

farm labor



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SNOW AND COLD WEATHER RESTRICT FARM ACTIVITY

The Nation's farm labor force for the survey week of February 21-27, 1971, is estimated at 3,556,000 workers or about 6,000 fewer than a year earlier. This included 2,819,000 farm operators and unpaid family members and 737,000 hired workers. The hired labor force is up almost 4 percent from February 1970.

Farm workers averaged 34.3 hours work during the February survey week compared with 33.7 a month earlier. Farm operators worked an average of 35.1 hours, unpaid family members 29.2, and hired workers 36.4 hours during the week.

Orange and grapefruit picking continued in Florida and California. Weather conditions were favorable in Florida in contrast to the cold temperatures in California fruit districts. Citrus harvest was also active in Texas and Arizona with frost damaged Arizona fruit going to juice processing.

Vegetables in California were also set back by the cold spell. Replanting of wind-damaged tomatoes was necessary on the South Coast. Onion harvest has started on early Texas fields. Ideal growing conditions prevailed in Florida. Strawberry picking has started in Louisiana. Fields dried out enough in Georgia to allow some watermelon planting. In South Carolina, transplanting of cabbage was limited because of a scarcity of plants.

Deep snow, mud and isolated cases of flooding made caring for, and the feeding of livestock difficult from Oklahoma to South Dakota. However, the rain and snow in late February helped to improve winter wheat conditions in the Great Plains.

Special In This Issue

Revised Farm Employment Estimates,
48 States 1969 and 1970, by Months
and Annual Averages
Quarterly Probability Farm Labor Survey
Farm Wage Rates, California & United States

Farm employment represents the number of family and hired labor working during the survey week. Family labor includes farm operators working on farms 1 hour or more plus other family members working 15 hours or more without receiving cash wages during the survey week. These data should not be confused with data published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) derived from the Current Population Survey (CPS). The BLS data are derived from a household survey where each member 16 years of age and older is classified as performing farm or nonfarm work on the basis of major activity during the survey week.

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Farm Employment and Indexes, February 1971, with comparisons, United States

Item	: Annual : average : 1969	: Annual : average : 1970	: February : 16-22 : 1969	: February : 15-21 : 1970	: February : 21-27 : 1971
FARM EMPLOYMENT 1/ (Thousands)	:	:	:	:	:
Total	: 4,595.8	: 4,528.8	: 3,605.3	: 3,561.2	: 3,555.6
Family labor	: 3,419.4	: 3,348.1	: 2,909.6	: 2,851.2	: 2,819.0
Hired labor	: 1,176.4	: 1,180.7	: 695.7	: 710.0	: 736.6
INDEXES 2/ (1910-14=100)	:	:	:	:	:
Total	: 34	: 33	: 35	: 35	: 35
Family labor	: 34	: 33	: 35	: 34	: 33
Hired labor	: 35	: 35	: 30	: 38	: 40
(1957-59=100)	:	:	:	:	:
Total	: 94	: 92	: 98	: 95	: 95
Family labor	: 94	: 92	: 97	: 94	: 92
Hired labor	: 92	: 92	: 100	: 100	: 105

1/Employment during the last full calendar week ending at least one day before the end of the month. 2/ Monthly indexes are adjusted for seasonal variation.

3/ Revised.

