

# farm labor



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## AUGUST WORK FORCE BELOW LAST YEAR

The farm labor force in the United States numbered 5.0 million workers during the week of August 18-24, down one percent from a year earlier. Farm operators and unpaid family workers totaled 3.4 million while hired workers numbered 1.6 million.

Farm workers averaged 38.3 hours during the August survey week, compared with 38.7 last year and 39.5 hours during the July survey period. Farm operators worked an average of 43.7 hours; unpaid family members, 33.9 hours; and hired workers 33.8 hours.

## SMALL GRAIN HARVEST NEARING COMPLETION

Showers delayed small grain harvest across the northern tier of States from Wisconsin to Montana but good progress was made in most areas late in the survey week. Winter wheat harvest was virtually complete in all of the northern States except Montana and Idaho. Spring wheat harvest was half finished in North Dakota and Minnesota and approaching the half way mark in Montana. Oat harvest ranged from 60 to 80 percent complete in the Northern States. Land preparation for 1975 crop winter wheat accelerated and many farmers had started seeding.

Corn development continued to lag in the Corn Belt but developed ahead of normal in the Southern areas. Harvest had started in Virginia southward and as far west as Texas. Soybean development was behind last year in the North Central States.

Cotton harvest was underway in the more advanced areas in Alabama, Texas, and Arizona. Texas sorghum grain harvest was half completed, considerably ahead of normal. Tobacco harvest was active during the survey week and neared completion

