

USDA announced details of the Farmer Bridge Assistance Program in late December. Payments for this program are scheduled to be made in February. What will be the principal use of this payment on your farm?

% of respondents

60%

45%

30%

15%

0%

Cover family living
expenses

Improve working
capital

Invest in machinery

Pay down debt

9.6%

25.1%

11.7%

53.6%

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