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1	32	19	141
2	44	20	141
3	64	21	143
4	63	22	157
5	65	23	132
6	75	24	146
7	97	25	150
8	106	26	142
9	120	27	137
10	125	28	108
11	142	29	100
12	132	30	91
13	136	31	63
14	95	32	67
15	118	33	58
16	141	34	60
17	132	35	39
18	144		

4. Wage rates: It was assumed that (a) women employees worked only during the time the packinghouse would actually operate, (b) all men workers were assured a minimum of 40 hours of employment for the weeks they were employed and (c) all hourly workers not paid on a piece-rate basis received overtime wage rates for employment longer than 40 hours per week. Wage rates which were considered representative of those paid by the industry during the 1953-54 season were used in calculating labor costs.

5. Grading: Many factors affect the amount of grading labor employed by a packing firm. For the purpose of this analysis, an average of 5.6 man-hours of grading labor per 100 boxes of citrus fruit was used in calculating cost. This was the average of the 12 packinghouses included in the detailed input-output study.

6. Break-for-lot time: Detailed data from the 12 packinghouses showed that the break-for-lot time, that is, changing from one lot of fruit to another lot of the same type, was 6.4 minutes; 11.5 minutes were required when changing lots from one type of fruit to another. The data also indicated that the houses tended to pack all types of fruit in season during a given day. In addition, lots were, on the average changed for every 300 1/2 bushel equivalent of packed fruit. The break-for-lot time used in this analysis was calculated on the basis of (a) each type of fruit in season being packed within each house each