

GENERAL REPORT

Table 4.—NUMBER OF FARMS BY SIZE OF FARM, FOR THE UNITED STATES,

[Figures for

Region and size group	Number of farms												Increase or decrease (-)		
	1954	1950	1945	1940	1935	1930	1925	1920	1910	1900	1890	1880	Number		
													1950 to 1954	1945 to 1950	1940 to 1945
1 United States..	4,782,416	5,382,162	5,859,169	6,096,799	6,812,350	6,288,648	6,371,640	6,448,343	6,361,502	5,737,372	4,564,641	4,008,907	-599,746	-477,007	-237,630
2 Under 10 acres..	484,291	484,914	594,561	506,402	570,831	358,504	378,535	288,772	335,043	267,229	150,194	139,241	-623	-109,647	88,159
3 Under 3.....	99,896	76,606	98,966	35,977	35,573	43,007	15,151	20,350	18,033	41,385	(NA)	4,352	23,290	-22,360	62,989
4 3 to 9.....	384,395	408,308	495,595	470,425	535,258	315,497	363,384	268,422	317,010	225,844	(NA)	134,889	-23,913	-87,287	25,170
5 10 to 29.....	713,335	853,608	945,608	1,012,971	1,241,431	2,000,005	2,038,692	2,011,495	1,918,499	1,664,137	1,168,327	1,036,323	-140,273	-92,000	-67,363
6 30 to 49.....	499,496	624,242	708,796	767,289	882,164	1,374,965	1,421,078	1,474,745	1,438,069	1,366,038	1,121,485	1,032,810	-124,746	-84,554	-58,493
7 50 to 69.....	346,323	426,887	472,415	510,305	581,352	1,374,965	1,421,078	1,474,745	1,438,069	1,366,038	1,121,485	1,032,810	-80,564	-45,528	-37,890
8 70 to 99.....	517,740	620,914	684,905	780,743	862,655	1,374,965	1,421,078	1,474,745	1,438,069	1,366,038	1,121,485	1,032,810	-103,174	-63,991	-95,838
9 100 to 139.....	491,458	579,111	633,851	688,163	754,076	1,863,520	1,887,194	1,980,430	2,050,477	1,912,331	2,008,694	1,695,983	-87,653	-54,740	-54,312
10 140 to 179.....	461,651	523,451	565,958	621,578	683,941	1,863,520	1,887,194	1,980,430	2,050,477	1,912,331	2,008,694	1,695,983	-61,800	-42,507	-55,620
11 180 to 219.....	257,189	275,009	282,839	279,577	294,309	1,863,520	1,887,194	1,980,430	2,050,477	1,912,331	2,008,694	1,695,983	-17,820	-7,830	3,262
12 220 to 259.....	206,909	212,316	210,376	206,759	212,238	1,863,520	1,887,194	1,980,430	2,050,477	1,912,331	2,008,694	1,695,983	-5,807	1,940	3,617
13 260 to 499.....	482,246	478,084	473,184	458,787	473,239	451,338	438,961	475,677	443,984	377,951	84,395	75,972	4,162	4,900	14,397
14 500 to 999.....	191,697	182,264	173,777	163,694	167,452	159,696	143,852	149,819	125,295	102,526	84,395	75,972	9,433	8,487	10,083
15 1,000 or more acres.....	130,481	121,362	112,899	100,531	88,662	80,620	63,328	67,405	50,135	47,160	31,546	28,578	9,119	8,463	12,368
16 The North....	2,043,092	2,268,066	2,483,578	2,579,959	2,819,468	2,561,785	2,741,243	2,763,406	2,890,618	2,874,073	2,582,391	2,394,107	-224,974	-215,512	-96,381
17 Under 10 acres..	133,921	151,818	187,286	171,559	192,489	116,907	136,388	115,316	142,522	122,077	74,694	75,882	-17,897	-35,468	15,727
18 Under 3.....	38,003	31,355	22,577	11,727	10,609	14,653	4,225	8,249	8,746	21,970	(NA)	2,135	6,648	8,778	10,850
