

CHAPTER I

FARMS AND LAND IN FARMS

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Chapter 1.—FARMS AND LAND IN FARMS

Introduction.—This chapter presents statistics on the number of farms, land in farms and its major uses, and value of farm land and buildings. These statistics reflect the changes in number of farms and in land utilization through the years, as well as the effects of various governmental and other programs on land use. United States totals for past censuses have been revised to reflect the inclusion of Alaska and Hawaii as parts of the United States, whenever possible. There is no census information available for either Alaska or Hawaii for the quinquennial censuses.

Sources of Data.—The data presented are from the 1959 Census of Agriculture with comparative data for earlier censuses. The totals for number of farms, land in farms, and land use represent a summation of the replies to inquiries on questionnaires filled for each farm in the United States. The values of farm land and buildings for 1959, 1954, and 1950 for the conterminous States are based on reports for only a sample of farms; for Alaska and Hawaii, values are based on reports for all farms. (Data on the value of farm land and buildings were not obtained for Hawaii for 1959.)

The Introduction to this volume contains a description of (a) the procedures used in the enumeration; (b) the methods used in processing statistics; and (c) the sampling procedures used. It also contains tables showing the reliability of any estimates based on a sample.

The information obtained from the censuses of agriculture is supplemented with data on population from the censuses of population and on the uses of land not in farms from estimates of the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Presentation of Statistics.—Statistics are presented as totals for the United States, for the conterminous United States (Alaska and Hawaii excluded), for major geographic areas, and for each of the 50 States. An outline map showing the States, geographic divisions, and regions appears in the Introduction. Averages, percentages, and other derived data are provided as aids in using and analyzing the statistics. Graphic presentation of the data through the use of charts and maps supplements the tabular presentation.

Statistics for the United States include available comparable data from previous censuses for all items, whereas, for regions, divisions, and States, comparable data are confined to selected items and selected census years.

Any lack of comparability due to changes in wording of the inquiries and in definitions or in procedures followed in collecting data is explained in the text or by means of footnotes and headnotes in the tables.

Other Published Data.—Data by counties and States for number of farms, land in farms, land use, and value of farm land and buildings are in volume I, parts 1 to 50, for the individual States.

Data for these items also appear in other chapters of this volume—by size of farm in chapter V; by color, race, and tenure of farm operator in chapter X; by economic class of farm in chapter XI; and by type of farm in chapter XII. Some data by these classifications may also be found in volume I.

Totals for number of farms, land in farms, and land use, shown in other chapters are based, in many cases, on reports for only a sample of farms. Totals based on reports for a sample of farms will differ slightly from totals tabulated from reports of

all farms. Headnotes in the tables indicate which data were based on reports for only a sample of farms.

Values of land and buildings, except for Alaska and Hawaii, were derived from data obtained from a sample of farms. In this chapter, averages and total values have been calculated for all farms, whereas, in volume I, only average per farm and per acre are shown, and these relate only to the farms for which value was reported. An explanation of the procedures used to obtain these averages will be found under "Value of land and buildings."

A detailed report and detailed data on irrigated land and irrigated farms appear in Volume III: "Irrigation of Agricultural Lands," for the 17 Western States, Louisiana, and Hawaii, and in Volume V, Part 2: "Irrigation in Humid Areas," for the 30 Eastern States. Alaska has not been included in either grouping, as its irrigated acreage is negligible. Data for irrigated farms, land in such farms, crops irrigated, and source of water are shown in volume III and part 2 of volume V.

History of Census Inquiries on Farms, Land in Farms, Land Use, and Farm Values.—The first nationwide census of agriculture providing data on the number of farms, land in farms, and value of land and buildings was taken in 1850. The census of 1840 was restricted to the enumeration of specified agricultural products, and various classes of farm animals. The classification of land use, comparable to that of the most recent census, was first employed in 1925. Prior to 1925, land in farms was classified either as improved or unimproved.

DEFINITIONS AND EXPLANATIONS

The descriptive terms and explanations refer principally to the 1959 Census of Agriculture, although, in general, they are applicable to earlier censuses. The definitions and explanations include additional instructions found on the questionnaire, and the more essential instructions and procedures for enumerating and processing questionnaires as outlined in enumerators' and office processing manuals. For the exact phrasing of the inquiries and instructions carried on the questionnaires, see the facsimile of the 1959 agriculture questionnaire in the appendix of the Introduction to this volume.

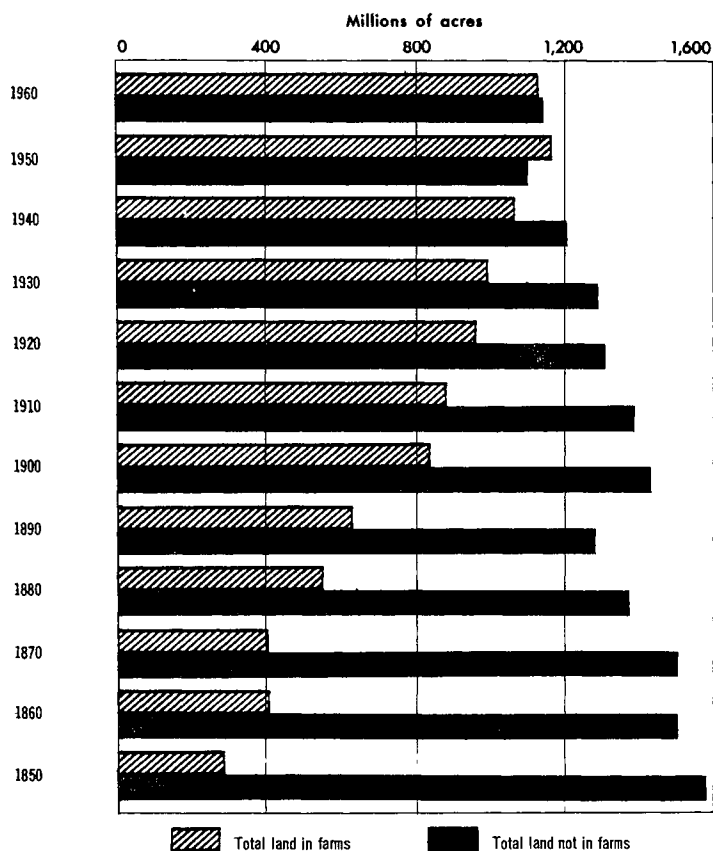
Definitions having a general application, such as those for "a farm," "farms reporting," and "farm operators," and factors influencing the accuracy of the data are also given in the Introduction. These are not represented in this chapter unless of particular significance in respect to the subject under consideration.

The definition of a census farm has been modified from time to time. The change in the definition of a farm and an appraisal of the effect of the change in definition upon statistics and upon changes in the number of farms, etc., are given in the Introduction.

Land Area.—The approximate land area includes all land in farms, and land not in farms, including cities, forests, etc. Land not in farms also includes dryland, land temporarily or partially covered by water, grazing land not in farms, forest land not grazed, wasteland, deserts, land occupied by cities, towns, railroads, highways, parks, etc.

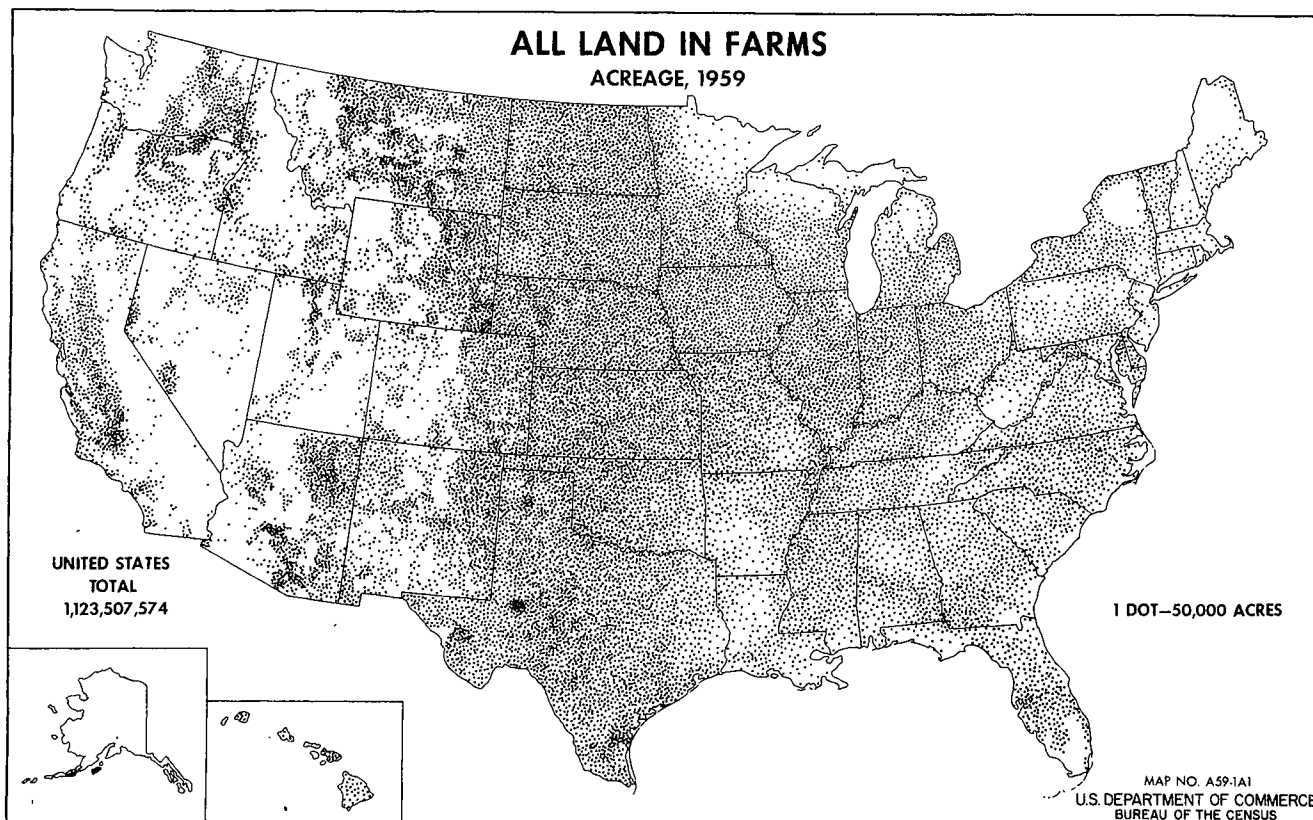
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ACREAGE OF LAND IN FARMS AND NOT IN FARMS, FOR THE UNITED STATES: 1850 TO 1960



Land in Farms.—The land to be included in each farm was determined by inquiries on the questionnaire and by instructions to enumerators and farm operators. For the 1959 Census of Agriculture enumerators and farm operators were instructed to report for the farm operator, the number of acres owned, then the number of acres rented or worked on shares, and, lastly, the number of acres rented to others. This latter entry was subtracted from the sum of the two previous entries. The remainder was designated as "acres in this place" or "acres in the farm." If the place was operated by a hired manager, the enumerator obtained the total acreage managed and the number of acres rented to others, or worked on shares by others. Again, the acres rented to others were subtracted from the gross acres managed to obtain the acres in the place.

The entry in "Acres in this place" often included land not under cultivation and land not used for grazing. Some of it was woodland, wasteland, etc. This acreage was retained as a part of the farm unless it was held for purposes other than agricultural, or the acreage was unusually large. If a farm contained 1,000 or more acres of nonagricultural land and less than 10 percent of the total acreage in the place was used for agricultural purposes, the nonagricultural land in excess of the number of acres used for agricultural purposes was excluded from the farm area during the office processing. In applying this rule, land used for crops, pasture, or grazing, and land rented to others were considered to be used for agricultural purposes. Open range and grazing lands used under Government permit were not included in farms. Grazing lands operated by grazing associations were to be reported in the name of the manager of the association. Land used rent-free was included with land rented from others.



Value of Land and Buildings.—The respondent was asked to report the amount for which the land and the buildings on it would sell. This information was obtained for only a sample of farms for the conterminous United States. For Alaska it was obtained for all farms. Because of difficulties associated with the securing of values for large plantations, no values were obtained for Hawaii. Separate values were obtained for owned land, land rented from others, and for land rented to others (except for Alaska), and for each of these three categories either the value per acre or total value was to be reported. Where value per acre was reported, it was converted to total value during the processing in the central processing office.

The farm operator and the census enumerator were instructed to exclude, when reporting the value of the farm, the value of nonagricultural buildings, such as hospitals, dormitories, stores, filling stations, administrative offices, restaurants, and factories. The value of processing plants, except cotton gins and sugar mills, used to prepare farm produce for sale from the farm was included.

It was not always possible to obtain the value of land and buildings for all the farms for which this value was to be reported. Respondents often were reluctant to estimate the value of their holdings, claiming that they were not in position to make accurate estimates. Some farm operators inherited their farms and others had acquired them in the distant past. Parts of many farms were acquired piecemeal and others have been subdivided since they were purchased. Most inquiries in the agriculture questionnaire required answers based on fact. Land values, however, were largely estimates. Some respondents were willing to estimate the value of the portion of their operation that they owned, but were unwilling to estimate the part rented from others. Since the values of farm land and buildings in a county vary widely, the identification of inaccurate estimates on individual reports is difficult.

Data showing the average value of land and buildings per farm and per acre for 1959 for each county, and average value per acre and per farm for farms classified by size of farm, tenure of operator, economic class, and type of farm, for each State are shown in volume I. These averages were calculated on the basis of those farms in the sample for which the values of land and buildings were reported. The aggregate values of land and buildings are published only for States and only in this chapter.

For the 1959, 1954, and 1950 Censuses of Agriculture, questions regarding the value of land and buildings were asked for a sample of approximately 20 percent of the farms. In order to obtain the total value of land and buildings, it has been necessary to make calculations to provide estimates for the total value of land and buildings for all farms.

For the 1959 census, usable reports regarding the value of land and buildings were obtained for only 81 percent of the farms for which the value of land and buildings was to be reported. The percentage of usable reports was less for large than for small farms. Inasmuch as the average value per acre usually varies by size of farm, the total values of land and buildings have been obtained by calculating total value by size-of-farm groups. Moreover, calculations by size-of-farm groups were made separately for the farms of 1,000 acres or more in size (and farms with a total value of farm products sold of \$100,000 and over) and farms less than 1,000 acres in size.

The actual procedure for calculating the total value of land and buildings for 1959 was as follows: The average value per acre of farms for each size-of-farm group within each State part of an agricultural subregion was calculated for the group of farms that reported value. This average value per acre for each size group was multiplied by the total acres for all the farms in its respective size group in the State part of the agri-

cultural subregion to obtain the estimated total value for all farms in each size group. Estimated value of State parts of agricultural subregions and for States was obtained by adding the estimated value of farms under 1,000 acres in size and of farms 1,000 or more acres in size. The average value for each State was obtained by dividing estimated total value of all farms by the number of farms or the total acres of land in farms.

For the 1954 census, to obtain the total value of farm land and buildings for each State, values were first calculated for each county. For each county, total values were estimated separately for large and for all other farms. Large farms were intended to include all farms of 1,000 acres or more, and for some States, those meeting certain additional criteria of largeness. To estimate the value of the large farms, the average value per acre for those for which value was reported was multiplied by the total land in all large farms in the county. The value of the other farms in each county was obtained by multiplying the average value per acre for those farms in the sample for which value was reported by the total land in all farms which were not classified as large farms. This procedure for calculation of total value of farm lands and buildings was essentially a stratification of the sample into two strata on the basis of size; viz, farms under 1,000 acres and those of 1,000 or more acres.

For 1950, the procedure for estimating the total value of land and buildings, however, differed somewhat from that used for 1954. For 1950, the calculation was made on a State level; the total value for each of 37 States was obtained by multiplying all land in farms by the average value per acre obtained for the farms in the sample reporting value. For the 11 Mountain and Pacific States, the estimate was obtained by calculating separately the value for each size-of-farm group.

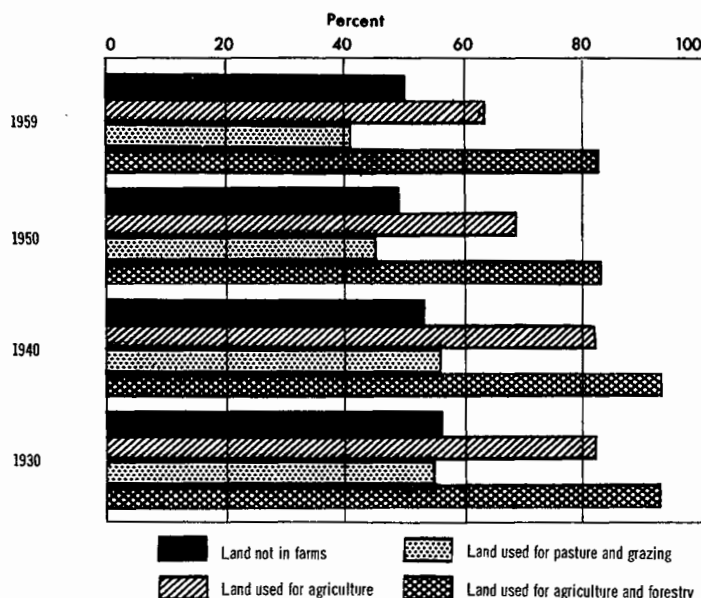
The estimates of total value of land and buildings made for the 1959, 1954, and 1950 Censuses of Agriculture provide the best available data on the total value of land and buildings for farms. The calculations made for areas less than States and for farms classified by size of farm provide somewhat more accurate data than totals calculated by using the average value per acre or per farm for only the farms for which usable values of land and buildings were reported. The differences between the average value of land and buildings as calculated by using the procedures outlined and the average values for farms for the conterminous United States for which the value of land and buildings was reported were as follows:

Item	Average value per farm			Average value per acre		
	1959	1954	1950	1959	1954	1950
Average value of land and buildings for farms for which usable values were reported.....	\$33, 173	\$19, 761	\$13, 911	\$120. 43	\$84. 82	\$66. 75
Calculated average value by size-of-farm group by areas smaller than States.....	\$34, 825	\$20, 405	\$13, 983	\$115. 15	\$84. 25	\$64. 96

The value of land and buildings has been obtained for each census, beginning with 1850. The values shown for 1945 and prior censuses represent totals obtained by adding the value of land and buildings for all farms. The value figures shown for each census presumably represent the market value on the census date, although specific instructions for reporting for the property the amount for which it would sell first appeared for the 1900 census. Prior to that time, the inquiries asked for "cash value" or merely "value," without further qualification. Except for 1870, the values presented in this chapter for each census are the same as are shown in the reports for that census. The 1870 figures are the same as those carried in the reports for 1880 and subsequent censuses and represent an adjustment of the original figures to a gold basis. These figures were approximately one-fifth less than the figures reported in 1870.

Major Uses of Land.—The total land area of the United States and of the several States has been classified by major use, on the basis of census data on land in farms supplemented by estimates of the Land and Water Economics Branch, Economic Research Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, for land not in farms.

LAND UTILIZATION AS A PERCENT OF TOTAL LAND AREA: 1930 TO 1959



Land not in farms was obtained by subtracting the area of land in farms from the approximate land area. The estimates of "grazing land not in farms" include Federally owned lands administered under the Taylor Grazing Act and grazed under permit, grazing lands included in national forests and grazed under permit, also any other public and privately owned grazing lands which were not included in "land in farms." The livestock carrying capacity of much of the grazing or rangeland not in farms is low and a large proportion of this rangeland provides only seasonal grazing. About half of the total land area in the United States is not in farms. Grazing land not in farms makes up about 14 percent; land in forests not grazed, 19 percent; and other land not in farms, 17 percent of total land area.

"Woodland not grazed" represents only a part of the commercial forest area not in farms, as part of the forest area is grazed and is included in the total for grazing land not in farms.

"Other land not in farms" includes land occupied by cities and towns, roads, railways, airports, parks, reservoirs of less than 40 acres, wildlife refuges, military lands, ungrazed desert, open swamp, rock, and other lands of low surface value.

There are millions of acres of additional land not in farms that could be used for agriculture. These include over 100 million acres of grassland; over 20 million acres in abandoned farms, cutover land and wetland; and over 10 million acres in the Western States that could be irrigated.

Land in Farms According to Use.—Land in farms was classified according to the use made of it in 1959. The acreage in each farm was allocated among the various land-use categories only once, and any acreage that had two or more uses during the year was classified according to its most important use.

Cropland Harvested.—This includes land from which crops were harvested; land from which hay (including wild hay) was cut; and land in small fruits, orchards, vineyards, nurseries, and greenhouses. Land from which two or more crops were harvested was to be counted only once. The entry for cropland harvested was obtained directly from the farm operator and then verified by the census enumerator by adding the acreages of each crop reported and subtracting from this total the acres of land from which two or more crops were harvested. This checking was repeated during the office processing for farms with 100 or more acres of cropland harvested. The enumerator was directed to list only under "Cropland harvested" any acreage that had additional uses during

the year. For instance, any land from which hay was cut was classified as cropland harvested, regardless of the use of land for grazing later in the year.

LAND IN FARMS ACCORDING TO USE: 1959 AND 1954



Cropland Used Only for Pasture.—The enumerator was instructed to include all land used only for pasture or grazing that could have been used for crops without additional improvement, and all land planted to crops that were hogged off, pastured, or grazed before reaching maturity. In the Census of 1954 the enumerators were instructed to report rotation pasture and all other cropland used only for pasture as cropland used only for pasture.

Cropland not Harvested and not Pastured.—This class includes cultivated summer fallow, cropland used only for soil-improvement crops, land on which crops failed, land planted to crops for harvest after the year covered by the census and idle cropland. The data for this class for 1959 were obtained through the use of two inquiries in some States and three in other States as follows:

Cultivated Summer Fallow.—This land use was obtained for the 17 Western States in the conterminous United States. The acreage of cultivated summer fallow is negligible in those States where the inquiry was not included on the questionnaire. For the Censuses of 1959, 1954, and 1950, cultivated summer fallow was defined as cropland that was plowed and cultivated but left unseeded to control weeds and conserve moisture. Separate data are not available for 1945 and earlier censuses.

Cropland Used Only for Soil-Improvement Crops.—Only land used for cover crops, to control erosion or to be plowed under for green manure and planted to another crop, fell into this category. A large proportion of this land was covered by contracts of the Soil Bank. The enumerator was cautioned not to include land from which crops were harvested in the census year or land that was pastured or grazed. There was no separate inquiry for Alaska and Hawaii. In these two States cropland used only for soil-improvement purposes was included under other cropland not harvested and not pastured.

Other Cropland not Harvested and not Pastured.—All cropland except cropland harvested, cropland in cultivated summer fallow, cropland pastured, and land used only for soil-improvement crops was included in this land-use class. This total included all acreage on which crops failed because of drought, floods, insects, etc.; acreage not harvested because of low prices or labor shortage; acreage not harvested but occupied by growing crops intended for harvest in later years; acreage which had been plowed, and could be plowed again without first clearing away brush, but which had been idle for one or more years.

In 1954 there was a separate inquiry for idle land for 31 Eastern States. For the 17 Western States in the conterminous United States, idle land was grouped with land in soil-improvement crops and land on which all crops failed.

Woodland Pastured.—This includes all woodland that was used for pasture or grazing during the census year. According to instructions, woodland refers to woodlots and timber tracts, natural or planted.

Woodland not Pastured.—The enumerator was instructed to include in this category land in the Soil Bank planted to trees.

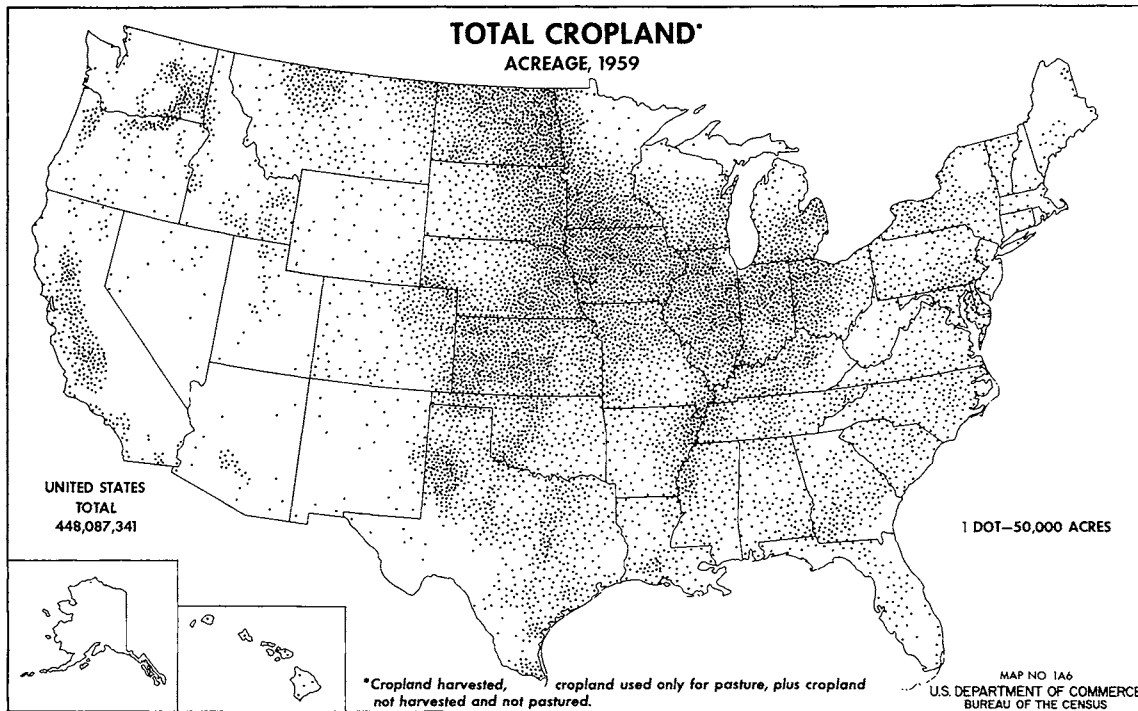
Other Pasture.—All land, other than woodland and cropland, used for pasture or grazing was designated other pasture.

Improved Pasture.—A pasture that had been limed, fertilized, seeded, irrigated, drained, or cleared of weeds or brush was to be considered improved pasture. Data on improved pasture were obtained only for the 1954 and 1959 Censuses. Information on improved pasture is not available for Alaska for either 1954 or 1959.

All Other Land.—This item refers to all land not included in any of the preceding land-use items and includes land occupied by a house or other buildings; lanes, roads, and ditches; and land area of ponds and wasteland. Unusually large tracts of other land held primarily for purposes other than agriculture were excluded from the tabulations.

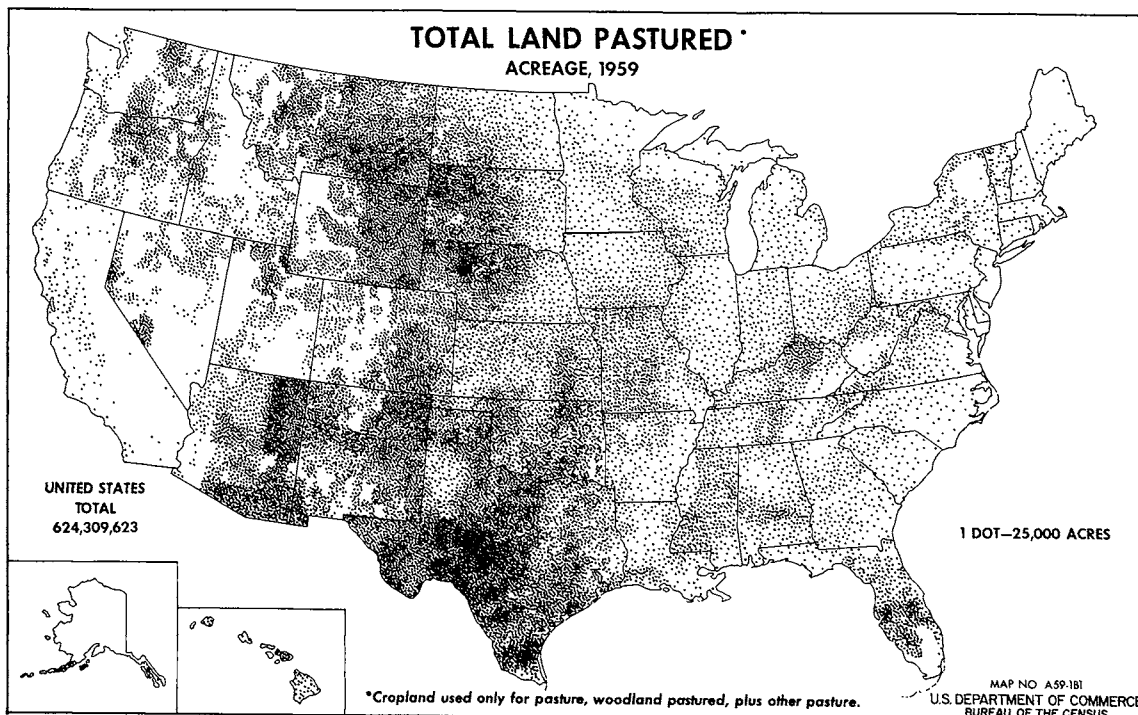
In addition to the classification of land in farms according to use, data for three summary classes are presented as follows:

Cropland, total.—This class includes cropland harvested, cropland used only for pasture, and cropland not harvested and not pastured.



Land pastured, total.—This class includes cropland used only for pasture, woodland pastured, and other pasture.

Woodland, total.—This class includes both woodland pastured and woodland not pastured.



GENERAL REPORT

Problems in Reporting Land Use by Farm Operator.—In reporting land in his farm according to the use made of it during the census year, the farm operator was asked to differentiate between some classes of land for which the dividing line was not always clear and could not always be determined on a uniform basis. Although the wording of the questions, the definitions given, and the instructions were aimed toward clarifying the intent of the inquiries, many decisions were left to the judgment of respondents and enumerators.

Land in fruit orchards, for example, was to be reported as cropland harvested, regardless of whether fruit was harvested. Abandoned orchards were to be reported as idle cropland. At what point an unproductive orchard becomes abandoned was left for the respondent or the census enumerator to decide. Land in permanent pasture could be reported as cropland pastured if the decision was made that the land could be used for crops. Pastureland with scattered trees or brush could be reported either as woodland pastured or as other pasture.

Generally, the use of land was accepted as reported by the farm operator and the census enumerator. Changes were made only when there was an obvious error or additional information elsewhere on the questionnaire indicated the report should be corrected.

Land-Use Classification, 1925 to 1959.—Land-use classes similar to those of 1959 have been used for each census from 1925. The principal modifications have been in the classes relating to cropland pasture.

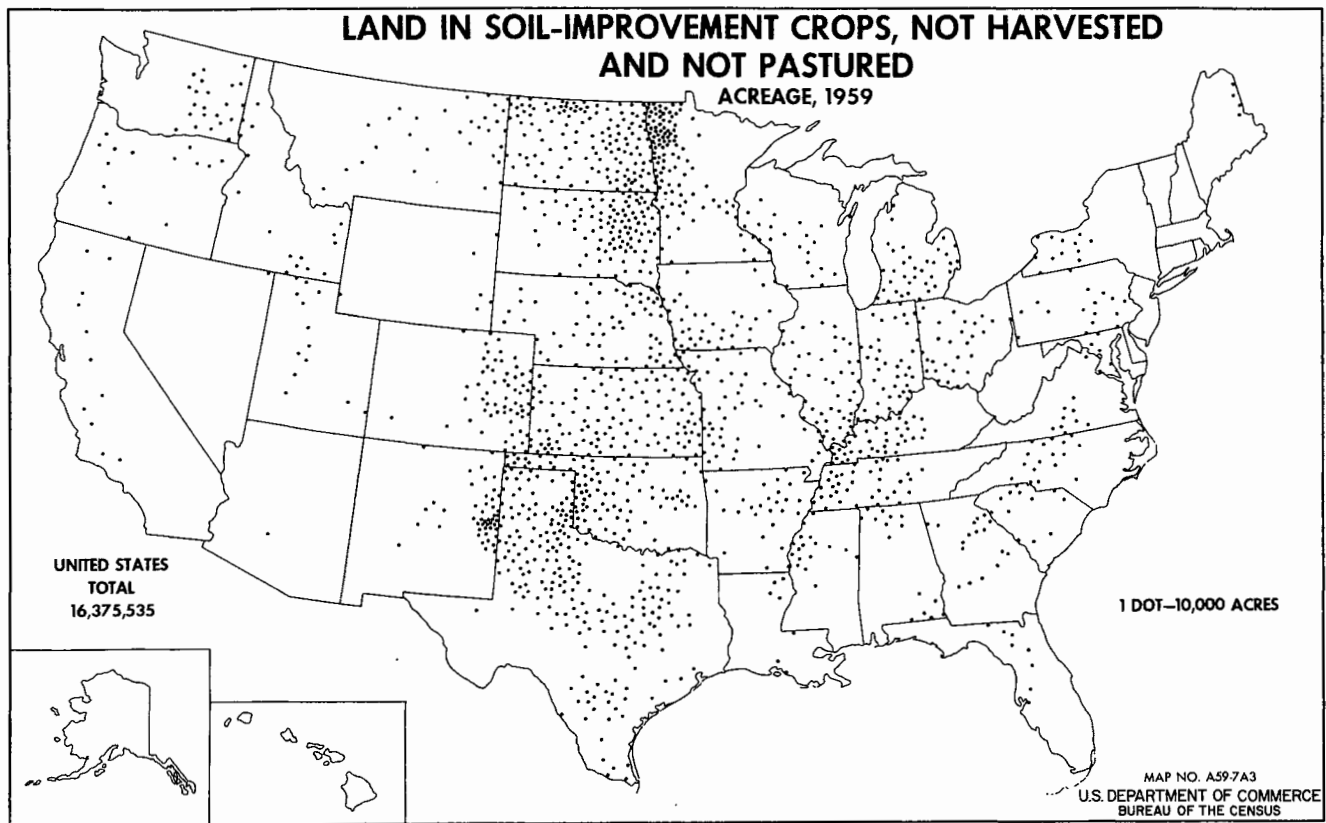
A comparison of the wording of land-use inquiries in 1959 with their counterparts of previous censuses since 1925 is as follows:

Cropland Harvested.—This inquiry was identical for all censuses compared, except for Alaska and Hawaii for 1929. In 1929, for these two States, cropland harvested consisted of total acreage of crops harvested.

Cropland Used Only for Pasture.—This item was identical for the census years 1949 to 1959 for the States of the conterminous United States. It was modified for 1944 to include the qualification, "that was plowed within the last 7 years," and was designated "plowable pasture" in the years 1925 to 1940. For Alaska and Hawaii, data for this class of land were not obtained for censuses prior to 1950.

Summer Fallow.—A separate inquiry was made for this item for the years 1949 to 1959 for the 17 Western States in the conterminous United States. Summer fallow was included with "Cropland idle or fallow" for the years 1924 to 1944.

Cropland in Soil-Improvement Crops.—The agriculture questionnaire contained a separate inquiry for this item for the first time in 1959. In 1954, it was included with "land on which all crops failed" under the heading, "Cropland used only for crops not harvested and not pastured" for the 31 Eastern States and grouped with "Idle land" and "Land on which all crops failed" under the heading "Other cropland," for the 17 Western States in the conterminous United States. It was included with "other cropland" in 1950. For 1924 to 1944, it was included under the heading, "Idle or fallow," or "Other cropland."



Other Cropland Not Harvested and Not Pastured.—In 1959 this item comprised idle cropland and land on which all crops failed. At various times since 1925, these two subdivisions have been either separate inquiries or have been grouped with other land uses.

Crop Failure.—For 1954, crop failure was included under the classification, "Cropland used for crops not harvested and not pastured," and for 1950 with idle land and land in soil-improvement crops under the classification "cropland not accounted for." The agriculture questionnaire contained a separate inquiry for the States in the conterminous United States for this item for the censuses from 1924 to 1944.

Idle land was included with other cropland not harvested and not pastured for 1959; it was a separate land-use classification for 1954. For 1950, idle land was included with crop failure and land in soil-improvement crops under the heading "Cropland not accounted for"; and grouped with fallow land under the heading "Cropland idle or fallow" in the years 1924 to 1944, for the States in the conterminous United States.

Woodland Pastured and Woodland not Pastured.—These classifications were identical for all years 1924 to 1959 except for 1939 when the two classifications were combined as woodland.

Other Pasture.—This item for the States in the conterminous United States was qualified as "not cropland and not woodland," from 1949 to 1959; "not cropland plowed within 7 years and not woodland," for 1944; and "not plowable and not woodland" for 1924 to 1934. For 1939, it was part of "other land." Separate data for other pasture are not available for Alaska prior to 1950, and for Hawaii prior to 1940. Information is presented in table 6 in regard to the combinations of data required for censuses for 1924 to 1959 to obtain comparable data for total cropland, cropland pastured, and other pasture.

Land-Use Classification, 1850 to 1920.—From 1850 to 1920, all land in farms was classified as "improved" and "unimproved." In general, improved land included land in crops; land in pasture that had been cleared or tilled; land lying fallow; land in or-

chards, nurseries, vineyards, and gardens; and land occupied by buildings.

Cropland harvested for 1879 to 1919 was obtained by adding the acreages of the individual crops reported for these censuses.

Irrigation.—Irrigated land is defined as land watered by artificial means for agricultural purposes. These means included subirrigation as well as systems whereby water was applied to the ground surface, either directly or by sprinklers.

The irrigation inquiries on questionnaires for the 17 Western States in the conterminous United States, Louisiana, and Hawaii were more detailed than those for the eastern States. For the Western States, Louisiana, and Hawaii, data were obtained on number of acres irrigated, the acres of cropland irrigated, the acres of crops irrigated, the acres irrigated by sprinklers, and the source of irrigation water.

Data on irrigation in these States may be found in volume I, county table 1a, and in Volume III: "Irrigation of Agricultural Lands." Statistics on the irrigation enterprises which supplied irrigation water also will be found in volume III.

The questionnaire used in the 30 Eastern States contained only one inquiry regarding the total acres irrigated. Additional data for 1960 on irrigation in these 30 States appear in Volume V, Part 2: "Irrigation in Humid Areas."

