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FARM WAGE RATES SHARPLY
HIGHER THAN A YEAR AGO

The general average of farm wage rates on January 1 was slightly higher than on October 1, and sharply higher than a year ago the Department of Agriculture announced today. The farm wage rate index on January 1 was 166 percent of the 1910-14 average compared with 124 a year earlier and 165 on October 1. The January 1942 index was the highest since April 1930.

Farm wage rates were higher than a year earlier in all regions with the largest advances in areas where the competition with industries engaged in the production of war materials is greatest. These areas include New England, the East North Central States and the Pacific Coast. Seasonal declines in wage rates since October 1 were reported in the North Central States. Wages with board declined slightly from October to January on both the per day and per month basis, but wages without board increased more than enough to offset this.

Farming activities around January 1 consisted largely of chores with extreme care being given to livestock because of higher prices for livestock and livestock products. Some corn was still being husked, some soybeans combined and some cotton picked but the great bulk of the 1941 production was housed by this time.

In nearly all areas where winter plowing is done conditions were favorable and this work was being pushed. The citrus fruit harvest was progressing normally. Truck crops were being harvested in Florida and California at about the same rate as a year ago.

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NUMBER OF FARM WORKERS SLIGHTLY
HIGHER THAN IN JANUARY A YEAR AGO

The total number of workers on farms was estimated at 8,665,000 on January 1. This was 51,000 more than the 8,614,000 estimated for January 1, 1941, but considerably lower than the December 1 total of 9,349,000 workers. In comparison with a year ago the number of family workers was slightly lower (6,954,000 on January 1, 1942, and 6,965,000 on January 1, 1941), but the number of hired workers increased from 1,649,000 a year ago to 1,711,000 on January 1 this year. With better demand for their products and higher prices, farmers seem to be able to increase the number of hired workers more than enough to offset the decrease in unpaid family workers.

Total farm employment was slightly higher on January 1 than a year earlier in all regions except the Middle Atlantic, South Atlantic, and East South Central States.

Farm Labor Supply Reported Low

The supply of farm labor as reported by crop correspondents on January 1 was practically unchanged from October 1, but it is much lower than on January 1 last year. This drop in supply has not yet resulted in any serious depletion of the number of hired workers on farms nor in curtailment of agricultural production.

All regions report material declines from a year ago in the supply with the greatest declines in the Pacific and West North Central States. Relatively smaller declines were reported in the South Atlantic and South Central States. In comparison with October slight increases were reported in the northeastern portion of the country and slight declines in most other areas.

The demand for farm labor, though slightly smaller in January than in October, was reported to be somewhat larger than on January last year. The necessity of hiring help to replace family workers who had left the farm for factory jobs or who had joined the armed forces of the country, and larger scale or more intensive operations in order to produce more of the foods needed for war purposes have increased the demand for workers during the past year. Demand has increased most in the central and western parts of the country and least in the Atlantic Coast States. Declines in demand from October to January were shown in all regions except the South Atlantic and East South Central.

Farm wage rates and related data, United States, January 1, 1942,
with comparisons

