Farm Labor

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FARM WORK AT YEAR-END LOW
WAGE RATES CONTINUE MODERATE INCREASE

Cold weather and time out for Christmas reduced farm work in the December 22-28 survey week. A total of 4,758,000 persons made up the farm working force - 4 percent under the comparable week in 1962. Farm operators and family members working without wages on home farms supplied 3,940,000 workers, 2 percent less than in December 1962. The number of hired workers in the survey week at 818,000 was 12 percent less than in December 1962 and a new record low for any month. Near-record cold and heavy snowfall blanketed large areas in the eastern half of the nation and on many farms restricted activity to only the most necessary maintenance work and livestock care. Many seasonal crop activities in less wintry areas also were less extensive than usual for the date.

Fewer Workers Produced Record 1963 Farm Output

Each farm work year is different, farm by farm and area by area. Weather and crop progress change the timing and intensity of work. Each new machine or change in method also plays its part. These changes on the approximately 3.6 million farms in operation in 1963 nationally helped bring two outstanding results: (1) Record farm production; (2) Fewer farm workers needed and used.

The index of U.S. total crop production in 1963 reached a new record of 112 (1957-59=100) compared with the old record of 108 in 1960. High per acre yields boosted the total. In comparison, the average number of persons working on farms in monthly survey periods was only 86 percent of the 1957-59 average. It was a good year for farm work in most sections, with long periods of warm open weather aiding cultivation, crop maturity and harvest. Soil moisture scarcity or impending drought threatened crops in many sections, but most crops came through well. At the year's end water supplies for livestock or future crops still needed replenishing on many farms. Machines were used more widely and efficiently than ever in all phases of farming and worker shortages were less frequently reported than usual. The extension of machine and herbicide use in cotton growing and harvest was notable in a year which set an all time record yield average of well over a bale of lint per acre.

Farm Wage Rates Edge Upward

The 1963 annual averages of wage rates for all specified hiring arrangements were up moderately from last year in all States. The United States composite hourly wage rate, reflecting cash payments for all hiring arrangements, averaged 88.0 cents per hour, 3 percent above 1962. The index of the

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composite rate reached 677 percent of the 1910-14 base. The greatest change from last year was a 4-percent increase in wages paid per hour without board or room, bringing the United States average under this hiring arrangement to $1.05 per hour. The annual average rate per month with house, at $206, and per day without board or room, at $6.90, were both up 3 percent. Although there was a general increase in farm wage rates, cotton pickers received on the average the same pay rates as in the 1962 harvesting season despite this year's bumper crop. Rates for hand harvesting 100 pounds of seed cotton averaged $2.70 during the 1963 harvest season to November 1.

On January 1, 1964, farmers were paying wage rates that averaged about 2 percent above a year earlier. The January 1 U.S. composite, reflecting all reported rates, averaged 96.2 cents per hour, lifting the composite rate index to 673 percent of its 1910-14 base period average. Wages per hour without board or room averaged $1.14, up 1 percent from last January. The average rate per month with house, at $209, was 2 percent above last year, and rates per day without board or room averaged $7.00, up 3 percent.

All farm wage rates reported represent cash wages paid on farms of crop and livestock reporters and the prevailing wage rates in their localities for the hiring arrangements specified, exclusive of values of other items furnished hired workers as a part of total wages.

Warmer Sections Keep Crop Work Going

In Christmas week, travelers in the farm areas of the south and southwest could see crop work in progress, readying future supplies for city supermarkets. Pruning and dormant spraying of California fruit and grape plantings proceeded on schedule. Harvest of navel oranges was heavy in the East San Joaquin citrus area, and the olive harvest continued. The cotton harvest progressed in desert valleys of California and in Arizona, where nearly 90 percent of the crop had been picked by December 28. Arizona growers were planting small grains and safflower and harvesting citrus and vegetables. In New Mexico, machine picking of pecans was in final stages. Muddy fields in Texas vegetable areas slowed harvest work. In the Texas High Plains, however, the weather cleared and warmed on Christmas Day and cotton stripping machines again rolled through the fields. About a fifth of the High Plains crop remained in the field at this time. Louisiana sugarcane harvest continued at a slow pace with about 10 percent remaining for harvest. Florida orange harvest maintained at large volume, but grapefruit and tangerine picking were only half that of the previous week. Florida vegetable shipments dropped to equal 1,590 carlots compared with 2,030 cars the previous week.

