

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..	121,841	122,329	140,887	151,636	191,469	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....persons..	247,917	320,754	209,559	269,227	339,106	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Average per farm reporting.....persons..	2.0	1.8	1.5	1.8	1.8	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Family workers, including operators....farms reporting..	119,977	119,324	139,027	142,134	185,533	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....persons..	189,398	176,023	191,585	211,178	286,796	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operators working 1 or more hours.....persons..	116,565	110,653	131,190	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Unpaid members of operator's family working 15 or more hours.....farms reporting..	45,866	45,473	41,827	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....persons..	72,833	85,370	60,395	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hired workers.....farms reporting..	19,037	20,764	9,372	30,046	32,279	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....persons..	58,519	44,731	17,974	58,049	52,310	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Workers hired by month.....persons..	8,624	11,966	(NA)	21,740	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Workers hired by day or week.....persons..	21,695	17,297	(NA)	30,512	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Workers hired by hour or on piece-work basis.....persons..	28,200	14,565	(NA)	5,797	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
No report as to basis of payment.....persons..	...	903	(NA)	...	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Farms reporting by number of hired workers:								
1 hired worker.....farms reporting..	8,610	11,757	5,927	(NA)	23,109	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
2 hired workers.....farms reporting..	4,401	4,517	1,889	(NA)	5,406	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
3 or 4 hired workers.....farms reporting..	3,370	2,858	965	(NA)	2,543	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
5 to 9 hired workers.....farms reporting..	1,938	1,299	469	(NA)	981	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 or more workers.....farms reporting..	718	333	122	(NA)	240	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Farms by kind of workers during specified week:								
No workers reported.....farms..	14,529	28,484	32,164	23,249	6,163	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Family workers and hired workers.....farms..	17,173	17,749	7,512	20,544	26,343	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operator and hired workers.....farms..	10,263	11,660	5,579	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operator, members of his family, and hired workers.....farms..	6,459	5,184	1,680	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Members of operator's family and hired workers...farms..	451	905	253	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Family workers only.....farms..	102,804	101,575	131,515	121,590	159,190	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operator only.....farms..	63,848	62,191	91,621	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Operator and members of his family.....farms..	35,995	31,618	32,310	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Members of operator's family only.....farms..	2,961	7,766	7,584	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hired workers only.....farms..	1,864	3,015	1,860	9,502	5,936	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
SPECIFIED FARM EXPENDITURES³								
Machine hire.....farms reporting..	61,457	54,147	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
dollars..	7,730,568	5,992,497	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Hired labor ⁴farms reporting..	58,408	61,579	76,946	59,763	(NA)	62,451	60,427	66,500
dollars..	44,982,732	42,766,644	34,725,537	17,326,650	(NA)	18,774,106	15,237,301	17,002,779
\$1 to \$99.....farms reporting..	23,838	27,645	40,153	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$100 to \$199.....farms reporting..	10,981	9,763	11,869	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$200 to \$499.....farms reporting..	10,164	10,150	10,783	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$500 to \$999.....farms reporting..	4,669	5,279	6,402	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$1,000 to \$2,499.....farms reporting..	4,868	5,006	5,120	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$2,500 to \$4,999.....farms reporting..	2,237			(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$5,000 to \$9,999.....farms reporting..	964	3,736	2,619	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$10,000 to \$19,999.....farms reporting..	489			(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$20,000 and over.....farms reporting..	198			(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Feed for livestock and poultry.....farms reporting..	104,738	103,029	130,466	96,099	(NA)	81,507	91,338	97,297
dollars..	72,865,974	54,835,832	47,488,977	14,172,774	(NA)	12,640,444	10,366,783	12,400,193
Gasoline and other petroleum fuel and oil....farms reporting..	66,459	51,071	(NA)	61,730	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
dollars..	17,109,576	11,785,124	(NA)	3,052,573	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Commercial fertilizer and fertilizing material.....farms reporting..	98,718	(NA)	122,220	115,685	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	39,270
dollars..	29,099,449	(NA)	14,497,270	3,904,727	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	7,610,478
Line and lining material.....farms reporting..	18,765	(NA)	35,697	31,444	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
dollars..	2,105,847	(NA)	2,506,663	1,423,350	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)

NA Not available.

¹Census 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.

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.

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