

CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE: 1940

TABLE 2.—NUMBER OF FARMS BY SIZE OF FARMS, 1940, CLASSIFIED BY TOTAL VALUE OF FARM PRODUCTS,<sup>1</sup> 1939; FOR THE UNITED STATES

[Bold face figures are the 1940 Census recorded totals for all farms; all other entries are based upon a 2-percent sample of the reports for the individual farms, expanded and adjusted to agree with the recorded totals. See text]

VALUE GROUP	FARMS BY SIZE <sup>2</sup>										
	Number of farms										
	Under 10 acres	10 to 29 acres	30 to 49 acres	50 to 99 acres	100 to 179 acres	180 to 499 acres			500 acres and over		
Total						180 to 259	260 to 499	Total	500 to 999	1,000 acres and over	
<b>UNITED STATES</b>											
All groups.....	506,402	1,012,971	767,289	1,291,048	1,309,741	945,123	486,336	458,787	264,225	163,694	100,531
Unclassified farms.....	* 3,427	5,314	* 4,623	9,615	9,790	5,474	* 2,623	* 2,851	* 1,299	* 1,000	* 269
Farms with no farm products sold, traded, or used.....	19,787	20,839	11,376	13,676	11,468	7,661	* 2,632	* 5,029	* 3,695	* 2,252	* 1,443
Classified farms, total.....	483,188	986,818	751,290	1,267,757	1,288,483	931,988	481,081	450,907	259,231	160,412	98,819
\$1 to \$99.....	108,668	100,279	43,888	41,597	24,204	9,831	* 4,370	* 5,461	* 3,728	* 2,356	* 1,372
\$100 to \$249.....	151,846	241,088	149,913	146,763	81,490	32,073	17,491	14,582	9,637	6,705	* 2,932
\$250 to \$399.....	96,153	214,967	154,965	188,467	113,055	45,198	23,824	21,374	8,811	* 6,025	* 2,785
\$400 to \$599.....	53,477	184,067	149,942	230,938	163,953	73,795	39,574	34,221	14,457	10,140	* 4,317
\$600 to \$749.....	18,908	80,818	68,702	134,168	112,385	53,898	29,995	23,900	* 10,702	* 7,938	* 2,764
\$750 to \$999.....	14,311	67,641	68,605	162,012	156,635	87,715	47,130	40,585	17,175	11,884	* 5,291
\$1,000 to \$1,499.....	12,740	51,955	63,322	175,723	226,087	146,439	80,160	66,279	32,651	23,672	8,979
\$1,500 to \$1,999.....	* 6,555	17,630	21,949	84,176	146,871	113,629	62,104	51,525	25,271	16,425	* 8,846
\$2,000 to \$2,499.....	* 4,767	8,481	10,997	42,677	90,316	84,641	45,440	39,201	22,141	14,161	7,980
\$2,500 to \$3,999.....	* 7,109	11,431	10,912	39,804	120,705	145,343	76,329	69,014	40,669	26,166	14,503
\$4,000 to \$5,999.....	* 3,714	* 4,738	* 4,878	11,881	35,191	79,478	35,040	44,438	25,799	14,861	10,938
\$6,000 to \$9,999.....	* 2,200	* 2,066	* 2,039	6,794	12,325	41,977	13,883	27,494	22,146	10,858	11,288
\$10,000 and over.....	* 2,840	* 1,657	* 1,178	* 2,757	5,266	18,571	5,741	12,830	26,044	9,221	16,823

