# Farm Labor

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## Fall Harvest Dominates Farm Labor Activity

The Nation's farm labor force is estimated at 5,580,000 workers for the week of September 22-28. This represents a decline of 3 percent from the corresponding period in September 1967 and a drop of 2 percent from the August 1968 survey week.

The number of farm operators and other unpaid family members totaled 4,021,000. This is 3 percent less than last year's total for the same period but 3 percent above the August 1968 survey week. Hired farm workers for the September 1968 survey period totaled 1,559,000 persons which was 3 and 13 percent below the September 1967 and August 1968 survey weeks, respectively.

The length of the work week averaged 38.5 hours compared with 37.5 hours last month. Family workers averaged 40.6 hours - virtually the same as the 40.7 hours a month earlier. Hired workers averaged 34.9 hours, 9 percent above the August survey week.

## Corn Crop Matures Earlier Than Last Year

The 1968 corn crop was maturing well ahead of last year's late crop, and the crop is now considered safe from frost in most areas of the Nation. Harvest activity was general in the Southern and South Atlantic States. Picking in scattered locations in southern areas of the Corn Belt was beginning under generally favorable weather conditions.

The small grains harvest was in its final stages in the northern growing areas. Seeding of the 1969 winter wheat crop was advancing in the major growing areas, with adequate moisture condition except in the very dry topsoils of the Southeastern States.

Cotton defoliation and harvest was very active in the Southeastern States, with 47 percent of the crop picked in Georgia and 33 percent in South Carolina. Picking was delayed in Arkansas by rains. Harvest was 22 percent complete in Texas, active in Arizona, and getting underway in California.

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Soybean harvest was underway in most areas of the country. Combining was about 25 percent complete in Illinois but was not as far advanced in other Corn Belt States. Maturity in the Southern growing areas was varied. The soybean crop, especially in late-planted fields in the South Atlantic States, was adversely affected by extremely dry weather.

The tobacco harvest neared completion in North Carolina and Virginia. Kentucky's burley tobacco harvest was 90 percent complete while Tennessee was 95 percent complete. Peanut harvest was 82 percent complete in South Carolina. The dry weather in Virginia and the Carolina's has reduced crop prospects.

Rice harvest was active in Arkansas, Mississippi, and California and was near completion in Louisiana and Texas. Sorghum grain was mature or near maturity in most major growing areas. Harvest in Texas was 57 percent complete. Some delay in cutting was noted as a result of rain. Dry beans were 45 percent harvested in Michigan and Montana and making good progress in other areas.

Apple picking was active in most producing areas. Harvest of wine grapes in California was in full swing, while picking of table type grapes neared completion. Almond harvest in California continued active and walnut harvest increased. Harvest of other seasonal fruit crops was active throughout the country.

Potato digging was active in most major growing areas under good harvest weather conditions. The late season vegetable harvest continued but was nearing completion in many areas. Planting of winter vegetables was still in progress.

## Farm Wage Rates Continue Upward

The farm wage rates reported for hired workers on October 1, were 9 percent above a year earlier and 66 percent above the 1957-59 average. The average cash rate per hour without board or room, at $1.41 per hour, was 9 percent above October 1, 1967. Similar increases were registered in pay rates by the day, week, and month. The upward movement of wage rates for all hiring arrangements is illustrated on pages 7 and 8, which list the October 1 State averages for 1967 and 1968.

## Alaska's Farm Wage Rates Climb

Wage rates reported for farm workers in Alaska were as follows: per month with house, $430; per month, with board and room, $330; per day, without board or room, $18.00; and per hour without board or room, $2.30.

Farm employment and indexes, September 1968, with comparisons, United States

| | Annual average 1962-66 1/ | Annual average 1967 1/ | September average 1962-66 1/ | September 17-23, 1967 | September 22-28, 1968 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| FARM EMPLOYMENT | | | | | |
| (Thousands) | | | | | |
| Total | 6,031 | 4,903 | 7,319 | 5,756 | 5,580 |
| Family labor | 4,420 | 3,650 | 5,063 | 4,145 | 4,021 |
| Hired labor | 1,611 | 1,253 | 2,256 | 1,611 | 1,559 |
| INDEXES 2/ | | | | | |
| (1910-14=100) | | | | | |
| Total | 44 | 36 | 43 | 34 | 33 |
| Family labor | 44 | 36 | 42 | 35 | 34 |
| Hired labor | 47 | 37 | 45 | 32 | 31 |
| (1957-59=100) | | | | | |
| Total | 81 | 66 | 78 | 61 | 60 |
| Family labor | 80 | 66 | 78 | 64 | 62 |
| Hired labor | 82 | 64 | 78 | 56 | 54 |

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.