Workers on Farms, February 1971 1/

State and division	February 1969			February 1970			February 1971		
	Total	Family	Hired	Total	Family	Hired	Total	Family	Hired
	T h o u s a n d s								
Maine	16.6	12	4.6	16	11	5.0	16	11	5.0
N. H.	5.5	3.8	1.7	5.3	3.7	1.6	5.0	3.4	1.6
Vt.	15.3	12	3.3	14.3	11	3.3	13.2	10	3.2
Mass.	12.5	9.0	3.5	12.6	8.9	3.7	12.6	8.3	4.3
R. I.	1.7	1.0	.7	1.8	1.2	.6	1.8	1.2	.6
Conn.	10.9	8.0	2.9	9.3	6.7	2.6	8.8	6.2	2.6
N. Eng.	62.5	45.8	16.7	59.3	42.5	16.8	57.4	40.1	17.3
N. Y.	84	67	17	79	65	14	82	65	17
N. J.	13	9.0	4.0	12	8.0	4.0	13	9.0	4.0
Pa.	100	90	10	100	89	11	99	88	11
M. Atl.	197	166	31	191	162	29	194	162	32
Ohio	130	121	9.0	123	115	8.0	120	112	8.0
Ind.	111	106	5.0	110	106	4.0	110	106	4.0
Ill.	126	110	16	126	110	16	124	109	15
Mich.	120	106	14	123	108	15	121	106	15
Wis.	181	166	15	174	159	15	169	154	15
E. N. Cent.	668	609	59	656	598	58	644	587	57
Minn.	149	143	6.0	140	133	7.0	142	135	7.0
Iowa	160	150	10	158	148	10	158	147	11
Mo.	154	143	11	150	140	10	143	132	11
N. Dak.	38	34	4.0	38	35	3.0	38	35	3.0
S. Dak.	52	49	3.0	49	46	3.0	50	47	3.0
Nebr.	85	81	4.0	87	82	5.0	82	77	5.0
Kans.	92	86	6.0	90	84	6.0	87	83	4.0
W. N. Cent.	730	686	44	712	668	44	700	656	44
Del.	4.0	3.0	1.0	4.0	3.0	1.0	4.0	3.0	1.0
Md.	24	19	5.0	24	19	5.0	24	20	4.0
Va.	87	74	13	85	71	14	82	69	13
W. Va.	28	25	3.0	27	24	3.0	28	25	3.0
N. C.	159	143	16	156	139	17	159	141	18
S. C.	55	44	11	56	44	12	53	42	11
Ga.	79	63	16	79	64	15	79	62	17
Fla.	137	36	101	126	30	96	127	29	98
S. Atl.	573	407	166	557	394	163	556	391	165
Ky.	114	103	11	113	104	9.0	112	102	10
Tenn.	105	95	10	109	98	11	105	94	11
Ala.	63	51	12	62	50	12	60	49	11
Miss.	93	73	20	93	73	20	91	72	19
E. S. Cent.	375	322	53	377	325	52	368	317	51
Ark.	100	75	25	98	69	29	113	82	31
La.	69	48	21	61	43	18	61	43	18
Okla.	112	106	6.0	118	110	8.0	117	109	8.0
Texas	224	169	55	219	160	59	216	158	58
W. S. Cent.	505	398	107	496	382	114	507	392	115
Mont.	28	24	4.0	29	25	4.0	29	24	5.0
Idaho	31	27	4.0	33	28	5.0	30	25	5.0
Wyo.	11	8.0	3.0	10	7.0	3.0	11	8.0	3.0
Colo.	36	31	5.0	36	30	6.0	35	28	7.0
N. Mex.	18	13	5.0	18	13	5.0	17	12	5.0
Ariz.	36	6.0	30	34	5.0	29	35	6.0	29
Utah	15	12	3.0	15	12	3.0	15	12	3.0
Nev.	2.8	1.8	1.0	2.9	1.7	1.2	3.2	1.9	1.3
Mount.	177.8	122.8	55	177.9	121.7	56.2	175.2	116.9	58.3
Wash.	59	43	16	63	47	16	66	47	19
Oreg.	48	40	8.0	53	42	11	54	41	13
Calif.	210	70	140	219	69	150	234	69	165
Pac.	317	153	164	335	158	177	354	157	197
U. S.	3,605.3	2,909.6	695.7	3,561.2	2,851.2	710.0	3,555.6	2,819.0	736.6

1/ Persons employed during the last full calendar week ending at least one day before the end of the month.

