

ANNUAL CYCLE OF WORK & REST IN ZBEIDAT

Nature of Activity	8 Aug.	9 Sept.	10 Oct.	11 Nov.	12 Dec.	1 Jan.	2 Feb.	3 Mar.	4 Apr.	5 May	6 June	7 July
Ploughing & Harrowing										X	X	
Furrowing & Manuring	X ²										X ¹	
Laying of Drip Lines	X ²										X ¹	X
Spreading of Plastic Sheaths	X											
Sowing & Transplanting		T, Ca E, S, Fa	T, Ca S, Fa	Wh, B P ₂	Ca Wh	Wh, B Wa	Corn	Corn				
Spraying Insecticides			X	X								
Spraying of Hormones					X							
Weeding	X											
Picking & Harvesting				E	E, S	Fa, S, P ₁	Fa, Ca, E, Cu	E, P ₂ , Cu	T, Wh, B, Wa, E	Wh, B, Wa, E	Wh, B, Corn	Corn
Hiring Extra Labour				X		X	X	X				
School Vacation	X										X	X
No Crops Available for Home Consumption	X		X									X
Rest. from Ag. Work											X	X
Visiting Relative in Jordan												X
Cash Available								X	X	X	X	X
Marriages											X	X
Rain				X	X	X	X	X				
Weather	Very Hot	Hot	Hot	Warm	Mod.	Mod/co	d	Mod.	Warm	-----	Hot	Very Hot
Ramadan Fast (1980-1990)												
Peak Work Periods	Men	Men	Men & Women	Men & Women			Men & Women	Men, Women & Children		Men	Men	