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Farm Wage Rates and Indexes, October 1, 1968, United States

| | Annual average 1967 | October average 1962-66 | October 1, 1967 | October 1, 1968 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| FARM WAGE RATES | | | | |
| Composite rate per hour 1/ | $ 1.12 | $ 0.947 | $ 1.16 | $ 1.27 |
| Per month with house | 262 | 214 | 261 | 283 |
| Per month with board and room | 199 | 167 | 203 | 220 |
| Per week with board and room | 47.50 | 39.75 | 48.00 | 53.75 |
| Per week without board or room | 60.50 | 49.25 | 60.50 | 66.50 |
| Per day with house | 7.50 | 6.20 | 7.70 | 8.60 |
| Per day with board and room | 8.60 | 7.00 | 8.50 | 9.20 |
| Per day without board or room | 9.00 | 7.80 | 9.50 | 10.50 |
| Per hour with house | 1.18 | 1.12 | 1.32 | 1.42 |
| Per hour without board or room | 1.33 | 1.04 | 1.29 | 1.41 |
| INDEXES 2/ | | | | |
| (1910-14=100) | 862 | 718 | 882 | 964 |
| (1957-59=100) | 148 | 123 | 152 | 166 |

1/ Weighted average of all rates on a per hour basis.
2/ Indexes are adjusted for seasonal variation.

Workers on Farms, September 1968
(Thousands of persons)

| State and division | September Average 1962-66 1/ | | | September 1967 Week of 17-23 | | | September 1968 Week of 22-28 | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Total | Family | Hired | Total | Family | Hired | Total | Family | Hired |
| Maine | 58 | 22 | 36 | 49 | 16 | 33 | 42 | 15 | 27 |
| N.H. | 13 | 8 | 5 | 10 | 6 | 4 | 10 | 6 | 4 |
| Vt. | 25 | 19 | 6 | 17 | 13 | 4 | 16 | 12 | 4 |
| Mass. | 35 | 19 | 16 | 25 | 12 | 13 | 23 | 10 | 13 |
| R.I. | 3 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| Conn. | 23 | 14 | 9 | 16 | 9 | 7 | 15 | 9 | 6 |
| N.Eng. | 157 | 84 | 73 | 120 | 58 | 62 | 109 | 54 | 55 |
| N.Y. | 167 | 104 | 63 | 133 | 88 | 45 | 126 | 84 | 42 |
| N.J. | 42 | 20 | 22 | 31 | 11 | 20 | 28 | 10 | 18 |
| Pa. | 169 | 136 | 33 | 140 | 114 | 26 | 133 | 110 | 23 |
| M.Atl. | 378 | 260 | 118 | 304 | 213 | 91 | 287 | 204 | 83 |
| Ohio | 209 | 164 | 45 | 161 | 131 | 30 | 163 | 130 | 33 |
| Ind. | 186 | 154 | 32 | 135 | 118 | 17 | 135 | 120 | 15 |
| Ill. | 225 | 182 | 43 | 182 | 148 | 34 | 174 | 149 | 25 |
| Mich. | 195 | 153 | 42 | 166 | 133 | 33 | 156 | 124 | 32 |
| Wis. | 257 | 219 | 38 | 208 | 179 | 29 | 210 | 183 | 27 |
| E.N.Cent. | 1072 | 872 | 200 | 852 | 709 | 143 | 838 | 706 | 132 |
