

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:¹								
Family and/or hired workers ²farms reporting..	95,555	97,429	107,690	112,489	132,727	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....persons..	183,824	183,692	197,757	179,262	215,599	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Average per farm reporting.....persons..	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.6	1.6	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Family workers, including operators....farms reporting..	94,920	96,596	107,260	109,684	131,906	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....persons..	157,831	167,056	184,705	158,831	195,299	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operators working 1 or more hours.....persons..	93,635	94,029	106,278	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Unpaid members of operator's family working 15 or more hours.....farms reporting..	43,039	47,953	57,017	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....persons..	64,196	73,027	78,427	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hired workers.....farms reporting..	13,789	11,841	9,579	14,122	16,103	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....persons..	25,993	16,636	13,052	20,431	20,300	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Workers hired by month.....persons..	8,199	9,700	(NA)	13,533	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Workers hired by day or week.....persons..	5,977	4,094	(NA)	5,751	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Workers hired by hour or on piece-work basis.....persons..	11,817	2,490	(NA)	1,147	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
No report as to basis of payment.....persons..	...	352	(NA)	...	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Farms reporting by number of hired workers:								
1 hired worker.....farms reporting..	9,559	9,389	7,822	(NA)	13,703	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
2 hired workers.....farms reporting..	2,302	1,510	1,137	(NA)	1,679	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
3 or 4 hired workers.....farms reporting..	1,171	730	449	(NA)	525	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
5 to 9 hired workers.....farms reporting..	503	173	144	(NA)	161	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 or more workers.....farms reporting..	254	39	27	(NA)	35	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Farms by kind of workers during specified week:								
No workers reported.....farms..	5,178	9,745	4,066	8,573	889	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Family workers and hired workers.....farms..	13,154	11,007	9,149	11,317	15,282	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operator and hired workers.....farms..	7,254	6,073	4,280	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operator, members of his family, and hired workers.....farms..	5,684	4,732	4,739	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Members of operator's family and hired workers...farms..	216	202	130	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Family workers only.....farms..	81,766	85,588	98,111	98,367	116,624	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operator only.....farms..	44,627	42,569	45,963	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operator and members of his family.....farms..	36,070	40,655	51,296	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Members of operator's family only.....farms..	1,069	2,364	852	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hired workers only.....farms..	635	834	430	2,805	821	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
SPECIFIED FARM EXPENDITURES³								
Machine hire.....farms reporting..	67,774	75,829	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
dollars..	18,639,505	19,350,027	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hired labor ⁴farms reporting..	49,426	65,854	69,369	46,887	(NA)	76,806	74,950	80,696
dollars..	30,877,735	36,780,270	32,143,129	11,413,515	(NA)	25,356,051	22,560,194	34,604,188
\$1 to \$99.....farms reporting..	16,794	21,974	21,865	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$100 to \$199.....farms reporting..	9,105	12,022	13,127	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$200 to \$499.....farms reporting..	10,495	14,887	17,291	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$500 to \$999.....farms reporting..	5,063	7,734	8,862	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$1,000 to \$2,499.....farms reporting..	5,138	6,729	6,254	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$2,500 to \$4,999.....farms reporting..	1,975			(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$5,000 to \$9,999.....farms reporting..	621	2,514	1,970	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$10,000 to \$19,999.....farms reporting..	172			(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$20,000 and over.....farms reporting..	63			(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Feed for livestock and poultry.....farms reporting..	89,160	92,277	100,385	83,982	(NA)	79,355	71,092	83,374
dollars..	130,880,267	92,162,105	70,081,061	26,450,887	(NA)	42,286,136	34,309,338	58,623,746
Gasoline and other petroleum fuel and oil....farms reporting..	93,449	93,353	(NA)	102,570	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
dollars..	55,383,867	47,475,646	(NA)	14,243,518	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Commercial fertilizer and fertilizing material.....farms reporting..	42,406	(NA)	1,145	1,082	(NA)	5428	(NA)	476
dollars..	21,432,509	(NA)	26,029	74,283	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	64,752
Lime and liming material.....farms reporting..	5,905	(NA)	437.5	62	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
dollars..	1,280,524	(NA)	786	1,509	(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.

105,349

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