Irrigated Farms.—These are farms with any land irrigated. The land in irrigated farms includes the entire acreage of land in these farms, whether irrigated or not.

Land Irrigated.—This relates only to that part of the land in farms to which water was applied during the year.

Soil-Conservation Practices.—In 1959, for the second time, the census of agriculture obtained information on soil-conservation practices.

Table 1.—ITEMS NEEDED TO OBTAIN COMPARABILITY OF DATA FOR EARLIER CENSUS YEARS WITH THOSE FOR 1959, FOR TOTAL CROPLAND, CROPLAND PASTURED, AND OTHER PASTURE (NOT CROPLAND AND NOT WOODLAND)

Census year	Most nearly comparable item, each Census (as shown in Table 5)		To obtain more complete comparability with 1959 the following adjustments would be needed	
	Item as shown in this report	United States total (acres)	Add ¹	Subtract ¹
CROPLAND, TOTAL				
1959...	Cropland, total.....	448,087,341	.....	.....
1954 ² ...	Cropland, total.....	459,648,961	.....	.....
1949...	Cropland, total.....	478,315,094	.....	.....
1944 ² ...	Cropland, other than cropland pasture not plowed within 7 years.....	450,694,226	Cropland used only for pasture not plowed within 7 years.....	.....
1939...	Land available for crops.....	530,555,551	.....	Flowable pasture other than cropland pastured (except Alaska).
1934 ² ...	Land available for crops.....	513,913,969	.....	Flowable pasture other than cropland pastured.
1929 ² ...	Land available for crops.....	522,395,804	.....	Flowable pasture other than cropland pastured.
1924 ² ...	Land available for crops.....	505,027,400	.....	Flowable pasture other than cropland pastured.
CROPLAND PASTURED				
1959...	Cropland used only for pasture.....	65,516,598	.....	.....
1954 ² ...	Cropland used only for pasture.....	66,069,838	.....	.....
1949...	Cropland used only for pasture.....	69,487,805	.....	.....
1944 ² ...	Cropland used only for pasture plowed within 7 years.....	47,449,184	Cropland used only for pasture not plowed within 7 years.....	.....
1939 ² ...	Flowable pasture.....	131,379,940	.....	Flowable pasture other than cropland pastured.
1934 ² ...	Flowable pasture.....	98,579,038	.....	Flowable pasture other than cropland pastured.
1929 ² ...	Flowable pasture.....	109,159,914	.....	Flowable pasture other than cropland pastured.
1924 ² ...	Flowable pasture.....	113,567,498	.....	Flowable pasture other than cropland pastured.
OTHER PASTURE (NOT CROPLAND AND NOT WOODLAND)				
1959...	Other pasture, not cropland and not woodland.....	466,224,802	.....	.....
1954 ² ...	Other pasture, not cropland and not woodland.....	459,878,925	.....	.....
1949...	Other pasture, not cropland and not woodland.....	416,802,416	.....	.....
1944 ² ...	Other pasture not cropland plowed within 7 years and not woodland.....	481,016,668	.....	Cropland used only for pasture not plowed within 7 years.
1939 ² ...	Other land; house lots, roads, wasteland, etc., and pasture other than plowable and woodland.....	393,543,673	Flowable pasture other than cropland pastured.....	House lots, roads, wasteland, etc.
1934 ² ...	Other pasture, not plowable and not woodland.....	311,225,652	Flowable pasture other than cropland pastured.....	.....
1929 ² ...	Other pasture, not plowable and not woodland.....	269,672,710	Flowable pasture other than cropland pastured.....	.....
1924 ² ...	Other pasture, not plowable and not woodland.....	217,687,145	Flowable pasture other than cropland pastured.....	.....

¹No Census data available for these items.

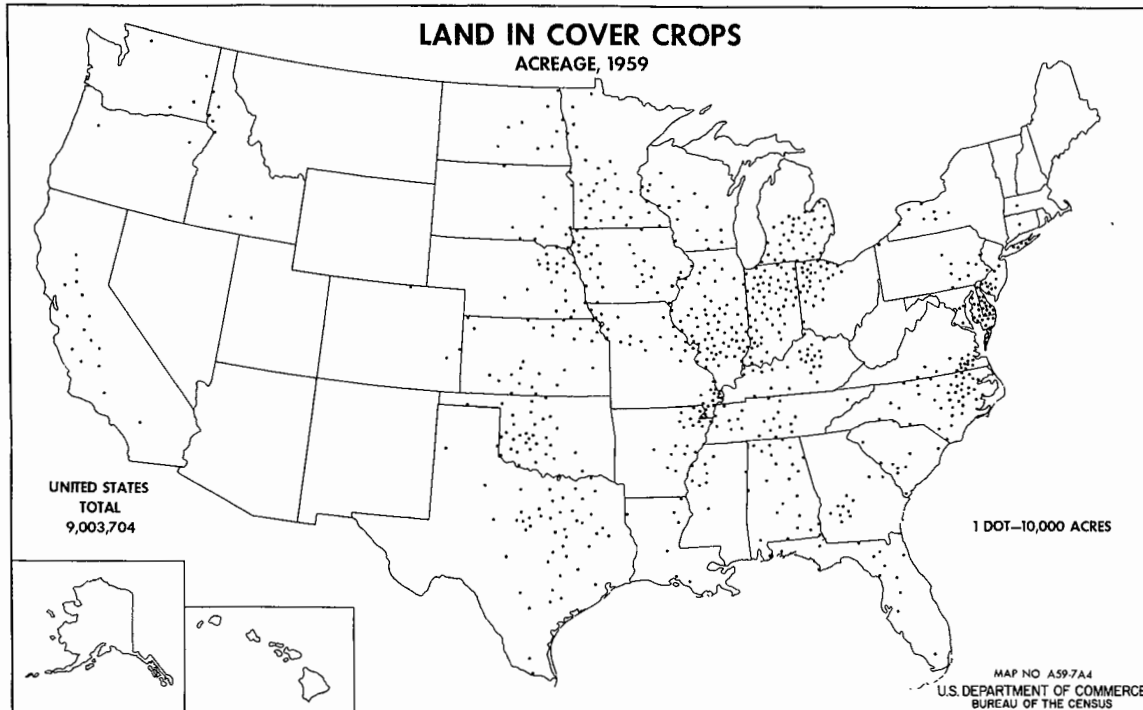
²Data for Alaska and Hawaii not included.

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Cropland in Cover Crops Turned Under for Green Manure.—A cover crop is grown as a means of enriching and protecting soil resources. The land on which the cover crop was turned under for green manure was to be then planted to another crop. The entire acreage of cover crops sowed was to be reported even if the crop planted following the cover crops, failed. In the conterminous United States, cropland used for cover crops was reported for approximately one-tenth of all farms and the acres

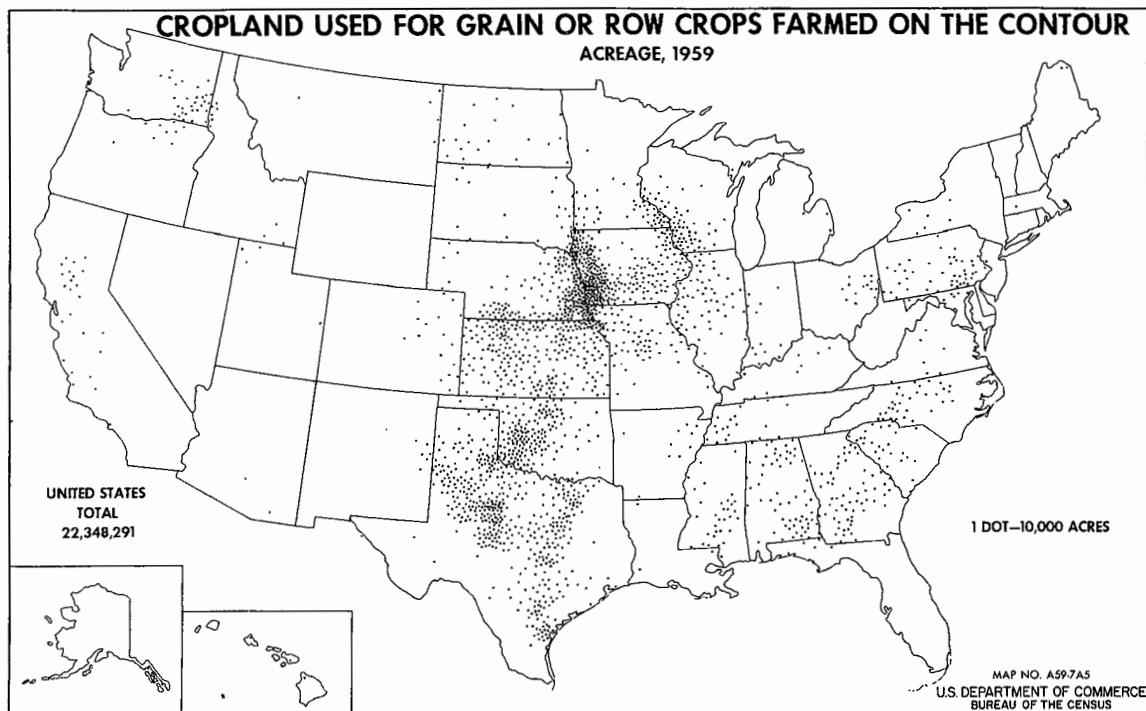
represented 2.0 percent of total cropland. In 1954 the question on cropland in cover crops turned under for green manure was asked only in 31 States and the eastern part of Texas. The comparative data for the same area for 1959 and 1954 are as follows:

	1959	1954
Farms reporting-----	323,932	488,240
Acres-----	6,957,592	9,278,572



Most of the cropland in cover crops turned under for green manure was in the Central and South Atlantic States. The 11 States (Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Minnesota, Iowa, Mis-

souri, North Carolina, Kentucky, Oklahoma, and Texas) having 300,000 acres or more, had 54 percent of the total acres in the conterminous United States.



Cropland Used for Grain or Row Crops Farmed on the Contour.—

The inquiry regarding cropland used for grain or row crops farmed on the contour was included in both the 1959 and the 1954 Census (except for Florida) for all States in the conterminous United States. Crops are planted on the contour when the rows or strips are laid out at right angles to the natural slope of the land. Generally, alternate strips or rows of different crops are used to retard soil and water losses. The usual arrangement is to alternate row crops with close seeded crops.

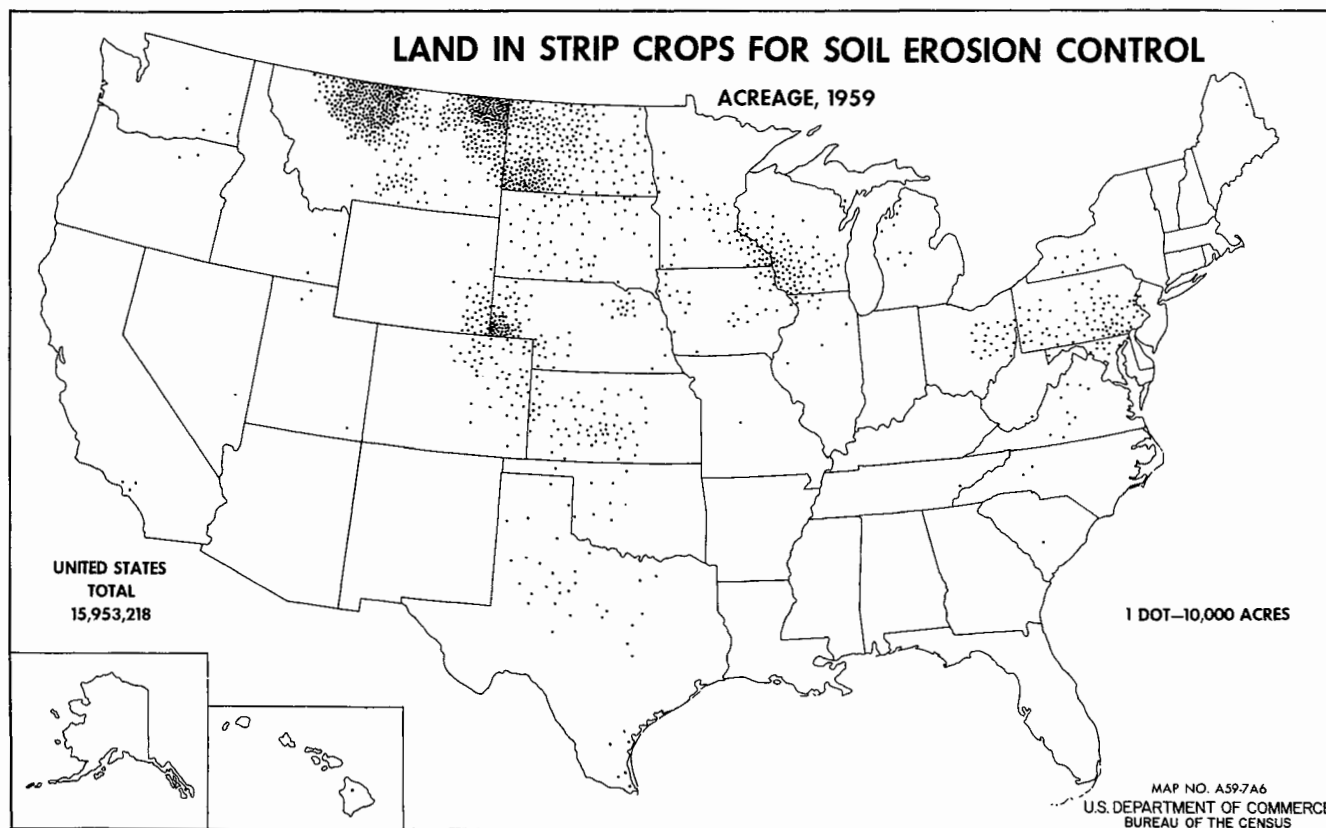
Cropland used for grain or row crops farmed on the contour was reported for approximately one-tenth of the farms in the 48 conterminous States and totaled 22 million acres or 5.0 percent of total cropland. The acreage in 1959 was approximately the same as in 1954. (The acreage was not obtained for the State of Florida for 1954; however, the acreage in that State was negligible.)

Growing of crops on the contour is a widely used practice in the central and southern Great Plains States, some of the more rolling parts of the Corn Belt, Pennsylvania, and in parts of the cotton-producing area of the South.

Land in Stripcropping Systems for Soil-Erosion Control.—Stripcropping was defined as a practice of alternating close grown crops with strips or bands of row crops or of alternating either close grown crops or row crops with bands of cultivated fallow land. Wind stripcropping, stubble mulching, and other conservation practices help control soil blowing. Wind stripcropping involves the planting of crops in strips of uniform width, which are arranged at right angles to the direction of prevailing winds. Small grain crops and cultivated summer fallow often occupy alternating strips. The data for stripcropping for 1959 relate to all 48 States in the conterminous United States. The comparable data for 1954 are for 14 States and the western part of Texas. The comparative data for the 14 States and the western part of Texas for 1959 and 1954 are as follows:

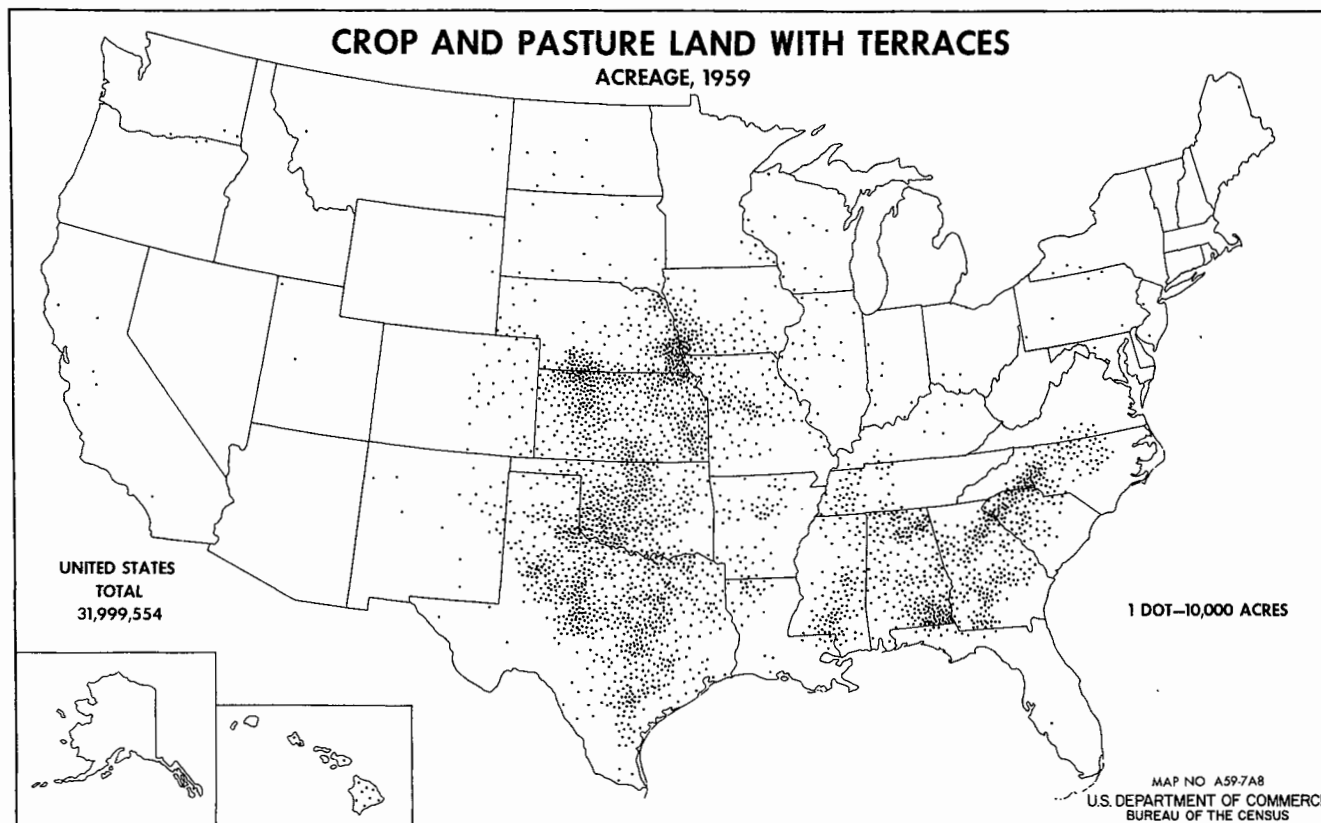
	1959	1954
Farms reporting.....	38,211	26,972
Acres.....	11,927,550	5,218,112

This conservation practice is concentrated chiefly in the western wheat-producing area, where wheat is being grown on land that is subject to wind erosion, particularly during the drier years.



Systems of Terraces on Crop and Pasture Land.—This item relates to the acreage in ridge-type or channel-type terraces constructed on sloping cropland and pastureland. Terraced land was reported for approximately one-eighth of all farms and

totalled almost 32 million acres. Terraced land was concentrated in the southern part of the Great Plains and in the Southern States.



Population.—Data for decennial census years are based on the decennial censuses with adjustments to obtain comparability; data for other years are estimates. Totals for 1910 to 1959 relate to April 1; those for earlier years, to June 1.

Rural and Urban Population.—Rural population is that part of the population not classed as urban. According to the definition adopted for use in the 1960 census, the urban population comprises all persons living in (a) places of 2,500 inhabitants or more incorporated as cities, boroughs, villages, and towns (except towns in New York, New England, and Wisconsin); (b) the densely settled urban fringe, whether incorporated or unincorporated, of urbanized areas; (c) towns in New England and townships in New Jersey and Pennsylvania which contain no incorporated municipalities as subdivisions and have either 25,000 inhabitants or more or a population of 2,500 to 25,000 and a density of 1,500 persons or more per square mile; (d) counties in States other than the New England States, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania that have no incorporated municipalities within their boundaries and have a density of 1,500 persons per square mile; and (e) unincorporated places of 2,500 or more inhabitants.

This definition of urban is substantially the same as that used in 1950; the major difference between 1950 and 1960 is the designation in 1960 of urban towns in New England and of urban townships in New Jersey and Pennsylvania. The effect on population classification arising from this change was small.

In censuses prior to 1950 the urban population comprised all persons living in incorporated places of 2,500 inhabitants or more and areas classified as urban under somewhat different special rules relating to population size and density. This definition excluded a number of densely settled places merely because they are not incorporated places.

Farm Population.—Prior to 1960, persons living outside urban areas were included as part of the farm population if the respondent for a household replied "Yes" to the inquiry, "Is this house on a farm?" In 1960, persons living in rural areas were counted in the farm population if the house in which the person was living was reported as being (1) on a place of less than 10 acres from which sales of farm products amounted to \$250 or more or (2) on a place of 10 or more acres from which the sale of farm products amounted to \$50 or more. The number of farms has declined more than 3 million since 1935. The operators of some of these farms moved off their farms when they discontinued their agricultural operations while others continued to use their farmhouses as residences after they became employed at nonfarm jobs. A considerable number of these persons living in houses that were once operated farms, reported in the census of population and similar surveys that their house was on a farm, even though agricultural operations had been discontinued on the place or the scale of agricultural production was inadequate to qualify the place as a farm according to the criteria for a census farm as used in the census of agriculture. The change in the basis for classifying a part

of the rural population as farm population accounted for, on the basis of small-scale tests, 4.5 million of the 9.9 million decrease in farm population from 1950 to 1960. Also the small-scale surveys showed that the 1960 farm population was between 15 and 16 million. The data for farm population for 1960 do not include persons living on farms in cities and other territory classified as urban. The total number of persons living on farms in those urban areas probably does not exceed half a million.

The peak of the farm population since 1910 was reached in the 1930's when more than 32 million persons were counted as living on farms. Since the 1930's the farm population has declined significantly. Less than half as many persons were counted as living on farms in 1960 as in 1940. The decline of 9.9 million from 1950 to 1960, was greater than during any other decade, even when allowance is made for the change in definition. However, even the 1960 farm population of 13.4 million includes a considerable number of persons who are not engaged in farm operations as well as many persons who

work at nonfarm jobs and secure the major part of their livelihood from nonfarm sources.

While both total population and food requirements have been increasing, the farm population has been decreasing. The proportion of the population living on farms in 1960 was less than half that of 1950 and one-third that of 1940.

The acres of land in farms and cropland harvested have been declining. The average acreage of cropland per person is now about half that of 1920. On the other hand, the average acreages of land in farms and cropland harvested per person living on farms in 1960 were more than twice the corresponding averages for 1940. With the increasing mechanization, increased use of power and electricity on farms, advances in farm technology, the increased use of inputs from nonfarm sources, the increasing substitution of capital for labor, increasing commercialization and specialization in agricultural production, and increasing technical and managerial know-how of farm operators, fewer and fewer people living on farms have been able to provide increasing quantities of food and fiber for a growing population.

Table 2.—TOTAL, RURAL, AND FARM POPULATION, FOR THE UNITED STATES: 1850 TO 1959

Item and year	Number of persons ¹	Percent of total population	Increase or decrease (-)	
			Number	Percent
Total population ².....1960...	179,323,175	100.0	NA	NA
1954 ³ ..	161,763,000	100.0	NA	NA
1950...	151,325,798	100.0	NA	NA
1945 ³ ..	139,583,000	100.0	NA	NA
1940...	132,164,569	100.0	NA	NA
1935 ³ ..	127,057,000	100.0	NA	NA
1930...	123,202,624	100.0	NA	NA
1925 ³ ..	115,402,000	100.0	NA	NA
1920...	106,021,537	100.0	13,793,041	15.0
1910...	92,228,496	100.0	16,016,328	21.0
1900...	76,212,168	100.0	15,232,402	21.0
1890...	62,979,766	100.0	12,790,557	25.5
1880...	50,189,209	100.0	11,630,838	30.2
1870...	38,558,371	100.0	7,115,090	22.6
1860...	31,443,321	100.0	8,251,445	35.6
1850...	23,191,876	100.0	...	...
Rural population: ⁴				
Current urban definition ⁵....1960...	54,054,425	30.1	-424,556	-0.8
1950...	54,478,981	36.0	NA	NA
Previous urban definition....1960...	66,266,822	37.0	5,069,238	8.3
1950...	61,197,604	40.4	3,738,373	6.5
1940...	57,459,231	43.5	3,417,206	6.3
1930...	54,042,025	43.9	2,273,770	4.4
1920...	51,768,255	48.8	1,603,760	3.1
1910...	50,164,495	54.4	4,167,159	8.3
1900...	45,997,336	60.4	NA	NA
1890 ³ ..	40,841,449	64.9	4,815,401	13.4
1880 ³ ..	36,026,048	71.8	7,370,038	25.7
1870 ³ ..	28,656,010	72.0	3,429,207	13.6
1860 ³ ..	25,226,803	80.2	5,578,643	28.4
1850 ³ ..	19,648,160	84.7	...	...
Farm population ⁶.....1960...	13,444,898	7.5	-8,445,102	-38.6
1954 ³ ..	21,890,000	13.5	-1,441,738	-6.2
1950...	23,331,738	15.4	-1,963,262	-7.8
1945 ³ ..	25,295,000	18.1	-5,251,911	-17.2
1940...	30,546,911	23.1	-1,614,089	-5.0
1935 ³ ..	32,161,000	25.3	1,715,650	5.6
1930...	30,445,350	24.7	-744,650	-2.4
1925 ³ ..	31,190,000	27.0	-424,269	-1.3
1920...	31,614,269	29.8	-462,731	-1.4
1910...	32,077,000	34.9	...	...

NA Not available.

¹Figures for 1910 to 1959 relate to April 1, those for earlier years to June 1. Figures for decennial years are based on the decennial Censuses with adjustments to obtain comparability; those for other years are estimates.

²Figures for 1940 to 1959 include members of the Armed Forces overseas, for the earlier years the number of persons in the Armed Forces overseas was not available but was probably negligible. Figures for 1870 include adjustments for underenumeration in Southern States.

³Data for Alaska and Hawaii not included.

⁴Figures shown for rural population exclude members of Armed Services overseas; the percent of total population for 1959, 1954, 1950, and 1940, respectively, is based on the civilian population.

⁵The data for 1960 and 1950 for the current urban definition are not comparable with those for earlier years because of change in definition. See text.

⁶The figures shown for farm population in the quinquennial Censuses are estimates roughly comparable with the current estimates of the farm population obtained from the Census Bureau's Current Population Survey. These estimates differ substantially from the farm population as tabulated from the 1945, 1935, and 1925 Censuses of Agriculture.

Table 3.—AVERAGE NUMBER OF PERSONS PER FARM, WITH PER CAPITA DATA FOR LAND IN FARMS, CROPLAND HARVESTED, AND VALUE OF FARM PRODUCTS SOLD, FOR THE UNITED STATES: CENSUSES OF 1850 TO 1959

Item and year	Average number of persons per farm	Average per capita		
		Land in farms (acres)	Cropland ¹ harvested (acres)	Value of farm products sold (dollars)
Total population.....1960...	48.33	6.3	1.7	170
1954 ² ..	33.82	7.2	2.1	152
1950...	28.08	7.7	2.3	147
1945 ² ..	23.82	8.2	2.5	116
1940...	21.66	8.1	2.4	² 51
1935 ² ..	18.65	8.3	2.3	NA
1930...	19.57	8.0	² 2.9	² 90
1925 ² ..	18.11	8.0	3.0	NA
1920...	16.43	9.0	² 3.3	NA
1910...	14.49	9.6	² 3.4	NA
1900...	13.28	11.0	² 3.7	NA
1890 ² ..	13.79	9.9	3.5	NA
1880 ² ..	12.51	10.7	3.3	NA
1870 ² ..	14.97	10.2	NA	NA
1860 ² ..	15.38	13.0	NA	NA
1850 ² ..	16.00	12.7	NA	NA
Farm population.....1960...	3.62	83.6	23.2	2,268
1954 ² ..	4.58	52.9	15.2	1,126
1950...	4.34	49.7	14.8	945
1945 ² ..	4.32	45.1	14.0	642
1940...	5.01	34.7	10.5	219
1935 ² ..	4.72	32.8	9.2	NA
1930...	4.84	32.4	11.8	316
1925 ² ..	4.90	29.6	11.0	NA
1920...	4.90	30.2	11.0	NA
1910 ² ..	5.04	27.4	9.7	NA

NA Not available.

¹Prior to 1924, based on total acreage of crops. See Table 5.

²Data for Alaska and Hawaii not included.

USE OF LAND IN 1959

The land area of the 50 States is 2,271 million acres. The total land in farms in the United States in 1959 was 1,123 million acres or 49.5 percent of the land area. If no division is made between land in farms and land not in farms then the total land in each of the major uses in 1959 would be as follows:

	Million acres
Cropland, including cropland used only for pasture.....	448
Pasture and grazing land (including woodland and forest land pastured or grazed).....	887
Forest and woodland not pastured or grazed.....	500
Other land, total.....	436

Data on land use refer only to area. There are great variations in the quality of land having various uses. The quality of the various kinds of cropland varies from use to use and area by area, and also within areas. The cropland used only for pasture supplies much more feed per acre than other pasture and grazing land. There are similar variations in the productivity of woodland and forest land.

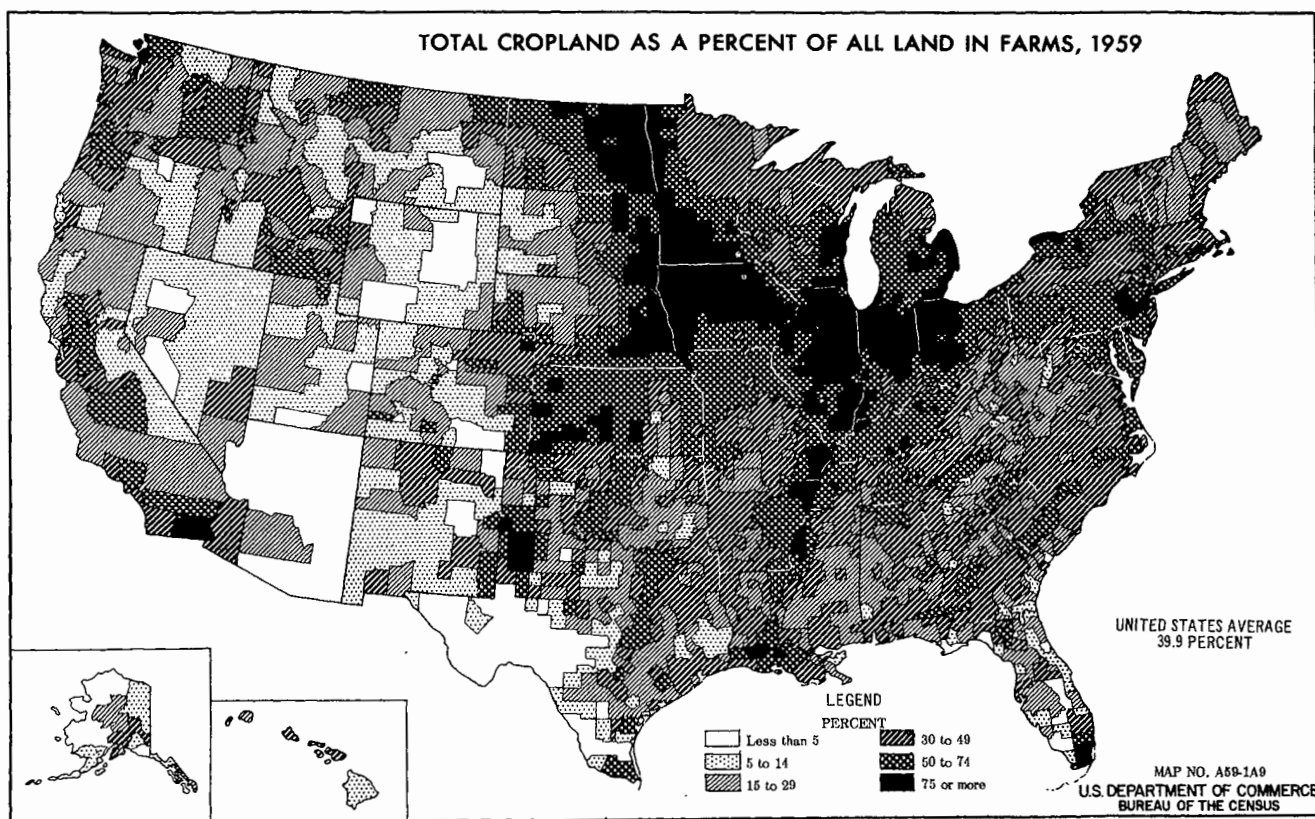
Cropland comprises 311 million acres of cropland harvested, 66 million acres of cropland used only for pasture, and 71 million acres of cropland not harvested and not pastured. The cropland not harvested includes 31 million acres of cultivated summer fallow, and 40 million acres of idle land, land on which crops failed, and land planted in crops for future harvest.

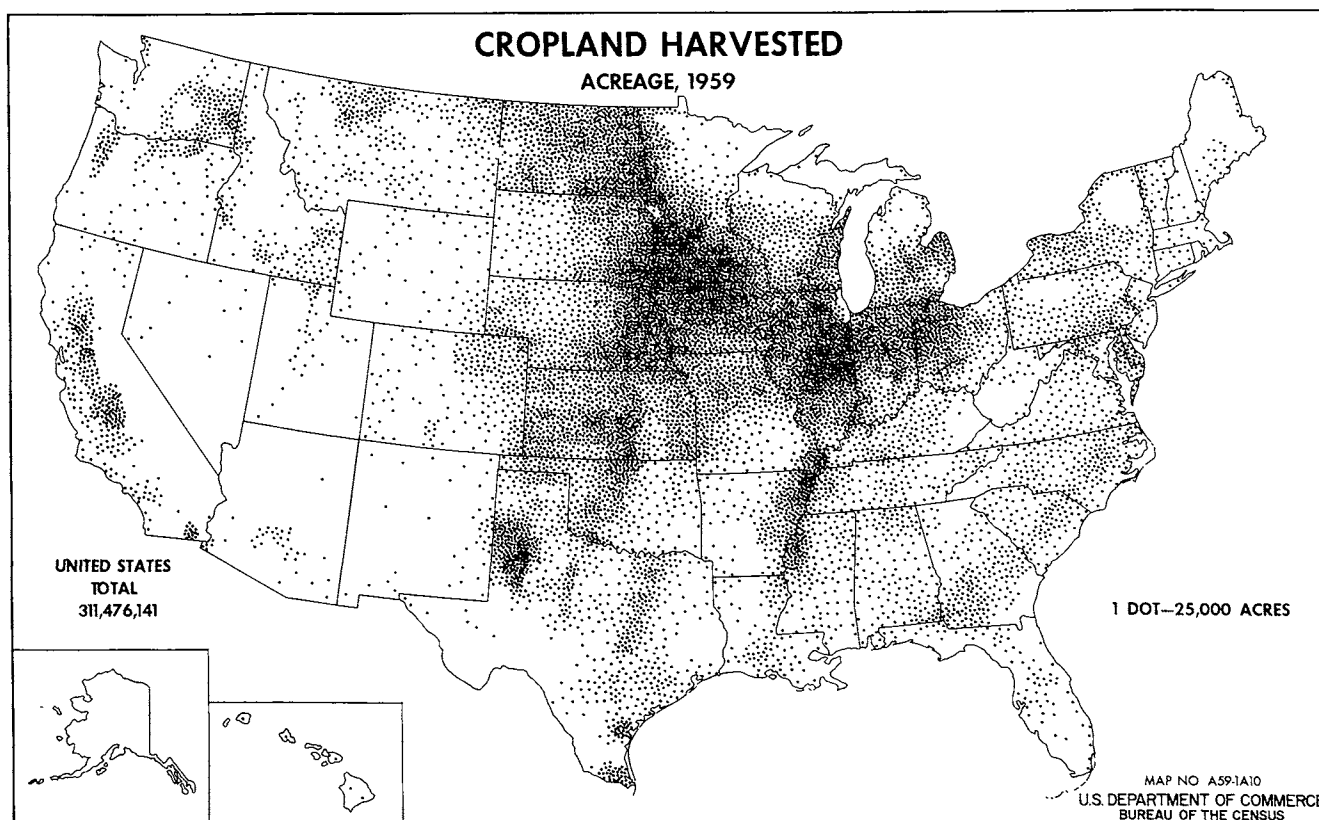
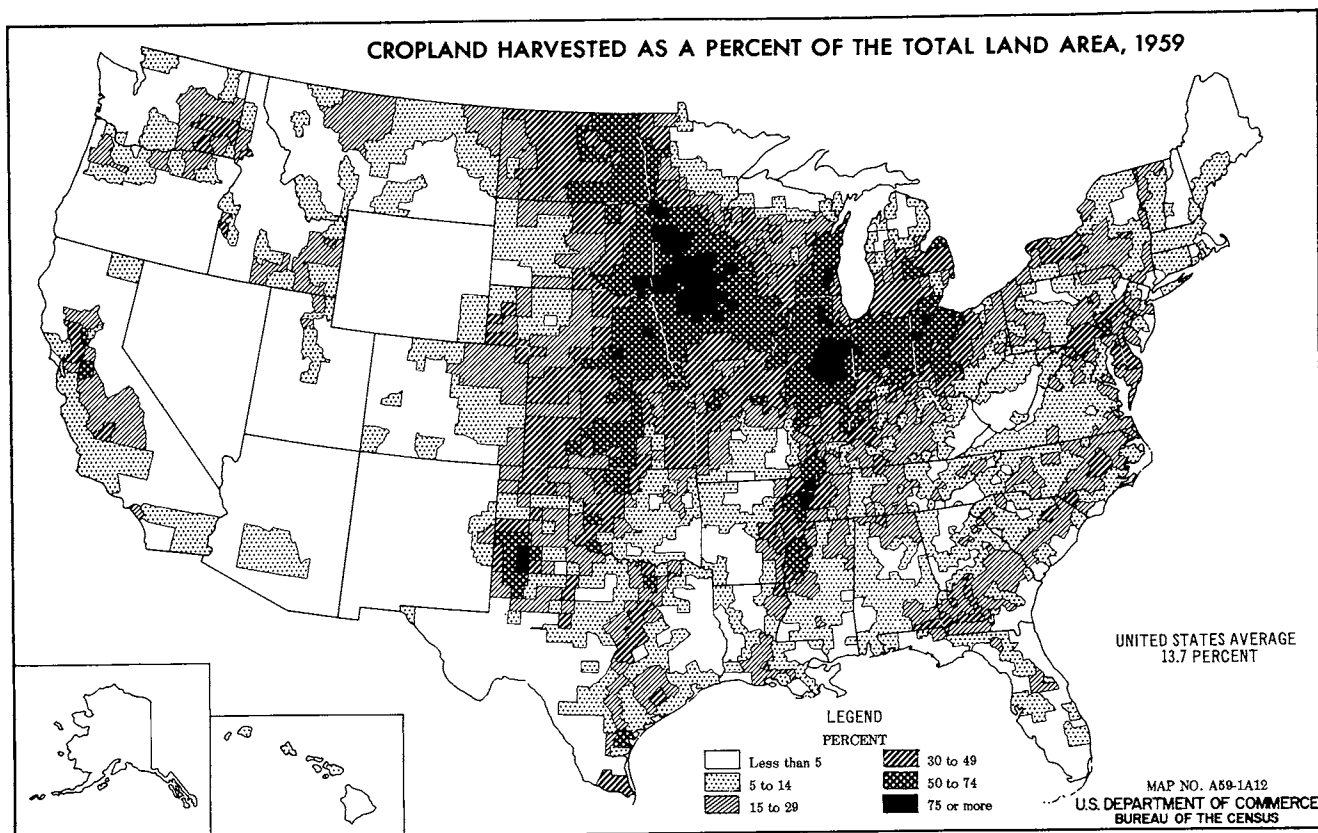
The total acreage of all pasture and grazing land was 953 million acres. This total includes 66 million acres of cropland used only for pasture and 887 million acres of other pasture and grazing lands. Pasture and grazing lands in farms total 625 million acres and grazing lands not in farms account for the remaining 328 million acres.

