

CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE: 1945

STATE TABLE 1.—FARMS AND FARM CHARACTERISTICS: CENSUSES OF 1920 TO 1945.

ITEM (For definitions, see text)	Census of 1945 (Jan. 1)	Census of 1940 (Apr. 1)	Census of 1935 (Jan. 1)	Census of 1930 (Apr. 1)	Census of 1925 (Jan. 1)	Census of 1920 (Jan. 1)
FARMS, ACREAGE, AND LAND AREA						
Farms.....number..	9,296	8,994	10,381	9,707	10,257	10,140
Approximate land area (see text).....acres..	1,265,920	1,265,920	1,257,600	1,257,600	1,257,600	1,257,600
Proportion in farms.....percent..	72.9	70.7	73.3	71.6	71.5	75.1
Land in farms.....acres..	923,350	895,507	921,251	900,815	899,641	944,611
Owned by operator ¹acres..	619,064	490,754	466,921	485,395	459,763	(*)
Rented by operator ¹acres..	304,286	380,214	422,316	405,954	423,612	(*)
Average size of farm.....acres..	99.3	99.6	88.7	92.8	87.7	93.1
Land in farms according to use: ²						
Cropland harvested.....farms reporting..	8,450	8,407	9,857	9,213	(*)	(*)
acres..	416,162	378,448	388,722	407,608	404,209	448,422
Farms reporting by acres harvested:						
1 to 9 acres.....number..	1,756	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
10 to 19 acres.....number..	1,182	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
20 to 29 acres.....number..	993	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
30 to 49 acres.....number..	1,606	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
50 to 99 acres.....number..	1,868	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
100 to 199 acres.....number..	855	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
200 acres and over.....number..	190	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
200 to 499 acres.....number..	172	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
500 to 999 acres.....number..	15	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
1,000 acres and over.....number..	3	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Crop failure.....farms reporting..	1,059	814	497	573	(*)	(*)
acres..	16,957	10,233	5,594	8,503	6,615	(*)
Cropland idle or fallow.....farms reporting..	2,840	4,518	5,480	3,849	(*)	(*)
acres..	68,157	96,789	109,855	88,147	108,035	(*)
Cropland used only for pasture.....farms reporting..	3,052	4,545	4,379	4,481	4,504	(*)
acres..	62,842	84,113	76,242	82,855	78,868	(*)
Woodland pastured.....farms reporting..	415	(*)	404	857	708	(*)
acres..	8,992	(*)	8,219	16,070	10,386	(*)
Other land pastured.....farms reporting..	1,958	(*)	1,427	1,418	613	(*)
acres..	40,157	(*)	22,072	23,628	12,379	(*)
Woodland not pastured.....farms reporting..	5,778	(*)	6,737	6,288	6,506	(*)
acres..	223,237	(*)	226,292	187,628	188,180	(*)
All other land.....farms reporting..	8,272	(*)	10,030	8,872	(*)	(*)
acres..	86,846	(*)	84,255	86,375	90,969	(*)
Cropland, total.....farms reporting..	8,868	6,758	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
acres..	564,118	569,583	580,413	587,114	597,727	(*)
Land used for crops (harvested and failure)....farms reporting..	8,502	8,441	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
acres..	433,119	388,681	394,316	416,112	410,824	(*)
Land pastured, total.....farms reporting..	4,741	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
acres..	111,991	(*)	106,533	122,553	101,633	(*)
Woodland, total.....farms reporting..	5,898	6,439	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
acres..	232,229	225,361	234,511	203,698	198,566	222,658
VALUE OF FARM PROPERTY						
Value of farms (land and buildings).....dollars..	72,693,794	54,898,828	51,475,728	66,941,747	59,675,666	64,755,631
Average per farm:						
All farms.....dollars..	7,820	6,104	4,959	6,896	5,818	6,386
Farms of 30 acres and over.....dollars..	9,279	6,929	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Average per acre, all farms.....dollars..	78.73	61.30	55.88	74.31	66.33	68.56
Value of implements and machinery ³farms reporting..	7,394	7,049	(*)	8,874	(*)	(*)
dollars..	11,434,782	5,748,229	(*)	7,285,130	5,906,223	6,781,318
Farms reporting by value of implements and machinery:						
\$1 to \$99.....number..	623	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
\$1 to \$49.....number..	288	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
\$50 to \$99.....number..	335	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
\$100 to \$249.....number..	1,073	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
\$250 to \$499.....number..	802	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
\$500 to \$749.....number..	744	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
\$750 to \$999.....number..	302	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
\$1,000 to \$2,499.....number..	2,416	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
\$1,000 to \$1,499.....number..	916	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
\$1,500 to \$2,499.....number..	1,500	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
\$2,500 and over.....number..	1,434	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