| Minn. | 251 | 215 | 36 | 218 | 196 | 22 | 206 | 183 | 23 |
| Iowa | 280 | 239 | 41 | 239 | 208 | 31 | 227 | 198 | 29 |
| Mo. | 303 | 243 | 60 | 238 | 187 | 51 | 244 | 189 | 55 |
| N.Dak. | 98 | 75 | 23 | 78 | 63 | 15 | 80 | 65 | 15 |
| S.Dak. | 90 | 78 | 12 | 78 | 68 | 10 | 77 | 68 | 9 |
| Nebr. | 142 | 119 | 23 | 120 | 103 | 17 | 112 | 97 | 15 |
| Kans. | 159 | 136 | 23 | 137 | 120 | 17 | 135 | 118 | 17 |
| W.N.Cent. | 1323 | 1105 | 218 | 1108 | 945 | 163 | 1081 | 918 | 163 |
| Del. | 13 | 7 | 6 | 10 | 6 | 4 | 9 | 5 | 4 |
| Md. | 54 | 38 | 16 | 40 | 29 | 11 | 41 | 32 | 9 |
| Va. | 181 | 125 | 56 | 143 | 105 | 38 | 133 | 95 | 38 |
| W.Va. | 61 | 52 | 9 | 47 | 41 | 6 | 45 | 38 | 7 |
| N.C. | 466 | 354 | 112 | 358 | 272 | 86 | 309 | 251 | 58 |
| S.C. | 191 | 129 | 62 | 111 | 80 | 31 | 116 | 82 | 34 |
| Ga. | 221 | 160 | 61 | 154 | 116 | 38 | 148 | 117 | 31 |
| Fla. | 104 | 50 | 54 | 104 | 50 | 54 | 92 | 42 | 50 |
| S.Atl. | 1291 | 915 | 376 | 967 | 699 | 268 | 893 | 662 | 231 |
| Ky. | 274 | 205 | 69 | 262 | 193 | 69 | 242 | 176 | 66 |
| Tenn. | 294 | 219 | 75 | 208 | 167 | 41 | 193 | 158 | 35 |
| Ala. | 198 | 143 | 55 | 151 | 120 | 31 | 145 | 114 | 31 |
| Miss. | 317 | 193 | 124 | 197 | 139 | 58 | 195 | 147 | 48 |
| E.S.Cent. | 1083 | 760 | 323 | 818 | 619 | 199 | 775 | 595 | 180 |
| Ark. | 225 | 119 | 106 | 160 | 105 | 55 | 175 | 108 | 67 |
| La. | 215 | 114 | 101 | 155 | 84 | 71 | 146 | 79 | 67 |
| Okla. | 145 | 112 | 33 | 144 | 120 | 24 | 138 | 114 | 24 |
| Texas | 457 | 237 | 220 | 332 | 217 | 115 | 374 | 219 | 155 |
| W.S.Cent. | 1042 | 582 | 460 | 791 | 526 | 265 | 833 | 520 | 313 |
| Mont. | 54 | 40 | 14 | 48 | 34 | 14 | 45 | 33 | 12 |
| Idaho | 81 | 55 | 26 | 64 | 44 | 20 | 59 | 41 | 18 |
| Wyo. | 21 | 14 | 7 | 20 | 13 | 7 | 20 | 13 | 7 |
| Colo. | 75 | 47 | 28 | 74 | 40 | 34 | 61 | 38 | 23 |
| N.Mex. | 38 | 21 | 17 | 28 | 17 | 11 | 28 | 18 | 10 |
| Ariz. | 37 | 9 | 28 | 34 | 6 | 28 | 35 | 7 | 28 |
| Utah | 40 | 27 | 13 | 33 | 23 | 10 | 36 | 24 | 12 |
| Nev. | 6 | 3 | 3 | 6 | 3 | 3 | 6 | 3 | 3 |
| Mount. | 352 | 216 | 136 | 307 | 180 | 127 | 290 | 177 | 113 |
| Wash. | 111 | 70 | 41 | 85 | 54 | 31 | 87 | 56 | 31 |
| Oreg. | 89 | 61 | 28 | 66 | 50 | 16 | 67 | 49 | 18 |
| Calif. | 421 | 138 | 283 | 338 | 92 | 246 | 320 | 80 | 240 |
| Pac. | 621 | 269 | 352 | 489 | 196 | 293 | 474 | 185 | 289 |
| U.S. | 7319 | 5063 | 2256 | 5756 | 4145 | 1611 | 5580 | 4021 | 1559 |