The total woodland and forest land amounts to 593 million acres and includes 93 million acres of woodland and forest land pastured and grazed and 500 million acres not pastured or grazed. Woodland in farms totals 164 million acres while woodland and forest land not in farms totals 429 million acres. The 593 million acres of woodland and forest land do not include forest land in parks, wildlife refuges, etc.

A large part of the Nation's agricultural production comes from the land used for crop production. The total cropland in 1959 amounted to 448 million acres and cropland comprised one-fifth of the total land area. The total cropland includes the area of cropland used only for pasture.

Total cropland is heavily concentrated in the Corn Belt and the eastern part of the Great Plains. Eleven Corn Belt and Great Plains States have more than half of the Nation's total cropland, yet the land area of these 11 States comprises only one-fifth of the total land area of the 50 States. There are other concentrations of cropland along the lower Mississippi River and along the States bordering the Great Lakes. In the 11 Western States of the conterminous United States, the area of cropland is very closely associated with irrigation or the production of wheat.

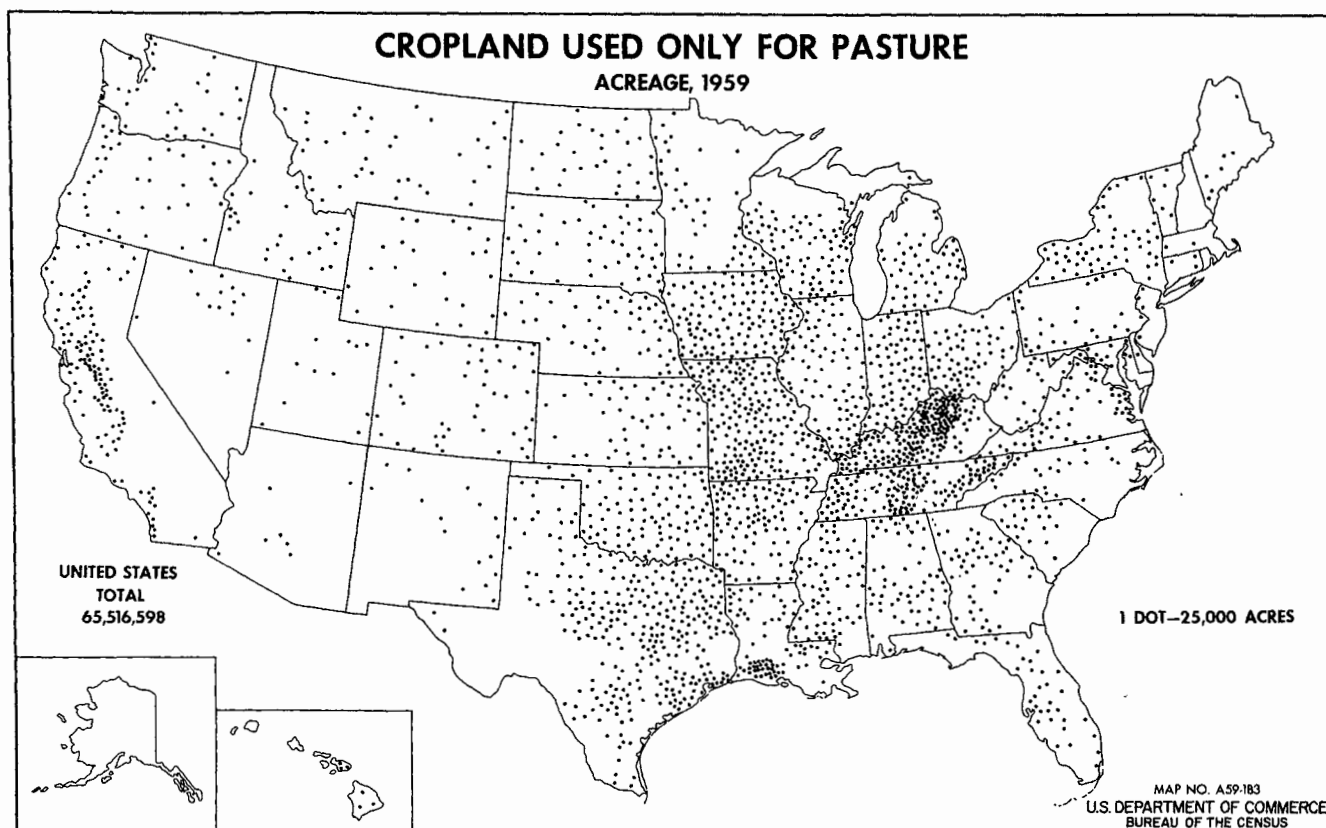




Cropland harvested comprised 70 percent of total cropland in 1959. The distribution of cropland harvested is very similar to that of total cropland. Extensive land area with relatively small

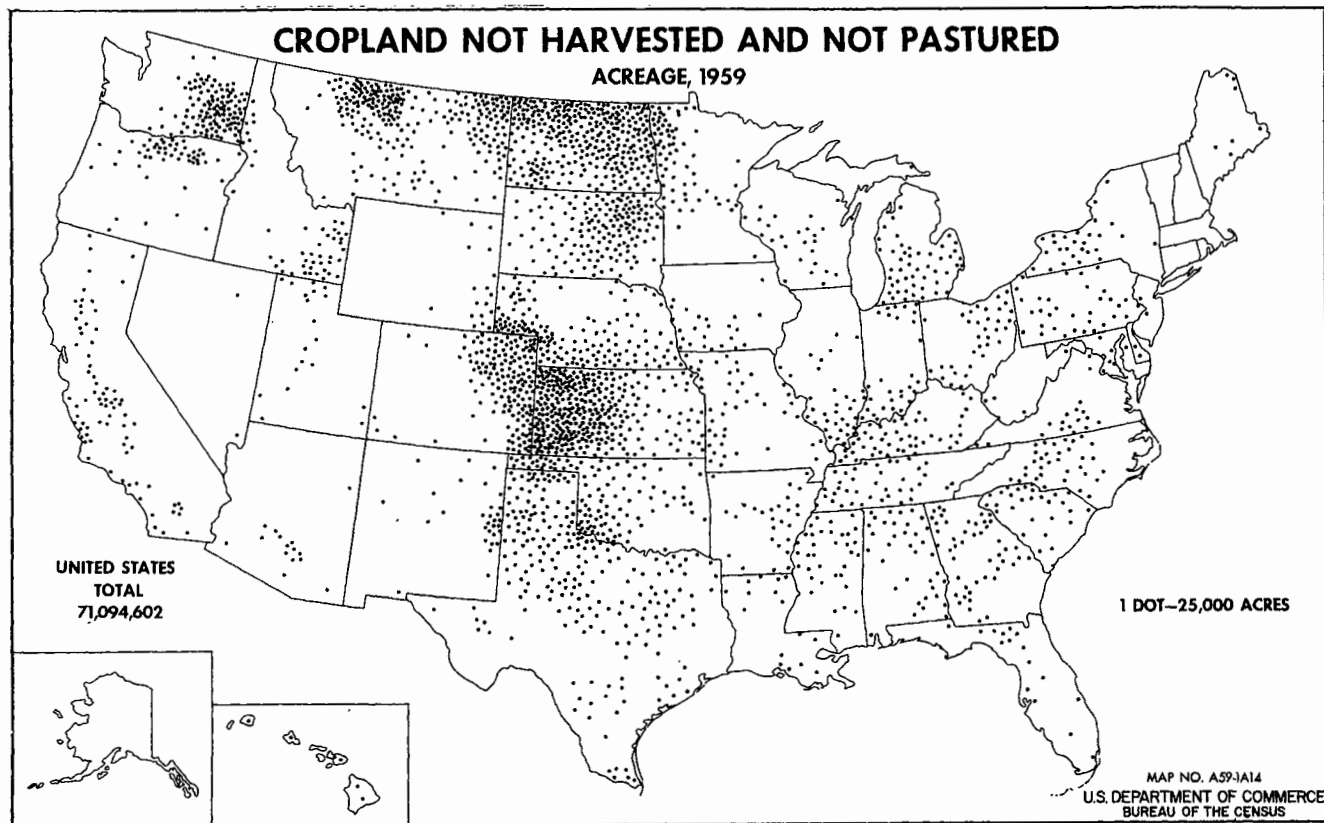
amounts of cropland harvested include areas in the West that are too dry and areas in the East that are too rough, too wet, or with soils too unproductive for profitable use.

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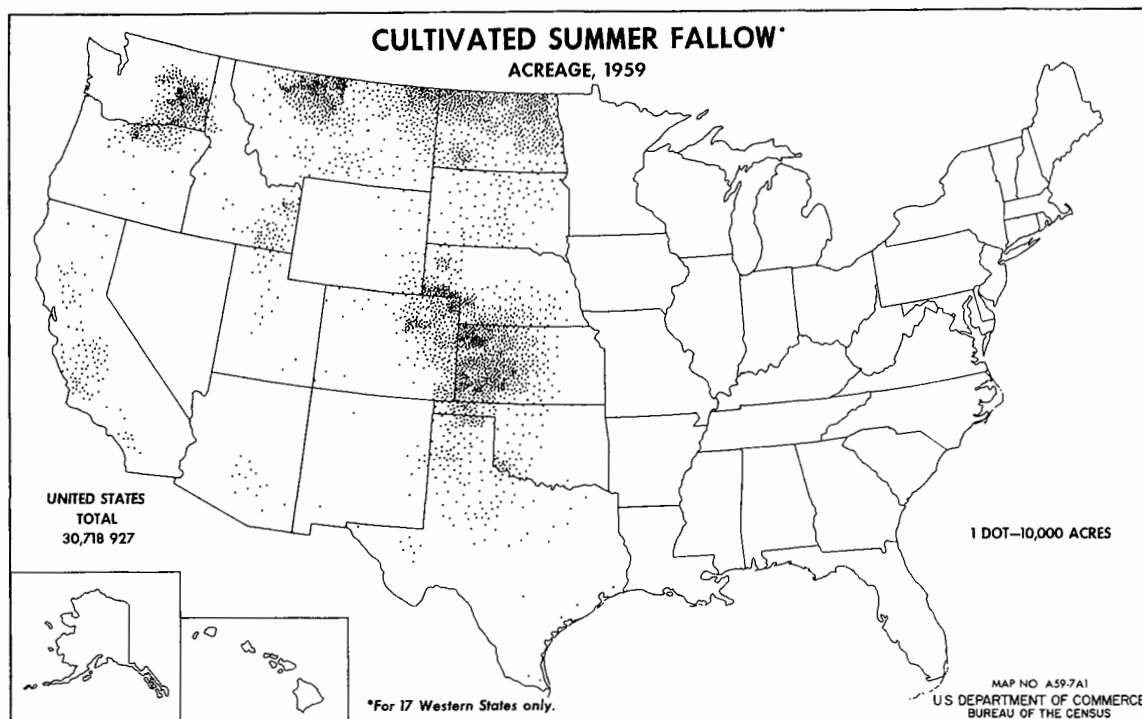
Cropland used only for pasture totaled 66 million acres in 1959 and comprises land used mostly in rotation with crops. Some cropland used for pasture may be in transition between its

use for crops and a state of idleness, which may be followed by reversion to other pasture or to woodland.



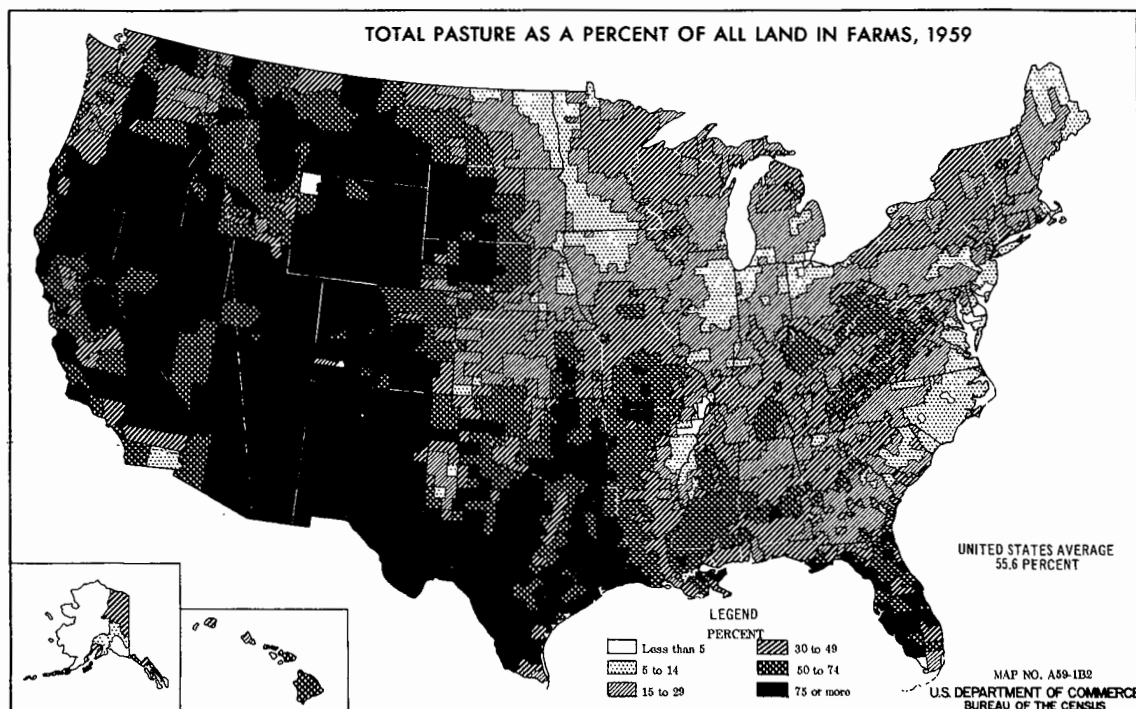
Cropland not harvested and not pastured in 1959 comprised 31 million acres of cultivated summer fallow; 16 million acres in soil-improvement crops; and 24 million acres of idle cropland,

land on which all crops failed, and land on which crops were planted for harvest after 1959.



Cultivated summer fallow accounts for approximately three-sevenths of the cropland not harvested and not pastured. The practice of summer fallowing is closely associated with the growing of wheat in the drier parts of the major wheat-producing areas. The accumulation of soil moisture and the consequent

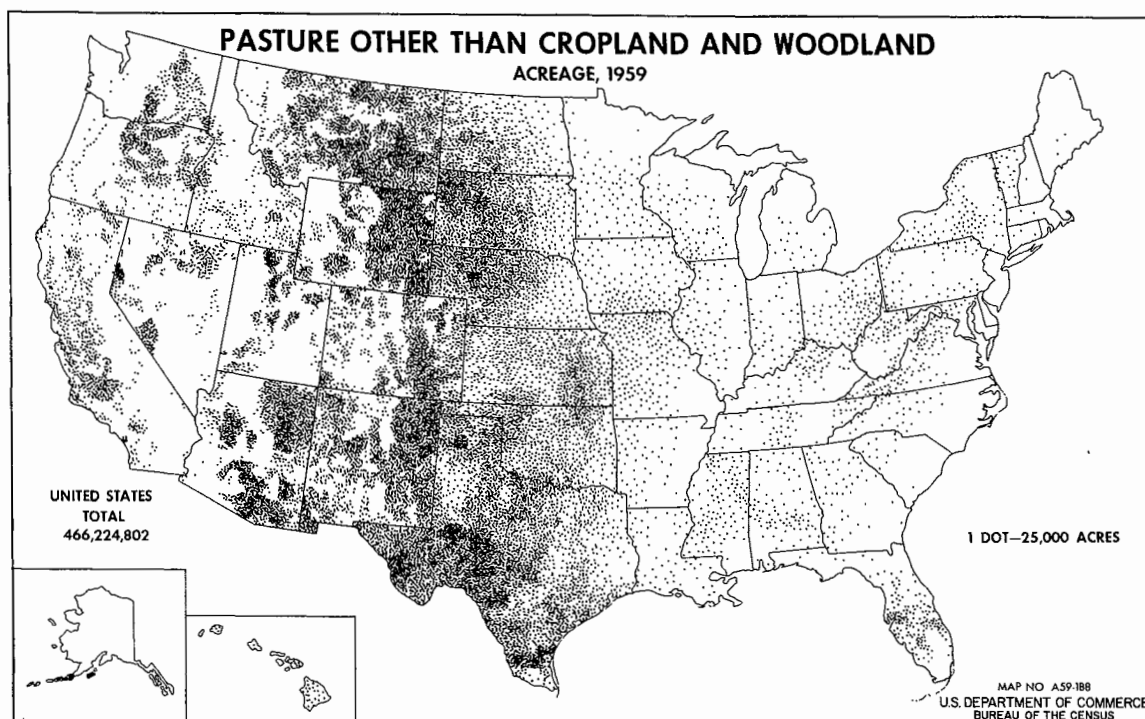
improvement in yields per acre results from letting the land lie idle for a crop season and by cultivating it to keep it free from weeds. Cultivated summer fallow is confined almost entirely to the West and to the spring and winter wheat producing areas.



Every part of the United States has some pastureland. The total acreage of pastureland in 1959 was 625 million acres. If the 328 million acres of grazing lands not in farms are added to the acres of pasture and grazing lands in farms, the total acreage of pasture and grazing lands is 953 million acres. Cropland used only for pasture comprises the most productive part

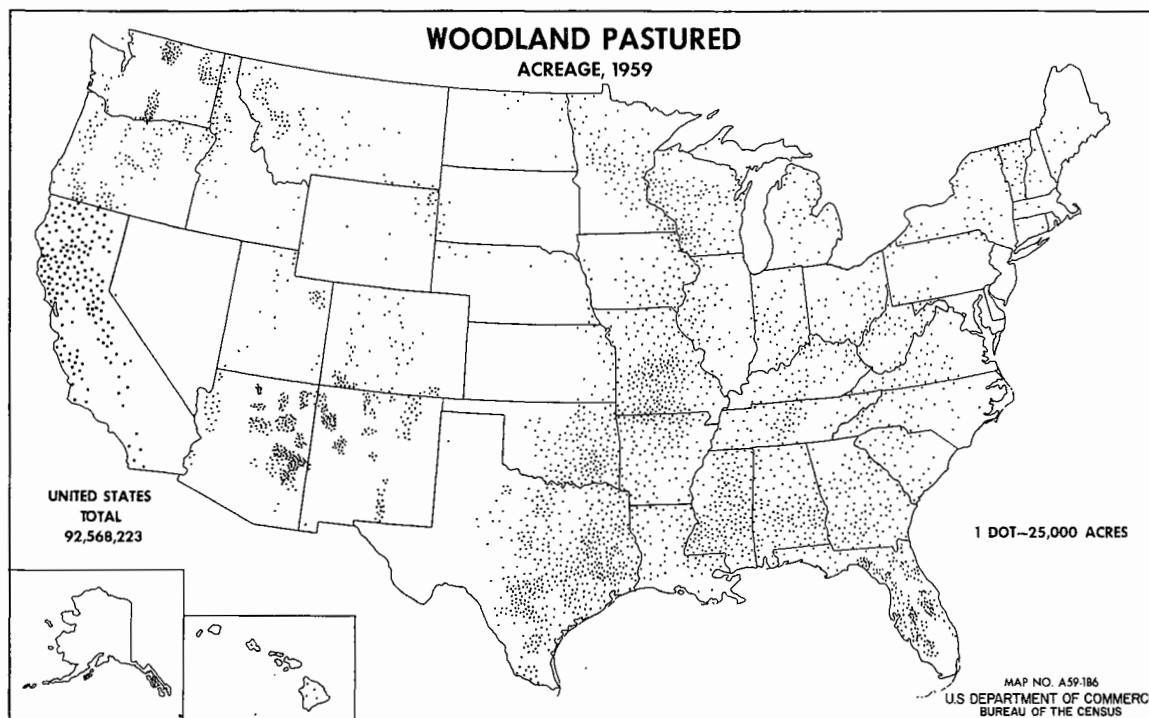
of the Nation's pasture and grazing lands. Generally, it is land used for pasture in rotation with crops. This kind of pastureland is concentrated in the Corn Belt, the Mississippi Delta, the Southern Plains, and the western part of the Appalachian Mountain States.

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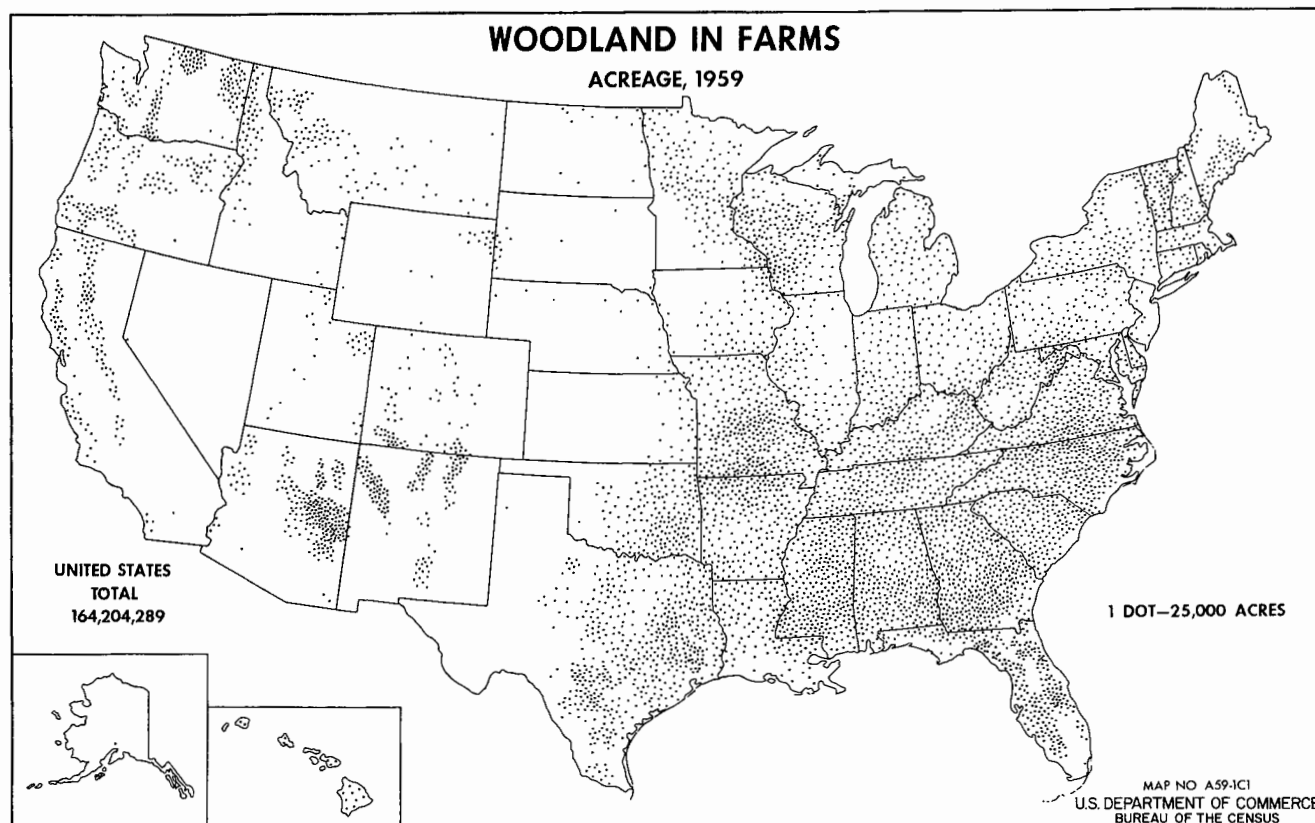
Pastureland other than cropland and woodland varies greatly in quality. In 1959, the total area of this kind of pasture was 466 million acres. Approximately 23 million acres or 5 percent

of this class of land has been improved by liming, fertilizing, irrigating, draining, or reseeding.



Woodland pasture in farms totaled 93 million acres in 1959. The productivity of this kind of pasture varies greatly. The area includes cutover forests, land once used for crops or open pasture in the process of reverting to forest land, arid woodland, brush and scrub land, etc.

Woodland in farms totaled 164 million acres and accounted for nearly one-sixth of land in farms. Much of the woodland in farms is located in the Appalachian Mountain and Southeastern States.



CHANGES IN FARMS

Change in the Number of Farms.—In 1959, there were nearly 1.1 million fewer farms than in 1954. The 3.7 million farms in 1959 was the lowest number recorded at any census since 1870. In 1850, the first census for which a count of farms was taken, there were 1,449,073 farms, or one farm for each 16 persons liv-

ing in the United States. With the growth of population and westward migration, the number of farms increased along with the growth in population. By 1880, the number of farms had increased to over 4 million, and by 1910, the number was more than 6½ million, or one farm for each 14.5 persons. In this period from 1880 to 1910, the number of farms increased with the settlement of new lands.

Table 4.—NUMBER OF FARMS, ALL LAND IN FARMS, AND VALUE OF FARMS, FOR THE UNITED STATES:
1850 TO 1959

[Data for value of farms in the conterminous United States for 1959, 1954, and 1950 are based on reports for only a sample of farms. See text. Figures for regions, divisions, and States in Tables 9 and 21.]

Year	Number of farms		All land in farms				Value of farms (land and buildings)				Approximate land area	
	Total	Increase or decrease (-) from previous census ¹	Acres	Increase or decrease (-) from previous census ¹	Acres	Percent	Total (dollars)	Increase or decrease (-) from previous census ¹ (percent)	Average per farm (dollars)	Average per acre (dollars)	Acres ²	Percent in farms
1959.....	3,710,503	-1,078,522	-22.6	1,123,507,574	-38,033,722	-3.3	128,987,659,000	32.2	34,825	115.15	2,271,343,360	49.5
1954 ¹	4,782,416	-599,746	-11.1	1,158,191,511	-374,341	(2)	97,582,918,000	29.7	20,405	84.25	1,903,824,640	60.8
1950.....	5,388,437	-477,007	-8.1	1,161,419,720	16,950,488	1.5	75,462,427,000	62.2	14,005	64.97	2,273,406,080	51.1
1945 ¹	5,859,169	-237,630	-3.9	1,141,615,364	80,762,990	7.6	46,388,925,560	37.9	7,917	40.63	1,905,361,920	59.9
1940.....	6,102,417	-715,551	-10.5	1,065,113,774	6,337,263	0.6	33,758,367,972	2.4	5,532	31.69	2,274,943,360	46.8
1935 ¹	6,812,350	523,702	8.3	1,054,515,111	67,744,095	6.9	32,858,844,012	-31.4	4,823	31.16	1,903,216,640	55.4
1930.....	6,295,103	-82,992	-1.3	990,111,984	62,451,664	6.8	47,994,475,975	-3.2	7,624	48.47	2,272,798,720	43.6
1925 ¹	6,371,640	-76,703	-1.2	924,319,352	-31,564,363	-3.3	49,467,647,287	-25.4	7,764	53.52	1,903,216,640	48.6
1920.....	6,453,991	86,841	1.4	958,676,612	77,085,390	8.8	66,446,345,611	90.6	10,295	69.31	2,272,824,320	42.2
1910.....	6,366,044	624,130	10.9	881,431,469	40,206,551	4.8	34,884,925,036	109.5	5,480	39.58	2,272,898,560	38.8
1900.....	5,739,657	1,172,731	25.7	841,201,546	215,373,155	34.6	16,674,677,447	25.1	2,905	19.82	2,273,070,720	37.0
1890 ²	4,564,641	555,734	13.9	623,218,619	87,136,784	16.3	13,279,252,649	30.2	2,909	21.31	1,903,337,600	32.7
1880 ³	4,008,907	1,348,922	50.7	536,081,835	128,346,794	31.5	10,197,096,776	37.0	2,544	19.02	1,903,337,600	28.2
1870 ¹	2,659,985	615,908	30.1	407,735,041	522,503	0.1	37,444,054,462	12.0	2,799	18.26	1,903,337,600	21.4
1860 ¹	2,044,077	595,004	41.1	407,212,538	113,651,924	38.7	6,645,045,007	103.1	3,251	16.32	1,903,337,600	21.4
1850 ¹	1,449,073	...	...	293,560,614	...	...	3,271,575,426	...	2,258	11.14	1,884,375,680	15.6

² Less than 0.05 percent.

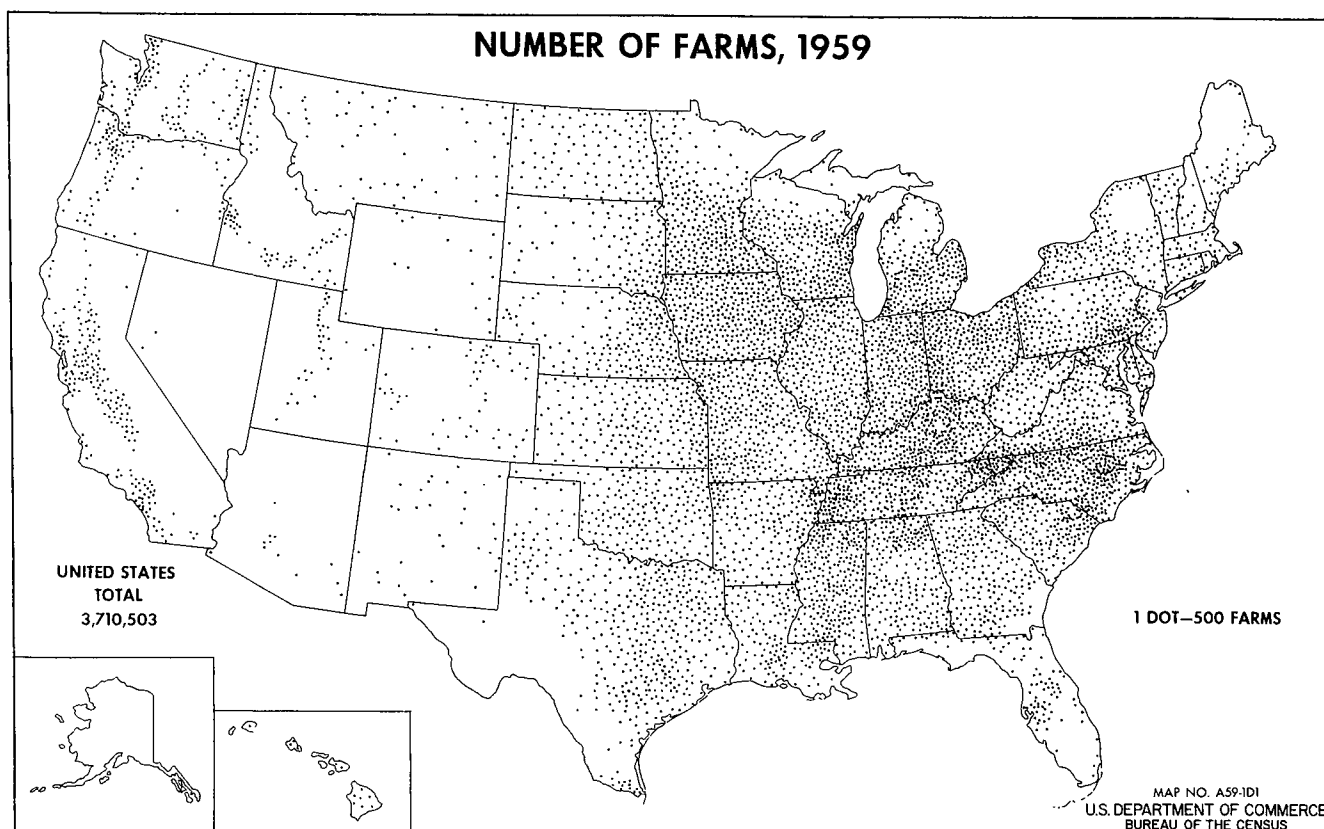
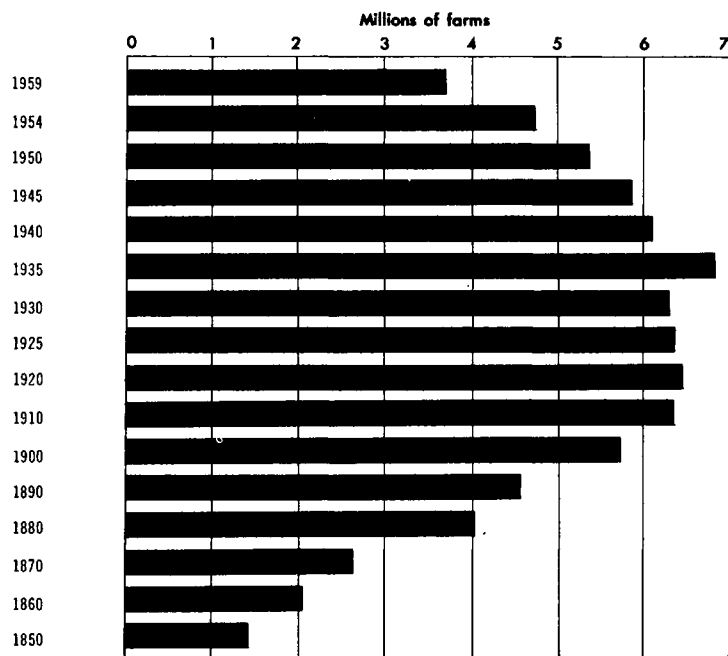
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⁵ Does not include value of land and buildings for Hawaii.

⁶ Does not include value of land and buildings for Alaska.

⁷ Value of gold—approximately 1/5 less than reported currency values published in the 1870 report.

**NUMBER OF FARMS IN THE UNITED STATES: 1850 TO 1959**

During the next two decades, 1910 to 1930, the number of farms and land in farms remained relatively stationary. From 1910 to 1920, the number of farms increased 1.4 percent, as compared with a 10.9 percent increase during the preceding decade. Land in farms increased 8.8 percent between 1910 and 1920, as compared with 4.8 percent increase between 1900 and 1910. In 1920, there were nearly $6\frac{1}{2}$ million farms in the United States, and by 1930, the number of farms had dropped to a level slightly below that of 1910.

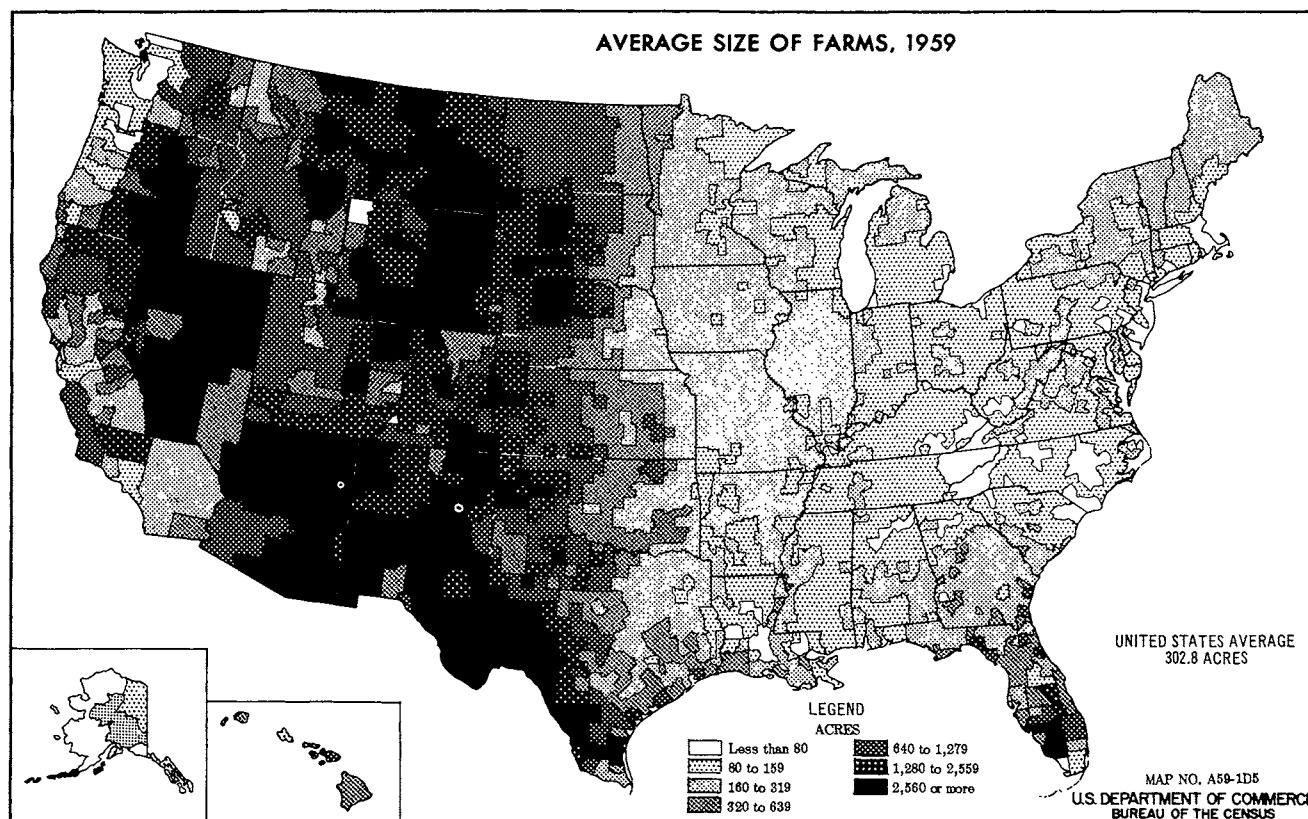
Since 1920, the trend in number of farms has been downward, except for a brief increase during the depression years when many people turned to the land for subsistence. The 1935 census recorded an alltime high of 6.8 million farms. The back-to-the-land movement, however, was short-lived. By 1940, there were 3.1 percent fewer farms than in 1930. This downward trend in the number of farms has continued at an accelerated rate, with a decline of nearly 4 percent between 1940 and 1945, slightly more than 8 percent between 1945 and 1950, over 11 percent from 1950 to 1954, and 22.6 percent from 1954 to 1959. By 1959 the number of farms was 2.7 million fewer than in 1920 and more than 3.1 million fewer than the peak reached in 1935. In 1959 the number of farms relative to the total population was only about one-third that of 1920—one farm per 48.3 persons in 1959 as compared with one farm per 16.4 persons in 1920.

