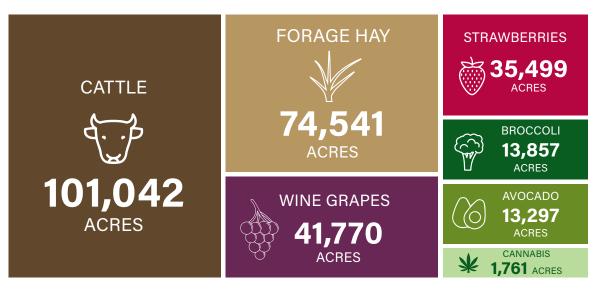
# Get to Know Cannabis



## **LAND USE**

Total Permitted
Agricultural Acres
in Santa Barbara
County including
total acres allocated
to Cannabis farming:
801,487

Santa Barbara County has restricted Cannabis cultivation to **no more than 1,761 acres**; 186 acres in Carpinteria and 1,575 acres across the remainder of the county.



# **WATER USE**

In Santa Barbara County, Cannabis farming is subject to regulation from the California Water Boards and California Department of Fish and Wildlife. **We do not draw water from any rivers, creeks, or springs.** The Cannabis plant has low water content and using advanced drip irrigation systems, Cannabis requires very limited water resources.

Beef (per lb)

**1800** GAL.

Wine (per gal)

**870** GAL.

Cannabis (per lb)

**150** GAL.

# AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES

In September 2019, California adopted SB 527 and SB 657 adding Cannabis to California's commodity crops and freeing up additional agricultural land across the state for Cannabis cultivation. In 2019, look for the addition of Cannabis Commodity Revenue in Santa Barbara County's Crop Report.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Santa Barbara County 2019 Agricultural Permits: https://cosantabarbara.app.box.com/s/jdt95fy7gst3g8649l9t3ukrorr5xeh9/file/431631975105

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Santa Barbara County Cannabis Acreage Allowance: http://cannabis.countyofsb.org/asset.c/147

# **ECONOMIC BENEFITS**



In 2018, the **Cannabis industry added 4,889 jobs** to the County's economy; 2,500 directly in Cannabis. On average, Cannabis industry employees earn \$65,000 per year.

Through purchasing local goods and services, and other outputs in 2018, the **Cannabis industry injected \$291.8** million into the county's economy.

In FY 2018-19, Santa Barbara County projected \$5.7 million in Cannabis tax revenue. \$6.8 million was collected. Along with employing 13 FTE through a Cannabis Enforcement Budget of \$2.8 million, this revenue provided funding towards our County libraries and other one-time county initiatives.

Looking for new ways to benefit Santa Barbara County, Cannabis farmers in North County has started discussions with local vintners to identify emerging tourism opportunities.

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Meeting of wine-grape, cannabis growers upbeat with joint marketing looking possible