1/ Persons employed during the last full calendar week ending at least one day before the end of the month. Alaska not included above: Family, 700 persons; Hired, 400.

Workers on farms: Average January through September 1968 1/
(Thousands of persons)

| State and division | January through Sept. Av. 1962-66 | | | January through Sept. 1967 | | | January through Sept. 1968 | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Total | Family | Hired | Total | Family | Hired | Total | Family | Hired |
| Maine | 32 | 20 | 12 | 25 | 15 | 10 | 23 | 14 | 9 |
| N.H. | 10 | 7 | 3 | 10 | 7 | 3 | 8 | 5 | 3 |
| Vt. | 23 | 18 | 5 | 17 | 13 | 4 | 16 | 12 | 4 |
| Mass. | 30 | 18 | 12 | 22 | 12 | 10 | 20 | 11 | 9 |
| R.I. | 3 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| Conn. | 23 | 14 | 9 | 17 | 9 | 8 | 16 | 9 | 7 |
| N.Eng. | 121 | 79 | 42 | 94 | 58 | 36 | 86 | 53 | 33 |
| N.Y. | 136 | 91 | 45 | 107 | 77 | 30 | 103 | 74 | 29 |
| N.J. | 39 | 19 | 20 | 26 | 11 | 15 | 24 | 10 | 14 |
| Pa. | 157 | 131 | 26 | 132 | 112 | 20 | 127 | 108 | 19 |
| M.Atl. | 332 | 241 | 91 | 265 | 200 | 65 | 254 | 192 | 62 |
| Ohio | 204 | 173 | 31 | 165 | 145 | 20 | 158 | 138 | 20 |
| Ind. | 187 | 165 | 22 | 135 | 122 | 13 | 132 | 120 | 12 |
| Ill. | 218 | 175 | 43 | 176 | 145 | 31 | 169 | 141 | 28 |
| Mich. | 197 | 158 | 39 | 158 | 130 | 28 | 149 | 122 | 27 |
| Wis. | 251 | 224 | 27 | 205 | 184 | 21 | 203 | 187 | 16 |
| E.N.Cent. | 1057 | 895 | 162 | 839 | 726 | 113 | 811 | 708 | 103 |
| Minn. | 254 | 216 | 38 | 209 | 185 | 24 | 204 | 179 | 25 |
| Iowa | 271 | 231 | 40 | 226 | 195 | 31 | 222 | 191 | 31 |
| Mo. | 245 | 210 | 35 | 210 | 173 | 37 | 202 | 169 | 33 |
| N.Dak. | 85 | 67 | 18 | 71 | 57 | 14 | 68 | 56 | 12 |
| S.Dak. | 83 | 73 | 10 | 73 | 64 | 9 | 71 | 63 | 8 |
| Nebr. | 141 | 118 | 23 | 117 | 98 | 19 | 114 | 99 | 15 |
| Kans. | 149 | 124 | 25 | 128 | 108 | 20 | 121 | 104 | 17 |
| W.N.Cent. | 1228 | 1039 | 189 | 1034 | 880 | 154 | 1002 | 861 | 141 |
| Del. | 12 | 7 | 5 | 8 | 5 | 3 | 7 | 4 | 3 |
| Md. | 51 | 35 | 16 | 38 | 27 | 11 | 36 | 27 | 9 |
| Va. | 163 | 114 | 49 | 127 | 93 | 34 | 123 | 89 | 34 |
| W.Va. | 55 | 45 | 10 | 42 | 35 | 7 | 40 | 34 | 6 |
| N.C. | 387 | 271 | 116 | 298 | 210 | 88 | 278 | 199 | 79 |
| S.C. | 148 | 97 | 51 | 92 | 65 | 27 | 89 | 64 | 25 |
| Ga. | 149 | 108 | 41 | 113 | 85 | 28 | 111 | 86 | 25 |
| Fla. | 119 | 42 | 77 | 115 | 36 | 79 | 112 | 35 | 77 |
| S.Atl. | 1084 | 719 | 365 | 833 | 556 | 277 | 796 | 538 | 258 |
| Ky. | 217 | 166 | 51 | 195 | 147 | 48 | 184 | 145 | 39 |
| Tenn. | 207 | 158 | 49 | 161 | 125 | 36 | 155 | 122 | 33 |
| Ala. | 121 | 92 | 29 | 102 | 78 | 24 | 99 | 77 | 22 |
| Miss. | 196 | 137 | 59 | 140 | 106 | 34 | 143 | 109 | 34 |
| E.S.Cent. | 741 | 553 | 188 | 598 | 456 | 142 | 581 | 453 | 128 |
| Ark. | 172 | 96 | 76 | 138 | 86 | 52 | 139 | 84 | 55 |
| La. | 131 | 77 | 54 | 99 | 62 | 37 | 95 | 58 | 37 |
| Okla. | 134 | 111 | 23 | 132 | 112 | 20 | 128 | 110 | 18 |
| Texas | 358 | 222 | 136 | 301 | 202 | 99 | 289 | 193 | 96 |
| W.S.Cent. | 795 | 506 | 289 | 670 | 462 | 208 | 651 | 445 | 206 |
| Mont. | 49 | 36 | 13 | 45 | 31 | 14 | 42 | 30 | 12 |
| Idaho | 68 | 47 | 21 | 53 | 37 | 16 | 50 | 36 | 14 |
| Wyo. | 19 | 12 | 7 | 17 | 11 | 6 | 17 | 11 | 6 |
| Colo. | 60 | 43 | 17 | 60 | 37 | 23 | 54 | 37 | 17 |
| N.Mex. | 30 | 18 | 12 | 24 | 15 | 9 | 24 | 16 | 8 |
| Ariz. | 37 | 8 | 29 | 37 | 7 | 30 | 37 | 6 | 31 |
| Utah | 30 | 21 | 9 | 27 | 19 | 8 | 25 | 18 | 7 |
| Nev. | 6 | 3 | 3 | 6 | 3 | 3 | 6 | 3 | 3 |
| Mount. | 299 | 188 | 111 | 269 | 160 | 109 | 255 | 157 | 98 |
| Wash. | 111 | 71 | 40 | 84 | 54 | 30 | 87 | 56 | 31 |
| Oreg. | 95 | 62 | 33 | 76 | 50 | 26 | 76 | 50 | 26 |
| Calif. | 324 | 123 | 201 | 259 | 85 | 174 | 259 | 79 | 180 |
| Pac. | 530 | 256 | 274 | 419 | 189 | 230 | 422 | 185 | 237 |
| U.S. | 6187 | 4476 | 1711 | 5021 | 3687 | 1334 | 4858 | 3592 | 1266 |

1/ Average number during survey week of each month.

