

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 (Oct.-Nov.)	1950 (April 1)	1945 (January 1)	1940 (April 1)	1935 (January 1)	1930 (April 1)	1925 (January 1)	1920 (January 1)
FARM LABOR								
Farm workers for specified week ¹								
Family and/or hired workers ²farms reporting..	8,583	8,750	10,853	15,142	18,289	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....persons..	59,632	28,472	23,022	32,642	47,807	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Average per farm reporting.....persons..	6.9	3.3	2.1	2.1	2.6	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Family workers, including operators....farms reporting..	8,137	8,283	10,544	14,161	17,328	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....persons..	11,970	12,225	13,875	20,222	26,843	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operators working 1 or more hours.....persons..	7,896	7,878	10,290	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Unpaid members of operator's family working 15 or more hours.....farms reporting..	2,794	2,967	2,546	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....persons..	4,074	4,347	3,585	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hired workers.....farms reporting..	3,734	3,435	2,179	3,257	4,297	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....persons..	47,662	16,247	9,147	12,420	20,964	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Workers hired by month.....persons..	3,393	2,704	(NA)	3,436	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Workers hired by day or week.....persons..	5,091	4,709	(NA)	6,747	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Workers hired by hour or on piece-work basis.....persons..	39,178	8,668	(NA)	2,237	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
No report as to basis of payment.....persons..	...	166	(NA)	...	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Farms reporting by number of hired workers:								
1 hired worker.....farms reporting..	1,329	1,458	1,068	(NA)	2,351	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
2 hired workers.....farms reporting..	678	810	396	(NA)	700	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
3 or 4 hired workers.....farms reporting..	543	489	323	(NA)	454	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
5 to 9 hired workers.....farms reporting..	377	425	231	(NA)	331	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 or more workers.....farms reporting..	807	253	161	(NA)	461	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Farms by kind of workers during specified week:								
No workers reported.....farms..	702	1,662	2,289	3,326	535	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Family workers and hired workers.....farms..	3,288	2,968	1,870	2,276	3,336	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operator and hired workers.....farms..	2,317	2,187	1,499	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operator, members of his family, and hired workers.....farms..	916	700	351	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Members of operator's family and hired workers...farms..	55	81	20	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Family workers only.....farms..	4,849	5,315	8,674	11,885	13,992	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operator only.....farms..	3,026	3,129	6,499	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operator and members of his family.....farms..	1,637	1,862	1,941	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Members of operator's family only.....farms..	186	324	234	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hired workers only.....farms..	446	467	309	981	961	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
SPECIFIED FARM EXPENDITURES ³								
Machine hire.....farms reporting..	5,012	4,958	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
dollars..	16,054,698	8,158,405	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hired labor ⁴farms reporting..	5,492	5,745	6,284	5,891	(NA)	6,158	5,820	5,639
dollars..	51,783,369	39,406,209	23,081,841	9,070,792	(NA)	10,388,821	7,286,868	7,663,620
\$1 to \$99.....farms reporting..	438	718	1,045	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$100 to \$199.....farms reporting..	399	537	680	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$200 to \$499.....farms reporting..	709	883	1,086	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$500 to \$999.....farms reporting..	585	701	832	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$1,000 to \$2,499.....farms reporting..	882	960	1,132	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$2,500 to \$4,999.....farms reporting..	718	1,946	1,509	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$5,000 to \$9,999.....farms reporting..	696			(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$10,000 to \$19,999.....farms reporting..	514			(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$20,000 and over.....farms reporting..	551	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Feed for livestock and poultry.....farms reporting..	5,990	6,227	9,044	9,103	(NA)	6,885	6,139	4,906
dollars..	21,137,775	10,130,439	6,348,404	2,619,038	(NA)	3,471,950	2,412,776	2,059,855
Gasoline and other petroleum fuel and oil....farms reporting..	6,752	6,675	(NA)	9,198	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
dollars..	10,683,709	6,943,249	(NA)	1,871,790	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Commercial fertilizer and fertilizing material.....farms reporting..	3,397	(NA)	1,245	687	(NA)	512	(NA)	126
dollars..	12,425,718	(NA)	1,674,362	275,475	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	40,892
Lime and liming material.....farms reporting..	14	(NA)	44	73	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
dollars..	10,942	(NA)	19,998	7,083	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)

NA Not available.

¹Census of 1954, week of Sept. 26-Oct. 2; Census of 1950, week preceding enumeration; Censuses of 1945 and 1935, first week of January; Census of 1940, last week of March.

²See text for differences in definition of farm workers.

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

⁴Cash 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.

⁵Farms reporting tons of commercial fertilizer.