

GENERAL REPORT

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Item	Farms reporting		Number of persons working		
	Number	Percent of total	Total	Average per farm reporting	Percent of total
Number of farms.....	1954... 4,783,021	100.0	xxx	xxx	xxx
	1950... 5,379,250	100.0	xxx	xxx	xxx
	1945... 5,859,169	100.0	xxx	xxx	xxx
	1940... 6,096,799	100.0	xxx	xxx	xxx
	1935... 6,812,350	100.0	xxx	xxx	xxx
ALL WORKERS					
Family and/or hired workers ¹	week of Sept. 26-Oct. 2; or Oct. 24-30..1954... 4,296,694	89.8	9,597,343	2.2	100.0
	week preceding enumeration..1950... 4,547,947	84.5	8,538,064	1.9	100.0
	first week of January..1945... 5,155,346	88.0	8,373,239	1.6	100.0
	last week of March..1940... 5,321,248	87.3	9,694,168	1.8	100.0
	last week of September..1939... 5,190,166	85.1	11,250,252	2.2	100.0
	first week of January..1935... 6,640,286	97.5	12,407,614	1.9	100.0
Family workers (operator and unpaid members of his family).....	week of Sept. 26-Oct. 2; or Oct. 24-30..1954... 4,241,835	88.7	6,867,693	1.6	71.6
	week preceding enumeration..1950... 4,470,603	83.1	6,982,795	1.6	81.8
	first week of January..1945... 5,111,005	87.2	7,624,898	1.5	91.1
	last week of March..1940... 5,081,848	83.4	7,940,727	1.6	81.9
	last week of September..1939... 4,905,802	80.5	8,128,770	1.7	72.3
	first week of January..1935... 6,488,846	95.3	10,762,012	1.7	86.7
Operators.....	week of Sept. 26-Oct. 2; or Oct. 24-30..1954... 4,142,352	86.6	4,142,352	1.0	43.2
	week preceding enumeration..1950... 4,246,072	78.9	4,246,072	1.0	49.7
	first week of January..1945... 4,977,666	85.0	4,977,666	1.0	59.4
Unpaid members of operator's family.....	week of Sept. 26-Oct. 2; or Oct. 24-30..1954... 1,738,414	36.3	2,725,341	1.6	28.4
	week preceding enumeration..1950... 1,847,973	34.4	2,736,723	1.5	32.1
	first week of January..1945... 1,946,890	33.2	2,647,232	1.4	31.6
Hired workers.....	week of Sept. 26-Oct. 2; or Oct. 24-30..1954... 751,581	15.7	2,729,650	3.6	28.4
	week preceding enumeration..1950... 703,134	13.1	1,555,269	2.2	18.2
	first week of January..1945... 402,489	6.9	748,341	1.9	8.9
	last week of March..1940... 892,648	14.6	1,753,441	2.0	18.1
	last week of September..1939... 1,109,501	18.2	3,121,482	2.8	27.7
	first week of January..1935... 967,594	14.2	1,645,602	1.7	13.3
KIND OF WORKERS					
Family workers only.....	week of Sept. 26-Oct. 2; or Oct. 24-30..1954... 3,545,113	74.1	(NA)	(NA)	xxx
	week preceding enumeration..1950... 3,844,813	71.5	(NA)	(NA)	xxx
	first week of January..1945... 4,752,857	81.1	(NA)	(NA)	xxx
	last week of March..1940... 4,428,600	72.6	(NA)	(NA)	xxx
	last week of September..1939... 4,080,665	66.9	(NA)	(NA)	xxx
Operator only.....	week of Sept. 26-Oct. 2; or Oct. 24-30..1954... 2,101,083	43.9	2,101,083	1.0	21.9
	week preceding enumeration..1950... 2,224,587	41.4	2,224,587	1.0	26.1
	first week of January..1945... 2,925,407	49.9	2,925,407	1.0	34.9
Operator and unpaid members of his family.....	week of Sept. 26-Oct. 2; or Oct. 24-30..1954... 1,358,970	28.4	(NA)	(NA)	xxx
	week preceding enumeration..1950... 1,416,933	26.3	(NA)	(NA)	xxx
	first week of January..1945... 1,702,091	29.1	(NA)	(NA)	xxx
Unpaid members of operator's family only.....	week of Sept. 26-Oct. 2; or Oct. 24-30..1954... 85,060	1.8	(NA)	(NA)	xxx
	week preceding enumeration..1950... 203,293	3.8	(NA)	(NA)	xxx
	first week of January..1945... 125,359	2.1	(NA)	(NA)	xxx
Both family workers and hired workers.....	week of Sept. 26-Oct. 2; or Oct. 24-30..1954... 696,722	14.6	(NA)	(NA)	xxx
	week preceding enumeration..1950... 625,790	11.6	(NA)	(NA)	xxx
	first week of January..1945... 358,148	6.1	(NA)	(NA)	xxx
	last week of March..1940... 653,248	10.7	(NA)	(NA)	xxx
	last week of September..1939... 825,137	13.5	(NA)	(NA)	xxx