VALUE GROUP	PERCENT DISTRIBUTION OF FARMS IN EACH VALUE GROUP BY SIZE										
	Number of farms										
	Under 10 acres	10 to 29 acres	30 to 49 acres	50 to 99 acres	100 to 179 acres	180 to 499 acres			500 acres and over		
Total						180 to 259	260 to 499	Total	500 to 999	1,000 acres and over	
<b>UNITED STATES</b>											
All groups.....	8.3	16.6	12.6	21.2	21.5	15.5	8.0	7.5	4.3	2.7	1.6
Unclassified farms.....	* 8.7	13.4	* 11.7	24.3	24.8	13.8	* 6.6	* 7.2	* 3.3	* 2.6	* 0.7
Farms with no farm products sold, traded, or used.....	22.4	23.5	12.9	15.5	13.0	8.7	* 3.0	* 5.7	* 4.2	* 2.5	* 1.6
Classified farms, total.....	8.1	16.5	12.6	21.2	21.6	15.6	8.1	7.6	4.3	2.7	1.7
\$1 to \$99.....	32.7	30.2	13.2	12.5	7.3	3.0	* 1.3	* 1.6	* 1.1	* 0.7	* 0.4
\$100 to \$249.....	18.7	29.7	18.4	18.1	10.0	3.9	2.2	1.8	1.2	0.8	* 0.4
\$250 to \$399.....	11.7	26.2	18.9	22.9	13.8	5.5	2.9	2.6	1.1	* 0.7	* 0.3
\$400 to \$599.....	6.1	21.1	17.2	26.5	18.8	8.5	4.5	3.9	1.7	1.2	* 0.5
\$600 to \$749.....	3.9	16.9	14.3	28.0	23.4	11.2	6.3	5.0	* 2.2	* 1.7	* 0.6
\$750 to \$999.....	2.5	11.8	12.0	28.2	27.3	15.3	8.2	7.1	3.0	2.1	* 0.9
\$1,000 to \$1,499.....	1.8	7.3	8.9	24.8	31.9	20.7	11.3	9.3	4.6	3.3	1.3
\$1,500 to \$1,999.....	* 1.6	4.2	5.3	20.2	35.3	27.3	14.9	12.4	6.1	3.9	* 2.1
\$2,000 to \$2,499.....	* 1.8	3.2	4.2	16.2	34.2	32.1	17.2	14.8	8.4	5.4	3.0
\$2,500 to \$3,999.....	* 1.9	3.0	2.9	10.6	32.1	38.7	20.3	18.4	10.8	7.0	3.9
\$4,000 to \$5,999.....	* 2.2	* 2.9	* 2.9	7.2	21.2	48.0	21.1	26.8	15.6	9.0	6.6
\$6,000 to \$9,999.....	* 2.5	* 2.3	* 2.3	7.6	13.9	46.5	15.6	30.9	24.9	12.2	12.7
\$10,000 and over.....	* 4.9	* 2.8	* 2.0	* 4.7	9.0	31.8	9.8	22.0	44.7	15.8	28.8

<sup>1</sup> Value of farm products sold, traded, or used by farm households.

<sup>2</sup> Since, for the sample farms no tabulation of acreage was made by size, it was not possible to harmonize the adjusted figures for number of farms by size, either with the recorded figures for all land in farms by size, or with the adjusted figures for all land in farms by value groups.

\* Figures marked with asterisks have a coefficient of variation of approximately 10 percent or more, and may, therefore, be subject to sampling errors greatly in excess of that amount. See text.

# FARM CHARACTERISTICS BY VALUE OF PRODUCTS

**TABLE 3.—NUMBER OF FARMS BY SIZE OF FARMS, 1940, CLASSIFIED BY TOTAL VALUE OF FARM PRODUCTS,<sup>1</sup> 1939: FOR THE UNITED STATES AND DIVISIONS**

[**Bold face figures** are the 1940 Census recorded totals for all farms; all other entries are based upon a 2-percent sample of the reports for the individual farms, expanded and adjusted to agree with the recorded totals. See text.]

