

SAN FRANCISCO

"CENTER OF WESTERN INDUSTRY, TRADE AND COMMERCE"; "THE NATION'S WESTERN CAPITAL"

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STATISTICAL REVIEW

Form of Government—The City and County of San Francisco is a municipal corporation known as San Francisco. San Francisco has a consolidated city and county government, with legislative powers vested in a board of supervisors of 11 members, 5 and 6 being elected every 2 years for four-year terms. The mayor, treasurer, assessor, city attorney, public defender, district attorney, sheriff, and superior and municipal court judges are elected by the people for terms of 4 years. The chief administrative officer is appointed by the mayor and has permanent tenure. The controller is appointed by the mayor, subject to confirmation by the board of supervisors, and has permanent tenure.

Population—1950 U. S. Census, 775,357; estimate on Jan. 1, 1956, 807,000. Predominating nationalities of foreign-born residents: Italian, German, Irish and Canadian.

Area—44.82 square miles (land).

Altitude—Sea level to 933.6 feet city datum.

Climate—Average temperature, 56.5 degrees F. Daily mean maximum, 62.6 degrees F. Daily mean minimum, 50.4 degrees F.

Parks—52; also 74 recreation units. Total acreage, 3,360.

Assessed Valuation—\$2,046,285,694, all property, with \$7.02 tax rate (1955-56).

Bonded Debt—\$179,839,200 (June 30, 1955).

Financial Data—12 banks, 8 under State supervision, and 4 national banks. Total deposits, \$13,418,838,000 (1955); resources, \$14,699,115,000 (1955); debits to individual accounts, \$42,335,005,000 (1955); clearings, \$31,492,000,000 (1955); time deposits, \$6,284,791,000 (1955); demand deposits, \$7,134,047,000 (1955).

Postal Receipts—\$32,486,445 (1955).



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Aerial View of Downtown San Francisco