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| State     | August 1972<br>week of 20-26 |         |         | August 1973<br>week of 19-25 |         |         | August 1974<br>week of 18-24 |         |         |
|-----------|------------------------------|---------|---------|------------------------------|---------|---------|------------------------------|---------|---------|
|           | Total                        | Family  | Hired   | Total                        | Family  | Hired   | Total                        | Family  | Hired   |
| Thousands |                              |         |         |                              |         |         |                              |         |         |
| ALA       | 74                           | 58      | 16      | 75                           | 56      | 19      | 71                           | 53      | 18      |
| ARIZ      | 30                           | 5.0     | 25      | 28                           | 6.0     | 22      | 25                           | 6.0     | 19      |
| ARK       | 145                          | 76      | 69      | 152                          | 75      | 77      | 138                          | 78      | 60      |
| CALIF     | 339                          | 74      | 265     | 322                          | 72      | 250     | 347                          | 67      | 280     |
| COLO      | 60                           | 33      | 27      | 69                           | 40      | 29      | 69                           | 37      | 32      |
| CONN      | 20.8                         | 7.8     | 13      | 18.7                         | 7.7     | 11      | 19.9                         | 7.9     | 12      |
| DEL       | 10                           | 5.0     | 5.0     | 9.0                          | 5.0     | 4.0     | 7.0                          | 5.0     | 2.0     |
| FLA       | 81                           | 30      | 51      | 84                           | 34      | 50      | 85                           | 36      | 49      |
| GA        | 122                          | 97      | 25      | 126                          | 93      | 33      | 124                          | 93      | 31      |
| IDAHO     | 55                           | 37      | 18      | 56                           | 38      | 18      | 53                           | 35      | 18      |
| ILL       | 163                          | 137     | 26      | 167                          | 136     | 31      | 168                          | 135     | 33      |
| IND       | 150                          | 135     | 15      | 152                          | 135     | 17      | 154                          | 137     | 17      |
| IOWA      | 223                          | 180     | 43      | 227                          | 185     | 42      | 218                          | 178     | 40      |
| KANS      | 124                          | 98      | 26      | 134                          | 102     | 32      | 124                          | 98      | 26      |
| KY        | 188                          | 139     | 49      | 178                          | 126     | 52      | 189                          | 132     | 57      |
| LA        | 82                           | 45      | 37      | 81                           | 49      | 32      | 72                           | 43      | 29      |
| MAINE     | 20.3                         | 13      | 7.3     | 22                           | 14      | 8.0     | 23                           | 13      | 10      |
| MD        | 39                           | 28      | 11      | 39                           | 27      | 12      | 41                           | 28      | 13      |
| MASS      | 21                           | 10      | 11      | 22                           | 11      | 11      | 22                           | 11      | 11      |
| MICH      | 148                          | 109     | 39      | 145                          | 112     | 33      | 145                          | 110     | 35      |
| MINN      | 197                          | 166     | 31      | 214                          | 177     | 37      | 212                          | 166     | 46      |
| MISS      | 119                          | 93      | 26      | 114                          | 87      | 27      | 123                          | 87      | 36      |
| MO        | 198                          | 160     | 38      | 205                          | 163     | 42      | 204                          | 170     | 34      |
| MONT      | 59                           | 35      | 24      | 56                           | 33      | 23      | 50                           | 30      | 20      |
| NEBR      | 124                          | 97      | 27      | 126                          | 99      | 27      | 125                          | 101     | 24      |
| NEV       | 6.8                          | 3.2     | 3.6     | 5.9                          | 2.9     | 3.0     | 5.8                          | 3.0     | 2.8     |
| N H       | 6.0                          | 4.0     | 2.0     | 5.8                          | 3.8     | 2.0     | 5.6                          | 3.8     | 1.8     |
| N J       | 30                           | 10      | 20      | 27                           | 8.0     | 19      | 25                           | 10      | 15      |
| N MEX     | 22                           | 13      | 9.0     | 27                           | 16      | 11      | 23                           | 15      | 8       |
| N Y       | 121                          | 79      | 42      | 119                          | 75      | 44      | 114                          | 74      | 40      |
| N C       | 340                          | 220     | 120     | 308                          | 193     | 115     | 296                          | 166     | 130     |
| N DAK     | 91                           | 68      | 23      | 86                           | 63      | 23      | 83                           | 62      | 21      |
| OHIO      | 159                          | 129     | 30      | 160                          | 133     | 27      | 161                          | 136     | 25      |
| OKLA      | 122                          | 100     | 22      | 114                          | 92      | 22      | 123                          | 98      | 25      |
| OREG      | 71                           | 40      | 31      | 87                           | 41      | 46      | 77                           | 37      | 40      |
| PA        | 134                          | 109     | 25      | 138                          | 109     | 29      | 141                          | 109     | 32      |
| R I       | 1.7                          | .9      | .8      | 1.6                          | .9      | .7      | 1.6                          | .9      | .7      |
| S C       | 100                          | 68      | 32      | 89                           | 60      | 29      | 83                           | 48      | 35      |
| S DAK     | 75                           | 63      | 12      | 79                           | 66      | 13      | 81                           | 65      | 16      |
| TENN      | 163                          | 117     | 46      | 174                          | 133     | 41      | 173                          | 138     | 35      |
| TEX       | 295                          | 193     | 102     | 295                          | 202     | 93      | 263                          | 180     | 83      |
| UTAH      | 27                           | 18      | 9.0     | 27                           | 20      | 7.0     | 26                           | 19      | 7.0     |
| VT        | 14.5                         | 11      | 3.5     | 14.3                         | 11      | 3.3     | 13.9                         | 11      | 2.9     |
| VA        | 135                          | 88      | 47      | 120                          | 84      | 36      | 129                          | 84      | 45      |
| WASH      | 95                           | 56      | 39      | 86                           | 50      | 36      | 84                           | 46      | 38      |
| W VA      | 40                           | 35      | 5.0     | 42                           | 37      | 5.0     | 43                           | 37      | 6.0     |
| WIS       | 194                          | 168     | 26      | 191                          | 164     | 27      | 210                          | 175     | 35      |
| WYO       | 18                           | 11      | 7.0     | 18                           | 11      | 7.0     | 17                           | 11      | 6.0     |
| U S       | 5,053.1                      | 3,471.9 | 1,581.2 | 5,036.3                      | 3,458.3 | 1,578.0 | 4,987.8                      | 3,385.6 | 1,602.2 |