UNITED STATES OR DIVISION AND VALUE GROUP	FARMS BY SIZE <sup>2</sup>													
	Number of farms							Percent distribution of farms in each value group by size						
	Under 10 acres	10 to 29 acres	30 to 49 acres	50 to 99 acres	100 to 179 acres	180 to 499 acres	500 acres and over	Under 10 acres	10 to 29 acres	30 to 49 acres	50 to 99 acres	100 to 179 acres	180 to 499 acres	500 acres and over
<b>UNITED STATES</b>														
All groups.....	506,402	1,012,971	767,289	1,291,048	1,309,741	945,123	264,225	8.3	16.6	12.6	21.2	21.5	15.5	4.3
Unclassified farms.....	* 3,427	5,314	* 4,623	9,615	9,790	5,474	* 1,299	* 8.7	13.4	* 11.7	24.3	24.8	13.8	* 3.3
Farms with no farm products sold, traded, or used.....	19,787	20,839	11,378	13,676	11,468	7,661	* 3,695	22.4	23.5	12.9	15.5	13.0	8.7	* 4.2
<b>Classified farms, total.....</b>	<b>480,188</b>	<b>988,818</b>	<b>751,290</b>	<b>1,267,757</b>	<b>1,288,483</b>	<b>931,988</b>	<b>259,231</b>	<b>8.1</b>	<b>16.5</b>	<b>12.6</b>	<b>21.2</b>	<b>21.6</b>	<b>15.6</b>	<b>4.3</b>
\$1 to \$99.....	108,668	100,279	43,888	41,597	24,204	9,831	* 3,728	32.7	30.2	13.2	12.5	7.3	3.0	* 1.1
\$100 to \$249.....	151,846	241,088	149,913	146,763	81,490	32,073	9,637	18.7	29.7	13.4	18.1	10.0	3.9	1.2
\$250 to \$399.....	96,153	214,957	154,965	188,467	113,055	45,198	8,611	11.7	26.2	18.9	22.9	13.8	5.5	1.1
\$400 to \$599.....	53,477	184,067	149,942	230,938	163,953	73,795	14,457	6.1	21.1	17.2	26.5	18.8	8.5	1.7
\$600 to \$749.....	18,608	80,818	68,702	134,168	112,385	53,898	* 10,702	3.9	16.9	14.3	28.0	23.4	11.2	* 2.2
\$750 to \$999.....	14,311	67,641	68,605	162,012	156,635	87,715	17,175	2.5	11.8	12.0	28.2	27.3	15.3	3.0
\$1,000 to \$1,499.....	12,740	51,955	63,322	175,723	226,087	146,439	32,651	1.8	7.3	8.9	24.8	31.9	20.7	4.6
\$1,500 to \$1,999.....	* 6,555	17,630	21,949	84,176	146,871	113,629	25,271	* 1.6	4.2	5.3	20.2	35.3	27.3	6.1
\$2,000 to \$2,499.....	* 4,767	8,481	10,997	42,677	90,316	84,641	22,141	* 1.8	3.2	4.2	16.2	34.2	32.1	8.4
\$2,500 to \$3,999.....	* 7,109	11,431	10,812	39,804	120,705	145,343	40,669	* 1.8	3.0	2.9	10.6	32.1	38.7	10.8
\$4,000 to \$5,999.....	* 3,714	* 4,738	* 4,878	11,881	35,131	79,478	25,799	* 2.2	* 2.9	* 2.9	7.2	21.2	48.0	15.6
\$6,000 to \$9,999.....	* 2,200	* 2,066	* 2,039	6,794	12,325	41,377	22,146	* 2.5	* 2.3	* 2.3	7.6	13.9	46.5	24.9
\$10,000 and over.....	* 2,840	* 1,657	* 1,178	* 2,757	5,266	18,571	26,044	* 4.9	* 2.8	* 2.0	* 4.7	9.0	31.8	44.7
<b>GEOGRAPHIC DIVISIONS</b>														
<b>NEW ENGLAND</b>														
All groups.....	19,290	22,384	14,662	29,442	28,698	18,812	1,902	14.3	16.6	10.8	21.8	21.2	13.9	1.4
Unclassified farms.....	* 32	* 37	* 108	* 208	* 303	* 145	* .....	* 3.8	* 4.4	* 13.0	* 25.0	* 36.4	* 17.4	* .....
