8 211 18 796,094	767 31 28 4 627	20	3,269 313 929 15 131,842	6, 256 49 73 69 30, 220	1,486 39 29 2	3
64 65 66 67 68 69 70	Flowing wells	313 41,989 121 53,564 206 7,969 296,937	7 703 10 2,097 10 35 2,097	2 36 8 2,425 9 145 8,375	1 2 128	10 2,882 5 50 2,882	1 10 470	1 3		
71 72 73 74	Cost of enterprises up to July 1, 1910	56, 636, 443 2 11, 758, 703 381. 7	1,211,609	745, 517	112, 168	2,473	989,211	837,060	54, 949	700
75 76 77	Average cost per acre irrigated in 1899 dollars. Estimated final cost of existing enterprises dollars. Average per acre included in projects dollars.	14. 19 <sup>2</sup> 7. 30 76, 443, 239 12. 92	14.81 1,417,109 13.75	20.71 745,517 12.90	4. 83 112, 168 4. 52	7.05 2,473 2.58	14, 23 989, 211 10, 12	4. 95 901, 143 5. 23	1.70 54,949 1.29	3. 50 700 3. 50
78 79 80 81 82	Acreage for which cost is reported.  Total cost reported.  Average per acre for which cost is reported.  Average per acre for which cost is reported.  Average cost per acre in 1899 5.  Per cent of increase, 1899–1909.	1, 401, 670 1, 046, 268 0, 75 2 0, 34 120, 6	58, 421 25, 225 0. 43	15,412 21,415 1.39	3,350 809 0.24		54, 517 22, 315 0. 41	80, 952 34, 260 0, 42	1,400 400 0.29	

Change of boundary. (See explanation at close of text.)

Includes figures for Clear Creek, Phillips, and San Juan Counties, from which no irrigation was reported in 1909.

Decrease. Less than one-tenth of 1 per cent. Not reported. Not reported by counties. Figure relates only to systems obtaining water from streams. Total cost for state includes \$190,566, representing cost of well systems. Not reported by counties.

## IRRIGATION—COLORADO.

## ACREAGE IRRIGATED, EXTENT AND COST OF IRRIGATION ENTERPRISES, AND

[Comparative data for 1899 in italics.]