Farm Work: Weekly Hours Worked Per Worker

| State and division | Average for reporting farms - week of September 22-28, 1968 | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Farm Operators | Other Family Members 1/ | All Family 1/ | Hired Workers | All Workers 1/ |
| | Hours | Hours | Hours | Hours | Hours |
| Maine | 56.6 | 37.4 | 50.2 | 32.8 | 44.0 |
| N.H. | 60.5 | 35.6 | 53.0 | 40.6 | 47.5 |
| Vt. | 64.6 | 43.4 | 57.5 | 37.2 | 50.0 |
| Mass. | 62.2 | 33.8 | 54.2 | 37.1 | 46.2 |
| R.I. | 43.8 | 34.5 | 40.9 | 40.2 | 40.7 |
| Conn. | 62.0 | 41.0 | 54.6 | 39.7 | 49.4 |
| N.Eng. | 60.3 | 38.3 | 53.3 | 35.6 | 46.3 |
| N.Y. | 59.3 | 31.3 | 50.3 | 41.3 | 47.4 |
| N.J. | 40.5 | 25.7 | 36.7 | 33.7 | 35.9 |
| Pa. | 53.0 | 30.6 | 45.5 | 32.4 | 42.6 |
| M.Atl. | 54.8 | 30.8 | 46.9 | 37.2 | 44.1 |
| Ohio | 47.8 | 31.0 | 43.0 | 30.5 | 39.7 |
| Ind. | 39.3 | 30.5 | 37.4 | 25.0 | 35.2 |
| Ill. | 44.7 | 33.2 | 42.4 | 34.8 | 41.1 |
| Mich. | 51.6 | 32.4 | 46.2 | 31.9 | 42.9 |
| Wis. | 57.2 | 30.7 | 46.4 | 32.2 | 44.1 |
| E.N.Cent. | 48.1 | 31.6 | 43.1 | 31.4 | 41.0 |
| Minn. | 52.0 | 33.9 | 45.6 | 33.9 | 43.9 |
| Iowa | 53.7 | 29.6 | 47.3 | 31.3 | 44.4 |
| Mo. | 38.1 | 32.6 | 36.9 | 32.3 | 35.7 |
| N.Dak. | 59.1 | 40.9 | 52.6 | 39.9 | 50.4 |
| S.Dak. | 53.6 | 32.3 | 47.1 | 35.7 | 45.4 |
| Nebr. | 50.1 | 35.4 | 46.0 | 30.3 | 43.5 |
| Kans. | 53.4 | 35.1 | 48.8 | 34.1 | 45.8 |
| W.N.Cent. | 49.9 | 33.4 | 45.1 | 33.2 | 42.9 |
| Del. | 39.0 | 39.2 | 39.1 | 28.2 | 35.7 |
| Md. | 40.6 | 33.6 | 43.0 | 29.8 | 39.8 |
| Va. | 42.1 | 32.3 | 39.6 | 33.5 | 37.1 |
| W.Va. | 38.1 | 30.2 | 36.2 | 26.1 | 33.6 |
| N.C. | 38.1 | 30.2 | 35.4 | 24.5 | 31.1 |
| S.C. | 37.2 | 27.2 | 34.6 | 28.9 | 31.5 |
| Ga. | 34.8 | 29.4 | 33.6 | 31.2 | 32.6 |
| Fla. | 38.5 | 29.9 | 36.6 | 40.6 | 39.0 |
| S.Atl. | 38.5 | 30.2 | 36.2 | 31.3 | 33.7 |
| Ky. | 38.5 | 29.6 | 36.0 | 23.1 | 30.0 |
| Tenn. | 32.7 | 27.6 | 31.7 | 24.0 | 29.4 |
| Ala. | 33.9 | 29.2 | 32.9 | 23.1 | 29.0 |
| Miss. | 37.2 | 30.3 | 35.4 | 25.5 | 30.0 |
| E.S.Cent. | 35.6 | 29.1 | 34.0 | 23.9 | 29.7 |
| Ark. | 34.6 | 29.4 | 33.3 | 34.2 | 33.6 |
| La. | 33.8 | 30.1 | 33.0 | 31.7 | 32.5 |
| Okla. | 42.2 | 29.4 | 39.1 | 26.4 | 36.4 |
| Texas | 41.5 | 31.1 | 39.2 | 36.4 | 38.1 |
| W.S.Cent. | 39.4 | 30.3 | 37.3 | 34.2 | 35.9 |
| Mont. | 49.3 | 38.4 | 46.3 | 44.6 | 45.9 |
| Idaho | 52.7 | 31.7 | 45.8 | 30.5 | 42.5 |
| Wyo. | 52.7 | 33.6 | 46.6 | 43.3 | 45.6 |
| Colo. | 51.4 | 34.2 | 46.1 | 37.3 | 44.1 |
| N.Mex. | 46.7 | 31.3 | 42.4 | 31.5 | 37.6 |
| Ariz. | 45.7 | 42.2 | 45.1 | 44.5 | 44.7 |
| Utah | 44.4 | 28.9 | 38.5 | 29.3 | 35.4 |
| Nev. | 43.6 | 29.3 | 39.6 | 49.3 | 45.2 |
| Mount. | 49.7 | 33.9 | 44.7 | 38.1 | 42.5 |
| Wash. | 45.8 | 31.8 | 42.2 | 37.8 | 39.8 |
| Oreg. | 40.1 | 31.2 | 37.7 | 37.0 | 37.5 |
| Calif. | 44.1 | 40.3 | 43.2 | 47.9 | 46.8 |
| Pac. | 43.5 | 35.2 | 41.4 | 46.1 | 44.2 |
| U.S. | 44.3 | 31.5 | 40.6 | 34.9 | 38.5 |

