

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

[Data on value of land and buildings for 1950, 1954, and 1950 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...	95,007	145,076	182,429	198,769	216,674	253,013	242,334	221,991	232,604
Approximate land area (see text).....acres...	33,599,360	33,712,000	33,712,000	33,744,000	33,744,000	33,616,000	33,616,000	33,616,000	33,616,000
Proportion in farms.....percent...	49.0	53.2	56.0	51.7	53.5	52.8	47.8	46.5	51.9
Land in farms.....acres...	16,458,515	17,944,367	18,871,244	17,455,900	18,044,542	17,741,627	16,052,962	15,632,439	17,456,750
Average size of farm.....acres...	173.2	123.7	103.4	87.8	83.3	70.1	66.2	70.4	75.0
Value of land and buildings:									
Average per farm.....dollars...	16,562	8,412	6,054	3,344	2,108	1,486	2,261	2,436	3,238
Average per acre.....dollars...	103.25	72.80	60.21	37.97	25.32	21.20	34.13	34.59	43.14
Land in farms according to use: ¹									
Cropland harvested.....farms reporting...	72,315	114,277	154,493	182,663	205,254	241,303	230,199	NA	NA
acres...	5,324,541	5,535,608	5,930,093	5,994,816	6,609,833	6,438,405	6,581,834	6,226,830	26,465,305
1 to 9 acres.....farms reporting...	17,079	26,920	31,919	41,269	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
10 to 19 acres.....farms reporting...	15,779	29,304	39,775	46,441	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
20 to 29 acres.....farms reporting...	9,120	16,611	28,002	33,999	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
30 to 49 acres.....farms reporting...	9,410	16,565	27,993	35,386	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
50 to 99 acres.....farms reporting...	9,031	13,634	17,176	17,439	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
100 to 199 acres.....farms reporting...	5,798	6,265	5,960	5,220	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
200 or more acres.....farms reporting...	6,098	4,978	3,668	2,909	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
200 to 499 acres.....farms reporting...	4,209	3,732	2,819	2,223	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
500 to 999 acres.....farms reporting...	1,419	974	668	553	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1,000 or more acres.....farms reporting...	470	272	181	133	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Cropland used only for pasture ²farms reporting...	43,694	59,788	77,724	60,393	108,826	82,438	64,210	53,181	NA
acres...	2,270,170	2,418,830	2,471,912	1,651,259	2,541,909	1,491,920	1,169,961	956,359	NA
Cropland not harvested and not pastured.....farms reporting...	19,297	32,005	44,884	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres...	840,906	856,395	1,252,406	1,126,291	1,038,665	1,467,718	1,325,494	1,096,369	NA
Soil-improvement grasses and legumes.....farms reporting...	5,097	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres...	269,377	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Other cropland (idle and crop failure).....farms reporting...	15,532	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres...	571,529	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Woodland pastured.....farms reporting...	41,697	61,539	66,563	57,715	NA	79,175	68,766	56,068	NA
acres...	3,003,143	4,008,571	3,244,659	2,382,675	NA	2,643,748	2,064,288	1,675,575	NA
Woodland not pastured.....farms reporting...	32,616	36,187	55,569	61,884	NA	80,868	67,290	69,348	NA
acres...	2,654,360	2,525,417	3,579,143	3,166,444	NA	3,883,718	3,378,967	3,717,325	NA
Other pasture (not cropland and not woodland) ³farms reporting...	28,304	42,032	47,562	73,897	NA	32,834	25,934	18,464	NA
acres...	1,621,967	1,998,314	1,584,836	2,328,179	NA	756,299	558,167	432,129	NA
Improved pasture.....farms reporting...	6,198	9,435	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres...	330,842	365,164	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Other land (house lots, roads, wasteland, etc.).....farms reporting...	NA	114,230	139,655	176,725	NA	205,298	145,547	NA	NA
acres...	743,428	601,232	808,195	806,236	NA	1,059,819	974,251	1,527,852	NA
Cropland, total ⁴farms reporting...	85,421	132,544	172,066	190,512	213,939	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres...	8,435,617	8,810,833	9,654,411	8,772,366	10,190,407	9,398,043	9,077,289	8,279,558	NA
Land pastured, total.....farms reporting...	68,873	98,174	122,921	129,197	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres...	6,895,280	8,425,715	7,301,407	6,362,113	NA	4,891,967	3,792,416	3,064,063	NA
Woodland, total.....farms reporting...	61,221	82,946	100,322	96,464	116,181	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres...	5,657,503	6,533,988	6,823,802	5,549,119	6,171,015	6,527,466	5,443,255	5,392,900	7,396,028
Irrigated land in farms.....farms reporting...	5,652	46,218	3,060	2,229	1,529	41,284	51,096	NA	1,166
acres...	711,812	487,863	422,107	288,665	159,412	4135,179	5146,910	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 cut 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.

⁴Irrigated cropland harvested only.

⁵Acreage of irrigated crops including some duplication where two or more crops were harvested from the same land.