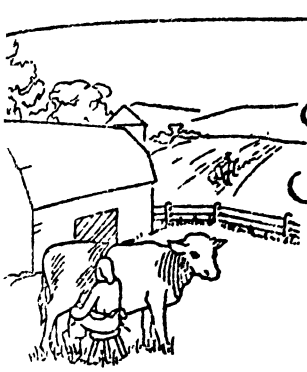

Farm Labor

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MORE PEOPLE AT WORK ON FARMS

More persons were employed on farms on August 1 this year than on that date in any other year since 1942, the Bureau of Agricultural Economics reported today. There were 11,044,000 people engaged in farm work in the entire country, including 8,258,000 farm operators and unpaid members of their families and 2,786,000 hired hands. The total of persons working on farms on August 1 remained above a year earlier by about the same margin as have recent months.

Farm work has moved along very well this year. Little serious delay has occurred because of wet weather, except in some parts of the South. Field work got off to an early start and in many instances harvest is ahead of the usual schedule. Farmers have been able to spread some types of work over longer periods of time than usual and have made more efficient use of the available labor supply. Relatively little complaint of short supplies of workers has been reported, although the number of hired workers employed remained below the 1940-44 average.

The number of family workers on August 1 was about the same as in 1940, before many workers left farm work for industrial jobs and the armed forces. The decline in numbers from a month earlier was about the same as usual. Employment of family workers was above a year earlier by about the same extent as in recent months. In the Northeastern States the number of family workers was a little less than last year, when rains in July had made it necessary to use every available worker on August 1. In all other regions the number of family workers was larger on August 1 than a year ago, except in the East North Central States where the number remained about the same. The number of family workers declined seasonally in all regions, except in the Mountain States where an increase from July 1 to August 1 is normal.

Replacement of hired farm workers who left farm jobs for industrial work and to serve in the armed forces has been slower than that of family workers. For the country as a whole, the number of hired workers on August 1 was larger than in either of the two preceding years, but still was about 10 percent less than during 1940-42. New England was the only region having fewer hired farm workers on August 1 than a year earlier. The East Central States and the Mountain States had about the same number as a year ago, while all other regions showed increases. In the entire country, the number of hired workers employed on farms increased slightly more from

July 1 to August 1 than it did a year earlier, when need for workers was much greater because of unfavorable weather in preceding weeks. Both the 1940-44 and the 1935-39 averages show decreases in the number of hired workers during July.

In the New England States the number of both family and hired workers on August 1 was less than a year ago. Last year every effort was being made to complete work delayed by wet weather in July, whereas this year weather during July was more favorable. On August 1 farmers were making hay, spraying and dusting fruit trees and cultivating and harvesting vegetables. The total number of workers on farms increased less than usual during July. The number of family workers decreased instead of increasing as usual, but there was a larger than usual increase in the number of hired workers.

In the Middle Atlantic States the number of persons working on farms on August 1 was about the same as a year earlier, after about the usual seasonal increase. The contra-seasonal decrease from July 1 in the number of family workers was more than offset by a larger than usual increase in the number of hired hands. Farm work in progress in the region on August 1 included harvesting of hay and small grain, which was about completed in Pennsylvania and New Jersey. Plowing for fall grains had started in Pennsylvania. On Long Island, onions and potatoes were being harvested. Potatoes also were being harvested in central New Jersey, as were apples and peaches. In Southern New Jersey some tomatoes were starting to move to canneries, while tomatoes and other vegetables were being harvested for the fresh market.

In the East North Central States the small grain harvest was nearing completion on August 1, except for oats in Michigan and Wisconsin. Fall plowing was under way in most of Ohio, Indiana and Illinois. A job requiring considerable labor in Illinois was detasseling corn hybrids for seed. With work well in hand, the combined total of both family and hired workers was about the same as a year ago.

With farm work on schedule in the West North Central States and little interference from adverse weather conditions, the number of both family and hired workers showed the usual seasonal changes during July. Both groups of workers on August 1 were larger than a year ago. The northward movement of the small grain harvest had reached North Dakota and Minnesota, with the job nearly completed as far north as northern Nebraska. Wherever the small grain harvest had been completed, fall plowing was starting.

