

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 (October)	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..	157,890	163,132	175,663	173,541	199,955	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....persons..	330,772	307,833	299,790	322,039	356,247	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Average per farm reporting.....persons..	2.1	1.9	1.7	1.9	1.8	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Family workers, including operators.....farms reporting..	167,017	161,729	174,704	168,678	197,728	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....persons..	280,018	277,047	280,205	281,608	317,401	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operators working 1 or more hours.....persons..	153,848	155,852	170,779	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Unpaid members of operator's family working 15 or more hours.....farms reporting..	83,037	79,944	80,307	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....persons..	126,170	121,195	109,426	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hired workers.....farms reporting..	25,653	22,127	15,887	29,007	33,019	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....persons..	50,754	30,786	19,585	40,431	38,846	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Workers hired by month.....persons..	14,610	19,593	(NA)	29,104	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Workers hired by day or week.....persons..	9,489	4,936	(NA)	9,578	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Workers hired by hour or on piece-work basis.....persons..	26,655	5,399	(NA)	1,749	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
No report as to basis of payment.....persons..	...	858	(NA)	...	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Farms reporting by number of hired workers:								
1 hired worker.....farms reporting..	18,064	17,705	14,002	(NA)	29,235	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
2 hired workers.....farms reporting..	4,068	3,019	1,334	(NA)	2,839	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
3 or 4 hired workers.....farms reporting..	1,956	967	372	(NA)	740	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
5 to 9 hired workers.....farms reporting..	919	370	132	(NA)	174	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 or more workers.....farms reporting..	646	66	47	(NA)	31	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Farms by kind of workers during specified week:								
No workers reported.....farms..	7,434	15,987	13,289	23,810	3,347	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Family workers and hired workers.....farms..	24,780	20,724	14,928	24,144	30,792	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operator and hired workers.....farms..	12,256	12,423	9,363	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operator, members of his family, and hired workers.....farms..	12,041	7,686	5,248	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Members of operator's family and hired workers...farms..	483	615	317	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Family workers only.....farms..	132,237	141,005	159,776	144,534	166,936	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operator only.....farms..	61,724	69,362	85,034	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operator and members of his family.....farms..	67,827	66,381	71,134	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Members of operator's family only.....farms..	2,686	5,262	3,608	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hired workers only.....farms..	873	1,403	959	4,863	2,227	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
SPECIFIED FARM EXPENDITURES³								
Machine hire.....farms reporting..	118,367	137,519	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
dollars..	26,227,843	28,041,995	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hired labor ⁴farms reporting..	76,996	114,106	118,437	95,174	(NA)	105,057	104,924	111,697
dollars..	41,122,936	57,112,545	47,507,030	21,950,940	(NA)	27,526,878	27,463,229	36,450,774
\$1 to \$99.....farms reporting..	25,902	37,010	40,483	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$100 to \$199.....farms reporting..	14,899	20,612	21,653	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$200 to \$499.....farms reporting..	16,326	26,660	26,997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$500 to \$999.....farms reporting..	9,134	15,757	18,579	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$1,000 to \$2,499.....farms reporting..	8,021	11,309	9,094	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$2,500 to \$4,999.....farms reporting..	1,765	2,758	1,631	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$5,000 to \$9,999.....farms reporting..	654			(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$10,000 to \$19,999.....farms reporting..	224			(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$20,000 and over.....farms reporting..	71			(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Feed for livestock and poultry.....farms reporting..	144,554	156,285	168,125	133,498	(NA)	113,627	95,044	100,530
dollars..	153,886,173	119,927,088	99,012,843	19,303,566	(NA)	19,678,966	14,638,502	22,940,650
Gasoline and other petroleum fuel and oil....farms reporting..	152,436	155,515	(NA)	158,471	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
dollars..	73,706,856	66,268,394	(NA)	22,320,700	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Commercial fertilizer and fertilizing material.....farms reporting..	74,717	(NA)	368	7,177	(NA)	58,968	(NA)	3,031
dollars..	23,202,508	(NA)	255,040	491,667	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	432,680
Lime and liming material.....farms reporting..	12,199	(NA)	55	2,081	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
dollars..	994,664	(NA)	15,809	58,984	(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.