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WORKER NUMBERS NEAR LAST YEAR'S LEVEL
WAGE RATES SLIGHTLY HIGHER

Farm employment in late September reached an estimated total of 9.3 million workers or within 1 percent of the 1958 mark. Family workers totaled 6.4 million or about 1 percent fewer than a year earlier. Hired worker numbers totaled 2.9 million, an increase of about 1 percent over September 1958. Current estimates are for the week of September 20-26 during which weather helped field work in many South Central and South Eastern sections where harvest of cotton, peanuts, and other crops was active. Rains blanketed other central areas to the northward. The late September period normally is the high point in worker numbers in this series of monthly estimates. Averages for the first 9 months of this year shown on page 7 reach a National total about 1 percent below 1958 for both hired workers and family workers.

Wages increase moderately to record seasonal levels

Farm wage rates about October 1, 1959 reached new record marks for the season both nationally and in each geographical region. Reported levels closely followed the usual pattern for the season for the different bases of payment. In some areas, October averages are lower than for the smaller and more select force employed in January. The National composite hourly wage about October 1 of $0.806 is only about 1 percent higher than reported for October 1, 1958. Moderate increases over a year earlier appear to be the general rule with largest percentage increases, of from 3 to 4 percent reported in West North Central, South Central, and Pacific States. Compared with July 1, 1959 the seasonal gain in farm wage levels appears less than the seasonal normal. The seasonally adjusted index of composite hourly wages was 602 percent of the 1910-14 base, slightly lower than other quarterly wage indexes reported this year.

Southern Areas Increase Worker Numbers Other Regions Below September 1958

The slight changes from September 1958 levels shown Nationally for both family and hired labor result from many regional and State increases and decreases. In the New England and Middle Atlantic States, East North Central, and West North Central groups, total farm worker numbers during the survey week of September 20-26 ranged from 5 to 9 percent below the corresponding week last year. Hired workers in these extensive north-east and north-central areas were

less numerous than in September 1958 by 10 percent in the New England States. The decrease was 17 percent in West North Central States. More workers than a year earlier, both family and hired, were employed on farms in South Atlantic, East South Central, and West South Central regions. The increases mainly were slight for family workers but hired worker numbers were increased considerably --in the South Atlantic region 9 percent, East South Central 13 percent, and West South Central 11 percent. In each of these regions hired workers employed were above the 5-year (1954-58) average for late September. Southern States as a group westward through Texas topped the late September 5-year average hired worker total by 3 percent. Earliness of harvest for cotton, peanuts, and some other crops, and some effective weather for fieldwork were large factors in the southern work force increase. Pacific and Mountain State groups showed slightly less family and hired labor than a year earlier.

Farm Work Progress Well Maintained by Generally Adequate Force

The changing tasks of late summer harvest and preparation for winter moved well ahead in September reaching major labor needs in the survey week on many southern farms. The work force has proved generally adequate although shifting demands were not always met as promptly as needed. Cotton harvest has moved ahead with increasing pace across the entire South. Peanut digging and threshing made rapid advances and tobacco harvest reached virtual completion. Corn silage-making passed its peak as millions of tons were put away before losing the succulent kick wanted in winter rations. Harvest of corn for grain made only moderate advances in the main Corn Belt although good maturity promises fast October progress if weather is dry. Soybean harvest was somewhat faster than corn picking. Apple harvest reached major stage in most leading sections as did potato digging in fall areas. Rains in extensive central areas of the country delayed fieldwork of all kinds but left welcome soil moisture incentives to speed completion of seeding fall wheat and other crops.

Following are some progress points in farm work in different areas near the end of September:

Georgia cotton harvest was nearly two-thirds finished. Most peanuts were dug and more than three-fourths threshed. Peanut digging and stacking also was active in the Virginia-Carolina area. Alabama cotton picking and peanut harvest neared completion in southern counties. Mississippi, Tennessee, Arkansas, and Louisiana reported good cotton harvest advance. Louisiana sugar cane planting was pushed after delay from rains. Some Oklahoma sections were badly washed by flooding rains and some wheat replanting will be necessary. Texas cotton and soybean grain harvest extended into the southern High Plains.

In Middle Atlantic States, apple and potato harvests increased. Grape harvest continued in western New York and the Erie Pennsylvania area. New England affairs featured the Maine potato harvest which passed the half-way mark and peak stage of the Massachusetts cranberry harvest.