FARM WORK: Weekly Hours Worked Per Worker

State and division	Average for reporting farms - week of February 21-27, 1971				
	Farm Operators	Other Family Members 1/	All Family 1/	Hired Workers	All Workers 1/
	Hours				
Maine	45.8	33.0	42.4	36.4	40.3
N. H.	47.3	32.2	44.6	36.7	41.5
Vt.	57.1	31.4	48.7	38.4	45.5
Mass.	47.9	34.7	44.5	42.9	43.8
R. I.	40.4	19.7	34.7	50.0	41.6
Conn.	46.2	26.8	41.3	38.5	40.1
N. Eng.	48.8	31.6	44.1	39.2	42.4
N. Y.	50.9	30.9	44.4	37.2	42.2
N. J.	31.3	27.4	30.3	33.4	31.0
Pa.	43.9	29.4	39.7	30.9	38.0
M. Atl.	46.0	29.9	41.1	34.6	39.3
Ohio	33.1	29.7	32.3	27.5	31.6
Ind.	32.6	28.8	31.9	31.9	31.9
Ill.	30.1	29.5	30.0	31.1	30.1
Mich.	39.8	32.3	38.0	30.1	36.3
Wis.	47.6	28.2	40.4	34.4	39.4
E. N. Cent.	36.4	29.6	34.3	31.3	34.3
Minn.	39.9	29.3	36.8	32.8	36.4
Iowa	41.8	25.5	37.7	28.9	36.4
Mo.	34.2	30.9	33.6	28.5	32.7
N. Dak.	33.5	30.5	32.8	32.4	32.7
S. Dak.	39.0	28.1	36.2	26.5	35.1
Nebr.	37.0	30.4	35.5	30.2	34.9
Kans.	34.7	30.2	33.8	31.0	33.5
W. N. Cent.	37.6	29.1	35.5	29.8	34.8
Del.	28.7	19.6	26.9	17.2	25.0
Md.	37.3	28.2	34.4	33.4	34.2
Va.	33.7	31.0	33.2	33.7	33.4
W. Va.	34.6	27.0	32.6	24.5	31.5
N. C.	29.4	28.2	29.1	25.9	28.1
S. C.	32.6	29.1	31.9	28.2	30.4
Ga.	33.2	29.0	32.4	29.7	31.4
Fla.	36.4	18.0	34.9	44.4	41.3
S. Atl.	32.3	28.0	31.5	38.2	33.0
Ky.	28.5	29.8	28.8	24.1	27.6
Tenn.	26.1	27.1	26.2	20.7	25.1
Ala.	26.3	25.7	26.2	29.9	27.2
Miss.	28.2	25.5	27.7	26.9	27.3
E. S. Cent.	27.3	27.2	27.3	25.7	26.7
Ark.	31.3	27.1	30.5	26.7	28.8
La.	28.1	30.2	28.4	32.6	29.9
Okla.	35.1	28.9	33.6	29.5	33.0
Texas	36.5	31.4	35.6	36.6	35.9
W. S. Cent.	34.1	29.9	33.3	32.8	32.9
Mont.	37.3	32.4	36.1	44.7	37.8
Idaho	34.6	27.8	32.8	58.3	35.2
Wyo.	41.9	28.9	38.3	37.5	38.1
Colo.	38.1	34.1	37.4	38.9	37.6
N. Mex.	42.3	24.3	39.4	45.3	41.8
Ariz.	45.8	30.6	42.4	41.2	41.7
Utah	33.5	27.4	31.7	30.3	31.4
Nev.	31.8	22.8	29.4	45.0	32.9
Mount.	37.6	29.9	35.8	42.4	37.9
Wash.	38.0	30.9	36.6	35.5	36.1
Oreg.	33.4	28.9	32.4	24.0	29.7
Calif.	42.1	41.8	42.0	43.1	42.8
Pac.	38.3	34.7	37.6	41.1	39.6
U. S.	35.1	29.2	33.6	36.4	34.3

1/ Includes as "other family" only those farm household members working 15 hours or more per week without receiving cash wages.

Total Workers on Farms, 1970, Revised Estimates
(Thousands of persons)