The number of persons employed in the South Atlantic States on August 1 exceeded the August 1, 1945 number more than was the case for any other region. The decrease from July 1 in the number of family workers was less than usual, while the number of hired workers was up slightly compared with the usual decrease. The cotton crop required very little labor around August 1 either this year or last, but wet weather a year ago interfered seriously with tobacco harvest. The citrus harvest in Florida was about completed by August 1 and a few early sweet potatoes were being dug. In Georgia and South Carolina, peaches and watermelons were almost all harvested. The peanut harvest and cotton picking were starting in southern areas of these States. Tobacco was almost all cut in South Carolina. Harvest

of tobacco was in full swing in North Carolina, with the job approximately half completed. Peach picking was starting in Virginia and West Virginia.

In the East South Central States, the numbers of both family and hired wokers decreased less than usual during July. On August 1 hired workers totaled about the same as a year earlier, but family workers were more numerous. Farm work was generally in a seasonal lull but some hay was being made. In Mississippi rain was causing some delay in field work.

The number of farm workers, both family and hired, in the West South Central States decreased less than usual during July, in line with the general trend in the South. Both family and hired workers numbered more this year on August 1 than a year earlier, with hired workers showing the greater percentage increase. Major harvest operations in the region were largely confined to Texas, except for hay making in all States and brooncorn harvest in Oklahoma. In southern Texas the harvests of cotton, peanuts, and sorghums were well under way, with some sorghum grain being harvested in most of the State except the farm northern panhandle. Plowing for fall grains was nearing completion in Texas and Oklahoma.

The number of persons working on farms in the Mountain States increased seasonally, with the number of hired workers up more than usual. Their number, however, was only about as large as a year earlier, while the number of family workers was larger. Small grain harvesting was under way in Montana, Idaho, and Wyoming and was nearly completed in Colorado and Utah. Harvest operations also were in progress for dry peas, potatoes, carrots, onions, and apricots in Idaho, peaches in southern Utah, and potatoes in the Greeley area of Colorado. Hay harvest was general in all the region.

In the Pacific States on August 1, farm activities were approaching their peak. In California farm work consisted principally of citrus harvesting, planting, cultivation, irrigation and harvest of commercial vegetables; alfalfa hay, harvest completion of small grain harvest and the harvest of early fruit. The small grain harvest was an important task in both Washington and Oregon. Potatoes were also being harvested in Malheur County, Oregon. The number of persons employed on farms on August 1 in the entire region was up slightly from a year earlier. Both family and hired workers showed the usual seasonal change in numbers, a slight decrease in family workers and a moderate increase in hired workers.

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Farm labor: Wage rates, persons employed, indexes and related data, United States, August 1, 1946, with comparisons

	Annual average 1910-14	Annual average 1935-39	August 1, 1945	July 1, 1946	August 1, 1946
FARM WAGE RATES					
Per month, with board	$22.09	$26.01	---	$92.00	---
Per month, without board	29.18	34.17	---	106.00	---
Per day, with board	1.16	1.23	---	4.25	---
Per day, without board	1.42	1.50	---	4.84	---
Composite rate per month 1/	24.76	29.15	---	96.50	---
FARM WAGE RATE INDEXES					
Unadjusted	100	118	---	390	---
Adjusted for seasonal variation	100	118	---	378	---
FARM WAGE RATE INDEXES BY REGIONS:					
New England	100	143	---	367	---
Middle Atlantic	100	129	---	374	---
East North Central	100	115	---	342	---
West North Central	100	98	---	346	---
South Atlantic	100	111	---	336	---
East South Central	100	101	---	292	---
West South Central	100	102	---	350	---
Mountain	100	106	---	339	---
Pacific	100	129	---	126	---
FARM EMPLOYMENT (thousands of persons)					
Total	12,052	10,920	10,612	11,586	11,044
Family labor	9,160	8,353	7,970	8,875	8,258
Hired labor	2,892	2,567	2,642	2,711	2,786
FARM EMPLOYMENT INDEXES (Adjusted for seasonal variation)					
Total	100	91	83	84	86
Family labor	100	91	85	87	88
Hired labor	100	89	75	74	79
RELATED INDEXES					
Prices received by farmers 2/	100	107	205	231	3/ 244
Ratio of prices received to farm wage rates	100	91	---	59	---
Average weekly factory earnings 4/	100	199	374	---	---

1/ Weighted average of monthly rates with and without board, and daily rates with and without board converted to a monthly basis.
2/ Average of th 15th of the given and the 15th of the previous month.
3/ July 15, 1946 - latest data available.
4/ Factory payroll per employed workers; average of all weeks during the designated month. Revised April 1946.