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

## Farm Wage Rates, October 1, 1967 1/

| State and division | Per month: With house | Per month: With board and room | Per week: With board and room | Per week: Without board or room | Per day: With house | Per day: With board and room | Per day: Without board or room | Per hour: With house | Per hour: Without board or room | Composite rate per hour | Indexes of composite rates 1910-14=100 2/ |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Dol. | Dol. | Dol. | Dol. | Dol. | Dol. | Dol. | Dol. | Dol. | Dol. | |
| Maine | 270 | 197 | 49.00 | 75.00 | — | — | 13.00 | — | 1.49 | 1.35 | 789 |
| N.H. | 288 | 205 | 56.00 | 73.00 | — | — | 11.90 | — | 1.49 | 1.33 | 877 |
| Vt. | 272 | 205 | 52.00 | 71.00 | — | — | 12.00 | — | 1.55 | 1.34 | 867 |
| Mass. | 320 | 210 | 58.00 | 83.00 | — | — | 12.90 | — | 1.60 | 1.45 | 947 |
| R.I. | 320 | 210 | 58.00 | 83.00 | — | — | 12.90 | — | 1.60 | 1.45 | 1006 |
| Conn. | 320 | 210 | 58.00 | 83.00 | — | — | 12.90 | — | 1.62 | 1.46 | 995 |
| N.Eng. | 289 | 203 | 52.75 | 77.50 | — | — | 12.80 | — | 1.53 | 1.38 | 896 |
| N.Y. | 291 | 197 | 53.50 | 73.00 | — | — | 11.80 | — | 1.46 | 1.20 | 744 |
| N.J. | 310 | 230 | 55.00 | 68.00 | — | — | 12.70 | — | 1.50 | 1.24 | 886 |
| Pa. | 250 | 179 | 47.75 | 63.00 | — | — | 10.10 | — | 1.33 | 1.07 | 848 |
| M.Atl. | 284 | 200 | 52.25 | 69.00 | — | — | 11.50 | — | 1.43 | 1.17 | 812 |
| Ohio | 256 | 189 | — | — | — | 8.00 | 10.40 | — | 1.32 | 1.10 | 766 |
| Ind. | 247 | 180 | — | — | — | 9.00 | 11.40 | — | 1.39 | 1.14 | 825 |
| Ill. | 284 | 214 | — | — | — | 9.90 | 12.20 | — | 1.44 | 1.22 | 846 |
| Mich. | 307 | 216 | — | — | — | 10.20 | 12.50 | — | 1.43 | 1.23 | 825 |
| Wis. | 272 | 201 | — | — | — | 9.30 | 11.60 | — | 1.44 | 1.20 | 760 |
| E.N.Cent. | 275 | 201 | — | — | — | 9.30 | 11.70 | — | 1.40 | 1.18 | 803 |
| Minn. | 255 | 198 | — | — | — | 10.30 | 12.40 | — | 1.39 | 1.12 | 709 |
| Iowa | 295 | 230 | — | — | — | 10.50 | 12.70 | — | 1.45 | 1.20 | 739 |
| Mo. | 224 | 167 | — | — | — | 8.50 | 10.20 | — | 1.26 | .980 | 884 |
| N.Dak. | 261 | 215 | — | — | — | 9.80 | 12.10 | — | 1.34 | 1.11 | 620 |
| S.Dak. | 251 | 203 | — | — | — | 9.40 | 11.20 | — | 1.30 | 1.06 | 644 |
| Nebr. | 305 | 224 | — | — | — | 10.00 | 12.20 | — | 1.38 | 1.16 | 780 |
| Kans. | 278 | 212 | — | — | — | 9.90 | 12.10 | — | 1.39 | 1.14 | 910 |
| W.N.Cent. | 263 | 202 | — | — | — | 9.70 | 11.70 | — | 1.35 | 1.10 | 766 |
| Del. | 245 | — | — | — | — | — | 10.50 | — | 1.32 | 1.21 | 1107 |
| Md. | 235 | 170 | 46.00 | 65.00 | — | — | 10.70 | — | 1.33 | 1.21 | 1224 |
| Va. | — | — | — | — | 7.10 | — | 8.60 | — | 1.15 | .973 | 1039 |
| W.Va. | — | — | — | — | — | — | 7.50 | — | 1.01 | .861 | 670 |
| N.C. | — | — | — | — | 7.40 | — | 8.40 | — | 1.05 | .923 | 1050 |
| S.C. | — | — | — | — | 6.20 | — | 6.90 | — | .91 | .781 | 1055 |
| Ga. | — | — | — | — | 6.30 | — | 7.20 | — | 1.03 | .851 | 939 |
| Fla. | — | — | — | — | 7.70 | — | 8.50 | — | 1.10 | .954 | 973 |
| S.Atl. | — | — | — | — | 7.20 | — | 8.20 | — | 1.06 | .920 | 1024 |
| Ky. | — | — | — | — | 6.60 | — | 8.40 | — | 1.23 | 1.12 | 861 |
| Tenn. | — | — | — | — | 6.20 | — | 7.50 | — | 1.02 | .950 | 842 |
| Ala. | — | — | — | — | 6.10 | — | 6.70 | — | .93 | .871 | 854 |
| Miss. | — | — | — | — | 6.40 | — | 6.80 | — | .94 | .884 | 865 |
| E.S.Cent. | — | — | — | — | 6.40 | — | 7.50 | — | 1.06 | .979 | 893 |
| Ark. | — | — | — | — | 8.50 | — | 9.50 | — | 1.10 | 1.08 | 917 |
| La. | — | — | — | — | 7.40 | — | 7.90 | — | 1.02 | .980 | 956 |
| Okla. | — | — | — | — | 9.40 | — | 10.80 | — | 1.25 | 1.23 | 866 |
| Texas | — | — | — | — | 8.50 | — | 9.30 | — | 1.12 | 1.10 | 848 |
| W.S.Cent. | — | — | — | — | 8.30 | — | 9.10 | — | 1.10 | 1.08 | 883 |
| Mont. | 284 | 229 | — | — | — | — | 12.10 | — | 1.43 | 1.24 | 611 |
| Idaho | 331 | 258 | — | — | — | — | 13.30 | — | 1.50 | 1.34 | 748 |
| Wyo. | 295 | 205 | — | — | — | — | 11.00 | — | 1.31 | 1.15 | 578 |
| Colo. | 287 | 208 | — | — | — | — | 12.10 | — | 1.40 | 1.21 | 784 |
| N.Mex. | 255 | 190 | — | — | — | — | 9.90 | — | 1.10 | .994 | 817 |
| Ariz. | 353 | 240 | — | — | — | — | 11.60 | — | 1.27 | 1.20 | 815 |
| Utah | 280 | 240 | — | — | — | — | 11.20 | — | 1.46 | 1.24 | 764 |
| Nev. | 250 | 200 | — | — | — | — | 11.60 | — | 1.50 | 1.22 | 627 |
| Mount. | 305 | 227 | — | — | — | — | 11.90 | — | 1.37 | 1.22 | 740 |
| Wash. | 365 | 280 | — | — | — | — | — | 1.54 | 1.60 | 1.56 | 759 |
| Oreg. | 329 | 245 | — | — | — | — | — | 1.42 | 1.47 | 1.44 | 710 |
| Calif. | 385 | 275 | — | — | — | — | — | 1.52 | 1.65 | 1.61 | 754 |
| Pac. | 379 | 274 | — | — | — | — | — | 1.52 | 1.63 | 1.60 | 757 |
| U.S. | 261 | 203 | 48.00 | 60.50 | 7.70 | 8.50 | 9.50 | 1.32 | 1.29 | 1.16 | 882 |