19 3 to 9.....	95,918	120,463	164,709	159,832	181,880	102,254	132,163	106,967	133,776	100,107	(NA)	73,747	-24,545	-44,246	4,877
20 10 to 29.....	152,117	184,402	220,839	220,015	256,813	399,732	483,855	464,572	534,852	588,091	515,745	527,449	-32,285	-36,437	824
21 30 to 49.....	137,015	165,397	194,098	216,892	248,941	399,732	483,855	464,572	534,852	588,091	515,745	527,449	-28,382	-28,701	-22,794
22 50 to 69.....	106,442	128,524	144,231	161,496	188,411	569,752	646,008	664,694	699,417	754,621	722,299	712,328	-22,082	-15,707	-17,265
23 70 to 99.....	237,276	285,800	326,338	383,654	424,723	569,752	646,008	664,694	699,417	754,621	722,299	712,328	-48,524	-40,538	-37,316
24 100 to 139.....	253,506	299,249	329,725	360,565	397,588	1,097,988	1,129,299	1,160,219	1,176,201	1,131,582	1,237,728	1,054,730	-45,743	-30,476	-30,840
25 140 to 179.....	289,315	324,958	349,297	380,162	411,687	1,097,988	1,129,299	1,160,219	1,176,201	1,131,582	1,237,728	1,054,730	-35,643	-24,339	-30,865
26 180 to 219.....	160,186	168,896	174,278	166,675	176,811	1,097,988	1,129,299	1,160,219	1,176,201	1,131,582	1,237,728	1,054,730	-8,710	-5,382	7,603
27 220 to 259.....	138,351	140,555	141,779	135,394	139,115	1,097,988	1,129,299	1,160,219	1,176,201	1,131,582	1,237,728	1,054,730	-2,204	-1,224	6,385
28 260 to 499.....	298,360	291,322	276,044	282,097	276,044	276,318	260,809	267,713	258,628	219,291	26,724	19,764	7,038	-2,005	17,283
29 500 to 999.....	96,239	90,556	88,410	78,202	75,955	77,384	66,269	69,125	64,313	45,795	26,724	19,764	5,683	2,146	10,208
30 1,000 or more acres.....	40,364	36,589	33,970	29,301	24,838	23,704	18,615	21,767	14,685	12,616	5,201	3,954	3,775	2,619	4,669
31 The South....	2,316,607	2,652,423	2,881,135	3,007,170	3,421,923	3,223,816	3,131,418	3,206,664	3,097,547	2,620,391	1,836,372	1,531,077	-335,816	-228,712	-126,035
32 Under 10 acres..	270,788	251,195	311,541	253,427	288,075	172,162	184,321	133,771	160,158	125,500	70,056	59,680	19,593	-60,346	58,114
33 Under 3.....	41,920	27,010	56,245	13,263	11,806	10,532	3,347	6,005	2,928	12,972	(NA)	57,665	14,910	-29,235	42,982
34 3 to 9.....	228,868	224,185	255,296	240,164	276,269	161,630	180,974	127,766	157,230	112,528	(NA)	2,015	4,683	-31,111	15,132
35 10 to 29.....	488,307	583,666	632,076	695,667	874,000	1,457,761	1,407,782	1,425,746	1,296,363	1,024,036	629,909	494,819	-95,359	-48,410	-63,591
36 30 to 49.....	323,047	412,551	465,190	496,285	572,574	1,457,761	1,407,782	1,425,746	1,296,363	1,024,036	629,909	494,819	-89,504	-52,639	-31,095
37 50 to 69.....	219,814	275,444	305,169	325,026	367,690	742,170	713,032	750,771	694,737	583,047	384,386	310,310	-55,630	-29,725	-19,877
38 70 to 99.....	248,907	299,274	321,119	356,691	393,867	742,170	713,032	750,771	694,737	583,047	384,386	310,310	-50,367	-21,845	-35,572