\$2,500 to \$4,999.....number..	1,059	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
\$5,000 to \$9,999.....number..	284	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
\$10,000 and over.....number..	91	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Value of livestock on farms (see text).....dollars..	9,174,705	5,829,599	5,040,842	8,634,204	7,115,460	8,476,503
FARM DWELLINGS AND POPULATION						
Dwellings on farms.....farms reporting..	9,214	(*)	10,204	(**)	(**)	(**)
number..	12,309	(**)	12,570	(**)	(**)	(**)
Occupied.....farms reporting..	9,082	(*)	10,134	(**)	(**)	(**)
number..	11,337	(**)	12,124	(**)	(**)	(**)
Unoccupied.....farms reporting..	799	(*)	402	(**)	(**)	(**)
number..	972	(**)	446	(**)	(**)	(**)
Occupied dwellings on farms with 2 or more occupied dwellings.....farms reporting..	1,270	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
number..	3,625	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Farm population (persons living in occupied dwellings on farms).....persons..	37,665	45,974	48,558	46,530	44,662	51,212
Average per occupied dwelling.....persons..	3.32	(**)	4.01	(**)	(**)	(**)
Under 14 years old.....persons..	10,105	(**)	(*)	(**)	(*)	(**)
Boys.....persons..	5,148	(**)	(*)	(**)	(*)	(**)
Girls.....persons..	4,957	(**)	(*)	(**)	(*)	(**)
14 years old and over.....persons..	27,560	(**)	(*)	(**)	(*)	(**)
Men and boys.....persons..	13,753	(**)	(*)	(**)	(*)	(**)
Women and girls.....persons..	13,807	(**)	(*)	(**)	(*)	(**)
For farms with 2 or more occupied dwellings.....persons..	9,827	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Average per occupied dwelling.....persons..	2.79	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Under 14 years old.....persons..	2,761	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Boys.....persons..	1,433	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Girls.....persons..	1,328	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
14 years old and over.....persons..	7,066	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Men and boys.....persons..	3,515	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Women and girls.....persons..	3,551	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)

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FARM OPERATORS						
(For tenure, see table 5)						
By color:⁶						
White.....number..	8,605	8,366	9,554	8,900	9,426	9,268
Nonwhite.....number..	691	825	827	807	831	872
By age:						
Under 35 years.....number..	1,361	1,188	(*)	1,582	(*)	2,358
Under 25 years.....number..	194	181	(*)	257	(*)	444
25 to 34 years.....number..	1,177	1,007	(*)	1,325	(*)	1,914
35 to 54 years.....number..	4,301	3,847	(*)	4,634	(*)	4,762
35 to 44 years.....number..	1,884	1,679	(*)	2,257	(*)	2,365
45 to 54 years.....number..	2,417	2,168	(*)	2,377	(*)	2,397
55 to 64 years.....number..	1,869	1,844	(*)	1,872	(*)	1,825
65 years and over.....number..	1,611	1,477	(*)	1,371	(*)	1,028
Age not reported.....number..	54	638	(*)	248	(*)	167
Average age reported.....years..	50.3	50.5	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Owners.....years..	51.8	53.4	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Tenants.....years..	45.0	44.9	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
By residence:						
On farm operated.....number..	8,506	8,091	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Not on farm operated.....number..	458	342	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Residence not reported.....number..	34	561	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
By years on farm (see text):						
Less than 5 years.....number..	3,532	2,342	3,694	3,451	4,656	4,430
Less than 1 year.....number..	1,104	392	1,498	961	1,512	877
1 year.....number..	618	574	626	854	864	1,236
2 to 4 years.....number..	1,842	1,376	1,570	1,636	2,280	2,217
2 years.....number..	567	513	582	(*)	767	(*)
3 years.....number..	535	478	460	(*)	731	(*)
4 years.....number..	740	385	528	(*)	782	(*)
5 to 9 years.....number..	1,600	1,109	1,821	1,755	⁸ 2,093	1,869
10 years and over.....number..	3,944	3,715	4,548	4,008	⁹ 3,295	3,489
10 to 14 years.....number..	1,031	987	1,386	1,303	¹⁰ 815	(*)
15 years and over.....number..	2,913	2,728	3,162	2,705	2,380	(*)
Years on farm not reported.....number..	190	1,828	318	493	213	332
Average years on farm.....years..	13	13	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
By work off farm:¹¹						
All operators reporting.....number..	1,748	1,940	2,159	2,811	(*)	(*)
.....days worked..	374,651	304,878	277,382	333,898	(*)	(*)
Operators reporting—						
1 to 49 days.....number..	195	456	563	989	(*)	(*)
1 to 24 days.....number..	129	254	267	502	(*)	(*)
25 to 49 days.....number..	66	202	296	487	(*)	(*)
50 to 99 days.....number..	130	276	412	566	(*)	(*)
100 days and over.....number..	1,423	1,209	1,184	1,356	(*)	(*)
100 to 149 days.....number..	108	188	317	353	(*)	(*)
150 to 199 days.....number..	150	292	269	293	(*)	(*)