Based on reports from 16,796 farmers.

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Farm employment: Persons employed, United States and geographic divisions, August 1, 1946, with comparisons

TOTAL FARM EMPLOYMENT

Geographic division	August average 1935-39	July 1, 1945	August 1, 1945	July 1, 1946	August 1, 1946
	1,000's	1,000's	1,000's	1,000's	1,000's
United States	11,515	11,100	10,612	11,586	11,044
New England	297	277	301	275	289
Middle Atlantic	732	734	762	760	765
East North Central	1,635	1,462	1,528	1,513	1,531
West North Central	1,891	1,725	1,741	1,816	1,790
South Atlantic	2,305	2,147	1,922	2,271	2,134
East South Central	1,669	1,759	1,408	1,776	1,496
West South Central	1,855	1,879	1,723	1,994	1,796
Mountain	502	443	560	473	509
Pacific	629	674	727	708	734
FAMILY WORKERS 1/					
United States	8,532	8,556	7,970	8,875	8,258
New England	178	175	176	182	169
Middle Atlantic	457	461	457	473	451
East North Central	1,223	1,193	1,220	1,233	1,224
West North Central	1,422	1,447	1,414	1,502	1,445
South Atlantic	1,772	1,703	1,518	1,790	1,647
East South Central	1,425	1,544	1,224	1,562	1,312
West South Central	1,410	1,441	1,329	1,502	1,367
Mountain	309	282	322	311	331
Pacific	336	310	310	320	312
HIRED WORKERS					
United States	2,983	2,544	2,642	2,711	2,786
New England	119	102	125	93	120
Middle Atlantic	275	273	305	287	314
East North Central	412	269	308	280	307
West North Central	469	278	327	314	345
South Atlantic	533	444	404	481	487
East South Central	244	215	184	214	184
West South Central	445	438	394	492	429
Mountain	193	161	178	162	178
Pacific	293	364	417	388	422

1/ Including farm operators and members of their families working without wages.

Based on reports from 16,796 farmers who reported for their own farms the number of family and hired workers doing 2 or more days of work during the week of inquiry.

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Farm employment: Total, family and hired workers, United States, specified annual averages and by months, Jan. 1945 - August 1946 1/

Year and month	Total farm employment	Family workers 2/	Hired workers
	1,000's	1,000's	1,000's
1910-14 av.	12,052	9,160	2,892
1935-39 av.	10,920	8,353	2,567
1939 av.	10,740	8,145	2,595
1940 av.	10,585	8,019	2,566
1941 av.	10,361	7,829	2,532
1942 av.	10,397	7,855	2,542
1943 av.	10,263	7,857	2,406
1944 av.	10,037	7,810	2,227
1945 av.	9,844	7,726	2,118
January 1	8,005	6,571	1,434
February 1	8,951	6,557	1,494
March 1	8,414	6,894	1,520
April 1	8,982	7,322	1,660
May 1	10,017	8,153	1,864
June 1	10,994	8,637	2,357
July 1	11,100	8,556	2,544
August 1	10,612	7,970	2,642
September 1	10,907	8,094	2,813
October 1	11,052	8,558	2,494
November 1	10,747	8,178	2,569
December 1	9,245	7,217	2,028
1946 av.	- -	- -	- -
January 1	7,732	6,412	1,320
February 1	7,799	6,375	1,424
March 1	8,263	6,774	1,489
April 1	9,121	7,469	1,652
May 1	10,366	8,391	1,975
June 1	11,422	8,969	2,453
July 1	11,586	8,875	2,711
August 1	11,044	8,258	2,786

1/ Annual averages are straight averages of first of month employment estimates.

2/ Includes farm operators and members of their families working without wages.