		7								
		Conejo	s, Costil	a. Cust	er. Delt	a. Denv	er. Dolo	res. Dougla	is. Eagle.	El Paso.
	Number of all farms in 1910	777		387 150	249 1, 142 1,	741 709	235	31 41 30 18		
	3 Per cent of all farms.  Number of farms irrigated in 1899	. 97. 5	03 90.	57.	0 98. 155	2   30. 798   (1)	96, 1	8 37.6 23 13	87.9	13:5
	5 Per cent of increase, 1899-1909.  LAND AND FARM AREA	. 22. 2	11.	28.	4 114.	2		17. 2	16.0	2 3. 3
	6 Approximate land area. acres. 7 Land in farms. acres.	100'0	50 159.3	66   90'.	709   142,	040 37, 193 2, 604 2,	120 667, 8 763 5, 8	578   342.01		$ \begin{array}{c c} 0 & 1,357,440 \\ 728,448 \end{array} $
	8 Improved land in farms	131, 91 138, 78	$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	12 27, 82 29,	080   62, 248   62,	411   1,7	37   1, J	136   48,39 139   13,76	3   25,40	1 1/19 505
			5. 1 36. 3 50. 5	32.	2 43.9	9 48.4	20.4	4.0	35.9	2, 9
	Per cent of land in larins 2 Per cent of improved land in farms 3 Acreage irrigated in 1899. 4 Per cent of increase, 1899–1999 5 Acreage enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910. 4 Acreage included in projects.	. 98,48 40.9	36   50,2 15.1	90   11, 161.	183 35,5 5 77.	2 (1)	33. 9	7,96	88. 9 18, 48 22. 1	$\begin{bmatrix} 14, 4\\ 13, 131\\ 62, 6 \end{bmatrix}$
	Acreage enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910	262,04 335,25	$ \begin{array}{c c} 100,7 \\ 3 & 255,4 \end{array} $	45 33,0 85 . 34,0		$\begin{bmatrix} 1,3 \\ 330 \end{bmatrix}$ $\begin{bmatrix} 1,3 \\ 1,3 \end{bmatrix}$	38 2,0 38 2,0	$     \begin{array}{c c}       42 & 24,624 \\       52 & 25,404     \end{array} $	$\frac{1}{2}$   28,110	5 [ 28.214
	ACREAGE IRRIGATED AND INCLUDED IN PROJECTS CLASSIFIED BY CHARACTER OF ENTERPRISE.									
1	U. S. Reclamation Service, irrigated in 1909. Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910. Included in projects. U. S. Indian Service, irrigated in 1909. Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910. Included in projects. Carey Act enterprises, irrigated in 1909. Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910. Included in projects. Irrigation districts, irrigated in 1909.				2,0	000				
2	9   Included in projects. 0 U. S. Indian Service, irrigated in 1909 11   Enterprises were canable of irrigating in 1910				2,6	iŏŏ				
1	Included in projects.    Carey Act enterprises, irrigated in 1909									
2	Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910. Included in projects.	6,000 22,480	0							
2 2	6 Irrigation districts, irrigated in 1909. 7 Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910. 8 Included in projects. 9 Cooperative enterprises irrigated in 1909.				]	00 1		• • • • • • • • • • • •	.1	
2	Included in projects. Cooperative enterprises, irrigated in 1909	47, 200	28,67 28,67 33,90	1	3.0	00			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	.)
3	9 Cooperative enterprises, irrigated in 1909 0 Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910 1 Included in projects.	158, 548 213, 218	3   54,90	n i	02, 3	34   54 25   56 45   54	3	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •		3,200 4,200