State and division	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Annual average
Maine	15.3	16.0	16.0	17.4	18.8	23.1	23.3	23.2	38	19.2	15.6	15.4	19.7
N. H.	5.4	5.3	5.9	6.1	6.3	7.4	8.0	7.9	8.5	6.3	6.0	5.3	6.5
Vt.	14.2	14.3	14.3	14.3	14.4	15.6	16.0	14.8	15.7	14.5	13.5	13.4	14.6
Mass.	13.0	12.6	13.1	14.5	17.0	19.8	25	26	21	17.4	13.7	12.9	17.2
R. I.	1.9	1.8	1.8	1.9	2.0	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.0	1.9	1.8	1.7	2.0
Conn.	8.6	9.3	9.9	11.7	12.5	15.6	22.1	21.4	14.3	11.5	8.5	8.3	12.8
N. Eng.	58.4	59.3	61.0	65.9	71.0	83.7	96.6	95.5	99.5	70.8	59.1	57.0	72.8
N. Y.	79	79	85	89	93	109	122	119	123	104	91	84	98
N. J.	13	12	13	16	24	27	33	34	24	15	14	12	20
Pa.	89	100	108	114	120	144	135	142	128	117	97	92	115
M. Atl.	181	191	206	219	237	280	290	295	275	236	202	188	233
Ohio	114	123	135	145	168	174	171	158	159	166	137	117	147
Ind.	109	110	119	125	151	146	137	137	134	139	119	110	128
Ill.	115	126	142	163	185	195	195	174	164	182	153	128	160
Mich.	113	123	124	138	155	162	166	163	143	150	122	109	139
Wis.	168	174	186	210	212	214	216	211	204	186	177	161	193
E. N. Cent.	619	656	706	781	871	891	885	843	804	823	708	625	767
Minn.	136	140	147	173	198	223	237	201	191	186	158	128	177
Iowa	151	158	183	214	244	266	267	243	217	224	198	157	210
Mo.	140	150	160	184	204	214	231	215	226	221	186	161	191
N. Dak.	35	38	48	50	68	72	86	91	73	58	39	34	58
S. Dak.	48	49	47	67	74	84	84	80	76	66	54	51	66
Nebr.	82	87	95	113	122	130	135	127	104	104	96	83	106
Kans.	82	90	99	103	120	144	136	120	114	115	95	84	108
W. N. Cent.	674	712	779	904	1,030	1,133	1,176	1,077	1,001	974	826	698	916
Del.	4.0	4.0	5.0	6.0	8.0	9.0	12	10	9.0	8.0	6.0	4.0	7.0
Md.	21	24	30	29	35	39	44	42	35	32	28	23	32
Va.	80	85	102	112	129	132	125	126	135	119	104	81	111
W. Va.	27	27	31	38	42	47	41	43	42	40	35	29	37
N. C.	142	156	172	213	240	310	394	420	288	234	181	150	241
S. C.	50	56	65	78	79	93	107	97	102	87	66	51	78
Ca.	68	79	90	98	101	112	98	127	137	133	92	72	101
Fla.	126	126	123	127	123	98	91	84	97	113	121	126	113
S. Atl.	518	557	618	701	757	840	912	949	845	766	633	536	720
Ky.	103	113	120	132	155	181	155	181	195	210	156	129	152
Tenn.	105	109	120	132	161	172	156	166	199	219	171	120	153
Ala.	56	62	69	92	107	89	75	92	125	133	105	76	90
Miss.	81	93	128	130	164	142	144	152	187	169	124	83	139
E. S. Cent.	345	377	437	486	587	584	530	591	706	731	556	408	534
Ark.	77	98	121	141	164	170	161	176	163	164	135	72	137
La.	48	61	67	74	80	90	74	86	111	101	70	47	76
Okla.	109	118	114	127	136	157	136	116	130	144	115	103	126
Texas	193	219	231	275	302	344	337	291	355	341	297	193	282
W. S. Cent.	427	496	533	617	682	761	708	669	759	750	617	415	621
Mont.	27	29	33	37	43	47	53	55	44	40	33	28	39
Idaho	29	33	38	45	47	60	63	60	59	51	36	30	46
Wyo.	9.0	10	12	14	15	21	19	19	18	15	13	12	15
Colo.	29	36	37	48	63	81	83	85	75	69	48	39	58
N. Mex.	17	18	19	19	20	25	27	25	26	32	24	20	23
Ariz.	36	34	37	36	37	37	34	30	34	38	39	38	36
Utah	14	15	19	22	26	29	31	31	34	23	18	16	23
Nev.	2.9	2.9	3.8	4.8	5.0	5.8	6.5	7.2	6.0	5.1	4.0	3.7	4.8
Mount.	163.9	177.9	198.8	225.8	256.0	305.8	316.5	312.2	296.0	273.1	215.0	186.7	244.8
Wash.	51	63	73	84	96	125	120	103	105	71	58	55	84
Oreg.	40	53	63	58	68	118	106	90	63	58	47	46	68
Calif.	206	219	234	252	292	318	301	320	357	278	221	215	268
Pac.	297	335	370	394	456	561	527	513	525	407	326	316	420
U. S.	3,283.3	3,561.2	3,908.8	4,393.7	4,947.0	5,441.1	5,344.7	5,310.5	5,030.9	4,142.1	3,429.7		4,528.6

Note: Alaska total workers on farms for months available: March, 600; June, 900; September, 1,000; December, 700.