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Farm employment: Persons employed and index numbers, by type of farming area, January 1945 to date 1/

Year and month	Corn Area						Eastern Dairy Area					
	2/			Index 3/			2/			Index 3/		
	Family	Hired	Total	Family	Hired	Total	Family	Hired	Total	Family	Hired	Total
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1945	974	185	1,159	86	46	76	494	233	727	77	69	74
Jan.	889	130	1,019	79	32	66	444	150	594	69	44	61
Feb.	862	138	1,000	76	34	65	444	144	582	70	44	59
Mar.	918	132	1,050	81	33	68	454	158	612	71	47	63
Apr.	959	156	1,115	85	39	73	486	174	660	76	51	67
May	992	177	1,169	88	44	76	488	205	693	76	60	71
June	1,035	206	1,241	92	51	81	490	250	740	77	74	76
July	1,017	231	1,248	90	57	81	548	314	862	86	93	88
Aug.	1,037	251	1,288	92	62	84	550	359	909	86	106	93
Sept.	1,026	232	1,258	91	58	82	526	312	838	82	92	86
Oct.	995	174	1,169	88	43	76	503	260	763	79	77	78
Nov.	1,008	207	1,215	89	51	79	507	260	767	79	77	78
Dec.	954	190	1,144	84	47	75	484	209	693	76	62	71
1946												
Jan.	882	130	1,012	78	32	66	442	148	590	69	44	60
Feb.	848	136	984	75	34	64	438	149	587	69	44	60
Mar.	879	132	1,011	78	33	66	456	158	614	71	47	63
Apr.	997	160	1,137	86	40	74	486	190	676	76	56	69
May	983	197	1,180	87	49	77	500	224	724	78	66	74
June	1,059	213	1,272	94	53	83	506	254	760	79	75	78
July	1,052	229	1,281	93	57	84	563	322	885	88	95	90
Aug.	1,030	247	1,277	91	61	83	537	361	898	84	106	92

Year and month	Western Dairy Area						Middle Eastern Area					
1945	670	132	802	93	59	85	1,381	235	1,616	84	55	78
Jan.	609	103	712	85	46	76	1,175	198	1,373	72	47	66
Feb.	595	110	705	83	46	75	1,173	187	1,360	71	44	66
Mar.	631	103	734	88	46	78	1,245	187	1,432	76	44	69
Apr.	653	112	765	91	50	81	1,279	209	1,488	78	49	72
May	682	128	810	95	58	86	1,434	221	1,655	87	52	80
June	705	138	843	98	62	89	1,561	256	1,817	95	60	88
July	739	144	883	103	65	94	1,578	258	1,836	96	61	89
Aug.	717	175	892	100	79	95	1,470	252	1,722	89	59	83
Sept.	680	170	850	94	76	90	1,498	303	1,801	91	71	87
Oct.	680	139	819	94	62	87	1,465	263	1,728	89	62	84
Nov.	688	148	836	96	66	89	1,413	256	1,669	86	60	81
Dec.	664	112	776	92	50	82	1,271	229	1,500	77	54	73
1946												
Jan.	588	94	682	82	42	72	1,164	158	1,322	71	37	64
Feb.	593	100	693	82	45	74	1,154	178	1,332	70	42	64
Mar.	618	101	719	86	45	76	1,231	195	1,426	75	46	69
Apr.	653	111	764	91	50	81	1,348	214	1,562	82	50	76
May	699	129	828	97	58	88	1,501	235	1,726	91	55	84
June	731	138	869	102	62	92	1,609	252	1,861	98	59	90
July	758	157	915	105	71	97	1,630	280	1,910	99	66	92
Aug.	728	189	917	101	85	97	1,536	297	1,833	93	70	89

