

Table 1**Regional labor rate comparison**

	Labor rates							
	April 2015 (dollars per hour)				April 2014 (dollars per hour)			
	Field crops	Other crops	Livestock & poultry	All farms	Field crops	Other crops	Livestock & poultry	All farms
Northeast states	12.86	11.46	11.20	11.38	14.10	11.23	11.46	11.43
Appalachian states	11.62	10.48	10.60	10.70	10.26	10.46	10.19	10.31
Southeast and Florida	10.99	10.38	10.42	10.43	10.09	10.07	9.76	10.02
Lake states	12.78	10.82	11.74	11.68	12.70	11.25	11.42	11.50
Cornbelt states	11.92	11.04	11.61	11.56	13.85	11.94	11.48	12.32
Delta states	10.33	10.40	10.80	10.50	10.31	9.60	9.99	10.05
Northern Plains	14.97	12.18	13.19	13.50	13.60	12.54	12.93	13.15
Southern Plains	11.81	11.77	10.96	11.20	10.67	8.98	10.83	10.10
Mountain states	10.84	10.87	12.04	11.47	11.73	10.53	11.26	11.13
Pacific and California	12.66	11.52	11.99	11.63	12.69	11.09	11.79	11.21
48 state average	12.02	11.15	11.58	11.41	12.06	10.86	11.20	11.11

Combined field and livestock worker wage rates by type of farm – region. Source: USDA NASS, Farm Labor, released May 21, 2015.