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Farm Wage Rates, October 1, 1968 1/

| State and division | Per month | | Per week | | Per day | | Per hour | | Composite rate per hour | Indexes of composite rates 1910-14=100 2/ |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | With house | With board and room | With board and room | Without board or room | With board and room | Without board or room | With house | Without board or room | | |
| | Dol. | Dol. | Dol. | Dol. | Dol. | Dol. | Dol. | Dol. | Dol. | |
| Maine | 295 | 215 | 57.00 | 82.00 | — | — | 13.70 | — | 1.56 | 1.44 | 845 |
| N.H. | 300 | 225 | 60.00 | 82.00 | — | — | 13.00 | — | 1.62 | 1.46 | 960 |
| Vt. | 300 | 225 | 60.00 | 79.00 | — | — | 13.00 | — | 1.62 | 1.45 | 933 |
| Mass. | 340 | 225 | 64.00 | 87.00 | — | — | 13.60 | — | 1.69 | 1.53 | 1002 |
| R.I. | 335 | 225 | 63.00 | 87.00 | — | — | 13.60 | — | 1.69 | 1.53 | 1063 |
| Conn. | 335 | 230 | 63.00 | 87.00 | — | — | 13.60 | — | 1.73 | 1.55 | 1057 |
| N.Eng. | 310 | 220 | 59.50 | 83.50 | — | — | 13.60 | — | 1.62 | 1.48 | 955 |
| N.Y. | 306 | 205 | 59.50 | 80.75 | — | — | 12.90 | — | 1.55 | 1.28 | 797 |
| N.J. | 330 | 250 | 61.00 | 76.00 | — | — | 13.10 | — | 1.63 | 1.35 | 962 |
| Pa. | 282 | 210 | 55.25 | 69.25 | — | — | 11.20 | — | 1.43 | 1.18 | 932 |
| N.Atl. | 304 | 216 | 58.50 | 76.25 | — | — | 12.50 | — | 1.53 | 1.27 | 877 |
| Ohio | 260 | 190 | — | — | — | 8.90 | 11.00 | — | 1.41 | 1.16 | 807 |
| Ind. | 259 | 192 | — | — | — | 9.40 | 11.90 | — | 1.49 | 1.22 | 879 |
| Ill. | 300 | 224 | — | — | — | 10.20 | 12.80 | — | 1.55 | 1.30 | 903 |
| Mich. | 345 | 255 | — | — | — | 11.00 | 13.30 | — | 1.50 | 1.32 | 886 |
| Wis. | 303 | 221 | — | — | — | 9.60 | 12.10 | — | 1.52 | 1.28 | 810 |
| E.N.Cent. | 298 | 220 | — | — | — | 9.90 | 12.30 | — | 1.50 | 1.26 | 860 |
| Minn. | 280 | 223 | — | — | — | 10.70 | 12.70 | — | 1.53 | 1.22 | 772 |
| Iowa | 330 | 260 | — | — | — | 11.60 | 14.10 | — | 1.55 | 1.31 | 808 |
| Mo. | 235 | 187 | — | — | — | 8.90 | 11.00 | — | 1.37 | 1.06 | 960 |
| N.Dak. | 288 | 238 | — | — | — | 10.90 | 13.50 | — | 1.46 | 1.22 | 682 |
| S.Dak. | 270 | 208 | — | — | — | 9.70 | 11.60 | — | 1.36 | 1.11 | 672 |
| Nebr. | 322 | 241 | — | — | — | 10.60 | 13.10 | — | 1.50 | 1.25 | 841 |
| Kans. | 304 | 235 | — | — | — | 10.60 | 13.00 | — | 1.47 | 1.22 | 977 |
| W.N.Cent. | 282 | 222 | — | — | — | 10.20 | 12.50 | — | 1.46 | 1.18 | 825 |