3: 3:	2 Commercial enterprises, irrigated in 1909. Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910.	1 100	. ]			39	1	4,324	1	8, 200
3. 3.	Individual and partnership enterprises, irrigated in 1900	1,100 1,100 91,155	90,00 13,74	29. 24	51 51 8 24,70	5 39	1	. 1 11.500	1	
33	anetadod in projecta	96, 392 98, 455	17, 17	4 33,61	$0 \mid 31.84$	5 40	4 2,04	$egin{array}{c c} 9 & 9,444 \ 2 & 13,409 \ 2 & 13,806 \ \end{array}$	22,578 28,116 32,925	18,154 24,014 33,238
	ACREAGE IRRIGATED CLASSIFIED BY SOURCE OF WATER SUPPLY.			=		= ===	-,00	10,000	02,020	90, 200
38 39	1.00 323.6	136, 407	57,770	29, 22	6 61,49	0 1,33 5 1,33	1, 13		22,548	21,020
40 41 42	Supplied from lakes.			20,22	61,01	5 1,33		13, 151	22, 548 22, 548	21,020
43	By pumping								••••••	
44 45 48	supplied from weils	1 001	101	. 1				40		30
47 48	Supplied from springs. Supplied from reservoirs	500	12	- 2	· .					9 21
49	Flowing.  By pumping.  Supplied from springs.  Supplied from reservoirs.  Total acreage supplied by pumping.  IRRIGATION ENTERFRISES	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •		-	79	8		. 77	30	$\begin{array}{c} 295 \\ 21 \end{array}$
50 51	Independent enterprises.  Number in 1899 4. Per cent of increase, 1899-1910.  Main ditches.	312	70		329	) 10	-			
51 52 53 54	Per cent of increase, 1899-1910.  Main ditches.  Number in 1899	236		-			31	145	188	99
55 56	Per cent of increase 1900 tota	200	71	464	291	3	31	141	171	85
57 58 59	Length in 1000 t	609	212	415	819	6	33	186	300	193
59 60 61	Per cent of increase, 1899–1910. miles Capacity cubic feet per second Laterals number	8, 542 93	2,681 47	791			129	764	794	1,157
62 63	Length number Reservoirs miles Capacity acro-fect	320 10	68	622 106	175	il ī	ļ	8 40	97 43	$\frac{24}{14}$
64 65	Flowing wells	50,693	132, 248		62,883	í	40	12,025	73	1.5 $12,247$
66 67	Pumped wells	24, 587	1,792							3ŋ 1,064
68 69	Pumping plantsgallons per minute				21	.] 11		100		360
70	COST ganons per minute				131 15, 242			1 20 100		360 1
71 72 73	Cost of enterprises up to July 1, 1910dollarsdollars	927,647	2,090,999	137,565						
73 74	Per cent of increase, 1899-1910		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		_,000,770	21,581	12,671	581,214	133,956	187,211
75 76	A nergge cost and district dis	3. 54	19. 59	4.00	15. 82	16. 13	6, 21	23. 60	4, 76	6.64
77	Estimated final cost of existing enterprises dollars.  Average per acre included in projects dollars.  OPERATION AND. MAINTENANCE	,026,897 3.06	2, 177, 966 8. 52	137, 565 3. 97	2, 261, 610 12. 94	21, 581	12,671	589, 878	133,956	187,211
78 79	Acreage for which cost is reported	44, 127				16. 13	6.17	23. 22	4.07	4.52
78 79 80 81 82	Average per acre for which cost is reporteddollars.	11,860	33,900 5,090 0.15		33, 454 56, 583	620 827		3,500 3,412		$^{1,200}_{1,800}$
82	Per cent of increase, 1899-1909 dollars.			•••••••	1.69	1. 33		0.97		1. 50
	1 Change of boundary. (See explanation	Bt close of	text \					•••••••		

<sup>1</sup> Change of boundary. (See explanation at close of text.)