Farm Work: Weekly hours worked per worker  
Average for reporting farms, week of August 18-24, 1974

| State  | Farm<br>operators | Other<br>family<br>members 1/ | All<br>family 1/ | Hired<br>workers | All<br>workers 1/ |
|--------|-------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Hours  |                   |                               |                  |                  |                   |
| Ala    | 26.7              | 30.7                          | 27.5             | 24.4             | 26.5              |
| Ariz   | 49.0              | 43.9                          | 47.9             | 48.1             | 48.0              |
| Ark    | 36.0              | 35.0                          | 35.8             | 34.5             | 35.2              |
| Calif  | 49.2              | 48.3                          | 48.9             | 42.1             | 43.4              |
| Colo   | 53.2              | 40.2                          | 49.1             | 40.9             | 46.8              |
| Conn   | 61.6              | 38.2                          | 52.6             | 39.3             | 47.7              |
| Del    | 38.0              | 41.9                          | 39.5             | 36.8             | 38.7              |
| Fla    | 37.7              | 31.5                          | 35.5             | 33.3             | 34.5              |
| Ga     | 35.4              | 31.0                          | 34.2             | 29.5             | 32.3              |
| Idaho  | 49.1              | 39.4                          | 45.6             | 41.5             | 44.2              |
| Ill    | 39.8              | 34.7                          | 38.7             | 30.2             | 36.8              |
| Ind    | 36.8              | 30.8                          | 35.1             | 25.8             | 33.2              |
| Iowa   | 47.6              | 32.1                          | 43.1             | 26.4             | 39.5              |
| Kans   | 46.6              | 40.4                          | 45.0             | 36.4             | 43.1              |
| Ky     | 37.7              | 32.5                          | 36.2             | 23.6             | 30.7              |
| La     | 32.3              | 35.1                          | 32.9             | 37.5             | 34.9              |
| Maine  | 63.0              | 39.5                          | 53.4             | 31.8             | 44.2              |
| Md     | 45.1              | 39.0                          | 42.8             | 30.7             | 38.8              |
| Mass   | 63.9              | 36.5                          | 51.5             | 40.2             | 46.7              |
| Mich   | 47.2              | 37.0                          | 43.7             | 33.7             | 41.0              |
| Minn   | 53.6              | 33.6                          | 46.8             | 31.9             | 43.5              |
| Miss   | 33.6              | 30.4                          | 32.7             | 37.0             | 35.3              |
| Mo     | 40.0              | 28.6                          | 37.1             | 31.7             | 36.0              |
| Mont   | 55.1              | 41.9                          | 49.8             | 43.6             | 47.8              |
| Nebr   | 51.5              | 31.9                          | 44.1             | 39.7             | 43.2              |
| Nev    | 48.0              | 29.4                          | 41.7             | 46.1             | 43.0              |
| N H    | 62.7              | 33.9                          | 52.8             | 43.0             | 49.0              |
| N J    | 36.3              | 29.4                          | 34.2             | 35.4             | 34.5              |
| N Mex. | 45.0              | 43.5                          | 44.6             | 37.6             | 42.0              |
| N Y    | 58.1              | 36.2                          | 49.8             | 34.9             | 44.6              |
| N C    | 36.8              | 34.4                          | 36.0             | 20.7             | 26.8              |
| N. Dak | 60.5              | 44.0                          | 53.8             | 41.3             | 50.9              |
| Ohio   | 40.1              | 32.2                          | 37.8             | 29.2             | 35.6              |
| Okla   | 46.6              | 32.6                          | 42.2             | 36.8             | 40.8              |
| Oreg   | 42.0              | 35.7                          | 40.2             | 39.6             | 40.0              |
| Pa     | 52.6              | 31.7                          | 45.3             | 32.6             | 41.9              |
| R I    | 61.6              | 37.0                          | 58.9             | 41.0             | 49.5              |
| S C    | 33.8              | 32.2                          | 33.4             | 30.4             | 31.8              |
| S Dak  | 53.8              | 35.6                          | 47.6             | 28.6             | 43.6              |
| Tenn   | 36.2              | 31.4                          | 34.9             | 23.5             | 31.3              |
| Tex    | 44.6              | 32.1                          | 41.5             | 31.1             | 37.4              |
| Utah   | 47.5              | 44.2                          | 46.4             | 25.8             | 38.7              |
| Vt     | 64.9              | 33.1                          | 52.2             | 46.1             | 50.1              |
| Va     | 41.3              | 34.4                          | 39.2             | 30.7             | 35.3              |
| Wash   | 50.5              | 37.4                          | 46.5             | 37.5             | 41.5              |
| W. Va  | 39.8              | 30.8                          | 37.2             | 20.6             | 33.6              |
| Wis    | 61.9              | 33.7                          | 48.8             | 34.1             | 45.5              |
| Wyo    | 53.1              | 36.1                          | 47.6             | 42.0             | 45.6              |
| U S    | 43.7              | 33.9                          | 40.5             | 33.8             | 38.3              |