	Annual				
	average:	Oct.1,	Jan.1,	Oct.1,	Jan.1,
	1910-14:	1940	1941	1941	1942
FARM WAGE RATE INDEXES:					
Unadjusted	100	129	124	165	166
Adjusted for seasonal variation....	100	125	129	160	173
FARM WAGE RATES:					
Per month, with board.....	\$22.09	\$23.77	\$26.33	\$57.45	\$57.06
Per month, without board.....	29.13	36.84	36.61	45.47	47.77
Per day, with board.....	1.16	1.39	1.29	1.33	1.77
Per day, without board.....	1.42	1.61	1.59	2.00	2.12
SUPPLY OF AND DEMAND FOR FARM LABOR:					
Supply, percentage of normal.....	---	85.6	85.7	64.0	64.2
Demand, percentage of normal.....	---	83.1	86.6	96.2	94.1
Supply, percentage of demand.....	---	97.2	99.1	66.3	63.2
FARM EMPLOYMENT INDEXES:					
Total -					
Unadjusted.....	100	97	71	96	72
Adjusted for seasonal variation..	100	95	69	84	39
Family labor -					
Unadjusted.....	100	95	76	93	76
Adjusted for seasonal variation..	100	36	90	34	90
Hired labor -					
Unadjusted.....	100	106	57	105	59
Adjusted for seasonal variation..	100	86	51	35	54
FARM EMPLOYMENT					
(Thousands of persons)					
Total.....	12,052	11,735	8,614	11,532	2,635
Family labor.....	9,160	8,633	6,965	3,432	6,954
Hired labor.....	2,892	3,052	1,649	3,050	1,711
RELATED INDEXES:					
Prices received by farmers <u>1</u> /.....	100	99	104	139	<u>2</u> /143
Ratio of prices received to					
farm wage rates.....	100	77	84	84	86
Industrial wage rates <u>3</u> /.....	---	329	237	271	---
Industrial employment <u>4</u> /.....	---	<u>5</u> /114	115	135	<u>6</u> /134
Industrial pay rolls <u>4</u> /.....	---	<u>5</u> /116	121	167	<u>6</u> /166

1/As of the 15th of the month. 2/Dec. 1941 - latest data available. 3/Average weekly earnings, New York State factories, June 1914 = 100. 4/Bureau of Labor Statistics indexes for manufacturing industries revised 1923-25 = 100. 5/Revised. 6/Nov. 1941 - latest data available.

Based on reports from approximately 21,390 correspondents. The data for previous quarters, by States, appear in Crops and Markets for Jan., Apr., July, and Oct.

Farm wage rates, by geographic divisions, January 1, 1942,
by comparisons

Geographic Division	Annual average:	Oct. 1, 1940	Jan. 1, 1941	Oct. 1, 1941	Jan. 1, 1942
	1910-14:	1940	1941	1941	1942
<u>FARM WAGE RATES</u>	<u>Dollars</u>	<u>Dollars</u>	<u>Dollars</u>	<u>Dollars</u>	<u>Dollars</u>
PER MONTH WITH BOARD	:	:	:	:	:
New England	: 24.13	34.23	34.29	46.31	47.70
Middle Atlantic	: 22.25	30.92	29.74	39.63	40.17
East North Central	: 23.75	30.54	23.22	39.67	33.71
West North Central	: 26.32	29.75	24.39	33.25	33.72
South Atlantic	: 14.62	17.75	13.26	21.75	22.34
East South Central	: 14.71	16.50	13.94	19.37	21.69
West South Central	: 17.35	20.13	20.24	25.43	23.20
Mountain	: 32.43	36.93	34.33	47.33	45.13
Pacific	: 33.45	44.36	43.45	59.65	62.35
PER MONTH WITHOUT BOARD	:	:	:	:	:
New England	: 37.70	53.43	53.31	72.12	75.37
Middle Atlantic	: 33.41	47.35	46.70	57.75	59.55
East North Central	: 32.00	42.95	40.52	53.75	55.16
West North Central	: 36.36	40.42	35.70	50.23	46.93
South Atlantic	: 20.97	25.77	27.00	30.34	32.90
East South Central	: 20.30	23.00	24.30	27.33	30.10
West South Central	: 24.93	23.73	23.76	35.24	32.50
Mountain	: 46.42	52.39	50.45	64.01	62.46
Pacific	: 43.16	67.33	66.51	35.19	37.39
PER DAY WITH BOARD	:	:	:	:	:
New England	: 1.27	1.35	1.34	2.45	2.57
Middle Atlantic	: 1.24	1.36	1.73	2.42	2.31
East North Central	: 1.31	1.72	1.57	2.29	2.16
West North Central	: 1.46	1.64	1.34	2.30	1.94
South Atlantic	: .91	.95	.97	1.17	1.19
East South Central	: .81	.83	.83	1.02	1.05
West South Central	: .93	1.02	1.01	1.36	1.43
Mountain	: 1.50	1.76	1.56	2.33	2.16
Pacific	: 1.49	2.10	2.01	2.97	2.36
PER DAY WITHOUT BOARD	:	:	:	:	:
New England	: 1.71	2.70	2.67	3.39	3.43
Middle Atlantic	: 1.63	2.45	2.41	3.09	3.02
East North Central	: 1.60	2.23	2.05	2.39	2.73
West North Central	: 1.30	2.17	1.36	2.90	2.53
South Atlantic	: 1.05	1.24	1.27	1.54	1.56
East South Central	: 1.05	1.03	1.07	1.33	1.36
West South Central	: 1.25	1.23	1.27	1.72	1.73
Mountain	: 2.05	2.29	2.22	2.96	2.79
Pacific	: 2.06	2.92	2.74	3.73	3.64