COST OF OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, BY COUNTIES: 1909 AND 1910—Continued.

[Comparative data for 1899 in italies.]

T		Elbert.	Fremont.	Garfield.	Gilpin.	Grand.	Gunnison.	Hinsdale.	Huerfano.	Jackson.	Jefferson.
1 2 3 4	Number of all farms in 1910.  Number of farms irrigated in 1909.  Per cent of all farms.  Number of farms irrigated in 1899.  Per cent of increase, 1899–1909.	1,150 34 3.0 17	896 839 93. 6 <i>588</i>	965 868 89. 9 487	43 2 4.7	249 226 90.8	277 261 94. 2 226	24 22 91. 7 30	462 350 75.8 346	178 163 91. 6 (¹)	1,417 1,151 81,2 751
	LAND AND FARM AREA	1,188,480 682,281 118,474	996, 480 146, 866	78. 2 1, 988, 480 156, 720	2 87.5 84,480 13,323	1,194,240 113,287	15. 5 2, 034, 560 83, 282	2 26. 7 621, 440 5, 436	960,000 161,834	1,044,480 200,278	536,320 224,686
8 9 10 11 12	Approximate land area	118,474 7,628 0.6 1.1 6.4 905	146, 866 24, 868 24, 737 2. 5 16. 8 99. 5	156, 720 61, 818 61, 617 3. 1 39. 3 99. 7	3,370 43 0.1 0.3 1.3 554	30,097 42,194 3.5 37.2 3140.2 17,643	38,074 55,848 2.7 67.0 8 146.7 26,971	5, 436 2, 349 2, 924 0. 5 53. 8 3 124. 5	28,631 26,598 2.8 16.4 92.9 15,329	74,737 151,850 14,5 75,8 3 203, 2	69, 269 57, 336 10, 7 25, 5 82, 8
13 14 15 16	Acreage irrigate in 1889-1899. Per cent of increase, 1899-1899. Acreage enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910. Acreage included in projects. ACREAGE IRRIGATED AND INCLUDED IN PROJECTS	74.3 11,286 20,361	15,548 59.2 37,136 42,414	24, 987 147. 1 95, 281 133, 321	2 87. 9 43 290	139. 2 77, 672 98, 209	107. 1 59, 700 73, 895	118. 4 3,354 5,220	73.5 35,690 66,878	199, 457 244, 967	45,850 142,286 293,163
17 18	d										
18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25	CLASSIFIED BY CHARACTER OF ENTERPRISE.  U. S. Reclamation Service, irrigated in 1909. Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910. Included in projects. U. S. Indian Service, irrigated in 1909. Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910. Included in projects. Carey Act enterprises, irrigated in 1909. Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910. Included in projects.										
24 25 26	Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910 Included in projects  Irrigation districts, irrigated in 1909										
26 27 28 29 30 31	Included in projects  Irrigation districts, irrigated in 1909.  Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910.  Included in projects.  Cooperative enterprises, irrigated in 1909.  Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910.  Included in projects.		7, 379 15, 475 10, 875	4, 114 8, 800 17, 560		4,470 19,190 35,570	2,433 2,460 2,460		1,855 2,488 21,300	4,000 12,000 12,000	33,424 69,971 69,971
32 33	Commercial enterprises, irrigated in 1909  Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910 Included in projects. Individual and partnership enterprises, irrigated in 1909.		17, 358	57, 503			.			147,850	12,919 58,528 207,532 10,993
36 37	Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910 Included in projects		21, 661 22, 539	86, 481 115, 761	43 290	58,482 62,729	57, 240 71, 435	3, 354 5, 220	33,202 . 45,578	187, 457 232, 967	13, 787 15, 660
38 39 40 41 42	Supplied from streams.  By gravity By pumping Supplied from lakes By gravity By pumping.	7,568 7,568	24, 290 23, 694 596	59, 916 59, 916	43 43			1		80	56, 922 56, 882 40 4
42 43 44 45 46	By gravity By pumping. Supplied from wells. Flowing.		236 209						5		30
	Supplied from wells. Flowing. By pumping. Supplied from springs. Supplied from reservoirs. Total acreage supplied by pumping. IRRIGATION ENTERPRISES			914 762		580	221 100 100		25	60	30 40 340 74
50 51 52 53	Independent enterprises   number   Number in 1899 4   Per cent of increase, 1899–1910   Main ditches   number   Number in 1899 4   Per cent of increase, 1899–1910   Per cent of increase, 1899–1910   Per cent of increase, 1899–1910   Public   Per cent of increase, 1899–1910   Per cent of increase, 1899–1910	37 30	413 366	440 374	2	328 326	507	31	263 266	328	163
54 55 56 57 58 59 60 61 62	Number in 1899 *   Per cent of increase, 1899–1910   Length	30		870	1	497	466	28	427	743	640 4,623
59 60 61 62 63	Reservoirs number. Capacity acre-feet.	427 60 4 8 1,456	1,058 363 122 26 18,879	4,401 89 54 14 5,049		3,508 173 94 21 3,344	6,934 41 7 1 125	183 6 2	1,609 187 106 37 12,714	6,896 142 79 6 2,150	4, 025 31 67 79 136, 519
64 65 66 67 68 69 70	Flowing wells.  Capacity.  Pumped wells.  Capacity.  gallons per minute.  number  capacity.  gallons per minute.  number  number  number  number		1,371 5 1,169				:i		1,200 1		3 355 7
	Pumping plants number Engine capacity horsepower Pump capacity gallons per minute  COST Cost of enterprises up to July 1, 1910 dollars	35, 215	8,921 1,505,440	1,458,678	625	432, 231	3,600 207,622	11,047	1,200 257,959	275,899	26 929 4,300,968
71 72 73 74	Per cent of increase, 1899–1910.		40.54	15.31	14. 53	5.57	3.48	3. 29	7. 23	1.38	30.23
75 76 77 .	irrigating in 1910		1,588,971 37.46	1,498,678 11.24	625 2.16	504, 654 5. 13	207, 622 2. 81	11,047 2.12	273,959 4.10	275, 899 1. 13	5, 170, 968 17. 64 40, 423
78 79 80 81 82	Acreage for which cost is reported		6,379 25,411 3.98	4,114 11,226 2.73			1,740 100 0.06		1,528 0.82		47, 691 1, 18

