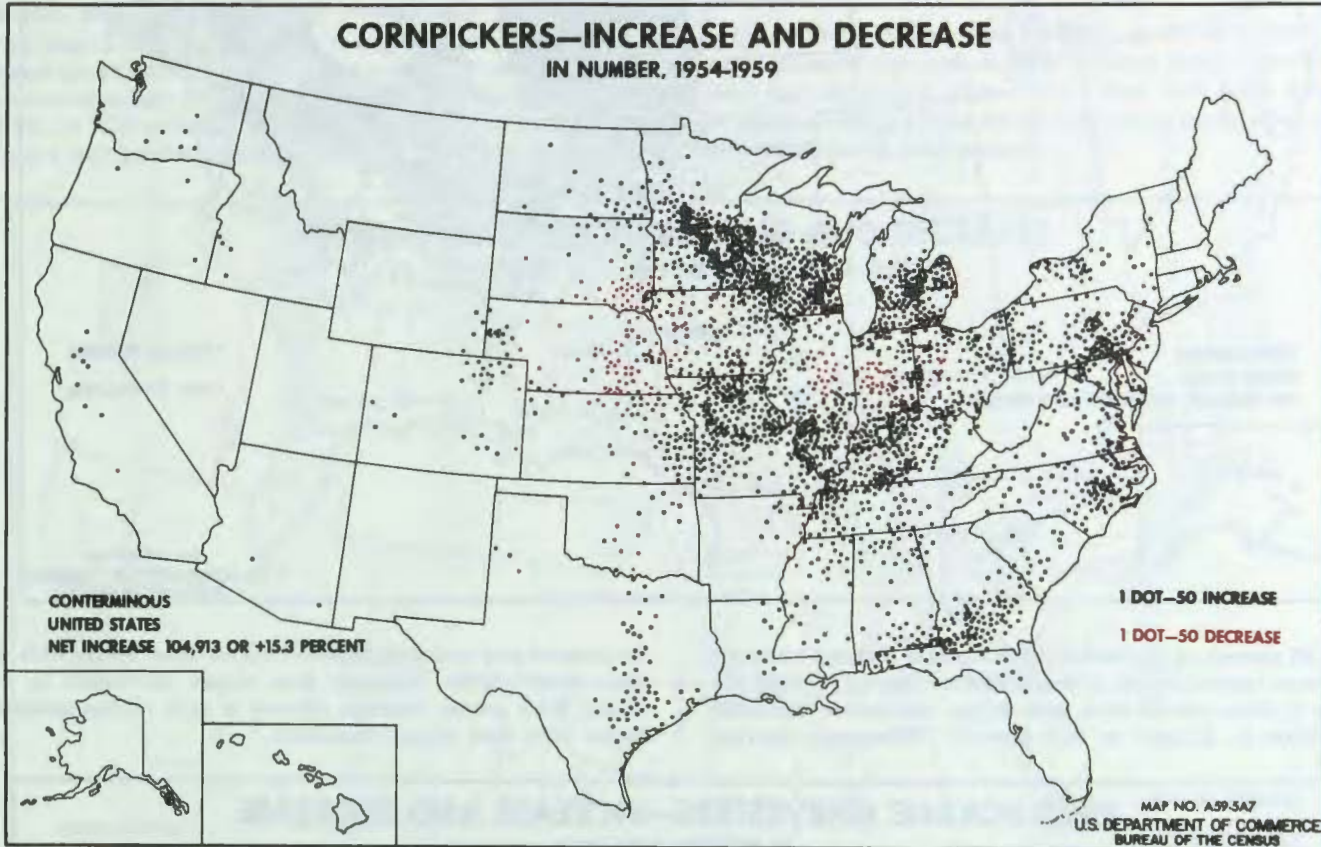


The 105,000, or 15.3 percent, increase in farms reporting corn pickers during the 5 years ending in 1959 brought the total number of farms having such equipment to a new high of 767,000, or approximately 21 percent of all farms. The percent of farms with corn pickers had increased in every State even though there were four States (New Hampshire, Connecticut, South Dakota, and Nebraska) showing slight declines in the number of farms having corn pickers. Farms with corn pickers were more nu-