Soybean harvest advanced to about half-finished in Indiana and Illinois. Corn silage harvest here was over but two-thirds or more of winter grain seedings were still to be done.

Minnesota, Iowa, and other West North Central areas had heavy general rains during the survey week which delayed work. In the Red River Valley, potato harvest was more than half-finished and sugar beet harvest near the peak. Picking and drying of hybrid seed corn was active in Iowa and elsewhere but only 5 percent of Iowa soybeans had been combined. Drilling of the 1960 Kansas wheat crop was about 40 percent finished, somewhat less advanced than last year.

Mountain States harvest of sugar beets and potatoes advanced well. Colorado irrigated dry bean harvest was completed. Labor shortages were reported for pulling broomcorn in both Colorado and New Mexico. Washington apple harvest was well underway but less advanced than at this time last year. In Oregon's Medford district, pear harvest was about finished. Despite some picker shortage, apple and pear harvests were active in the Hood River Valley. Heavy rains lessened the work expected from western Oregon prune and blackberry crops and delayed the filbert nut harvest. In California, harvest of cotton gained speed with picker shortage encouraging machine use. Sacramento Valley rice harvest started. Labor demands were heavy for many crops, including walnuts, dates, olives, grapes, tomatoes, and miscellaneous vegetables.

Farm employment and indexes September 20-26, 1959, United States

	September average 1954-58 1/	September 21-27, 1958	August 23-29, 1959	September 20-26, 1959
FARM EMPLOYMENT (Thousands of persons)				
Total	10,213	9,383	8,773	9,336
Family labor	7,214	6,507	5,951	6,442
Hired labor	2,999	2,876	2,822	2,894
FARM EMPLOYMENT INDEXES (Adjusted for seasonal variation, 1910-14=100)				
Total	57	53	54	52
Family labor	58	52	54	52
Hired labor	55	53	55	53

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

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Farm wage rates and indexes October 1, 1959, United States 1/

	July 1, 1958	October 1, 1958	July 1, 1959	October 1, 1959
FARM WAGE RATES				
Per month with house	$181.00	$176.00	$196.00	$181.00
Per month with board and room	135.00	138.00	145.00	141.00
Per week with board and room	34.00	34.25	36.00	34.25
Per week without board or room	42.75	42.25	46.75	42.00
Per day with house	4.60	5.10	5.10	5.20
Per day with board and room	6.40	6.00	6.70	6.00
Per day without board or room	5.80	6.70	6.40	6.70
Per hour with house	.87	.96	.90	.97
Per hour without board or room	.94	.88	1.00	.89
Composite rate per hour 2/	.728	.795	.796	.806
FARM WAGE RATE INDEXES (1910-14=100)				
Adjusted for seasonal variation	566	594	618	602
RELATED INDEXES (1910-14=100)				
Prices received by farmers 3/	254	255	241	239*
Ratio of prices received to farm wage rates	45	43	39	40

1/ Wage rates on the average refer to a date 2 or 3 days before the first of the month.
2/ Weighted average of all rates on a per hour basis.
3/ Average of the 15th of the given and the 15th of the previous month.
* September 15, 1959

Total workers on farms September 20-26, 1959

Region and State	September average 1954-58 1/	August 24-30, 1958	September 21-27, 1958	August 23-29, 1959	September 20-26, 1959
	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands
New England	226	202	213	190	193
New York	242	240	228	224	206
New Jersey	72	69	70	60	64
Pennsylvania	267	275	247	255	232
Middle Atlantic	581	584	545	539	502
Ohio	299	293	287	278	276
Indiana	264	252	247	241	237
Illinois	302	280	291	243	274
Michigan	261	290	252	286	232
Wisconsin	336	366	329	352	311
East North Central	1,462	1,481	1,406	1,400	1,330
Minnesota	323	337	309	320	297
Iowa	339	340	325	334	305
Missouri	415	382	405	347	366
North Dakota	133	145	125	138	114
South Dakota	120	125	118	119	105
Nebraska	179	175	170	180	166
Kansas	199	209	201	200	179
West North Central	1,708	1,713	1,653	1,638	1,532
Delaware-Maryland	97	101	94	91	90
Virginia	258	259	255	251	244
West Virginia	100	93	90	87	88
North Carolina	630	702	575	676	567
South Carolina	308	282	254	272	319
Georgia	340	224	288	232	316
Florida	114	101	113	88	102
South Atlantic	1,847	1,762	1,669	1,697	1,726
Kentucky	303	311	282	296	290
Tennessee	375	281	318	280	367
Alabama	338	161	264	152	288
Mississippi	587	318	485	322	518
East South Central	1,603	1,071	1,349	1,050	1,463
Arkansas	387	282	341	254	339
Louisiana	283	188	227	187	271
Oklahoma	223	190	216	181	206
Texas	671	540	586	522	624
West South Central	1,564	1,200	1,370	1,144	1,440
Montana	64	59	59	58	57
Idaho	89	97	85	93	81
Colorado	102	91	94	85	87
New Mexico-Arizona	137	131	129	98	130
Wyoming-Utah-Nevada	90	81	85	72	80
Mountain	482	459	452	406	435
Washington	131	162	133	147	131
Oregon	111	118	105	114	103
California	498	431	488	448	481
Pacific	740	711	726	709	715
UNITED STATES	10,213	9,183	9,383	8,773	9,336