<sup>3</sup> Irrigated acreage includes wild grass, while improved land in farms does not.

<sup>4</sup> Not reported.

<sup>5</sup> Not reported by counties.

ACREAGE IRRIGATED, EXTENT AND COST OF IRRIGATION ENTERPRISES, AND

[Comparative data for 1899 in italies.]

	Kit Car- La Plata   Laka   Laviman   Las Ani- Lingula   Lavan   Masa   Minaral												
		Kiowa.	Kit Car- son.	La Plata.	Lake.	Larimer.1	Las Ani- mas.	Lincoln.	Logan.	Mesa.	Mineral.		
1	Number of all farms in 1910	646 6	1,767 8	785 634	57 43	1,830 1,491	954 447	1,334	1,359 272	2,348 2,238	33 28		
2 3 4	Per cent of all farms.  Number of farms irrigated in 1890  Per cent of increase, 1899-1909.	0.9	0.5 23	86.3 220	75.4 56	81.5 1,256	46.9 549	0.1	20.0 226	95.3 742	84.8		
5	Per cent of increase, 1899-1909  LAND AND FARM AREA	100.0	2 65. 2	188.2	2 23, 2		2 18.6	2 94. 1	20.4	201.6	2 12.5		
6 7	Approximate land areaacres. Land in farmsacres.	1,150,720 219,660	1,381,760 566,587	1,184,640 151,709	237,440 20,948	1,682,560 505,524	3,077,760 445,298	1,644,800 428,115	1,166,080 409,487	2,024,320 174,584	554,240 18,646		
8	Improved land in farms acres Acreage irrigated in 1909.		140, 399 638	151,709 41,390 40,840	7,998 10,967	177,525 170,600	48,085 26,093	105,053	115,019 63,166	73,508 71,942	7,036 7,762		
10 11 12 13	Per cent of total land area	0.1 0.7 6.7	(3) 0.1 0.5	3. 4 26. 9 98. 7	4.6 52.4 137.1	10.1 33.7 96.1	0.8 5.9 54.3	(3)	5. 4 15. 4 54. 9	3.6 41.2 97.9	1.4 41.6 4 110.3		
13 14	Improved land in larms	158 824.1	2 25. 7	10,771 $279,2$	7,380 48,6	169,028	24,661 5.8	1,678 2 90.5	8,913 608.7	33, 223 116. 5	2,640 194.0		
15 16	Acreage enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910 Acreage included in projects	1,460 2,310	788 868	109,479 151,387	11,647 16,380	178,992 316,992	32,566 35,149	160 160	65,345 87,301	92; 092 182, 942	9,370 10,590		
,	ACREAGE IRRIGATED AND INCLUDED IN PROJECTS												
15	CLASSIFIED BY CHARACTER OF ENTERPRISE.												
17 18 19	U. S. Reclamation Service, irrigated in 1909.  Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910.  Included in projects.  U. S. Indian Service, irrigated in 1909.  Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910.  Included in projects.  Carey Act enterprises, irrigated in 1909.  Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910.  Included in projects.									53,000			
18 19 20 21	U. S. Indian Service, irrigated in 1000.  Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910			1,000 2,000									
$\frac{22}{23}$ $\frac{24}{24}$	Carey Act enterprises, irrigated in 1909.  Enterprises were employed firrigating in 1910			20,000									
25	Included in projects							[					
26 27 28 29 30	Irrigation districts, irrigated in 1909 Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910 Included in projects Cooperative enterprises, irrigated in 1909 Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910 Included in projects		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •							9,370 16,070 22,370			
28 29 30	Cooperative enterprises, irrigated in 1909 Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910			23, 973 85, 218		144, 444 150, 122	8,000 11,640		47,711 48,860	33,800 42,000			
31	Included in projects			96, 418			11, 640		63, 501	54, 112			