Farm employment and indexes, December 1963, with comparisons, United States

	Annual average 1957-61 1/	Annual average 1962	Annual average 1963	December average 1957-61 1/	December 22-29 1962	December 22-28 1963
FARM EMPLOYMENT (Thousands)						
Total	7,284	6,700	6,519	5,382	4,963	4,758
Family labor	5,353	4,873	4,736	4,389	4,034	3,940
Hired labor	1,931	1,827	1,783	993	929	818
INDEXES 2/ (1910-14=100)						
Total	54	49	48	53	49	47
Family labor	53	48	47	52	48	47
Hired labor	57	54	52	57	53	47
(1957-59=100)						
Total	98	90	86	97	89	85
Family labor	98	88	86	96	88	86
Hired labor	98	93	91	98	92	81

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, January 1, 1964, United States

	Annual average 1963	January average 1957-61	Jan. 1, 1963	Jan. 1, 1964
FARM WAGE RATES				
Composite rate per hour 1/	$ 0.880	$ 0.852	$ 0.948	$ 0.962
Per month with house	206	183	205	209
Per month with board and room	159	145	161	163
Per week with board and room	37.50	33.50	36.25	37.25
Per week without board and room	48.50	43.75	48.00	48.00
Per day with house	5.70	5.10	5.70	6.00
Per day with board and room	6.90	6.00	6.60	6.80
Per day without board or room	7.10	6.30	6.80	7.00
Per hour with house	.94	.77	.88	.88
Per hour without board or room	1.05	1.02	1.13	1.14
INDEXES 2/				
(1910-14=100)	677	600	663	673
(1957-59=100)	116	103	114	115

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

Workers on Farms, December 1963
(Thousands of persons)

Region and State	December Average 1957-61 1/			December 1962 Week of 23-29			December 1963 Week of 22-28		
	Total	Family	Hired	Total	Family	Hired	Total	Family	Hired
Maine	28	19	9	22	15	7	22	16	6
N. H.	10	8	2	8	6	2	9	7	2
Vt.	25	19	6	22	17	5	20	16	4
Mass.	26	18	8	21	15	6	22	16	6
R. I.	4	2	2	3	2	1	3	2	1
Conn.	20	14	6	18	12	6	16	12	4
N. Eng.	113	80	33	94	67	27	92	69	23
N. Y.	137	99	38	128	91	37	115	86	29
N. J.	31	20	11	26	17	9	25	17	8
Pa.	154	131	23	132	113	19	133	117	16
M. Atl.	322	250	72	286	221	65	273	220	53
Ohio	199	185	14	181	168	13	182	171	11
Ind.	186	172	14	174	161	13	160	150	10
Ill.	206	177	29	196	170	26	178	155	23
Mich.	177	154	23	157	134	23	155	137	18
Wis.	253	235	18	227	211	16	219	202	17
E. N. Cent.	1021	923	98	935	844	91	894	815	79
Minn.	196	182	14	180	168	12	185	175	10
Iowa	224	210	14	218	203	15	210	198	12
Mo.	228	210	18	223	206	17	213	201	12
N. Dak.	64	55	9	59	51	8	52	47	5
S. Dak.	73	67	6	69	63	6	70	65	5
Nebr.	129	117	12	121	110	11	116	106	10
Kans.	126	117	9	115	106	9	115	108	7
W. N. Cent.	1040	958	82	985	907	78	961	900	61
Del.	7	5	2	8	5	3	7	5	2
Md.	43	31	12	40	30	10	38	29	9
Va.	140	118	22	126	105	21	123	105	18
W. Va.	60	53	7	54	48	6	46	40	6
N. C.	265	237	28	250	219	31	224	203	21
S. C.	123	100	23	116	92	24	99	79	20
Ga.	117	95	22	99	81	18	94	74	20
Fla.	126	40	86	122	37	85	121	32	89
S. Atl.	881	679	202	815	617	198	752	567	185
Ky.	197	180	17	201	182	19	211	193	18
Tenn.	191	169	22	171	151	20	159	146	13
Ala.	111	94	17	97	81	16	95	83	12
Miss.	149	126	23	121	96	25	124	104	20
E. S. Cent.	648	569	79	590	510	80	589	526	63
Ark.	125	102	23	117	90	27	95	82	13
La.	95	76	19	87	70	17	78	63	15
Okla.	122	112	10	112	102	10	119	109	10
Tex.	301	223	78	285	210	75	265	205	60
W. S. Cent.	643	513	130	601	472	129	557	459	98
Mont.	36	30	6	34	29	5	36	30	6
Idaho	44	37	7	44	38	6	42	36	6
Wyo.	14	11	3	12	10	2	13	10	3
Colo.	45	38	7	46	39	7	40	34	6
N.Mex.	39	22	17	33	20	13	28	17	11
Ariz.	54	9	45	41	9	32	41	8	33
Utah	24	21	3	24	21	3	22	20	2
Nev.	3	2	1	3	2	1	3	2	1
Mount.	259	170	89	237	168	69	225	157	68
Wash.	74	62	12	64	52	12	67	52	15
Oreg.	65	56	9	66	56	10	64	55	9
Calif.	316	129	187	290	120	170	284	120	164
Pac.	455	247	208	420	228	192	415	227	188
U.S.	5382	4389	993	4963	4034	929	4758	3940	818