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

in Georgia and South Carolina. Peanut harvest was underway in Georgia and Texas and potato digging had started in Aroostook County, Maine.

Apple harvest was gaining in the Northern States while peach harvest was past the half way point. Vegetable harvest continued in the North and land preparation and seeding of fall vegetables was active in the South.

Farm employment represents number of family and hired labor working during the survey week. Family labor includes farm operators working on farms one hour or more plus other family members working 15 hours or more without receiving cash wages during survey week. Hired workers include all persons working one hour or more for cash wages during the survey week. These data should not be confused with the 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.

Farm employment and indexes, August 1974 with comparisons, United States

| Item                              | : Annual<br>: average<br>: 1972 | ; Annual<br>: average<br>: 1973 | : August<br>: 20-26,<br>: 1972 | : August<br>: 19-25,<br>: 1973 | : August<br>: 18-24,<br>: 1974 |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| FARM EMPLOYMENT 1/<br>(Thousands) | :                               | :                               | :                              | :                              | :                              |
| Total                             | : 4,373.4                       | 4,336.7                         | 5,053.1                        | 5,036.3                        | 4,987.8                        |
| Family labor                      | : 3,227.7                       | 3,169.0                         | 3,471.9                        | 3,458.3                        | 3,385.6                        |
| Hired labor                       | : 1,145.7                       | 1,167.7                         | 1,581.2                        | 1,578.0                        | 1,602.2                        |
| INDEXES 2/<br>(1910-14=100)       | :                               | :                               | :                              | :                              | :                              |
| Total                             | : 32                            | 32                              | 32                             | 31                             | 31                             |
| Family labor                      | : 32                            | 31                              | 31                             | 31                             | 30                             |
| Hired labor                       | : 34                            | 34                              | 32                             | 32                             | 33                             |
| (1967=100)                        | :                               | :                               | :                              | :                              | :                              |
| Total                             | : 89                            | 89                              | 85                             | 85                             | 84                             |
| Family labor                      | : 89                            | 86                              | 86                             | 86                             | 83                             |
| Hired labor                       | : 89                            | 89                              | 84                             | 84                             | 87                             |

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.

QUARTERLY PROBABILITY SURVEY OF FARM WAGE RATES

The selected wage rate items presented in this publication were derived from a probability farm labor survey conducted in July by the Statistical Reporting Service. This continues the series of published farm wage rates from quarterly probability surveys which started in April 1970. These data supplement but do not replace the farm wage rate series regularly published in Farm Labor.

The major differences between the two series follow: (1) The regular series measures the prevailing wage as of July 1, while the new probability series measures wage rates for the week including July 12; (2) The regular series is a nonprobability sample from about 22,000 farm operators that report the prevailing wages in their localities by various hiring arrangements. The probability survey measures the actual payrolls of selected farms which are then classified by hiring arrangements and type of work performed; (3) The regular series does not include wages for piece-rate workers while the probability survey does.

