

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..	9,406	10,747	14,826	13,766	17,225	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....persons..	17,745	19,112	22,746	23,399	28,224	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Average per farm reporting.....persons..	1.9	1.8	1.5	1.7	1.6	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Family workers, including operators....farms reporting..	9,255	10,424	14,667	12,786	16,527	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....persons..	12,799	14,226	19,728	18,348	22,157	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operators working 1 or more hours.....persons..	9,019	9,768	14,251	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Unpaid members of operator's family working 15 or more hours.....farms reporting..	2,939	3,324	3,854	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....persons..	3,780	4,458	5,477	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hired workers.....farms reporting..	1,963	2,329	1,651	2,808	3,994	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....persons..	4,946	4,886	3,018	5,051	6,067	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Workers hired by month.....persons..	621	926	(NA)	2,335	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Workers hired by day or week.....persons..	1,612	2,700	(NA)	2,444	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Workers hired by hour or on piece-work basis.....persons..	2,713	1,240	(NA)	272	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
No report as to basis of payment.....persons..	...	20	(NA)	...	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Farms reporting by number of hired workers:								
1 hired worker.....farms reporting..	1,031	1,297	1,081	(NA)	2,985	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
2 hired workers.....farms reporting..	459	514	313	(NA)	623	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
3 or 4 hired workers.....farms reporting..	263	382	164	(NA)	279	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
5 to 9 hired workers.....farms reporting..	130	103	81	(NA)	79	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 or more workers.....farms reporting..	80	33	12	(NA)	28	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Farms by kind of workers during specified week:								
No workers reported.....farms..	1,017	2,635	3,960	2,788	470	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Family workers and hired workers.....farms..	1,812	2,006	1,492	1,828	3,296	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operator and hired workers.....farms..	1,245	1,519	1,130	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operator, members of his family, and hired workers.....farms..	532	436	340	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Members of operator's family and hired workers...farms..	35	51	22	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Family workers only.....farms..	7,443	8,418	13,175	10,958	13,231	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operator only.....farms..	5,071	5,581	9,683	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operator and members of his family.....farms..	2,171	2,332	3,098	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Members of operator's family only.....farms..	201	605	394	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hired workers only.....farms..	151	323	159	980	698	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
SPECIFIED FARM EXPENDITURES³								
Machine hire.....farms reporting..	3,819	4,447	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
dollars..	525,532	482,993	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hired labor ⁴farms reporting..	3,675	5,531	7,298	5,665	(NA)	8,849	9,292	11,365
dollars..	5,819,601	7,887,713	5,955,672	3,297,763	(NA)	3,980,361	3,014,573	3,665,259
\$1 to \$99.....farms reporting..	741	1,410	2,766	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$100 to \$199.....farms reporting..	524	657	1,002	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$200 to \$499.....farms reporting..	723	1,112	1,179	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$500 to \$999.....farms reporting..	421	744	810	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$1,000 to \$2,499.....farms reporting..	563	715	972	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$2,500 to \$4,999.....farms reporting..	379			(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$5,000 to \$9,999.....farms reporting..	211	893	569	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$10,000 to \$19,999.....farms reporting..	99			(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$20,000 and over.....farms reporting..	14			(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Feed for livestock and poultry.....farms reporting..	8,792	10,500	13,685	12,326	(NA)	12,716	17,228	18,015
dollars..	21,817,077	22,619,737	17,843,047	7,619,245	(NA)	7,622,921	7,467,404	8,725,716
Gasoline and other petroleum fuel and oil....farms reporting..	6,883	7,478	(NA)	6,301	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
dollars..	1,713,322	1,696,014	(NA)	591,924	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Commercial fertilizer and fertilizing material.....farms reporting..	3,495	(NA)	8,148	6,597	(NA)	5,947	(NA)	8,799
dollars..	897,137	(NA)	613,389	294,920	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	526,180
Lime and lining material.....farms reporting..	1,320	(NA)	2,746	2,939	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
dollars..	101,797	(NA)	156,449	41,113	(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.