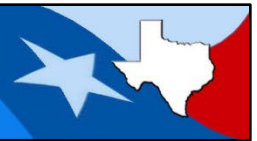




## Agricultural Employer Survey 2024-2025



This survey will help the Texas Workforce Commission and the U.S. Department of Labor better understand conditions of employment in your industry.

**Category:** Agricultural Equipment Operator

### Category description:

Drive and control farm equipment to till soil and to plant, cultivate, and harvest crops. May perform tasks, such as crop baling or hay bucking. May operate stationary equipment to perform post-harvest tasks, such as husking, shelling, and threshing. This survey category does not include workers in a cotton gin, who are covered by a separate survey category.

### Seasonal/Temporary Worker Wages

NOTE: In the wage chart below, please list the number of **SEASONAL/TEMPORARY** U.S. workers (including legal permanent residents) and their wages. Please do not include supervisors or foreign workers in the H-2A program. We are only asking for information on laborers who have worked on a **temporary or seasonal** basis within the past 12 months.

Do not include day-laborers.

- If you have no **seasonal or temporary** workers, skip to question #12.
- **When reporting rate of pay and number of workers, DO NOT USE RANGES. Use precise numbers.**

# seasonal/temp. workers	Rate of Pay	Unit (per hour, etc.)	Bonuses (if any)
5 (example)	\$8 (example)	per hour (example)	\$500 per year (example)

### Employment Practices

Unless otherwise stated, select one answer choice for each question. You may answer these questions based on your employment practices for all workers in the occupation described above.

- Wages are paid (select one):  
☐ weekly  
☐ monthly  
☐ bi-weekly (every other week) or semi-monthly (twice a month)  
☐ other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_
- What are the median number of hours per week per worker? \_\_\_\_\_
- A) Do you provide housing for temporary workers? ☐ Yes ☐ No  
B) If yes, which type of housing is available? ☐ Single workers only ☐ Families ☐ Both
- Are transportation costs to the place of employment advanced to the worker? ☐ Yes ☐ No

5. Do you use Farm Labor Contractors? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ I am a farm labor contractor
6. Do you provide tools free of charge to the worker? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Tools not required
7. A) Do you require a productivity standard for your workers? (example: lbs. per hour) ☐ Yes ☐ No  
 B) If yes, what is that standard? (include time allowed to meet that standard)  
 \_\_\_\_\_
8. A) How many months of minimum experience do you require new hires to have? (If none, state "not required")  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 B) Please specify any minimum experience required performing specific tasks (such as driving a tractor or riding horses). You may also list any other minimum level of qualifications.  
 \_\_\_\_\_
9. What is your lifting requirement?  
☐ None ☐ 20 lbs. or less ☐ 21-49 lbs. ☐ 50 lbs. or more
10. How do you recruit workers? (select all that apply)  
☐ Texas Workforce Solutions Centers or [www.workintexas.com](http://www.workintexas.com)  
☐ Other internet postings ☐ Hire workers from previous seasons  
☐ Farm labor contractors ☐ Travelling and recruiting outside the area  
☐ Newspaper ad ☐ Word of mouth  
☐ Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_
11. Are your workers required to possess a driver license? ☐ Yes, regular ☐ Yes, commercial ☐ No
12. A) Have you hired any **seasonal or temporary** workers within the past 12 months? ☐ Yes ☐ No  
 B) Do you intend to hire seasonal or temporary workers in the foreseeable future? ☐ Yes ☐ No  
 C) If no, you may request below to be removed from this survey for the next two years.  
 \_\_\_\_\_
13. A) Will you hire H-2A workers this season or did you hire H-2A workers last season? ☐ Yes ☐ No  
 B) If yes, how many? \_\_\_\_\_ (Please answer questions 1 and 3 on behalf of your H-2A workers)
14. How large is this worksite in total acres? \_\_\_\_\_
15. Do you require new hires to sign an arbitration agreement? ☐ Yes ☐ No
16. Please provide your phone number for contact: \_\_\_\_\_

### How To Return This Survey:

The Texas Workforce Commission has provided three ways for you to return this survey.

Please: 1) **FAX** this survey to 512-322-2888 or 2) **EMAIL** it to [agsurvey@twc.texas.gov](mailto:agsurvey@twc.texas.gov) or 3) **MAIL** it to:

"Texas Workforce Commission, Labor Market Information, Room 354.1, 101 E. 15th Street, Austin, TX 78778."

Feel free to call **855-273-0043** or email the above address if you have any questions. Thank you for your time!

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