The inputs for making the following wage rates computations were supplied by employers of farm labor in the 48 contiguous States. The sample was expanded in January to provide wage rates for all States except those in Region I, each of the Standard Federal Regions, and the United States. The wage rates for July 1, 1974 were published on page 7 of the July issue of Farm Labor. Comparisons can be made between these wage rates based on the nonprobability survey and the ones shown on page 6 and 7 of this release based on the probability survey. However, in making these comparisons, the differences in the two surveys as described above must be kept in mind.

Farm Wage Rates July 1974 with comparisons, United States

| Item                                | April 8-14,<br>1973 | July 8-14,<br>1973 | April 7-13,<br>1974 | July 7-13,<br>1974 |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
|                                     | Dollars per hour    |                    |                     |                    |
| Method of Pay:                      |                     |                    |                     |                    |
| All Hired Farm Workers              | 2.16                | 1.91               | 2.21                | 2.19               |
| Paid by Piece-Rate                  | 2.81                | 2.36               | 2.65                | 2.36               |
| Paid by other than piece rate       | 2.12                | 1.87               | 2.19                | 2.17               |
| Paid by Hour only                   | 2.15                | 1.88               | 2.21                | 2.22               |
| Paid Cash Wages only                | 2.35                | 2.09               | 2.46                | 2.33               |
| Paid by hour Cash Wages only        | 2.22                | 2.00               | 2.29                | 2.31               |
| Type of Work Performed:             |                     |                    |                     |                    |
| Field and Livestock workers         | 2.01                | 1.82               | 2.04                | 2.04               |
| Packinghouse workers                | 2.29                | 2.11               | 2.35                | 2.48               |
| Machine Operators                   | 2.13                | 1.94               | 2.18                | 2.23               |
| Maintenance and Boodkeeping workers | 2.50                | 2.52               | 2.71                | 2.95               |
| Supervisors                         | 3.50                | 3.32               | 3.86                | 3.50               |
| Other Agricultural workers          | 2.38                | 1.94               | 2.34                | 2.33               |

Farm Wage Rates by Method of Pay, July 7-13, 1974 by States,  
Standard Federal regions and United States

