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PREFACE

Volume III, Irrigation of Agricultural Lands, is one of four principal reports presenting the results of the 1950 Censuses of Agriculture, Irrigation, and Drainage. This volume, in 18 parts, presents the compilation of information obtained by Census enumerators from operators of irrigation enterprises in 1950.

The 1950 Census of Irrigation was taken in conformity with the act providing for the fifteenth and subsequent decennial censuses, approved June 18, 1929, as amended.

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Volume I.—Counties and State Economic Areas.—Statistics for counties include number of farms, acreage, value, and farm operators; farms by size, by color and tenure of operator; facilities and equipment, farm labor, and farm expenditures; livestock and livestock products; specified crops harvested; farms and farm characteristics for commercial farms; farms classified by value of farm products sold, by type of farm, and by economic class; and value of products sold by source.

Data for State economic areas include farms and farm characteristics by size of farm, by tenure of operator, by type of farm, and by economic class.

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