Farm Labor supply, demand, and farm employment, January 1, 1942
with comparisons

	Oct. 1, 1939	Jan. 1, 1940	Oct. 1, 1940	Jan. 1, 1941	Oct. 1, 1941	Jan. 1, 1942
SUPPLY OF FARM LABOR (Percentage of normal)						
New England	88.2	91.9	81.0	78.7	52.8	56.1
Middle Atlantic	88.5	91.2	79.0	80.6	53.9	57.1
East North Central	89.0	94.7	85.4	86.0	60.7	63.5
West North Central	92.5	95.6	83.6	91.4	67.2	66.4
South Atlantic	84.4	87.5	81.1	80.8	62.2	62.0
East South Central	88.1	88.9	86.5	84.3	65.4	67.6
West South Central	91.3	92.6	85.1	85.3	67.0	66.5
Mountain	95.3	90.8	91.5	91.6	67.2	67.8
Pacific	99.9	102.6	94.5	93.0	62.7	65.7
DEMAND FOR FARM LABOR (Percentage of normal)						
New England	88.1	86.7	91.6	89.9	99.6	94.9
Middle Atlantic	86.3	82.4	90.3	88.2	93.1	92.0
East North Central	87.6	84.3	91.0	89.7	100.5	96.6
West North Central	79.0	77.8	86.1	85.9	97.6	95.4
South Atlantic	86.6	85.1	90.7	89.0	92.0	93.6
East South Central	81.6	80.3	85.9	85.0	94.2	95.4
West South Central	76.3	72.1	84.4	80.6	93.4	90.5
Mountain	83.6	81.9	87.0	85.6	101.4	94.0
Pacific	87.7	82.7	91.3	83.5	98.4	96.2
SUPPLY OF FARM LABOR (Percentage of demand)						
New England	100.1	106.0	83.4	87.5	52.9	58.9
Middle Atlantic	102.5	110.7	87.5	91.4	55.1	61.9
East North Central	102.6	111.7	93.2	96.0	60.4	65.3
West North Central	115.0	122.0	102.9	106.8	63.0	69.7
South Atlantic	97.5	102.0	89.4	90.8	63.2	60.1
East South Central	103.0	110.0	103.1	99.3	69.5	70.6
West South Central	110.7	123.4	100.6	105.7	72.1	73.7
Mountain	114.6	121.0	105.2	107.1	66.2	72.1
Pacific	117.0	124.1	103.5	104.7	60.3	63.4
FARM EMPLOYMENT (Thousands of persons)						
Total						
New England	265	237	273	223	258	231
Middle Atlantic	625	532	621	543	632	535
East North Central	1,516	1,329	1,492	1,325	1,462	1,345
West North Central	1,745	1,427	1,773	1,431	1,757	1,451
South Atlantic	2,353	1,569	2,332	1,562	2,199	1,543
East South Central	2,124	1,361	2,075	1,305	2,006	1,238
West South Central	2,191	1,377	2,141	1,426	2,115	1,431
Mountain	493	372	462	367	515	390
Pacific	574	447	568	423	538	451