| State and region          | All hired farm workers | Farm wage rates method of pay |                          |              |                    |                                   |
|---------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------|--------------------|-----------------------------------|
|                           |                        | By piece-rate                 | By other than piece rate | By hour only | By cash wages only | By hour receiving cash wages only |
| D o l l a r p e r h o u r |                        |                               |                          |              |                    |                                   |
| Region I 1/               | 2.09                   | 2.65                          | 2.08                     | 2.22         | 2.32               | 2.21                              |
| N. J                      | 2.39                   | 2/                            | 2.46                     | 2.36         | 2.46               | 2.62                              |
| N. Y                      | 2.08                   | 2/                            | 2.06                     | 2.17         | 2.40               | 2.16                              |
| Region II                 | 2.19                   | 2.09                          | 2.19                     | 2.26         | 2.43               | 2.35                              |
| DEL                       | 2.32                   | 2/                            | 2.32                     | 2.09         | 2.18               | 2/                                |
| MD                        | 2.10                   | 2/                            | 2.11                     | 2.21         | 2.32               | 2.25                              |
| PA                        | 2.22                   | 2/                            | 2.30                     | 2.38         | 2.65               | 2.57                              |
| VA                        | 2.18                   | 2/                            | 2.01                     | 1.88         | 2.57               | 2.27                              |
| W. VA                     | 2.20                   | 2/                            | 2/                       | 2/           | 2/                 | 2/                                |
| Region III                | 2.19                   | 2.31                          | 2.17                     | 2.18         | 2.60               | 2.48                              |
| ALA                       | 1.91                   | 2/                            | 2.00                     | 1.97         | 1.98               | 2.04                              |
| FLA                       | 2.43                   | 2.94                          | 2.40                     | 2.21         | 2.53               | 2.26                              |
| GA                        | 1.83                   | 2/                            | 1.86                     | 2/           | 1.89               | 2/                                |
| KY                        | 1.92                   | —                             | 1.92                     | 1.96         | 2/                 | 2/                                |
| MISS                      | 1.65                   | 2/                            | 1.74                     | 1.77         | 2/                 | 1.76                              |
| N. C                      | 1.84                   | 2/                            | 1.84                     | 1.81         | 1.86               | 1.84                              |
| S. C                      | 1.59                   | 2/                            | 1.60                     | 1.51         | 1.55               | 2/                                |
| TENN                      | 1.90                   | 2/                            | 1.88                     | 1.75         | 1.81               | 1.96                              |
| Region IV                 | 1.83                   | 2/                            | 1.84                     | 1.83         | 1.82               | 1.87                              |
| ILL                       | 2.10                   | 2/                            | 2.06                     | 2.21         | 2.27               | 2.22                              |
| IND                       | 2.09                   | 2/                            | 2.03                     | 2.07         | 2/                 | 2/                                |
| MICH                      | 2.02                   | 2.32                          | 2.00                     | 2/           | 2/                 | 2/                                |
| MINN                      | 1.92                   | 2.47                          | 1.89                     | 2.15         | 2.33               | 2.36                              |
| OHIO                      | 1.92                   | 2/                            | 1.93                     | 2.03         | 2.25               | 2.16                              |
| WISC                      | 2.02                   | 2/                            | 2.01                     | 2.36         | 2/                 | 2.59                              |
| Region V                  | 2.00                   | 2.49                          | 1.98                     | 2.13         | 2.27               | 2.19                              |
| ARK                       | 1.84                   | 2/                            | 1.83                     | 1.78         | 1.83               | 1.77                              |
| LA                        | 2.10                   | 2/                            | 2.08                     | 2.01         | 2.13               | 1.89                              |
| N. MEX                    | 1.95                   | 2/                            | 1.95                     | 1.69         | 2.01               | 1.78                              |
| OKLA                      | 2.03                   | 2/                            | 2.04                     | 2.02         | 1.97               | 1.99                              |
| TEX                       | 2.07                   | 2/                            | 2.08                     | 2.06         | 2.15               | 2.19                              |
| Region VI                 | 2.01                   | 1.99                          | 2.02                     | 1.97         | 2.05               | 2.03                              |
| IOWA                      | 2.20                   | 2/                            | 2.20                     | 2.24         | 2.46               | 2.24                              |
| KANS                      | 2.13                   | 2/                            | 2.13                     | 2.14         | 2.55               | 2.49                              |
| MO                        | 1.96                   | 2/                            | 1.99                     | 2.00         | 2.04               | 2/                                |
| NEBR                      | 1.99                   | 2.16                          | 1.98                     | 2.13         | 2.36               | 2.41                              |
| Region VII                | 2.07                   | 1.91                          | 2.08                     | 2.13         | 2.34               | 2.24                              |
| COLO                      | 2.10                   | 2.97                          | 2.06                     | 2.09         | 2.25               | 2.20                              |
| MONT                      | 2.09                   | 2/                            | 2.15                     | 1.95         | 2.24               | 2.20                              |
| N. DAK                    | 2.37                   | 2/                            | 2.10                     | 2.23         | 2.31               | 2/                                |
| S. DAK                    | 1.75                   | 2/                            | 1.73                     | 2/           | 2.32               | 2/                                |
| UTAH                      | 2.08                   | 2/                            | 2.07                     | 2.10         | 2.03               | 2/                                |
| WYO                       | 1.94                   | 2/                            | 1.87                     | 2.26         | 2.21               | 2/                                |
| Region VIII               | 2.04                   | 2.52                          | 2.00                     | 2.12         | 2.23               | 2.26                              |
| ARIZ                      | 2.26                   | 2.48                          | 2.26                     | 2.04         | 2.27               | 2.05                              |
| CALIF                     | 2.69                   | 2.94                          | 2.67                     | 2.59         | 2.70               | 2.60                              |
| NEV                       | 1.94                   | 2/                            | 1.93                     | 2.16         | 2/                 | 2.41                              |
| Region IX                 | 2.67                   | 2.93                          | 2.65                     | 2.57         | 2.69               | 2.58                              |
| IDAHO                     | 2.46                   | 2/                            | 2.30                     | 2.17         | 2.58               | 2.18                              |
| OREG                      | 2.15                   | 2/                            | 2.20                     | 2.14         | 2/                 | 2.19                              |
| WASH                      | 2.42                   | 2.27                          | 2.50                     | 2.37         | 2.42               | 2.39                              |
| Region X                  | 2.37                   | 2.36                          | 2.38                     | 2.28         | 2.40               | 2.29                              |
| US                        | 2.19                   | 2.36                          | 2.17                     | 2.22         | 2.33               | 2.31                              |