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

Family and hired workers on farms September 20-26, 1959

Region and State	Family 1/				Hired 2/			
	September average 1954-58 3/	Sept. 21-27, 1958	Aug. 23-29, 1959	Sept. 20-26, 1959	September average 1954-58 3/	Sept. 21-27, 1958	Aug. 23-29, 1959	Sept. 20-26, 1959
	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.
New England	122	112	105	102	104	101	85	91
New York	149	134	113	125	93	94	111	81
New Jersey	36	34	33	33	36	36	27	31
Pennsylvania	200	185	195	176	67	62	60	56
Middle Atlantic	385	353	341	334	196	192	198	168
Ohio	231	222	219	219	68	65	59	57
Indiana	214	197	204	194	50	50	37	43
Illinois	240	231	189	216	62	60	54	58
Michigan	205	194	210	183	56	58	76	49
Wisconsin	282	275	305	264	54	54	47	47
East North Central	1,172	1,119	1,127	1,076	290	287	273	254
Minnesota	271	256	257	244	52	53	63	53
Iowa	289	276	271	259	50	49	63	46
Missouri	321	309	269	292	94	96	78	74
North Dakota	101	93	96	88	32	32	42	26
South Dakota	102	99	94	91	18	19	25	14
Nebraska	152	141	142	142	27	29	38	24
Kansas	172	166	152	156	27	35	48	23
West North Central	1,408	1,340	1,281	1,272	300	313	357	260
Del.-Md.	61	58	55	57	36	36	36	33
Virginia	184	175	160	165	74	80	91	79
West Virginia	86	75	73	75	14	15	14	13
North Carolina	523	464	465	452	107	111	211	115
South Carolina	241	192	181	240	67	62	91	79
Georgia	249	212	164	220	91	76	68	96
Florida	69	69	46	56	45	44	42	46
South Atlantic	1,413	1,245	1,144	1,265	434	424	553	461
Kentucky	243	222	217	217	60	60	79	73
Tennessee	283	233	202	259	92	85	78	108
Alabama	246	197	117	204	92	67	35	84
Mississippi	418	326	253	365	169	159	69	153
East South Central	1,190	978	789	1,045	413	371	261	418
Arkansas	228	187	121	181	159	154	133	158
Louisiana	169	126	96	147	114	101	91	124
Oklahoma	161	145	118	142	62	71	63	64
Texas	358	319	271	311	313	267	251	313
West South Central	916	777	606	781	648	593	538	659
Montana	48	45	41	45	16	14	17	12
Idaho	60	59	57	56	29	26	36	25
Colorado	64	61	60	58	38	33	25	29
N. Mex.-Ariz.	44	39	35	37	93	90	63	93
Wyo.-Utah-Nev.	61	57	48	53	29	28	24	27
Mountain	277	261	241	249	205	191	165	186
Washington	87	85	87	81	44	48	60	50
Oregon	72	68	65	68	39	37	49	35
California	172	169	165	169	326	319	283	312
Pacific	331	322	317	318	409	404	392	397
UNITED STATES	7,214	6,507	5,951	6,442	2,999	2,876	2,822	2,894

1/ Includes farm operators doing one or more hours of farm work and members of their families working 15 hours or more during the survey week without cash wages.
2/ Includes all persons doing one or more hours of farm work during the survey week for pay.
3/ Persons employed during the last full calendar week ending at least one day before the end of the month.