In the East, abandonment of some of the poorer agricultural lands, particularly in the more mountainous and hilly areas, and the diversion of farmlands to other uses, have resulted in a substantial decline in the number of farms. In the Northeast, consistent decreases in the number of farms have occurred since 1880. The growth of cities, suburban development, factory sites, new highways, and the like, have eliminated numerous farms. By 1959 there were about 76 million fewer acres of land in farms east of the Mississippi River than in 1900. Between 1954 and 1959, the net loss of land in farms in this area was 34 million acres.

Although the trend in total number of farms generally has been down since 1920 there have been some increases because of the development of new lands and shifts in some areas to more intensive types of farming. Many of the increases in the West are associated with the development of irrigation projects. In the 17 Western States, there were 262,614 irrigated farms in 1959, or 22.1 percent more than the 215,152 irrigated farms reported in the 1920 census. The clearing and draining of land continued to be factors in scattered areas, particularly in parts of the South.

Consolidation of smaller farms into larger operating units has been an important factor contributing to the large net decrease in the number of farms since 1920. In 1920, the average farm was 148 acres in size with 54 acres of cropland harvested. By 1959, the average size of farm had increased to 303 acres with 84 acres of cropland harvested. From 1954 to 1959 the average size of farm increased by 61 acres, for each 5-year intercensal period from 1935 to 1950, by approximately 20 acres, and about 27 acres from 1950 to 1954 or a total gain of 148 acres, or 95 percent in the 25-year period, 1935 to 1959.

Mechanization of farming has made it possible for farm operators to handle increasingly larger acreages with the same labor. Also, the full and efficient utilization of modern farm machinery and equipment favors larger farm units. Combination of farms has been encouraged by more attractive opportunities of employment at nonfarm jobs in cities and in industry. Many farmers discontinued or curtailed their farming operations and provided additional land for those farmers who desired and were able to increase the size of their operations.



Farmers and farm families have been leaving the farm in large numbers. The farm population, except for brief periods, has been declining since 1910. By 1960, the farm population was down to 13,445,000 persons and represented only 7.5 percent of the total population. In 1910, more than one-third of the total population lived on farms. From 1935 to 1960, the farm population decreased by nearly three-fifths. A significant part of this decrease resulted from a change in definition.

This decrease in farm population was accompanied by an increase in both the rural nonfarm and the urban populations. All net losses in the farm population are not due to actual movement of persons from rural to urban areas.

But not all farmers who accept employment at nonfarm jobs give up their farm operations entirely. The number of part-time farms has been increasing. In 1929, farm operators working off their farms 100 or more days accounted for 11.5 percent of all farm operators. By 1939, this ratio had increased to 15.5 percent; by 1949, to 23.3 percent; by 1954, to 27.9 percent; and by 1959 to 29.9 percent. In addition to farm operators who were formerly full-time farmers, these part-time farmers include persons engaged primarily in nonfarm activities, who have moved into rural areas and engaged in agriculture sufficiently for their places to qualify as farms under the census definition.

This development has been stimulated by the automobile, better roads, and the widespread availability of facilities such as electricity and the telephone. There is an increasing number of non-

farm rural population relative to the farm population and the large number of part-time and of part-retirement farms relative to the number of commercial farms. These part-time and part-retirement farms comprised 34.8 percent of all farms in 1959. Although large in number, these part-time and part-retirement farms contribute only a negligible portion of the total agricultural production.

These part-time and part-retirement farms are generally small in size. More than one-half are under 50 acres (51.3 percent in 1959). They account for two-thirds of the farms under 10 acres and more than three-fifths of the farms 10 to 49 acres.

From 1954 to 1959, the number of farms decreased in all conterminous States, and in all except 42 of the 3,067 counties in the 48 conterminous States.

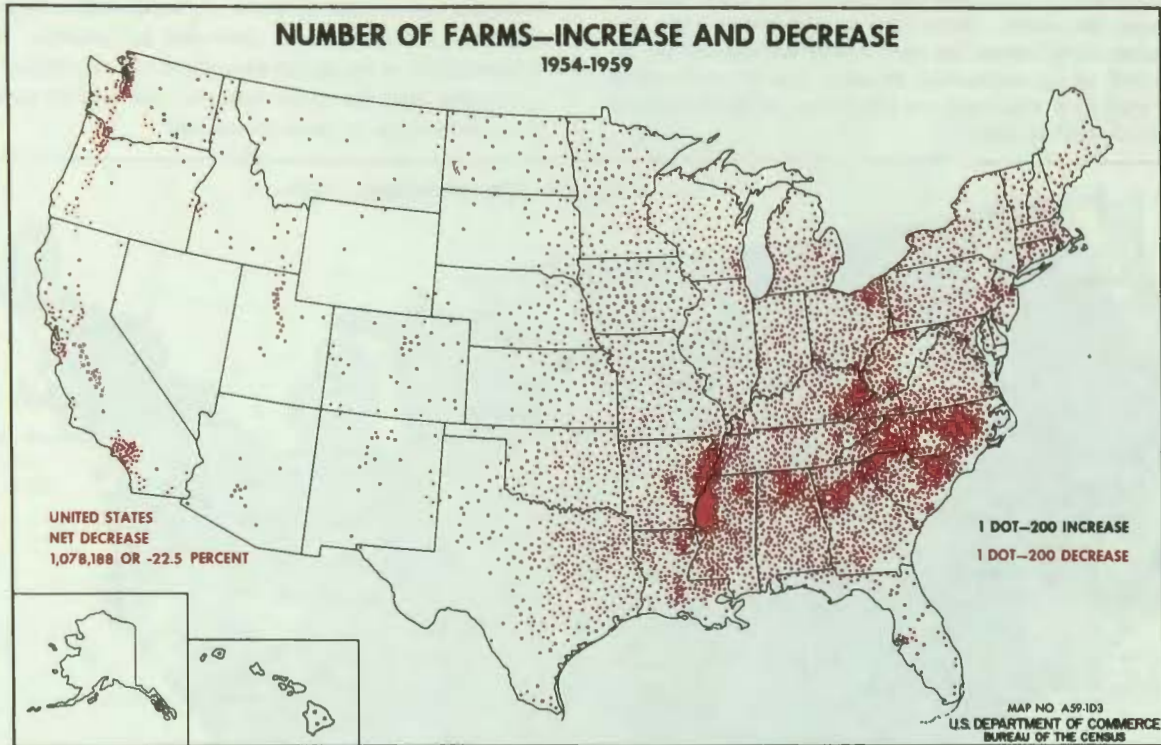
The largest decreases in number of farms from 1954 to 1959 were in the South, with two-thirds million fewer farms in 1959 than in 1954, a loss of more than one-fourth of the farms in the South. Much of the loss was attributable to the disappearance of share-tenant and cropper farms with the land absorbed into larger operating units. In 1959, there were 315,216 fewer tenants in the South than in 1954. There were 146,625 fewer croppers and 101,984 fewer share tenants in 1959 than in 1954.

The largest percentage losses in number of farms were in the South Atlantic and New England areas. In those areas, there

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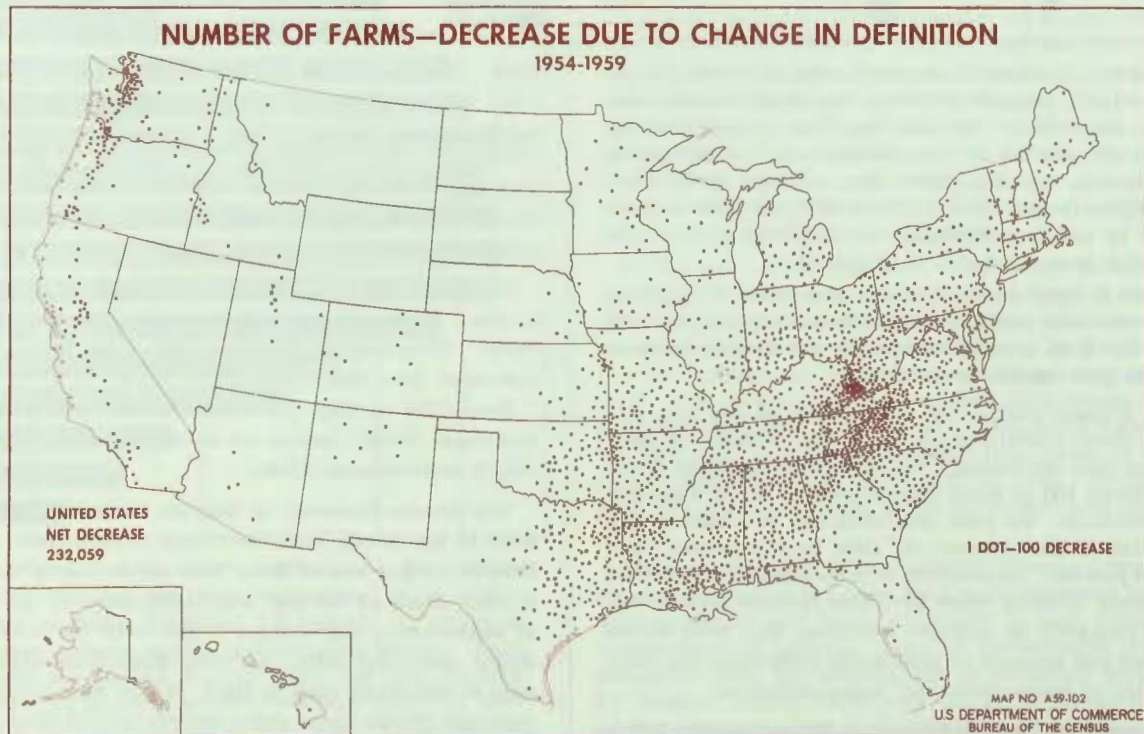
were nearly one-third fewer farms in 1959 than in 1954. Throughout much of the South and the Northeast, the decline in marginal farms and part-time farms accounted for a large part of the decrease in all farms.

Much of the increase and decrease in number of farms can be attributed to changes in the number of farms with sales of farm products of less than \$2,500.



Effect of Definitions and Procedures on Number of Farms.—Changes in the total number of farms from census to census have been affected by changes in definitions and procedures. The change in definition accounted for 232,000 of the 1,078,000 de-

crease in number of farms from 1954 to 1959. (For a more detailed discussion on the effect of the change in the definition of a farm for 1959 on the number of farms, see page XXXII of the Introduction.) For 1950, the definition of a farm was changed



both for places of less than 3 acres and places of 3 or more acres. For several censuses prior to 1950, places of less than 3 acres were counted as farms, if the value of agricultural products for home use and for sale amounted to \$250 or more. For 1950 and 1954, places of less than 3 acres were not counted as farms unless the value of agricultural products sold amounted to \$150 or more. The more restricted definition used for 1950 and 1954 resulted in the inclusion of fewer farms of less than 3 acres than would have been the case if the definition of a farm had not been changed in 1950. In the 48 conterminous States the number of farms of less than 3 acres was 98,966 in 1945; 76,606 in 1950; 99,896 in 1954; and 77,562 in 1959.

Places of 3 or more acres were counted as farms in censuses prior to 1950 if there were farm products produced during the year preceding the census (other than only a small home garden, a few fruit trees, or a very small flock of chickens, etc.). For the 1950 and 1954 censuses, places of 3 or more acres were counted as farms only if the annual value of agricultural products, exclusive of home-garden products, amounted to \$150 or more. The agricultural products could have been either for home use or sale. This more restricted definition for places of 3 or more acres, likewise, resulted in the inclusion of fewer farms in the 1950 and 1954 censuses than would have been included had there been no change in the definition for farms of 3 or more acres. The smaller size farms were most affected by this change. (In the 48 conterminous States in 1945 there were 2,149,999 farms of 3 to 49 acres; in 1950, the number was 1,886,158; in 1954 it was 1,597,226; and in 1959 it was 974,373.)

The more restrictive definition of a farm in 1950 resulted in the elimination in the office processing of 247,000 enumerated places, most of which would have been counted as farms if the same criteria had been used in 1950 as in prior censuses. Had the 1950 criteria been used in 1945, the number of places eliminated would have been appreciably less than the 247,000 places eliminated in 1950. The number of part-time farms and country homes with meager agricultural production was increasing during this period. A decrease of an estimated 150,000 to 170,000 farms between 1945 and 1950 was attributable to the change in the census definition.

By 1945, the number of small farms, marginal in respect to the census definition, had reached significant proportions. A part of this situation was the result of the increasing importance of part-time farms and country homes, and part to increasing price levels. Numerous places were included in the count of farms only because of the reported value of products for family use was sufficient to qualify the place as a farm. In some instances, the only agricultural production was a home garden. In 1945, there were nearly 100,000 farms of under 3 acres, or two and three-fourths times as many as in 1940. This situation led to the adoption of the more rigid definition used in 1950 and 1954, and to the determination of marginal cases during the office processing instead of providing the enumerator with the definition of a farm and permitting him to make the determination of which places were to be enumerated as farms.

Census procedures sometimes have had an appreciable effect on county data for the number of farms without necessarily affecting significantly the totals for a State or the United States. For example, a part of the increase in number of farms in some of the citrus-growing counties in Florida, in 1954 as compared with 1950, was the result of the improvement in enumeration procedures. In 1954, the enumerators were provided with a list of known citrus growers to assist them in accounting for all farms in their districts. An effort was made to obtain reports directly from each owner. In 1950 and earlier censuses, the enumeration depended largely on getting information for groves of nonresident

owners from caretakers, often with one questionnaire filled in the name of the caretaker as manager covering all groves under his care.

Much of the variation in number of farms in some counties with Indian reservations occurred because of differences in enumeration procedures. For 1959, 1954, and 1950, the instructions called for filling questionnaires for every individual Indian having allotted or owned lands. Land in Indian reservations not reported by individual Indians or not rented to non-Indians was to be reported in the name of the cooperative group using the land. Enumerators had difficulty in determining which Indians required separate questionnaires and frequently reported the entire reservation on one questionnaire.

In 1945, a procedure which differed from that previously followed, was adopted for the enumeration of Indian reservations. It permitted much of the Indian agriculture to be reported for cooperative groups whereas previous censuses required a report for each Indian. Largely as a result of this procedure the reported number of nonwhite farm operators in 24 counties in 4 Western States was about 11,000 fewer in 1945 than in 1940. (See page 16, chapter 1, of Volume II: General Report, 1945 Census of Agriculture.)

CHANGES IN LAND USE

The changes in the major uses of land in the United States were significantly different during the period prior to 1920 and the period since 1920. The period prior to 1920 was marked by the settlement and development of lands west of the Mississippi River and the clearing of forest lands. From 1890 to 1920, cropland other than that used for pasture increased from 248 to 402 million acres. This significant expansion of cropland was accompanied by decreases in grazing land. Grazing land not in farms was reduced about 107 million acres from 1900 to 1920. Part of this grazing land was converted to cropland and part of it has since been included as land in farms. Clearing of forest lands continued during this period as cropland and nonwooded pastureland increased in the Eastern States and in parts of the Pacific Northwest.

ALL LAND IN FARMS IN THE UNITED STATES: 1850 TO 1959

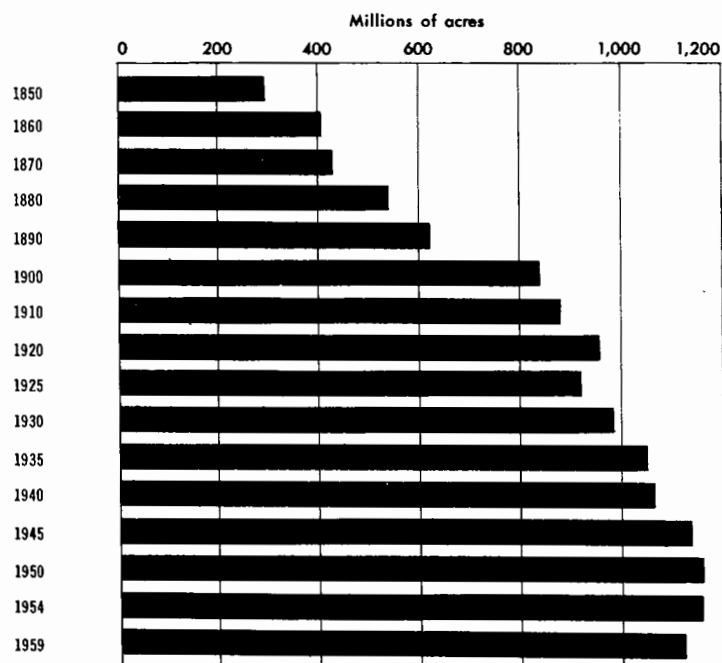


Table 5.—MAJOR USES OF LAND IN THE UNITED STATES: 1890 TO 1959

[Figures for regions, divisions, and States in Table 13]

Item	1959	1954 ¹	1950	1945 ¹	1940	1930	1920	1910	1900	1890 ¹
Approximate land area ².....acres...	2,271,343,360	1,903,824,640	2,273,406,080	1,905,361,920	2,274,943,360	2,272,798,720	2,272,824,320	2,272,898,560	2,273,070,720	1,903,337,600
Land in farms.....acres...	1,123,507,574	1,158,191,511	1,161,419,720	1,141,615,364	1,065,113,774	990,111,984	958,676,612	881,431,469	841,201,546	623,218,619
Land not in farms.....acres...	1,147,835,786	745,633,129	1,111,986,360	763,746,556	1,209,829,586	1,282,686,736	1,314,147,708	1,391,467,091	1,431,869,174	1,280,118,981
Proportion of total land area.....percent...	50.5	39.2	48.9	40.1	53.2	56.4	57.8	61.2	63.0	67.3
Grazing land ³.....acres...	327,803,000	4352,639,000	342,150,000	6428,129,000	1504,000,000	1578,000,000	1661,000,000	1739,000,000	1768,000,000	NA
Woodland and forest land not grazed ⁴.....acres...	428,893,000	238,310,000	334,804,000	185,733,000	1219,000,000	1208,000,000	NA	NA	NA	NA
Other land ⁵.....acres...	391,140,000	154,684,000	375,033,000	149,885,000	1121,000,000	1132,000,000	NA	NA	NA	NA
Land used for agriculture, total ⁷.....acres...	1,451,310,574	1,510,830,511	1,563,569,720	1,569,744,000	1,565,000,000	1,565,000,000	1,617,000,000	1,618,000,000	1,607,000,000	NA
Proportion of total land area.....percent...	63.9	79.4	68.8	82.4	82.1	82.2	85.0	85.0	84.4	NA
Cropland other than used only for pasture.....acres...	382,570,743	393,579,123	408,827,289	403,245,042	1398,751,103	1415,334,931	1402,000,000	1347,000,000	1319,000,000	248,000,000
Proportion of total land area.....percent...	16.8	20.7	18.0	21.2	20.9	21.8	21.1	18.2	16.8	13.0
Land used for pasture and grazing.....acres...	952,112,623	999,740,000	1,023,573,813	1,051,670,000	1,065,000,000	1,042,000,000	1,066,000,000	1,121,000,000	1,131,000,000	NA
Proportion of total land area.....percent...	41.9	52.5	45.0	55.2	55.9	54.7	56.0	58.9	59.4	NA
Land used for agriculture and forestry ⁸.....acres...	1,880,203,574	1,749,140,511	1,898,373,720	1,755,477,000	1,784,000,000	1,773,000,000	1,777,000,000	1,780,000,000	1,782,000,000	NA
Proportion of total land area.....percent...	82.8	91.9	83.5	92.1	93.6	93.2	93.4	93.5	93.6	NA

NA Not available.

¹Data for Alaska and Hawaii not included.²Changes in land area represent changes in boundaries, changes due to the construction of reservoirs, to drainage of lakes and swamps, etc., except for 1940 when a complete remeasurement of the United States was made.³Estimates of Economic Research Service, U. S. Department of Agriculture. Grazing land not in farms consists of land used chiefly for grazing and includes open or nonforested grazing land, idle grassland in first decades, forest and woodland and shrub and brush grazing land in all years.⁴Includes some public and private land usable for grazing which is not necessarily grazed every year, but excludes areas of grass and other forage of value for grazing in military reservations, national parks, natural wild life areas, etc., for which permits were not issued for grazing livestock.⁵In addition to the estimated nonfarm acreage grazed, there were probably 15 to 20 million acres of nonfarm land having some forage value not used for grazing for various reasons.⁶Includes areas containing forage suitable for grazing (not legally closed to grazing), whether actually grazed or not in 1944.⁷Land in farms and grazing land not in farms.⁸Land in farms, grazing land not in farms, and woodland and forests not in farms.

In the period since 1920, there have not been large changes in major land uses. Cropland other than that used for pasture has fluctuated from about 380 to 410 million acres. Land development and improvement through drainage, irrigation, and clearing of forests have counterbalanced reversion of cropland to woodland and the conversion to such nonagricultural uses as cities, highways, parks, airports, etc. Land used for pasture and grazing has declined about 114 million acres. Grazing lands not in farms have become part of the pastureland in farms, as more public lands have been included in farms. (If grazing lands are leased by farm operators, they are included as land in farms; if they are used under permit, they are not included in the Census land in farms.)

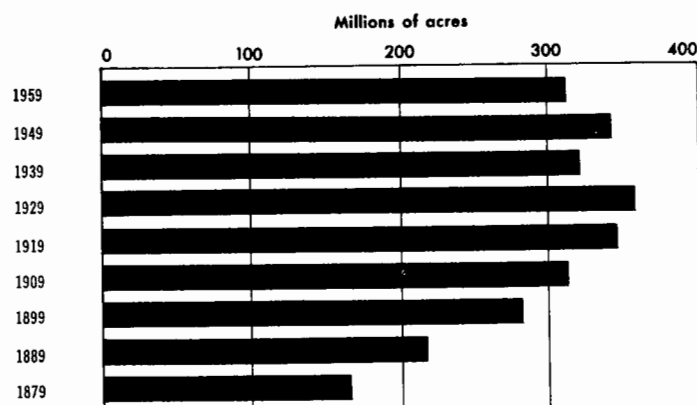
Since 1890 all land in farms has increased 500 million acres. Most of this increase resulted from the transfer of grazing lands not in farms to farms. Most of the increase in land in farms since 1890 has occurred in the 17 Western States of the conterminous United States, except for an appreciable increase in Florida during recent censuses. New settlements which continued until about 1920 account for a part of the increase. Since 1920, a half or more of the increase has resulted from the adding of approximately 100 million acres of Federal, State, and Indian reservation land to the area reported as census farms. Most of the remaining net increase occurred in privately owned lands. Changes in method of controlling grazing rights and modifications of census definitions and procedures rather than the expansion of undeveloped lands account for most of the increase of privately owned land in farms.

The decrease of approximately 12 million acres in total cropland between 1954 and 1959, resulted, in part, from the placing of entire farms in the Soil Bank, the conversion of cropland to pastureland, the conversion and reversion of some cropland to woodland and other noncropland uses, and in the abandonment or nonoperation of some farms with their included cropland, and in

the conversion of some cropland to such nonfarm uses as highways, cities, parks, suburban homesites, etc. Much of the decrease occurred in the Great Plains States in the areas where there was a significant reduction in the acreage of wheat and in the Southern and Eastern States, where there were large decreases in the number of farms.

Land in farms in 1959 was 38 million acres or 3.3 percent less than in 1954. About two-thirds of the decrease occurred in the South and resulted largely from the transfer of land in farms to forest land or to lands to be used for forest purposes, the placing of entire farms in the Soil Bank, and the discontinuance of farm operations. About one-third of the decrease in land in farms from 1954 to 1959 was in the North. This decrease resulted largely from the discontinuance of farm operations, the placing of entire farms in the Soil Bank, and the transfer of land in farms to nonfarm uses.

CROPLAND HARVESTED FOR THE UNITED STATES: 1879 TO 1959



FARMS AND LAND IN FARMS

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Table 6.—ALL LAND IN FARMS AND SPECIFIED USES OF LAND, FOR THE UNITED STATES:
CENSUSES OF 1850 TO 1959

[Figures for regions, divisions, and States in Tables 9 to 21]

Item and year	Farms reporting					Acres				
	Number	Percent of all farms	Increase or decrease (-) from preceding census ¹		Total	Percent of all land in farms	Increase or decrease (-) from preceding census ¹		Average	
			Number	Percent			Number	Percent	Per farm (based on all farms)	Per farm reporting
Land in farms.....	U. S. 1959....	3,710,503	100.0	NA	1,123,507,574	100.0	NA	NA	302.8	302.8
	conterminous U. S. 1959....	3,703,894	100.0	-1,078,522	-22.6	1,120,157,789	100.0	-38,033,722	-3.3	302.4
	conterminous U. S. 1954....	4,782,416	100.0	-599,746	-11.1	1,158,191,511	100.0	-374,341	(2)	242.2
	U. S. 1950....	5,388,437	100.0	-477,007	-8.1	1,161,419,720	100.0	16,950,488	1.5	215.5
	conterminous U. S. 1945....	5,859,169	100.0	-237,630	-3.9	1,141,615,364	100.0	80,762,990	7.6	194.8
	U. S. 1940....	6,102,417	100.0	-715,551	-10.5	1,065,113,774	100.0	6,337,263	0.6	174.5
	conterminous U. S. 1935....	6,812,350	100.0	523,702	8.3	1,054,515,111	100.0	67,744,095	6.9	154.8
	U. S. 1930....	6,295,103	100.0	-82,992	-1.3	990,111,984	100.0	62,451,664	6.8	157.3
	conterminous U. S. 1925....	6,371,640	100.0	-76,703	-1.2	924,319,352	100.0	-31,564,363	-3.3	145.1
	U. S. 1920....	6,453,991	100.0	86,841	1.4	958,676,612	100.0	77,085,390	8.8	148.5
	U. S. 1910....	6,366,044	100.0	624,130	10.9	881,431,469	100.0	40,206,551	4.8	138.5
	U. S. 1900....	5,739,657	100.0	1,172,731	25.7	841,201,546	100.0	215,373,155	34.6	146.6
	conterminous U. S. 1890....	4,564,641	100.0	555,734	13.9	623,218,619	100.0	87,136,784	16.3	136.5
	U. S. 1880....	4,008,907	100.0	1,348,922	50.7	536,081,835	100.0	128,346,794	31.5	133.7
	conterminous U. S. 1870....	2,659,985	100.0	615,908	30.1	407,735,041	100.0	522,503	0.1	153.3
	U. S. 1860....	2,044,077	100.0	595,004	41.4	407,212,538	100.0	113,651,924	38.7	199.2
	conterminous U. S. 1850....	1,449,073	100.0	...	...	293,560,614	100.0	...	...	202.6
Cropland harvested ²	U. S. 1959....	3,201,315	86.3	NA	311,476,141	27.7	NA	NA	83.9	97.3
	conterminous U. S. 1959....	3,196,900	86.3	-907,341	-22.1	311,285,249	27.8	-21,585,230	-6.5	84.0
	U. S. 1954....	4,104,241	85.8	-630,157	-13.3	332,870,479	28.7	-11,528,101	-3.3	69.6
	conterminous U. S. 1949....	4,738,230	87.9	-629,092	-11.7	344,564,497	29.7	-8,467,251	-2.4	63.9
	U. S. 1944....	5,363,490	91.5	-349,765	-6.1	352,865,765	30.9	31,623,335	9.8	60.2
	conterminous U. S. 1939....	5,713,255	103.7	-655,933	-10.3	321,434,288	30.2	25,618,254	8.7	52.7
	U. S. 1934....	6,369,188	93.5	407,496	6.8	295,624,176	28.0	-63,617,915	-17.7	43.4
	conterminous U. S. 1929....	5,961,692	94.8	NA	NA	359,242,091	36.4	14,692,824	4.3	57.1
	U. S. 1924....	NA	NA	NA	NA	344,549,267	37.3	-4,054,462	-1.2	54.1
	conterminous U. S. 1919....	NA	NA	NA	NA	348,603,729	36.5	37,310,347	12.0	54.1
	U. S. 1909....	NA	NA	NA	NA	311,293,382	35.4	28,075,102	9.9	48.9
	conterminous U. S. 1899....	NA	NA	NA	NA	283,218,280	33.8	63,512,716	28.9	49.4
	U. S. 1889....	NA	NA	NA	NA	219,705,564	35.3	53,518,980	32.2	48.1
	conterminous U. S. 1879....	NA	NA	...	...	166,186,584	31.0	...	...	41.5
Cropland pastured:										
Cropland used only for pasture.....	U. S. 1959....	1,507,614	40.6	NA	65,516,598	5.8	NA	NA	17.7	43.5
	conterminous U. S. 1959....	1,506,787	40.7	-335,784	-18.2	65,344,894	5.8	-724,944	-1.1	17.6
	U. S. 1954....	1,842,661	38.5	-272,339	-12.9	66,069,838	5.7	-3,262,000	-4.7	13.8
	conterminous U. S. 1949....	2,115,708	39.3	3,470,465	328.6	69,487,805	6.0	3,218,882,660	346.1	12.9
Cropland used only for pasture plowed within 7 years.....	conterminous U. S. 1944....	1,644,535	28.1	3-1,646,052	3-50.0	47,449,184	4.2	3-83,930,756	3-63.9	8.1
Plowable pasture.....	conterminous U. S. 1939....	3,290,587	54.0	425,793	14.9	131,379,940	12.4	32,800,902	33.3	21.5
	conterminous U. S. 1934....	2,864,794	42.1	159,818	5.9	98,579,038	9.3	-10,580,876	-9.7	14.5
	conterminous U. S. 1929....	2,704,976	43.0	140,457	5.5	109,159,914	11.1	-4,407,584	-3.9	17.4
	conterminous U. S. 1924....	2,564,519	40.2	...	...	113,567,498	12.3	...	...	17.8
Cropland not harvested and not pastured.....	U. S. 1959....	1,096,726	29.6	NA	71,094,602	6.3	NA	NA	19.2	64.8
	conterminous U. S. 1959....	1,094,949	29.6	-194,725	-15.0	70,933,575	6.3	10,224,931	16.8	19.2
	U. S. 1954....	1,289,674	27.0	-262,538	-16.9	60,708,644	5.2	-3,398,900	-5.3	12.7
	conterminous U. S. 1949....	1,552,212	28.8	NA	NA	64,262,792	5.5	13,728,267	27.2	11.9
	U. S. 1944....	NA	NA	NA	NA	50,379,277	4.4	-27,129,396	-35.0	8.6
	conterminous U. S. 1939....	NA	NA	NA	NA	77,508,673	7.3	-42,202,082	-35.3	12.7
	U. S. 1934....	NA	NA	NA	NA	119,710,755	11.4	65,716,956	121.7	17.6
	conterminous U. S. 1929....	NA	NA	NA	NA	53,993,799	5.5	7,083,164	15.1	8.6
	U. S. 1924....	NA	NA	...	...	46,910,635	5.1	...	...	7.4
Cultivated summer fallow ⁴	17 States 1959....	195,655	20.2	-18,756	-8.7	30,718,927	4.4	2,087,524	7.3	31.7
	17 States 1954....	214,411	18.2	7,370	3.6	28,631,403	4.1	3,016,860	11.8	24.3
	17 States 1949....	207,041	15.9	NA	NA	25,614,543	3.7	NA	NA	19.6
	17 States 1944....	2,934	3.0	-3,115	-51.5	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
	17 States 1934....	6,049	0.5	631	11.6	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
	17 States 1924....	5,418	0.4	NA	NA	NA	NA	...	...	NA
Other cropland not harvested and not pastured.....	U. S. 1959....	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
	conterminous U. S. 1959....	NA	NA	NA	NA	40,214,648	3.6	8,137,407	25.4	10.9
	U. S. 1954....	1,140,171	23.8	-269,646	-19.1	32,077,241	2.8	-6,415,760	-16.7	6.7
	conterminous U. S. 1949....	1,409,817	26.2	NA	NA	38,493,001	3.3	NA	NA	7.2
	31 States 1954....	902,370	25.0	-232,148	-20.5	18,411,700	4.0	-6,101,255	-24.9	5.1
	31 States 1949....	1,134,518	27.8	NA	NA	24,512,955	5.2	NA	NA	6.0
Land used only for crops not harvested and not pastured (soil-improvement crops, new seedings, and crop failure) ⁵	31 States 1954....	305,850	8.5	NA	NA	4,953,061	1.1	NA	NA	1.4
	31 States 1954....	19,991	0.6	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Idle cropland ⁵	31 States 1954....	696,498	19.3	NA	NA	13,458,639	3.0	NA	NA	3.7
Soil-improvement crops.....	U. S. 1959....	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
	conterminous U. S. 1959....	330,191	8.9	NA	NA	16,375,535	1.5	NA	NA	4.4
Other cropland.....	U. S. 1959....	738,489	19.9	NA	NA	24,000,140	2.1	NA	NA	6.5
	conterminous U. S. 1959....	736,712	19.9	NA	NA	23,839,113	2.1	NA	NA	6.4
Crop failure.....	conterminous U. S. 1944....	385,727	6.6	-218,677	-36.2	10,297,172	0.9	-10,282,845	-50.0	1.8
	conterminous U. S. 1939....	604,404	9.9	-644,848	-51.6	20,580,017	1.9	-43,101,760	-67.7	3.4
	conterminous U. S. 1934....	1,249,252	18.3	697,930	126.6	63,681,777	6.0	50,975,194	401.2	9.3
	conterminous U. S. 1929....	551,322	8.8	NA	NA	12,706,583	1.3	-311,366	-2.4	2.0
	conterminous U. S. 1924....	NA	NA	...	...	13,017,949	1.4	...	...	2.0
Cropland, idle or fallow ⁶	conterminous U. S. 1944....	1,107,224	18.9	-544,995	-33.0	40,082,105	3.5	-16,846,551	-29.6	6.8
	conterminous U. S. 1939....	1,652,219	27.1	-379,747	-18.7	56,928,056	5.4	899,678	1.6	9.3
	conterminous U. S. 1934....	2,031,966	29.8	647,374	46.8	56,028,978	5.3	14,741,762	35.7	8.2
	conterminous U. S. 1929....	1,384,592	22.0	NA	NA	41,287,216	4.2	7,394,530	21.8	6.6
	conterminous U. S. 1924....	NA	NA	...	...	33,892,686	3.7	...	...	5.3
Woodland pastured.....	U. S. 1959....	1,099,730	29.6	NA	92,568,223	8.2	NA	NA	24.9	84.2
	conterminous U. S. 1959....	1,099,361	29.7	-401,040	-26.7	92,410,700	8.2	-28,740,935	-23.7	24.9
	U. S. 1954....	1,500,401	31.4	-196,041	-11.6	121,151,635	10.5	-13,563,340	-10.1	25.3
	conterminous U. S. 1949....	1,696,910	31.5	179,612	11.8	135,133,592	11.6	39,639,729	41.7	25.1
	conterminous U. S. 1944....	1,516,830	25.9	NA	NA	95,075,246	8.3	NA	NA	16.2
	conterminous U. S. 1934....	2,186,106	32.1	254,738	13.2	108,095,711	10.3	22,773,811	26.7	15.9
	conterminous U. S. 1929....	1,931,368	30.7	153,484	8.6	85,321,900	8.6	8,617,954	11.2	13.6
	conterminous U. S. 1924....	1,777,884	27.9	...	...	76,703,946	8.3	...	...	12.0
Woodland not pastured.....	U. S. 1959....	1,186,735	32.0	NA	71,636,066	6.4	NA	NA	19.3	60.4
	conterminous U. S. 1959....	1,186,165	32.0	-191,486	-13.9	71,273,545	6.4	-4,547,227	-6.0	19.2
	U. S. 1954....	1,377,651	28.8	-272,213	-16.5	75,820,772	6.5	-9,278,663	-10.9	15.9
	conterminous U. S. 1949....	1,650,882	30.6	-39,328	-2.3	85,426,913	7.4	13,838,252	19.4	15.9
	conterminous U. S. 1944....	1,689,192	28.8	NA	NA	71,261,183	6.2	NA	NA	12.2
	conterminous U. S. 1934....	1,909,067	28.0	297,869	18.5	77,379,254	7.3	12,755,429	19.7	11.4
	conterminous U. S. 1929....	1,611,198	25.6	-25,442	-1.6	64,623,825	6.5	-2,443,390	-3.6	10.3
	conterminous U. S. 1924....	1,636,640	25.7	...	...	67,067,215	7.3	...	...	10.5