1/ Region I: Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont.

2/ Insufficient data for this category - data included in all hired farm workers and in United States wage rates.

Farm Wage Rates by Type of Work, July 7-13, 1974 by States,  
Standard Federal regions and United States

| State<br>and<br>Region | Farm Wage Rates - Type of work performed |                              |                      |   |             |  |
|------------------------|--|------------------------------|----------------------|---|-------------|--|
|                        | Field and<br>livestock<br>workers        | Packing-<br>house<br>workers | Machine<br>operators | Maintenance<br>& Bookkeeping<br>workers | Supervisors |  |
| Dollars per hour       |  |                              |                      |   |             |  |
| Region I <sup>1/</sup> | 1.83                                     | 1.84                         | 2.24                 | 2.95                                    | 3.98        |  |
| N. J                   | 2.18                                     | 2.33                         | 2.63                 | 2/                                      | 2/          |  |
| N. Y                   | 1.73                                     | 2.37                         | 2/                   | 2.63                                    | 2/          |  |
| Region II              | 1.87                                     | 2.34                         | 3.00                 | 2.96                                    | 4.19        |  |
| DEL                    | 2.27                                     | 2/                           | 2.21                 | 2/                                      | 2/          |  |
| MD                     | 1.92                                     | 2/                           | 2/                   | 2.95                                    | 3.27        |  |
| PA.                    | 2.09                                     | 2/                           | 2/                   | 2.86                                    | 2/          |  |
| VA                     | 2.15                                     | 2/                           | 1.78                 | 2.76                                    | 2.97        |  |
| W. VA                  | 1.81                                     | 2/                           | 2/                   | 2/                                      | 2.66        |  |
| Region III             | 2.07                                     | 2.28                         | 2.21                 | 2.81                                    | 3.47        |  |
| ALA                    | 1.77                                     | 1.74                         | 1.73                 | 2/                                      | 2/          |  |
| FLA                    | 2.19                                     | 2.55                         | 2.67                 | 3.30                                    | 4.15        |  |
| GA                     | 1.65                                     | 2.21                         | 1.82                 | 2/                                      | 3.37        |  |
| KY                     | 1.78                                     | 2/                           | 2/                   | 2/                                      | 3.40        |  |
| MISS                   | 1.49                                     | 2.40                         | 1.81                 | 2.62                                    | 2/          |  |
| N. C.                  | 1.80                                     | 1.80                         | 1.87                 | 2.63                                    | 2.99        |  |
| S. C                   | 1.46                                     | 1.65                         | 1.81                 | 2/                                      | 2.85        |  |
| TENN                   | 1.66                                     | 2/                           | 2.19                 | 2/                                      | 2/          |  |
| Region IV              | 1.69                                     | 1.84                         | 1.96                 | 3.31                                    | 3.27        |  |
| ILL                    | 1.97                                     | 2.33                         | 2.20                 | 2/                                      | 4.37        |  |
| IND                    | 2.00                                     | 2.28                         | 2/                   | 2/                                      | 4.51        |  |
| MICH                   | 1.85                                     | 2/                           | 2/                   | 2.64                                    | 2/          |  |
| MINN                   | 1.77                                     | 2/                           | 2.27                 | 2/                                      | 2/          |  |
| OHIO                   | 1.76                                     | 2.21                         | 2.80                 | 2.87                                    | 4.17        |  |
| WISC                   | 1.84                                     | 2/                           | 2.62                 | 2/                                      | 2/          |  |