| Del. | 260 | — | — | — | — | — | 10.70 | — | 1.32 | 1.23 | 1127 |
| Md. | 250 | 175 | 50.00 | 65.00 | — | — | 10.90 | — | 1.40 | 1.26 | 1269 |
| Va. | — | — | — | — | 7.60 | — | 9.20 | — | 1.18 | 1.02 | 1088 |
| W.Va. | — | — | — | — | — | — | 8.30 | — | 1.07 | .932 | 725 |
| N.C. | — | — | — | — | 8.40 | — | 9.60 | — | 1.20 | 1.05 | 1198 |
| S.C. | — | — | — | — | 6.80 | — | 7.50 | — | 1.00 | .856 | 1157 |
| Ga. | — | — | — | — | 7.10 | — | 8.00 | — | 1.11 | .931 | 1027 |
| Fla. | — | — | — | — | 8.20 | — | 9.50 | — | 1.30 | 1.09 | 1115 |
| S.Atl. | — | — | — | — | 7.90 | — | 9.10 | — | 1.19 | 1.02 | 1138 |
| Ky. | — | — | — | — | 8.90 | — | 9.80 | — | 1.42 | 1.29 | 988 |
| Tenn. | — | — | — | — | 6.80 | — | 8.30 | — | 1.10 | 1.03 | 912 |
| Ala. | — | — | — | — | 6.50 | — | 7.40 | — | 1.02 | .953 | 935 |
| Miss. | — | — | — | — | 7.60 | — | 8.40 | — | 1.10 | 1.04 | 1020 |
| E.S.Cent. | — | — | — | — | 7.00 | — | 8.70 | — | 1.20 | 1.11 | 1012 |
| Ark. | — | — | — | — | 9.50 | — | 9.80 | — | 1.21 | 1.18 | 999 |
| La. | — | — | — | — | 8.40 | — | 8.90 | — | 1.14 | 1.10 | 1070 |
| Okla. | — | — | — | — | 9.40 | — | 11.20 | — | 1.33 | 1.29 | 915 |
| Texas | — | — | — | — | 10.00 | — | 10.70 | — | 1.24 | 1.23 | 949 |
| W.S.Cent. | — | — | — | — | 9.40 | — | 10.10 | — | 1.21 | 1.19 | 973 |
| Mont. | 298 | 230 | — | — | — | — | 12.70 | — | 1.44 | 1.26 | 625 |
| Idaho | 342 | 261 | — | — | — | — | 13.40 | — | 1.54 | 1.37 | 763 |
| Wyo. | 308 | 214 | — | — | — | — | 12.00 | — | 1.46 | 1.25 | 630 |
| Colo. | 308 | 228 | — | — | — | — | 12.90 | — | 1.49 | 1.29 | 838 |
| N.Mex. | 265 | 220 | — | — | — | — | 10.40 | — | 1.20 | 1.08 | 886 |
| Ariz. | 375 | 250 | — | — | — | — | 12.50 | — | 1.35 | 1.27 | 866 |
| Utah | 327 | 254 | — | — | — | — | 11.90 | — | 1.50 | 1.30 | 807 |
| Nev. | 330 | 250 | — | — | — | — | 11.80 | — | 1.75 | 1.41 | 727 |
| Mount. | 325 | 239 | — | — | — | — | 12.50 | — | 1.44 | 1.28 | 776 |
| Wash. | 392 | 295 | — | — | — | — | — | 1.69 | 1.75 | 1.72 | 838 |
| Oreg. | 350 | 255 | — | — | — | — | — | 1.57 | 1.58 | 1.55 | 763 |
| Calif. | 400 | 278 | — | — | — | — | — | 1.61 | 1.73 | 1.69 | 791 |
| Pac. | 397 | 279 | — | — | — | — | — | 1.62 | 1.72 | 1.69 | 800 |
| U.S. | 283 | 220 | 53.75 | 68.50 | 8.60 | 9.20 | 10.50 | 1.42 | 1.41 | 1.27 | 964 |

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