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Table 6.—ALL LAND IN FARMS AND SPECIFIED USES OF LAND, FOR THE UNITED STATES:
CENSUSES OF 1850 TO 1959—Continued

[Figures for regions, divisions, and States in Tables 9 to 21]

Item and year	Farms reporting				Acres						
	Number	Percent of all farms	Increase or decrease (-) from preceding census ¹		Total	Percent of all land in farms	Increase or decrease (-) from preceding census ¹		Average		
			Number	Percent			Number	Percent	Per farm (based on all farms)	Per farm reporting	
Other pasture:											
Not cropland and not woodland.....	U. S. 1959....	1,614,942	43.5	NA	NA	466,224,802	41.5	NA	NA	125.7	288.7
	conterminous U. S. 1959....	1,613,720	43.6	-383,129	-19.2	464,783,483	41.5	4,904,558	1.1	125.5	288.0
	conterminous U. S. 1954....	1,996,849	41.8	-65,594	-3.2	459,878,925	39.7	44,229,405	10.6	96.2	230.3
	U. S. 1949....	2,063,076	38.3	-865,370	-29.6	416,802,416	35.9	-65,367,148	-13.6	77.4	202.0
Improved pasture.....	U. S. 1959....	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
	conterminous U. S. 1959....	350,949	9.5	-36,242	-9.4	23,245,097	2.1	5,909,820	34.1	6.3	66.2
	conterminous U. S. 1954....	387,191	8.1	...	...	17,335,277	1.5	...	...	(2)	44.7
Not cropland plowed within 7 years and not woodland.....	conterminous U. S. 1944....	2,927,813	50.0	NA	NA	481,016,668	42.1	NA	NA	82.1	164.3
Not plowable and not woodland.....	conterminous U. S. 1934....	2,019,431	29.6	254,428	14.4	311,225,652	29.5	41,552,942	15.4	45.7	154.1
	conterminous U. S. 1929....	1,765,003	28.1	153,078	9.5	269,672,710	27.3	51,985,565	23.9	42.9	152.8
	conterminous U. S. 1924....	1,611,925	25.3	...	...	217,687,145	23.6	...	...	34.2	135.0
Other land:											
House lots, roads, wasteland, etc.....	U. S. 1959....	NA	NA	NA	NA	44,991,142	4.0	NA	NA	12.1	NA
	conterminous U. S. 1959....	NA	NA	NA	NA	44,126,343	3.9	2,435,125	5.8	11.9	NA
	conterminous U. S. 1954....	4,276,159	89.4	-415,429	-8.9	41,691,218	3.6	-3,572,766	-7.9	8.7	9.7
	U. S. 1949....	4,695,184	87.1	-599,185	-11.3	45,741,705	3.9	1,695,943	3.9	8.5	9.7
	conterminous U. S. 1944....	5,290,773	90.3	NA	NA	43,568,041	3.8	NA	NA	7.4	8.2
	conterminous U. S. 1934....	6,003,964	88.1	1,252,653	26.4	43,900,525	4.2	-856,252	-1.9	6.4	7.3
	conterminous U. S. 1929....	4,751,311	75.6	NA	NA	44,756,777	4.5	-13,076,869	-22.6	7.1	9.4
	conterminous U. S. 1924....	NA	NA	...	...	57,833,646	6.3	...	...	9.1	NA
House lots, roads, wasteland, etc., and pasture other than plowable and woodland ⁷	conterminous U. S. 1939....	5,222,744	85.7	...	...	393,543,673	37.1	38,417,496	10.8	64.5	75.4
Cropland:											
Total ⁸	U. S. 1959....	3,431,544	92.5	NA	NA	448,087,341	39.9	NA	NA	120.8	130.6
	conterminous U. S. 1959....	3,426,311	92.5	-992,604	-22.5	447,563,718	40.0	-12,085,243	-2.6	120.8	130.6
	conterminous U. S. 1954....	4,418,915	92.4	-627,748	-12.4	459,648,961	39.7	-18,188,977	-3.8	96.1	104.0
	U. S. 1949....	15,046,663	193.8	-521,155	-3.4	478,315,094	41.2	27,143,712	36.0	88.8	194.7
Cropland other than cropland pasture not plowed within 7 years ⁹	conterminous U. S. 1944....	5,567,818	95.0	-423,485	-7.1	450,694,226	39.5	-79,436,817	-15.0	76.9	80.9
Land available for crops ¹⁰	U. S. 1939....	15,991,303	198.3	NA	NA	530,555,551	49.8	16,217,074	3.2	86.9	188.5
	conterminous U. S. 1934....	NA	NA	NA	NA	513,913,969	48.7	-8,481,835	-1.6	75.4	NA
	conterminous U. S. 1929....	NA	NA	NA	NA	522,395,804	52.9	17,368,404	3.4	83.1	NA
	conterminous U. S. 1924....	NA	NA	...	...	505,027,400	54.6	...	...	79.3	NA
Land pastured, total.....	U. S. 1959....	2,845,788	76.7	NA	NA	624,309,623	55.6	NA	NA	168.3	219.4
	conterminous U. S. 1959....	2,843,800	76.8	-753,151	-20.9	622,539,077	55.6	-24,561,321	-3.8	168.1	218.9
	conterminous U. S. 1954....	3,596,951	75.2	-448,973	-11.1	647,100,398	55.9	27,404,059	4.4	135.3	179.9
	U. S. 1949....	14,045,924	175.2	-388,962	-8.8	621,423,813	53.5	-3,844,759	-0.6	115.3	153.2
	conterminous U. S. 1944....	4,434,886	75.7	NA	NA	623,641,098	54.6	NA	NA	106.4	140.6
	conterminous U. S. 1934....	NA	NA	NA	NA	517,900,401	49.1	53,745,877	11.6	76.0	NA
	conterminous U. S. 1929....	NA	NA	NA	NA	464,154,524	47.0	56,195,935	13.8	73.8	NA
	conterminous U. S. 1924....	NA	NA	...	...	407,958,589	44.1	...	...	64.0	NA
Woodland, total.....	U. S. 1959....	1,878,560	50.6	NA	NA	164,204,289	14.6	NA	NA	44.3	87.4
	conterminous U. S. 1959....	1,877,701	50.7	-510,555	-21.4	163,684,245	14.6	-33,288,162	-16.9	44.2	87.2
	conterminous U. S. 1954....	2,388,256	49.9	-347,505	-12.7	196,972,407	17.0	-22,842,003	-10.4	41.2	82.5
	U. S. 1949....	12,735,761	150.8	56,018	2.1	220,560,505	19.0	53,477,981	32.2	40.9	180.3
	conterminous U. S. 1944....	2,679,743	45.7	-222,413	-7.7	166,336,429	14.6	29,158,771	21.3	28.4	62.1
	conterminous U. S. 1939....	2,902,156	47.6	NA	NA	137,177,658	12.9	-48,297,307	-26.0	22.5	47.3
	conterminous U. S. 1934....	NA	NA	NA	NA	185,474,965	17.6	35,529,240	23.7	27.2	NA
	conterminous U. S. 1929....	NA	NA	NA	NA	149,945,725	15.2	6,174,564	4.3	23.8	NA
	conterminous U. S. 1924....	NA	NA	NA	NA	143,771,161	15.6	-23,959,633	-14.3	22.6	NA
	conterminous U. S. 1919....	NA	NA	NA	NA	167,730,794	17.5	-23,134,759	-12.1	26.0	NA
	conterminous U. S. 1909....	NA	NA	NA	NA	190,865,553	21.7	NA	NA	30.0	NA
	conterminous U. S. 1879....	NA	NA	NA	NA	190,255,744	35.5	30,945,567	19.4	33.2	NA
	conterminous U. S. 1869....	NA	NA	...	...	159,310,177	39.1	...	...	34.9	NA
Improved land ¹¹	conterminous U. S. 1920....	NA	NA	NA	NA	503,073,007	52.6	24,621,257	5.1	78.0	NA
	conterminous U. S. 1910....	NA	NA	NA	NA	478,451,750	54.4	63,953,263	15.4	75.2	NA
	conterminous U. S. 1900....	NA	NA	NA	NA	414,451,487	49.4	56,881,732	15.9	72.2	NA
	conterminous U. S. 1890....	NA	NA	NA	NA	357,616,755	57.4	72,845,713	25.6	78.3	NA
	conterminous U. S. 1880....	NA	NA	NA	NA	284,771,042	53.1	95,849,943	50.7	71.0	NA
	conterminous U. S. 1870....	NA	NA	NA	NA	188,921,099	46.3	25,810,379	15.8	71.0	NA
	conterminous U. S. 1860....	NA	NA	NA	NA	163,110,720	40.1	50,078,106	44.3	79.8	NA
	conterminous U. S. 1850....	NA	NA	...	...	113,032,614	38.5	...	...	78.0	NA
Irrigated land in farms ¹²	U. S. 1959....	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
	conterminous U. S. 1959....	306,532	8.3	-13,704	-4.3	33,021,799	2.9	3,469,644	11.7	8.9	107.7
	conterminous U. S. 1954....	320,236	6.7	15,175	5.0	29,552,155	2.6	3,764,713	14.6	6.2	92.3
	conterminous U. S. 1949....	305,061	5.7	16,866	5.9	25,787,455	2.2	5,247,985	25.6	4.8	84.5
	conterminous U. S. 1944....	288,195	4.9	-11,409	-3.8	20,539,470	1.8	2,566,640	14.2	3.5	71.3
	conterminous U. S. 1939....	299,604	4.9	13,704	13.2	17,982,830	1.7	13,948,656	13.8	2.9	60.0
	conterminous U. S. 1934....	296,189	4.3	14,632	14.9	13,034,174	1.2	14,159,078	14.0	1.9	44.0
	conterminous U. S. 1929....	265,147	4.2	42,358	19.0	14,633,252	1.5	NA	NA	2.3	55.2
	conterminous U. S. 1919....	222,789	3.5	60,066	36.9	NA	(15)	NA	NA	(15)	NA
	conterminous U. S. 1909....	162,723	2.6	48,874	43.0	NA	(15)	NA	NA	(15)	NA
	conterminous U. S. 1899....	113,849	2.0	59,713	110.3	7,744,492	0.9	4,028,547	108.4	1.4	68.0
	conterminous U. S. 1889....	54,136	1.2	...	...	3,715,945	0.6	...	...	0.8	68.6

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FARMS AND LAND IN FARMS

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Table 6.—ALL LAND IN FARMS AND SPECIFIED USES OF LAND, FOR THE UNITED STATES:
CENSUSES OF 1850 TO 1959—Continued

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	Number	Percent of all farms	Increase or decrease (-) from preceding census ¹		Total	Percent of all land in farms	Increase or decrease (-) from preceding census ¹		Average	
			Number	Percent			Number	Percent	Per farm (based on all farms)	Per farm reporting
Cropland in cover crops.....U. S. 1959....	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
conterminous U. S. 1959....	368,465	9.9	NA	NA	9,003,704	0.8	NA	NA	2.4	24.4
U. S. 1954 ¹⁶ ..	488,240	12.8	NA	NA	9,278,572	1.8	NA	NA	2.4	19.0
Cropland used for grain or row crops farmed on the contour .....U. S. 1959....	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
conterminous U. S. 1959....	355,987	9.6	NA	NA	22,320,810	2.0	NA	NA	6.0	62.7
U. S. 1954 ¹⁷ ..	434,899	9.2	NA	NA	22,434,812	2.0	NA	NA	4.7	51.6
Land in strip-cropping systems for soil-erosion control.....U. S. 1959....	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
conterminous U. S. 1959....	124,547	3.4	NA	NA	15,947,586	1.4	NA	NA	4.3	128.0
U. S. 1954 ¹⁸ ..	26,972	3.2	NA	NA	5,218,112	0.9	NA	NA	6.1	193.5
System of terraces on crop and pasture land.....U. S. 1959....	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
conterminous U. S. 1959....	444,815	12.0	NA	NA	31,960,006	2.9	NA	NA	8.6	71.9

NA Not available.

² Less than 0.05 percent.

³ Data for Alaska and Hawaii not included.

⁴ Prior to 1924, the total acreage of crops for which figures are available, except for 1919 when 14,502,932 acres of corn cut for forage were excluded as most of this was probably duplicated in the acreage of corn harvested for grain.

⁵ Much of the change from 1944 to 1949 and from 1939 to 1944 due to change in definition. See text.

⁶ Data are for 17 States for which a separate inquiry was included on the questionnaire. Cultivated summer fallow is negligible in other States. See table 18 for States included.

⁷ Data are for 31 States for which separate inquiry was carried for land used only for crops not harvested and not pastured.

⁸ Much of the change from 1944 to 1949 due to change in definition. See text.

⁹ Includes pasture other than plowable and woodland; also wasteland, house lots, barnyards, feed lots, lanes, roads, etc.

¹⁰ Cropland harvested, cropland used only for pasture, and cropland not harvested and not pastured.

¹¹ Cropland harvested, cropland used only for pasture plowed within 7 years, and cropland not harvested and not pastured.

¹² Cropland harvested; crop failure; cropland, idle or fallow; and plowable pasture.

¹³ Nominally includes all land regularly tilled or mowed; land in pasture that has been cleared or tilled; land lying fallow; land in gardens, orchards, vineyards, and nurseries; and all land occupied by buildings, yards, barnyards, etc. See text.

¹⁴ Data not strictly comparable. See text.

¹⁵ Increase or decrease 1934 to 1939, based on farms reporting and acreage of irrigated cropland harvested only.

¹⁶ Increase or decrease 1930 to 1935 based on reports for 19 States only.

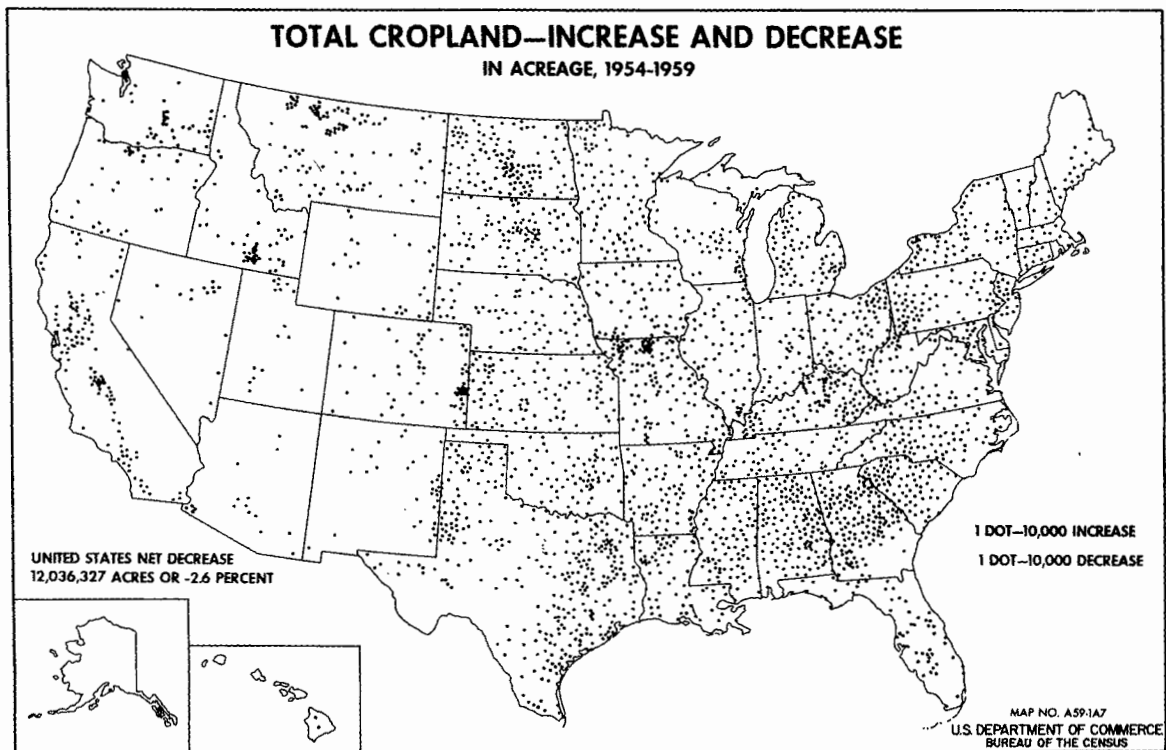
¹⁷ The total acreage of irrigated crops harvested for 1919 was 9,831,368 (includes some duplication and excludes land in orchards and vineyards), and for 1909 was 7,241,561. The reports for crops grown under irrigation for these years, however, were not considered complete.

¹⁸ Data are for 31 States and East Texas for which this inquiry was carried.

¹⁹ Data are for all States except Florida, Alaska, and Hawaii. Land farmed on the contour is negligible in Florida.

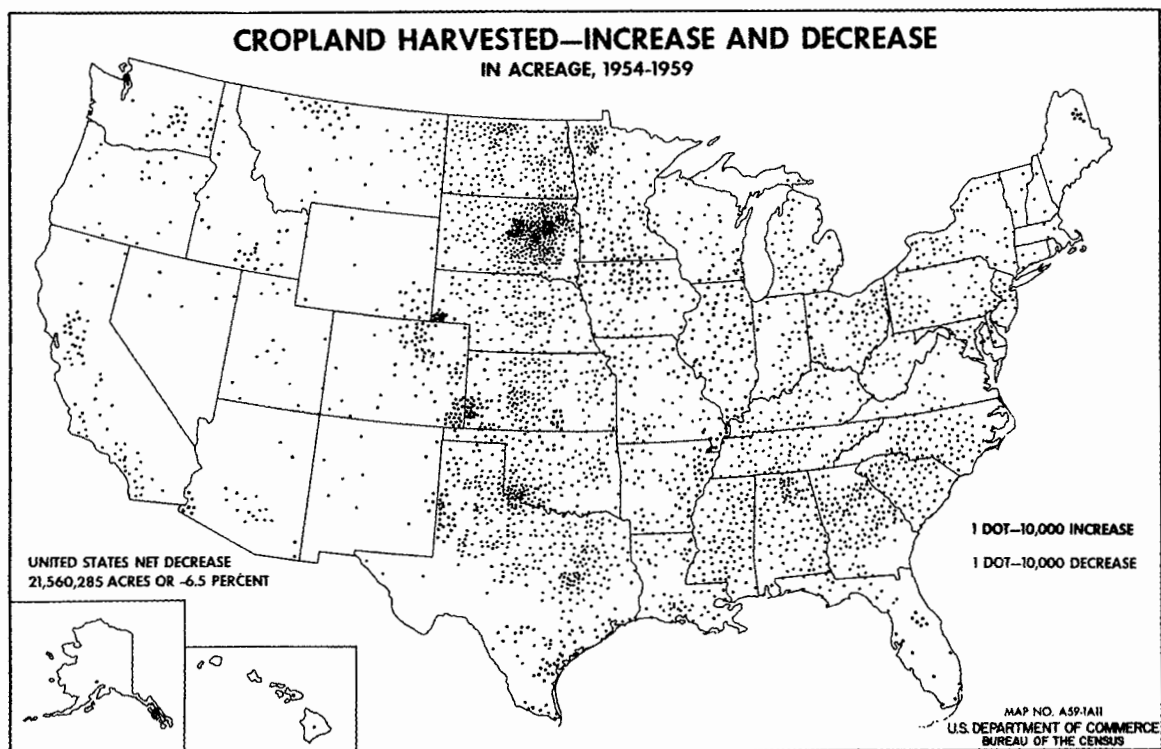
²⁰ Data are for 14 States and West Texas for which this inquiry was carried.

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The acreage of cropland harvested in 1959 was the same as in 1910, and 37 million acres less than at the end of World War I, and 41 million acres less than at the end of World War II. The acreage of cropland harvested in the South in 1959 was about one-third less than at the end of World War I and World War II. The decline in cotton acreage, because of the shift of cotton acreage westward and the increase in cotton yields; the decrease

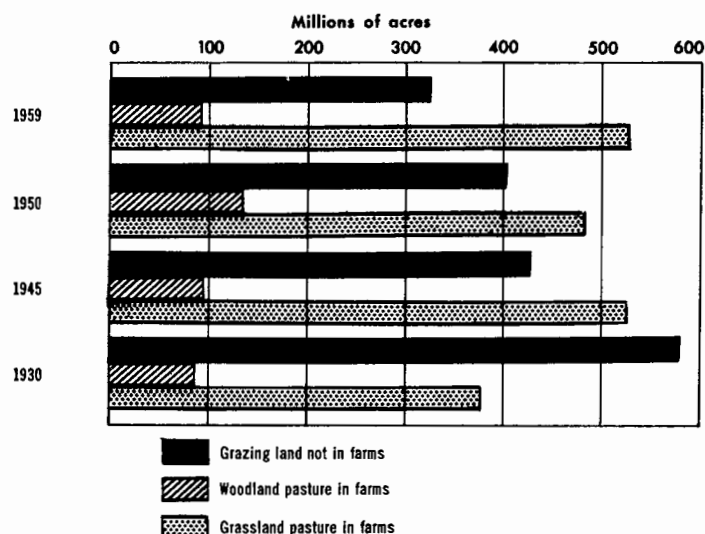
in corn acreage; and the abandonment of marginal farms have accounted for a large part of the decrease in cropland harvested in the South. The acreage of cropland harvested has declined about half in South Carolina, Georgia, and Alabama. The acreage of cropland harvested was less in 1959 than at the end of World War I and World War II in every State in the South except Florida.



The decline of cropland harvested in the North occurred largely in the Northeastern States, Missouri, Michigan, and Ohio. The abandonment of cropland in the face of competition from more productive midwestern areas and the industrial expansion into agricultural areas have contributed significantly to the decline of cropland harvested in the North. The acreage of cropland harvested in the more productive areas of the Corn Belt has remained unchanged since World War I.

In the West, the acreage of cropland harvested was 10 million acres or 36 percent more in 1959 than at the end of World War II. Much of this increase was the result of increase in irrigated land. In Montana and Arizona, the acreage of cropland harvested in 1959 was more than twice as large as at the end of World War I.

PASTURE AND GRAZING LAND FOR THE UNITED STATES: 1930 TO 1959



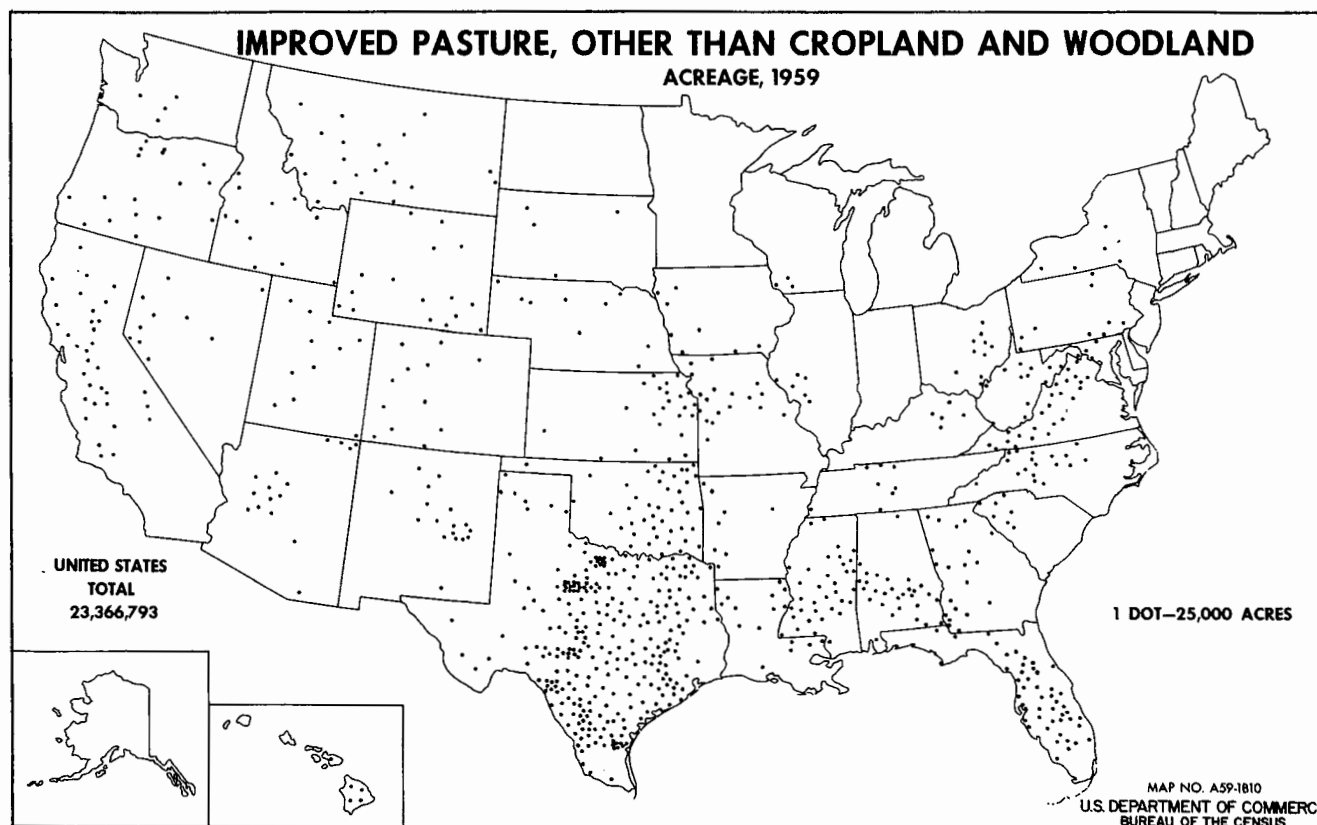
Since 1900, the total area (farm and nonfarm) used for pasture and grazing has declined 180 million acres or about 16 percent. Since 1920, the decline has been 114 million acres or 11 percent.

At each successive census, more of the rangeland in the Western and Southern States has been included as land in farms. This accounts to a large extent for the decrease of grazing lands not in farms and the increase of pastureland in farms.

For the 48 conterminous States, the acreage of pastureland in farms was 25 million acres less in 1959 than in 1954. There was a decrease of three-fourths of a million acres of cropland used for pasture, and 29 million acres of woodland used for pasture. Pasture that was not cropland and not woodland increased 5 million acres. Most of the increase in pasture that was not cropland and not woodland resulted largely from the reporting of woodland pasture, in Texas and other parts of the Southwest in 1954, as other pasture in 1959. About two-thirds of the decrease in pastureland was in the Eastern and Southern States, where a considerable acreage of land was taken out of agriculture.

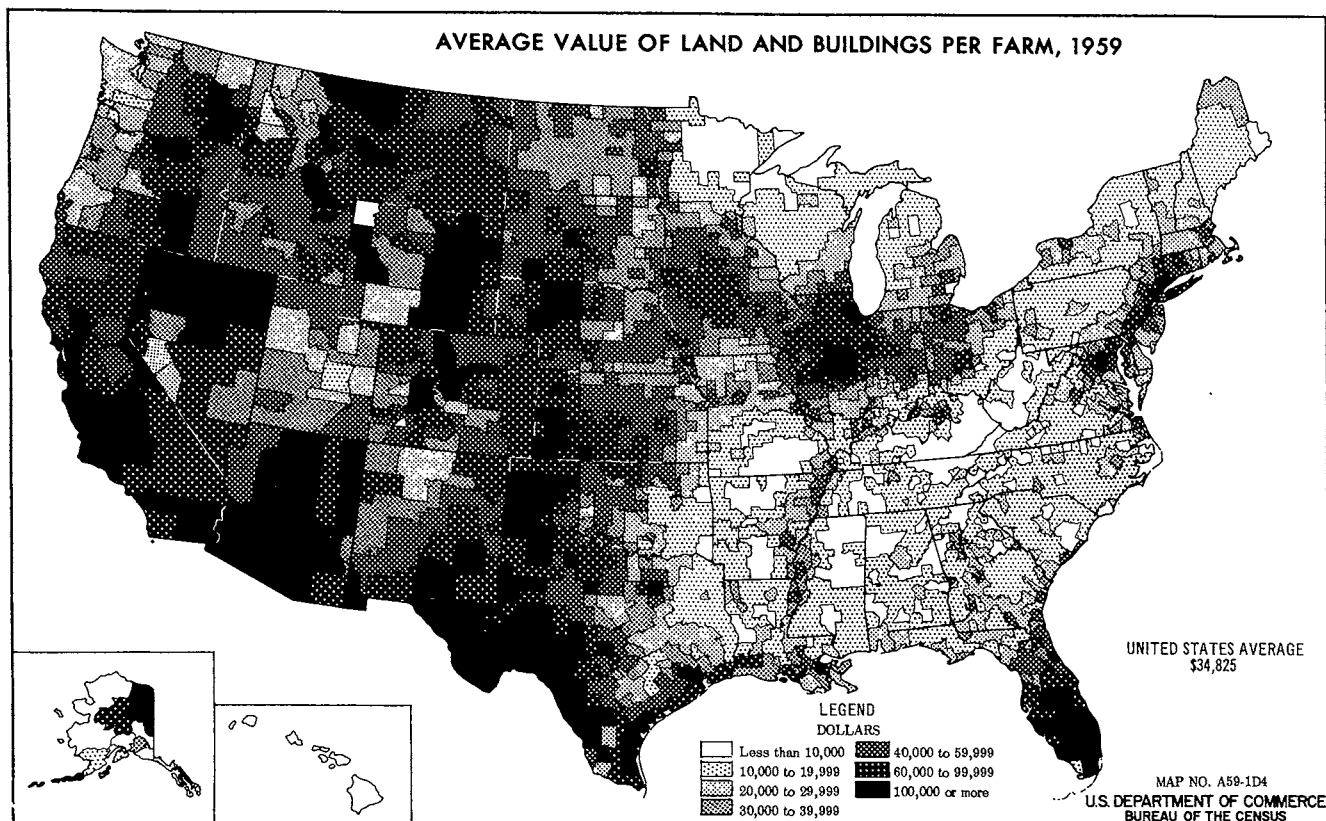
For the conterminous United States, there was a decrease of 33 million acres or 17 percent in the acreage of woodland in farms from 1954 to 1959. Nearly three-fourths of this decrease occurred in Northeastern and Southern States where, over the last three decades, there has been a reversion of considerable acreage of pastureland and cropland to forest lands. About one-fifth of the decrease in woodland in farms occurred in Texas where more of the brushland area was reported as other pasture, not cropland and not woodland. The decline of land in farms in the forested regions during the 5-year period resulted from the transfer of an appreciable amount of woodland in farms to forest lands not in farms.

The acreage of improved pasture increased nearly 6 million acres or 34 percent from 1954 to 1959. More than three-fifths of the increase occurred in Texas and Oklahoma, where pasturelands were improved largely through brush control and reseeding.



Changes in the Value of Farms.—The total value of farm land and buildings in 1959 was almost \$129 billion, or an average of \$34,825 per farm. The total value in 1959 was three times

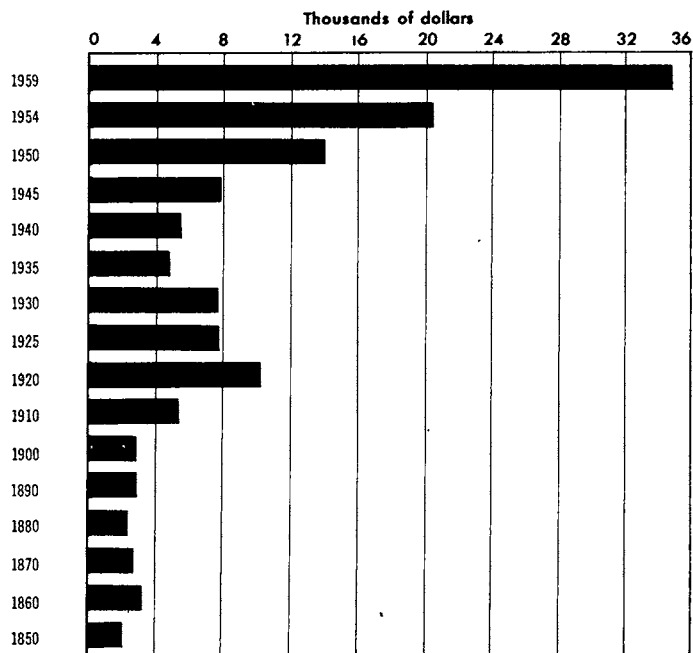
the total value in 1940 and 8 times the total value in 1900. On a per-farm basis, the average value of land and buildings in 1959 was more than 2 times that of 1950 and 6 times that of 1940.



The total value of farm land and buildings declined in the 1920's and the 1930's. These declines were largely the result of falling prices. Since 1935 the total value of farm land and buildings has risen significantly with the sharpest increases occurring after 1940.

In the 50 years after 1870, value of land and buildings increased slightly as settlement pushed westward and the lengthening railway network brought vast new land areas within the reach of farm product markets.

AVERAGE VALUE OF LAND PER FARM: 1850 TO 1954



The changes in the total value of land and buildings and the average value per farm and per acre from census to census are affected by changes in price level as well as changes in the physical assets themselves. No fully satisfactory index is available to use for removing the entire effect of the change in price level from census to census. The following table indicates the approximate level of the value of farm land and buildings at 1959 prices for 1910 to 1959. The value at 1959 prices has been calculated by dividing the value of farm land and buildings by the index of wholesale prices (1959=100).

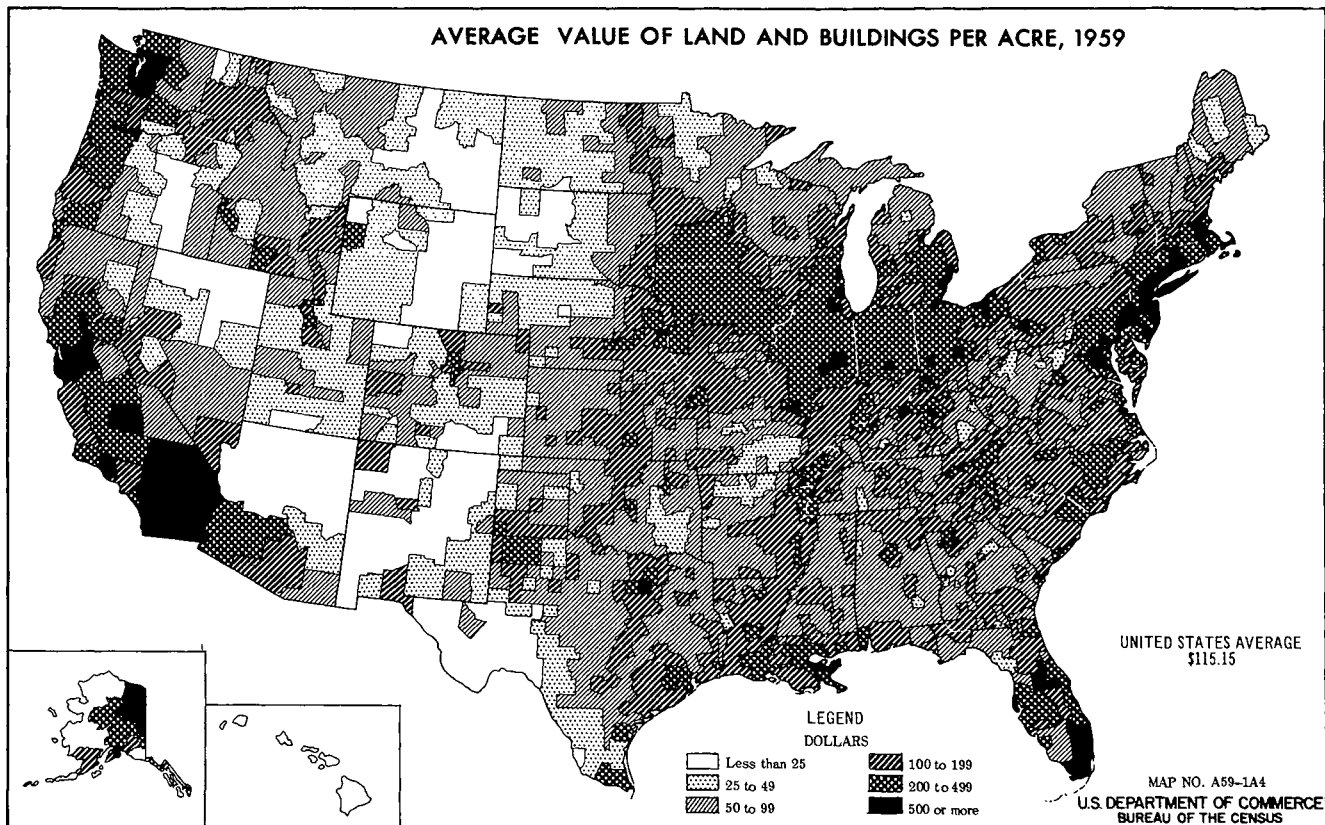
The computed value of land and buildings at constant (1959) prices indicates more accurately the growth and change in the value of farm land and buildings than the values reported in current prices in the census.