| Region V               | 1.85                                     | 2.16                         | 2.38                 | 2.85                                    | 3.48        |  |
| ARK                    | 1.60                                     | 2/                           | 1.92                 | 2.63                                    | 2/          |  |
| LA                     | 1.82                                     | 2/                           | 2/                   | 2.75                                    | 3.41        |  |
| N. MEX                 | 1.85                                     | 2/                           | 1.92                 | 2/                                      | 3.86        |  |
| OKLA                   | 1.85                                     | 2/                           | 2.01                 | 2.54                                    | 2/          |  |
| TEX                    | 2.02                                     | 1.91                         | 2.03                 | 2.67                                    | 3.39        |  |
| Region VI              | 1.88                                     | 1.94                         | 2.00                 | 2.72                                    | 3.15        |  |
| IOWA                   | 2.17                                     | 2/                           | 2/                   | 2/                                      | 3.81        |  |
| KANS                   | 2.05                                     | 2/                           | 2/                   | 2/                                      | 3.42        |  |
| MO                     | 1.87                                     | 2/                           | 1.86                 | 2/                                      | 3.64        |  |
| NEBR                   | 1.96                                     | 2/                           | 2.13                 | 2/                                      | 3.22        |  |
| Region VII             | 2.03                                     | 2/                           | 2.07                 | 2/                                      | 3.50        |  |
| COLO                   | 2.01                                     | 2/                           | 2.20                 | 2/                                      | 3.39        |  |
| MONT                   | 1.92                                     | 2/                           | 2.05                 | 2/                                      | 2/          |  |
| N. DAK                 | 2.48                                     | 2/                           | 2.19                 | 2/                                      | 3.49        |  |
| S. DAK                 | 1.68                                     | 2/                           | 2.54                 | 2/                                      | 2/          |  |
| UTAH                   | 2.06                                     | 2/                           | 2/                   | 2/                                      | 2/          |  |
| WYO                    | 1.84                                     | 2/                           | 2/                   | 2/                                      | 3.47        |  |
| Region VIII            | 1.93                                     | 2.14                         | 2.20                 | 2/                                      | 3.61        |  |
| ARIZ                   | 2.04                                     | 2/                           | 2.31                 | 2.67                                    | 3.40        |  |
| CALIF                  | 2.59                                     | 2.78                         | 2.81                 | 3.34                                    | 3.69        |  |
| NEV                    | 1.80                                     | ---                          | 2/                   | 2/                                      | 3.44        |  |
| Region IX              | 2.56                                     | 2.78                         | 2.76                 | 3.31                                    | 3.66        |  |
| IDAHO                  | 2.38                                     | 2.25                         | 2.72                 | 2.60                                    | 3.42        |  |
| OREG                   | 2.02                                     | 2.56                         | 2.62                 | 2.94                                    | 3.28        |  |
| WASH                   | 2.33                                     | 2.60                         | 2.55                 | 3.08                                    | 2/          |  |
| Region X               | 2.27                                     | 2.45                         | 2.62                 | 2.95                                    | 3.33        |  |
| US                     | 2.04                                     | 2.48                         | 2.23                 | 2.95                                    | 3.50        |  |

<sup>1/</sup> Region I: Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont.

<sup>2/</sup> Insufficient data for this category- data included in all hired farm workers and in United States wage rates.