Workers on farms: Average January through September 1959 1/

Region and State	Jan. through Sept. average 1954-58			Jan. through Sept. 1958			Jan. through Sept. 1959		
	Total	Family	Hired	Total	Family	Hired	Total	Family	Hired
	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.	Thous.
New England	189	118	71	176	108	68	167	101	66
New York	198	128	70	185	116	69	176	109	67
New Jersey	56	33	23	54	31	23	51	30	21
Pennsylvania	240	192	48	223	179	44	212	171	41
Middle Atlantic	494	353	141	462	326	136	439	310	129
Ohio	282	238	44	268	226	42	264	224	40
Indiana	258	227	31	239	209	30	235	206	29
Illinois	286	229	57	270	214	56	259	206	53
Michigan	255	210	45	242	197	45	238	192	46
Wisconsin	328	292	36	319	285	34	308	276	32
East North Central	1,409	1,196	213	1,338	1,131	207	1,304	1,104	200
Minnesota	322	272	50	299	254	45	294	248	46
Iowa	315	271	44	306	262	44	300	257	43
Missouri	315	265	50	300	250	50	284	241	43
North Dakota	113	88	25	105	81	24	102	79	23
South Dakota	107	93	14	103	88	15	98	85	13
Nebraska	170	145	25	160	134	26	162	137	25
Kansas	185	156	29	179	148	31	172	143	29
West North Central	1,527	1,290	237	1,452	1,217	235	1,412	1,190	222
Del.-Md.	81	51	30	77	49	28	75	49	26
Virginia	230	167	63	222	158	64	220	157	63
West Virginia	87	72	15	78	64	14	77	63	14
North Carolina	507	387	120	460	337	123	462	341	121
South Carolina	234	161	73	213	139	74	218	145	73
Georgia	224	168	56	200	148	52	200	145	55
Florida	111	58	53	108	57	51	107	51	56
South Atlantic	1,474	1,064	410	1,358	952	406	1,359	951	408
Kentucky	256	205	51	242	190	52	241	191	50
Tennessee	254	201	53	236	186	50	243	191	52
Alabama	170	136	34	145	116	29	150	117	33
Mississippi	322	259	63	276	218	58	278	220	58
East South Central	1,002	801	201	899	710	189	912	719	193
Arkansas	258	163	95	230	136	94	225	136	89
Louisiana	173	108	65	157	93	64	166	98	68
Oklahoma	202	164	38	188	147	41	183	144	39
Texas	486	315	171	461	289	172	452	278	174
West South Central	1,119	750	369	1,036	665	371	1,026	656	370
Montana	58	42	16	55	40	15	53	39	14
Idaho	73	51	22	72	49	23	71	49	22
Colorado	78	59	19	72	54	18	70	53	17
N. Mex.-Ariz.	94	36	58	95	34	61	89	33	56
Wyo.-Utah-Nev.	69	48	21	67	46	21	64	44	20
Mountain	372	236	136	361	223	138	347	218	129
Washington	134	89	45	131	86	45	128	83	45
Oregon	107	72	35	103	68	35	102	68	34
California	373	148	225	368	146	222	381	149	232
Pacific	614	309	305	602	300	302	611	300	311
UNITED STATES	8,200	6,117	2,083	7,684	5,632	2,052	7,577	5,549	2,028

1/ Average of number during survey week of each month.

