

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)
<b>FARMS, ACREAGE, AND LAND AREA</b>						
Farms.....number..	263,528	291,092	311,683	312,663	257,228	272,101
Approximate land area (see text).....acres..	30,348,800	30,348,800	29,671,680	29,671,680	29,671,680	29,671,680
Proportion in farms.....percent..	64.6	63.1	66.2	58.4	54.1	61.3
Land in farms.....acres..	19,616,533	19,156,058	19,655,413	17,332,195	16,053,243	16,196,979
Owned by operator <sup>1</sup> .....acres..	13,361,286	10,688,228	10,657,420	9,233,516	9,920,818	(*)
Rented by operator <sup>1</sup> .....acres..	6,255,247	7,545,420	8,335,415	7,545,231	5,716,597	(*)
Average size of farm.....acres..	74.4	65.8	63.1	55.4	62.4	66.8
Land in farms according to use: <sup>2</sup>						
Cropland harvested.....farms reporting..	251,649	282,677	302,392	299,997	(*)	(*)
acres..	6,472,620	6,952,931	6,735,377	6,597,112	5,661,671	6,359,538
Farms reporting by acres harvested:						
1 to 9 acres.....number..	38,745	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
10 to 19 acres.....number..	95,651	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
20 to 29 acres.....number..	64,747	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
30 to 49 acres.....number..	36,389	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
50 to 99 acres.....number..	9,793	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
100 to 199 acres.....number..	2,203	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
200 acres and over.....number..	2,121	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
200 to 499 acres.....number..	1,472	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
500 to 999 acres.....number..	495	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
1,000 acres and over.....number..	154	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Crop failure.....farms reporting..	8,971	38,317	13,482	10,823	(*)	(*)
acres..	112,987	417,407	107,806	147,079	157,782	(*)
Cropland idle or fallow.....farms reporting..	39,413	39,898	39,452	36,902	(*)	(*)
acres..	850,400	630,205	803,038	710,644	889,439	(*)
Cropland used only for pasture.....farms reporting..	27,827	47,942	47,543	46,862	42,605	(*)
acres..	848,837	2,702,190	1,803,301	1,495,294	1,412,430	(*)
Woodland pastured.....farms reporting..	73,623	(*)	84,194	77,416	55,551	(*)
acres..	3,571,447	(*)	3,486,063	2,853,674	2,027,611	(*)
Other land pastured.....farms reporting..	93,843	(*)	37,935	37,501	29,975	(*)
acres..	3,384,051	(*)	1,158,641	995,169	851,418	(*)
Woodland not pastured.....farms reporting..	67,461	(*)	74,144	64,533	61,799	(*)
acres..	3,375,637	(*)	4,076,696	3,370,635	3,419,486	(*)
All other land.....farms reporting..	200,164	(*)	216,293	179,340	(*)	(*)
acres..	1,000,754	(*)	1,384,591	1,162,588	1,633,406	(*)
Cropland, total.....farms reporting..	258,537	289,397	302,392	299,997	299,997	302,392
acres..	8,284,744	10,702,733	9,549,522	8,950,129	8,121,322	8,121,322
Land used for crops (harvested and failure).....farms reporting..	252,214	283,824	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
acres..	6,585,807	7,370,338	6,848,183	6,744,191	5,619,453	(*)
Land pastured, total.....farms reporting..	137,114	(*)	(*)	5,344,127	4,291,459	(*)
acres..	7,804,035	(*)	6,548,005	5,344,127	4,291,459	(*)
Woodland, total.....farms reporting..	108,238	112,580	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
acres..	6,946,984	6,068,121	7,562,659	6,224,309	6,447,097	7,014,898
<b>VALUE OF FARM PROPERTY</b>						
Value of farms (land and buildings).....dollars..	647,662,141	474,986,062	370,838,658	568,322,065	459,118,209	789,896,778
Average per farm:						
All farms.....dollars..	2,457	1,632	1,190	1,818	1,785	2,903
