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Martin et al.
A review of wage data from agricultural employers suggests that most California farmworkers were employed for less than a full year in 2015.

114 Automated lettuce thinners reduce labor requirements and increase speed of thinning
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Automated thinners were as accurate in thinning lettuce as manual thinning, produced comparable yields, and were more than three times faster than thinning crews.

120 Wild pigs breach farm fence through harvest time in southern San Joaquin Valley
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Camera traps recorded 860 wild pig encounters at Laval Farms during the harvest season for grapes and pistachio, most of them at night.

127 Central Coast growers’ trust in water quality regulatory process needs rebuilding
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A 2015 survey of growers showed their trust of the regional water board had decreased since 2006, even though there had been more frequent communication.

135 Teens-as-teachers nutrition program increases interest in science among schoolchildren and fosters self-efficacy in teens
Bolshakova et al.
An after-school nutrition program increased children’s preferences for gardening, cooking and science, and teen teachers reported an increase in health self-efficacy.