32 33 34	Commercial enterprises, irrigated in 1909  Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910  Included in projects					740 740 125,000							
35	111 15839	1,460	638	10.807	10, 967		18, 093	160	15,455	28,772	7,762		
36 37	Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910 Included in projects	1,460 2,310	788 868	22,261 34,969	11,647 16,380	25, 416 28, 130 34, 889	20, 926 23, 509	160 160	16,485 $23,800$	34,022 53,460	9,370 10,590		
	ACREAGE IRRIGATED CLASSIFIED BY SOURCE OF WATER SUPPLY.												
38 39	Supplied from streams.  By gravity	1, 225 1, 225	585 585	40,351 40,350	10,967 10,967	169, 534 169, 304	25, 991 25, 991		62,761 62,761	71,590 60,807	7,762 7,762		
40 41	By pumping	230		10,500		230	20, 001			10,783			
$\frac{42}{43}$	By gravity By pumping	230				200							
44 45	Supplied from wells Flowing	5 3	3	200 200		104			15	52			
$\frac{46}{47}$	By pumping Supplied from springs Supplied from reservoirs	91	3 50	109		104 <b>5</b> 42	102	160	15	52 300			
48 49	Total acreage supplied by pumping	2	3			220 534			390 15	10,835			
50	IRRIGATION ENTERPRISES  Independent enterprises		7	262	55	221	139	1	36	275	46		
51 52	Per cent of increase, 1899-1910								••••••				
54 55	Main ditches number Number in 1800 6 Per cent of increase, 1809–1910.	4	5	257	39	217	88	1	35	259	44		
56 57	Length miles Length in 1899 5 miles	7	6	489	71	758	161	3	215	592	47		
53 54 55 56 57 58 59 60	Per cent of increase, 1899–1910. Capacity	22	65	2, 662 52	530	7,176 136	1,193	34	2, 566 8	5,000 62	217 12		
61 62 63	Length miles. Reservoirs number. Capacity acre-feet.	1	2 3	125 7	16	368 84	7 7		23 4	150 42	8		
63 64	Capacity	1	55	7,456		263,388	427		1,929	10,172			
65 66	Capacitygallons per minute Pumped wellsnumber	$\begin{vmatrix} 1 \\ 10 \\ 2 \end{vmatrix}$	2	89					1	2			
67 68	Capacity. gallons per minute. Pumping plants. number. Engine capacity. horsepower.	$\frac{4}{2}$	26 2	······································					600	80 31			
69 70	Pump capacitygallons per minute.	1 4	1 26	$\frac{136}{2,716}$		1,659			10 600	5,991 178,273			
71	Cost of enterprises up to July 1, 1910dollars	7,975	3, 165	688,774	46, 196	5, 576, 639	155, 583	560	388, 862	3,024,019	19,514		
72 73 74	Cost in 1899 6 dollars.  Per cent of increase, 1899-1910  Average cost per acre enterprises were capable of ir-												
J	rigating in 1910 dollars	5.40	4.02	6. 29	3.97	31.16	4.78	3.50	5. 95	32.84	2.08		
76 77	Average cost per acre irrigated in 1890 6 dollars Estimated final cost of existing enterprises dollars Average per acre included in projects dollars	7.975 3.45	3, 165 3, 65	855, 311 5. 65	46, 196 2, 82	9,026,639 28.48	155,583 4.43	560 3,50	388, 862 4. 45	6,745,382 36.87	19, 514 1, 84		
	OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE		**************************************	21,273		140.044	9 000						
78 79 80 81	Total cost reported. dollars			12, 442 0, 58		140,244 260,035 1,85	8,000 8,586 1,07	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	$\begin{array}{c} 45,711 \\ 11,853 \\ 0.26 \end{array}$	0.1000			
81 82	Acreage for which cost is reported						, = 1 0 1						
	1 Change of houndary (flee composition of					!				· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Change of boundary. (See explanation at close of text.)