1/ Persons employed during the last full calendar week ending at least one day before the end of the month. Estimates for Alaska, (not included above): Family, 600 persons; hired, 300 persons.

Workers on Farms, Annual Averages
(Thousands of persons)

Region and State	Jan.-Dec. Average 1957-61			Jan.-Dec. Average 1962			Jan.-Dec. Average 1963		
	Total	Family	Hired	Total	Family	Hired	Total	Family	Hired
Maine	39	22	17	31	19	12	32	19	13
N. H.	14	10	4	10	7	3	10	7	3
Vt.	30	22	8	24	19	5	25	19	6
Mass.	38	23	15	32	20	12	30	19	11
R. I.	5	3	2	4	3	1	3	2	1
Conn.	27	18	9	25	16	9	24	15	9
N. Eng.	153	98	55	126	84	42	124	81	43
N. Y.	171	111	60	153	101	52	143	96	47
N. J.	47	27	20	41	23	18	39	21	18
Pa.	202	164	38	171	141	30	162	134	28
M. Atl.	420	302	118	365	265	100	344	251	93
Ohio	247	210	37	226	192	34	216	182	34
Ind.	226	198	28	206	181	25	199	173	26
Ill.	253	202	51	241	191	50	235	187	48
Mich.	225	183	42	206	166	40	206	165	41
Wis.	293	263	30	266	238	28	258	230	28
E. N. Cent.	1244	1056	188	1145	968	177	1114	937	177
Minn.	275	236	39	261	221	40	257	221	36
Iowa	292	254	38	288	246	42	284	244	40
Mo.	284	241	43	266	227	39	256	220	36
N. Dak.	95	75	20	88	69	19	83	67	16
S. Dak.	95	83	12	88	77	11	86	75	11
Nebr.	159	135	24	153	130	23	144	122	22
Kans.	165	140	25	152	128	24	149	126	23
W. N. Cent.	1365	1164	201	1296	1098	198	1259	1075	184
Del.	12	7	5	12	7	5	12	7	5
Md.	59	39	20	56	38	18	54	37	17
Va.	197	142	55	177	127	50	173	122	51
W. Va.	74	61	13	64	53	11	57	47	10
N. C.	433	326	107	397	295	102	407	291	116
S. C.	200	134	66	178	117	61	164	109	55
Ga.	191	140	51	160	115	45	154	108	46
Fla.	125	50	75	122	44	78	123	45	78
S. Atl.	1291	899	392	1166	796	370	1144	766	378
Ky.	243	195	48	232	182	50	238	185	53
Tenn.	257	199	58	229	178	51	235	178	57
Ala.	159	123	36	138	103	35	135	103	32
Miss.	260	194	66	225	160	65	211	148	63
E. S. Cent.	919	711	208	824	623	201	819	614	205
Ark.	218	131	87	195	110	85	190	106	84
La.	155	95	60	144	87	57	142	83	59
Okla.	163	131	32	148	118	30	144	118	26
Tex.	430	266	164	416	244	172	392	241	151
W. S. Cent.	966	623	343	903	559	344	868	548	320
Mont.	52	38	14	48	36	12	49	36	13
Idaho	69	48	21	67	48	19	66	46	20
Wyo.	20	14	6	19	13	6	19	13	6
Colo.	67	49	18	67	48	19	62	45	17
N. Mex.	42	23	19	36	21	15	34	20	14
Ariz.	48	10	38	40	10	30	39	9	30
Utah	35	25	10	33	24	9	31	22	9
Nev.	5	3	2	5	3	2	5	3	2
Mount.	338	210	128	315	203	112	305	194	111
Wash.	118	78	40	111	74	37	108	72	36
Oreg.	96	67	29	97	67	30	93	64	29
Calif.	374	145	229	352	136	216	341	134	207
Pac.	588	290	298	560	277	283	542	270	272
U. S.	7284	5353	1931	6700	4873	1827	6519	4736	1783