Farm wage rates by geographic regions, October 1, 1959

Geographic region	July 1, 1958	October 1, 1958	July 1, 1959	October 1, 1959
	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars
PER MONTH WITH HOUSE				
New England	197.00	200.00	202.00	199.00
Middle Atlantic	194.00	194.00	198.00	198.00
East North Central	178.00	180.00	189.00	185.00
West North Central	177.00	172.00	186.00	181.00
Mountain	212.00	218.00	228.00	223.00
Pacific	260.00	266.00	275.00	283.00
PER MONTH WITH BOARD AND ROOM				
New England	149.00	150.00	150.00	146.00
Middle Atlantic	138.00	137.00	139.00	137.00
East North Central	131.00	131.00	139.00	135.00
West North Central	140.00	135.00	147.00	142.00
Mountain	166.00	165.00	174.00	167.00
Pacific	200.00	205.00	211.00	213.00
PER WEEK WITH BOARD AND ROOM				
New England	39.75	39.75	40.75	41.50
Middle Atlantic	36.25	36.25	36.75	35.50
PER WEEK WITHOUT BOARD OR ROOM				
New England	54.00	54.25	55.25	55.50
Middle Atlantic	49.25	49.25	50.50	49.50
PER DAY WITH HOUSE				
South Atlantic	4.45	4.65	4.65	4.70
East South Central	3.75	3.75	3.90	3.95
West South Central	5.40	5.50	5.60	5.70
PER DAY WITH BOARD AND ROOM				
East North Central	6.70	6.70	7.00	6.90
West North Central	7.20	6.90	7.60	7.20
PER DAY WITHOUT BOARD OR ROOM				
New England	9.20	9.70	9.40	9.90
Middle Atlantic	8.60	8.70	8.80	8.70
East North Central	8.30	8.30	8.80	8.60
West North Central	9.00	8.60	9.40	8.90
South Atlantic	5.20	5.50	5.50	5.50
East South Central	4.45	4.45	4.60	4.70
West South Central	6.20	6.20	6.30	6.30
Mountain	8.70	8.50	8.90	8.70
PER HOUR WITH HOUSE				
Pacific	1.09	1.10	1.12	1.15
PER HOUR WITHOUT BOARD OR ROOM				
New England	1.12	1.12	1.13	1.15
Middle Atlantic	1.08	1.10	1.09	1.10
East North Central	1.05	1.06	1.08	1.08
West North Central	1.05	1.04	1.09	1.07
South Atlantic	.65	.68	.68	.70
East South Central	.59	.60	.61	.63
West South Central	.73	.74	.73	.77
Mountain	1.01	.99	1.03	1.01
Pacific	1.17	1.18	1.19	1.21