VALUE OF LAND AND BUILDINGS AT 1959 PRICES AND AS REPORTED BY THE CENSUS, FOR THE CONTERMINOUS UNITED STATES: 1850 TO 1959

Census year	Value at 1959 prices			Value as reported by the Census			
	Total value (millions of dollars)	Average value per farm (dollars)	Average value per acre (dollars)	Total value (millions of dollars)	Average value per farm (dollars)	Average value per acre (dollars)	Index of wholesale prices (1959=100)
1959	128,988	34,825	115.15	128,988	34,825	115.15	100
1954	106,068	22,179	91.58	97,583	20,405	84.25	92
1950	87,512	16,259	75.53	75,261	13,983	64.96	86
1945	79,981	13,650	70.05	46,389	7,917	40.63	58
1940	78,237	12,833	73.74	33,642	5,518	31.71	43
1935	74,679	10,961	70.82	52,859	4,823	31.16	44
1930	101,872	16,200	103.23	47,880	7,614	48.52	47
1925	88,335	13,864	95.67	49,468	7,764	53.52	56
1920	78,948	12,243	82.60	66,316	10,284	69.38	84
1910	89,234	14,028	101.54	34,801	5,471	39.60	39
1900	53,596	9,342	63.90	16,615	2,896	19.81	31
1890	42,836	9,384	68.74	13,279	2,909	21.31	31
1880	28,325	7,067	52.83	10,197	2,544	19.02	36
1870	15,938	5,955	38.85	7,444	2,799	18.26	47
1860	20,137	9,852	49.45	6,645	3,251	16.32	33
1850	9,622	6,641	32.76	3,272	2,258	11.14	34

The change in the value of farm land and buildings has proceeded at different rates, in the various regions and States. Regional and State figures indicate the steady western movement, characterizing the expansion of agriculture during the last 100 years. By 1870, the settlement of the West had hardly begun and the Southern States had not recovered from the Civil War nor changed from the hand-labor system of cotton production. Hence, in 1870, a large proportion of the value of farm land and buildings was concentrated in the eastern part of the United States. For example, in 1870, the Corn Belt States had more than two-fifths of the total value of land and buildings in the

United States; by 1959, the share of these States had been reduced to a third. In 1870, the West accounted for less than 2.4 percent of the value of land and buildings; by 1959, the West accounted for one-fifth of the total for the 48 conterminous States. Variations in the rate of growth in the different parts of the country have been large. The extent of settlement, the type of agriculture, the scale of farming, the availability of credit, the development of irrigation, the ratio of workers to farmland, industrialization, and price fluctuations for various farm products have affected the rate of growth among regions and among States.



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Table 7.—FARMS BY NUMBER OF ACRES OF CROPLAND HARVESTED FOR THE UNITED STATES: 1949 TO 1959

[Data for 1949 for the 3 groups comprising 200 or more acres are based on reports for only a sample of farms. Figures for regions, divisions, and States in Table 14]

Item	Number of farms				Percent of all farms			
	United States	Conterminous United States			United States	Conterminous United States		
	1959	1959	1954	1949	1959	1959	1954	1949
All farms.....	3,710,503	3,703,894	4,782,416	5,382,162	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Farms reporting cropland harvested, total.....	3,201,315	3,196,900	4,104,241	4,734,398	86.3	86.3	85.8	88.0
1 to 9 acres.....	550,142	546,805	805,717	886,381	14.8	14.8	16.8	16.5
10 to 19 acres.....	435,742	435,153	620,555	768,318	11.7	11.7	13.0	14.3
20 to 29 acres.....	297,900	297,718	429,497	574,335	8.0	8.0	9.0	10.7
30 to 49 acres.....	391,341	391,214	531,274	687,956	10.5	10.6	11.1	12.8
50 to 99 acres.....	563,699	563,615	710,143	811,181	15.2	15.2	14.8	15.1
100 to 199 acres.....	536,667	536,626	602,632	621,248	14.5	14.5	12.6	11.5
200 to 499 acres.....	351,983	351,970	335,137	321,440	9.5	9.5	7.0	6.0
500 to 999 acres.....	60,176	60,172	56,209	51,460	1.6	1.6	1.1	0.9
1,000 or more acres.....	13,665	13,627	13,077	12,079	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2
1 to 19 acres.....	985,884	981,958	1,426,272	1,654,699	26.6	26.5	29.8	30.7
20 to 49 acres.....	689,241	688,932	960,771	1,262,291	18.6	18.6	20.1	23.5
50 to 99 acres.....	563,699	563,615	710,143	811,181	15.2	15.2	14.8	15.1
100 to 199 acres.....	536,667	536,626	602,632	621,248	14.5	14.5	12.6	11.5
200 or more acres.....	425,824	425,769	404,423	384,979	11.5	11.5	8.5	7.2
No cropland harvested.....	509,188	506,994	678,175	647,764	13.7	13.7	14.2	12.0

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Table 8.—AVERAGE ACREAGE PER FARM REPORTING, OF THE SEVERAL CLASSES OF LAND ACCORDING TO USE,
BY REGIONS: 1959 AND 1950

Item	The North		The South		The West		The West—Conterminous area	
	1959	1950	1959	1950	1959	1950	1959	1950
Cropland harvested.....	127.1	101.4	55.1	41.9	137.1	105.0	138.6	105.7
Cropland used only for pasture.....	33.4	28.8	47.6	32.1	86.9	65.7	86.0	64.9
Cropland not harvested and not pastured.....	64.6	45.1	37.9	23.6	195.9	NA	197.8	130.0
Woodland pastured.....	44.9	40.7	77.1	76.8	603.1	497.1	604.6	494.5
Woodland not pastured.....	41.8	36.8	71.8	57.9	131.2	119.3	121.4	114.5
Other pasture.....	123.1	95.1	198.2	126.0	1,684.1	1,301.3	1,688.5	1,303.4

NA Not available.

Table 9.—NUMBER OF FARMS, ALL LAND IN FARMS, AND VALUE

[Data for values for 1959, 1954, and 1950 for the conterminous United

	Region, division, and State	Number of farms					All land in farms							
		1959	1954	1950	Increase or decrease (-), 1954-1959		Acres			Increase or decrease (-), 1954-1959		Average acreage per farm		
					Number	Percent	1959	1954	1950	Acres	Percent	1959	1954	1950
1	U. S.	3,710,903	NA	5,388,437	NA	NA	1,123,507,574	NA	1,161,419,720	NA	NA	302.8	NA	215.5
2	Continental U.S.	3,703,894	4,782,416	5,382,162	-1,078,522	-22.6	1,120,157,789	1,158,191,511	1,158,565,852	-38,033,722	-3.3	302.4	242.2	215.
3	The North	1,715,441	2,043,092	2,268,066	-327,651	-16.0	421,439,668	434,476,967	440,827,903	-13,037,299	-3.0	245.7	212.7	194.4
4	The South	1,645,949	2,316,607	2,652,423	-670,658	-29.0	357,448,086	386,289,000	393,215,174	-28,840,914	-7.5	217.2	166.7	148.2
5	The West	349,113	NA	467,948	NA	NA	344,619,820	NA	327,376,643	NA	NA	987.1	NA	699.6
6	Continental area ..	342,504	422,717	461,673	-80,213	-19.0	341,270,035	337,425,544	324,522,775	3,844,491	1.1	996.4	798.2	702.9
	Geographic Divisions:													
7	New England	56,867	81,878	103,225	-25,011	-30.5	9,316,356	11,120,920	12,546,518	-1,804,564	-16.2	163.8	135.8	121.5
8	Middle Atlantic	197,867	257,276	296,702	-99,409	-23.1	26,730,245	29,898,166	31,855,003	-3,167,921	-10.6	135.1	116.2	107.4
9	East North Central ..	666,189	798,690	885,404	-132,501	-16.6	103,385,833	108,596,915	112,097,670	-5,211,082	-4.8	155.2	136.0	126.6
10	West North Central ..	794,518	905,248	982,735	-110,730	-12.2	282,007,234	284,860,966	284,328,712	-2,853,732	-1.0	354.9	314.7	289.3
11	South Atlantic	592,153	858,971	958,998	-266,818	-31.1	83,339,043	98,258,904	102,170,327	-14,919,861	-15.2	140.7	114.4	106.5
12	East South Central ..	562,604	789,507	913,002	-226,930	-28.7	68,284,953	77,201,608	79,575,708	-8,916,655	-11.5	121.4	97.8	87.2
13	West South Central ..	491,192	668,129	780,423	-176,937	-26.5	205,824,090	210,828,488	211,469,139	-5,004,398	-2.4	419.0	315.6	271.0
14	Mountain	149,080	180,026	194,858	-30,946	-17.2	264,428,817	260,941,995	250,212,556	3,486,822	1.3	1,773.7	1,449.5	1,284.1
15	Pacific	200,033	NA	273,090	NA	NA	80,191,003	NA	77,164,087	NA	NA	400.9	NA	282.6
16	Continental area ..	193,424	242,691	266,815	-49,267	-20.3	76,841,218	76,483,549	74,310,219	357,669	0.5	397.3	315.1	278.5
	New England:													
17	Maine	17,360	23,368	30,358	-6,008	-25.7	3,081,987	3,614,242	4,181,613	-532,255	-14.7	177.5	154.7	137.7
18	New Hampshire	6,542	10,411	13,391	-3,869	-37.2	1,124,312	1,457,293	1,713,731	-332,981	-22.8	171.9	140.0	1

NA Not available. Z Less than 0.05 percent. ¹Based on the average value per acre for farms in sample for which value of land and buildings was reported. Data not available in Hawaii in 1959. See text. ²Average values per farm and per acre are based on estimated total value of all farms and may differ somewhat from the averages published in Volume I. See text.

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OF FARMS, BY DIVISIONS AND STATES: 1959, 1954, AND 1950

States are based on reports for only a sample of farms. See text

Value of farms (land and buildings)												Approximate land area				Percent distribution 1959				
Amount ¹ (dollars)			Average per farm (dollars) ²			Average per acre ² (dollars)			Percent of farms reporting value		Percent of land in farms for which value was reported		Acres, 1959	Percent in farms			Number of farms	Ap- proximate land area	Land in farms	
1959	1954	1950	1959	1954	1950	1959	1954	1950	1959	1954	1959	1954		1959	1954	1950				
NA	NA	75,462,427,000	NA	NA	14,005	NA	NA	64.97	NA	NA	NA	NA	2,271,343,360	49.5	NA	51.1	100.0	100.0	100.0	1
128,987,659,000	97,582,918,000	75,260,606,000	34,825	20,405	13,983	115.15	84.25	64.96	81	81	74	78	1,901,756,160	58.9	60.8	60.9	99.8	83.7	99.7	2
61,761,140,000	48,025,056,000	38,455,289,000	36,003	23,506	16,955	146.55	110.54	87.23	82	81	83	84	587,569,920	71.7	73.9	74.9	46.2	25.9	37.5	3
39,011,497,000	29,549,362,000	22,955,349,000	23,702	12,755	8,654	109.14	76.50	58.38	80	80	73	77	561,238,400	63.7	68.7	69.9	44.4	24.7	31.8	4
NA	NA	14,051,789,000	NA	NA	30,029	NA	NA	42.92	NA	NA	NA	NA	1,122,535,040	30.7	NA	29.2	9.4	49.4	30.7	5
28,215,022,000	20,008,500,000	13,849,968,000	82,379	47,334	30,000	82.68	59.30	42.68	83	86	63	72	752,947,840	45.3	44.8	43.1	9.2	33.1	30.4	6
1,413,724,000	1,252,984,000	1,222,057,000	24,860	15,303	11,839	151.75	112.67	97.40	88	83	88	82	40,400,640	23.1	27.5	31.0	1.5	1.8	0.8	7
4,878,817,000	4,156,470,000	3,485,485,000	24,657	16,156	11,747	182.52	139.02	109.42	83	82	81	81	64,298,880	41.6	46.5	49.5	5.3	2.8	2.4	8
24,736,800,000	18,942,277,000	14,703,512,000	37,132	23,717	16,607	239.27	174.43	131.17	80	79	81	80	156,679,040	66.0	69.3	71.5	18.0	6.9	9.2	9
30,731,799,000	23,673,325,000	19,044,235,000	38,680	26,151	19,379	108.98	83.10	66.98	83	83	86	86	326,191,360	86.5	87.2	87.0	21.4	14.4	25.1	10
12,832,354,000	9,554,734,000	7,159,765,000	21,671	11,123	7,466	153.98	97.24	70.08	80	80	73	73	171,324,800	48.6	57.3	59.6	16.0	7.5	7.4	11
7,854,913,000	6,086,280,000	5,169,088,000	13,962	7,709	5,662	115.03	78.84	64.96	77	77	71	71	115,141,120	59.3	67.0	69.1	15.2	5.1	6.1	12
18,324,230,000	13,908,348,000	10,626,496,000	37,306	20,817	13,616	89.03	65.97	50.25	82	84	74	81	274,772,480	74.9	76.5	76.8	13.2	12.1	18.3	13
10,877,967,000	7,775,495,000	5,513,393,000	72,967	43,191	28,294	41.14	29.80	22.03	82	85	62	71	548,448,640	48.2	47.6	45.6	4.0	24.1	23.5	14
NA	NA	8,538,396,000	NA	NA	31,266	NA	NA	110.65	NA	NA	NA	NA	574,086,400	14.0	NA	NA	5.4	25.3	7.1	15
17,337,055,000	12,233,005,000	8,336,575,000	89,632	50,406	31,245	225.62	159.94	112.19	85	87	67	76	204,499,200	37.6	37.4	36.3	5.2	9.0	6.8	16
256,157,000	219,464,000	226,518,000	14,756	9,392	7,462	83.11	60.72	54.17	88	87	87	87	19,847,680	15.5	18.2	21.0	0.5	0.9	0.3	17
118,058,000	124,820,000	124,845,000	18,046	11,989	9,323	105.00	85.65	72.85	84	83	82	83	5,768,960	19.5	25.3	29.7	0.2	0.3	0.1	18
240,003,000	202,356,000	196,405,000	19,837	12,662	10,314	81.49	60.99	55.68	94	87	95	86	5,936,640	49.6	55.9	59.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	19
354,285,000	322,077,000	314,710,000	31,692	18,552	14,163	310.14	223.81	189.54	85	79	82	72	5,034,880	22.7	28.6	33.0	0.3	0.2	0.1	20
52,411,000	53,056,000	44,328,000	37,571	26,475	17,062	379.98	343.02	232.02	82	75	66	68	677,120	20.4	22.8	28.2	(2)	(2)	(2)	21
392,810,000	331,211,000	315,251,000	47,372	25,971	20,189	444.13	291.07	247.77	86	77	83	71	3,135,360	28.2	36.3	40.6	0.2	0.1	0.1	22
1,971,252,000	1,674,909,000	1,467,452,000	23,936	15,844	11,742	146.13	111.14	91.62	85	81	83	80	30,680,960	44.0	49.1	52.2	2.2	1.4	1.2	23
717,251,000	672,307,000	505,278,000	46,397	29,635	20,343	520.12	403.73	292.84	76	83	67	78	4,813,440	28.6	34.6	35.8	0.4	0.2	0.1	24
2,190,314,000	1,809,254,000	1,512,755,000	21,892	14,039	10,299	184.65	137.46	107.19	83	84	81	82	28,804,480	41.2	45.7	49.0	2.7	1.3	1.1	25
4,573,139,000	3,707,415,000	2,858,969,000	32,583	20,937	14,341	247.11	185.45	136.34	77	77	78	77	26,222,080	70.6	76.2	79.9	3.8	1.2	1.6	26
4,932,749,000	3,732,730,000	2,691,273,000	38,489	24,303	16,151	265.02	194.08	136.90	78	76	80	79	23,158,400	80.4	83.0	84.8	3.5	1.0	1.7	27
9,579,602,000	7,036,269,000	5,394,905,000	61,946	40,083	27,628	315.87	231.47	174.15	80	77	81	79	35,795,200	84.7	84.9	86.5	4.2	1.6	2.7	28
2,855,261,000	2,194,903,000	1,701,440,000	25,535	15,800	10,935	193.15	133.29	98.52	79	79	79	79	36,492,160	40.5	45.1	47.3	3.0	1.6	1.3	29
2,796,049,000	2,270,960,000	2,056,925,000	21,309	14,789	12,203	132.16	100.90	88.58	98	85	88	86	35,011,200	60.4	64.3	66.3	3.5	1.5	1.9	30
4,749,296,000	3,478,232,000	2,777,312,000	32,605	21,051	15,507	154.22	107.74	84.46	88	85	89	87	51,205,760	60.1	63.0	64.2	3.9	2.3	2.7	31
8,586,924,000	6,769,927,000	5,506,670,000	49,150	35,090	27,105	253.82	198.86	160.71	84	83	86	85	35,860,480	94.3	94.9	95.5	4.7	1.6	3.0	32
3,726,717,000	2,785,371,000	2,235,939,000	22,094	13,815	9,720	112.40	81.45	63.66	80	80	80	80	44,248,320	74.9	77.2	79.3	4.5	1.9	3.0	33
2,140,991,000	1,493,427,000	1,188,860,000	38,978	24,110	18,178	51.63	35.66	28.86	90	89	91	90	44,452,480	93.3	93.4	91.9	1.5	2.0	3.7	34
2,276,544,000	1,766,980,000	1,401,787,000	40,852	28,263	21,095	50.76	39.31	31.30	84	85	83	87	48,881,920	91.8	91.8	91.4	1.5	2.2	4.0	35
4,233,856,000	3,399,827,000	2,735,039,000	46,796	33,713	25,517	88.66	71.60	57.62	78	83	80	85	49,031,680	97.4	96.8	96.7	2.4	2.2	4.3	36
5,017,473,000	3,979,561,000	3																		

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Table 10.—LAND IN FARMS CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO USE,

	Region, division, and State	Cropland harvested (acres)			Cropland pastured (acres)		Cropland not harvested and not pastured (acres)		
		1959	1954	1949	1959	1954	1959	1954	1949
1	United States	311,476,141	NA	344,564,497	65,516,598	NA	71,094,602	NA	64,262,792
2	Contiguous United States	311,285,249	332,870,479	344,398,550	65,344,894	66,069,838	70,933,575	60,708,644	64,107,544
3	The North	197,514,215	207,611,565	207,887,638	25,062,220	26,720,680	33,158,065	25,147,990	27,841,770
4	The South	75,173,269	86,589,832	96,598,960	30,744,478	30,974,381	18,350,982	16,040,706	18,905,531
5	The West	38,788,657	NA	40,077,859	9,709,900	NA	19,585,555	NA	17,515,491
6	Continental area	38,597,765	38,669,082	39,911,952	9,538,196	8,374,777	19,424,528	19,519,948	17,360,243
Geographic Divisions:									
7	New England	2,209,109	2,493,484	2,805,057	636,459	810,783	372,333	489,840	564,029
8	Middle Atlantic	10,544,212	11,768,395	12,210,785	2,251,855	2,538,995	1,811,571	1,885,349	2,459,029
9	East North Central	58,612,212	59,731,546	59,570,114	8,652,702	10,335,784	4,818,330	3,773,755	4,667,312
10	West North Central	126,148,682	133,301,140	133,301,682	13,521,204	13,035,118	26,155,831	18,999,046	20,151,400
11	South Atlantic	19,802,264	23,165,269	25,021,666	5,426,055	5,731,619	4,507,750	4,556,022	6,529,913
12	East South Central	16,408,938	19,744,241	22,494,415	10,999,981	11,141,529	4,138,128	3,858,085	5,396,423
13	West South Central	38,962,067	43,680,322	49,082,879	14,318,442	14,101,233	9,705,104	7,626,599	6,979,195
14	Mountain	23,045,012	22,734,533	24,499,809	4,838,840	3,929,019	13,420,744	13,727,385	10,963,783
15	Pacific	15,743,645	NA	15,578,090	4,871,060	NA	6,164,811	NA	6,551,708
16	Continental area	15,552,753	15,934,549	15,412,143	4,699,356	4,445,758	6,003,784	5,792,563	6,396,460
New England:									
17	Maine	698,188	795,710	932,028	171,405	235,948	208,077	240,692	253,664
18	New Hampshire	205,767	246,583	290,199	71,543	87,719	28,930	47,380	59,079
19	Vermont	743,448	799,145	858,512	196,477	196,265	43,639	66,856	78,047
20	Massachusetts	290,682	331,180	376,036	102,748	142,390	51,723	76,503	97,291
21	Rhode Island	33,512	34,980	39,782	14,911	21,571	6,161	10,674	14,994
22	Connecticut	237,512	285,886	308,500	79,375	126,350	33,803	47,735	60,954
Middle Atlantic:									
23	New York	5,032,671	5,546,506	5,791,673	1,281,330	1,409,174	806,644	900,687	1,114,392
24	New Jersey	657,877	781,820	125,038	184,230	184,230	808,822	113,498	148,275
25	Pennsylvania	4,853,664	5,433,491	5,637,292	845,487	945,591	896,105	871,164	1,196,362
East North Central:									
26	Ohio	9,743,467	10,339,955	10,295,590	1,504,714	1,709,588	1,007,189	749,474	1,033,871
27	Indiana	11,147,102	11,333,161	11,000,662	1,686,779	1,966,805	826,534	528,448	776,549
28	Illinois	20,967,738	20,549,929	20,364,489	2,076,075	2,492,841	916,575	702,440	987,461
29	Michigan	7,154,811	7,658,801	7,797,346	1,398,495	1,912,374	1,403,505	1,216,923	1,263,231
30	Wisconsin	9,599,094	9,849,700	10,112,027	1,986,639	2,254,176	664,527	576,470	606,200
West North Central:									
31	Minnesota	18,917,911	19,492,565	19,709,121	1,272,102	1,536,166	1,740,139	1,164,231	1,191,685
32	Iowa	22,873,407	22,444,290	22,547,337	2,849,683	3,161,015	678,914	376,109	358,224
33	Missouri	12,177,822	12,365,630	12,263,847	4,703,808	4,385,381	1,288,557	954,118	1,389,197
34	North Dakota	19,357,711	21,241,135	20,352,760	755,888	754,500	7,593,157	5,703,986	6,339,902
35	South Dakota	14,236,384	17,759,947	17,527,893	1,184,218	721,844	3,744,157	1,146,703	1,477,687
36	Nebraska	18,057,090	18,874,341	19,406,990	1,309,492	1,116,793	3,461,403	2,876,380	2,969,854
37	Kansas	20,528,357	21,440,232	21,493,734	1,446,013	1,359,419	7,649,504	6,777,519	6,424,851
South Atlantic:									
38	Delaware	416,197	412,295	389,283	43,130	63,860	36,767	38,379	73,836
39	Maryland	1,455,921	1,571,744	1,531,421	287,198	363,264	207,991	188,461	306,193
40	District of Columbia	NA	NA	266	NA	NA	NA	NA	102
41	Virginia	2,857,848	3,157,774	3,313,849	1,018,405	1,116,147	550,828	557,315	911,122
42	West Virginia	831,884	1,073,216	1,218,239	519,602	512,956	199,961	232,909	348,515
43	North Carolina	4,746,364	5,504,204	5,782,407	673,613	702,345	995,806	847,721	1,183,324
44	South Carolina	2,694,196	3,393,002	3,959,822	641,063	688,149	699,898	706,627	931,783
45	Georgia	4,917,975	6,117,379	7,098,147	1,303,702	1,407,398	1,236,798	1,399,296	2,115,701
46	Florida	1,881,879	1,935,655	1,728,232	939,342	877,500	579,701	585,314	659,337
East South Central:									
47	Kentucky	4,012,962	4,541,381	5,053,682	4,740,357	4,879,874	1,173,878	1,033,938	1,282,243
48	Tennessee	4,116,418	4,860,793	5,575,106	3,216,771	3,094,755	1,166,022	1,060,593	1,489,116
49	Alabama	3,715,251	4,812,086	5,729,421	1,413,137	1,653,472	899,573	1,014,612	1,393,726
50	Mississippi	4,564,307	5,529,981	6,136,206	1,629,716	1,513,428	898,655	748,942	1,231,338
West South Central:									
51	Arkansas	5,324,541	5,535,608	5,930,093	2,270,170	2,418,830	840,906	856,395	1,252,406
52	Louisiana	2,425,936	3,010,580	3,148,881	2,032,724	1,959,126	448,420	497,796	704,737
53	Oklahoma	8,975,117	10,249,134	11,896,040	2,386,311	2,324,626	2,682,400	1,896,757	1,802,253
54	Texas	22,236,473	24,885,000	28,107,865	7,629,237	7,398,651	5,733,378	4,375,651	3,219,799
Mountain:									
55	Montana	8,158,899	8,414,058	7,576,173	944,930	737,975	5,973,938	5,356,356	5,080,884
56	Idaho	3,832,164	3,727,616	3,647,885	666,311	545,073	1,285,530	1,202,831	1,097,245
57	Wyoming	1,679,024	1,556,022	1,900,646	587,980	445,442	470,979	564,741	406,734
58	Colorado	5,879,446	5,219,689	6,892,904	1,235,186	1,007,840	3,918,046	4,835,454	3,164,578
59	New Mexico	1,076,947	1,135,073	1,897,813	429,179	463,256	785,587	862,325	495,229
60	Arizona	1,018,757	1,093,544	883,717	204,095	201,895	363,415	319,420	197,870
61	Utah	1,062,246	1,228,520	1,279,469	409,472	275,432	535,933	523,506	468,242
62	Nevada	337,529	360,011	421,202	361,687	252,106	87,316	62,752	53,001
Pacific:									
63	Washington	4,412,466	4,342,833	4,236,705	724,070	620,606	2,773,573	2,729,835	2,769,259
64	Oregon	3,118,451	3,265,385	3,218,767	942,236	807,142	1,319,457	1,177,361	1,349,351
65	California	8,021,836	8,326,331	7,956,671	3,033,050	3,018,010	1,910,754	1,885,367	2,277,850
66	Alaska	14,482	NA	6,450	4,365	NA	5,272	NA	3,486
67	Hawaii	176,410	NA	159,497	167,339	NA	155,755	NA	151,762

NA Not available.

FARMS AND LAND IN FARMS

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BY DIVISIONS AND STATES: 1959, 1954, AND 1949

Woodland pastured (acres)			Woodland not pastured (acres)			Other pasture (not cropland and not woodland) (acres)				Other land (house lots, roads, wasteland, etc.) (acres)			
1959	1954	1949	1959	1954	1949	Total		Improved		1959	1954	1949	
						1959	1954	1959	1954				
92,568,223	NA	135,133,592	71,636,066	NA	85,426,913	466,224,802	NA	NA	NA	44,991,142	NA	45,741,705	1
92,410,700	121,151,635	134,714,975	71,273,545	75,820,772	85,099,435	464,783,483	459,878,925	23,245,097	17,335,277	44,126,343	41,691,218	45,263,984	2
21,647,858	27,235,168	29,321,725	21,339,717	21,060,266	22,355,822	99,963,634	103,995,317	3,960,204	3,150,754	22,753,959	22,705,981	23,793,188	3
44,211,278	61,490,603	69,389,179	46,332,333	51,395,107	57,891,358	131,593,468	129,049,741	14,798,832	10,776,480	11,042,278	10,748,630	13,213,845	4
26,709,087	NA	36,422,688	3,964,016	NA	5,179,733	234,667,700	NA	NA	NA	11,194,905	NA	8,734,672	5
26,551,564	32,425,864	36,004,071	3,601,495	3,365,399	4,852,255	233,226,381	226,833,867	4,486,061	3,408,043	10,330,106	8,236,607	8,256,951	6
1,076,057	1,524,181	1,784,310	3,650,817	4,096,525	4,354,197	922,107	1,242,832	100,682	97,773	449,474	463,275	704,417	7
1,664,094	2,095,253	2,338,207	4,506,704	4,794,910	4,878,011	4,093,473	5,014,615	490,991	436,560	1,858,336	1,800,649	2,056,510	8
8,062,130	10,527,069	11,875,187	8,056,482	7,423,592	7,246,324	8,048,960	9,688,932	1,021,753	862,888	7,135,017	7,116,237	7,548,407	9
10,845,577	13,088,665	13,324,021	5,125,714	4,745,239	5,877,290	86,899,094	88,048,938	2,346,778	1,753,533	13,311,132	13,325,820	13,483,854	10
12,429,401	17,751,132	17,026,011	26,070,601	29,484,909	31,875,768	11,615,607	13,986,838	3,608,480	3,499,008	3,487,365	3,583,115	4,198,830	11
10,585,126	13,911,479	11,706,196	14,500,756	16,084,502	17,313,640	8,509,833	9,311,810	2,160,772	2,039,439	3,142,191	3,149,962	4,001,753	12
21,196,751	29,827,992	40,656,972	5,760,976	5,825,696	8,701,950	111,468,028	105,751,093	9,029,580	5,238,033	4,412,722	4,015,553	5,013,262	13
16,225,274	20,548,637	23,662,945	1,188,913	1,040,100	2,010,569	198,437,931	193,629,256	3,033,052	2,202,277	7,272,103	5,333,065	5,167,593	14
10,483,813	NA	12,759,743	2,775,103	NA	3,169,164	36,229,769	NA	NA	NA	3,922,802	NA	3,567,079	15
10,326,290	11,877,227	12,341,126	2,412,582	2,325,299	2,841,686	34,788,450	33,204,611	1,453,009	1,205,766	3,058,003	2,903,542	3,089,358	16
169,511	280,425	382,715	1,545,041	1,712,071	1,849,401	133,280	203,424	12,488	13,581	156,485	145,972	269,928	17
151,729	228,217	295,110	573,031	680,567	744,350	56,401	116,992	5,432	7,225	36,911	49,835	74,863	18
555,477	702,724	733,425	808,758	804,508	788,322	521,097	668,813	53,526	46,345	76,447	79,426	98,393	19
101,945	166,641	195,074	410,079	503,965	545,062	90,483	113,329	10,531	10,102	94,681	104,532	150,772	20
7,908	11,060	14,212	54,126	52,362	65,144	10,144	12,124	1,464	1,332	11,168	11,903	18,882	21
89,487	135,114	163,774	259,782	343,052	361,918	110,702	128,150	17,241	19,188	73,782	71,607	91,579	22
975,645	1,211,627	1,361,541	2,035,021	2,108,959	2,110,934	2,465,925	3,071,814	218,063	186,041	892,280	822,065	933,602	23
24,194	39,248	43,806	226,816	282,653	276,341	81,641	94,405	19,289	19,805	154,614	162,809	189,699	24
664,255	844,378	932,860	2,244,867	2,403,298	2,490,736	1,545,907	1,848,396	253,639	230,714	811,442	815,775	933,209	25
1,056,554	1,451,289	1,605,646	1,486,445	1,456,965	1,440,945	2,350,983	2,909,201	332,683	293,002	1,357,444	1,375,114	1,481,671	26
1,201,292	1,568,200	1,659,960	1,342,916	1,211,586	1,217,617	1,135,767	1,314,257	159,192	146,240	1,272,656	1,310,317	1,485,403	27
1,552,664	1,949,747	2,040,841	1,190,680	966,508	1,009,406	1,885,905	2,082,748	307,878	224,891	1,737,624	1,654,304	1,719,573	28
1,136,770	1,741,731	2,144,821	1,706,915	1,674,592	1,576,047	692,618	937,395	56,073	57,994	1,289,393	1,324,934	1,404,523	29
3,114,850	3,816,102	4,423,919	2,329,526	2,113,941	2,002,309	1,983,687	2,445,331	165,927	140,761	1,477,900	1,451,568	1,457,237	30
2,480,889	2,982,961	3,349,278	1,538,271	1,537,458	1,743,091	2,169,898	2,599,458	152,959	129,247	2,676,887	2,971,700	2,712,284	31
1,561,133	1,783,898	1,902,371	407,052	349,735	418,130	3,336,979	3,798,656	349,361	283,922	2,123,782	2,130,830	2,164,097	32
5,434,422	6,581,567	5,804,522	2,421,601	2,003,075	2,693,788	5,411,415	6,325,087	535,086	404,489	1,717,601	1,580,521	1,831,383	33
271,856	346,815	483,539	204,764	245,804	245,804	11,155,479	11,433,448	120,873	109,615	2,146,687	2,192,276	2,102,072	34
262,627	328,477	437,911	90,201	112,490	143,211	24,065,398	23,553,569	199,948	151,855	1,267,681	1,326,443	1,469,567	35
369,742	430,441	602,899	151,652	192,064	216,706	22,846,585	22,542,465	362,267	283,527	1,559,744	1,454,096	1,455,753	36
464,908	634,506	743,501	331,998	345,653	416,560	17,913,340	17,796,255	626,284	390,878	1,818,750	1,669,954	1,748,698	37
6,017	22,884	10,776	185,414	192,009	206,077	20,324	26,029	5,549	5,782	54,677	58,860	71,090	38
137,937	194,100	163,397	814,712	938,659	1,005,620	356,531	417,170	113,600	109,870	196,479	223,210	250,562	39
NA	NA	47	NA	NA	219	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	468	40
1,153,352	1,553,438	1,355,977	4,516,200	5,031,795	5,374,734	2,551,484	2,771,351	654,649	661,123	477,685	498,144	673,545	41
1,016,773	1,275,397	1,206,421	1,587,217	1,763,186	1,990,494	1,686,036	2,276,493	269,280	276,510	221,121	217,717	338,286	42
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Table 11.—NUMBER OF FARMS REPORTING THE SEVERAL CLASSES OF LAND

	Region, division, and State	Cropland harvested			Cropland pastured			Cropland not harvested and not pastured		
		1959	1954	1949	1959	1954	1949	1959	1954	1949
1	United States	3,201,315	NA	4,738,230	1,507,614	NA	2,115,708	1,096,726	NA	NA
2	Contiguous United States	3,196,900	4,104,241	4,734,398	1,506,787	1,842,661	2,115,000	1,094,949	1,289,674	1,552,212
3	The North	1,554,121	1,832,773	2,050,130	750,685	897,942	1,009,688	512,901	546,364	617,509
4	The South	1,364,308	1,936,543	2,306,495	645,255	807,383	960,124	483,830	623,656	801,201
5	The West	282,886	NA	381,605	111,674	NA	145,898	99,995	NA	NA
6	Contiguous area	278,471	334,925	377,773	110,847	137,336	145,186	98,218	119,654	133,502
7	Geographic Divisions:									
8	New England	48,352	67,323	86,334	23,541	33,381	37,832	13,750	24,383	25,589
9	Middle Atlantic	177,262	224,761	262,795	78,964	97,557	118,471	66,951	87,388	106,109
10	East North Central	608,600	718,685	800,362	340,345	418,045	467,659	182,178	183,447	214,809
11	West North Central	719,907	822,004	898,639	307,835	348,959	385,726	250,022	251,146	271,002
12	South Atlantic	525,967	752,352	855,113	185,749	235,897	290,139	200,606	260,940	342,236
13	East South Central	490,327	695,752	822,125	265,594	317,533	387,437	159,573	206,216	276,651
14	West South Central	348,014	488,439	629,257	193,912	253,953	282,548	123,651	156,500	182,314
15	Mountain	126,098	150,057	169,537	49,440	58,445	56,278	56,358	69,689	69,776
16	Pacific	156,768	NA	212,686	62,234	NA	89,618	43,637	NA	NA
	Contiguous area	152,373	184,868	208,236	61,407	78,891	88,910	41,860	49,965	63,726
17	New England:									
18	Maine	15,195	20,260	27,880	7,665	10,931	12,310	6,081	10,381	9,803
19	New Hampshire	5,503	8,297	11,459	2,924	3,967	4,658	1,364	2,643	2,840
20	Vermont	11,418	14,643	17,997	5,398	6,015	6,397	1,575	2,898	2,761
21	Massachusetts	8,779	13,005	16,706	4,045	6,469	7,361	2,658	4,757	5,841
22	Rhode Island	997	1,312	1,809	541	880	1,097	297	569	724
	Connecticut	6,460	9,846	12,483	2,968	5,119	5,709	1,775	3,135	3,620
23	Middle Atlantic:									
24	New York	75,830	94,968	114,003	35,704	42,709	51,603	26,082	36,547	42,024
25	New Jersey	11,098	15,434	17,470	4,791	8,107	8,342	5,065	7,700	8,926
	Pennsylvania	90,334	114,359	131,322	38,469	46,741	58,526	35,804	43,141	55,159
26	East North Central:									
27	Ohio	125,611	156,487	176,152	61,179	73,816	90,650	41,388	40,950	53,678
28	Indiana	111,380	130,341	142,402	67,676	82,774	91,480	33,487	28,170	38,180
29	Illinois	141,225	158,099	174,736	74,333	89,405	101,403	30,621	28,497	37,402
30	Michigan	104,712	126,757	144,239	53,174	75,259	85,404	32,656	37,478	58,736
	Wisconsin	147,001	162,833	162,833	83,983	96,791	98,722	24,026	28,352	26,813
31	West North Central:									
32	Minnesota	137,204	156,315	170,463	52,491	63,543	66,749	30,344	35,826	34,566
33	Iowa	162,116	180,454	190,553	92,727	105,187	109,575	21,386	17,790	16,905
34	Missouri	136,089	162,726	191,678	85,790	95,208	116,659	34,429	35,437	46,424
35	North Dakota	53,314	60,523	63,927	12,229	13,221	15,285	47,336	51,377	51,377
36	South Dakota	52,161	59,804	63,553	14,645	13,276	13,880	23,796	16,303	18,414
37	Nebraska	84,105	94,580	100,984	24,762	29,272	33,447	38,378	39,396	39,396
	Kansas	94,918	107,602	117,481	25,191	29,252	30,131	56,227	61,815	63,920
38	South Atlantic:									
39	Delaware	4,358	5,512	6,448	2,030	2,871	3,662	1,268	1,631	2,974
40	Maryland	21,881	27,744	31,048	9,772	13,026	17,264	8,195	9,600	14,008
41	District of Columbia	NA	NA	14	NA	NA	6	NA	NA	4
42	Virginia	85,955	114,707	128,747	33,061	45,534	67,183	27,741	37,675	51,795
43	West Virginia	39,380	60,477	71,552	15,067	18,004	28,553	8,189	13,653	19,891
44	North Carolina	177,251	245,703	266,953	55,481	68,703	83,130	73,623	84,097	103,212
45	South Carolina	71,602	112,930	129,967	23,949	30,616	26,802	30,396	40,628	46,612
46	Georgia	89,686	140,499	176,610	36,457	43,295	47,457	39,836	58,324	84,890
	Florida	35,854	44,780	44,174	9,932	13,848	16,082	11,358	15,332	18,850
47	East South Central:									
48	Kentucky	136,803	175,113	198,061	102,812	122,037	149,537	44,164	50,737	61,691
49	Tennessee	136,554	175,280	205,031	93,648	108,473	126,620	46,842	59,653	80,702
50	Alabama	98,794	151,742	189,554	33,568	46,044	60,321	36,676	53,295	73,492
	Mississippi	118,176	193,617	229,479	35,566	40,979	50,959	31,891	42,531	60,766
51	West South Central:									
52	Arkansas	72,315	114,277	154,493	43,694	59,788	77,724	19,297	32,005	44,884
53	Louisiana	52,490	82,755	99,191	28,909	38,183	42,369	12,133	18,938	26,345
54	Oklahoma	66,155	84,870	115,242	34,856	44,013	49,927	30,862	39,688	41,397
	Texas	157,054	206,537	260,331	86,453	111,969	112,528	61,359	71,869	69,688
55	Mountain:									
56	Montana	26,726	30,575	32,090	6,539	6,630	8,918	17,547	19,121	20,656
57	Idaho	29,251	33,697	36,150	16,458	19,063	17,138	8,977	10,344	11,000
58	Wyoming	8,338	9,352	10,960	3,279	4,072	3,215	2,721	3,496	3,766
59	Colorado	28,912	33,599	40,497	9,716	12,472	10,830	14,642	20,126	18,106
60	New Mexico	10,592	14,633	18,896	3,953	4,927	4,828	4,660	6,884	6,058
61	Arizona	4,878	6,209	6,973	1,954	2,760	3,320	1,871	2,475	2,358
62	Utah	15,481	19,728	21,344	6,458	7,267	6,739	5,429	6,626	7,039
	Nevada	1,920	2,264	2,627	1,083	1,254	1,290	511	617	793
63	Pacific:									
64	Washington	42,290	50,419	56,042	21,641	27,557	30,698	13,635	15,746	19,314
65	Oregon	33,420	41,218	47,482	19,423	22,704	26,144	11,174	12,850	17,324
66	California	76,663	93,231	104,712	20,343	28,630	32,068	17,051	21,369	27,088
67	Alaska	302	NA	310	107	NA	127	154	NA	NA
	Hawaii	4,113	NA	3,522	720	NA	581	1,623	NA	NA

NA Not available.