200 to 249 days.....number..	235	192	182	221	(*)	(*)
250 days and over.....number..	890	567	416	489	(*)	(*)
FACILITIES						
Specified facilities in farm dwelling:						
(Figures relate only to farms reporting dwellings)						
Running water.....farms reporting..	4,560	(**)	(*)	(12)	(*)	(12)
.....farms reporting "no" ..	4,631	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
.....farms not reporting..	23	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Electricity.....farms reporting..	5,605	3,699	(*)	(12)	(*)	(12)
.....farms reporting "no" ..	3,592	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
.....farms not reporting..	17	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
and running water.....farms reporting..	4,413	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Radio.....farms reporting..	7,009	(**)	(*)	(*)	342	(*)
.....farms reporting "no" ..	2,178	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
.....farms not reporting..	27	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Telephone.....farms reporting..	3,694	¹³ 2,216	(*)	¹³ 2,420	(*)	¹³ 2,763
.....farms reporting "no" ..	5,494	(**)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
.....farms not reporting..	26	(**)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
and electricity.....farms reporting..	3,364	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
and electric distribution line						
within 1/4 mile.....farms reporting..	3,522	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
and radio.....farms reporting..	3,585	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
and automobile on farm.....farms reporting..	3,371	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Electric distribution line within 1/4 mile.....farms reporting..	7,381	6,096	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
.....farms reporting "no" ..	1,682	2,458	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
.....farms not reporting..	39	440	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
with no electricity in farm dwelling or not reported.....farms..	1,534	2,489	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Specified facilities in farm dwelling for farms with resident operators:						
Running water.....farms reporting..	4,404	(**)	(*)	(*)	(*)	752
Electricity.....farms reporting..	5,410	(*)	(*)	1,500	(*)	(*)
Radio.....farms reporting..	6,802	(**)	(*)	1,561	(*)	14,397
Telephone.....farms reporting..	3,572	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)

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ROADS, MOTORTRUCKS, TRACTORS, AND AUTOMOBILES						
Distance to nearest all-weather road:						
0.0 to 0.2 mile.....farms reporting..	6,279	16 4,753	(*)	16 3,765	16 2,302	(*)
0.3 to 0.5 mile.....farms reporting..	955	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
0.6 to 0.9 mile.....farms reporting..	259	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
1.0 to 1.9 miles.....farms reporting..	1,185	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
2.0 to 4.9 miles.....farms reporting..	568	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
5.0 miles and over.....farms reporting..	19	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Not reporting.....farms..	54	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Motortrucks on farms.....farms reporting..	3,110	2,215	(*)	2,781	(*)	283
with no automobile.....farms reporting..	3,800	2,587	(*)	2,996	(*)	304
number.....	462	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Farms reporting—						
1 motortruck.....number..	2,695	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
2 or more motortrucks.....number..	415	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Tractors on farms.....farms reporting..	3,839	2,330	(*)	1,447	619	220
number.....	4,604	2,661	(*)	1,600	694	239
Farms reporting—						
1 tractor.....number..	3,293	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
2 tractors.....number..	425	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
3 or more tractors.....number..	121	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Automobiles on farms.....farms reporting..	7,640	6,835	(*)	7,498	(*)	3,693
number.....	9,537	8,164	(*)	8,724	(*)	4,014
FARM LABOR						
Persons 14 years old and over working the equivalent of 2 or more days during specified week (first week of January 1945 and 1935; the last week of March 1940)						
Family and/or hired workers.....farms reporting..	8,390	6,277	10,075	(*)	(*)	(*)
persons.....	14,456	12,047	16,231	(**)	(**)	(**)
Average per farm reporting.....persons..	1.72	1.92	1.61	(*)	(*)	(*)
Family workers.....farms reporting..	8,299	5,403	9,810	(**)	(**)	(**)
persons.....	12,191	7,675	13,174	(**)	(**)	(**)
Farms reporting by number of family workers:						
1 person.....number..	5,455	(*)	7,285	(*)	(*)	(*)
2 persons.....number..	2,102	(*)	1,914	(*)	(*)	(*)
3 or more persons.....number..	742	(*)	611	(*)	(*)	(*)