Farm employment, by geographic divisions, January 1, 1942
with comparisons

Geographic Division	Oct. 1, 1939	Jan. 1, 1940	Oct. 1, 1940	Jan. 1, 1941	Oct. 1, 1941	Jan. 1, 1942
FARM EMPLOYMENT						
(Thousands of persons)						
Family Labor						
New England	166	162	167	162	163	162
Middle Atlantic	403	399	402	400	401	400
East North Central	1,128	1,106	1,115	1,102	1,115	1,115
West North Central	1,305	1,208	1,305	1,190	1,307	1,198
South Atlantic	1,767	1,245	1,715	1,224	1,643	1,213
East South Central	1,839	1,213	1,783	1,162	1,678	1,139
West South Central	1,653	1,150	1,595	1,147	1,563	1,141
Mountain	284	279	281	277	288	280
Pacific	319	301	320	301	325	301
Hired Labor						
New England	99	65	106	66	96	69
Middle Atlantic	222	133	219	142	231	135
East North Central	388	223	377	223	347	230
West North Central	440	219	468	241	450	253
South Atlantic	586	324	617	333	556	325
East South Central	285	148	290	143	328	149
West South Central	538	227	546	279	552	290
Mountain	209	93	181	90	227	110
Pacific	255	146	248	127	263	150

Persons employed in the United States, December 1941,
with comparisons

	Oct., 1940	Nov., 1940	Dec., 1940	Oct., 1941	Nov., 1941	Dec., 1941
	1,000's	1,000's	1,000's	1,000's	1,000's	1,000's
Farm employment ¹ / ₁	11,313	10,111	8,967	10,976	9,885	9,007
Family workers	8,411	7,676	7,089	8,162	7,480	7,035
Hired workers	2,907	2,435	1,878	2,814	2,405	1,972
Nonagricultural employ-						
ment ² / ₃	37,375	37,528	³ /38,161	³ /40,776	40,693	---
Total employment ³ / ₃	48,693	47,639	³ /47,123	³ /51,752	50,578	---

¹/Average of estimates of farm employment as of the first of the given and the following month.

²/Estimates of the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Dept. of Labor. Excludes persons employed on W.P.A. or N.Y.A. projects, enrollees in C.C.C. camps, and military and naval forces.

³/Revised

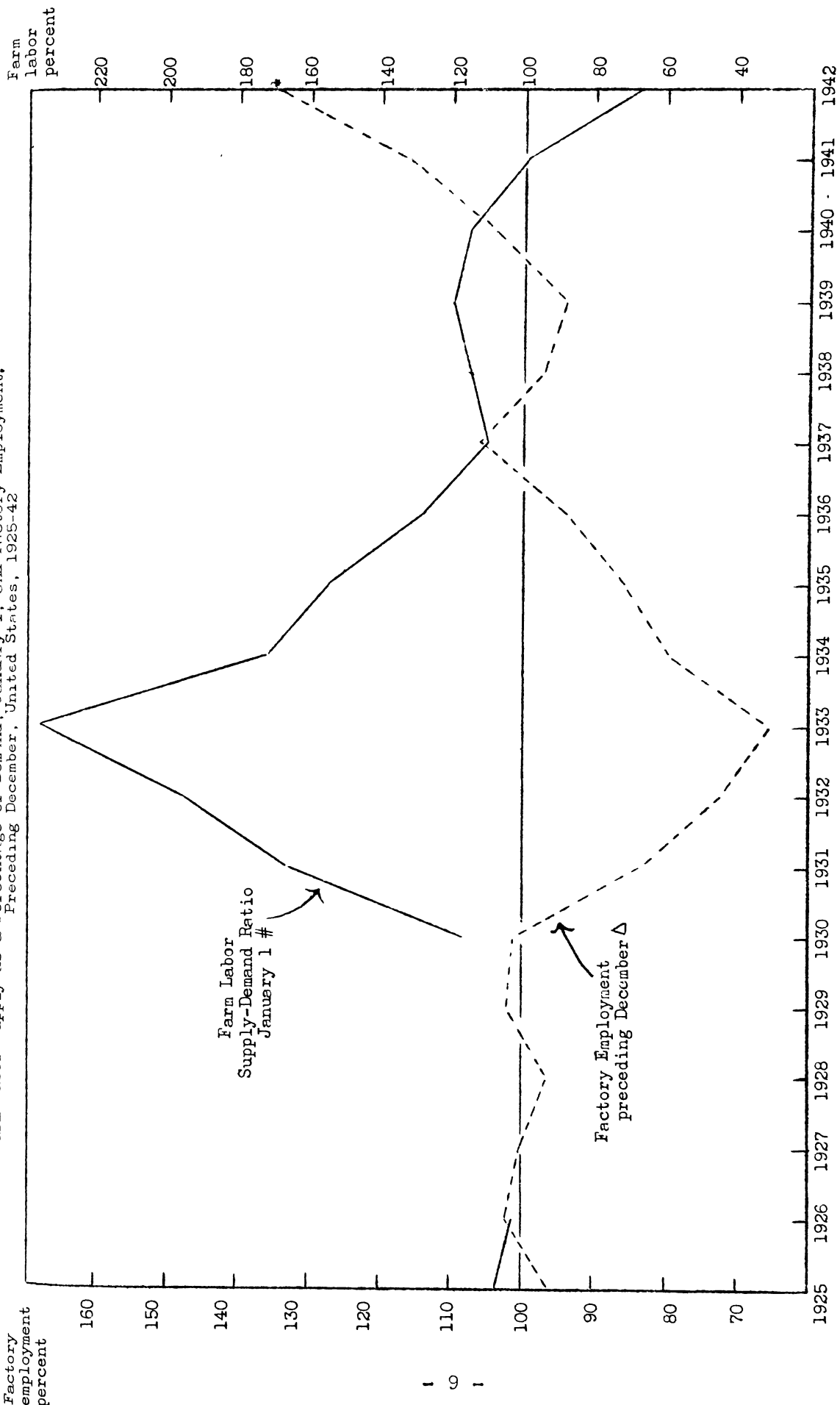
Farm employment: Annual averages of number of persons employed,
and index numbers, United States, 1909-41