Farms of 30 acres and over.....dollars..	3,623	2,447	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Average per acre, all farms.....dollars..	33.01	24.80	18.87	32.79	28.60	43.41
Value of implements and machinery <sup>6</sup> .....farms reporting..	160,503	187,609	(*)	251,002	(*)	(*)
dollars..	75,868,947	40,300,899	(*)	41,609,042	28,323,360	39,891,256
Farms reporting by value of implements and machinery:						
\$1 to \$99.....number..	58,606	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
\$1 to \$49.....number..	28,074	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
\$50 to \$99.....number..	30,532	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
\$100 to \$249.....number..	52,667	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
\$250 to \$499.....number..	19,530	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
\$500 to \$749.....number..	8,887	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
\$750 to \$999.....number..	2,961	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
\$1,000 to \$2,499.....number..	11,788	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
\$1,000 to \$1,499.....number..	5,751	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
\$1,500 to \$2,499.....number..	6,037	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
\$2,500 and over.....number..	6,064	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
\$2,500 to \$4,999.....number..	3,832	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
\$5,000 to \$9,999.....number..	1,344	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
\$10,000 and over.....number..	888	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Value of livestock on farms (see text).....dollars..	137,660,711	83,143,962	60,212,176	80,685,568	62,651,322	133,970,012
<b>FARM DWELLINGS AND POPULATION</b>						
Dwellings on farms.....farms reporting..	256,976	(*)	293,395	(**)	(**)	(**)
number..	298,556	(**)	327,469	(**)	(**)	(**)
Occupied.....farms reporting..	251,480	(*)	292,112	(**)	(**)	(**)
number..	261,386	(**)	313,800	(**)	(**)	(**)
Unoccupied.....farms reporting..	23,987	(*)	10,081	(**)	(**)	(**)
number..	37,161	(**)	13,669	(**)	(**)	(**)
Occupied dwellings on farms with 2 or more occupied dwellings.....farms reporting..	6,883	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
number..	16,798	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Farm population (persons living in occupied dwellings on farms).....persons..	1,050,444	1,403,142	1,332,961	1,362,843	1,129,107	1,270,482
Average per occupied dwelling.....persons..	4.02	(**)	4.25	(**)	(**)	(**)
Under 14 years old.....persons..	390,677	(**)	(*)	(**)	(**)	(**)
Boys.....persons..	196,926	(**)	(**)	(**)	(**)	(**)
Girls.....persons..	193,751	(**)	(**)	(**)	(**)	(**)
14 years old and over.....persons..	659,767	(**)	(**)	(**)	(**)	(**)
Men and boys.....persons..	313,776	(**)	(**)	(**)	(**)	(**)
Women and girls.....persons..	345,991	(**)	(**)	(**)	(**)	(**)
For farms with 2 or more occupied dwellings.....persons..	42,156	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Average per occupied dwelling.....persons..	2.51	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Under 14 years old.....persons..	13,724	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Boys.....persons..	6,973	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Girls.....persons..	6,751	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
14 years old and over.....persons..	28,432	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Men and boys.....persons..	13,946	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Women and girls.....persons..	15,086	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)

