

SACRAMENTO-SAN JOAQUIN RIVER DELTA FACTS

Population:

515,264 (2000 Census)

Counties in the Delta:

Alameda, Contra Costa, Sacramento, San Joaquin, Solano, Yolo, and a portion of Rio Vista

Major Cities Partly Within the Delta:

Sacramento, Stockton, West Sacramento

Size in 1991:

538,000 acres of agriculture

64,000 cities and towns

61,000 water surface

75,000 acres of undeveloped areas

Total acreage: 738,000

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Levees (total mileage, 1987):

1,100

Rivers flowing into the Delta:

Sacramento, San Joaquin, Mokelumne, Cosumnes, Calaveras (These rivers plus their tributaries carry about half of the state's total annual runoff.)

Diversions Directly from the Delta:

State Water Project

Federal Central Valley Project

Contra Costa Canal

North Bay Aqueduct

City of Vallejo

Western Delta Industry

1,800+ Agricultural Users

Water Supply:

Drinking water for 22 million people; supports California's trillion dollar economy (fifth largest in the world) and \$27 billion agricultural industry

Recreation:

User days annually 12 million

Transportation:

Interstate Highways 5, 80 and 205

State Highways 4, 12 and 160

Deepwater Ship Channels to Sacramento and Stockton

Railroads: Southern Pacific/Union Pacific, Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe and Sacramento Northern

Agriculture (1990):

Average Annual Gross Value-over \$500 million

Main Crops: corn, grain and hay, sugar beets, alfalfa, pasture, tomatoes, asparagus, fruit and safflower

Plant and Animal Species:

500

Major Anadromous Fish:

Salmon, Striped Bass, Steelhead Trout, American Shad and Sturgeon