

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 (Oct.-Nov.)	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..	263,110	273,117	342,388	371,857	491,209	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....persons..	723,539	549,099	560,111	683,867	980,932	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Average per farm reporting.....persons..	2.7	2.0	1.6	1.8	2.0	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Family workers, including operators....farms reporting..	256,978	265,557	338,629	353,061	479,181	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....persons..	378,015	400,583	506,560	537,452	849,340	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operators working 1 or more hours.....persons..	250,918	251,774	332,678	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Unpaid members of operator's family								
working 15 or more hours.....farms reporting..	86,440	103,036	131,316	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....persons..	127,097	148,809	173,882	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hired workers.....farms reporting..	59,755	55,193	26,970	66,194	66,845	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....persons..	345,524	148,516	53,551	146,415	131,592	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Workers hired by month.....persons..	24,306	25,740	(NA)	42,164	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Workers hired by day or week.....persons..	58,618	76,284	(NA)	81,229	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Workers hired by hour or on								
piece-work basis.....persons..	262,600	44,083	(NA)	23,022	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
No report as to basis of payment.....persons..	...	2,409	(NA)	...	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Farms reporting by number of hired workers:								
1 hired worker.....farms reporting..	23,315	30,499	17,247	(NA)	45,770	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
2 hired workers.....farms reporting..	10,053	11,560	5,125	(NA)	11,027	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
3 or 4 hired workers.....farms reporting..	8,299	7,393	2,735	(NA)	5,878	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
5 to 9 hired workers.....farms reporting..	8,359	3,748	1,438	(NA)	2,874	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 or more workers.....farms reporting..	9,729	1,993	425	(NA)	1,296	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Farms by kind of workers during specified week:								
No workers reported.....farms..	30,042	58,299	42,589	46,145	9,808	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Family workers and hired workers.....farms..	53,623	47,633	23,211	47,398	54,817	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operator and hired workers.....farms..	35,878	32,142	15,391	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operator, members of his family,								
and hired workers.....farms..	16,848	14,005	7,368	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Members of operator's family and hired workers...farms..	897	1,486	452	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Family workers only.....farms..	203,355	217,924	315,418	305,663	424,364	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operator only.....farms..	134,660	130,379	191,922	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operator and members of his family.....farms..	63,532	75,248	117,997	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Members of operator's family only.....farms..	5,163	12,297	5,499	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hired workers only.....farms..	6,132	7,560	3,759	18,796	12,028	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
SPECIFIED FARM EXPENDITURES <sup>3</sup>								
Machine hire.....farms reporting..	149,127	155,265	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
dollars..	74,366,938	74,172,037	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hired labor <sup>4</sup> .....farms reporting..	155,988	186,049	192,781	190,018	(NA)	202,287	201,888	190,434
dollars..	228,396,136	298,132,724	154,555,436	56,585,641	(NA)	65,660,912	71,933,334	80,315,281
\$1 to \$99.....farms reporting..	33,927	39,918	51,345	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$100 to \$199.....farms reporting..	20,507	21,280	27,842	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$200 to \$499.....farms reporting..	31,033	33,694	41,746	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$500 to \$999.....farms reporting..	22,324	25,951	30,373	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$1,000 to \$2,499.....farms reporting..	26,054	33,551	27,925	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$2,500 to \$4,999.....farms reporting..	12,225			(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$5,000 to \$9,999.....farms reporting..	6,387	31,655	13,550	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$10,000 to \$19,999.....farms reporting..	2,482			(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$20,000 and over.....farms reporting..	1,049			(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Feed for livestock and poultry.....farms reporting..	240,031	247,948	305,498	219,246	(NA)	191,402	201,886	215,581
dollars..	220,692,515	152,003,888	121,672,575	39,071,057	(NA)	37,804,065	34,661,163	60,762,084
Gasoline and other petroleum fuel and oil....farms reporting..	197,449	190,649	(NA)	199,324	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
dollars..	105,823,420	84,564,485	(NA)	23,416,570	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Commercial fertilizer and								
fertilizing material.....farms reporting..	91,097	(NA)	72,176	55,996	(NA)	575,955	(NA)	27,459
dollars..	30,821,365	(NA)	6,275,103	2,493,564	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	1,831,207
Lime and liming material.....farms reporting..	1,590	(NA)	3,520	353	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
dollars..	232,413	(NA)	220,021	11,649	(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.