Farm wage rates October 1, 1958 1/

State and region	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 house	With board and room	Without board or room	With house	Without board or room		
	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	
Maine	197.00	147.00	36.50	51.50	-	-	9.50	-	1.04	.920	528
N. H.	196.00	144.00	39.00	54.50	-	-	9.20	-	1.08	.948	612
Vt.	182.00	150.00	37.00	50.00	-	-	9.00	-	1.10	.929	593
Mass.	209.00	154.00	45.00	58.50	-	-	10.10	-	1.21	1.048	672
R. I.	215.00	156.00	45.00	60.00	-	-	10.00	-	1.18	1.041	709
Conn.	215.00	157.00	45.50	60.00	-	-	10.50	-	1.28	1.092	731
New Eng.	200.00	150.00	39.75	54.25	-	-	9.70	-	1.12	.975	625
N. Y.	197.00	137.00	37.00	50.50	-	-	9.00	-	1.12	.882	543
N. J.	215.00	156.00	40.00	52.75	-	-	9.50	-	1.15	.925	654
Pa.	177.00	127.00	33.25	45.25	-	-	7.90	-	1.03	.803	642
Mid. Atl.	194.00	137.00	36.25	49.25	-	-	8.70	-	1.10	.865	593
Ohio	167.00	124.00	-	-	-	6.50	8.00	-	1.06	.846	572
Ind.	165.00	120.00	-	-	-	5.90	7.60	-	1.03	.820	587
Ill.	188.00	145.00	-	-	-	7.30	8.80	-	1.09	.898	616
Mich.	194.00	129.00	-	-	-	6.90	8.60	-	1.06	.867	578
Wis.	183.00	138.00	-	-	-	6.80	8.60	-	1.07	.876	556
E.N.Cent.	180.00	131.00	-	-	-	6.70	8.30	-	1.06	.862	582
Minn.	177.00	140.00	-	-	-	7.70	9.50	-	1.11	.857	537
Iowa	187.00	151.00	-	-	-	7.80	9.50	-	1.10	.869	535
Mo.	144.00	108.00	-	-	-	5.60	7.20	-	.95	.700	619
N.Dak.	188.00	158.00	-	-	-	7.20	9.00	-	1.05	.845	454
S.Dak.	176.00	143.00	-	-	-	6.90	8.60	-	1.03	.809	480
Nebr.	193.00	146.00	-	-	-	7.10	9.20	-	1.05	.838	559
Kans.	184.00	142.00	-	-	-	7.40	9.20	-	1.07	.840	665
W.N.Cent.	172.00	135.00	-	-	-	6.90	8.60	-	1.04	.803	560
Del.	-	-	-	-	6.70	-	8.60	-	.97	.893	819
Md.	-	-	-	-	6.10	-	7.60	-	.98	.862	846
Va.	-	-	-	-	5.20	-	6.30	-	.78	.684	745
W.Va.	-	-	-	-	5.00	-	5.60	-	.74	.640	493
N.C.	-	-	-	-	4.65	-	5.50	-	.65	.585	659
S.C.	-	-	-	-	3.35	-	4.00	-	.49	.433	579
Ga.	-	-	-	-	3.95	-	4.55	-	.61	.519	567
Fla.	-	-	-	-	5.60	-	6.00	-	.75	.664	665
So. Atl.	-	-	-	-	4.65	-	5.50	-	.68	.600	667
Ky.	-	-	-	-	4.30	-	5.60	-	.77	.711	555
Tenn.	-	-	-	-	3.65	-	4.50	-	.60	.560	496
Ala.	-	-	-	-	3.75	-	4.30	-	.57	.537	518
Miss.	-	-	-	-	3.65	-	4.10	-	.56	.525	504
E.S.Cent.	-	-	-	-	3.75	-	4.45	-	.60	.566	517
Ark.	-	-	-	-	5.00	-	5.50	-	.66	.643	551
La.	-	-	-	-	4.60	-	5.00	-	.63	.608	561
Okla.	-	-	-	-	6.60	-	7.50	-	.91	.883	613
Tex.	-	-	-	-	5.80	-	6.60	-	.78	.761	582
W.S.Cent.	-	-	-	-	5.50	-	6.20	-	.74	.719	578
Mont.	216.00	174.00	-	-	-	-	9.00	-	1.12	.951	461
Idaho	237.00	188.00	-	-	-	-	10.10	-	1.16	1.016	566
Wyo.	218.00	160.00	-	-	-	-	9.10	-	1.12	.944	463
Colo.	206.00	158.00	-	-	-	-	8.90	-	1.01	.882	566
N.Mex.	178.00	130.00	-	-	-	-	6.70	-	.79	.698	569
Ariz.	245.00	175.00	-	-	-	-	8.40	-	.91	.859	573
Utah	220.00	190.00	-	-	-	-	9.10	-	1.14	.976	598
Nev.	240.00	170.00	-	-	-	-	9.10	-	1.16	.981	519
Mountain	218.00	165.00	-	-	-	-	8.50	-	.99	.874	532
Wash.	255.00	209.00	-	-	-	-	-	1.18	1.27	1.237	603
Oreg.	236.00	186.00	-	-	-	-	-	1.12	1.18	1.150	572
Calif.	271.00	207.00	-	-	-	-	-	1.08	1.16	1.138	532
Pacific	266.00	205.00	-	-	-	-	-	1.10	1.18	1.151	545
U. S.	176.00	138.00	34.25	42.25	5.10	6.00	6.70	.96	.88	.795	594

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Farm wage rates October 1, 1959 1/