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

Farm Wage Rates, January 1, 1963 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	207	153	39.00	56.00	---	---	9.50	---	1.14	1.02	595
N. H.	227	167	44.00	63.00	---	---	10.20	---	1.23	1.13	714
Vt.	206	160	41.00	56.00	---	---	9.60	---	1.19	1.04	668
Mass.	247	167	47.00	67.00	---	---	10.60	---	1.35	1.20	750
R. I.	247	167	47.00	68.00	---	---	10.70	---	1.36	1.22	812
Conn.	247	168	47.00	68.00	---	---	10.80	---	1.36	1.22	815
N. Eng.	227	163	43.75	62.00	---	---	10.10	---	1.30	1.12	712
N. Y.	218	152	38.50	54.50	---	---	9.20	---	1.17	.943	580
N. J.	235	170	46.50	58.50	---	---	9.70	---	1.17	1.01	716
Pa.	200	138	36.50	49.75	---	---	8.50	---	1.09	.869	694
M. Atl.	215	150	38.75	53.50	---	---	9.00	---	1.15	.929	644
Ohio	183	133	---	---	---	6.70	8.60	---	1.11	.826	632
Ind.	190	140	---	---	---	6.60	8.60	---	1.11	.849	669
Ill.	210	160	---	---	---	7.90	9.60	---	1.15	.947	687
Mich.	220	152	---	---	---	7.00	9.10	---	1.11	.918	641
Wis.	208	150	---	---	---	7.00	9.30	---	1.12	.907	609
E. N. Cent.	206	150	---	---	---	7.20	9.10	---	1.12	.902	650
Minn.	191	148	---	---	---	7.80	9.80	---	1.14	.927	587
Iowa	214	170	---	---	---	8.40	10.30	---	1.19	1.01	604
Mo.	171	119	---	---	---	6.30	8.00	---	1.05	.798	705
N. Dak.	180	138	---	---	---	6.50	8.40	---	1.04	.843	509
S. Dak.	195	153	---	---	---	7.00	8.80	---	1.07	3/.899	3/545
Nebr.	227	177	---	---	---	8.20	10.10	---	1.18	3/1.02	3/670
Kans.	211	160	---	---	---	7.70	9.70	---	1.16	.968	766
W. N. Cent.	198	151	---	---	---	7.40	9.30	---	1.12	.922	680
Del.	170	---	---	---	6.90	---	8.80	.95	1.05	1.06	882
Md.	182	---	---	---	6.70	---	8.40	.97	1.06	1.04	955
Va.	---	---	---	---	5.50	---	6.80	.68	.87	.784	814
W. Va.	---	---	---	---	5.10	---	5.90	.67	.79	.720	529
N. C.	---	---	---	---	5.30	---	6.10	.65	.78	.716	762
S. C.	---	---	---	---	3.85	---	4.50	.50	.59	.531	665
Ga.	---	---	---	---	4.40	---	5.10	.62	.73	.625	657
Fla.	---	---	---	---	6.00	---	6.40	.81	.90	.795	731
S. Atl.	---	---	---	---	5.30	---	6.10	.70	.81	.730	745
Ky.	---	---	---	---	4.55	---	5.60	.65	.84	.694	618
Tenn.	---	---	---	---	4.20	---	5.00	.53	.67	.610	565
Ala.	---	---	---	---	4.25	---	4.90	.55	.66	.601	595
Miss.	---	---	---	---	4.20	---	4.50	.53	.59	.558	545
E. S. Cent.	---	---	---	---	4.30	---	5.00	.56	.68	.612	579
Ark.	---	---	---	---	5.90	---	6.40	.68	.77	.771	680
La.	---	---	---	---	5.00	---	5.50	.60	.70	.667	650
Okla.	---	---	---	---	7.30	---	8.30	.90	1.04	.995	731
Tex.	---	---	---	---	6.30	---	6.90	.77	.89	.841	644
W. S. Cent.	---	---	---	---	6.10	---	6.70	.74	.85	.815	668
Mont.	221	167	---	---	---	---	9.30	---	1.23	.994	510
Idaho	262	207	---	---	---	---	10.80	---	1.28	1.15	642
Wyo.	242	165	---	---	---	---	9.20	---	1.28	1.02	523
Colo.	246	166	---	---	---	---	9.80	---	1.17	1.01	662
N. Mex.	192	135	---	---	---	---	7.30	---	.94	.799	638
Ariz.	265	180	---	---	---	---	9.00	---	1.04	1.02	639
Utah	244	203	---	---	---	---	10.20	---	1.25	1.11	648
Nev.	260	180	---	---	---	---	9.80	---	1.30	1.08	579
Mount.	247	173	---	---	---	---	8.90	---	1.07	.994	599
Wash.	270	210	---	---	---	---	---	1.24	1.35	1.32	640
Oreg.	257	191	---	---	---	---	---	1.19	1.26	1.24	608
Calif.	310	230	---	---	---	---	---	1.20	1.30	1.33	597
Pacific	305	227	---	---	---	---	---	1.20	1.30	1.32	609
U. S.	205	161	36.25	48.00	5.70	6.60	6.80	.88	1.13	.948	663