Farms with no farm products sold, traded, or used.....	* 632	* 805	* 262	* 413	* 258	* 227	* .....	* 24.3	* 31.0	* 10.1	* 15.9	* 9.9	* 8.7	* .....
<b>Classified farms, total.....</b>	<b>18,626</b>	<b>21,542</b>	<b>14,292</b>	<b>28,821</b>	<b>28,137</b>	<b>18,440</b>	<b>1,902</b>	<b>14.1</b>	<b>16.3</b>	<b>10.8</b>	<b>21.9</b>	<b>21.4</b>	<b>14.0</b>	<b>1.4</b>
\$1 to \$99.....	3,769	* 3,466	* 1,544	* 1,994	* 1,019	* 291	* .....	31.2	* 28.7	* 12.8	* 16.5	* 8.4	* 2.4	* .....
\$100 to \$249.....	* 3,894	4,981	* 3,164	4,705	* 2,367	* 517	* 68	* 19.8	25.3	* 16.1	23.9	* 12.0	* 2.6	* 0.3
\$250 to \$399.....	* 3,167	* 3,470	* 2,090	* 3,569	* 2,522	* 940	* .....	* 20.1	* 22.0	* 13.3	* 22.6	* 16.0	* 6.0	* .....
\$400 to \$599.....	* 1,860	* 3,054	* 2,403	* 3,112	* 1,314	* 55	* 55	* 13.8	* 22.7	* 12.3	* 17.9	* 23.1	* 9.8	* 0.4
\$600 to \$749.....	* 800	* 1,072	* 489	* 2,224	* 1,759	* 537	* 89	* 11.5	* 15.4	* 7.0	* 31.9	* 25.2	* 7.7	* 1.3
\$750 to \$999.....	* 715	* 948	* 1,100	* 2,673	* 2,166	* 1,170	* 94	* 8.1	* 10.7	* 12.4	* 30.1	* 24.4	* 13.2	* 1.1
\$1,000 to \$1,499.....	* 1,231	* 1,343	* 1,538	* 3,153	* 3,696	* 2,005	* 6	* 9.9	* 10.3	* 11.8	* 24.2	* 28.4	* 15.4	* (3)
\$1,500 to \$1,999.....	* 869	* 748	* 749	* 1,935	* 3,089	* 1,812	* 108	* 9.3	* 8.0	* 8.0	* 20.8	* 33.2	* 19.5	* 1.2
\$2,000 to \$2,499.....	* 293	* 708	* 513	* 1,933	* 1,584	* 1,883	* 92	* 4.2	* 10.1	* 7.3	* 27.6	* 22.6	* 26.9	* 1.3
\$2,500 to \$3,999.....	* 879	* 949	* 822	* 1,963	* 3,545	* 3,305	* 509	* 7.3	* 7.9	* 6.9	* 16.4	* 29.6	* 27.6	* 4.3
\$4,000 to \$5,999.....	* 280	* 479	* 446	* 1,023	* 2,211	* 2,226	* 177	* 4.1	* 7.0	* 6.5	* 15.0	* 32.3	* 32.5	* 2.6
\$6,000 to \$9,999.....	* 343	* 266	* 122	* 983	* 757	* 1,337	* 333	* 8.3	* 6.4	* 2.9	* 23.7	* 18.3	* 32.3	* 8.0
\$10,000 and over.....	* 466	* 58	* 53	* 263	* 310	* 1,103	* 371	* 17.8	* 2.2	* 2.0	* 10.0	* 11.8	* 42.0	* 14.1
<b>MIDDLE ATLANTIC</b>														
All groups.....	35,843	48,730	34,650	91,677	92,440	42,562	2,198	10.3	14.0	10.0	26.3	26.6	12.2	0.6
Unclassified farms.....	* 158	* 116	* 86	* 783	* 885	* 232	* 36	* 6.9	* 5.1	* 3.7	* 34.1	* 38.5	* 10.1	* 1.6
Farms with no farm products sold, traded, or used.....	* 1,275	* 1,652	* 700	* 1,495	* 506	* 165	* 10	* 22.0	* 28.5	* 12.1	* 25.8	* 8.7	* 2.8	* 0.2
<b>Classified farms, total.....</b>	<b>34,410</b>	<b>46,962</b>	<b>33,864</b>	<b>89,399</b>	<b>91,049</b>	<b>42,165</b>	<b>2,152</b>	<b>10.1</b>	<b>13.8</b>	<b>10.0</b>	<b>26.3</b>	<b>26.8</b>	<b>12.4</b>	<b>0.6</b>
\$1 to \$99.....	6,488	* 2,342	* 6,879	* 4,354	* 2,086	* 348	* 5	28.8	30.6	* 10.4	* 19.3	* 9.3	* 1.5	* (3)
\$100 to \$249.....	8,583	11,169	5,707	9,166	4,867	* 1,328	* .....	21.0	27.4	14.0	22.5	11.9	* 3.3	* .....
\$250 to \$399.....	4,971	7,819	4,878	8,803	5,425	* 1,200	* 45	15.0	23.6	14.7	26.6	16.4	* 3.6	* 0.1
