

COOPERATIVE EXTENSION WORK IN AGRICULTURE AND HOME ECONOMICS

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ANNUAL REPORT OF COUNTY FARM LABOR PROGRAM

This report form is for use by the county agricultural agent in making a statistical report on the Farm Labor Program in the county. It should include all farm labor activities of agents employed on regular Extension funds, of office and field assistants and all other persons employed on farm labor funds, and of services performed by U. S. Employment Service that were paid for under contract with the State Extension Service. This report covers the farm labor activities for the period January 1 to December 31, 1945:.

State Maine County _____

1. Days devoted to Farm Labor by:		Total days devoted to Farm Labor
a. Extension agents employed on regular Extension funds: (estimate)		
County Agricultural Agent		341
(Name) (Address)		
Other Extension employees on regular Extension funds. (Include home demonstration agent, club agent, assistant agents, negro agents, office secretary and clerks.)		104
b. Personnel employed on Farm Labor funds. (Include office assistants, field assistants, clerical, per diem employees, WIA and VFV assistants, camp managers, nurses, etc.)		
Name	Title	Employed From To
:	:	:
:	:	:
:	:	:
See list in front of report		
(Continue on page 4 if necessary)		14402
c. Man days devoted to farm labor by employees of the U. S. Employment Service paid from farm labor funds under contract with the Extension Service. (Include only that time devoted to Farm Labor in the county for which this report is made. Eight hours of work should be considered a man day for employees devoting part time to Farm Labor.)		
Placement officers, interviewers and field assistants		
Clerical		

2. Placement offices operated: (Locations where farmers can place orders for workers and from which workers are assigned to employers. List on page 4 offices other than county agent's office, showing location, date opened and date closed.)	
a. Was county agricultural agent's office used as a farm labor placement office?.....	_____
b. How many other placement offices were operated by personnel employed by Extension Service? (Include camps to which placement officers were assigned).....	26
c. How many U. S. Employment Service offices located in county made farm labor placements in the county under contract with Extension Service?	_____
d. How many placement offices were operated by volunteer leaders?	_____

3. Composition of County Farm Labor Advisory Committee - number of members who are:	
a. Representatives of public agencies: (1) Men..... 25 (2) Women..... 1	
b. Lay members: (1) Farm Men .. 38 (2) Farm Women. 3	
(3) Other Men.. 6 (4) Other Women 1	

4. Number of Sub-Committees of the Farm Labor Advisory Committee:	
a. City, town or village mobilization committees	_____
b. Victory Farm Volunteer (Youth Program) sub-committees	_____
c. Women's Land Army sub-committees	_____
d. Camp and other - list: _____	

5. a. Was County Farm Wage Board appointed? _____ b. Number of hearings held 26
6. Number of voluntary leaders assisting with the Farm Labor Program. (Include members serving on committees reported in Questions 3 and 4).
- a. Neighborhood leaders 19
- b. Other Extension leaders 38
- c. Leaders in cities, towns, villages, - i.e., school teachers, O.C.D., Service Clubs, etc... 242
7. List other Federal, State and local agencies (schools, city officials, defense council, AAA, FSA, etc.) that assisted with the Extension Farm Labor Program:

8. Number of orders placed by farmers (requests by the same farmer for 4 workers on June 10, and for 8 workers on August 1 are two orders)..... 6691
9. Estimated number of different farmers with whom one or more workers were placed 3011
10. Total number of farm labor placements 41864

11. Estimated number of these placements that were for:
- a. 1-3 days 17673 b. 4 days up to one month 12885
 Year-round work -
 c. 1-5 months 10423 d. (Longer than 5 months) 883

12. Estimated number of different individuals placed:

	Men	Women	Youth (under 18)
a. For seasonal work (5 months or less)	<u>8488</u>	<u>1156</u>	<u>8676</u>
b. For year-round work (longer than 5 months)	<u>745</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>19</u>

13. Estimated number of different youth placed for farm work by age group:
- a. (1) Boys under 16 years of age 2921 (2) Boys 16 & 17 years of age 1418
- b. (1) Girls under 16 years of age 3576 (2) Girls 16 & 17 years of age 780

14. Estimated number of different youth (under 18) placed, who lived in:
- a. The farm home where employed (1) Boys 1362 (2) Girls 211
- b. Farm labor camps (1) Boys 50 (2) Girls 186

15. Special groups of workers:

Number of different individuals placed.	Number of workers placed		Type of seasonal job (commodity & operation).
	on seasonal jobs placed in (5 months or less)	year-round	
	Number	worked	If more than one job or commodity show percentage of man days devoted to each.
a. Intrastate workers transported and/or housed by the Extension Service	531	18	urban workers-potato harvest (100%)
b. Interstate workers transported and/or housed by Extension Service	432	50	VFV-282-NIA-150-Gen. farm (50%) harvest
c. Foreign workers transported and/or housed by War Food Administration	VFV 1516 MFLD 100 4182 Jam. 111 130	19 50 18 75	Ky. workers-potato harvest (100%) Gen. farm (50%) harvest (50%) Canadians-potato harvest (100%) Jamaicans-potato harvest (40%)
d. Japanese evacuees			Canning crop harvest -(60%)
e. Prisoners of war	2144	22	Potato planting (5%) harvest (95%)
f. Conscientious objectors	350	45	Potato harvest (65%)
g. Inmates of penal and corrective institutions			Canning crop harvest (35%)
h. Members of military services on passes	XXXXXXXXX 200	5	Potato planting (5%) harvest (95%)
i. Troops assigned in units	XXXXXXXXX		
j. Other (specify)			