Year	Total employment		Family workers		Hired workers	
	Average	Index	Average	Index	Average	Index
	number	1910-14	number	1910-14	number	1910-14
	persons	= 100	persons	= 100	persons	= 100
	1,000's		1,000's		1,000's	
1909	12,209	101	9,341	103	2,868	99
1910	12,146	101	9,269	101	2,877	99
1911	12,042	100	9,172	100	2,870	99
1912	12,032	100	9,149	100	2,883	100
1913	12,053	100	9,123	100	2,905	100
1914	12,000	100	9,081	99	2,919	101
1915	11,931	99	9,047	99	2,934	101
1916	12,016	100	9,050	99	2,966	103
1917	11,789	98	8,856	97	2,933	101
1918	11,343	94	8,507	93	2,841	98
1919	11,106	92	8,322	91	2,784	96
1920	11,362	94	8,479	93	2,883	100
1921	11,412	95	8,511	93	2,901	100
1922	11,443	95	8,523	93	2,915	101
1923	11,383	94	8,491	93	2,894	100
1924	11,562	94	8,488	93	2,874	99
1925	11,446	95	8,577	94	2,869	99
1926	11,534	96	8,507	93	3,027	105
1927	11,246	93	8,296	91	2,950	102
1928	11,296	94	8,340	91	2,956	102
1929	11,289	94	8,305	91	2,984	103
1930	11,173	93	8,323	91	2,850	99
1931	11,159	93	8,469	92	2,690	93
1932	11,069	92	8,571	94	2,498	86
1933	11,023	91	8,590	94	2,433	84
1934	10,852	90	8,506	93	2,346	81
1935	11,172	93	8,704	95	2,468	85
1936	10,907	91	8,502	93	2,495	86
1937	10,800	90	8,273	90	2,557	88
1938	10,745	89	8,216	90	2,529	87
1939	10,629	88	8,150	89	2,479	86
1940	10,445	87	7,995	87	2,450	85
1941	10,267	85	7,817	85	2,450	85