State and region	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 house	Without board and room	Without board or room	With house	Without board or room		
	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	
Maine	190.00	137.00	40.00	53.00	-	-	10.10	-	1.12	.975	570
N.H.	200.00	144.00	40.00	57.00	-	-	9.30	-	1.11	.974	628
Vt.	184.00	148.00	38.00	52.00	-	-	8.90	-	1.10	.936	598
Mass.	216.00	156.00	44.00	59.00	-	-	10.00	-	1.20	1.042	668
R.I.	219.00	162.00	46.00	61.00	-	-	10.20	-	1.20	1.059	728
Conn.	219.00	163.00	46.00	60.00	-	-	10.60	-	1.28	1.095	740
New Eng.	199.00	146.00	41.50	55.50	-	-	9.90	-	1.15	1.000	641
N.Y.	203.00	138.00	36.00	51.50	-	-	8.80	-	1.13	.887	546
N.J.	212.00	150.00	38.00	52.00	-	-	9.30	-	1.14	.909	643
Pa.	182.00	129.00	33.50	45.25	-	-	8.20	-	1.04	.813	650
Mid. Atl.	198.00	137.00	35.50	49.50	-	-	8.70	-	1.10	.867	600
Ohio	170.00	121.00	-	-	-	6.50	8.30	-	1.06	.845	577
Ind.	172.00	126.00	-	-	-	6.30	7.90	-	1.05	.841	602
Ill.	195.00	149.00	-	-	-	7.40	9.20	-	1.10	.912	626
Mich.	195.00	132.00	-	-	-	7.00	8.70	-	1.07	.876	583
Wis.	193.00	143.00	-	-	-	7.10	8.70	-	1.09	.895	568
E.N.Cent.	185.00	135.00	-	-	-	6.90	8.60	-	1.08	.875	590
Minn.	189.00	146.00	-	-	-	7.90	9.80	-	1.11	.873	548
Iowa	195.00	157.00	-	-	-	8.10	10.00	-	1.15	.907	559
Mo.	155.00	117.00	-	-	-	5.90	7.20	-	.98	.726	642
N.Dak.	189.00	159.00	-	-	-	7.20	9.10	-	1.06	.852	462
S.Dak.	181.00	147.00	-	-	-	7.10	8.90	-	1.03	.820	492
Nebr.	201.00	155.00	-	-	-	7.70	9.70	-	1.10	.880	587
Kans.	195.00	146.00	-	-	-	7.60	9.40	-	1.10	.864	684
W.N.Cent.	181.00	142.00	-	-	-	7.20	8.90	-	1.07	.832	574
Del.	-	-	-	-	6.80	-	8.40	-	1.05	.929	861
Md.	-	-	-	-	6.20	-	7.80	-	1.00	.879	879
Va.	-	-	-	-	5.20	-	6.40	-	.81	.701	764
W.Va.	-	-	-	-	4.90	-	5.50	-	.75	.644	496
N.C.	-	-	-	-	4.85	-	5.80	-	.70	.622	694
S.C.	-	-	-	-	3.50	-	4.00	-	.50	.439	581
Ga.	-	-	-	-	4.10	-	4.70	-	.64	.540	596
Fla.	-	-	-	-	5.30	-	6.00	-	.75	.659	665
So. Atl.	-	-	-	-	4.70	-	5.50	-	.70	.609	677
Ky.	-	-	-	-	4.40	-	5.80	-	.82	.752	591
Tenn.	-	-	-	-	3.90	-	4.90	-	.64	.599	526
Ala.	-	-	-	-	4.00	-	4.55	-	.60	.566	550
Miss.	-	-	-	-	3.70	-	4.10	-	.55	.519	498
E.S.Cent.	-	-	-	-	3.95	-	4.70	-	.63	.589	537
Ark.	-	-	-	-	5.30	-	5.80	-	.73	.704	598
La.	-	-	-	-	4.55	-	5.20	-	.64	.619	567
Okla.	-	-	-	-	6.70	-	7.70	-	.94	.911	632
Tex.	-	-	-	-	6.10	-	6.80	-	.81	.790	605
W.S.Cent.	-	-	-	-	5.70	-	6.30	-	.77	.749	608
Mont.	217.00	177.00	-	-	-	-	9.40	-	1.14	.971	470
Idaho	246.00	191.00	-	-	-	-	9.90	-	1.15	1.013	564
Wyo.	216.00	158.00	-	-	-	-	9.40	-	1.15	.961	472
Colo.	216.00	159.00	-	-	-	-	9.20	-	1.05	.913	586
N.Mex.	180.00	132.00	-	-	-	-	6.90	-	.82	.718	579
Ariz.	245.00	175.00	-	-	-	-	8.80	-	.96	.890	587
Utah	238.00	205.00	-	-	-	-	9.20	-	1.17	1.012	620
Nev.	250.00	160.00	-	-	-	-	9.70	-	1.35	1.078	570
Mountain	223.00	167.00	-	-	-	-	8.70	-	1.01	.894	544
Wash.	265.00	213.00	-	-	-	-	-	1.24	1.28	1.252	611
Oreg.	241.00	179.00	-	-	-	-	-	1.17	1.18	1.154	568
Calif.	291.00	217.00	-	-	-	-	-	1.13	1.20	1.180	551
Pacific	283.00	213.00	-	-	-	-	-	1.15	1.21	1.187	563
U. S.	181.00	141.00	34.25	42.00	5.20	6.00	6.70	.97	.89	.806	602

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Hourly farm wage composites by quarters, 1958 and 1959