COST OF OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, BY COUNTIES: 1909 AND 1910-Continued.

[Comparative data for 1899 in Italies.]

		Monte- zuma.	Montrose.	Morgan.	Otero.	Ouray.	Park.¹	Pitkin.	Prowers.	Pueblo.	Rio Bianco.
1 2 3 4 5	Number of all farms in 1910.  Number of farms irrigated in 1909  Per cent of all farms  Number of farms irrigated in 1809  Per cent of increase, 1899–1909	1,004 516 51.4 240 115.0	1, 138 1, 042 91. 6 468 122. 6	1, 075 561 52. 2 305 83. 9	1,498 1,310 87.4 762 71.9	189 184 97.4 128 43.8	194 162 83. 5 172	191 182 95. 3 153 19. 0	991 540 55. 1 377 44. S	1,103 753 68.3 561 34.2	341 285 83. 6 231 19. 2
6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15	LAND AND FARM AREA  Approximate land area	159,204 31,112 27,176 2,1 17,1 87,3 12,246 121,9 62,757	1,448,960 151,375 05,136 55,993 3.9 37.0 86.0 34,132 04.0 92,194 254,132	823, 040 233, 269 98, 721 97, 849 11, 9 99, 1 87, 012 164, 4 114, 933 250, 590	1,322,880 254,185 143,114 122,457 9.3 48.2 85.6 62,268 96.6 198,460 250,766	332,160 48,833 14,612 15,621 4.7 32.0 4100.9 10,440 49.6 20,337 25,462	1, 415, 680 181, 199 40, 205 64, 824 4. 6 35. 8 4 140. 3 39, 861 65, 384 68, 969	652, 160 45, 286 15, 158 15, 152 2, 3 33, 5 4 100, 0 12, 088 25, 3 29, 719 39, 497	1,043,200 250,317 102,240 71,684 6.9 28.6 70.1 46,092 55.5 74,632 130,596	1,557,120 630,114 63,426 50,718 3.3 8.0 80.0 35,945 41.1 69,442 174,518	2,062,720 104,386 36,756 32,830 1.6 31.5 89.3 21,381 53.5 37,355 53,166
17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25	ACREAGE IRRIGATED AND INCLUDED IN PROJECTS  CLASSIFIED BY CHARACTER OF ENTERPRISE.  U. S. Reclamation Service, irrigated in 1909. Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910. Included in projects.  U. S. Indian Service, irrigated in 1909. Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910. Included in projects.  Carey Act enterprises, irrigated in 1909. Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910. Included in projects.	20 20 20 20	14,600 28,000 138,000								
26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34	Irrigation districts, irrigated in 1909	13,000 35,000 38,000 2,935 8,175 9,175	19, 688 32, 828 64, 928	19,668 19,668 121,668 59,488 69,988 107,225	18, 550 45, 525 49, 525 99, 164 145, 893 183, 198	1,090 1,332 1,332		2,740 5,775 7,850	69, 303 71, 132 125, 357	450 475 475 36,876 52,794 69,652	2, 000 3, 000 4, 000 256 256
34 35 36 37	Included in projects. Individual and partnership enterprises, irrigated in 1909. Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910 Included in projects. ACREAGE IRRIGATED	11,221 19,562 20,343	21,705 31,366 51,204	18,693 25,277 30,697	4, 743 7, 042 18, 043	14, 531 19, 005 24, 130	64, 824 65, 384 68, 969	12,412 23,944 31,647	2, 381 3, 500 5, 239	13,392 16,173 104,391	30, 58 34, 10 48, 91
38 39 40 41 42 43	CLASSIFIED BY SOURCE OF WATER SUPPLY. Supplied from streams. By gravity. By pumping. Supplied from lakes. By gravity. By pumping.	27, 151 27, 151	55, 739 55, 739	97, 038 97, 038	118, 720 118, 420 300	1	64, 809 64, 809 15	2 9	71,684 71,684	40 40	32, 40: 32, 120 28:
44 45 46 47 48 49	Supplied from wells. Flowing. By pumping. Supplied from springs. Supplied from reservoirs. Total acreage supplied by pumping.		20	11 11 800 11	227 227 3,510	15		4 85		11	42i 28i
50 51 52 53 54 55	IRRIGATION ENTERPRISES     Independent enterprises   number     Number in 1899	141 150	200 192	49	47	137	282 276	124	20	190 173	20: 19:
54 55 56 57 58 59 60 61 62 63	$ \begin{array}{c cccc} Length & miles \\ Length in 1899 & miles \\ Per cent of Increase, 1899-1910 & mules \\ Capacity & cubic feet per second \\ Laterals & number \\ Length & miles \\ Reservoirs & number \\ Capacity & acre-feet \\ \end{array} $	1,590 38 158 11 37,600	3,983 58 164 15 119,381	537 6,454 15 42 17 181,673	6, 553 53 123 40 130, 504	1,085 41 15 7 441	363 4,241 718 185 1	1,002 17 5 9 1,874	2,286 82 148 7 183,381	5, 181 91 109 54 106, 307	1,120 118 70 10 38
64 65 66 67 68 69 70	Flowing wells		1 170	3 1,581 3 25 1,581	14 6, 205 15 87 15, 185			1 34 1 1 34		2, 168 3 145 4 9 165	87 4,329
71 72 73 74 75 76 77	Cost of enterprises up to July 1, 1910. dollars.  Cost in 1899 6 dollars.  Per cent of increase, 1899-1910.  A verage cost per acre enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910. dollars.  A verage cost per acre irrigated in 1899 6 dollars.  Estimated final cost of existing enterprises. dollars.  A verage per acre included in projects. dollars.	1,026,977 16.36 1,091,974 16.17	4, 769, 186 51. 73 9, 751, 075 38. 37	41, 821, 813 41, 95 6, 004, 613 23, 13	3, 197, 415 16. 11 3, 631, 587 14. 48	7. 82 159,091 6. 25	213, 233 3, 26 213, 233 3, 09	7, 99 252, 554 6, 39	1,453,019 19.47 1,453,019 11.13	1, 511, 694 21. 77 1, 693, 321 9. 70	269, 479 7, 2 269, 479 5, 0
78 79 80 81 82	OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE Acreage for which cost is reported	15,935 22,025 1.38		79, 156 39, 511 0. 50	116, 714 71, 349 0. 61	1,090 206 0.19		2,740 5,135 1.87	69,303 43,899 0.63	35, 132 31, 473 0. 90	

