

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: <sup>1</sup>								
Family and/or hired workers <sup>2</sup> .....farms reporting..	59,215	60,811	64,871	63,845	80,832	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
persons.....	120,699	113,395	109,644	108,727	127,465	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Average per farm reporting.....persons..	2.0	1.9	1.7	1.7	1.6	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Family workers, including operators....farms reporting..	58,691	60,239	64,540	62,251	80,200	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
persons.....	102,398	101,819	103,464	97,440	119,256	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operators working 1 or more hours.....persons..	57,812	58,367	63,669	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Unpaid members of operator's family								
working 15 or more hours.....farms reporting..	29,160	27,907	28,428	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
persons.....	44,586	43,452	39,795	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hired workers.....farms reporting..	11,140	8,492	4,873	7,932	6,833	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
persons.....	18,301	11,576	6,180	11,287	8,209	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Workers hired by month.....persons..	6,446	7,057	(NA)	7,534	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Workers hired by day or week.....persons..	5,841	2,667	(NA)	3,033	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Workers hired by hour or on								
piece-work basis.....persons..	6,014	1,500	(NA)	720	(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..	7,683	6,667	4,104	(NA)	5,969	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
2 hired workers.....farms reporting..	2,152	1,214	534	(NA)	642	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
3 or 4 hired workers.....farms reporting..	933	406	177	(NA)	168	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
5 to 9 hired workers.....farms reporting..	299	127	45	(NA)	45	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 or more workers.....farms reporting..	73	18	13	(NA)	9	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Farms by kind of workers during specified week:								
No workers reported.....farms..	3,135	5,520	3,834	8,609	2,471	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Family workers and hired workers.....farms..	10,616	7,920	4,542	6,338	6,201	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operator and hired workers.....farms..	5,376	4,934	2,575	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operator, members of his family,								
and hired workers.....farms..	5,062	2,764	1,895	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Members of operator's family and hired workers...farms..	178	222	72	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Family workers only.....farms..	48,075	52,319	59,998	55,913	73,999	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operator only.....farms..	24,155	27,398	33,537	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operator and members of his family.....farms..	23,219	23,271	25,662	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Members of operator's family only.....farms..	701	1,650	799	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hired workers only.....farms..	524	572	331	1,594	632	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
SPECIFIED FARM EXPENDITURES <sup>3</sup>								
Machine hire.....farms reporting..	41,629	46,594	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
dollars..	13,046,606	13,484,058	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hired labor <sup>4</sup> .....farms reporting..	33,245	45,750	47,027	30,861	(NA)	48,762	49,540	49,658
dollars..	18,707,815	25,765,028	20,351,469	5,948,414	(NA)	14,647,192	15,492,334	24,121,602
\$1 to \$99.....farms reporting..	8,984	10,917	11,842	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$100 to \$199.....farms reporting..	6,595	8,351	9,428	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$200 to \$499.....farms reporting..	8,152	12,533	13,422	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$500 to \$999.....farms reporting..	4,209	7,037	7,210	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$1,000 to \$2,499.....farms reporting..	3,868	5,364	4,282	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$2,500 to \$4,999.....farms reporting..	1,099			(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$5,000 to \$9,999.....farms reporting..	251	1,548	843	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$10,000 to \$19,999.....farms reporting..	69			(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$20,000 and over.....farms reporting..	18			(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Feed for livestock and poultry.....farms reporting..	53,083	56,226	57,908	40,826	(NA)	40,527	30,411	37,966
dollars..	44,182,212	37,706,692	24,724,056	7,843,148	(NA)	12,435,826	8,737,496	16,689,277
Gasoline and other petroleum fuel and oil....farms reporting..	58,962	59,827	(NA)	56,709	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
dollars..	40,893,114	35,123,848	(NA)	8,879,348	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Commercial fertilizer and								
fertilizing material.....farms reporting..	10,464	(NA)	339.46	253	(NA)	5103	(NA)	175
dollars..	3,211,190	(NA)	224,530.01	13,255	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	34,466
Lime and liming material.....farms reporting..	112	(NA)	114	46	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
dollars..	2,731	(NA)	6462.82	316	(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.