1/ Average rates paid on crop and livestock reporters' farms or in their localities for arrangements specified above. U.S. averages and State composite rates include estimates for unpublished State rates of small importance.

2/ Adjusted for seasonal variation.

3/ Comparable figures for 1962 published in January 1963 issue for South Dakota composite should be corrected from 1.06 to .866, Index from 641 to 525; Nebraska composite from 1.20 to .978, Index from 786 to 639.

Farm Wage Rates, January 1, 1964 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 or room	Without board or room	With house	Without board or room		
	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	
Maine	215	155	40.00	56.00	---	---	10.00	---	1.15	1.03	602
N. H.	235	170	46.00	65.00	---	---	10.20	---	1.26	1.16	736
Vt.	207	160	42.00	57.00	---	---	9.60	---	1.23	1.05	679
Mass.	255	170	49.00	70.00	---	---	11.00	---	1.35	1.25	783
R. I.	250	170	49.00	70.00	---	---	11.30	---	1.40	1.25	838
Conn.	250	170	49.00	70.00	---	---	11.50	---	1.42	1.26	843
N. Eng.	233	164	45.00	63.50	---	---	10.50	---	1.29	1.15	730
N. Y.	219	159	41.25	57.00	---	---	9.70	---	1.21	.981	603
N. J.	242	165	48.00	61.00	---	---	10.30	---	1.16	1.03	729
Pa.	203	146	39.00	51.25	---	---	8.70	---	1.11	.897	716
M. Atl.	218	156	41.50	56.00	---	---	9.50	---	1.17	.964	667
Ohio	192	139	---	---	---	6.80	8.60	---	1.11	.850	651
Ind.	198	144	---	---	---	6.90	9.00	---	1.15	.881	694
Ill.	214	162	---	---	---	7.80	9.60	---	1.18	.959	696
Mich.	231	161	---	---	---	7.50	9.50	---	1.14	.960	671
Wis.	215	154	---	---	---	7.10	9.10	---	1.16	.926	622
E. N. Cent.	213	155	---	---	---	7.30	9.30	---	1.15	.928	669
Minn.	196	155	---	---	---	8.00	9.90	---	1.18	.957	606
Iowa	223	173	---	---	---	8.60	10.50	---	1.22	1.04	619
Mo.	178	129	---	---	---	6.70	8.60	---	1.08	.841	744
N. Dak.	188	144	---	---	---	6.60	8.40	---	1.05	.864	523
S. Dak.	203	156	---	---	---	7.20	9.10	---	1.10	.925	561
Nebr.	235	175	---	---	---	8.40	10.50	---	1.19	1.04	678