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Year and Month	Eastern Cotton Area						Delta Cotton Area					
	2/			Index 3/			2/			Index 3/		
	Family	Hired	Total	Family	Hired	Total	Family	Hired	Total	Family	Hired	Total
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1945	897	259	1,156	64	82	67	953	191	1,144	87	76	85
Jan.	625	159	784	44	51	46	745	97	842	68	38	63
Feb.	622	173	795	44	55	46	752	128	880	69	51	66
Mar.	698	199	897	50	63	52	749	105	854	69	41	64
Apr.	820	215	1,035	58	68	60	843	128	971	77	51	72
May	1,038	258	1,296	74	82	75	1,056	136	1,192	97	54	89
June	1,152	336	1,488	82	107	86	1,130	216	1,346	104	86	100
July	1,062	286	1,348	75	91	78	1,119	240	1,359	103	95	101
Aug.	815	253	1,068	58	80	62	941	167	1,108	86	66	83
Sept.	952	331	1,283	68	105	74	934	177	1,111	86	70	83
Oct.	1,161	385	1,546	82	122	90	1,227	276	1,503	113	109	112
Nov.	1,079	336	1,415	77	107	82	1,052	331	1,383	97	131	103
Dec.	740	182	922	53	58	54	889	288	1,177	82	114	88
1946												
Jan.	662	139	801	47	44	46	669	93	762	61	37	57
Feb.	618	167	785	44	53	46	675	107	782	62	42	58
Mar.	719	183	902	51	58	52	747	133	880	69	53	66
Apr.	853	202	1,055	61	64	61	857	132	989	79	52	74
May	1,084	234	1,318	77	74	76	1,124	134	1,258	103	53	94
June	1,199	330	1,529	85	105	89	1,215	251	1,466	111	99	109
July	1,137	295	1,432	81	94	83	1,125	228	1,353	103	90	101
Aug.	918	286	1,204	65	91	70	1,001	172	1,173	92	68	87

Year and Month	Western Cotton Area						Small Grain Area					
1945	773	235	1,008	80	94	83	584	112	696	95	62	88
Jan.	639	155	794	66	62	65	528	71	599	86	39	75
Feb.	665	173	847	69	71	69	527	67	594	86	37	75
Mar.	688	198	886	71	79	73	553	65	618	90	36	78
Apr.	730	205	935	76	82	77	573	70	643	93	39	81
May	831	205	1,036	86	82	85	592	91	683	97	50	86
June	882	280	1,162	92	112	96	626	121	747	102	67	94
July	838	262	1,100	87	105	91	629	139	768	103	77	97
Aug.	769	271	1,040	80	108	86	637	169	806	104	93	101
Sept.	783	238	1,026	82	95	85	619	213	832	101	118	105
Oct.	896	254	1,150	93	101	95	590	133	723	96	73	91
Nov.	840	296	1,136	87	118	94	581	117	698	95	65	88
Dec.	717	284	997	74	113	82	550	94	644	90	52	81
1946												
Jan.	617	147	764	64	59	63	496	51	547	81	28	69
Feb.	651	158	809	68	63	67	504	57	561	82	31	71
Mar.	669	160	829	69	64	68	525	59	584	86	33	74
Apr.	727	170	897	75	68	74	582	68	650	95	38	82
May	844	211	1,055	88	84	87	616	116	732	100	64	92
June	926	298	1,224	96	119	101	650	119	769	106	66	97
July	869	328	1,197	90	131	99	666	160	826	109	88	104
Aug.	788	304	1,092	82	121	90	663	182	845	108	100	106

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Year and month	Range Area						Northwestern Area					
	2/			Index 3/			2/			Index 3/		
	Family	Hired	Total	Family	Hired	Total	Family	Hired	Total	Family	Hired	Total
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1945												
Jan.	168	63	231	111	62	92	186	40	226	117	51	95
Feb.	172	53	225	114	52	89	197	39	236	124	50	100
Mar.	179	72	251	118	71	99	198	37	235	125	47	99
Apr.	182	69	251	120	68	99	204	46	250	128	59	105
May	188	76	264	124	75	105	216	57	273	136	73	115
June	200	114	314	132	113	124	220	81	301	138	104	127
July	169	107	276	112	106	109	206	157	363	130	201	153
Aug.	204	116	320	135	115	127	214	197	411	135	253	173
Sept	203	135	338	134	133	134	231	203	434	145	260	183
Oct.	191	100	291	126	99	115	201	126	327	126	162	138
Nov.	193	106	299	128	105	118	199	128	327	125	164	138
Dec.	182	66	248	120	65	98	192	69	261	121	88	110
1946												
Jan.	161	55	216	106	54	86	182	41	223	114	53	94
Feb.	161	50	213	108	49	84	197	37	234	124	47	99
Mar.	165	62	227	109	61	90	199	42	241	125	54	102
Apr.	181	76	247	120	75	102	201	45	246	126	58	104
May	199	83	282	132	82	112	211	65	276	133	83	116
June	202	114	316	134	113	125	222	92	314	140	118	132
July	195	111	306	129	110	121	212	154	366	133	197	154
Aug.	208	121	329	138	120	130	217	196	413	136	251	174