	first week of January..1935... 816,154	12.0	(NA)	(NA)	xxx
Operator and hired workers only.....	week of Sept. 26-Oct. 2; or Oct. 24-30..1954... 402,338	8.4	(NA)	(NA)	xxx
	week preceding enumeration..1950... 398,043	7.4	(NA)	(NA)	xxx
	first week of January..1945... 238,708	4.1	(NA)	(NA)	xxx
Operator, unpaid members of his family, and hired workers.....	week of Sept. 26-Oct. 2; or Oct. 24-30..1954... 279,961	5.9	(NA)	(NA)	xxx
	week preceding enumeration..1950... 206,509	3.8	(NA)	(NA)	xxx
	first week of January..1945... 111,460	1.9	(NA)	(NA)	xxx
Unpaid members of operator's family and hired workers only.....	week of Sept. 26-Oct. 2; or Oct. 24-30..1954... 14,423	0.3	(NA)	(NA)	xxx
	week preceding enumeration..1950... 21,238	0.4	(NA)	(NA)	xxx
	first week of January..1945... 7,980	0.1	(NA)	(NA)	xxx
Hired workers only.....	week of Sept. 26-Oct. 2; or Oct. 24-30..1954... 54,859	1.1	(NA)	(NA)	xxx
	week preceding enumeration..1950... 77,344	1.4	(NA)	(NA)	xxx
	first week of January..1945... 44,341	0.8	(NA)	(NA)	xxx
	last week of March..1940... 239,400	3.9	(NA)	(NA)	xxx
	last week of September..1939... 284,364	4.7	(NA)	(NA)	xxx
	first week of January..1935... 151,440	2.2	(NA)	(NA)	xxx
No workers reported.....	week of Sept. 26-Oct. 2; or Oct. 24-30..1954... 486,327	10.2	...	...	...
	week preceding enumeration..1950... 831,303	15.5	...	...	...
	first week of January..1945... 703,823	12.0	...	...	...
	last week of March..1940... 775,551	12.7	...	...	...
	last week of September..1939... 906,633	14.9	...	...	...
	first week of January..1935... 172,064	2.5	...	...	...

NA Not available. ¹Housework and contract construction work not included. For 1954 and 1950, operators who worked 1 or more hours, hired workers who worked anytime during specified week, and unpaid members of operator's family who worked 15 or more hours at farm work. For 1945, 1940, and 1939, persons 14 years old and over who worked at farm work the equivalent of 2 or more days during the specified week. For 1935, persons who worked at farm work the equivalent of 2 or more days during the specified week.

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Item	Farms reporting		Number of persons working		
	Number	Percent of total	Total	Average per farm reporting	Percent of total
TYPE OF HIRED WORKERS					
Hired workers, total ¹	751,581	100.0	2,729,650	3.6	100.0
.....week of Sept. 26-Oct. 2; or Oct. 24-30..1954...	703,134	100.0	1,555,269	2.2	100.0
.....week preceding enumeration..1950...					
Regular workers (to be employed 150 or more days).....	332,932	44.3	691,068	2.1	25.3
.....week of Sept. 26-Oct. 2; or Oct. 24-30..1954...	504,041	71.7	1,014,518	2.0	65.2
.....week preceding enumeration..1950...					
Seasonal workers (to be employed less than 150 days).....	504,556	67.1	2,038,582	4.0	74.7
.....week of Sept. 26-Oct. 2; or Oct. 24-30..1954...	271,340	38.6	540,751	2.0	34.8
.....week preceding enumeration..1950...					
Both regular and seasonal workers.....	85,907	11.4	(NA)	(NA)	xxx
.....week of Sept. 26-Oct. 2; or Oct. 24-30..1954...	72,247	10.3	(NA)	(NA)	xxx
.....week preceding enumeration..1950...					
Regular workers and no seasonal workers.....	247,025	32.9	(NA)	(NA)	xxx
.....week of Sept. 26-Oct. 2; or Oct. 24-30..1954...	431,794	61.4	(NA)	(NA)	xxx
.....week preceding enumeration..1950...					
Seasonal workers and no regular workers.....	418,649	55.7	(NA)	(NA)	xxx
.....week of Sept. 26-Oct. 2; or Oct. 24-30..1954...	199,093	28.3	(NA)	(NA)	xxx
.....week preceding enumeration..1950...					
BASIS OF PAYMENT OF HIRED WORKERS					
Hired workers, total ¹	751,581	100.0	2,729,650	3.6	100.0
.....week of Sept. 26-Oct. 2; or Oct. 24-30..1954...	703,134	100.0	1,555,269	2.2	100.0
.....week preceding enumeration..1950...					