Kans.	216	163	---	---	---	7.80	9.80	---	1.19	.988	782
W. N. Cent.	205	155	---	---	---	7.70	9.60	---	1.15	.949	648
Del.	183	138	---	---	6.80	---	8.60	.97	1.07	1.06	882
Md.	200	140	---	---	6.80	---	8.40	1.00	1.08	1.06	978
Va.	---	---	---	---	5.80	---	6.80	.71	.88	.796	826
W. Va.	---	---	---	---	5.30	---	6.00	.68	.80	.733	539
N. C.	---	---	---	---	5.40	---	6.30	.66	.79	.733	781
S. C.	---	---	---	---	4.00	---	4.55	.51	.60	.542	678
Ga.	---	---	---	---	4.60	---	5.30	.63	.76	.648	681
Fla.	---	---	---	---	6.20	---	6.40	.75	.89	.789	725
S. Atl.	---	---	---	---	5.60	---	6.20	.71	.84	.749	765
Ky.	---	---	---	---	4.85	---	5.90	.69	.87	.730	650
Tenn.	---	---	---	---	4.40	---	5.30	.57	.73	.649	602
Ala.	---	---	---	---	4.45	---	4.90	.58	.68	.610	604
Miss.	---	---	---	---	4.45	---	4.70	.50	.61	.583	570
E. S. Cent.	---	---	---	---	4.55	---	5.20	.58	.72	.640	606
Ark.	---	---	---	---	6.20	---	6.60	.72	.83	.806	710
La.	---	---	---	---	5.40	---	5.90	.65	.74	.716	698
Okla.	---	---	---	---	7.60	---	8.50	.94	1.07	1.03	754
Tex.	---	---	---	---	6.90	---	7.50	.79	.91	.904	692
W. S. Cent.	---	---	---	---	6.60	---	7.20	.77	.88	.869	712
Mont.	230	172	---	---	---	---	9.40	---	1.25	1.02	524
Idaho	265	205	---	---	---	---	10.80	---	1.31	1.16	645
Wyo.	242	172	---	---	---	---	9.40	---	1.20	1.02	525
Colo.	232	170	---	---	---	---	10.20	---	1.22	1.02	668
N. Mex.	200	150	---	---	---	---	8.00	---	.95	.853	681
Ariz.	283	170	---	---	---	---	9.20	---	1.05	1.03	640
Utah	240	215	---	---	---	---	10.00	---	1.35	1.14	669
Nev.	260	190	---	---	---	---	9.90	---	1.30	1.11	590
Mount.	253	172	---	---	---	---	9.30	---	1.11	1.01	608
Wash.	283	221	---	---	---	---	---	1.28	1.39	1.37	662
Oreg.	266	194	---	---	---	---	---	1.21	1.30	1.28	630
Calif.	324	240	---	---	---	---	---	1.27	1.32	1.36	612
Pacific	319	237	---	---	---	---	---	1.27	1.32	1.36	626
Alaska	385	310	---	---	---	---	17.90	---	2.00	---	---
U. S.	209	163	37.25	48.00	6.00	6.80	7.00	.88	1.14	.962	673