Farm wage rates and related data, by States, January 1, 1942

	Per month		Per day		Supply of and demand for farm labor		
	With Board	Without Board	With Board	Without Board	Supply as percentage of normal	Demand as percentage of normal	Supply as percentage of demand
	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Percent	Percent	Percent
Maine	45.75	68.00	2.55	3.25	54	95	57
N. H.	41.00	69.75	2.50	3.35	57	96	50
Vt.	44.25	66.00	2.35	3.20	58	102	57
Mass.	45.50	73.25	2.50	3.45	53	91	52
R. I.	52.50	82.50	2.80	3.55	60	91	66
Conn.	53.75	81.00	2.65	3.70	59	96	61
N.Y.	43.00	62.25	2.40	3.15	55	94	59
N.J.	45.75	70.00	2.50	3.25	55	94	59
Pa.	35.25	53.00	2.15	2.80	60	91	66
Ohio	34.75	49.50	2.15	2.70	55	93	59
Ind.	36.50	49.25	2.00	2.55	61	94	65
Ill.	41.25	53.00	2.30	2.80	70	95	74
Mich.	39.25	56.75	2.30	2.95	55	91	60
Wis.	39.50	56.00	2.05	2.65	63	105	65
Minn.	32.50	40.00	2.00	2.70	67	95	71
Iowa	39.50	51.50	2.20	2.80	71	97	73
Mo.	29.50	40.75	1.50	1.90	60	94	64
N.Dak.	23.00	44.25	1.75	2.55	66	93	71
S.Dak.	30.50	45.75	1.30	2.50	66	89	74
Nebr.	34.25	46.00	2.10	2.65	65	92	71
Kans.	34.25	42.25	1.95	2.60	67	101	66
Del.	34.25	43.00	2.05	2.65	52	100	58
Md.	34.25	43.75	1.85	2.40	60	96	62
Va.	23.00	39.50	1.45	1.90	58	96	60
W.Va.	27.50	40.25	1.35	1.80	59	94	63
N.C.	23.00	32.50	1.25	1.60	62	95	65
S.C.	16.25	23.50	.30	1.05	65	26	73
Ga.	16.50	23.50	.35	1.10	65	95	68
Fla.	21.75	37.50	1.20	1.65	63	97	68
Ky.	25.75	35.50	1.20	1.55	60	95	73
Tenn.	21.75	30.25	1.05	1.35	63	95	69
Ala.	13.75	26.00	.95	1.20	63	93	64
Miss.	18.75	26.50	.95	1.25	72	97	74
Ark.	22.75	31.75	1.10	1.40	63	37	72
La.	19.00	27.25	1.00	1.25	69	86	80
Okla.	28.25	40.25	1.55	2.00	63	94	72
Tex.	31.50	42.00	1.55	1.90	65	91	73
Mont.	46.80	62.00	2.40	3.25	70	92	76
Idaho	49.50	66.50	2.45	3.15	77	95	81
Wyo.	48.40	65.50	2.25	2.30	68	96	71
Colo.	39.75	56.50	2.05	2.65	67	94	71
N.Mex.	33.00	52.50	1.35	2.30	65	93	70
Ariz.	48.75	63.50	1.95	2.55	66	97	68
Utah	58.50	74.50	2.55	3.10	63	93	60
Nev.	50.00	71.50	2.15	2.95	63	97	65
Wash.	52.00	73.75	2.80	3.60	60	95	63
Oreg.	51.00	72.50	2.65	3.30	65	99	66
Calif.	66.25	93.75	2.90	3.70	67	96	70
U. S.	37.03	47.77	1.77	2.12	64.2	94.1	68.4

Farm Labor Supply as a Percentage of Demand, January 1, and Factory Employment, Preceding December, United States, 1925-42