39 100 to 139.....	215,839	255,939	279,931	302,406	329,811	675,242	661,713	713,191	749,093	694,923	683,294	593,982	-40,100	-23,992	-22,475
40 140 to 179.....	147,947	171,108	185,754	205,204	227,129	675,242	661,713	713,191	749,093	694,923	683,294	593,982	-23,161	-14,646	-19,450
41 180 to 219.....	85,832	94,253	96,683	100,449	104,392	675,242	661,713	713,191	749,093	694,923	683,294	593,982	-8,421	-2,430	-3,766
42 220 to 259.....	58,630	61,602	58,384	60,537	61,236	675,242	661,713	713,191	749,093	694,923	683,294	593,982	-2,972	3,218	-2,153
43 260 to 499.....	150,499	150,228	140,920	137,220	134,210	119,473	112,735	124,619	135,063	127,899	48,402	50,909	271	9,308	3,700
44 500 to 999.....	66,291	60,861	53,261	47,737	44,769	37,401	34,216	38,231	41,183	42,015	48,402	50,909	5,430	7,600	5,524
45 1,000 or more acres.....	40,706	36,302	31,107	26,521	24,170	19,607	17,619	20,335	20,950	22,971	20,325	21,377	4,404	5,195	4,586
46 The West....	422,717	461,673	494,456	509,670	570,959	503,047	498,979	478,273	373,337	242,908	145,878	83,723	-38,956	-32,783	-15,214
47 Under 10 acres..	79,582	81,901	95,734	81,416	90,267	69,435	57,826	39,685	32,363	19,652	5,444	3,679	-2,319	-13,833	14,318
48 Under 3.....	19,973	18,241	20,144	10,987	13,158	17,822	7,579	5,996	6,359	6,443	(NA)	202	1,732	-1,903	9,157
49 3 to 9.....	59,609	63,660	75,590	70,429	77,109	51,613	50,247	33,689	26,004	13,209	(NA)	3,477	-4,051	-11,930	5,161
50 10 to 29.....	72,911	85,540	92,693	97,289	110,618	142,512	147,055	121,177	87,284	52,010	22,673	14,055	-12,629	-7,153	-4,596
51 30 to 49.....	39,434	46,294	49,508	54,112	60,649	142,512	147,055	121,177	87,284	52,010	22,673	14,055	-6,860	-3,214	-4,604
52 50 to 69.....	20,067	22,919	23,015	23,783	25,251	63,043	62,038	59,280	43,915	28,370	14,800	10,172	-2,852	-96	-768
53 70 to 99.....	31,557	35,840	37,448	40,398	44,065	63,043	62,038	59,280	43,915	28,370	14,800	10,172	-4,283	-1,608	-2,950
54 100 to 139.....	22,113	23,923	24,195	25,192	26,677	90,290	96,182	107,020	125,183	85,826	87,672	47,271	-1,810	-272	-997
55 140 to 179.....	24,389	27,385	30,907	36,212	45,125	90,290	96,182	107,020	125,183	85,826	87,672	47,271	-2,996	-3,522	-5,305
56 180 to 219.....	11,171	11,860	11,878	12,453	13,106	90,290	96,182	107,020	125,183	85,826	87,672	47,271	-689	-18	-575

SIZE OF FARM

THE NORTH, THE SOUTH, AND THE WEST: 1880 TO 1954

States in Table 12]

Increase or decrease (-)—Continued														Percent distribution															
Number—Continued			Percent											1954	1950	1945	1940	1935	1930	1925	1920	1910	1900						
1935 to 1940	1930 to 1935	1925 to 1930	1950 to 1954	1945 to 1950	1940 to 1945	1935 to 1940	1930 to 1935	1925 to 1930	1920 to 1925	1910 to 1920	1900 to 1910	1890 to 1900	1880 to 1890																
-715,551	523,702	-82,992	-11.1	-8.1	-3.9	-10.5	8.3	-1.3	-1.2	1.4	10.9	25.7	13.9	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	1	