1/ Average rates paid on crop and livestock reporters' farms or in their localities for arrangements specified above. U. S. averages and State composite rates include estimates for unpublished State rates of small importance.

2/ Adjusted for seasonal variation.

Average Farm Wage Rates, 1962 1/

State and Region	Per month		Per week		Per day			Per hour		Composite rate per hour	Indexes of composite rates 1910-14=100
	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	203	154	39.75	55.50	---	---	9.70	---	1.15	1.00	604
N. H.	223	163	45.00	60.50	---	---	10.00	---	1.20	1.06	700
Vt.	204	160	40.25	55.50	---	---	9.50	---	1.17	1.00	659
Mass.	243	165	47.25	65.50	---	---	10.70	---	1.31	1.14	746
R. I.	244	166	47.25	66.00	---	---	10.80	---	1.27	1.14	794
Conn.	245	168	47.25	66.25	---	---	10.90	---	1.36	1.17	808
N. Eng.	221	161	43.25	59.75	---	---	10.10	---	1.22	1.06	695
N. Y.	218	151	39.50	55.75	---	---	9.30	---	1.17	.938	583
N. J.	224	163	45.25	59.00	---	---	10.20	---	1.19	.991	708
Pa.	195	137	36.50	48.75	---	---	8.50	---	1.09	.858	692
M. Atl.	211	148	39.25	54.00	---	---	9.10	---	1.15	.920	643
Ohio	178	134	---	---	---	6.70	8.60	---	1.10	.832	630
Ind.	185	138	---	---	---	6.80	8.50	---	1.09	.836	658
Ill.	208	159	---	---	---	7.80	9.70	---	1.16	.913	676
Mich.	218	151	---	---	---	7.00	9.00	---	1.10	.883	635
Wis.	206	151	---	---	---	7.20	9.10	---	1.13	.884	605
E. N. Cent.	201	148	---	---	---	7.20	9.00	---	1.12	.874	643
Minn.	195	154	---	---	---	8.10	9.90	---	1.15	.941	596
Iowa	213	168	---	---	---	8.60	10.50	---	1.20	.996	607
Mo.	164	122	---	---	---	6.50	8.10	---	1.05	.802	716
N. Dak.	194	165	---	---	---	7.50	9.60	---	1.09	.905	520
S. Dak.	196	157	---	---	---	7.50	9.20	---	1.09	2/.895	2/542
Nebr.	224	172	---	---	---	8.40	10.30	---	1.17	2/.977	2/651
Kans.	212	165	---	---	---	8.30	10.20	---	1.17	.969	775
W. N. Cent.	197	154	---	---	---	7.90	9.70	---	1.14	.926	639
Del.	---	---	---	---	7.00	---	8.60	.95	1.05	.945	867
Md.	---	---	---	---	6.80	---	8.20	.94	1.04	.907	916
Va.	---	---	---	---	5.50	---	6.80	.71	.85	.725	806
W. Va.	---	---	---	---	5.20	---	5.90	.67	.80	.658	522
N. C.	---	---	---	---	5.30	---	6.20	.65	.75	.656	754
S. C.	---	---	---	---	3.85	---	4.45	.47	.55	.474	641
Ga.	---	---	---	---	4.35	---	5.00	.60	.69	.564	641
Fla.	---	---	---	---	5.90	---	6.50	.78	.85	.719	734
S. Atl.	---	---	---	---	5.20	---	5.90	.67	.76	.646	726
Ky.	---	---	---	---	4.50	---	5.70	.65	.85	.655	618
Tenn.	---	---	---	---	4.15	---	5.00	.53	.67	.566	572
Ala.	---	---	---	---	4.20	---	4.75	.55	.63	.543	597
Miss.	---	---	---	---	4.10	---	4.40	.52	.59	.514	553
E. S. Cent.	---	---	---	---	4.25	---	4.95	.55	.66	.563	580
Ark.	---	---	---	---	5.70	---	6.20	.66	.77	.697	651
La.	---	---	---	---	4.85	---	5.30	.59	.69	.615	647
Okla.	---	---	---	---	7.40	---	8.60	.91	1.02	.935	714
Tex.	---	---	---	---	6.40	---	7.00	.73	.83	.772	638
W. S. Cent.	---	---	---	---	6.10	---	6.70	.70	.81	.743	658
Mont.	231	179	---	---	---	---	9.80	---	1.19	.956	501
Idaho	267	211	---	---	---	---	11.00	---	1.27	1.07	626
Wyo.	236	165	---	---	---	---	9.90	---	1.15	.938	502
Colo.	237	171	---	---	---	---	9.90	---	1.15	.950	646
N. Mex.	196	142	---	---	---	---	7.60	---	.89	.759	649
Ariz.	263	179	---	---	---	---	9.10	---	1.00	.927	631
Utah	251	213	---	---	---	---	10.20	---	1.28	1.05	667
Nev.	259	186	---	---	---	---	9.70	---	1.25	1.01	563
Mount.	245	180	---	---	---	---	9.60	---	1.12	.948	600
Wash.	277	214	---	---	---	---	---	1.26	1.33	1.29	633
Oreg.	256	193	---	---	---	---	---	1.19	1.26	1.22	605
Calif.	309	234	---	---	---	---	---	1.21	1.29	1.27	595
Pacific	301	229	---	---	---	---	---	1.21	1.29	1.27	601
U. S.	200	155	37.00	47.75	5.60	6.70	6.90	.92	1.01	.856	658

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2/ Correction.

