

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)
FARM LABOR								
Farm workers for specified week: <sup>1</sup>								
Family and/or hired workers <sup>2</sup> .....farms reporting..	110,114	113,591	118,588	105,329	138,957	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
persons..	434,012	318,470	251,193	243,579	300,105	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Average per farm reporting.....persons..	3.9	2.8	2.1	2.3	2.1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Family workers, including operators....farms reporting..	104,698	107,573	114,145	94,967	124,710	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
persons..	156,259	155,495	150,866	137,899	172,232	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operators working 1 or more hours.....persons..	102,111	102,962	111,875	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Unpaid members of operator's family working 15 or more hours.....farms reporting..	38,904	38,628	30,352	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
persons..	54,148	52,533	38,991	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hired workers.....farms reporting..	41,053	37,670	28,127	30,585	45,458	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
persons..	277,753	162,975	100,327	105,680	127,873	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Workers hired by month.....persons..	28,689	28,810	(NA)	32,847	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Workers hired by day or week.....persons..	19,817	17,590	(NA)	46,347	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Workers hired by hour or on piece-work basis.....persons..	229,247	114,195	(NA)	26,486	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
No report as to basis of payment.....persons..	...	2,380	(NA)	...	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Farms reporting by number of hired workers:								
1 hired worker.....farms reporting..	15,719	18,730	14,573	(NA)	27,424	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
2 hired workers.....farms reporting..	7,088	7,639	5,212	(NA)	7,760	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
3 or 4 hired workers.....farms reporting..	6,046	5,326	3,895	(NA)	5,042	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
5 to 9 hired workers.....farms reporting..	5,572	3,156	2,726	(NA)	3,218	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 or more workers.....farms reporting..	6,628	2,819	1,721	(NA)	2,014	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Farms by kind of workers during specified week:								
No workers reported.....farms..	12,888	23,439	20,329	27,329	11,403	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Family workers and hired workers.....farms..	35,637	31,652	23,684	20,223	31,211	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operator and hired workers.....farms..	23,378	22,110	18,605	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operator, members of his family, and hired workers.....farms..	11,551	8,656	4,687	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Members of operator's family and hired workers...farms..	708	886	392	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Family workers only.....farms..	69,061	75,921	90,461	74,744	93,499	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operator only.....farms..	42,416	46,835	65,188	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operator and members of his family.....farms..	24,766	25,361	23,395	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Members of operator's family only.....farms..	1,879	3,725	1,878	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hired workers only.....farms..	5,416	6,018	4,443	10,362	14,247	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
SPECIFIED FARM EXPENDITURES <sup>3</sup>								
Machine hire.....farms reporting..	60,642	64,973	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
dollars..	59,738,499	44,950,259	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hired labor <sup>4</sup> .....farms reporting..	76,136	81,869	89,687	82,888	(NA)	90,492	84,836	76,414
dollars..	410,711,854	378,899,245	301,966,621	114,123,135	(NA)	130,158,510	105,346,372	109,928,053
\$1 to \$99.....farms reporting..	7,711	9,332	9,592	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$100 to \$199.....farms reporting..	6,496	6,941	7,820	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$200 to \$499.....farms reporting..	11,267	13,881	15,273	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$500 to \$999.....farms reporting..	9,905	11,186	13,202	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$1,000 to \$2,499.....farms reporting..	14,512	15,724	19,409	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$2,500 to \$4,999.....farms reporting..	10,022	24,805	24,391	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$5,000 to \$9,999.....farms reporting..	7,441			(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$10,000 to \$19,999.....farms reporting..	4,934			(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$20,000 and over.....farms reporting..	3,848			(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Feed for livestock and poultry.....farms reporting..	68,243	79,219	86,377	76,470	(NA)	84,056	80,375	77,772
dollars..	324,003,600	258,250,339	159,340,204	58,373,125	(NA)	68,117,633	53,016,114	46,380,569
Gasoline and other petroleum fuel and oil....farms reporting..	92,175	91,201	(NA)	76,238	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
dollars..	69,462,263	58,720,255	(NA)	20,965,379	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Commercial fertilizer and fertilizing material.....farms reporting..	47,040	(NA)	39,161	28,297	(NA)	516,050	(NA)	16,474
dollars..	63,005,370	(NA)	25,023,773	8,270,089	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	8,182,998
Lime and liming material.....farms reporting..	1,910	(NA)	7,338	3,585	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
dollars..	804,261	(NA)	2,493,968	374,694	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)

NA Not available.

<sup>1</sup>Census 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.

<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.