-64,429	212,327	-20,031	-0.1	-18.4	17.4	-11.3	59.2	-5.3	31.1	-13.8	25.4	77.9	7.9	10.1	9.0	10.1	8.3	8.4	5.7	5.9	4.5	5.3	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.7	2	
404	-7,434	27,856	30.4	-22.6	175.1	1.1	-17.3	183.9	-25.5	12.8	-56.4	(NA)	(NA)	2.1	1.4	1.7	0.6	0.5	0.7	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	3	
-64,833	219,761	-47,887	-5.9	-17.6	5.4	-12.1	69.7	-13.2	35.4	-15.3	40.4	(NA)	(NA)	8.0	7.6	8.5	7.7	7.9	5.0	5.7	4.2	5.0	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.9	4	
-228,460	-123,590	-38,687	-16.4	-9.7	-6.7	-18.4	6.2	-1.9	1.4	4.8	15.3	42.4	12.7	14.9	15.9	16.1	16.6	18.2	31.8	32.0	31.2	30.2	29.0	29.0	29.0	29.0	29.0	5	
-114,875			-20.0	-11.9	-7.6	-13.0								10.4	11.6	12.1	12.6	12.9										6	
-71,047			-18.9	-9.6	-7.4	-12.2		-3.2	-3.6	2.6	5.3	21.8	8.6	7.2	7.9	8.1	8.4	8.5	21.9	22.3	22.9	22.6	23.8	23.8	23.8	23.8	23.8	7	
-81,912	69,042	-46,113	-16.6	-9.3	-12.3	-9.5	5.0							10.8	11.5	11.7	12.8	12.7										8	
-65,913			-15.1	-8.6	-7.9	-8.7								10.3	10.8	10.8	11.3	11.1										9	
-62,363			-11.8	-7.5	-8.9	-9.1								9.7	9.7	9.7	10.2	10.0	29.6	29.6	30.7	32.2	33.3	33.3	33.3	33.3	33.3	10	
-14,732	81,044	-23,674	-6.5	-2.8	1.2	-5.0	4.3	-1.3	-4.7	-3.4	7.2	14.0	18.4	5.4	5.1	4.8	4.6	4.3											11
-5,479			-2.7	0.9	1.7	-2.6								4.3	3.9	3.6	3.4	3.1											12
-14,452	21,901	12,377	0.9	1.0	3.1	-3.1	4.9	2.8	-7.7	7.1	17.5			10.1	8.9	8.1	7.5	6.9	7.2	6.9	7.4	7.0	6.6	6.3	6.3	6.3	6.3	13	
-3,758	7,756	15,844	5.2	4.9	6.2	-2.2	4.9	11.0	-4.0	19.6	22.2	21.5	11.1	4.0	3.4	3.0	2.7	2.5	2.5	2.3	2.3	2.0	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	14	
11,869	8,042	17,292	7.5	7.5	12.3	13.4	10.0	27.3	-6.0	34.4	6.3	49.5	10.4	2.7	2.3	1.9	1.6	1.3	1.3	1.0	1.0	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	15	
-239,509	257,683	-179,458	-9.9	-8.7	-3.7	-8.5	10.1	-6.5	-0.8	-4.4	0.6	11.3	7.9	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	16	
-20,930	75,582	-19,481	-11.8	-18.9	9.2	-10.9	64.7	-14.3	18.3	-19.1	16.7	63.4	-1.6	6.6	6.7	7.5	6.6	6.8	4.6	5.0	4.2	4.9	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	17	
1,118	-4,044	10,428	21.2	38.9	92.5	10.5	-27.6	246.8	-49.4	-4.5	-60.2	(NA)	(NA)	1.9	1.4	0.9	0.5	0.4	0.6	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	18	
-22,048	79,626	-29,909	-20.4	-26.9	3.1	-12.1	77.9	-22.6	23.6	-20.0	33.6	(NA)	(NA)	4.7	5.3	6.6	6.2	6.5	4.0	4.8	3.9	4.6	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	19	
-36,798			-17.5	-16.5	0.4	-14.3								7.4	8.1	8.9	8.5	9.1										20	
-32,049	106,022	-84,123	-17.2	-14.8	-10.5	-12.9	26.5	-17.4	4.2	-13.1	-9.1	14.0	-2.2	6.7	7.3	7.8	8.4	8.8	15.6	17.7	16.8	18.5	20.5	20.5	20.5	20.5	20.5	21	
-26,915			-17.2	-10.7	-14.3									5.2	5.7	5.8	6.3	6.7										22	
-41,069	43,382	-76,256	-17.0	-12.4	-14.9	-9.7	7.6	-11.8	-2.8	-5.0	-7.3	4.5	1.4	11.6	12.6	13.1	14.9	15.1	22.2	23.6	24.1	24.2	26.3	26.3	26.3	26.3	26.3	22	
