

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..	45,036	43,216	52,125	54,039	67,753	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....persons..	108,987	132,064	109,751	147,424	160,387	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Average per farm reporting.....persons..	2.4	3.1	2.1	2.7	2.3	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Family workers, including operators....farms reporting..	42,870	41,283	51,053	49,111	60,610	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....persons..	61,087	65,208	73,737	76,825	99,760	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operators working 1 or more hours.....persons..	41,590	38,426	49,557	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Unpaid members of operator's family working 15 or more hours.....farms reporting..	13,404	18,024	17,282	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....persons..	19,497	26,782	24,180	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hired workers.....farms reporting..	11,187	11,176	7,072	15,262	20,215	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....persons..	47,900	66,856	36,014	70,599	60,627	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Workers hired by month.....persons..	3,039	3,039	(NA)	9,492	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Workers hired by day or week.....persons..	25,298	31,018	(NA)	37,276	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Workers hired by hour or on piece-work basis.....persons..	19,563	31,739	(NA)	23,831	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
No report as to basis of payment.....persons..	...	1,080	(NA)	...	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Farms reporting by number of hired workers:								
1 hired worker.....farms reporting..	4,874	4,631	3,203	(NA)	12,071	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
2 hired workers.....farms reporting..	2,181	2,253	1,381	(NA)	3,640	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
3 or 4 hired workers.....farms reporting..	1,830	1,808	1,130	(NA)	2,371	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
5 to 9 hired workers.....farms reporting..	1,424	1,365	804	(NA)	1,225	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 or more workers.....farms reporting..	878	1,119	554	(NA)	908	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Farms by kind of workers during specified week:								
No workers reported.....farms..	12,454	13,627	9,034	8,209	5,104	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Family workers and hired workers.....farms..	9,021	9,243	6,000	10,334	13,072	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operator and hired workers.....farms..	6,188	5,777	3,978	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operator, members of his family, and hired workers.....farms..	2,599	3,150	1,909	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Members of operator's family and hired workers...farms..	234	316	113	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Family workers only.....farms..	33,849	32,040	45,053	38,777	47,538	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operator only.....farms..	23,278	17,482	29,793	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operator and members of his family.....farms..	9,525	12,017	13,877	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Members of operator's family only.....farms..	1,048	2,541	1,383	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hired workers only.....farms..	2,168	1,933	1,072	4,928	7,143	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
SPECIFIED FARM EXPENDITURES³								
Machine hire.....farms reporting..	26,095	20,038	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....dollars..	12,685,964	5,886,302	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hired labor ⁴farms reporting..	29,793	24,579	31,306	27,896	(NA)	27,977	23,275	20,190
.....dollars..	84,225,316	64,892,848	48,514,880	20,977,631	(NA)	17,724,067	14,232,447	10,117,531
\$1 to \$99.....farms reporting..	6,143	7,192	8,833	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$100 to \$199.....farms reporting..	4,433	3,667	5,124	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$200 to \$499.....farms reporting..	6,499	4,723	6,613	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$500 to \$999.....farms reporting..	3,752	2,527	3,921	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$1,000 to \$2,499.....farms reporting..	3,900	2,813	3,547	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$2,500 to \$4,999.....farms reporting..	2,114			(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$5,000 to \$9,999.....farms reporting..	1,325			(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$10,000 to \$19,999.....farms reporting..	877	3,657	3,268	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$20,000 and over.....farms reporting..	750			(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Feed for livestock and poultry.....farms reporting..	33,462	35,287	34,900	27,573	(NA)	22,457	23,591	20,471
.....dollars..	45,476,037	31,779,769	20,222,989	8,166,801	(NA)	8,096,841	6,402,931	5,024,668
Gasoline and other petroleum fuel and oil....farms reporting..	30,741	22,598	(NA)	21,926	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....dollars..	15,072,827	10,778,933	(NA)	3,265,479	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Commercial fertilizer and fertilizing material.....farms reporting..	43,516	(NA)	36,678	42,086	(NA)	39,480	(NA)	28,925
.....dollars..	51,854,514	(NA)	20,632,785	13,072,255	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	10,316,929
Lime and liming material.....farms reporting..	7,488	(NA)	3,018	2,999	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....dollars..	2,882,839	(NA)	515,633	247,464	(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.