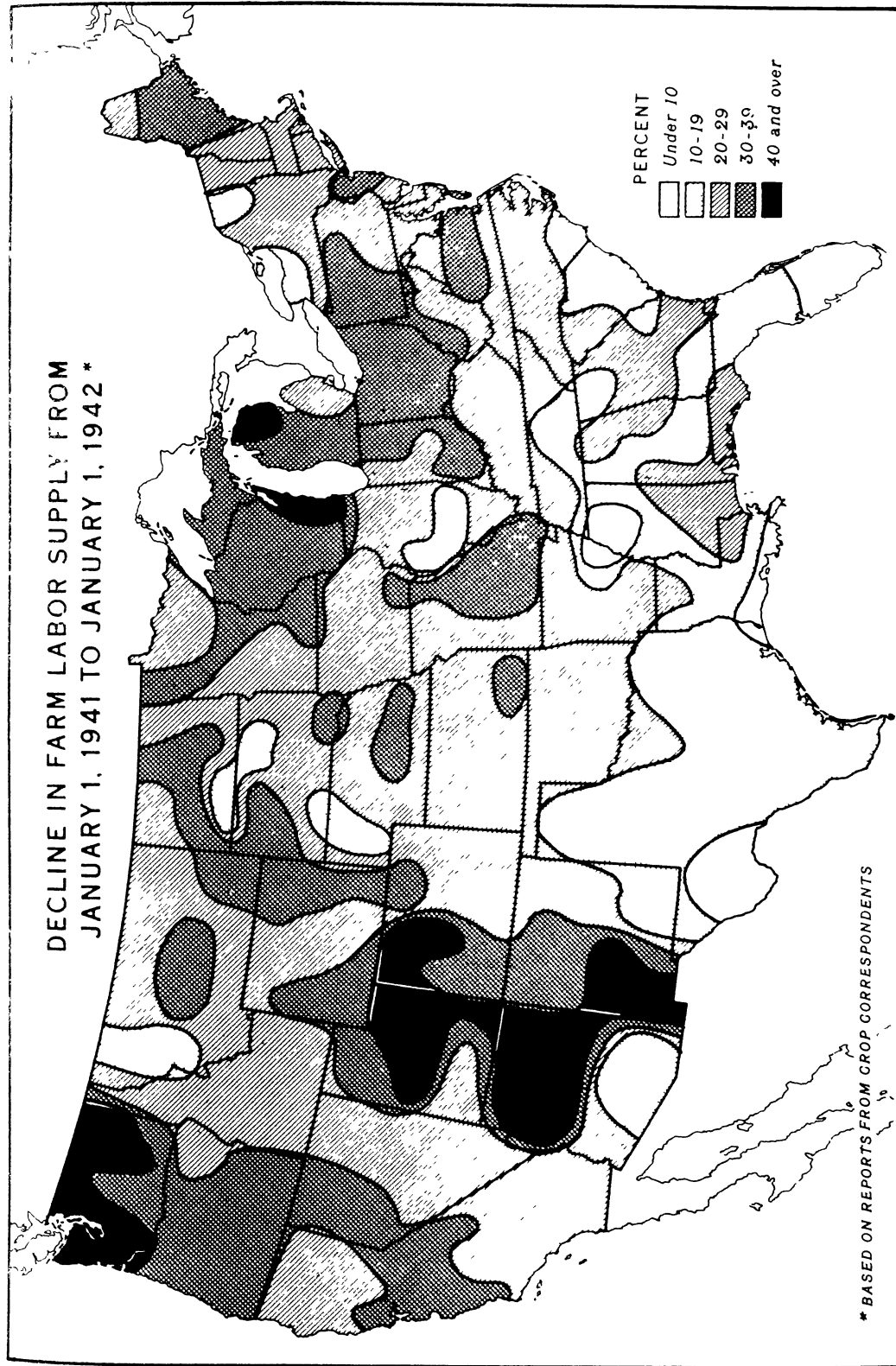
Supply as percentage of demand. "Normal" supply with "normal" demand = 100. 1927-29 data not available.
 ▲ Employment in manufacturing industries. Monthly average 1923-25 = 100.
 * November 1941 - latest available data.