merous in Iowa than in any other State. Illinois reporting just over 100,000 farmers with corn pickers was next in line below Iowa's 122,000. In 1959, more than 517,000 farms with corn pickers, comprising 67.4 percent of the Nation's total, were located in seven States—Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Minnesota, Iowa, Missouri, and Nebraska. These States each reported more than 40,000 farms equipped with corn pickers.

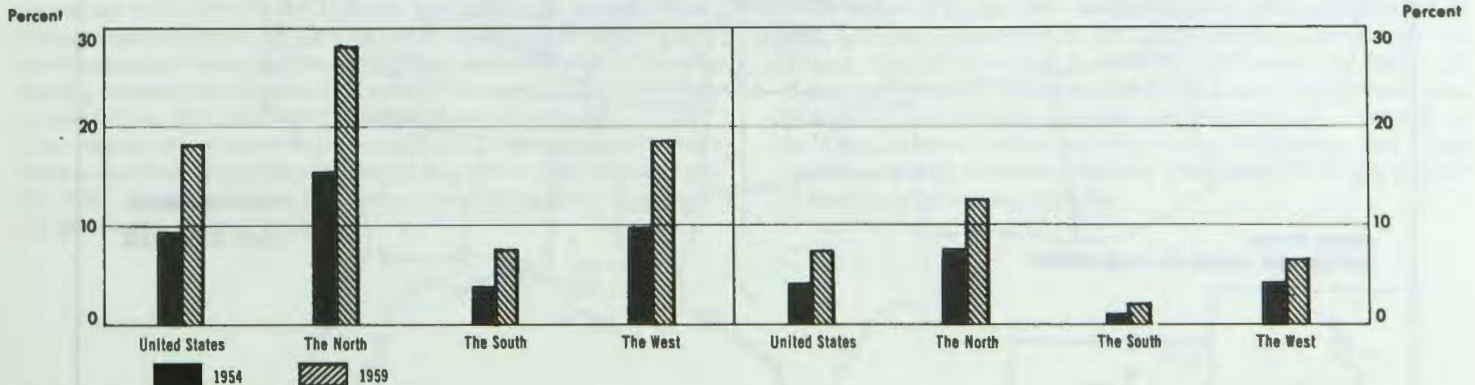


The proportion of farms with pick-up balers about doubled in the last 5 years, from 9.3 percent in 1954 to 18.1 percent in 1959. A relatively new addition to the farm implement line, the pick-up baler has found a place on 670,000 farms and there are now nearly as many farms with pick-up balers as there are farms with corn pickers in the United States. Every State reported an increase in farms with pick-up balers but the bulk of the increase came in the North Central States where the number of farms