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16. Estimated number of workers recruited and/or referred to:
- | | Men | Women | Youth (under 18) |
|------------------------------------|-----|-------|------------------|
| a. Other counties within the State | 650 | 91 | 320 |
| b. Other States | 25 | 6 | 22 |
17. Estimated number of persons (in addition to those placed) not regularly engaged in agriculture who did farm work as a result of efforts of neighborhood or other voluntary leaders, or of educational program:
- | | Men | Women | Youth (under 18) |
|---------------------|------|-------|------------------|
| a. Men | 1245 | | |
| b. Women | | 1508 | |
| c. Youth (under 18) | | | 2340 |
18. Number of farm women who enrolled or registered in Women's Land Army: 1164
19. Number of intrastate workers placed in the county whose transportation was paid wholly or in part from Extension Farm Labor funds: 763
20. Number of different workers housed in facilities provided wholly or in part from Extension Farm Labor funds: 271
21. Number of farm labor camps receiving financial support from Extension Farm Labor funds. (The assignment of a placement officer should not be considered as financial assistance to a camp as this activity should be reported in item 2, page 1). (For each camp, list on page 4 (1) location (2) capacity (3) facilities available, tents, cabins, etc. (4) period of operation from ___ to ___ (5) kind of workers housed (6) total man days housing provided (7) purpose for which Extension Farm Labor funds were used.) 3
22. Estimated number of man days devoted to obtaining more effective utilization of labor (including work with farmers on: how to train inexperienced workers, exchange of labor and equipment, adoption of labor saving practices, farm work simplification, etc.)
- | | By Extension workers | By volunteer leaders |
|-------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| a. By Extension workers | 362 | |
| b. By volunteer leaders | | 105 |
23. How many farms were assisted through meetings, farm visits, neighborhood leaders or by other personal contacts in regard to labor saving methods, sharing labor and equipment, etc.: 3811
24. How many farm people, labor foremen, and supervisors of youth labor were given organized instruction in regard to training and use of inexperienced workers?: 215
25. In how many communities was there an organized program for exchanging labor and/or equipment?: 96
26. Number of different individuals who were given some type of training for farm work. (Do not include training given by farmer-employer.)
- | | Men | Women | Youth (under 18) |
|---------------------|-----|-------|------------------|
| a. Men | 525 | | |
| b. Women | | 97 | |
| c. Youth (under 18) | | | 375 |
27. Number of organized training courses conducted for workers (On page 4, list for each training course conducted (1) location (2) enrollment (3) type of worker trained (4) length of time conducted (5) major type of instruction given (6) assistance from other agencies and individuals, including extension specialists.) 3

28. Peak seasonal labor demands in 1945:

List major commodities and operations that required considerable labor in addition to that available on farms:	Total acreage or units:	Estimated total number of workers at peak season:	Out-of-county residents:	Placements made in 1945:	Most common or prevailing wage 2/
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100%) Harvest work (50%)	Planting seed potatoes-tuber unit	1944 : 956 xx			250	\$12 per acre
10%)	Pulling " " tops	1944 : 202 xx			500	\$25 " "
95%)	Harvesting potatoes	1944 : 195,000 : 52,785 : 000 bu.	xxxxx			.18 per bbl.
		1945 : 207,000 : 20,000 : 15,000 : 10,000				\$10-12 day X
5%)	Canning peas	1944 : 5610 : 4350 tons		xxx		
		1945 : 4920 : 4300 " 1500 : 700 : 500		155		.60 per hr.
95%)	Canning beans	1944 : 3250 : 5800				
		1945 : 3600 : 7900 : 6000 : 12,000 : 1550		13924		.02 per lb.
	Canning Corn	1944 : 13,000 : 41,600				.60-.75 hr.
		1945 : 13,300 : 37,200 : 4100 : 600 : 700		3,625		\$5-\$6 per day
	Planting, weeding, harvesting vegetables	1945 : 2500				.30 hr. youth
				2400 : 1500 : 100		3385 : .50 hr. adult

1/ Include farm operators, year-round workers and paid and unpaid members of their families who regularly live on farms. x
 2/ Report most common wage paid during peak season (give rate & unit - hour, day, bushel, etc.) Mark with asterisk (*) those rates determined by county wage board.

x Determined by County Wage Boards xx Planted entirely by POWs.
 xxx POW workers contracted to processor by USES, so daily placement by Extension not envolved.
 Jamaicans also contracted to processor. xxxxx Handled by Extension 8522

