

State Table 7.—FARM LABOR AND SPECIFIED FARM EXPENDITURES: CENSUSES OF 1920 TO 1954

[Data in italics are based on reports for only a sample of farms. See text]

Item (For definitions and explanations, see text)	Census of—							
	1954 (November)	1950 (April 1)	1945 (January 1)	1940 (April 1)	1935 (January 1)	1930 (April 1)	1925 (January 1)	1920 (January 1)
<b>FARM LABOR</b>								
<b>Farm workers for specified week<sup>1</sup></b>								
Family and/or hired workers <sup>2</sup> .....farms reporting..	141,432	174,637	188,383	202,375	269,594	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....persons..	302,375	311,792	293,539	403,162	636,764	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Average per farm reporting.....persons..	2.1	1.8	1.6	1.9	2.3	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Family workers, including operators....farms reporting..	139,865	172,352	187,523	193,076	264,570	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....persons..	232,949	273,888	281,958	343,588	588,692	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operators working 1 or more hours.....persons..	135,815	160,889	180,502	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Unpaid members of operator's family working 15 or more hours.....farms reporting..	54,126	73,679	74,513	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....persons..	97,134	112,999	101,456	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hired workers.....farms reporting..	17,577	17,492	5,733	28,671	27,274	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....persons..	69,426	37,904	11,581	59,574	48,072	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Workers hired by month.....persons..	2,966	5,146	(NA)	27,272	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Workers hired by day or week.....persons..	36,323	28,066	(NA)	28,613	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Workers hired by hour or on piece-work basis.....persons..	30,137	4,013	(NA)	3,689	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
No report as to basis of payment.....persons..	...	679	(NA)	...	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
<b>Farms reporting by number of hired workers:</b>								
1 hired worker.....farms reporting..	5,717	10,523	3,655	(NA)	19,206	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
2 hired workers.....farms reporting..	3,695	3,184	946	(NA)	4,127	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
3 or 4 hired workers.....farms reporting..	3,662	2,251	657	(NA)	2,341	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
5 to 9 hired workers.....farms reporting..	3,021	1,183	375	(NA)	1,345	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 or more workers.....farms reporting..	1,482	351	100	(NA)	255	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
<b>Farms by kind of workers during specified week:</b>								
No workers reported.....farms..	35,517	36,724	34,986	29,371	3,861	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Family workers and hired workers.....farms..	16,010	15,207	4,873	19,372	22,250	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operator and hired workers.....farms..	9,179	10,046	2,886	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operator, members of his family, and hired workers.....farms..	6,366	4,509	1,728	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Members of operator's family and hired workers...farms..	465	652	259	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Family workers only.....farms..	123,855	157,145	182,650	173,704	242,320	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operator only.....farms..	76,560	88,627	110,124	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operator and members of his family.....farms..	43,710	57,707	65,764	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Members of operator's family only.....farms..	3,585	10,811	6,762	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hired workers only.....farms..	1,567	2,285	860	9,299	5,024	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
<b>SPECIFIED FARM EXPENDITURES<sup>3</sup></b>								
Machine hire.....farms reporting..	78,870	89,261	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
dollars..	8,453,232	9,347,868	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hired labor <sup>4</sup> .....farms reporting..	72,530	77,605	67,726	58,688	(NA)	60,365	52,892	57,308
dollars..	29,539,218	26,835,922	17,572,497	8,421,752	(NA)	7,072,800	5,503,444	6,588,966
\$1 to \$99.....farms reporting..	33,568	43,261	40,706	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$100 to \$199.....farms reporting..	13,932	12,744	11,290	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$200 to \$499.....farms reporting..	13,320	11,866	9,045	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$500 to \$999.....farms reporting..	5,296	4,345	3,204	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$1,000 to \$2,499.....farms reporting..	4,093	3,496	2,245	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$2,500 to \$4,999.....farms reporting..	1,439			(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$5,000 to \$9,999.....farms reporting..	598			(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$10,000 to \$19,999.....farms reporting..	217	1,883	1,236	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$20,000 and over.....farms reporting..	67			(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Feed for livestock and poultry.....farms reporting..	115,328	114,249	113,287	69,872	(NA)	88,111	86,606	71,668
dollars..	52,248,195	26,208,582	20,160,759	5,236,869	(NA)	8,228,525	7,062,866	5,920,837
Gasoline and other petroleum fuel and oil....farms reporting..	76,471	49,900	(NA)	62,968	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
dollars..	15,783,391	12,017,731	(NA)	2,278,319	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Commercial fertilizer and fertilizing material.....farms reporting..	144,296	(NA)	169,357	196,515	(NA)	<sup>5</sup> 207,677	(NA)	175,407
dollars..	40,319,911	(NA)	21,646,749	13,405,411	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	14,066,108
Lime and liming material.....farms reporting..	6,793	(NA)	16,936	5,187	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
dollars..	1,163,425	(NA)	1,252,404	113,534	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)

NA Not available.

<sup>1</sup>Census of 1954, week of October 24-30; Census of 1950, week preceding enumeration; Censuses of 1945 and 1935, first week of January; Census of 1940, last week of March.

<sup>2</sup>See text for differences in definition of farm workers.

<sup>3</sup>For Census of 1954, expenditures during calendar year 1954; for earlier censuses, expenditures during the preceding calendar year.

<sup>4</sup>Cash payments for farm labor; housework not included. For 1954, 1950, 1945, and 1940, the data do not include expenditures for contract construction work, machine hire, and labor included in cost of machine hire. For 1920, the value of board furnished was included.

<sup>5</sup>Farms reporting tons of commercial fertilizer.