-37,023			-15.3	-9.2	-8.6	-9.3								12.4	13.2	13.3	14.0	14.1										24	
-31,525	27,213	-31,311	-11.0	-7.0	-8.1	-7.7	2.5	-2.8	-2.7	-1.4	3.9		9.1	14.2	14.3	14.1	14.7	14.6	42.9	41.2	42.0	40.7	39.4	39.4	39.4	39.4	39.4	25	
-10,136			-5.2	-3.1	4.6	-5.7								7.8	7.4	7.0	6.5	6.3										26	
-3,721			-1.6	-0.9	4.7	-2.7								6.8	6.2	5.7	5.2	4.9										27	
-6,053	5,779	15,509	2.4	-0.7	6.3	-2.1	2.1	5.9	-2.6	3.5	17.9			14.6	12.8	11.8	10.7	10.0	10.8	9.5	9.7	8.9	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	28	
2,247	11,429	11,115	6.3	2.4	13.1	3.0	-1.8	16.8	-4.1	7.5	40.4	71.4	35.2	4.7	4.0	3.6	3.0	2.7	3.0	2.4	2.5	2.2	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	29	
4,463	1,134	5,089	10.3	7.7	15.9	18.0	4.8	27.3	-14.5	48.2	16.4	142.6	31.5	2.0	1.6	1.4	1.1	0.9	0.9	0.7	0.8	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	30	
-414,753	198,107	92,398	-12.7	-7.9	-4.2	-12.1	6.1	3.0	-2.3	3.5	18.2	42.7	19.9	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	31	
-34,648	115,913	-12,159	7.8	-19.4	22.9	-12.0	67.3	-6.6	37.8	-16.5	27.6	79.1	17.4	11.7	9.5	10.8	8.4	8.4	5.3	5.9	4.2	5.2	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.8	32	
1,457	1,274	7,185	55.2	52.0	324.1	12.3	12.1	214.7	-44.3	105.1	-77.4	(NA)	(NA)	1.8	1.0	2.0	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	33	
-36,105	114,639	-19,344	2.1	-12.2	6.3	-13.1	70.9	-10.7	41.6	-18.7	39.7	(NA)	(NA)	9.9	8.5	8.9	8.0	8.1	5.0	5.8	4.0	5.1	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.3	34	
-178,333			-16.3	-7.7	-9.1	-20.4								21.1	22.0	21.9	23.1	25.5										35	
-76,289	-11,187	49,979	-21.7	-11.3	-6.3	-13.3	-0.8	3.6	-1.3	10.0	26.6	62.6	27.3	13.9	15.6	16.1	16.5	16.7	45.2	45.0	44.5	41.9	39.1	39.1	39.1	39.1	39.1	36	
-42,664			-20.2	-9.7	-6.1	-11.6								9.5	10.4	10.6	10.8	10.7										37	
-37,176	19,387	29,138	-16.8	-6.8	-10.0	-9.4	2.6	4.1	5.0	8.1	19.2	51.7	23.9	10.7	11.3	11.1	11.9	11.5	23.0	22.8	23.4	22.4	22.3	22.3	22.3	22.3	22.3	38	
-27,405			-15.7	-8.6	-7.4	-8.3								9.3	9.6	9.7	10.1	9.6										39	
-21,925	47,326	13,529	-13.5	-7.9	-9.5	-9.7	7.0	2.0	-7.2	-4.8	7.8		20.4	6.4	6.5	6.4	6.8	6.6	20.9	21.1	22.2	24.2	26.5	26.5	26.5	26.5	26.5	40	
-3,943			-8.9	-2.5	-3.7	-3.8								3.7	3.6	3.4	3.3	3.1										41	
-699			-4.8	5.5	-3.6	-1.1								2.5	2.3	2.0	2.0	1.8										42	
3,010	14,737	6,738	0.2	6.6	2.7	2.2	12.3	6.0	-9.5	-7.7	5.6			6.5	5.7	4.9	4.6	3.9	3.7	3.6	3.9	4.4	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	43	
2,968	7,368	3,185	8.9	14.3	11.6	6.6	19.7	9.3	-10.5	-7.2	-2.0	-13.2	-4.9	2.9	2.3	1.8	1.6	1.3	3.0	1.2	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	44	
2,351	4,563	1,988	12.1	16.7	17.3	9.7	23.3	11.3	-13.4	-2.9	-8.8	13.0	-4.9	1.8	1.4	1.1	0.9	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	45	
-61,289	67,912	4,068	-8.4	-6.6	-3.0	-10.7	13.5</																						