

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

[Data on value of land and buildings for 1959, 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.....	99,274	123,075	137,168	138,917	132,658	150,360	135,676	136,409	117,670
Approximate land area (see text).....acres.....	100,206,720	100,313,600	100,313,600	100,353,920	100,353,920	99,617,280	99,617,280	99,617,280	99,617,280
Proportion in farms.....percent.....	36.8	37.7	36.5	34.9	30.4	30.6	30.6	27.6	29.5
Land in farms.....acres.....	36,887,948	37,794,780	36,613,291	35,054,379	30,524,324	30,437,995	30,442,581	27,516,955	29,365,667
Average size of farm.....acres.....	371.6	307.1	266.9	252.3	230.1	202.4	224.4	201.7	249.6
Value of land and buildings:									
Average per farm.....dollars.....	102,868	60,118	40,427	25,084	16,331	15,466	25,203	23,111	26,122
Average per acre.....dollars.....	379.21	235.97	163.01	99.40	70.97	76.40	112.33	114.57	104.67
Land in farms according to use: ¹									
Cropland harvested.....farms reporting.....	76,663	93,231	104,712	112,399	110,754	130,510	120,276	NA	NA
acres.....	8,021,836	8,326,331	7,956,671	7,535,523	6,534,562	6,578,724	6,549,967	5,722,800	² 5,761,190
1 to 8 acres.....farms reporting.....	25,353	32,660	35,383	39,757	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
10 to 19 acres.....farms reporting.....	12,049	15,818	19,887	21,378	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
20 to 29 acres.....farms reporting.....	6,304	8,006	9,699	10,509	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
30 to 49 acres.....farms reporting.....	8,832	10,784	12,830	13,534	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
50 to 99 acres.....farms reporting.....	9,245	10,570	11,813	12,430	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
100 to 199 acres.....farms reporting.....	6,496	7,035	7,150	7,444	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
200 or more acres.....farms reporting.....	8,384	8,358	7,950	7,347	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
200 to 499 acres.....farms reporting.....	5,179	5,141	5,141	4,915	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
500 to 999 acres.....farms reporting.....	2,004	1,964	1,792	1,593	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1,000 or more acres.....farms reporting.....	1,201	1,253	1,017	839	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Cropland used only for pasture ³farms reporting.....	20,343	28,630	32,068	24,281	39,334	31,751	26,880	23,553	NA
acres.....	3,033,050	3,018,010	3,530,589	2,196,312	4,242,598	2,967,526	3,075,362	3,033,414	NA
Cropland not harvested and not pastured.....farms reporting.....	17,051	21,369	27,088	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres.....	1,910,754	1,885,367	2,277,850	1,630,982	2,117,814	2,084,602	1,839,835	2,678,542	NA
Cultivated summer fallow.....farms reporting.....	5,754	6,653	7,832	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres.....	1,083,662	1,181,385	1,291,153	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Soil-improvement grasses and legumes.....farms reporting.....	1,267	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres.....	126,512	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Other cropland (idle and crop failure).....farms reporting.....	11,597	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres.....	700,580	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Woodland pastured.....farms reporting.....	5,635	7,013	9,315	7,710	NA	11,969	10,983	12,022	NA
acres.....	4,076,443	5,142,261	6,289,944	3,341,441	NA	5,016,106	3,946,006	4,227,934	NA
Woodland not pastured.....farms reporting.....	3,947	4,811	5,945	5,554	NA	5,826	5,028	4,824	NA
acres.....	822,636	712,517	1,032,227	690,923	NA	690,407	556,749	437,489	NA
Other pasture (not cropland and not woodland) ⁴farms reporting.....	20,986	25,107	21,187	32,353	NA	21,074	21,553	19,312	NA
acres.....	17,181,200	16,871,060	13,543,763	18,210,722	NA	11,516,134	12,969,581	9,610,287	NA
Improved pasture.....farms reporting.....	8,423	10,347	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres.....	840,396	650,530	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Other land (house lots, roads, wasteland, etc.).....farms reporting.....	NA	102,216	109,912	109,537	NA	111,409	93,902	NA	NA
acres.....	1,842,029	1,839,234	1,982,247	1,448,476	NA	1,584,496	1,505,081	1,806,489	NA
Cropland, total ⁵farms reporting.....	85,012	105,931	119,062	122,071	124,116	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres.....	12,965,640	13,229,708	13,765,110	11,362,817	12,894,974	11,630,852	11,465,164	11,434,756	NA
Land pastured, total.....farms reporting.....	38,412	50,382	52,123	55,979	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres.....	24,290,693	25,031,331	23,364,296	23,748,475	NA	19,499,766	19,990,949	16,871,635	NA
Woodland, total.....farms reporting.....	8,690	10,883	13,874	12,208	11,308	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres.....	4,899,079	5,854,778	7,322,171	4,032,364	2,337,090	5,706,513	4,502,755	4,665,423	4,252,287
Irrigated land in farms.....farms reporting.....	74,138	84,502	90,755	87,205	84,310	NA	NA	NA	67,391
acres.....	7,395,570	7,048,049	⁶ 6,438,324	4,952,819	4,276,554	NA	NA	NA	NA
Irrigated cropland harvested.....farms reporting.....	64,200	73,250	79,887	NA	81,046	91,347	³ 85,784	NA	NA
acres.....	6,216,950	5,948,068	5,309,653	NA	3,732,215	3,513,700	² 3,540,350	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. ⁴Includes irrigated cropland not harvested and not pastured. ⁵Acreage of irrigated crops; acreage counted more than once where two or more crops were harvested from the same land.