

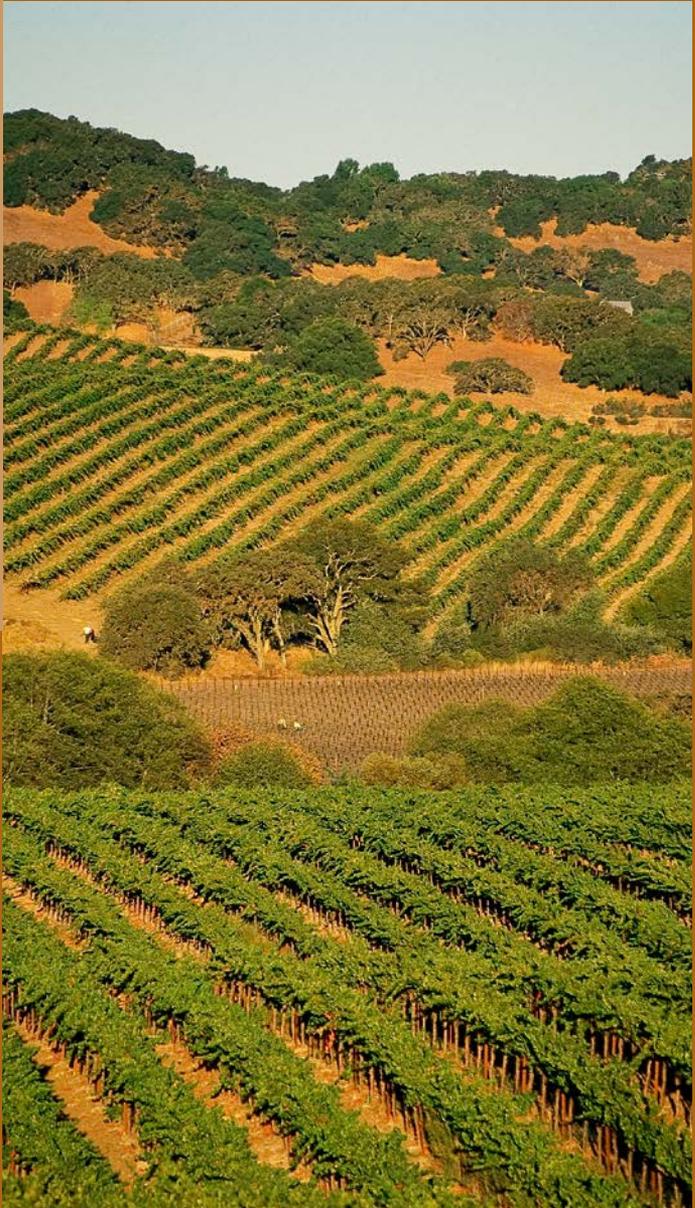
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## Dictionary

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# Cultivating California



# Dictionary

# A

## agricultural economy

An economy based on farming or ranching.



## agriculture

The practice of growing crops and raising animals for food, fiber, or other uses by humans.



## archaeological site

A place where ancient people were active and left behind objects that are of historical interest.





## archaeology

The study of the life and culture of ancient people.



## artifact

An object, such as a tool, made by humans.



## crop

A type of plant or the seasonal production of plants grown by humans for food, animal feed, or fiber.

C

# D

## **domestication**

The process of taming wild animals and growing wild plants to live and reproduce in ways that are useful for humans.



# E

## **economy**

Activities related to the production, distribution, and consumption of goods and services.



## **environment**

The conditions and surroundings where organisms live.



**fanega**

A Spanish unit of volume equal to about 12 gallons, used mostly for dry goods, such as grains.

**grove**

A group of trees growing together.

**hunter-gatherer economy**

An economy based on collecting foods and natural resources from the surroundings.

# I

## irrigate

To supply water to plants through pipes, artificial channels, or other methods.



# L

## land use

The way land is used by humans, such as for farming, housing, and habitat protection.



## league

A unit of distance equal to between 2.4 miles and 4.6 miles.





### **livestock**

Animals, such as cattle, horses, sheep, and pigs, that are raised for food and other uses.



### **native species**

Plants, animals, and other organisms that are found naturally in a place.



### **natural object**

Things like shells, trees, and rocks that are found in nature.



## **natural resources**

Materials, such as soil, water, minerals, and energy, that people use from nature and natural systems.



## **natural system**

The parts, processes, and cycles in an environment, and the interactions among plants, animals, and other organisms with their environment.



## **nonnative species**

A plant, animal, or other organism that was brought to a new place by humans.





### ***padre***

A Franciscan priest;  
means “father” in Spanish.

P



### ***rancho***

The Spanish word for  
a ranch.

R



### ***reservoir***

A lake or other storage  
area where water is  
collected and kept for  
future uses.

# S

## self-sufficient

Able to provide for oneself without the help of others.



## sow

To spread seeds in or on soil for growing.



## surplus

The amount of goods above the amount needed to meet one's own needs.









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