 $<sup>\</sup>mbox{\footnote{A}}$  Irrigated acreage includes wild grass, while improved land in farms does not.

<sup>5</sup> Not reported.

<sup>6</sup> Not reported by counties.

AGREAGE IRRIGATED, EXTENT AND COST OF IRRIGATION ENTERPRISES, AND COST OF OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, BY COUNTIES: 1909 AND 1910—Continued.

[Comparative data for 1899 in italies.]

;		Rio Grande,	Routt.	Saguache	San Miguel.	Sedgwick.	Sum- mit.	Teller.	Washing- ton.1	Weld.	Yuma.1
; ; ;	Number of farms irrigated in 1909.  Per cent of all farms.  Number of farms irrigated in 1899.  Per cent of increase, 1899–1909.	00 6		93.1	140 121 86. 4 108 12. 0	448 141 31.5 81 74.1	96 90 93. 8 72 25. 0		1,346 47 3.5 25	3,981 2,578 64.8 1,814 42.1	1,82 2 1.3
10 11 12 13 14 15	Lând In farms	71. 9 92. 8 71, 825 50. 8 298, 021	4, 458, 880 330, 233 92, 328 62, 427 1. 4 18. 9 67. 6 44, 542 40. 2 110, 569 157, 298	2,005,120 282,741 217,102 145,874 7.3 51.6 67.2 75,909 92,2 150,943 157,568	824, 320 35, 600 19, 130 14, 712 1. 8 41. 3 76. 9 5, 425 171. 2 20, 421 21, 653	330, 840 150, 289 58, 205 22, 023 0.5 13. 8 37. 8 4, 779 360. 8 23, 260 53, 620	415, 360 24, 844 6, 503 8, 402 2, 0 33. 8 3 129. 2 3, 531 137. 9 11, 739 16, 489	350, 080 80, 313 10, 943 1, 370 0. 4 1. 7 12. 5 881 55. 5 1, 435 1, 664	1,613,440 551,198 117,986 5,595 0.3 1.0 4.7 5,000 6,027 7,969	2, 574, 080 914, 220 410, 346 395, 514 15.4 43.3 96.4 226, 613 74.5 434, 008 629, 433	1, 514, 88 658, 31 318, 15 3, 89 0, 3 0, 6 1, 2 85 6, 29 8, 27
17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25	PROJECTS  CLASSIFIED BY CHARACTER OF ENTERPRISE.  U. S. Reclamation Service, irrigated in 1909 Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910 Included in projects.		85 85 37,000								
26 27 28 29 30 31	Irrigation districts, irrigated in 1909. Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910. Included in projects. Cooperative enterprises, irrigated in 1909. Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910. Included in projects.	7, 450 23, 679 28, 049 19, 711 128, 852 173, 232		17,650 17,650 23,280	7,000 7,200 7,200	18,000 18,000 47,000			4,835 4,917 6,389	332 332 125, 332 323, 918 331, 821 364, 165	400 500 500
32 33 34 35 36 37	Commercial enterprises, irrigated in 1909. Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910. Included in projects. Individual and partnership enterprises, irrigated in 1909. Enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910. Included in projects.  ACREAGE IRRIGATED	51, 453 107, 670 107, 670 28, 937 37, 820 44, 686	57,695 101,634 109,778	40, 362 42, 330 42, 330 87, 862 90, 963 91, 958	7,712 13,221 14,453	4,023 5,260 6,620	8,402 11,739 16,489	1,370 1,435 1,664	760 1,110 1,580	9,709 9,709 11,629 61,555 92,146 128,307	3, 490 5, 790 7, 775
38 39 40 41 42 43	CLASSIFIED BY SOURCE OF WATER SUPPLY, Supplied from streams By gravity By pumping Supplied from lakes By gravity By pumping	106,786	60,877 60,727 150 30 30	143,642 143,642 20		21,983 21,983				387, 019 387, 544 75 390	3,890 3,890
44 45 46 47 48 49	Supplied from wells Flowing By pumping Supplied from springs. Supplied from reservoirs Total acreage supplied by pumping	685 685 40 40	517 1,003 150	20 1,921 1,921 266 25 20		40		68		2,230 2,230 2,230 340 4,935 2,695	
50 51 52 53 54	IRRIGATION ENTERPRISES  Independent enterprises	213	433	348 328	95 94	10	151	26	7	291	16 12
55 56 57 58 59 60 61 62	Length in 1899 - 1910 - miles.  Length in 1899 - miles.  Per cent of increase, 1899-1910 - miles.  Parapaity - cubic feet per second . Laterals	537 6,755 187 398	4,502 171 106	2, 597 888 174	179 773 2 5	1,934 20 10	174 571 26 12	18 38 2 1	85 2 2	752 12,611 250	32 210
63 64 65	Length miles.  Reservoirs number. Capacity acre-feet.  Flowing wells number. Capacity gallons per minute. Pumped wells number. Capacity gallons per minute. Pumping plants gullons per minute. Pumping plants number.	261 33 7,672	36, 456	13 28 58 2,497	1,334	42,020	3 76	1	290	182 100 73,766	1 3
70	Pump capacity gallons per minute.  COST  Cost of enterprises up to July 1, 1910. dollars.  Cost in 1890 s		3 125 7,225 661,203	1 3 170 547,870	142, 552	· · · · · · · ·   ·	70, 353		65, 713	33,263	22,276
75	Per cent of increase, 1899–1910  Average cost per acre enterprises were capable of irrigating in 1910  dollars.  Average cost per acre irrigated in 1899 6  dollars.  Estimated final cost of existing enterprises.  dollars.  Average per acre included in projects.  dollars.	4. 55 1, 400, 313 3. 96	5. 98 1,099,590 6. 99	3. 63 547, 870 3. 48	6. 98 142, 552 6. 58	21. 22 1,130, 501 21. 08	5. 99 70, 353 4. 27	4.90 7,037 4.23	10. 90 05,713 8. 25	17.51 9,847,658 15.64	3. 54 22, 270 2. 69
8 9 10 12	OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE  Acreage for which cost is reported.  Collers.  Average per acre for which cost is reported. dollars.  Average cost per acre in 1899 6 dollars.  Per cent of increase, 1899-1909.	78,614 29,362 0.37	4,572 3,314 0.72	58,012 9,695 0.17	7,000 1,451 0.21	18,000 .			4,835 1,599 0.33	236,890 91,581 0.39	

<sup>1</sup> Change of boundary. (See explanation at close of text.)
4 Not reported.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Decrease.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Irrigated acreage includes wild grass, while improved land in farms does not.
<sup>5</sup> Not reported by counties.