.....last week of March..1940...	892,648	100.0	1,753,441	2.0	100.0
.....last week of September..1939...	1,109,501	100.0	3,121,482	2.8	100.0
Workers by the month.....	204,484	27.2	316,231	1.5	11.6
.....week of Sept. 26-Oct. 2; or Oct. 24-30..1954...	266,531	37.9	400,771	1.5	25.8
.....week preceding enumeration..1950...					
.....last week of March..1940...	500,227	66.6	739,300	1.5	42.2
.....last week of September..1939...	489,521	65.1	742,176	1.5	23.8
Workers by the week or day.....	(NA)	(NA)	737,488	(NA)	27.0
.....week of Sept. 26-Oct. 2; or Oct. 24-30..1954...	(NA)	(NA)	667,572	(NA)	42.9
.....week preceding enumeration..1950...					
.....last week of March..1940...	412,794	54.9	839,258	2.0	47.9
.....last week of September..1939...	605,347	80.6	1,556,085	2.6	49.9
Workers by the week.....	98,919	13.2	195,249	2.0	7.2
.....week of Sept. 26-Oct. 2; or Oct. 24-30..1954...	103,932	14.8	195,265	1.9	12.6
.....week preceding enumeration..1950...					
Workers by the day.....	217,335	28.9	542,239	2.5	19.9
.....week of Sept. 26-Oct. 2; or Oct. 24-30..1954...	226,622	32.2	472,307	2.1	30.4
.....week preceding enumeration..1950...					
Workers by the hour or on a piece-work basis.....	(NA)	(NA)	1,675,931	(NA)	61.4
.....week of Sept. 26-Oct. 2; or Oct. 24-30..1954...	(NA)	(NA)	456,335	(NA)	29.3
.....week preceding enumeration..1950...					
.....last week of March..1940...	58,797	7.8	174,883	3.0	10.0
.....last week of September..1939...	173,409	23.1	823,221	4.7	26.4
Workers by the hour.....	209,256	27.8	616,893	2.9	22.6
.....week of Sept. 26-Oct. 2; or Oct. 24-30..1954...	138,738	19.7	359,223	2.6	23.1
.....week preceding enumeration..1950...					
Workers on a piece-work basis.....	121,279	16.1	1,059,038	8.7	38.8
.....week of Sept. 26-Oct. 2; or Oct. 24-30..1954...	24,868	3.5	97,112	3.9	6.2
.....week preceding enumeration..1950...					
No report as to basis of payment.....	14,122	2.0	30,591	2.2	2.0
.....week preceding enumeration..1950...					
FARMS BY NUMBER OF HIRED WORKERS					
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.....first week of January..1935...	967,594	100.0	1,645,602	1.7	100.0
1 hired worker.....	380,021	50.6	380,021	1.0	13.9
.....week of Sept. 26-Oct. 2; or Oct. 24-30..1954...	447,344	63.6	447,344	1.0	28.8
.....week preceding enumeration..1950...					
.....first week of January..1945...	290,418	72.2	290,418	1.0	38.8
.....last week of March..1940...	609,900	68.3	609,900	1.0	34.8
.....first week of January..1935...	722,645	74.7	722,645	1.0	43.9
2 hired workers.....	142,546	19.0	285,092	2.0	10.4
.....week of Sept. 26-Oct. 2; or Oct. 24-30..1954...	133,695	19.0	267,390	2.0	17.2
.....week preceding enumeration..1950...					
.....first week of January..1945...	60,584	15.1	121,168	2.0	16.2
.....last week of March..1940...	152,146	17.0	304,292	2.0	17.4
.....first week of January..1935...	137,670	14.2	275,340	2.0	16.7
3 or more hired workers.....	229,014	30.5	2,064,537	9.0	75.6
.....week of Sept. 26-Oct. 2; or Oct. 24-30..1954...	122,295	17.4	840,735	6.9	54.1
.....week preceding enumeration..1950...					
.....first week of January..1945...	51,487	12.8	336,755	6.5	45.0
.....last week of March..1940...	130,602	14.6	839,249	6.4	47.9
.....first week of January..1935...	107,279	11.1	647,617	6.0	39.4
3 or 4 hired workers.....	101,427	13.5	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....week of Sept. 26-Oct. 2; or Oct. 24-30..1954...	72,872	10.4	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....week preceding enumeration..1950...					
.....first week of January..1945...	30,257	7.5	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
5 to 9 hired workers.....	72,013	9.6	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....week of Sept. 26-Oct. 2; or Oct. 24-30..1954...	33,762	4.8	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....week preceding enumeration..1950...					
.....first week of January..1945...	15,127	3.8	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....first week of January..1935...	29,913	3.1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 or more hired workers.....	55,574	7.4	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....week of Sept. 26-Oct. 2; or Oct. 24-30..1954...	15,661	2.2	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....week preceding enumeration..1950...					
.....first week of January..1945...	6,103	1.5	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....first week of January..1935...	11,410	1.2	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)