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# The Sentinel Business Barometer

BANK CLEARINGS (Debits)

(Source: Bank of America, main branch; Bank of America, East Santa Cruz branch; County Bank of Santa Cruz, East Santa Cruz branch, Felton, Soquel and Boulder Creek; Farmers and Merchants National Bank.)

		Oct. '58	Oct. '57
Total	Debits	\$31,636,572	\$26,664,726

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#### CITY BUILDING

(SOURCE: Building Inspector, City of Santa Cruz.)

Oct. '58	Oct. '5/
Total 'Valuation\$826,947	\$1,082,931
New residential\$606,228	\$ 207,158
Number of new residential 38	14
New non-residential\$179,599	\$ 825,730

# COUNTY BUILDING

(SOURCE: Building Inspector, County of Sa Oct. '58	nta	Cruz.)
Total valuation\$700,963		634,111
New residential\$468,540	\$	349,829
Number of new residential 50		33
New non-residential\$232,423	\$	284,282

### ELECTRICITY CUSTOMERS

(SOURCE: Pacific Gas and Electric Company.)
Oct. '58 Oct 157 Oct. 25,858 26,397 Number in S. C. district \_\_.

# WATER CUSTOMERS

(SOURCE: Water Department, City of Santa Cruz.)
Oct. 58 Oct. '57 Oct. '57 5,851 5,992 Number billed \_\_\_\_\_ \$ 43,848 \$ 39,862

(NOTE: Water bills are sent out on a bi-monthly basis and the number quoted reflects roughly half of the total number of customers of the city water department in and out of the city.)

#### POSTAL RECEIPTS

(SOURCE: Postmaster, Santa Cruz.)
Oct. '58
ots \_\_\_\_\_\$ 41,031 \$ Oct. '57 32,992 Total receipts \_\_\_\_

#### TELEPHONE SUBSCRIBERS

(SOURCE: Santa Cruz office, Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company.) Sept. '58 Sept. '57 24,831 23,016

Total stations -92 -12 Gain over previous month \_\_\_\_\_ (NOTE: This includes subscribers in Santa Cruz, Aptos, Ben Lomond, Boulder Creek and Felton Exchanges.)

## VITAL STATISTICS

(SOURCE: Santa Cruz County Health Department.)

		Oci.	20	Oct.	1 Sept. 10 S	
Total	births		104		152	
	stillbirths		5		_1	
Total	deaths		85		87	

(NOTE: Totals cover entire County of Santa Cruz.)

#### **UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS**

(SOURCE: Local office, California Dept. of Employment.) Oct. '58 Oct. '57 426 654

# Average weekly claims . THE SENTINEL CIRCULATION

New claims

Oct. '58 14,282 Oct. '57 13,835 yerage paid circulation .