

## **Phil Ochs "Bracero"**

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Phil Ochs

Wade into the river  
Through the rippling shallow water  
Steal accross the thirsty border  
Bracero  
Come bring your hungry bodies  
To the golden fields of plenty  
From a peso to a penny  
Bracero  
Oh, welcome to California  
Where the friendly farmers  
Will take care of you  
Come labor for your mother  
For your father and your brother  
For your sisters and your lover  
Bracero  
Come pick the fruits of yellow  
Break the flowers from the berries  
Purple grapes will fill your bellies  
Bracero  
Oh, Welcome to California  
Where the friendly farmers  
Will take care of you  
And the sun will bite your body  
As the dust will draw you thirsty  
While your muscles beg for mercy  
Bracero  
In the shade of your sombrero  
Drop your sweat upon the soil

Like the fruit your youth can spoil  
Bracero  
Oh, welcome to California  
Where the friendly farmers  
Will take care of you  
When the weary night embraces  
Sleep in shacks that could be cages  
They will take it from your wages  
Bracero  
Come sing about tomorrow  
With a jingle of the dollars  
And forget your crooked collar

Bracero  
Oh, welcome to California  
Where the friendly farmers  
Will take care of you  
And the local men are lazy  
And they make too much of trouble  
Besides we'd have to pay them double  
Bracero  
Ah, but if you feel you're fallin'  
If you find the pace is killing  
There are others who are willing  
Bracero  
Oh, welcome to California  
Where the friendly farmers  
Will take care of you

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