

Historically, the goal in administering the program has been to obtain the maximum in benefits to the workers of the nation with the least possible expenditure of public funds. This will continue to be the guiding principle of the program in future operations.

4. *Level of operations.* (See table 1.)

Program: Minimum Wage Program.

Department or agency, and office or bureau: Department of Labor; Wage and Hour and Public Contracts Divisions.

TABLE 1.—*Level of operations or performance, fiscal years 1964–67*

Measure and unit	Fiscal year 1964	Fiscal year 1965	Fiscal year 1966 (estimate)	Fiscal year 1967 (estimate)
(a) Magnitude of program: ¹				
Investigations—Establishments.....	56,370	59,625	57,000	57,000
Investigations—Covered employees in investigated establishments.....	1,710,850	2,998,913	1,800,000	1,800,000
Amount of underpayments (millions)....	\$59.7	\$74.5	\$75.0	\$75.0
Minimum wages (millions).....	\$24.2	\$28.1	\$28.5	\$28.5
Overtime (millions).....	\$35.5	\$46.2	\$46.5	\$46.5
Amount of payment agreed to (mil- lions).....	\$22.7	\$24.0	\$24.5	\$24.5
Employees underpaid (number).....	364,000	406,333	410,000	410,000
Employees whom employers agreed to pay (number).....	189,048	195,882	200,000	210,000
Safety and health inspections (number of establishments).....	2,243	1,577	1,600	1,625
Safety and health violations (number of establishments).....	1,963	1,480	1,500	1,500
Minors illegally employed (number)....	21,006	18,605	19,000	19,000
Agriculture (number).....	7,972	7,076	7,000	7,000
Nonagriculture (number).....	13,034	11,529	12,000	12,000
Complaints (number received).....	23,120	21,173	23,000	23,000
Litigation filed (cases).....	1,642	1,462	1,675	1,675
(b) Not applicable.				
(c) Federal finances:				
Unobligated appropriation available (thousands).....	\$19,279	\$20,952	² \$21,594	22,972
Obligations incurred (thousands)....	\$19,143	\$20,444	² \$21,594	22,972
(d) Matching or additional expenditures ³				
(e) Federal government personnel operating the program (number employees).....	1,774	1,768	² 1,828	1,992
(f) and (g) None.				

¹ No workload data available on the newly enacted Service Contract Act, or Arts and Humanities Act.

² Covers only partial year of operations under Service Contract Act, and contains no estimates for Arts and Humanities Act.

³ Information not available.

5. *Estimated magnitude of program in 1970*

The probable level of the bureau's programs in 1970 will depend upon the extent of legislative changes with regard to coverage, minimum wage, overtime and other standards. It is estimated that with the changes which are anticipated, a total of approximately 2,950 personnel and \$36 million will be required.

6. *Prospective changes in program orientation*

a. None at present. During fiscal year 1965, however, the Administration proposed that coverage under the Fair Labor Standards Act be extended to an additional 4.6 million workers primarily in hotel, restaurant, laundry, hospital and agricultural processing and that the \$1.25 minimum wage be applied to these workers. The Administration proposal also included a provision that double-time pay be required for all overtime work beyond 48 hours in a week for employees covered by the law prior to September 1961, being gradually reduced to 45 hours a week, over a three-year period. The proposal