Family Workers on Farms, 1970, Revised Estimates

(Thousands of persons)

State and division	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Annual average
Maine	11	11	11	12	13	15	14	14	13	12	11	11	12
N. H.	3.7	3.7	4.3	4.4	4.6	4.8	5.2	4.9	4.9	4.6	4.4	3.7	4.4
Vt.	11	11	11	11	11	12	12	11	11	11	10	10	11
Mass.	9.1	8.9	8.9	9.7	9.9	11	11	11	10	9.0	8.9	8.7	9.7
R. I.	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.3
Conn.	6.2	6.7	7.0	7.4	7.5	7.6	8.1	8.4	7.9	7.1	6.3	6.1	7.2
N. Eng.	42.3	42.5	43.4	45.7	47.3	51.8	51.7	50.7	48.1	44.9	41.8	40.6	45.6
N. Y.	65	65	68	70	70	77	81	78	84	78	72	67	73
N. J.	9.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	10	10	10	10	10	10	9.0	8.0	9.0
Pa.	79	89	96	101	103	115	112	115	104	98	85	81	98
M. Atl.	153	162	172	179	183	202	203	203	198	186	166	156	180
Ohio	108	115	125	133	148	144	148	129	125	142	125	111	129
Ind.	104	106	112	116	138	123	122	121	119	126	110	104	117
Ill.	102	110	121	138	153	157	151	141	140	150	133	113	134
Mich.	98	108	108	119	134	135	128	125	117	117	104	96	116
Wis.	158	159	170	193	194	190	189	185	178	166	162	148	174
E. N. Cent.	570	598	636	699	767	749	738	701	679	701	634	572	670
Minn.	129	133	137	163	178	184	188	171	172	169	147	123	158
Iowa	140	148	172	196	219	209	206	200	190	199	173	147	183
Mo.	130	140	144	163	164	170	176	173	179	177	162	149	161
N. Dak.	32	35	44	46	57	58	61	66	60	48	35	31	48
S. Dak.	45	46	43	63	67	70	67	68	66	59	49	47	58
Nebr.	76	82	87	99	104	109	107	104	91	93	87	78	93
Kans.	77	84	91	94	103	107	104	98	103	103	88	78	94
W. N. Cent.	629	668	718	824	892	907	909	880	861	848	741	653	795
Del.	3.0	3.0	4.0	4.0	5.0	5.0	6.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	4.0	3.0	4.3
Md.	17	19	24	23	26	27	30	28	25	25	22	20	24
Va.	67	71	84	91	98	84	81	94	97	91	84	70	84
W. Va.	24	24	28	32	34	36	35	37	37	35	31	26	32
N. C.	129	139	150	175	190	201	215	254	229	194	154	135	180
S. C.	42	44	49	59	60	64	68	70	76	69	52	42	58
Ga.	58	64	72	79	80	78	74	95	109	108	71	59	79
Fla.	29	30	35	37	36	30	32	31	42	42	34	28	34
S. Atl.	369	394	446	500	529	525	541	614	620	569	452	383	495
Ky.	95	104	102	112	116	130	121	132	144	175	139	123	124
Tenn.	97	98	102	113	119	122	116	123	154	178	151	110	124
Ala.	45	50	55	72	85	67	57	69	97	108	84	62	71
Miss.	66	73	101	98	111	103	103	123	130	131	100	75	101
E. S. Cent.	303	325	360	395	431	422	397	447	525	592	474	370	420
Ark.	59	69	75	78	85	83	73	84	96	90	82	60	78
La.	39	43	47	48	52	51	43	49	65	58	52	41	49
Okla.	102	110	105	113	116	122	107	98	110	118	96	96	108
Texas	154	160	168	190	203	219	217	196	210	214	194	149	190
W. S. Cent.	354	382	395	429	456	475	440	427	481	480	424	346	425
Mont.	23	25	27	29	31	29	31	34	32	29	26	24	28
Idaho	25	28	30	35	35	38	40	38	40	38	28	25	33
Wyo.	7.0	7.0	9.0	10	10	12	11	12	11	10	8.0	9.0	10
Colo.	24	30	30	37	43	43	43	44	39	37	32	32	36
N. Mex.	12	13	14	14	14	16	15	15	16	19	13	14	15
Ariz.	6.0	5.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	7.0	7.0	6.0	7.0	7.0	6.0	6.0	6.0
Utah	12	12	15	17	19	20	21	20	23	17	15	14	17
Nev.	1.9	1.7	1.9	2.5	2.6	2.7	3.2	3.3	3.0	3.0	2.1	2.1	2.5
Mount.	110.9	121.7	132.9	150.5	160.6	167.7	171.2	172.3	171.0	160.0	130.1	126.1	147.5
Wash.	39	47	51	54	56	66	67	60	57	48	43	42	53
Oreg.	34	42	51	45	49	56	51	46	48	46	40	40	46
Calif.	61	69	74	72	77	78	76	75	77	73	61	60	71
Pac.	134	158	176	171	182	200	194	181	182	167	144	142	170
U. S.	2,665.2		3,079.3		3,647.9		3,644.9		3,765.1		3,206.9		3,348.1
		2,851.2		3,393.2		3,699.5		3,676.0		3,747.9		2,788.7	