1/ Corn Area: Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, and Iowa; Eastern Dairy Area; New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Connecticut, New York and Pennsylvania; Western Dairy Area; Michigan, Wisconsin, and Minnesota; Middle Eastern Area; Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, North Carolina, Kentucky and Tennessee Eastern Cotton Area: South Carolina, Georgia and Alabama; Delta Cotton Area; Mississippi, Arkansas, and Louisiana; Western Cotton Area; Oklahoma and Texas; Small Grains Area; North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas, and Montana; Range Area; Wyoming, Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona, Utah and Nevada; Northwestern Area: Washington, Oregon and Idaho.

2/ Includes farm operators and members of their families doing farm work without wages.

3/ 1910-14 = 100.

Farm labor program: Foreign workers employed in agriculture, July 26, 1946 1/

State	Mexicans	Jamaicans	Bahamians	British Hondurans	Barbadians	Newfoundlanders	Total
Maine		29	20			51	100
N. H.	2/ 28	21				40	89
Vt.	2/112					100	212
Mass.		214				45	259
R.I.						6	6
Conn.		1,946	1			57	2,004
N.Y.	2/226	2,189	353	130	69	197	3,164
N.J.		1,431	46		69	54	1,600
Pa.		258	116		80	55	509
Ohio		818					818
Ind.	87	175					262
Ill.	170	801	4				975
Mich.	2,164	517					2,681
Wis.	1,828	1,440	31	5	191		3,495
Minn.	1,088	140					1,228
Iowa	1,378	197					1,575
Mo.		44					44
N. Dak.							—
S. Dak.	297						297
Nebr.	839						839
Kans.	212						212
Del.		285	149		80	9	523
Md.		602	883		16	10	1,511
Va.			450				450
W. Va.							—
N. C.			1,260				1,260
S. C.							—
Ga.							—
Fla.		8	1,184		2,361		3,553
Ky.							—
Tenn.			204				204
Ala.							—
Miss.							—
Ark.							—
La.							—
Okla.							—
Tex.							—
Mont.	1,158						1,158
Idaho	1,959						1,959
Wyo.	328						328
Colo.	717						717
N. Mex.	23						23
Ariz.	1,074						1,074
Utah	704						704
Nev.	426						426
Wash.	2,788						2,788
Oreg.	1,625						1,625
Calif.	20,484						20,484
U. S.	39,349	11,115	4,701	135	2,866	624	59,156

1/ Data provided by Reguirements and Certifications Sections, Program Division, Labor Branch, P.M.A.

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Farm labor program: Farm labor placements, June 1946 1/