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ACCORDING TO USE, BY DIVISIONS AND STATES: 1959, 1954, AND 1949

Woodland pastured			Woodland not pastured			Other pasture (not cropland and not woodland)				Other land (house lots, roads, wasteland, etc.) (acres)		
						Total		Improved				
1959	1954	1949	1959	1954	1949	1959	1954	1959	1954	1954	1949	
1,099,730	NA	1,696,910	1,186,735	NA	1,650,882	1,614,942	NA	NA	NA	NA	4,695,184	1
1,099,361	1,500,401	1,696,442	1,186,165	1,377,651	1,649,864	1,613,720	1,996,849	350,949	387,191	4,276,159	4,691,588	2
481,820	624,954	719,759	511,128	536,275	607,958	811,817	976,807	125,855	126,102	1,943,656	2,129,135	3
573,625	818,492	903,878	645,382	807,071	999,511	663,779	856,312	186,282	210,630	1,962,101	2,164,960	4
44,285	NA	73,273	30,225	NA	43,413	139,346	NA	NA	NA	NA	401,089	5
43,916	56,955	72,805	29,655	34,305	42,395	138,124	163,730	38,812	50,459	370,402	397,493	6
16,891	25,195	33,276	36,853	48,404	59,685	19,067	26,660	4,805	5,424	68,605	79,403	7
51,067	66,918	79,253	108,801	128,165	145,522	94,479	118,746	23,189	24,044	238,604	269,512	8
229,156	304,958	356,983	242,218	236,861	250,065	244,952	302,686	45,040	44,670	768,958	845,444	9
184,706	227,883	250,247	123,256	122,845	152,686	453,319	528,715	52,821	51,964	867,489	934,776	10
192,925	286,287	308,595	340,240	442,938	523,254	218,012	305,749	87,365	107,520	738,903	787,275	11
221,822	303,487	321,417	236,200	282,761	349,275	186,279	248,725	48,472	57,142	653,248	736,373	12
158,878	228,718	273,866	68,942	81,372	126,982	259,488	301,838	50,445	45,968	569,950	641,312	13
13,782	17,430	24,212	4,972	5,240	7,653	85,746	99,333	20,997	25,954	160,641	172,312	14
30,503	NA	49,061	25,253	NA	35,760	53,600	NA	NA	NA	228,777	225,181	15
30,134	39,525	48,593	24,683	29,065	34,742	52,378	64,397	17,815	24,505	209,761	225,181	16
3,639	6,207	9,322	13,548	17,015	22,061	4,437	6,461	820	988	18,938	22,902	17
2,038	3,136	4,410	4,839	6,739	8,413	1,380	2,717	309	474	8,594	9,620	18
6,690	8,730	10,296	7,073	8,086	9,346	7,460	9,896	2,219	2,330	13,939	15,346	19
2,150	3,609	4,593	6,248	9,047	10,902	2,513	3,484	570	673	14,214	16,798	20
236	295	517	660	875	1,087	331	396	87	126	1,917	2,120	21
2,138	3,218	4,138	4,485	6,642	7,878	2,946	3,706	800	833	11,200	12,820	22
25,341	33,530	39,865	44,867	51,590	59,428	42,469	54,855	9,345	9,999	97,342	113,029	23
1,164	1,920	2,238	7,152	9,982	10,960	2,860	3,713	817	970	20,928	22,477	24
24,562	31,468	37,150	56,782	66,593	75,134	49,150	60,178	13,027	13,075	120,334	134,006	25
45,584	63,774	74,716	58,572	60,603	65,178	66,515	85,324	12,993	13,704	170,006	189,325	26
47,601	62,271	69,625	47,417	44,519	48,201	42,385	52,084	7,524	7,934	148,055	159,429	27
37,115	46,402	52,089	32,331	30,183	34,372	56,776	64,301	11,920	10,236	167,703	185,585	28
30,595	47,437	60,812	51,397	51,470	51,427	23,437	31,990	3,252	3,780	134,356	148,922	29
68,261	85,074	99,741	52,501	50,086	50,887	55,839	68,987	9,351	9,016	148,838	162,183	30
50,878	61,553	71,347	35,520	37,022	43,971	62,253	74,628	7,767	7,224	161,534	174,108	31
33,202	38,375	42,685	15,736	14,484	17,604	81,918	93,985	12,293	11,165	188,543	197,922	32
77,751	98,053	101,472	42,292	38,856	53,863	85,318	103,716	14,025	13,716	190,051	213,046	33
3,301	4,122	5,330	5,453	5,391	6,217	37,664	43,041	1,764	2,163	58,377	61,523	34
2,981	3,719	4,672	5,926	6,406	6,388	44,062	49,522	3,035	3,278	60,036	63,449	35
6,457	8,297	9,514	7,143	8,452	9,377	62,712	70,586	6,133	7,833	96,911	102,557	36
10,136	13,764	15,227	11,186	12,234	15,266	81,392	93,237	7,804	6,585	112,037	122,171	37
292	533	499	3,466	3,966	4,822	684	936	212	273	5,913	6,932	38
4,714	6,462	6,537	15,641	19,073	22,326	9,296	12,238	3,041	3,394	30,041	32,580	39
NA	NA	3	NA	NA	10	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	26	40
36,122	49,547	51,132	60,093	75,496	91,110	52,656	69,212	15,159	19,690	122,805	133,904	41
21,390	30,908	34,899	23,775	31,676	40,661	27,295	42,707	5,999	7,809	62,467	73,031	42
56,489	82,269	89,345	120,617	154,452	176,162	64,726	88,264	31,481	35,834	230,806	237,349	43
20,159	34,025	35,429	43,781	60,951	68,777	14,825	21,874	5,251	7,142	102,046	103,018	44
43,717	66,225	74,224	61,331	82,406	101,109	37,214	57,101	18,995	24,519	140,244	155,205	45
10,042	16,318	16,527	11,536	14,918	18,277	11,316	13,417	7,227	8,859	44,581	45,230	46
49,332	63,376	66,307	68,645	75,284	91,230	38,328	45,678	8,114	7,950	169,407	194,403	47
56,378	72,631	77,249	70,954	81,252	99,527	45,915	62,122	10,119	11,784	175,182	197,345	48
51,728	79,947	89,981	53,716	73,698	93,829	43,671	64,224	14,423	20,190	150,962	174,246	49
64,384	87,533	87,880	42,885	52,527	64,689	58,365	76,701	15,816	17,218	157,697	170,379	50
41,697	61,539	66,563	32,616	36,187	55,569	28,304	42,032	6,198	9,435	114,230	139,655	51
22,560	32,686	30,986	17,021	22,212	28,598	25,541	30,061	5,779	5,987	95,191	98,213	52
30,018	40,741	50,240	7,097	7,119	14,263	70,016	80,418	11,310	9,959	109,336	128,544	53
64,603	93,752	126,077	12,208	15,854	28,552	135,627	149,327	27,158	20,587	251,193	274,900	54
3,934	4,586	6,021	1,291	1,190	1,737	22,245	25,362	4,352	5,212	30,625	32,222	55
3,870	4,812	5,992	2,088	2,112	2,505	14,599	16,171	6,136	5,929	36,151	37,852	56
811	1,121	1,505	129	177	302	7,784	8,650	2,217	2,106	10,579	11,666	57
2,648	3,202	4,726	779	833	1,507	19,313	23,213	3,752	5,576	37,327	41,495	58
1,468	2,015	3,661	359	442	845	8,732	10,392	614	1,010	16,546	18,139	59
229	745	666	60	181	2,552	2,386	2,386	386	418	7,833	8,510	60
756	815	1,480	215	247	491	9,170	11,554	2,995	4,924	18,965	19,531	61
66	134	161	51	58	83	1,351	1,605	545	779	2,615	2,897	62
12,849	16,991	19,940	11,635	14,066	15,973	15,999	18,928	4,554	6,101	57,721	61,268	63
11,650	15,521	19,338	9,101	10,188	12,824	15,393	20,362	4,838	8,057	49,824	54,001	64
5,635	7,013	9,315	3,947	4,811	5,945	20,986	25,107	8,423	10,347	102,216	109,912	65
82	NA	119	261	NA	392	77	NA	NA	NA	NA	303	66
287	NA	349	309	NA	626	1,145	NA	488	NA	NA	3,293	67

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Table 12.—TOTAL CROPLAND, TOTAL PASTURE, AND TOTAL WOODLAND IN FARMS, BY DIVISIONS AND STATES: 1959, 1954, AND 1949

Region, division, and State	Cropland, total ¹						Land pastured, total		
	Farms reporting			Acres			Farms reporting		
	1959	1954	1949	1959	1954	1949	1959	1954	1949
1 United States	3,431,544	NA	NA	448,087,341	NA	478,315,094	2,845,788	NA	NA
2 Contiguous United States	3,426,311	4,418,915	5,046,663	447,563,718	459,648,961	477,837,938	2,843,800	3,596,951	4,045,924
3 The North	1,622,461	1,916,406	2,139,937	255,734,500	259,480,235	264,768,390	1,395,374	1,700,167	1,919,735
4 The South	1,498,808	2,128,259	2,490,401	124,268,729	133,604,919	146,371,579	1,223,256	1,617,620	1,828,076
5 The West	310,275	NA	NA	68,084,112	NA	67,175,125	227,158	NA	NA
6 Contiguous area	305,042	374,250	416,325	67,560,489	66,563,807	66,697,969	225,170	279,164	298,113
Geographic Divisions:									
7 New England	51,921	75,105	95,113	3,217,901	3,794,107	4,216,040	39,227	57,446	72,021
8 Middle Atlantic	186,091	241,369	278,612	14,607,638	16,192,739	17,520,396	148,352	190,479	221,380
9 East North Central	633,936	750,336	836,468	72,083,244	73,841,085	75,099,250	522,802	651,763	748,153
10 West North Central	750,513	849,596	929,744	165,825,717	165,652,304	167,932,704	684,993	800,479	878,181
11 South Atlantic	554,698	803,900	910,765	29,736,069	33,452,910	37,859,256	393,306	544,049	597,707
12 East South Central	531,659	750,792	877,705	31,547,047	34,743,855	39,214,164	428,107	597,445	638,946
13 West South Central	412,451	573,567	701,931	62,985,613	65,408,154	69,298,159	401,843	516,126	591,423
14 Mountain	134,383	162,022	178,568	41,304,596	40,390,937	39,675,210	116,853	138,209	149,000
15 Pacific	175,892	NA	NA	26,779,516	NA	27,499,915	110,305	NA	NA
16 Contiguous area	170,659	212,228	237,757	26,255,893	26,172,870	27,022,759	108,317	140,955	149,113
New England:									
17 Maine	16,329	22,414	29,257	1,077,670	1,272,350	1,407,022	11,376	16,577	21,592
18 New Hampshire	5,996	9,437	12,397	306,240	381,682	450,706	4,483	7,047	9,046
19 Vermont	11,680	15,195	18,505	983,564	1,062,266	1,155,668	10,929	14,156	16,825
20 Massachusetts	9,752	15,217	18,988	445,153	550,613	624,376	6,248	9,961	12,611
21 Rhode Island	1,131	1,632	2,152	54,584	67,225	80,288	815	1,193	1,523
22 Connecticut	7,033	11,190	13,814	350,690	459,971	497,980	5,376	8,512	10,424
Middle Atlantic:									
23 New York	78,867	100,778	119,061	7,120,645	7,856,367	8,484,763	64,327	82,627	97,828
24 New Jersey	12,680	19,300	20,729	891,737	1,086,126	1,090,783	6,795	10,964	12,595
25 Pennsylvania	94,544	121,291	138,822	6,595,256	7,250,246	7,944,850	77,230	96,888	110,957
East North Central:									
26 Ohio	131,878	164,126	186,212	12,255,370	12,799,017	13,378,765	111,224	142,771	167,176
27 Indiana	118,673	138,641	152,158	13,660,435	13,828,414	13,828,206	101,434	125,172	140,870
28 Illinois	145,950	163,606	182,542	23,960,388	23,745,210	23,943,425	122,211	145,538	167,312
29 Michigan	108,922	134,118	150,573	9,956,811	10,788,098	11,043,142	70,793	99,225	119,020
30 Wisconsin	128,513	149,845	164,983	12,250,260	12,680,346	12,905,712	117,140	139,057	153,775
West North Central:									
31 Minnesota	140,444	158,378	172,596	21,930,152	22,192,962	22,460,733	118,252	142,829	157,751
32 Iowa	166,224	183,269	194,030	26,402,004	25,981,414	26,049,319	151,783	174,256	186,875
33 Missouri	153,354	181,115	211,067	18,170,187	17,705,129	18,756,993	150,445	180,448	205,960
34 North Dakota	53,980	60,722	64,246	27,706,756	27,699,621	27,627,872	44,467	51,941	56,683
35 South Dakota	53,347	60,192	64,199	19,164,799	19,628,494	19,821,692	50,575	56,762	60,392
36 Nebraska	85,744	95,570	102,525	22,827,985	22,867,514	23,776,470	78,395	89,303	94,678
37 Kansas	97,420	110,350	121,081	29,623,874	29,577,170	29,439,625	91,076	104,940	115,842
South Atlantic:									
38 Delaware	4,589	5,832	6,863	496,094	514,534	535,170	2,566	3,686	4,521
39 Maryland	23,076	29,673	33,680	1,951,110	2,123,469	2,285,117	16,967	22,517	26,058
40 District of Columbia	NA	NA	15	NA	NA	454	NA	NA	10
41 Virginia	90,064	123,006	140,287	4,427,081	4,831,236	5,789,152	77,801	104,463	117,102
42 West Virginia	41,515	63,900	76,310	1,551,447	1,819,081	2,353,681	40,086	60,039	71,594
43 North Carolina	182,762	256,157	277,730	6,415,783	7,054,270	7,698,395	118,533	158,186	169,899
44 South Carolina	75,213	120,502	135,453	4,035,157	4,787,778	5,385,990	40,200	57,601	61,197
45 Georgia	98,071	153,975	189,266	7,458,475	8,924,073	10,486,875	75,550	108,077	119,324
46 Florida	39,408	50,855	51,161	3,400,922	3,398,469	3,324,422	21,603	29,480	28,002
East South Central:									
47 Kentucky	146,709	188,596	212,356	9,927,197	10,455,193	11,600,928	125,673	154,519	181,997
48 Tennessee	150,350	193,380	222,009	8,499,211	9,016,141	9,920,008	123,022	152,323	176,940
49 Alabama	107,385	165,555	202,199	6,027,961	7,480,170	8,721,501	84,061	124,217	143,873
50 Mississippi	127,215	203,261	241,141	7,092,678	7,792,351	8,971,727	95,351	126,386	136,136
West South Central:									
51 Arkansas	85,421	132,544	172,066	8,435,617	8,810,833	9,654,411	68,873	98,174	122,921
52 Louisiana	62,428	97,770	112,349	4,907,080	5,467,502	5,657,467	55,548	73,113	76,898
53 Oklahoma	77,187	97,554	127,229	14,043,828	14,470,517	16,016,071	87,663	108,497	126,898
54 Texas	187,415	245,699	290,287	35,599,088	36,659,302	37,970,210	189,759	236,342	264,706
Mountain:									
55 Montana	27,486	31,218	33,331	15,077,767	14,508,389	13,928,528	25,551	29,338	31,432
56 Idaho	31,318	35,941	37,999	5,784,005	5,475,520	5,229,755	27,511	31,926	33,225
57 Wyoming	8,763	10,068	11,484	2,737,983	2,566,205	2,712,432	8,934	10,279	11,250
58 Colorado	30,565	37,060	42,103	11,032,678	11,062,983	11,027,572	24,888	29,904	33,386
59 New Mexico	12,176	17,198	20,197	2,291,713	2,460,654	2,838,995	11,489	14,002	15,688
60 Arizona	5,626	7,472	8,535	1,586,267	1,614,859	1,265,597	3,887	4,934	5,777
61 Utah	16,320	20,579	22,058	2,007,651	2,027,458	2,052,889	12,710	15,549	16,028
62 Nevada	2,129	2,486	2,861	786,532	674,869	619,442	1,883	2,277	2,414
Pacific:									
63 Washington	47,163	58,475	63,934	7,910,109	7,693,274	7,720,502	37,349	48,418	51,341
64 Oregon	38,484	47,822	54,761	5,380,144	5,249,888	5,537,147	32,556	42,155	45,649
65 California	85,012	105,931	119,062	12,965,640	13,229,708	13,765,110	38,412	50,382	52,123
66 Alaska	325	NA	414	24,119	NA	12,385	196	NA	NA
67 Hawaii	4,908	NA	NA	499,504	NA	464,771	1,792	NA	NA

NA Not available.

¹Cropland harvested; cropland used only for pasture; and cropland not harvested and not pastured.

FARMS AND LAND IN FARMS

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Table 12.—TOTAL CROPLAND, TOTAL PASTURE, AND TOTAL WOODLAND IN FARMS, BY DIVISIONS AND STATES:
1959, 1954, AND 1949—Continued

	Region, division, and State	Land pastured, total—Continued			Woodland, total					
		Acres			Farms reporting			Acres		
		1959	1954	1949	1959	1954	1949	1959	1954	1949
1	United States	624,309,623	NA	621,423,813	1,878,560	NA	NA	164,204,289	NA	220,560,505
2	Contiguous United States	622,539,077	647,100,398	619,696,339	1,877,701	2,388,256	2,735,761	163,684,245	196,972,407	219,814,410
3	The North	146,673,712	157,951,165	158,949,485	831,271	986,925	1,112,421	42,987,375	48,295,434	51,677,547
4	The South	206,549,224	221,514,725	206,605,480	982,025	1,319,663	1,521,395	90,543,611	112,885,710	127,280,537
5	The West	271,086,687	NA	255,868,848	65,264	NA	NA	30,673,103	NA	41,602,421
6	Contiguous area	269,316,141	267,634,508	254,141,374	64,405	81,668	101,945	30,153,059	35,791,263	40,856,326
7	Geographic Divisions:									
8	New England	2,634,623	3,577,796	4,118,818	43,936	60,626	75,061	4,726,874	5,620,706	6,138,507
9	Middle Atlantic	8,009,422	9,648,863	10,250,668	135,219	166,984	189,592	6,170,798	6,890,163	7,216,218
10	East North Central	24,763,792	30,551,785	33,065,513	394,453	459,228	509,579	16,118,612	17,950,661	19,121,511
11	West North Central	111,265,875	114,172,721	111,514,486	257,663	300,087	338,189	15,971,291	17,833,904	19,201,311
12	South Atlantic	29,471,063	37,469,589	34,544,150	416,000	570,825	646,059	38,500,002	47,236,041	48,901,779
13	East South Central	30,094,940	34,364,818	30,369,477	364,283	467,925	521,658	25,085,882	29,995,981	29,019,836
14	West South Central	146,983,221	149,680,312	141,691,853	201,742	280,913	353,678	26,997,727	35,653,688	49,358,922
15	Mountain	219,502,045	218,106,912	207,570,802	16,940	20,949	29,033	17,414,187	21,588,737	25,673,514
16	Pacific	51,584,642	NA	48,298,046	48,324	NA	NA	13,258,916	NA	15,928,907
17	Contiguous area	49,814,096	49,527,596	46,570,572	47,465	60,719	72,912	12,738,872	14,202,526	15,182,812
18	New England:									
19	Maine	474,196	719,797	876,592	14,568	19,176	25,071	1,714,552	1,992,496	2,232,116
20	New Hampshire	279,673	432,928	545,240	5,497	8,187	10,368	724,760	908,784	1,039,460
21	Vermont	1,273,051	1,567,802	1,704,107	10,400	12,976	15,180	1,364,235	1,507,232	1,521,747
22	Massachusetts	295,176	422,900	491,228	7,162	10,809	13,100	512,024	670,606	740,136
23	Rhode Island	32,963	44,755	52,250	776	1,033	1,304	62,034	63,422	79,356
24	Connecticut	279,564	389,614	449,401	5,533	8,445	10,038	349,269	478,166	525,692
25	Middle Atlantic:									
26	New York	4,722,900	5,692,615	6,066,120	58,621	71,947	82,690	3,010,666	3,320,586	3,472,475
27	New Jersey	230,873	317,883	329,306	7,785	11,171	12,141	251,010	321,901	320,147
28	Pennsylvania	3,055,649	3,638,365	3,855,242	68,813	83,866	94,761	2,909,122	3,247,676	3,423,596
29	East North Central:									
30	Ohio	4,912,251	6,070,078	6,717,334	88,558	106,595	118,560	2,542,999	2,908,254	3,046,591
31	Indiana	4,023,838	4,849,262	5,178,446	80,206	91,683	99,676	2,544,208	2,779,786	2,877,577
32	Illinois	5,514,644	6,525,336	6,897,566	59,028	66,228	74,112	2,743,344	2,916,255	3,050,247
33	Michigan	3,227,883	4,591,500	5,228,845	71,005	85,667	95,838	2,843,685	3,416,323	3,720,868
34	Wisconsin	7,085,176	8,515,609	9,043,322	95,656	109,055	121,393	5,444,376	5,930,043	6,426,228
35	West North Central:									
36	Minnesota	5,922,889	7,118,585	7,526,982	67,578	78,213	90,442	4,019,160	4,520,419	5,092,369
37	Iowa	7,747,795	8,743,569	8,776,851	42,552	47,084	53,226	1,968,185	2,133,633	2,320,501
38	Missouri	15,549,645	17,292,035	16,944,928	100,752	119,020	130,364	7,856,023	8,584,642	8,498,310
39	North Dakota	12,183,223	12,534,763	12,153,506	7,714	8,433	10,168	456,795	551,579	729,343
40	South Dakota	25,512,243	24,603,890	24,167,171	8,253	9,439	10,280	352,828	440,967	581,122
41	Nebraska	24,525,819	24,089,699	23,417,525	12,189	15,071	17,015	521,394	622,505	819,605
42	Kansas	19,824,261	19,790,180	18,527,523	18,625	22,827	26,694	796,906	980,159	1,160,061
43	South Atlantic:									
44	Delaware	69,471	112,773	111,005	3,595	4,317	5,054	191,431	214,893	216,853
45	Maryland	781,666	974,534	961,733	17,915	22,412	25,290	952,649	1,132,759	1,169,017
46	District of Columbia	NA	NA	210	NA	NA	11	NA	NA	266
47	Virginia	4,723,241	5,440,936	5,299,045	75,121	98,703	111,068	5,669,552	6,585,233	6,730,711
48	West Virginia	3,222,411	4,064,846	4,319,092	36,036	51,964	60,982	2,603,990	3,038,583	3,196,915
49	North Carolina	2,738,221	3,492,024	3,212,637	135,287	179,435	200,176	7,749,777	9,238,884	9,696,172
50	South Carolina	2,014,797	2,716,867	2,190,638	50,688	73,560	80,243	4,359,003	5,363,706	5,561,854
51	Georgia	5,753,407	7,858,209	6,829,142	78,610	112,791	132,205	10,240,890	12,686,331	13,280,149
52	Florida	10,167,849	12,809,400	11,620,648	18,748	27,643	31,030	6,732,710	8,975,652	9,049,842
53	East South Central:									
54	Kentucky	7,765,993	8,401,513	8,570,544	97,318	116,748	129,587	4,495,817	4,850,232	4,903,297
55	Tennessee	6,445,560	7,121,096	6,415,280	104,176	125,888	141,092	5,201,315	5,935,369	5,868,607
56	Alabama	6,928,998	8,704,674	7,016,810	78,985	115,522	133,371	7,776,878	10,333,232	9,741,694
57	Mississippi	8,954,389	10,137,535	8,366,843	83,804	109,767	117,608	7,611,872	8,877,148	8,506,238
58	West South Central:									
59	Arkansas	6,895,280	8,425,715	7,301,407	61,221	82,946	100,322	5,657,503	6,533,988	6,823,802
60	Louisiana	5,472,651	5,738,393	4,759,679	34,511	48,594	50,958	3,212,859	3,949,247	3,768,763
61	Oklahoma	22,563,153	22,034,705	20,081,027	33,945	45,040	58,534	4,456,025	5,147,321	5,898,653
62	Texas	112,052,137	113,481,505	109,549,740	72,065	104,333	143,864	13,631,340	20,023,132	32,867,704
63	Mountain:									
64	Montana	48,594,538	46,632,755	45,253,088	4,772	5,340	7,098	2,437,862	2,163,660	3,159,878
65	Idaho	8,959,240	8,422,538	7,352,763	5,125	6,171	7,406	1,523,387	1,427,618	1,552,053
66	Wyoming	33,491,223	32,451,055	31,525,162	899	1,251	1,709	555,858	651,479	1,347,918
67	Colorado	27,720,380	27,159,995	26,390,635	3,145	3,761	5,702	2,029,690	2,003,686	3,247,271
68	New Mexico	43,381,394	46,529,040	43,810,755	1,717	2,329	4,236	3,821,064	5,299,531	7,711,887
69	Arizona	36,874,392	39,286,310	38,232,821	276	893	821	6,022,820	8,950,507	7,009,835
70	Utah	10,587,882	9,987,833	8,574,587	905	1,019	1,836	979,953	1,029,241	1,556,603
71	Nevada	9,892,996	7,637,386	6,430,991	101	185	225	43,553	63,015	88,069
72	Pacific:									
73	Washington	9,954,101	9,234,377	8,954,015	20,832	27,207	31,129	3,958,426	3,709,784	3,292,019
74	Oregon	15,569,302	15,261,888	14,252,261	17,943	22,629	27,909	3,881,367	4,637,964	4,568,622
75	California	24,290,693	25,031,331	23,364,296	8,690	10,883	13,874	4,899,079	5,854,777	7,322,171
76	Alaska	570,581	NA	366,028	290	NA	455	110,326	NA	42,825
77	Hawaii	1,199,965	NA	1,361,446	569	NA	NA	409,718	NA	703,270

NA Not available.

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Table 13.—MAJOR USES OF LAND, BY DIVISIONS

	Region, division, and State	Approximate land area (acres)		Land in farms (acres)			Land not in farms						Land not in farms classified according to use ¹		
				1959	1954	1950	Acres			Percent of total land area			Grazing land (acres)		
		1959	1954				1959	1954	1950	1959	1954	1950	1959	1954 ⁴	1949 ⁵
1	U. S.	2,271,343,360	NA	1,123,507,574	NA	1,161,419,720	1,147,835,786	NA	1,111,986,360	50.5	NA	48.9	327,803,000	NA	402,150,000
2	Conterminous U.S.	1,901,756,160	1,903,824,640	1,120,157,789	1,158,191,511	1,158,565,852	781,598,371	745,633,129	745,258,788	41.1	39.2	39.1	325,683,000	352,639,000	400,164,000
3	The North.	587,569,920	588,275,840	421,439,668	434,476,967	440,827,903	166,130,252	153,798,873	147,447,937	28.3	26.1	25.1	20,179,000	15,127,000	20,679,000
4	The South.	561,238,400	562,181,120	357,448,086	386,289,000	393,215,174	203,790,314	175,892,120	168,965,946	36.3	31.3	30.1	58,347,000	69,554,000	81,385,000
5	The West.	1,122,535,040	NA	344,619,820	NA	327,376,643	777,915,220	NA	795,572,477	69.3	NA	70.8	249,277,000	NA	300,086,000
6	Conterminous area.	752,947,840	753,367,680	341,270,035	337,425,544	324,522,775	411,677,805	415,942,136	428,844,905	54.7	55.2	56.9	247,157,000	267,958,000	298,100,000
	Geo. Div.:														
7	N. E.	40,400,640	40,421,760	9,316,356	11,120,920	12,546,518	31,084,284	29,300,840	27,875,242	76.9	72.5	69.0	640,000	1,139,000	1,650,000
8	M. A.	64,298,880	64,327,040	26,730,245	29,898,166	31,855,003	37,568,635	34,428,874	32,472,037	58.4	53.5	50.5	2,692,000	1,098,000	1,000,000
9	F. N. C.	156,679,040	156,714,880	103,385,833	108,596,915	112,097,670	53,293,207	48,117,965	44,617,210	34.0	30.7	28.5	6,659,000	2,438,000	4,500,000
10	W. N. C.	326,191,360	326,812,160	282,007,234	284,860,966	284,328,712	44,184,126	41,951,194	42,483,448	13.5	12.8	13.0	10,188,000	10,452,000	13,529,000
11	S. A.	171,324,800	171,545,600	83,339,043	98,258,904	102,170,327	87,985,757	73,286,696	69,375,273	51.3	42.7	40.4	14,867,000	22,388,000	26,615,000
12	F. S. C.	115,141,120	115,191,680	68,284,953	77,201,608	79,575,708	46,856,167	37,990,072	35,615,972	40.7	33.0	30.9	7,765,000	14,603,000	17,070,000
13	W. S. C.	274,772,480	275,443,840	205,824,090	210,828,488	211,469,139	68,948,390	64,615,352	63,974,701	25.1	23.5	23.2	35,715,000	32,563,000	37,700,000
14	Mt.	548,448,640	548,669,440	264,428,817	260,941,995	250,212,556	284,019,823	287,727,445	298,456,884	51.8	52.4	54.4	203,051,000	211,617,000	227,365,000
15	Pac.	574,086,400	NA	80,191,003	NA	77,164,087	493,895,397	NA	497,115,593	86.0	NA	86.6	46,226,000	NA	72,721,000
16	Conterminous area.	204,499,200	204,698,240	76,841,218	76,483,549	74,310,219	127,657,982	128,214,691	130,388,021	62.4	62.6	63.7	44,106,000	56,341,000	70,735,000
17	N. E.:														
18	Maine.	19,847,680	19,865,600	3,081,987	3,614,242	4,181,613	16,765,693	16,251,358	15,683,987	84.5	81.8	79.0	189,000	350,000	400,000
19	N. H.	5,768,960	5,770,880	1,124,312	1,457,293	1,713,731	4,644,648	4,313,587	4,057,149	80.5	74.7	70.3	30,000	160,000	450,000
20	Vt.	5,936,640	5,937,920												

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AND STATES: 1959, 1954, AND 1949

Land not in farms classified according to use ¹ —Continued						Land used for agriculture, 1959 ²						Land used for agriculture and forestry, 1959 ³		
Woodland and forest land not grazed (acres)			Other land (acres)			Total (acres)	Percent of total land area	Cropland other than that used only for pasture		Land used for pasture and grazing		Acres	Percent of total land area	
1959	1954	1949	1959	1954	1949			Acres	Percent of total land area	Acres	Percent of total land area			
428,893,000	NA	334,804,000	391,140,000	NA	375,033,000	1,451,310,574	63.9	382,570,743	16.8	952,112,623	41.9	1,880,203,574	82.8	1
295,479,000	238,310,000	201,287,000	160,437,000	154,684,000	143,808,000	1,445,840,789	76.0	382,218,824	20.1	948,222,077	49.9	1,741,319,789	91.6	2
102,265,000	91,939,000	81,966,000	43,686,000	46,732,000	44,802,000	441,618,668	75.2	230,672,280	39.3	166,852,712	28.4	543,883,668	92.6	3
106,823,000	66,151,000	43,802,000	38,622,000	40,187,000	43,780,000	415,795,086	74.1	93,524,251	16.7	264,896,224	47.2	522,618,086	93.1	4
219,805,000	NA	209,036,000	308,832,000	NA	286,451,000	593,896,820	52.9	58,374,212	5.2	520,363,687	46.4	813,701,820	72.5	5
86,391,000	80,220,000	75,519,000	78,129,000	67,765,000	55,226,000	588,427,035	78.1	58,022,293	7.7	516,473,141	68.6	674,818,035	89.6	6
26,585,000	24,547,000	23,200,000	3,860,000	3,615,000	3,025,000	9,956,356	24.7	2,581,442	6.4	3,274,623	8.1	36,541,356	90.4	7
22,332,000	21,374,000	20,388,000	12,544,000	11,957,000	11,084,000	29,422,245	45.8	12,355,783	19.2	10,701,422	16.6	51,754,245	80.5	8
31,014,000	28,824,000	23,819,000	15,619,000	16,855,000	16,298,000	110,044,833	70.2	63,430,542	40.5	31,422,792	20.1	141,058,833	90.0	9
22,334,000	17,194,000	14,559,000	11,663,000	14,305,000	14,395,000	292,195,234	89.6	152,304,513	46.7	121,453,875	37.2	314,529,234	96.4	10
59,679,000	36,181,000	26,242,000	13,441,000	14,718,000	16,519,000	98,206,043	57.3	24,310,014	14.2	44,338,063	25.9	157,885,043	92.2	11
30,943,000	16,266,000	11,230,000	8,148,000	7,120,000	7,316,000	76,049,953	66.0	20,547,066	17.8	37,859,940	32.9	106,992,953	92.9	12
16,201,000	13,704,000	6,330,000	17,033,000	18,349,000	19,945,000	241,539,090	87.9	48,667,171	17.7	182,698,221	66.5	257,740,090	93.8	13
33,617,000	34,212,000	32,741,000	47,351,000	41,898,000	38,350,000	467,479,817	85.2	36,465,756	6.6	422,553,045	77.0	501,096,817	91.4	14
186,188,000	NA	176,295,000	261,481,000	NA	248,101,000	126,417,003	22.0	21,908,456	3.8	97,810,642	17.0	312,605,003	54.5	15
52,774,000	46,008,000	42,778,000	30,778,000	25,867,000	16,876,000	120,947,218	59.1	21,556,537	10.5	93,920,096	45.9	173,721,218	84.9	16
15,492,000	14,609,000	14,053,000	1,085,000	1,293,000	1,231,000	3,270,987	16.5	906,265	4.6	663,196	3.3	18,762,987	94.5	17
4,036,000	3,732,000	3,334,000	579,000	422,000	273,000	1,154,312	20.0	234,697	4.1	309,673	5.4	5,190,312	90.0	18
2,309,000	1,820,000	1,813,000	464,000	332,000	98,000	3,163,343	53.3	787,087	13.3	1,491,051	25.1	5,472,343	92.2	19
2,758,000	2,518,000	2,258,000	1,034,000	957,000	816,000	1,243,341	24.7	342,405	6.8	396,176	7.9	4,001,341	79.5	20
366,000	367,000	368,000	160,000	155,000	118,000	150,930	22.3	39,673	5.9	45,963	6.8	516,930	76.3	21

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Table 14.—FARMS BY ACRES OF CROPLAND HARVESTED,
[Data for 1949 for 200 or more acres are based on reports for only a sample of farms. Figures for

	Region, division, and State	Farms by acres of cropland harvested																	
		1 to 9			10 to 19			20 to 29			30 to 49			50 to 99			100 to 199		
		1959	1954	1949	1959	1954	1949	1959	1954	1949	1959	1954	1949	1959	1954	1949	1959	1954	1949
1	U. S.	550,142	NA	NA	435,742	NA	NA	297,900	NA	NA	391,341	NA	NA	563,699	NA	NA	536,667	NA	NA
2	Contermi- nous U.S.	546,805	805,717	886,381	435,153	620,555	768,318	297,718	429,497	574,335	391,214	531,274	687,956	563,615	710,143	811,181	536,626	602,632	621,248

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all farms and for total farms reporting and acres of cropland harvested are in tables 9, 10, and 11