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<b>FARM OPERATORS</b> (For tenure, see table 5)						
By color: <sup>9</sup>						
White.....number..	121,215	131,552	142,677	129,775	107,086	110,882
Nonwhite.....number..	142,313	159,540	169,006	182,888	150,142	161,219
By age:						
Under 35 years.....number..	55,410	87,023	(*)	110,471	(*)	88,625
Under 25 years.....number..	11,620	24,626	(*)	42,210	(*)	28,454
25 to 34 years.....number..	43,790	62,397	(*)	68,261	(*)	60,171
35 to 54 years.....number..						
35 to 44 years.....number..	124,532	117,475	(*)	129,932	(*)	126,499
45 to 54 years.....number..	84,791	62,194	(*)	67,556	(*)	69,234
55 to 64 years.....number..	59,741	55,281	(*)	62,376	(*)	57,265
65 years and over.....number..	44,185	40,476	(*)	40,616	(*)	32,759
Age not reported.....number..	32,894	28,634	(*)	22,417	(*)	21,696
Average age reported.....years..	6,507	17,264	(*)	9,227	(*)	2,523
Owners.....years..	46.5	43.6	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Tenants.....years..	50.9	49.8	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
By residence:						
On farm operated.....number..	248,168	261,117	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Npt on farm operated.....number..	8,017	9,656	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Residence not reported.....number..	7,343	20,319	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
By years on farm (see text):						
Less than 5 years.....number..	133,943	142,859	179,839	195,955	158,641	156,639
Less than 1 year.....number..	55,875	37,869	87,380	78,282	71,067	38,764
1 year.....number..	19,722	35,863	30,590	51,752	29,194	49,676
2 to 4 years.....number..	58,346	69,007	61,869	65,921	58,380	68,199
2 years.....number..	18,781	29,144	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
3 years.....number..	15,801	22,487	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
4 years.....number..	23,764	17,376	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
5 to 9 years.....number..						
10 years and over.....number..	44,554	46,969	46,045	40,920	<sup>8</sup> 34,775	35,954
10 to 14 years.....number..	74,065	73,706	74,353	65,780	<sup>9</sup> 51,117	63,257
15 years and over.....number..	24,601	26,054	25,877	24,781	<sup>10</sup> 12,034	(*)
Years on farm not reported.....number..	49,494	47,652	49,476	40,999	39,083	(*)
Average years on farm.....years..	10,966	27,558	11,446	10,008	12,695	16,251
By work off farm: <sup>11</sup>						
All operators reporting.....number..	49,180	63,558	67,369	92,213	(*)	(*)
Operators reporting—	5,472,633	6,297,179	4,770,039	6,597,908	(*)	(*)
1 to 49 days.....number..	17,572	27,931	41,198	52,817	(*)	(*)
1 to 24 days.....number..	7,806	14,963	28,576	29,492	(*)	(*)
25 to 49 days.....number..	9,766	12,968	12,622	23,325	(*)	(*)
50 to 99 days.....number..	11,553	13,056	10,173	17,769	(*)	(*)
100 days and over.....number..	20,055	22,571	15,998	21,627	(*)	(*)
100 to 149 days.....number..	5,010	5,709	4,245	6,889	(*)	(*)
150 to 199 days.....number..	3,245	5,064	3,210	4,167	(*)	(*)
200 to 249 days.....number..	3,464	3,346	2,161	3,683	(*)	(*)
250 days and over.....number..	8,336	8,452	6,382	6,888	(*)	(*)
<b>FACILITIES</b>						
Specified facilities in farm dwelling: (figures relate only to farms reporting dwellings)						
Running water.....farms reporting..	20,510	(**)	(*)	(12)	(*)	(12)
farms reporting "no".....	229,439	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
farms not reporting.....	7,027	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Electricity.....farms reporting..	50,219	27,670	(*)	(12)	(*)	(12)
farms reporting "no".....	200,021	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
farms not reporting.....	6,736	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
and running water.....farms reporting..	18,286	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Radio.....farms reporting..	118,653	(**)	(*)	(*)	928	(*)
farms reporting "no".....	131,319	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
farms not reporting.....	7,004	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Telephone.....farms reporting..	9,797	<sup>13</sup> 8,215	(*)	15,858	(*)	<sup>13</sup> 28,260
farms reporting "no".....	239,170	(**)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
farms not reporting.....	8,009	(**)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
and electricity.....farms reporting..	7,942	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
and electric distribution line						
within 1/4 mile.....farms reporting..	7,972	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
and radio.....farms reporting..	9,060	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
and automobile on farm.....farms reporting..	6,195	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Electric distribution line within 1/4 mile.....farms reporting..	118,965	85,647	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
farms reporting "no".....	130,693	190,997	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
farms not reporting.....	13,850	14,448	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
with no electricity in farm dwelling or not reported.....farms..	69,938	59,161	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Specified facilities in farm dwelling for farms with resident operators:						
Running water.....farms reporting..	19,640	(**)	(*)	5,593	(*)	2,983
Electricity.....farms reporting..	48,661	(*)	(*)	4,792	(*)	<sup>14</sup> 2,896
Radio.....farms reporting..	116,133	(**)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Telephone.....farms reporting..	9,253	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)