Decline in farm labor supply from January 1, 1941 to January 1, 1942
by crop-reporting districts 1/
(Percentage Changes)

State	Price-reporting districts																	State
	1	1-N	1-S	2	2-A	3	4	4-A	5	5-A	6	6-A	7	8	9	9-A	10	
Me.	:28	-	-	32	-	37	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
N.H.	: -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	29
Vt.	: -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	29
Mass.	: -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	29
R.I.	: -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20
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Pa.	:31	-	-	34	-	24	36	-	29	-	29	-	32	21	23	-	-	-
Ohio	:34	-	-	37	-	38	32	-	33	-	32	-	37	30	36	-	-	-
Ind.	:21	-	-	32	-	32	37	-	28	-	35	-	31	33	34	-	-	-
Ill.	:21	-	-	-	-	22	16	18	20	-	24	17	25	-	29	-	-	-
Mich.	:33	-	-	30	-	41	36	-	33	-	21	-	33	36	24	-	-	-
Wis.	:34	-	-	38	-	33	33	-	32	-	40	-	33	33	42	-	-	-
Minn.	:30	-	-	28	-	20	24	-	26	-	37	-	26	32	33	-	-	-
Iowa	:27	-	-	21	-	25	22	-	26	-	26	-	24	25	32	-	-	-
Mo.	:21	-	-	26	-	33	29	-	30	-	32	-	25	34	31	-	-	-
N.Dak.	:27	-	-	30	-	24	38	-	32	-	28	-	17	17	27	-	-	-
S.Dak.	:31	-	-	19	-	20	30	-	28	-	25	-	11	27	32	-	-	-
Nebr.	:13	-	-	26	-	28	-	-	31	-	39	-	22	28	28	-	-	-
Kans.	:29	-	-	27	-	26	24	-	22	-	23	-	20	20	34	-	-	-
Del.	: -	-	-	20	-	-	-	-	29	-	-	-	-	29	-	-	-	-
Md.	:34	-	-	27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	19	20	-	-	-
Va.	: -	-	-	23	-	-	37	-	30	-	31	-	22	26	24	-	-	-
W.Va.	: -	-	-	29	-	-	34	-	-	-	29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
N.C.	:22	-	-	22	-	26	25	-	21	-	29	-	-	27	16	-	-	-
S.C.	:20	-	-	18	-	20	29	-	11	-	-	-	-	13	-	-	-	-
Ga.	:18	-	-	17	-	22	22	-	21	-	18	-	16	19	25	-	-	-
Fla.	:29	-	-	-	-	19	-	-	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ky.	:25	-	-	23	-	29	28	-	20	-	22	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tenn.	:18	-	-	23	-	25	18	-	19	-	25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ala.	:15	-	-	38	12	24	21	-	12	-	20	-	22	17	19	-	-	-
Miss.	: 2	-	-	4	-	11	11	-	5	-	28	-	17	24	21	-	-	-
Ark.	:23	-	-	26	-	25	20	-	26	-	8	-	27	29	29	-	-	-
La.	:19	-	-	29	-	13	17	-	11	-	29	-	6	11	5	-	-	-
Okla.	:29	-	-	22	-	25	23	-	21	-	24	-	23	22	20	-	-	-
Tex.	: -	16	15	10	-	21	14	-	18	-	5	-	12	10	12	-	10	-
Mont.	:14	-	-	20	-	20	-	-	35	-	-	-	27	23	34	-	-	-
Idaho	:20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	24	20	20	-	-	-
Wyo.	:29	-	-	33	-	39	22	-	31	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Colo.	:40	-	-	31	-	-	-	-	-	-	25	-	31	29	24	-	-	-
N.Mex.	:32	-	-	-	-	23	-	-	-	-	-	-	43	-	10	-	-	-
Ariz.	: -	-	-	42	-	-	-	-	15	-	-	-	23	-	14	-	-	-
Utah	:34	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	40	-	40	-	24	-	-	-	-	-
Nev.	:32	-	-	-	-	26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wash.	:40	-	-	30	-	40	-	-	40	-	-	-	-	-	39	-	-	-
Oreg.	:30	-	-	32	-	26	-	-	-	-	-	-	33	30	-	-	-	-
Calif.	:27	-	-	23	-	22	36	-	27	28	35	-	-	26	-	-	-	-

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