

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)
<b>FARM LABOR</b>								
<b>Farm workers for specified week<sup>1</sup></b>								
Family and/or hired workers <sup>2</sup> .....farms reporting..	234,169	239,439	251,954	237,382	293,456	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
persons..	525,836	433,658	395,909	473,933	637,899	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Average per farm reporting.....persons..	2.2	1.8	1.6	2.0	2.2	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Family workers, including operators....farms reporting..	232,409	236,225	250,783	227,627	287,638	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
persons..	435,273	379,885	381,183	415,489	578,578	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operators working 1 or more hours.....persons..	226,284	221,148	244,402	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Unpaid members of operator's family working 15 or more hours.....farms reporting..	113,452	100,371	99,754	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
persons..	208,989	158,737	136,781	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hired workers.....farms reporting..	30,165	27,459	8,923	34,222	39,163	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
persons..	90,663	53,773	14,726	58,444	59,321	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Workers hired by month.....persons..	3,757	6,738	(NA)	21,364	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Workers hired by day or week.....persons..	37,216	26,088	(NA)	32,779	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Workers hired by hour or on piece-work basis.....persons..	49,590	19,266	(NA)	4,301	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
No report as to basis of payment.....persons..	...	1,681	(NA)	...	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
<b>Farms reporting by number of hired workers:</b>								
1 hired worker.....farms reporting..	12,118	17,159	6,409	(NA)	29,480	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
2 hired workers.....farms reporting..	6,795	5,248	1,421	(NA)	5,664	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
3 or 4 hired workers.....farms reporting..	5,794	3,262	690	(NA)	2,684	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
5 to 9 hired workers.....farms reporting..	4,168	1,403	332	(NA)	1,186	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 or more workers.....farms reporting..	1,290	387	71	(NA)	149	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
<b>Farms by kind of workers during specified week:</b>								
No workers reported.....farms..	33,649	49,034	35,458	40,894	7,511	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Family workers and hired workers.....farms..	28,405	24,245	7,752	24,467	33,345	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operator and hired workers.....farms..	12,069	14,939	4,513	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operator, members of his family, and hired workers.....farms..	15,592	8,117	2,955	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Members of operator's family and hired workers...farms..	744	1,189	284	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Family workers only.....farms..	204,004	211,980	243,031	203,160	254,293	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operator only.....farms..	106,888	120,915	146,516	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operator and members of his family.....farms..	91,735	77,177	90,418	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Members of operator's family only.....farms..	5,381	13,888	6,097	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hired workers only.....farms..	1,760	3,214	1,171	9,755	5,818	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
<b>SPECIFIED FARM EXPENDITURES<sup>3</sup></b>								
Machine hire.....farms reporting..	138,393	135,978	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
dollars..	15,040,230	12,590,035	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hired labor <sup>4</sup> .....farms reporting..	149,134	148,013	152,173	95,346	(NA)	88,837	69,551	78,394
dollars..	63,044,304	48,182,324	41,458,143	14,835,885	(NA)	11,673,938	8,096,123	10,818,456
\$1 to \$99.....farms reporting..	40,822	54,528	62,227	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$100 to \$199.....farms reporting..	27,889	32,698	34,697	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$200 to \$499.....farms reporting..	45,101	39,089	35,393	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$500 to \$999.....farms reporting..	20,753	12,826	12,502	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$1,000 to \$2,499.....farms reporting..	11,520	6,592	5,517	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$2,500 to \$4,999.....farms reporting..	2,162	2,280	1,837	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$5,000 to \$9,999.....farms reporting..	616			(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$10,000 to \$19,999.....farms reporting..	190			(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$20,000 and over.....farms reporting..	81			(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Feed for livestock and poultry.....farms reporting..	178,078	181,905	175,542	108,898	(NA)	121,859	107,359	128,964
dollars..	73,367,272	43,398,566	35,581,228	7,781,903	(NA)	11,115,763	8,674,786	12,291,850
Gasoline and other petroleum fuel and oil....farms reporting..	166,385	121,521	(NA)	82,330	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
dollars..	39,741,707	25,339,209	(NA)	3,778,842	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Commercial fertilizer and fertilizing material.....farms reporting..	231,144	(NA)	235,632	239,378	(NA)	<sup>5</sup> 233,467	(NA)	228,767
dollars..	69,497,600	(NA)	40,635,162	26,528,959	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	48,796,694
Line and lising material.....farms reporting..	29,324	(NA)	45,690	28,684	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
dollars..	1,907,200	(NA)	2,006,582	804,046	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)

NA Not available.

<sup>1</sup>Census of 1954, week of October 24-30; 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.