State	June		January 1 - June 30	
	1945	1946	1945	1946
Maine	697	1,678	1,124	2,309
N. H.	708	930	1,199	1,537
Vt.	557	464	1,189	922
Mass.	955	484	2,203	1,578
R. I.	89	27	148	82
Conn.	2,786	2,054	7,019	6,151
N. Y.	17,107	27,471	34,571	50,336
N. J.	20,083	5,221	45,281	9,957
Pa.	3,077	1,567	5,914	3,460
Ohio	3,626	6,036	9,079	10,448
Ind.	6,449	1,921	9,468	3,446
Ill.	5,838	4,448	21,862	13,724
Mich.	14,845	17,139	17,153	20,090
Wis.	3,517	4,270	7,028	6,313
Minn.	3,071	1,894	7,030	6,078
Iowa	6,734	1,178	17,413	3,661
Mo.	3,268	2,573	12,152	4,432
N. Dak.	2,882	3,298	19,601	8,721
S. Dak.	5,684	5,447	7,125	7,549
Nebr.	11,778	995	27,360	2,850
Kans.	3,912	2,220	5,072	2,620
Del.	1,730	960	4,391	2,358
Md.	20,857	12,898	34,360	30,157
Va.	18,090	18,231	33,783	21,832
W. Va.	386	87	1,252	441
N. C.	24,611	31,612	47,574	53,119
S. C.	11,212	3,032	25,932	6,786
Ga.	14,326	11,537	50,337	34,547
Fla.	2,742	174	22,288	18,119
Ky.	8,299	1,090	21,433	10,146
Tenn.	20,357	5,066	79,056	28,026
Ala.	1,463	3,138	16,391	11,075
Miss.	15,959	11,388	64,375	66,287
Ark.	64,474	23,940	146,245	104,198
La.	9,254	8,635	31,279	26,682
Okla.	27,085	16,483	88,888	49,065
Tex.	58,818	28,351	156,369	75,789
Mont.	15,461	15,307	21,564	22,596
Idaho	52,055	75,080	74,837	121,746
Wyo.	1,371	5,683	3,903	7,862
Colo.	17,527	23,027	28,437	44,546
N. Mex.	4,587	1,963	22,395	8,050
Ariz.	2,611	488	37,181	25,682
Utah	29,121	27,173	34,143	35,660
Nev.	551	539	2,266	1,930
Wash.	41,889	48,141	82,358	72,245
Oreg.	8,272	25,249	23,892	47,667
Calif.	67,356	66,425	277,965	238,397
Total	658,127	557,012	1,691,885	1,331,272

1/ Data from monthly reports of Extension Farm Labor Program, Extension Service, U.S.D.A., Washington, D. C.

Farm labor program: Placements of World War II veterans on farms, United States, by months, January 1945 - June 1946 1/

Month	As hired hands	As tenants or sharecroppers	All placements
1945			
January	513	80	593
February	730	116	846
March	910	167	1,077
April	1,149	140	1,289
May	1,229	85	1,314
June	1,718	76	1,794
July	3,024	86	3,110
August	3,791	140	3,931
September	3,873	196	4,069
October	5,529	378	5,907
November	4,892	663	5,555
December	4,378	505	4,883
Total	31,736	2,632	34,368
1946			
January	3,186	1,750	4,936
February	3,544	1,844	5,388
March	4,538	1,527	6,065
April	5,707	1,627	7,334
May	8,048	990	9,038
June	12,569	974	13,543

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Farm labor program: Placements of World War II veterans on farms, by geographic divisions, June 1946 1/

Area	As hired hands	As tenants or sharecroppers	All placements
New England	98	0	98
Middle Atlantic	285	36	321
East North Central	1,169	85	1,254
West North Central	1,176	30	1,206
South Atlantic	258	143	401
East South Central	485	249	734
West South Central	2,594	413	3,007
Mountain	2,467	16	2,483
Pacific	4,037	2	4,039
United States	12,569	974	13,543

1/ Data from monthly reports of Extension Farm Labor Program, Extension Service, U.S.D.A., Washington, D. C.

SPECIFIC WAGE CEILINGS ISSUED, AMENDED OR REVOKED JULY 1946 1/

CALIFORNIA

APPLES. Harvesting apples in Sonoma County. No. 53, amended July 31, 1946

Maximum wage rates: Tree-picking apples, 85 cents per hour or 16 cents per 42-pound box or equivalent measure. Picking apples from the ground, 85 cents per hour or $4.00 per ton.

PEARS, PRUNES, WALNUTS, AND HOPS. Picking pears, prunes, walnuts, and hops in Lake County. No. 58, amended July 26, 1946.

Maximum wage rates: Hourly rates: picking pears, prunes, walnuts and hops, $1.00. Piece rates: tree-picking pears, 15 cents per Stewart lug or the equivalent; picking prunes from the ground, 25 cents per box containing 50 pounds; picking hops, 3¼ cents per pounds; the piece rate for knocking and picking up of walnuts, or for the picking up of walnuts only may not exceed an amount equal to the cost per sack or other unit of measurement if such work were paid for on an hourly basis under the conditions in that individual orchard at the time of picking.

1/ Data from Wage Stabilization Division, Labor Branch, PMA

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