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<b>ROADS, MOTORTRUCKS, TRACTORS, AND AUTOMOBILES</b>						
Distance to nearest all-weather road:						
0.0 to 0.2 mile.....farms reporting..	161,519	151,255,994	(*)	151,119,627	156,877,878	(*)
0.3 to 0.5 mile.....farms reporting..	24,057	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
0.6 to 0.9 mile.....farms reporting..	5,000	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
1.0 to 1.9 miles.....farms reporting..	20,893	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
2.0 to 4.9 miles.....farms reporting..	17,682	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
5.0 miles and over.....farms reporting..	11,474	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Not reporting.....farms..	22,903	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Motortrucks on farms.....farms reporting..	25,793	17,334	(*)	15,782	(*)	988
number..	28,287	18,565	(*)	16,503	(*)	1,005
with no automobile.....farms reporting..	17,919	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Farms reporting—						
1 motortruck.....number..	24,002	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
2 or more motortrucks.....number..	1,791	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Tractors on farms.....farms reporting..	14,811	7,905	(*)	4,818	1,674	598
number..	21,077	10,577	(*)	5,542	1,871	667
Farms reporting—						
1 tractor.....number..	11,713	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
2 tractors.....number..	1,540	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
3 or more tractors.....number..	1,358	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Automobiles on farms.....farms reporting..	54,776	53,259	(*)	83,372	(*)	14,946
number..	56,906	55,702	(*)	85,563	(*)	15,853
<b>FARM LABOR</b>						
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..	206,762	255,192	305,532	(*)	(*)	(*)
persons..	342,180	462,237	642,368	(**)	(**)	(**)
Average per farm reporting.....persons..	1.66	1.81	2.10	(*)	(*)	(*)
Family workers.....farms reporting..	206,076	246,509	300,480	(*)	(*)	(*)
persons..	335,217	410,910	606,626	(**)	(**)	(**)
Farms reporting by number of family workers:						
1 person.....number..	123,017	(*)	140,553	(*)	(*)	(*)
2 persons.....number..	56,637	(*)	87,948	(*)	(*)	(*)
3 or more persons.....number..	26,402	(*)	71,979	(*)	(*)	(*)
Operators.....persons..	199,202	(*)	(*)	(**)	(**)	(**)
Unpaid members of operators' families.....farms reporting..	88,044	(*)	(*)	(**)	(**)	(**)
persons..	136,015	(*)	(*)	(**)	(**)	(**)
Hired workers.....farms reporting..	3,017	20,559	17,779	(*)	(*)	(*)
persons..	6,963	51,327	35,542	(**)	(**)	(**)
Farms reporting by number of hired workers:						
1 person.....number..	1,693	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
2 persons.....number..	622	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
3 to 4 persons.....number..	365	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
5 to 9 persons.....number..	236	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
10 or more persons.....number..	81	(*)	368	(*)	(*)	(*)
Farms by kind of workers during specified week:						
No workers reported.....farms..	56,776	35,900	6,131	(*)	(*)	(*)
Family workers only.....farms..	203,735	234,633	287,773	(*)	(*)	(*)
Operator only.....farms..	116,763	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Operator and members of his family.....farms..	80,171	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Members of operator's family only.....farms..	6,801	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Family workers and hired workers.....farms..	2,341	11,876	12,707	(*)	(*)	(*)
Operator and hired workers.....farms..	1,269	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Operator, members of his family, and hired workers.....farms..	999	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Members of operator's family and hired workers.....farms..	73	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
Hired workers only.....farms..	676	8,683	5,072	(*)	(*)	(*)
Cash wages paid for hired labor <sup>16</sup> .....farms reporting..	55,153	41,968	(*)	47,811	29,159	1743,151
dollars..	(21,335,076)	9,147,929	(*)	6,552,266	4,536,371	6,326,842
Farms reporting by cash wages paid:						
\$1 to \$49.....number..	22,243	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
\$50 to \$99.....number..	10,187	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
\$100 to \$199.....number..	8,794	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
\$200 to \$499.....number..	7,307	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
\$500 to \$999.....number..	2,716	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
\$1,000 and over.....number..	3,906	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
\$1,000 to \$2,499.....number..	2,065	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
\$2,500 to \$4,999.....number..	880	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)
\$5,000 and over.....number..	961	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)

\*Not available.

\*\*Available data not comparable; see text.

<sup>1</sup>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.

<sup>2</sup>In 1944, 1939, 1934, 1929, 1924, and 1919, respectively.

<sup>3</sup>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.

<sup>4</sup>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.

<sup>5</sup>1945 figure excludes automobiles; 1940 and earlier figures include automobiles.

<sup>6</sup>White includes Mexicans; nonwhite includes Negroes, Indians, Chinese, Japanese, and other nonwhite races.

<sup>7</sup>For the 1945 Census, taken as of Jan. 1, 1945, the figure includes all operators reporting 1944 or 1945 as year they began operations—20,134 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.

<sup>8</sup>5 to 10 years.

<sup>9</sup>11 years and over.

<sup>10</sup>11 to 14 years.

<sup>11</sup>In 1944, 1939, 1934, and 1929, respectively.

<sup>12</sup>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."

<sup>13</sup>Farms having telephones.

<sup>14</sup>Gas or electricity.

<sup>15</sup>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.

<sup>16</sup>In 1944, 1939, 1929, 1924, and 1919.

<sup>17</sup>Includes value of board furnished.