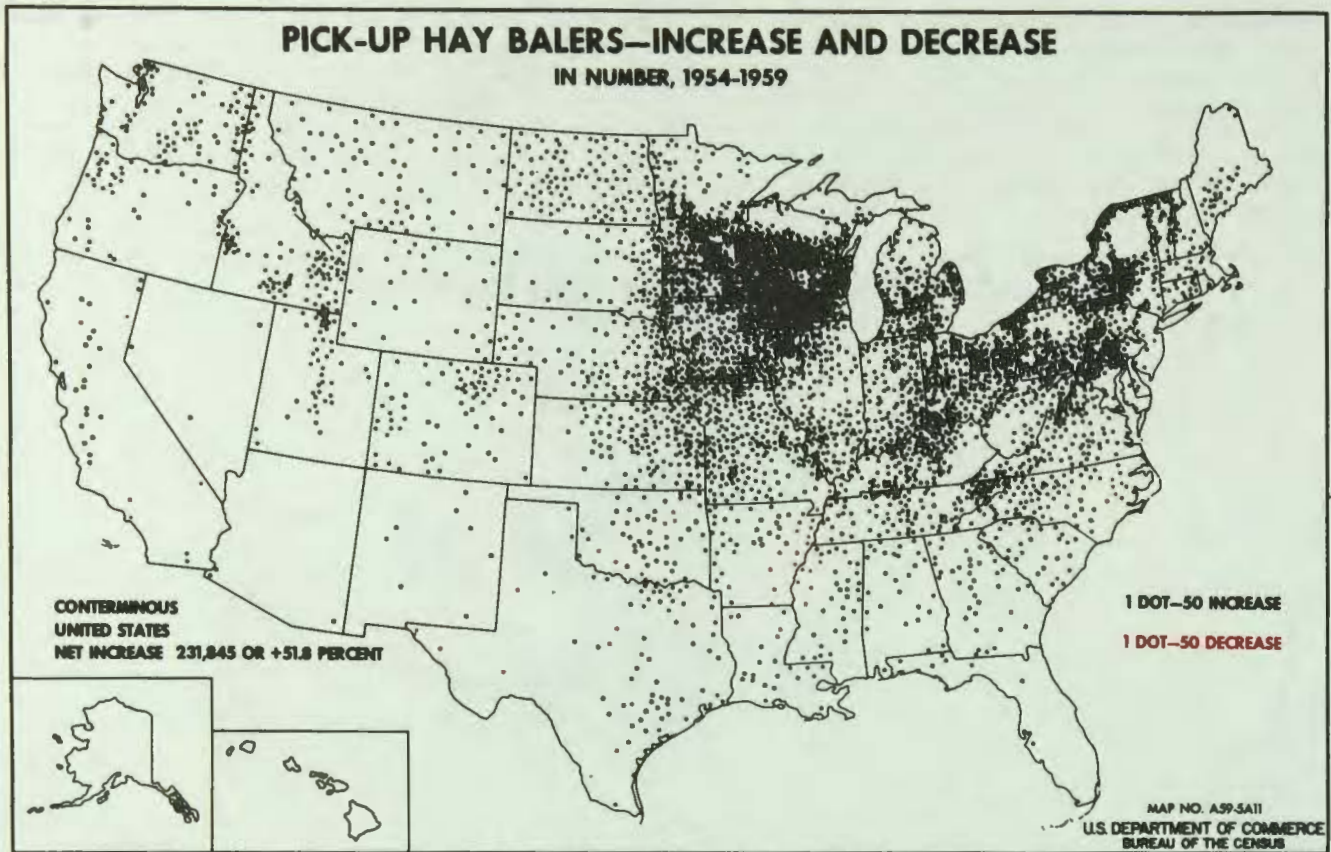
reporting pick-up balers increased from 255,000 in 1954 to 392,000 in 1959. Iowa, with more than 58,000, had more farms reporting pick-up balers than any other State. New York had the highest proportion with 44 percent. Florida reported the lowest percent of farms with pick-up balers. Fourteen States, including New York, Pennsylvania, and the 12 North Central States, accounted for 70 percent of all farms with pick-up balers.

PERCENT OF FARMS REPORTING PICK-UP BALERS FOR THE UNITED STATES AND REGIONS: 1954 AND 1959

PERCENT OF FARMS REPORTING FIELD FORAGE HARVESTERS FOR THE UNITED STATES AND REGIONS: 1954 AND 1959



Data for Alaska and Hawaii not included.



About 65 percent of the farms reporting field forage harvesters in 1959 were located in the 12 North Central States. During the previous 5 years, farms with field forage harvesters increased from 197,000 to 275,000, or 39.5 percent. Wisconsin reported

the largest gain and continued to lead all other States with more than 36,000 farms reporting field forage harvesters in 1959. Every State except Arizona showed a gain in the number of farms with field forage harvesters.

