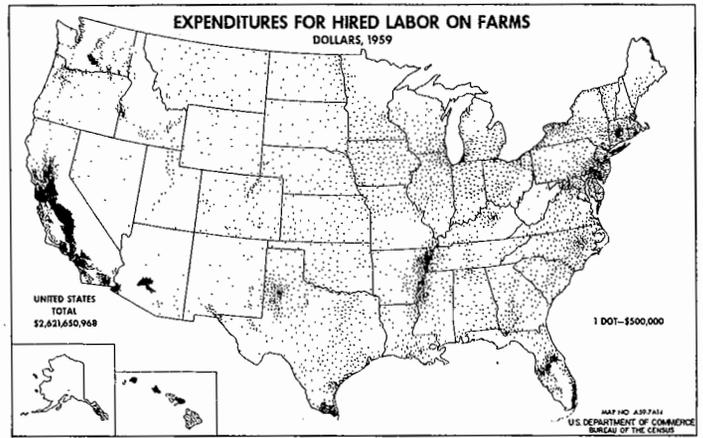
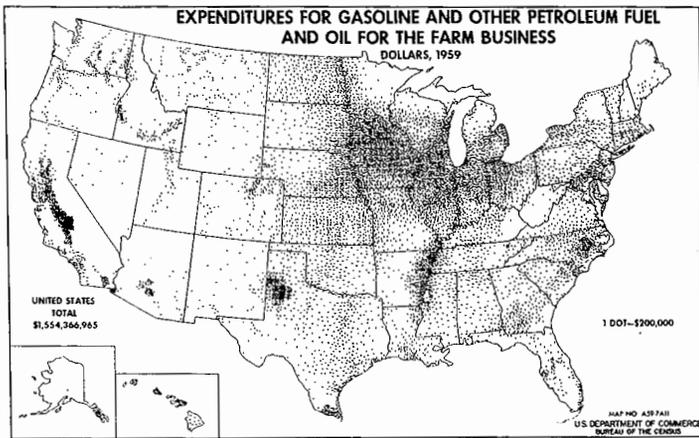


A GRAPHIC SUMMARY

penditures for machine hire, the expenditure was less than \$200; for nearly two-thirds of the farms with expenditures for hired labor, the expenditure was less than \$500; and for one-third of the farms with expenditures for gasoline and other petroleum fuel and oil for the farm business, the expenditure was less than \$100.

The number of farms reporting expenditures for farm labor has been declining and there has been a large decrease in the number of farms with expenditures of less than \$1,000 for hired labor. Notwithstanding these decreases, the number of farms reporting an expenditure of \$2,500 or more for hired labor increased 14.6 percent from 1954 to 1959.



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