

The value of crops sold per acre of cropland and the value of all farm products sold per acre of all land ranged from highest on Class I farms to lowest on Class VI farms. On livestock farms, the average value of all farm products sold per acre of all land was \$100 on Class I farms, \$32 on Class III farms, and \$8 on Class VI farms.

For all commercial farms in the Corn Belt in 1954 the average

value of farm products sold per acre of land in farms was \$40. The average for all farms in the United States was \$21.28 (fig. 37). In a number of smaller regions in different parts of the United States, the average value of farm products sold per acre of farmland was equal to or above that of the Central and Eastern Corn Belt. But most of the area of the United States was below the Corn Belt average. Parts of the Southern and Western Corn Belt were about equal to or below the United States average.

TABLE 94.—SPECIFIED RESOURCE INPUTS AND VALUE OF FARM PRODUCTS SOLD IN RELATION TO LAND ACREAGE, BY TYPE AND ECONOMIC CLASS OF FARM, IN THE CORN BELT: 1954

Type and economic class of farm	Capital investment per acre of all land in farms (dollars)		Total specified expenses per acre of all land in farms ² (dollars)	Acres of cropland per tractor	Investment in machinery and equipment per acre of cropland (dollars)	Value of all crops sold per acre of cropland (dollars)	Value of farm products sold per acre of all land in farms (dollars)	
	Total ¹	Livestock, machinery, and equipment					Livestock and livestock products	All farm products
All commercial farms.....	206	49	12	92	39	20	26	40
Cash-grain farms:								
Total.....	216	39	9	101	36	33	8	35
Class I.....	277	35	13	144	29	51	12	56
II.....	252	40	10	114	33	40	10	44
III.....	202	39	8	101	36	30	8	32
IV.....	173	39	7	85	40	24	6	23
V.....	162	40	6	68	47	20	3	17
VI.....	142	35	5	65	47	13	2	10
Livestock farms: ³								
Total.....	204	57	15	91	41	9	39	45
Class I.....	257	69	29	113	39	13	91	100
II.....	235	62	16	96	41	12	45	53
III.....	188	55	11	88	41	7	28	32
IV.....	158	49	9	81	42	4	19	21
V.....	143	46	7	68	48	3	13	15
VI.....	123	38	5	70	50	2	8	8

¹ Value of total investment in land, buildings, livestock, machinery, and equipment.
² Total of expenditures for machine hire, hired labor, feed bought, gasoline and other petroleum fuel and oil, commercial fertilizer and fertilizing material, and lime and ming material.

³ Livestock other than dairy and poultry farms.

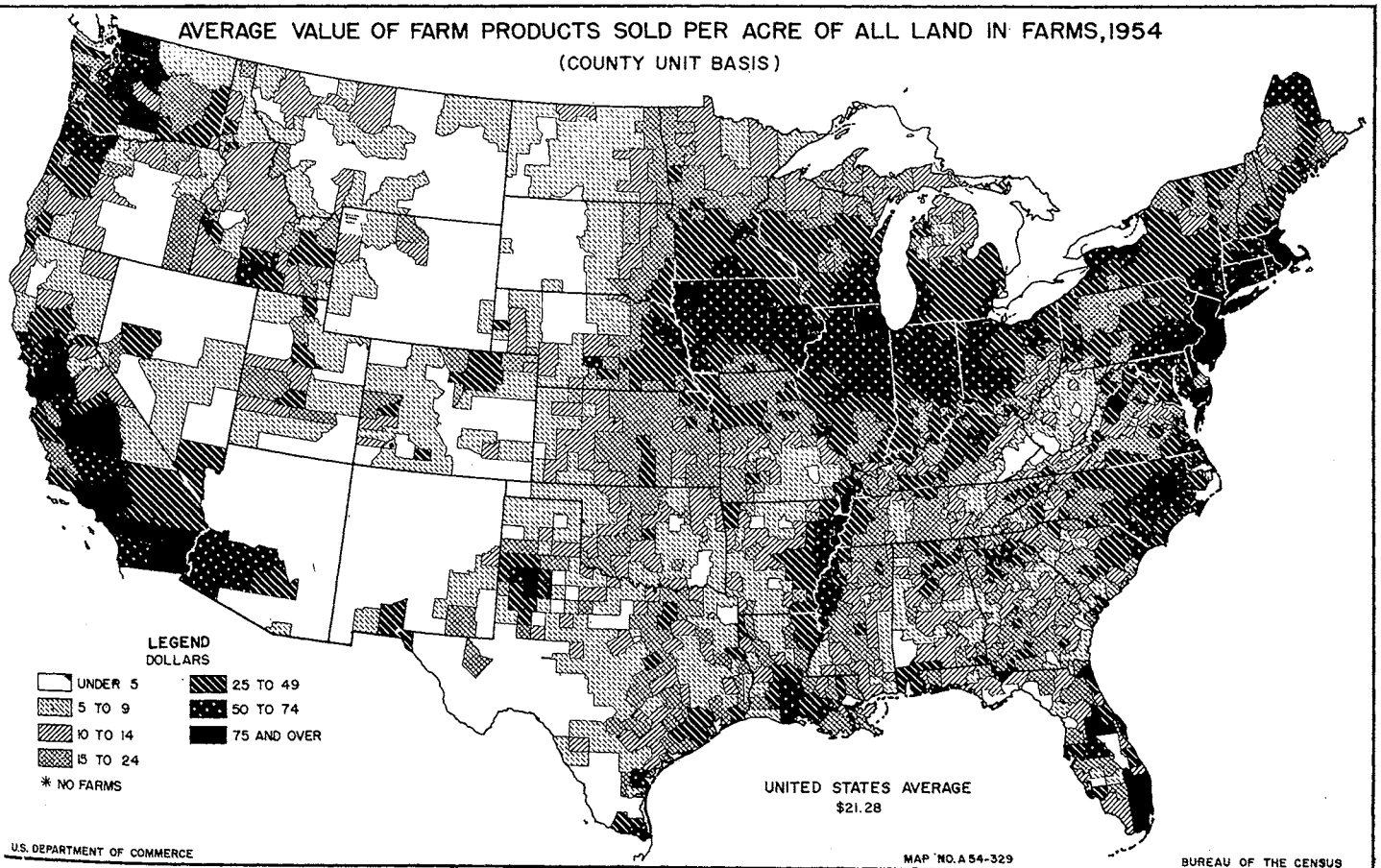


FIGURE 37.