

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)
<b>FARM LABOR</b>								
<b>Farm workers for specified week:<sup>1</sup></b>								
Family and/or hired workers <sup>2</sup> .....farms reporting..	111,274	115,197	130,069	132,726	169,763	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
persons.....	200,420	208,409	214,688	217,589	274,533	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Average per farm reporting.....persons..	1.8	1.8	1.6	1.7	1.6	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Family workers, including operators....farms reporting..	110,232	114,113	129,320	128,304	167,958	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
persons.....	173,676	190,078	203,291	191,988	248,499	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operators working 1 or more hours.....persons..	108,580	110,454	127,383	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Unpaid members of operator's family								
working 15 or more hours.....farms reporting..	44,496	53,320	57,370	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
persons.....	65,116	79,624	75,908	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hired workers.....farms reporting..	15,314	12,412	8,210	16,058	19,365	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
persons.....	26,744	18,331	11,397	25,601	26,034	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Workers hired by month.....persons..	5,657	6,887	(NA)	11,740	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Workers hired by day or week.....persons..	7,661	6,704	(NA)	11,691	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Workers hired by hour or on								
piece-work basis.....persons..	13,426	4,223	(NA)	2,170	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
No report as to basis of payment.....persons..	...	517	(NA)	...	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
<b>Farms reporting by number of hired workers:</b>								
1 hired worker.....farms reporting..	10,021	9,241	6,491	(NA)	15,677	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
2 hired workers.....farms reporting..	2,910	2,076	1,119	(NA)	2,437	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
3 or 4 hired workers.....farms reporting..	1,641	819	413	(NA)	921	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
5 to 9 hired workers.....farms reporting..	647	225	163	(NA)	293	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 or more workers.....farms reporting..	95	51	24	(NA)	37	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
<b>Farms by kind of workers during specified week:</b>								
No workers reported.....farms..	9,017	16,175	11,123	23,601	4,826	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Family workers and hired workers.....farms..	14,272	11,328	7,461	11,636	17,560	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operator and hired workers.....farms..	8,262	6,451	4,120	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operator, members of his family,								
and hired workers.....farms..	5,775	4,606	3,164	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Members of operator's family and hired workers...farms..	235	271	177	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Family workers only.....farms..	95,960	102,785	121,859	116,668	150,398	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operator only.....farms..	57,474	54,342	67,830	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operator and members of his family.....farms..	37,049	45,055	52,269	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Members of operator's family only.....farms..	1,437	3,388	1,760	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hired workers only.....farms..	1,042	1,084	749	4,422	1,805	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
<b>SPECIFIED FARM EXPENDITURES<sup>3</sup></b>								
Machine hire.....farms reporting..	74,075	81,002	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
dollars..	24,994,349	26,838,659	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hired labor <sup>4</sup> .....farms reporting..	62,010	79,785	86,399	61,364	(NA)	96,123	102,180	117,908
dollars..	31,716,579	39,513,996	37,409,564	12,140,397	(NA)	27,020,617	33,784,544	54,761,080
\$1 to \$99.....farms reporting..	19,783	25,232	26,444	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$100 to \$199.....farms reporting..	13,087	15,471	17,226	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$200 to \$499.....farms reporting..	14,915	20,010	22,671	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$500 to \$999.....farms reporting..	6,421	9,763	10,869	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$1,000 to \$2,499.....farms reporting..	5,165	6,720	7,027	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$2,500 to \$4,999.....farms reporting..	1,856			(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$5,000 to \$9,999.....farms reporting..	581			(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$10,000 to \$19,999.....farms reporting..	150	2,589	2,162	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$20,000 and over.....farms reporting..	48			(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Feed for livestock and poultry.....farms reporting..	100,405	109,277	120,506	111,240	(NA)	103,708	99,135	117,548
dollars..	96,792,022	74,225,570	64,753,950	22,138,010	(NA)	35,115,361	29,078,108	57,514,522
Gasoline and other petroleum fuel and oil....farms reporting..	106,391	105,429	(NA)	114,341	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
dollars..	58,286,189	48,875,611	(NA)	17,909,246	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Commercial fertilizer and								
fertilizing material.....farms reporting..	48,560	(NA)	26	6,803	(NA)	53,999	(NA)	6,183
dollars..	18,568,559	(NA)	28,288	419,832	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	979,037
Lime and liming material.....farms reporting..	7,577	(NA)	35	1,720	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
dollars..	1,107,920	(NA)	12,321	53,188	(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.

Handwritten annotations: 1,593,759; 77,482; 7,956; 987,275