State and region	1958				1959			
	Jan. 1	Apr. 1	July 1	Oct. 1	Jan. 1	Apr. 1	July 1	Oct. 1
	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars
Maine	.949	.864	.892	.920	.937	.869	.908	.975
New Hampshire	.964	.909	.954	.948	1.003	.924	.955	.974
Vermont	.890	.860	.911	.929	.925	.863	.914	.936
Massachusetts	1.055	1.005	1.031	1.048	1.065	1.005	1.046	1.042
Rhode Island	1.092	1.009	1.042	1.041	1.079	1.018	1.060	1.059
Connecticut	1.086	1.028	1.065	1.092	1.086	1.032	1.094	1.095
New England	.974	.928	.957	.975	1.004	.937	.974	1.000
New York	.876	.766	.944	.882	.893	.799	.948	.887
New Jersey	.920	.820	.985	.925	.925	.810	.990	.909
Pennsylvania	.778	.691	.858	.803	.799	.717	.878	.813
Middle Atlantic	.841	.745	.917	.865	.868	.774	.932	.867
Ohio	.769	.656	.811	.846	.780	.673	.834	.845
Indiana	.754	.634	.787	.820	.745	.655	.816	.841
Illinois	.849	.714	.871	.898	.861	.737	.892	.912
Michigan	.827	.686	.829	.867	.854	.702	.860	.876
Wisconsin	.815	.690	.837	.876	.830	.709	.862	.895
East North Central	.801	.677	.827	.862	.823	.704	.857	.875
Minnesota	.836	.758	.953	.857	.845	.767	.970	.873
Iowa	.879	.771	.963	.869	.906	.807	1.004	.907
Missouri	.706	.595	.780	.700	.716	.635	.815	.726
North Dakota	.782	.731	.920	.845	.776	.762	.936	.852
South Dakota	.797	.704	.897	.809	.815	.745	.915	.820
Nebraska	.854	.746	.917	.838	.880	.788	.959	.880
Kansas	.830	.727	.950	.840	.867	.747	.964	.864
West North Central	.814	.718	.913	.803	.822	.744	.947	.832
Delaware	.976	.830	.890	.893	1.002	.836	.938	.929
Maryland	.915	.765	.833	.862	.958	.785	.870	.879
Virginia	.703	.582	.641	.684	.715	.612	.660	.701
West Virginia	.650	.554	.604	.640	.689	.576	.627	.644
North Carolina	.632	.535	.582	.585	.637	.546	.611	.622
South Carolina	.461	.387	.412	.433	.466	.407	.431	.439
Georgia	.541	.462	.497	.519	.550	.471	.497	.540
Florida	.737	.616	.645	.664	.723	.594	.679	.659
South Atlantic	.645	.554	.558	.600	.664	.550	.582	.609
Kentucky	.611	.482	.507	.711	.636	.486	.527	.752
Tennessee	.533	.414	.437	.560	.538	.430	.456	.599
Alabama	.522	.428	.423	.537	.539	.426	.432	.566
Mississippi	.507	.400	.405	.525	.500	.399	.408	.519
East South Central	.535	.425	.446	.566	.549	.432	.464	.589
Arkansas	.634	.536	.558	.643	.652	.563	.576	.704
Louisiana	.600	.490	.506	.608	.589	.511	.523	.619
Oklahoma	.843	.715	.814	.883	.863	.755	.828	.911
Texas	.764	.652	.663	.761	.765	.659	.687	.790
West South Central	.719	.597	.643	.719	.723	.611	.650	.749
Montana	.915	.831	.846	.951	.905	.854	.876	.971
Idaho	1.004	.925	.916	1.016	1.010	.911	.928	1.013
Wyoming	.872	.812	.829	.944	.893	.844	.847	.961
Colorado	.854	.785	.802	.882	.882	.807	.822	.913
New Mexico	.703	.626	.634	.698	.726	.640	.646	.718
Arizona	.894	.794	.801	.859	.957	.833	.835	.890
Utah	1.017	.899	.883	.976	1.005	.881	.903	1.012
Nevada	.972	.857	.896	.981	.971	.887	.906	1.078
Mountain	.872	.807	.811	.874	.904	.824	.840	.894
Washington	1.210	1.248	1.200	1.237	1.236	1.197	1.214	1.252
Oregon	1.127	1.101	1.121	1.150	1.160	1.114	1.131	1.154
California	1.170	1.106	1.106	1.138	1.191	1.133	1.136	1.180
Pacific	1.169	1.122	1.128	1.151	1.192	1.138	1.150	1.187
UNITED STATES	.804	.657	.728	.795	.865	.718	.796	.806

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