Note: Alaska family workers on farms for months available: March, 500; June, 600; September, 600; December, 600.

Hired Workers On Farms, 1970, Revised Estimates
(Thousands of persons)

State and division	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Annual average
Maine	4.3	5.0	5.0	5.4	5.8	8.1	9.3	9.2	25	7.2	4.6	4.4	7.7
N. H.	1.7	1.6	1.6	1.7	1.7	2.6	2.8	3.0	3.6	1.7	1.6	1.6	2.1
Vt.	3.2	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.4	3.6	4.0	3.8	4.7	3.5	3.5	3.4	3.6
Mass.	3.9	3.7	4.2	4.8	7.1	8.8	14	15	11	8.4	4.8	4.2	7.5
R. I.	.6	.6	.6	.7	.7	.8	.8	.8	.7	.7	.6	.6	.7
Conn.	2.4	2.6	2.9	4.3	5.0	8.0	14	13	6.4	4.4	2.2	2.2	5.6
N. Eng.	16.1	16.8	17.6	20.2	23.7	31.9	44.9	44.8	51.4	25.9	17.3	16.4	27.2
N. Y.	14	14	17	19	23	32	41	41	39	26	19	17	25
N. J.	4.0	4.0	5.0	8.0	14	17	23	24	14	5.0	5.0	4.0	11
Pa.	10	11	12	13	17	29	23	27	24	19	12	11	17
M. Atl.	28	29	34	40	54	78	87	92	77	50	36	32	53
Ohio	6.0	8.0	10	12	20	30	23	29	34	24	12	6.0	18
Ind.	5.0	4.0	7.0	9.0	13	23	15	16	15	13	9	6.0	11
Ill.	13	16	21	25	32	38	44	33	24	32	20	15	26
Mich.	15	15	16	19	21	27	38	38	26	33	18	13	23
Wis.	10	15	16	17	18	24	27	26	26	20	15	13	19
E. N. Cent.	49	58	70	82	104	142	147	142	125	122	74	53	97
Minn.	7.0	7.0	10	10	20	39	49	30	19	17	11	5	19
Iowa	11	10	11	18	25	57	61	43	27	25	25	10	27
Mo.	10	10	16	21	40	44	55	42	47	44	24	12	30
N. Dak.	3.0	3.0	4.0	4.0	11	14	25	25	13	10	4.0	3.0	10
S. Dak.	3.0	3.0	4.0	4.0	7.0	14	17	12	10	7.0	5.0	4.0	8.0
Nebr.	6.0	5.0	8.0	14	18	21	28	23	13	11	9.0	5.0	13
Kans.	5.0	6.0	8.0	9.0	17	37	32	22	11	12	7.0	6.0	14
W. N. Cent.	45	44	61	80	138	226	267	197	140	126	85	45	121
Del.	1.0	1.0	1.0	2.0	3.0	4.0	6.0	5.0	4.0	3.0	2.0	1.0	3.0
Md.	4.0	5.0	6.0	6.0	9.0	12.	14	14	10	7.0	6.0	3.0	8.0
Va.	13	14	18	21	31	48	44	32	38	28	20	11	27
W. Va.	3.0	3.0	3.0	6.0	8.0	11	6.0	6.0	5.0	5.0	4.0	3.0	5.0
N. C.	13	17	22	38	50	109	179	166	59	40	27	15	61
S. C.	8.0	12	16	19	19	29	39	27	26	18	14	9.0	20
Ga.	10	15	18	19	21	34	24	32	28	25	21	13	22
Fla.	97	96	88	90	87	68	59	53	55	71	87	98	79
S. Atl.	149	163	172	201	228	315	371	335	225	197	181	153	225
Ky.	8.0	9.0	18	20	39	51	34	49	51	35	17	6.0	28
Tenn.	8.0	11	18	19	42	50	40	43	45	41	20	10	29
Ala.	11	12	14	20	22	22	18	23	28	25	21	14	19
Miss.	15	20	27	32	53	39	41	29	57	38	24	8.0	38
E. S. Cent.	42	52	77	91	156	162	133	144	181	139	82	38	114
Ark.	18	29	46	63	79	87	88	92	67	74	53	12	59
La.	9.0	18	20	26	28	39	31	37	46	43	18	6.0	27
Okla.	7.0	8.0	9.0	14	20	35	29	18	20	26	19	7.0	18
Texas	39	59	63	85	99	125	120	95	145	127	103	44	92
W. S. Cent.	73	114	138	188	226	286	268	242	278	270	193	69	196
Mont.	4.0	4.0	6.0	8.0	12	18	22	21	12	11	7.0	4.0	11
Idaho	4.0	5.0	8.0	10	12	22	23	22	19	13	8.0	5.0	13
Wyo.	2.0	3.0	3.0	4.0	5.0	9.0	8.0	7.0	7.0	5.0	5.0	3.0	5.0
Colo.	5.0	6.0	7.0	11	20	38	40	41	36	32	16	7.0	22
N. Mex.	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	6.0	9.0	12	10	10	13	11	6.0	8.0
Ariz.	30	29	31	30	31	30	27	24	27	31	33	32	30
Utah	2.0	3.0	4.0	5.0	7.0	9.0	10	11	11	6.0	3.0	2.0	6.0
Nev.	1.0	1.2	1.9	2.3	2.4	3.1	3.3	3.9	3.0	2.1	1.9	1.6	2.3
Mount.	53.0	56.2	65.9	75.3	95.4	138.1	145.3	139.9	125.0	113.1	84.9	60.6	97.3
Wash.	12	16	22	30	40	59	53	43	48	23	15	13	31
Oreg.	6.0	11	12	13	19	62	55	44	15	12	7.0	6.0	22
Calif.	145	150	160	180	215	240	225	245	280	205	160	155	197
Pac.	163	177	194	223	274	361	333	332	343	240	182	174	250
U. S.	618.1		829.5		1,299.1		1,796.2		1,545.4		935.2		1,180.5
		710.0		1,000.5		1,740.0		1,668.7		1,283.0		641.0	