Operators.....persons..	8,140	(*)	(**)	(**)	(**)	(**)
Unpaid members of operators' families.....farms reporting..	2,950	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
persons.....	4,051	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Hired workers.....farms reporting..	1,105	2,237	1,898	(*)	(*)	(*)
persons.....	2,265	4,372	3,057	(**)	(**)	(**)
Farms reporting by number of hired workers:						
1 person.....number..	716	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
2 persons.....number..	198	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
3 to 4 persons.....number..	93	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
5 to 9 persons.....number..	75	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
10 or more persons.....number..	23	(*)	25	(*)	(*)	(*)
Farms by kind of workers during specified week:						
No workers reported.....farms..	908	2,717	306	(*)	(*)	(*)
Family workers only.....farms..	7,285	4,040	8,177	(*)	(*)	(*)
Operator only.....farms..	4,726	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Operator and members of his family.....farms..	2,420	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Members of operator's family only.....farms..	139	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Family workers and hired workers.....farms..	1,014	1,363	1,633	(*)	(*)	(*)
Operator and hired workers.....farms..	623	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Operator, members of his family, and hired workers.....farms..	371	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Members of operator's family and hired workers.....farms..	20	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Hired workers only.....farms..	91	874	295	(*)	(*)	(*)
Cash wages paid for hired labor ¹⁰farms reporting..	4,983	4,462	(*)	5,285	4,426	175,394
dollars.....	5,191,120	2,087,346	(*)	2,518,058	1,768,536	2,052,248
Farms reporting by cash wages paid:						
\$1 to \$49.....number..	524	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
\$50 to \$99.....number..	648	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
\$100 to \$199.....number..	780	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
\$200 to \$499.....number..	1,022	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
\$500 to \$999.....number..	813	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
\$1,000 and over.....number..	1,196	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
\$1,000 to \$2,499.....number..	805	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
\$2,500 to \$4,999.....number..	225	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
\$5,000 and over.....number..	166	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)

* Not available.
 ** Available data not comparable; see text.
¹ 1945 figures include land in managed farms classified on basis of whether owned or rented by the employer; 1940, 1935, 1930, and 1925 figures exclude land in managed farms.
² In 1944, 1939, 1934, 1929, 1924, and 1919, respectively.
³ Total acreage of crops for which figures are available, except that corn cut for forage was excluded as most of this acreage was probably duplicated in the acreage of corn harvested for grain.
⁴ The figures for 1940, 1935, 1930, and 1925 are not strictly comparable with those for 1945. The figures for 1945 include land used only for pasture which had been plowed within 7 years. The figures for 1940, 1935, 1930, and 1925 include land pastured which could have been plowed and used for crops without additional clearing, drainage, or irrigation. This land may not have been plowed within 7 years prior to the census date.
⁵ 1945 figure excludes automobiles; 1940 and earlier figures include automobiles.
⁶ White includes Mexicans; nonwhite includes Negroes, Indians, Chinese, Japanese, and other nonwhite races.
⁷ For the 1945 Census, taken as of Jan. 1, 1945, the figure includes all operators reporting 1944 or 1945 as year they began operations—299 operators reporting 1945; for the 1940 Census, taken as of Apr. 1, 1940, the figure includes only operators reporting 1940 as year they began operations; the figures for the 1935, 1930, 1925, and 1920 Censuses are in general comparable with those for 1945 as they include all operators who began operations within a year preceding the census date. See text.
⁸ 5 to 10 years.
⁹ 11 years and over.
¹⁰ 11 to 14 years.
¹¹ In 1944, 1939, 1934, and 1929, respectively.
¹² Shown under "Specified facilities in farm dwellings for farms with resident operators," as the 1930 inquiry referred to "farmer's dwelling" and the 1920 inquiry referred to "operator's dwelling."
¹³ Farms having telephones.
¹⁴ Gas or electricity.
¹⁵ For 1940, farms on hard-surfaced, gravel, shell, shale, etc., roads; for 1930, farms on concrete, brick, asphalt, macadam, gravel, and sand-clay roads; for 1925, farms on concrete, brick, macadam, and gravel roads.
¹⁶ In 1944, 1939, 1929, 1924, and 1919.
¹⁷ Includes value of board furnished.