

TABLE 35.—Proportion of persons from independently employed families and from labor families participating in churches of different social status: Arvin and Dinuba

Church category	Arvin						Dinuba					
	Farmers and white-collar workers		All labor		Total ¹		Farmers and white-collar workers		All labor		Total ¹	
	Num-ber	Per-cent	Num-ber	Per-cent	Num-ber	Per-cent	Num-ber	Per-cent	Num-ber	Per-cent	Num-ber	Per-cent
I. High status.....	15	40	15	8	31	14	87	51	42	25	136	37
II. Intermediate status.....	8	22	38	21	46	21	4	2	7	4	12	3
III. Low status.....	5	14	69	39	80	36	14	8	24	15	51	14
IV. In-group churches.....	9	24	40	23	49	22	33	20	41	25	82	22
V. Other.....	0	0	10	6	10	5	9	5	12	7	25	7
VI. Outside community.....	0	0	5	3	5	2	24	14	39	24	64	17
Total.....	37	100	177	100	221	100	171	100	165	100	370	100

¹ Includes 7 nonemployed in Arvin, 34 in Dinuba.

Source: Schedule data.

TABLE 36.—Occupation of members of selected churches in Arvin and Dinuba

Occupation group	Congregational		Nazarene		Assembly of God	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
White-collar.....	23	19	16	29	10	10
Farm operator.....	72	58	5	10	0	0
Farm labor.....	10	8	16	29	81	77
Other labor.....	19	15	17	32	14	13
Total.....	124	100	54	100	105	100
Nonemployed.....	6		4		7	

Occupation group	First Pres- byterian		Christian		Zion Men- nonites		Church of Nazarene		Assembly of God	
	Num-ber	Per-cent	Num-ber	Per-cent	Num-ber	Per-cent	Num-ber	Per-cent	Num-ber	Per-cent
	Num-ber	Per-cent	Num-ber	Per-cent	Num-ber	Per-cent	Num-ber	Per-cent	Num-ber	Per-cent
White-collar.....	102	47	54	38	16	8	17	18	20	22
Farm operator.....	94	43	68	48	141	72	35	37	33	37
Farm labor.....	6	3	4	3	22	12	22	24	23	25
Other labor.....	15	7	16	11	16	8	20	21	14	16
Total.....	217	100	142	100	195	100	94	100	90	100
Nonemployed.....	34		38		28		17		23	

¹ Includes some unspecified labor.

Source: Schedule data.

In Arvin there were clear expressions of opinion as to the social standing of the churches. Local citizens can and regularly did rate them. There is a similar social hierarchy in Dinuba, but it is not so clearly marked, and there are far more churches serving small social groups isolated because of a common background rather than because of their social or economic status in the community.