Note: Alaska hired workers on farms for months available: March, 100; June, 300; September, 400; December, 100.

QUARTERLY PROBABILITY FARM LABOR SURVEY

The Statistical Reporting Service published selected wage rate items for 4 quarterly probability farm labor surveys during 1970. Data presented below result from a similar survey conducted in January 1971. These data do not replace the farm wage rate series regularly published in Farm Labor, but supplement them.

The size of the sample for the January survey was about 3,000 employers. Because of the small sample, the data published are limited to averages for California and the United States.

Quarterly Probability Farm Labor Survey
Farm Wage Rates, Jan. 10-16, 1971, California and United States

Item	January 10-16	
	1971	
	California	United States
	Dollars	
Farm Wage Rates 1/		
All Hired Farm Workers	2.39	2.00
Workers Paid by Piece-Rate	2.62	2.64
Workers Paid by Hour, Day, Week and Month	2.32	1.94
Workers Paid by Hour only	2.06	1.84
Workers Receiving Cash Wages only	2.45	2.18
Workers Paid by Hour Receiving Cash Wages only	2.09	1.90
Type of Work Performed:		
Field and Livestock workers	2.17	1.78
Packinghouse workers	1.98	2.16
Machine Operators	2.65	2.01
Maintenance and Bookkeeping workers	2.58	2.22
Supervisors	3.62	3.32
Other Agricultural workers	2.42	2.17

1/ Averages of wage rates for all methods of payment are on a per-hour basis.

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