

State Table 1.—FARMS, ACREAGE, AND VALUE: CENSUSES OF 1920 TO 1959

[Data on value of land and buildings for 1950, 1954, and 1959 are based on reports for only a sample of farms. See text.]

Item (For definitions and explanations, see text)	Census of—								
	1959 (Oct.-Nov.)	1954 (Oct.-Nov.)	1950 (April 1)	1945 (January 1)	1940 (April 1)	1935 (January 1)	1930 (April 1)	1925 (January 1)	1920 (January 1)
Farms.....number...	115,788	176,956	211,512	223,369	231,746	273,455	257,395	237,631	256,099
Approximate land area (see text).....acres...	32,678,400	32,689,920	32,689,920	32,689,920	32,689,920	32,818,560	32,818,560	32,818,560	32,818,560
Proportion in farms.....percent...	50.6	63.7	63.9	58.3	58.6	59.9	53.5	51.0	59.7
Land in farms.....acres...	16,542,730	20,810,492	20,888,784	19,067,844	19,143,391	19,660,828	17,554,635	16,739,139	19,576,856
Average size of farm.....acres...	142.9	117.6	98.8	85.4	82.6	71.9	68.2	70.4	76.4
Value of land and buildings:									
Average per farm.....dollars...	11,805	6,208	4,637	2,506	1,764	1,347	1,952	1,746	2,123
Average per acre.....dollars...	92.26	58.52	48.91	29.36	21.35	18.73	28.62	24.78	27.77
Land in farms according to use: ¹									
Cropland harvested.....farms reporting...	98,794	151,742	189,554	210,612	226,154	266,430	248,389	NA	NA
acres...	3,715,251	4,812,086	5,729,421	6,163,110	7,111,717	7,238,606	7,113,937	6,641,355	² 7,266,357
1 to 9 acres.....farms reporting...	24,383	38,744	36,741	40,509	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
10 to 19 acres.....farms reporting...	24,608	36,426	44,615	44,927	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
20 to 29 acres.....farms reporting...	15,180	26,472	42,951	49,562	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
30 to 49 acres.....farms reporting...	14,787	25,427	39,670	49,701	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
50 to 99 acres.....farms reporting...	12,483	17,710	19,889	20,992	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
100 to 199 acres.....farms reporting...	5,192	5,123	4,249	3,577	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
200 or more acres.....farms reporting...	2,161	1,840	1,439	1,344	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
200 to 499 acres.....farms reporting...	1,853	1,546	1,179	1,102	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
500 to 999 acres.....farms reporting...	257	264	209	199	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1,000 or more acres.....farms reporting...	51	30	51	43	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Cropland used only for pasture ³farms reporting...	33,568	46,044	60,321	37,371	98,076	76,348	68,088	62,347	NA
acres...	1,413,137	1,653,472	1,598,354	853,725	2,173,731	1,363,326	1,203,622	1,129,151	NA
Cropland not harvested and not pastured.....farms reporting...	36,676	53,295	73,492	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres...	899,573	1,014,612	1,393,726	1,249,270	1,111,825	1,117,579	1,085,102	1,050,358	NA
Soil-improvement grasses and legumes.....farms reporting...	7,107	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres...	173,752	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Other cropland (idle and crop failure).....farms reporting...	32,450	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres...	725,821	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Woodland pastured.....farms reporting...	51,728	79,947	89,981	76,335	NA	106,179	89,671	74,134	NA
acres...	3,279,701	4,596,858	3,712,094	2,916,878	NA	2,968,218	2,290,928	1,928,087	NA
Woodland not pastured.....farms reporting...	53,716	73,698	93,829	98,373	NA	111,924	89,315	79,328	NA
acres...	4,497,177	5,736,374	6,029,600	4,659,104	NA	5,279,013	4,195,053	3,855,958	NA
Other pasture (not cropland and not woodland) ³farms reporting...	43,671	64,224	64,673	88,876	NA	33,606	29,142	21,833	NA
acres...	2,236,160	2,454,344	1,706,362	2,440,341	NA	710,519	610,616	487,116	NA
Improved pasture.....farms reporting...	14,423	20,190	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres...	843,672	829,183	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Other land (house lots, roads, wasteland, etc.).....farms reporting...	NA	150,962	174,246	189,488	NA	219,895	167,085	NA	NA
acres...	501,731	542,746	719,227	785,416	NA	983,567	1,055,377	1,647,114	NA
Cropland, total ⁴farms reporting...	107,385	165,555	202,199	216,860	230,824	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres...	6,027,961	7,480,170	8,721,501	8,266,105	10,397,273	9,719,511	9,402,661	8,820,864	NA
Land pastured, total.....farms reporting...	84,061	124,217	143,873	147,397	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres...	6,928,998	8,704,674	7,016,810	6,210,944	NA	5,042,063	4,105,166	3,544,354	NA
Woodland, total.....farms reporting...	78,985	115,522	133,371	129,040	135,701	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres...	7,776,878	10,333,232	9,741,694	7,575,982	7,009,164	8,247,231	6,485,981	5,784,045	8,301,177
Irrigated land in farms.....farms reporting...	328	452	34	153	37	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres...	17,357	16,658	367	487	281	NA	NA	NA	NA

NA Not available. ¹For the Censuses of 1959 and 1954, in the Census year; for all other Censuses, in the calendar year preceding the Census. ²Total acreage of crops for which figures are available, except that corn out for forage was excluded as most of this acreage was probably duplicated in the acreage of corn harvested for grain. ³Not fully comparable for the various Census years because of differences in definition of cropland used only for pasture. See text.

4 Irrigated cropland harvested only