Average Farm Wage Rates, 1963 1/

State and Region	Per month		Per week		Per day		Per hour		Composite rate per hour	Indexes of composite rates 1910-14=100
	With house	With board and room	With board and room	Without board or room	With house	With board and room	Without board or room	Without board or room		
	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	
Maine	212	154	39.00	56.50	---	---	9.80	---	1.17	1.03	622
N. H.	232	168	44.75	62.75	---	---	10.20	---	1.24	1.10	722
Vt.	206	159	40.75	57.25	---	---	9.80	---	1.18	1.02	671
Mass.	252	168	47.75	67.50	---	---	10.80	---	1.34	1.17	765
R. I.	249	169	47.50	68.25	---	---	11.00	---	1.38	1.19	826
Conn.	249	170	47.75	68.25	---	---	11.00	---	1.40	1.20	824
N. Eng.	231	163	44.00	62.50	---	---	10.60	---	1.27	1.10	721
N. Y.	221	157	40.50	56.00	---	---	9.50	---	1.20	.961	597
N. J.	234	178	46.00	62.25	---	---	10.20	---	1.21	1.02	729
Pa.	202	143	37.50	50.50	---	---	8.70	---	1.10	.856	690
M. Atl.	218	156	40.50	55.25	---	---	9.40	---	1.17	.948	663
Ohio	184	133	---	---	---	6.80	8.70	---	1.11	.844	639
Ind.	190	144	---	---	---	7.20	8.90	---	1.14	.876	690
Ill.	214	162	---	---	---	8.10	9.90	---	1.17	.932	690
Mich.	228	158	---	---	---	7.30	9.30	---	1.12	.908	653
Wis.	212	154	---	---	---	7.40	9.50	---	1.16	.907	621
E. N. Cent.	207	152	---	---	---	7.40	9.30	---	1.14	.897	660
Minn.	201	160	---	---	---	8.60	10.40	---	1.18	.972	615
Iowa	221	175	---	---	---	8.80	10.70	---	1.22	1.02	622
Mo.	175	128	---	---	---	6.70	8.30	---	1.08	.830	741
N. Dak.	205	172	---	---	---	7.90	9.70	---	1.11	.931	535
S. Dak.	204	160	---	---	---	7.70	9.60	---	1.10	.915	555
Nebr.	233	178	---	---	---	8.50	10.50	---	1.20	1.00	670
Kans.	218	167	---	---	---	8.10	10.40	---	1.20	.991	793
W. N. Cent.	206	160	---	---	---	8.10	10.00	---	1.16	.953	657
Del.	177	134	---	---	7.00	---	8.50	.95	1.06	.939	861
Md.	188	138	---	---	7.00	---	8.40	.96	1.07	.943	953
Va.	---	---	---	---	5.70	---	6.90	.73	.88	.745	828
W. Va.	---	---	---	---	5.40	---	6.00	.69	.82	.671	533
N. C.	---	---	---	---	5.40	---	6.30	.68	.78	.678	779
S. C.	---	---	---	---	3.95	---	4.70	.50	.56	.494	668
Ga.	---	---	---	---	4.55	---	5.10	.63	.73	.590	670
Fla.	---	---	---	---	5.90	---	6.40	.79	.86	.720	735
S. Atl.	---	---	---	---	5.20	---	5.90	.71	.81	.644	724
Ky.	---	---	---	---	4.80	---	5.90	.68	.94	.710	670
Tenn.	---	---	---	---	4.35	---	5.20	.56	.73	.603	609
Ala.	---	---	---	---	4.25	---	4.80	.57	.66	.560	615
Miss.	---	---	---	---	4.25	---	4.50	.51	.59	.519	558
E. S. Cent.	---	---	---	---	4.45	---	5.10	.57	.70	.587	605
Ark.	---	---	---	---	6.00	---	6.50	.69	.82	.737	689
La.	---	---	---	---	5.10	---	5.70	.63	.73	.653	687
Okla.	---	---	---	---	7.70	---	8.90	.94	1.07	.980	748
Tex.	---	---	---	---	6.60	---	7.30	.77	.88	.812	671
W. S. Cent.	---	---	---	---	6.30	---	7.00	.74	.85	.779	689
Mont.	237	186	---	---	---	---	9.90	---	1.21	.977	512
Idaho	269	210	---	---	---	---	11.30	---	1.29	1.09	635
Wyo.	238	174	---	---	---	---	9.60	---	1.19	.954	510
Colo.	240	173	---	---	---	---	9.90	---	1.18	.965	656
N. Mex.	204	148	---	---	---	---	8.10	---	.93	.798	682
Ariz.	273	174	---	---	---	---	9.60	---	1.02	.938	638
Utah	259	220	---	---	---	---	10.40	---	1.32	1.08	685
Nev.	259	184	---	---	---	---	9.90	---	1.31	1.03	572
Mount.	251	181	---	---	---	---	9.90	---	1.15	.967	612
Wash.	286	221	---	---	---	---	---	1.30	1.35	1.32	648
Oreg.	263	193	---	---	---	---	---	1.22	1.29	1.25	620
Calif.	317	236	---	---	---	---	---	1.24	1.32	1.31	610
Pacific	309	231	---	---	---	---	---	1.24	1.32	1.30	616
U. S.	206	159	37.50	48.50	5.70	6.90	7.10	.94	1.05	.880	677

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