\$400 to \$599.....	* 3,668	5,818	* 4,631	10,563	6,656	* 1,787	* 47	* 11.1	17.5	* 14.0	31.8	20.1	* 5.4	* 0.1
\$600 to \$749.....	* 1,543	* 2,689	* 2,689	6,968	4,566	* 1,282	* 102	* 7.7	* 14.2	* 13.5	34.9	22.8	* 6.4	* 0.5
\$750 to \$999.....	* 1,148	* 3,266	* 3,523	10,174	8,050	* 1,571	* 5	* 4.1	* 11.8	* 12.7	36.7	29.0	* 5.7	* (3)
\$1,000 to \$1,499.....	* 2,041	* 3,562	* 4,015	13,780	15,186	5,128	* 147	* 4.7	* 8.1	* 9.2	31.4	34.6	11.7	* 0.3
\$1,500 to \$1,999.....	* 1,249	* 1,531	* 2,143	8,814	12,747	5,192	* 54	* 3.9	* 4.8	* 6.8	27.8	40.2	16.4	* 0.2
\$2,000 to \$2,499.....	* 1,182	* 1,129	* 1,342	7,993	7,993	5,355	* 151	* 5.2	* 5.0	* 6.0	23.7	35.6	23.8	* 0.7
\$2,500 to \$3,999.....	* 1,615	* 1,401	* 1,513	6,782	13,680	9,649	324	* 4.6	* 4.0	* 4.3	19.4	39.1	27.6	* 0.9
\$4,000 to \$5,999.....	* 961	* 744	* 660	* 2,581	5,847	5,135	* 477	* 5.9	* 4.5	* 4.0	* 15.7	35.6	31.3	* 2.9
\$6,000 to \$9,999.....	* 362	* 461	* 227	* 1,839	* 2,857	* 2,548	* 264	* 4.2	* 5.4	* 2.7	* 21.5	* 33.4	* 29.8	* 3.1
\$10,000 and over.....	* 619	* 354	* 184	* 249	* 1,089	* 1,642	* 531	* 13.3	* 7.6	* 3.9	* 5.3	* 23.3	* 35.2	* 11.4
<b>EAST NORTH CENTRAL</b>														
All groups.....	70,657	94,339	104,780	268,033	295,624	164,890	7,772	7.0	9.4	10.4	26.6	29.4	16.4	0.8
Unclassified farms.....	* 344	* 1,081	* 1,496	* 2,767	* 3,095	* 1,774	* 39	* 3.2	* 10.2	* 14.1	* 26.1	* 29.2	* 16.7	* 0.4
Farms with no farm products sold, traded, or used.....	* 2,914	* 2,337	* 2,357	* 3,384	* 1,621	* 411	* .....	* 22.4	* 17.9	* 18.1	* 26.0	* 12.4	* 3.2	* .....
<b>Classified farms, total.....</b>	<b>67,399</b>	<b>90,921</b>	<b>100,927</b>	<b>261,882</b>	<b>290,908</b>	<b>162,705</b>	<b>7,793</b>	<b>6.9</b>	<b>9.3</b>	<b>10.3</b>	<b>26.7</b>	<b>29.6</b>	<b>16.6</b>	<b>0.8</b>
\$1 to \$99.....	20,582	15,476	9,160	8,331	* 3,359	* 1,037	* 64	35.5	26.7	15.8	14.4	* 5.8	* 1.8	* 0.1
\$100 to \$249.....	22,486	25,750	19,878	21,504	9,791	* 2,385	* 105	22.1	25.3	19.5	21.1	9.6	* 2.4	* 0.1
\$250 to \$399.....	10,937	16,623	20,043	22,618	11,371	* 2,324	* 60	13.0	19.8	23.9	26.9	13.5	* 2.8	* 0.1
\$400 to \$599.....	5,699	13,846	16,767	34,238	19,658	5,307	* 149	6.0	14.5	17.5	35.8	20.5	5.5	* 0.2
\$600 to \$749.....	* 2,031	6,096	9,747	24,007	17,657	* 4,084	* 45	* 3.2	9.6	15.3	37.7	27.7	* 6.4	* 0.1
\$750 to \$999.....	* 2,083	* 4,729	9,969	39,504	30,660	7,636	* 179	* 2.2	* 5.0	10.5	41.7	32.4	8.1	* 0.2
\$1,000 to \$1,499.....	* 1,254	* 4,488	9,546	57,583	59,535	20,389	* 278	* 0.8	* 2.9	6.2	37.6	38.9	13.3	* 0.2
\$1,500 to \$1,999.....	* 424	* 1,680	* 3,045	30,363	49,949	20,911	* 240	* 0.4	* 1.6	* 2.9	28.5	46.9	19.6	* 0.2
\$2,000 to \$2,499.....	* 246	* 725	* 1,044	12,873	34,558	18,868	* 656	* 0.4	* 1.1	* 1.5	18.7	50.1	27.4	* 1.0
\$2,500 to \$3,999.....	* 682	* 958	* 956	8,958	42,675	39,787	* 900	* 0.7	* 1.0	* 1.0	9.4			