Farms by acres of cropland harvested—Continued												Percent distribution of farms by acres of cropland harvested, 1959								Average acreage of cropland harvested per farm reporting			
200 to 499			500 to 999			1,000 or more			None			1 to 9	10 to 19	20 to 29	30 to 49	50 to 99	100 to 199	200 or more	None	1959	1954	1949	
1959	1954	1949	1959	1954	1949	1959	1954	1949	1959	1954	1949												
351,983	NA	NA	60,176	NA	NA	13,665	NA	NA	509,188	NA	650,207	14.8	11.7	8.0	10.5	15.2	14.5	13.7	97.3	NA	72.7	1	
351,970	335,137	321,440	60,172	56,209	51,460	13,627	13,077	12,079	506,994	678,175	647,764	14.8	11.7	8.0	10.6	15.2	14.5	13.7	97.4	81.1	72.7	2	
257,903	241,089	227,554	33,110	31,638	27,802	5,070	5,308	4,653	161,320	210,319	217,936	6.8	6.4	5.6	10.2	20.8	23.6	17.3	9.4	127.1	113.3	101.4	3
60,275	60,413	58,024	14,320	12,750	11,986	3,769	3,273	3,256	281,641	380,064	345,828	22.4	17.7	11.0	11.3	10.0	5.7	4.8	17.1	55.1	44.7	41.9	4
33,805	NA	NA	12,746	NA	NA	4,826	NA	NA	66,227	NA	86,343	18.4	9.9	6.1	8.7	12.3	10.9	14.7	19.0	137.1	NA	105.0	5
33,792	33,635	35,862	12,742	11,821	11,672	4,788	4,496	4,170	64,033	87,792	83,900	17.8	9.9	6.1	8.8	12.5	11.1	15.0	18.7	138.6	115.5	105.7	6
1,000	815	651	62	57	37	8	6	8	8,515	14,555	14,891	18.6	13.0	10.3	14.9	18.4	7.9	1.9	15.0	45.7	37.0	31.8	7
5,017	4,535	3,327	319	260	181	54	47	44	20,605	32,515	33,907	13.6	10.7	8.9	15.7	25.5	12.6	2.7	10.4	59.5	52.4	46.5	8
66,271	53,574	45,211	4,007	2,515	2,071	306	227	204	57,589	80,005	85,042	7.6	7.4	6.6	12.7	24.8	21.7	10.6	8.6	96.3	83.1	74.4	9
185,615	182,165	178,365	28,722	28,806	25,513	4,702	5,028	4,397	74,611	83,244	84,096	3.6	4.1	3.5	6.4	16.3	29.0	27.6	9.4	175.2	162.6	148.3	10
10,980	9,134	7,380	1,671	1,377	1,050	408	342	309	66,186	106,619	103,885	26.3	19.9	12.8	12.9	10.2	4.5	2.2	11.2	37.6	30.8	29.3	11
7,086	6,424	5,334	1,571	1,235	1,024	535	354	277	72,777	93,755	90,877	27.3	21.5	12.7	11.9	8.8	3.3	1.6	12.8	33.5	28.4	27.4	12
42,209	44,855	45,310	11,078	10,138	9,912	2,826	2,577	2,670	143,178	179,690	151,166	12.2	10.6	7.0	8.6	11.1	9.9	11.4	29.1	112.0	89.4	78.0	13
22,582	22,567	25,009	8,308	7,554	7,677	2,611	2,316	2,285	22,982	29,969	25,321	8.9	6.6	5.0	8.5	16.2	16.9	22.5	15.4	182.8	151.5	144.5	14
11,223	NA	NA	4,438	NA	NA	2,215	NA	NA	43,245	NA	61,022	25.5	12.4	6.8	8.8	9.4	6.5	8.9	21.6	100.4	NA	73.5	15
11,210	11,068	10,853	4,434	4,267	3,995	2,177	2,180	1,885	41,051	57,823	58,579	24.7	12.5	7.0	9.1	9.7	6.7	9.2	21.2	102.1	86.2	74.0	16
352	276	206	16	20	13	4	5	2	2,165	3,108	2,478	16.2	15.2	12.0	16.1	18.1	7.8	2.1	12.5	45.9	39.3	33.4	17
53	53	40	3	3	1	...	...	...	1,039	2,154	1,932	19.3	15.7	12.0	14.7	16.2	5.4	0.9	15.9	37.4	29.9	25.3	18
377	310	250	24	13	14	2	...	3	681	1,338	1,046	8.8	7.7	9.2	19.2	31.0	15.2	3.3	5.6	65.1	54.6	47.7	19
117	95	87	11	7	2	1	...	1	2,400	4,356	5,514	27.1	13.7	9.5	11.7	11.3	4.1	1.2	21.5	33.1	25.5	22.5	20
13	12	5	3	1	...	...	...	...	398	692	789	24.7	14.4	7.7	9.8	10.0	3.6	1.1	28.5	33.6	26.7	22.0	21
88	69	63	5	13	7	1	1	2	1,832	2,907	3,132	24.7	13.2	8.9	11.3	13.4	5.2	1.1	22.1	36.8	29.0	24.7	22
2,856	2,506	1,844	174	145	73	20	17	16	6,526	10,746	10,974	11.8	9.5	8.3	15.6	27.6	15.6	3.7	7.9	66.4	58.4	50.8	23
409	460	315	46	36	36	9	7	8	4,361	7,252	7,368	18.7	8.8	5.9	9.2	16.6	9.7	3.0	28.2	59.3	51.1	44.8	24
1,752	1,569	1,168	99	79	72	25	23	20	9,718	14,517	15,565	14.2	12.0	9.8	16.7	25.2	10.6	1.9	9.7	53.7	47.5	42.9	25
9,192	7,039	5,378	548	336	277	41	34	33	14,742	20,587	23,207	11.8	9.9	8.2	13.4	22.1	17.1	7.0	10.5	77.6	66.1	58.4	26
14,063	11,346	9,078	866	558	432	69	47	48	16,780	23,252	24,225	8.0	8.0	6.6	11.5	20.6	20.5	11.7	13.1	100.1	87.0	77.3	27
34,236	28,827	26,006	2,199	1,364	1,155	146	106	91	13,419	17,444	20,532	4.4	4.3	3.4	6.4	17.2	32.0	23.7	8.7	148.5	130.0	116.5	28
4,923	3,691	2,300	196	123	77	14	6	9	7,105	12,165	11,350	10.2	10.9	9.4	16.6	25.7	16.2	4.6	6.4	68.3	60.4	54.1	29
3,857	2,671	2,199	198	134	130	36	34	23	5,543	6,557	5,728	4.2	4.9	6.2	17.1	40.1	20.1	3.1	4.2	76.4	67.0	62.1	30
26,145	24,167	22,781	1,917	1,527	1,423	246	199	165	8,458	8,910	8,638	3.1	3.6	3.7	8.0	22.1	34.1	19.4	5.8	137.9	124.7	115.6	31
32,462	24,637	23,426	1,092	661	521	67	44	48	12,591	12,479	12,606	2.7	2.6	2.3	4.7	19.6	41.7	19.2	7.2	141.1	124.4	118.3	32
13,366	10,942	8,668	1,293	826	567	184	123	91	32,583	38,888	38,367	8.3	10.0	7.9	12.0	18.0	15.7	8.8	19.3	89.5	76.0	64.0	33
28,248	33,380	35,090	10,168	10,242	8,347	1,321	1,298	997	1,614	1,420	1,474	0.5	0.7	0.8	1.7	5.3	15.7	72.3	2.9	363.1	351.0	318.4	34
24,779	28,040	28,525	4,770	6,670	6,261	733	1,299	1,079	3,566	2,716	2,899	0.8	1.2	1.1	2.4	7.9	25.8	54.3	6.4	272.9	297.0	275.8	35
29,892	29,370	29,308	3,330	2,998	3,129	907	925	887	6,370	6,266	6,199	1.7	1.6	1.3	2.8	11.9	36.0	37.7	7.0	214.7	199.6	192.2	36
30,723	31,429	30,567	6,152	5,882	5,265	1,244	1,140	1,130	9,429	12,565	13,913	2.8	3.4	2.9	5.9	14.4	24.9	36.5	9.0	216.3	199.3	183.0	37
421	334	257	65	43	13	11	4	5	850	785	1,000	9.3	8.5	7.2	13.2	20.0	16.0	9.5	16.3	95.5	74.8	60.4	38
1,169	1,027	818	139	97	50	24	16	10	3,241	4,756	5,059	18.0	11.7	8.4	12.3	18.8	12.7	5.3	12.9	66.5	56.7	49.3	39
NA	NA	...	NA	...	...	NA	NA	...	NA	NA	14	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	19.0	40
1,560	1,314	1,065	158	111	97	26	19	25	11,668	21,709	22,250	30.5	19.6	11.2	11.3	9.4	4.3	1.8	12.0	33.2	27.5	25.7	41
203	195	168	16	17	14	3	5	7	4,631	8,106	10,282	38.0	21.2	11.7	10.2	6.0	1.8	0.5	10.5	21.1	17.7	17.1	42
1,218	872	690	152	82	68	20	28	15	13,316	22,203	21,555	28.1	23.5	15.7	14.6	8.2	2.3	0.7	7.0	26.8	22.4	21.7	43
1,622	1,340	1,198	300	275	217	61	58	48	6,570	11,273	9,397	21.5	25.0	16.3	14.0	8.6	3.7	2.5	8.4	37.6	30.0	30.5	44
3,521	2,980	2,350	595	490	429	121	104	102	16,664	25,024	21,581	18.9	15.0	10.5	13.4	15.1	7.4	4.0	15.7	54.8	43.5	40.2	45
1,266	1,072	834	246	162	162	142	108	97	9,246	12,763	12,747	30.5	13.0	8.1	9.1	9.4	5.7	3.7					

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Table 15.—PERCENT OF ALL LAND IN FARMS REPRESENTED BY THE SEVERAL CLASSES OF LAND ACCORDING TO USE, BY DIVISIONS AND STATES: 1959 AND 1954

[Base data in Tables 9, 10, and 12]

	Region, division, and State	Cropland harvested		Cropland used only for pasture		Cropland not harvested and not pastured		Woodland pastured		Woodland not pastured		Other pasture (not cropland and not woodland)				Other land (house lots, roads, wasteland, etc.)		Cropland, total		Land pastured, total		Woodland, total	
		1959	1954	1959	1954	1959	1954	1959	1954	1959	1954	Total		Improved		1959	1954	1959	1954	1959	1954	1959	1954
												1959	1954	1959	1954								
1	U. S.	27.7	NA	5.8	NA	6.3	NA	8.2	NA	6.4	NA	41.5	NA	NA	NA	4.0	NA	39.9	NA	55.6	NA	14.6	NA
2	Contemni- ous U.S.	27.8	28.7	5.8	5.7	6.3	5.2	8.2	10.5	6.4	6.5	41.5	39.7	2.1	1.5	3.9	3.6	40.0	39.7	55.6	55.9	14.6	17.0
3	The North.	46.9	47.8	5.9	6.2	7.9	5.8	5.1	6.3	5.1	4.8	23.7	23.9	0.9	0.7	5.4	5.2	60.7	59.7	34.8	36.4	10.2	11.1
4	The South.	21.0	22.4	8.6	8.0	5.1	4.2	12.4	15.9	13.0	13.3	36.8	33.4	4.1	2.8	3.1	2.8	34.8	34.6	57.8	57.3	25.3	29.2
5	The West.	11.3	NA	2.8	NA	5.7	NA	7.8	NA	1.2	NA	68.1	NA	NA	NA	3.2	NA	19.8	NA	78.7	NA	8.9	NA
6	Contemni- ous area...	11.3	11.5	2.8	2.5	5.7	5.8	7.8	9.6	1.1	1.0	68.3	67.2	1.3	1.0	3.0	2.4	19.8	19.7	78.9	79.3	8.8	10.6
	Geo. Div.:																						
7	N. E.	23.7	22.4	6.8	7.3	4.0	4.4	11.5	13.7	39.2	36.8	9.9	11.2	1.1	0.9	4.8	4.2	34.5	34.1	28.3	32.2	50.7	50.5
8	M. A.	39.4	39.4	8.4	8.5	6.8	6.3	6.2	7.0	16.9	16.0	15.3	16.8	1.8	1.5	7.0	6.0	54.6	54.2	30.0	32.3	23.1	23.0
9	E. N. C.	56.7	55.0	8.4	9.5	4.7	3.5	7.8	9.7	7.8	6.8	7.8	8.9	1.0	0.8	6.9	6.6	69.7	68.0	24.0	28.1	15.6	16.5
10	W. N. C.	44.7	46.9	4.8	4.6	9.3	6.7	3.8	4.6	1.8	1.7	30.8	30.9	0.8	0.6	4.7	4.7	58.8	58.2	39.5	40.1	5.7	6.3
11	S. A.	23.8	23.6	6.5	5.8	5.4	4.6	14.9	18.1	31.3	30.0	13.9	14.2	4.3	3.6	4.2	3.6	35.7	34.0	35.4	38.1	46.2	48.1
12	E. S. C.	24.0	25.6	16.1	14.4	6.1	5.0	15.5	18.0	21.2	20.8	12.5	12.1	3.2	2.6	4.6	4.1	46.2	45.0	44.1	44.5	36.7	38.9
13	W. S. C.	18.9	20.7	7.0	6.7	4.7	3.6	10.3	14.1	2.8	2.8	54.2	50.2	4.4	2.5	2.1	1.9	30.6	31.0	71.4	71.0	13.1	16.9
14	Mt.	8.7	8.7	1.8	1.5	5.1	5.3	6.1	7.9	0.4	0.4	75.0	74.2	1.1	0.8	2.8	2.0	15.6	15.5	83.0	83.6	6.6	8.3
15	Pac.	19.6	NA	6.1	NA	7.7	NA	13.1	NA	3.5	NA	45.2	NA	NA	NA	4.9	NA	33.4	NA	64.3	NA	16.5	NA
16	Contemni- ous area .	20.2	20.8	6.1	5.8	7.8	7.6	13.4	15.5	3.1	3.0	45.3	43.4	1.9	1.6	4.0	3.8	34.2	34.2	64.8	64.8	16.6	18.6
17	N. E.:																						
18	Maine.	22.7	22.0	5.6	6.5	6.8	6.7	5.5	7.8	50.1	47.4	4.3	5.6	0.4	0.4	5.1	4.0	35.0	35.2	15.4	19.9	55.6	55.1
19	N. H.	18.3	16.9	6.4	6.0	2.6	3.3	13.5	15.7	51.0	46.7	5.0	8.0	0.5	0.5	3.3	3.4	27.2	26.2	24.9	29.7	64.5	62.4
20	Vt.	25.2	24.1	6.7	5.9	1.5	2.0	18.9	21.2	27.5	24.2	17.7	20.2	1.8	1.4	2.6	2.4	33.4	32.0	43.2	47.3	46.3	45.4
21	Mass.	25.4	23.0	9.0	9.9	4.5	5.3	8.9	11.6	35.9	35.0	7.9	7.9	0.9	0.7	8.3	7.3	39.0	38.3	25.8	29.4	44.8	46.6
22	R. I.	24.3	22.6	10.8	13.9	4.5	6.9	5.7	7.2	39.2	33.9	7.4	7.8	1.1	0.9	8.1	7.7	39.6	43.5	23.9	28.9	45.0	41.0
23	Conn.	26.9	25.1	9.0	11.1	3.8	4.2	10.1	11.9	29.4	30.1	12.5	11.3	1.9	1.7	8.3	6.3	39.6	40.4	31.6	34.2	39.5	42.0
24	M. A.:																						
25	N. Y.	37.3	36.8	9.5	9.4	6.0	6.0	7.2	8.0	15.1	14.0	18.3	20.4	1.6	1.2	6.6	5.5	52.8	52.1	35.0	37.8	22.3	22.0
26	N. J.	47.7	47.3	9.1	11.1	7.9	6.8	1.8	2.4	16.4	17.0	5.9	5.7	1.4	1.2	11.2	9.8	64.7	65.2	16.7	19.1	18.2	19.3
27	Pa.	40.9	41.3	7.1	7.2	7.6	6.6	5.6	6.4	18.9	18.3	13.0	14.0	2.1	1.8	6.8	6.2	55.6	55.1	25.8	27.6	24.5	24.7
28	E. N. C.:																						
29	Ohio.	52.6	51.7	8.1	8.6	5.4	3.7	5.7	7.3	8.0	7.3	12.7	14.6	1.8	1.5	7.3	6.9	66.2	64.0	26.5	30.4	13.7	14.5
30	Ind.	59.9	58.9	9.1	10.2	4.4	2.7	6.5	8.2	7.2	6.3	6.1	6.8	0.9	0.8	6.8	6.8	73.4	71.9	21.6	25.2	13.7	14.5
31	Ill.	69.1	67.6	6.8	8.2	3.0	2.3	5.1	6.4	3.9	3.2	6.2	6.9	1.0	0.7	5.7	5.4	79.0	78.1	18.2	21.5	9.0	9.6
32	Mich.	48.4	46.5	9.5	11.6	9.5	7.4	7.7	10.6	11.5	10.2	4.7	5.7	0.4	0.4	8.7	8.0	67.4	65.5	21.8	27.9	19.2	20.7
33	Wis.	45.4	43.8	9.4	10.0	3.1	2.6	14.7	17.0	11.0	9.4	9.4	10.9	0.8	0.6	7.0	6.4	57.9	56.3	33.5	37.8	25.7	26.3
34	W. N. C.:																						
35	Minn.	61.4	60.4	4.1	4.8	5.7	3.6	8.1	9.2	5.0	4.8	7.0	8.1	0.5	0.4	8.7	9.2	71.2	68.7	19.2	22.0	13.1	14.0
36	Iowa.	67.6	65.9	8.4	9.3	2.0	1.1	4.6	5.2	1.2	1.0	9.9	11.2	1.0	0.8	6.3	6.3	78.0	76.3	22.9	25.7	5.8	6.3
37	Mo.	36.7	36.2	14.2	12.8	3.9	2.8	16.4	19.2	7.3	5.9	16.3	18.5	1.6	1.2	5.2	4.6	54.8	51.8	46.9	50.6	23.7	25.1
38	N. Dak.	46.7	50.7	1.8	1.8	18.3	13.6	0.7	0.8	0.4	0.5	26.9	27.3	0.3	0.3	5.2	5.2	66.8	66.1	29.4	29.9	1.1	1.3
39	S. Dak.	31.7	39.5	2.6	1.6	8.3	2.6	0.6	0.7	0.2	0.3	53.7	52.4	0.4	0.3	2.8	3.0	42.7	43.7	56.9	54.7	0.8	1.0
40	Nebr.	37.8	39.7	2.7	2.4	7.2	6.1	0.8	0.9	0.3	0.4	47.8	47.5	0.8	0.6	3.3	3.1	47.8	48.2	51.4	50.7	1.1	1.3
41	Kans.	40.9	42.9	2.9	2.7	15.3	13.5	0.9	1.3	0.7	0.7	35.7	35.6	1.2	0.8	3.6	3.3	59.1	59.1	39.5	39.6	1.6	2.0
42	S. A.:																						
43	Del.	54.6	50.6	5.7	7.8	4.8	4.7	0.8	2.8	24.3	23.6	2.7	3.2	0.7	0.7	7.2	7.2	65.1	63.2	9.1	13.8	25.1	26.4
44	Md.	42.1	40.3	8.3	9.3	6.0	4.8	4.0	5.0	23.6	24.1	10.3	10.7	3.3	2.8	5.7	5.7	56.4	54.5	22.6	25.0	27.6	29.1
45	D. C.	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
46	Va.	21.8	21.5	7.8	7.6	4.2	3.8	8.8	10.6	34.4	34.3	19.4	18.9	5.0	4.5	3.6	3.4	33.7	32.9	36.0	37.0	43.2	44.8
47	W. Va.	13.7	14.6	8.6	7.0	3.3	3.2	16.8	17.3	26.2	24.0	27.8	31.0	4.4	3.8	3.6	3.0	25.6	24.7	53.2	55.3	43.0	41.3
48	N. C.	29.9	30.1	4.2	3.8	6.3	4.6	6.4	8.2	42.3	42.3	6.5	7.0	2.9	2.1	4.3	3.7	40.4	38.6	17.2	19.1	48.8	50.6
49	S. C.	29.4	30.7	7.0	6.2	7.6	6.4	10.1	13.1	37.5	35.4	4.9	5.2	1.9	1.7	3.4	3.0	44.1	43.3	22.0	24.5	47.6	48.5
50	Ga.	25.0	25.5	6.6	5.9	6.3	5.8	15.6	19.2	36.5	33.7	7.0	7.7	3.5	3.3	2.9	2.3	37.9	37.2	29.3	32.7	52.1	52.8
51	Fla.	12.4	10.7	6.2	4.8	3.8	3.2	33.5	39.4	10.7	10.0	27.1	26										

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Table 16.—PERCENT OF FARMS REPORTING THE SEVERAL CLASSES OF LAND ACCORDING TO USE,
BY DIVISIONS AND STATES: 1959 AND 1954

[Base data in Tables 9, 11, and 12]

	Region, division, and State	Cropland harvested		Cropland used only for pasture		Cropland not harvested and not pastured		Woodland pastured		Woodland not pastured		Other pasture (not cropland and not woodland)				Cropland, total		Land pastured, total		Woodland, total	
		1959	1954	1959	1954	1959	1954	1959	1954	1959	1954	Total		Improved		1959	1954	1959	1954	1959	1954
												1959	1954	1959	1954						
1	U. S.	86.3	NA	40.6	NA	29.6	NA	29.6	NA	32.0	NA	43.5	NA	NA	NA	92.5	NA	76.7	NA	50.6	NA
2	Contem- porous U.S.	86.3	85.8	40.7	38.5	29.6	27.0	29.7	31.4	32.0	28.8	43.6	41.8	9.5	8.1	92.5	92.4	76.8	75.2	50.7	49.9
3	The North	90.6	89.7	43.8	43.9	29.9	26.7	28.1	30.6	29.8	26.2	47.3	47.8	7.3	6.2	94.6	93.8	81.3	83.2	48.5	48.3
4	The South	82.9	83.6	39.2	34.9	29.4	26.9	34.9	35.3	39.2	34.8	40.3	37.0	11.3	9.1	91.1	91.9	74.3	69.8	59.7	57.0
5	The West	81.0	NA	32.0	NA	28.6	NA	12.7	NA	8.7	NA	39.9	NA	NA	NA	88.9	NA	65.1	NA	18.7	NA
6	Contem- porous area...	81.3	79.2	32.4	32.5	28.7	28.3	12.8	13.5	8.7	8.1	40.3	38.7	11.3	11.9	89.1	88.5	65.7	66.0	18.8	19.3
	Geo. Div.:																				
7	N. E.	85.0	82.2	41.4	40.8	24.2	29.8	29.7	30.8	64.8	59.1	33.5	32.6	8.4	6.6	91.3	91.7	69.0	70.2	77.3	74.0
8	M. A.	89.6	87.4	39.9	37.9	33.8	34.0	25.8	26.0	55.0	49.8	47.7	46.2	11.7	9.3	94.0	93.8	75.0	74.0	68.3	64.9
9	E. N. C.	91.4	90.0	51.1	52.3	27.3	23.0	34.4	38.2	36.4	29.7	36.8	37.9	6.8	5.6	95.2	93.9	78.5	81.6	59.2	57.5
10	W. N. C.	90.6	90.8	38.7	38.5	31.5	27.7	23.2	25.2	15.5	13.6	37.1	38.4	6.6	5.7	94.5	93.9	86.2	88.4	32.4	33.1
11	S. A.	88.8	87.6	31.4	27.5	33.9	30.4	32.6	33.3	57.5	51.6	36.8	35.6	14.8	12.5	93.7	93.6	66.4	63.3	70.2	66.5
12	E. S. C.	87.2	88.1	47.2	40.2	28.4	26.1	39.4	38.4	42.0	35.8	33.1	31.5	8.6	7.2	94.5	95.1	76.1	70.6	64.7	59.3
13	W. S. C.	70.8	73.1	39.5	38.0	25.2	23.4	32.3	34.2	14.0	12.2	52.8	45.2	10.3	6.9	84.0	85.8	81.8	77.2	41.1	42.0
14	Mt.	84.6	83.3	33.2	32.5	37.8	38.7	9.2	9.7	3.3	2.9	57.5	55.2	14.1	14.4	90.1	90.0	78.4	76.8	11.4	11.6
15	Pac.	78.4	NA	31.1	NA	21.8	NA	15.2	NA	12.6	NA	26.8	NA	NA	NA	87.9	NA	55.1	NA	24.2	NA
16	Contem- porous area ..	78.8	76.2	31.7	32.5	21.6	20.6	15.6	16.3	12.8	12.0	27.1	26.5	9.2	10.1	88.2	87.4	56.0	58.1	24.5	25.0
	N. E.:																				
17	Maine	87.5	86.7	44.2	46.8	35.0	44.4	21.0	26.6	78.0	72.8	25.6	27.6	4.7	4.2	94.1	95.9	65.5	70.9	83.9	82.1
18	N. H.	84.1	79.3	44.7	38.1	20.8	25.4	31.2	30.1	74.0	64.7	21.1	26.1	4.7	4.6	91.6	90.8	68.5	67.7	84.0	78.6
19	Vt.	94.4	91.6	44.6	37.6	13.0	18.1	55.3	54.6	58.5	50.6	61.7	61.9	18.3	14.6	96.5	95.1	90.3	88.6	86.0	81.2
20	Mass.	78.5	74.9	36.2	37.3	23.8	27.4	19.2	20.8	55.9	52.1	22.5	20.1	5.1	3.9	87.2	87.7	55.9	57.4	64.1	62.3
21	R. L.	71.5	65.5	38.8	43.9	21.3	28.4	16.9	14.7	47.3	43.7	23.7	19.8	6.2	6.3	81.1	81.4	58.4	59.5	55.6	51.5
22	Conn.	77.9	77.2	35.8	40.1	21.4	24.6	25.8	25.2	54.1	52.1	35.5	29.1	9.6	6.5	84.8	87.7	64.8	66.7	66.7	66.2
	M. A.:																				
23	N. Y.	92.1	89.8	43.4	40.4	31.7	34.6	30.8	31.7	54.5	48.8	51.6	51.9	11.3	9.5	95.8	95.3	78.1	78.2	71.2	68.1
24	N. J.	71.8	68.0	31.0	35.7	32.8	33.9	7.5	8.5	46.3	44.0	18.5	16.4	5.3	4.3	82.0	85.1	44.0	48.3	50.4	49.2
25	Pa.	90.3	88.7	38.4	36.3	35.8	33.5	24.5	24.4	56.8	51.7	49.1	46.7	13.0	10.1	94.5	94.1	77.2	75.2	68.8	65.1
	E. N. C.:																				
26	Ohio	89.5	88.4	43.6	41.7	29.5	23.1	32.5	36.0	41.7	34.2	47.4	48.2	9.3	7.7	94.0	92.7	79.2	80.6	63.1	60.2
27	Ind.	86.9	84.9	52.8	53.9	26.1	18.3	37.1	40.5	37.0	29.0	33.1	33.9	5.9	5.2	92.6	90.3	79.1	81.5	62.6	59.7
28	Ill.	91.3	90.1	48.1	50.9	19.8	16.2	24.0	26.4	20.9	17.2	36.7	36.6	7.7	5.8	94.4	93.2	79.0	82.9	38.2	37.7
29	Mich.	93.6	91.2	47.6	54.2	47.1	41.4	27.4	34.1	46.0	37.0	21.0	23.0	2.9	2.7	97.4	96.5	63.3	71.4	63.5	61.7
30	Wis.	95.8	95.7	64.0	63.0	18.3	18.5	52.0	55.4	40.0	32.6	42.6	44.9	7.1	5.9	97.9	97.6	89.3	90.6	72.9	71.0
	W. N. C.:																				
31	Minn.	94.2	94.6	36.0	38.5	20.8	21.7	34.9	37.3	24.4	22.4	42.7	45.2	5.3	4.4	96.4	95.9	81.2	86.4	46.4	47.3
32	Iowa	92.8	93.5	53.1	54.5	12.2	9.2	19.0	19.9	9.0	7.5	46.9	48.7	7.0	5.8	95.1	95.0	86.9	90.3	24.4	24.4
33	Mo.	80.7	80.7	50.9	47.2	20.4	17.6	46.1	48.6	25.1	19.3	49.4	51.4	8.3	6.8	90.9	89.8	89.2	89.5	59.7	59.0
34	N. Dak.	97.1	97.7	22.3	21.3	82.8	76.4	6.0	6.7	9.7	8.7	68.6	69.5	3.2	3.5	98.3	98.0	81.0	83.9	14.0	13.6
35	S. Dak.	93.6	95.7	26.3	21.2	42.7	26.1	5.3	5.9	10.6	10.2	79.1	79.2	5.4	5.2	95.7	96.3	90.8	90.8	14.8	15.1
36	Nebr.	93.0	93.8	27.4	29.0	42.4	36.3	7.1	8.2	7.9	8.4	69.3	70.0	6.8	7.8	94.8	94.8	86.6	88.6	13.5	14.9
37	Kans.	91.0	89.5	24.1	24.3	53.9	51.4	9.7	11.5	10.7	10.2	78.0	77.6	7.5	5.5	93.4	91.8	87.3	87.3	17.8	19.0
	S. A.:																				
38	Del.	83.7	87.5	39.0	45.6	24.3	25.9	5.6	8.5	66.6	63.0	13.1	14.9	4.1	4.3	88.1	92.6	49.3	58.5	69.0	68.6
39	Md.	87.1	85.4	38.9	40.1	32.6	29.5	18.8	19.9	62.3	58.7	37.0	37.7	12.1	10.4	91.9	91.3	67.5	69.3	71.3	69.0
40	D. C.	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
41	Va.	88.0	84.1	33.9	33.4	28.4	27.6	37.0	36.3	61.6	55.3	53.9	50.7	15.5	14.4	92.3	90.2	79.7	76.6	76.9	72.4
42	W. Va.	89.5	88.2	34.2	26.2	18.6	19.9	48.6	45.1	54.0	46.2	62.0	62.3	13.6	11.4	94.3	93.2	91.1	87.5	81.9	75.8
43	N. C.	93.0	91.7	29.1	25.6	38.6	31.4	29.6	30.7	63.3	57.7	34.0	32.9	16.5	13.4	95.9	95.6	62.2	59.0	71.0	67.0
44	S. C.	91.6	90.9	30.6	24.6	38.9	32.7	25.8	27.4	56.0	49.1	19.0	17.6	6.7	5.8	96.2	97.0	51.4	46.4	64.8	59.2
45	Ga.	84.3	84.9	34.3	26.2	37.5	35.2	41.1	40.0	57.7	49.8	35.0	34.5	17.9	14.8	92.2	93.0	71.0	65.3	73.9	68.1
46	Fla.	79.5	77.8	22.0	24.1	25.2	26.6	22.3	28.4	25.6	25.9	25.1	23.3	16.0	15.4	87.4	88.4	47.9	51.2	41.6	48.0
	E. S. C.:																				
47	Ky.	90.6	90.5	68.1	63.1	29.3	26.2	32.7	32.8	45.5	38.9	25.4	23.6	5.4	4.1	97.2	97.5	83.2	79.9	64.5	60.3
48	Tenn.	86.6	86.3	59.4	53.4	29.7	29.4	35.8	35.8	45.0	40.0	29.1									

Table 17.—AVERAGE ACREAGE PER FARM REPORTING, OF THE SEVERAL CLASSES OF LAND ACCORDING TO USE, BY DIVISIONS AND STATES: 1959 AND 1954

[Base data in Tables 10, 11, and 12]

	Region, division, and State	Cropland harvested (acres)		Cropland used only for pasture (acres)		Cropland not harvested and not pastured (acres)		Woodland pastured (acres)		Woodland not pastured (acres)		Other pasture (not cropland and not woodland) (acres)				Cropland, total (acres)		Land pastured, total (acres)		Woodland, total (acres)	
		1959	1954	1959	1954	1959	1954	1959	1954	1959	1954	Total		Improved		1959	1954	1959	1954	1959	1954
												1959	1954	1959	1954						
1	U. S.	97.3	NA	43.5	NA	64.8	NA	84.2	NA	60.4	NA	288.7	NA	NA	NA	130.6	NA	219.4	NA	87.4	NA
2	Contemni- ous U.S.	97.4	81.1	43.4	35.9	64.8	47.1	84.1	80.7	60.1	55.0	288.0	230.3	66.2	44.8	130.6	104.0	218.9	179.9	87.2	82.5
3	The North	127.1	113.3	33.4	29.8	64.6	46.0	44.9	43.6	41.8	39.3	123.1	106.5	31.5	25.0	157.6	135.4	105.1	92.9	51.7	48.9
4	The South	55.1	44.7	47.6	38.4	37.9	25.7	77.1	75.1	71.8	63.7	198.2	150.7	79.4	51.2	82.9	62.8	168.9	136.9	92.2	85.5
5	The West	137.1	NA	86.9	NA	195.9	NA	603.1	NA	131.2	NA	1,684.1	NA	NA	NA	219.4	NA	1,193.4	NA	470.0	NA
6	Contemni- ous area...	138.6	115.5	86.0	61.0	197.8	163.1	604.6	569.3	121.4	98.1	1,688.5	1,385.4	115.6	67.5	221.5	177.9	1,196.1	958.7	468.2	438.3
	Geo. Div.:																				
7	N. E.	45.7	37.0	27.0	24.3	27.1	20.1	63.7	60.5	99.1	84.6	48.4	46.6	21.0	18.0	62.0	50.5	67.2	62.3	107.6	92.7
8	M. A.	59.5	52.4	28.5	26.0	27.1	21.6	32.6	31.3	41.4	37.4	43.3	42.2	21.2	18.2	78.5	67.1	54.0	50.7	45.6	41.3
9	E. N. C.	96.3	83.1	25.4	24.7	26.4	20.6	35.2	34.5	33.3	31.3	32.9	32.0	22.7	19.3	113.7	98.4	47.4	46.9	40.9	39.1
10	W. N. C.	175.2	162.6	43.9	37.4	104.6	75.6	58.7	57.4	41.6	38.6	191.7	166.5	44.4	33.7	220.9	195.0	162.4	142.6	62.0	59.4
11	S. A.	37.6	30.8	29.2	24.3	22.5	17.5	64.4	62.0	76.6	66.6	53.3	45.7	41.3	32.5	53.6	41.6	74.9	68.9	92.5	82.8
12	E. S. C.	33.5	28.4	41.4	35.1	25.9	18.7	47.7	45.8	61.4	56.9	45.7	37.4	44.6	35.7	59.3	46.3	70.3	61.6	68.9	64.1
13	W. S. C.	112.0	89.4	73.8	55.5	78.5	48.7	133.4	130.4	83.6	71.6	429.6	350.4	179.0	113.9	152.7	114.0	365.8	290.0	133.6	126.9
14	Mt.	182.8	151.5	97.9	67.2	238.1	197.0	1,177.3	1,178.9	239.1	198.5	2,314.3	1,949.3	144.5	84.9	307.4	249.3	1,878.4	1,578.1	1,028.0	1,030.5
15	Pac.	100.4	NA	78.3	NA	141.3	NA	343.7	NA	109.9	NA	675.9	NA	NA	NA	152.2	NA	467.7	NA	274.4	NA
16	Contemni- ous area ..	102.1	86.2	76.5	56.4	143.4	115.9	342.7	300.5	97.7	80.0	664.2	515.6	81.6	49.2	153.9	123.3	459.9	351.4	268.4	233.9
	N. E.:																				
17	Maine	45.9	39.3	22.4	21.6	34.2	23.2	46.6	45.2	114.0	100.6	30.0	31.5	15.2	13.7	66.0	56.8	41.7	43.4	117.7	103.9
18	N. H.	37.4	29.9	24.5	22.1	21.2	17.9	74.4	72.8	118.4	101.0	40.9	43.1	17.6	15.2	51.1	40.4	62.4	61.4	131.8	111.0
19	Vt.	65.1	54.6	36.4	32.6	27.7	23.1	83.0	80.5	114.3	99.5	69.9	67.6	24.1	19.9	84.2	69.9	116.5	110.8	131.2	116.2
20	Mass.	33.1	25.5	25.4	22.1	19.5	16.1	47.4	46.2	65.6	55.7	36.0	32.5	18.5	15.0	45.6	36.2	47.2	42.5	71.5	62.0
21	R. I.	36.8	26.7	27.6	24.5	20.7	18.8	33.5	37.5	82.0	59.8	30.6	30.6	16.8	10.6	48.3	41.2	40.4	37.5	79.9	61.4
22	Conn.	33.6	29.0	26.7	24.7	19.0	15.2	41.9	42.0	57.9	51.6	37.6	34.6	21.6	23.0	49.9	41.1	52.0	45.8	63.1	56.6
	M. A.:																				
23	N. Y.	66.4	58.4	35.9	33.0	30.9	24.6	38.5	36.1	45.4	40.9	58.1	55.0	23.3	18.6	90.3	78.0	73.4	68.9	51.4	46.2
24	N. J.	59.3	51.1	26.1	22.7	21.5	14.7	20.8	20.4	31.7	28.3	28.5	25.4	23.6	20.4	70.3	56.3	34.0	29.0	32.2	28.8
25	Pa.	53.7	47.5	22.0	20.2	25.0	20.2	27.0	26.8	39.5	36.1	31.5	30.7	19.5	17.6	69.8	59.8	39.6	37.6	42.3	38.7
	E. N. C.:																				
26	Ohio	77.6	66.1	24.6	23.2	24.3	18.3	23.2	22.8	25.4	24.0	35.3	34.1	25.6	21.4	92.9	78.0	44.2	42.5	28.7	27.3
27	Ind.	100.1	87.0	24.9	23.8	24.7	18.8	25.2	25.2	28.3	27.2	26.8	34.1	21.2	18.4	115.1	99.7	39.7	38.7	31.7	30.3
28	Ill.	148.5	130.0	27.9	27.9	29.9	24.6	41.8	42.0	36.8	32.0	33.2	32.4	25.8	22.0	164.2	145.1	45.1	44.8	46.5	44.0
29	Mich.	68.3	60.4	26.3	25.4	26.7	21.2	37.2	36.7	33.2	32.5	29.6	29.3	17.2	15.3	91.4	80.4	45.6	46.3	40.0	39.9
30	Wis.	76.4	67.0	23.7	23.3	27.7	20.3	45.6	44.9	44.4	42.2	35.5	35.4	17.7	15.6	95.3	84.6	60.5	61.2	56.9	54.4
	W. N. C.:																				
31	Minn.	137.9	124.7	24.2	24.2	57.3	32.5	48.8	48.5	43.3	41.5	34.9	34.8	19.7	17.9	156.1	140.1	50.1	49.8	59.5	57.8
32	Iowa	141.1	124.4	30.7	30.1	31.7	21.1	47.0	46.5	25.9	24.1	40.7	40.4	28.4	25.4	158.8	141.8	51.0	50.2	46.3	45.3
33	Mo.	89.5	76.0	54.8	46.1	37.4	26.9	69.9	67.1	57.3	51.6	64.9	61.0	38.2	29.5	118.5	97.8	103.4	95.8	78.0	72.1
34	N. Dak.	363.1	351.0	61.8	57.1	167.0	120.5	82.4	84.1	33.9	38.0	296.2	265.6	68.5	50.7	513.3	456.2	274.0	241.3	59.2	65.4
35	S. Dak.	272.9	297.0	80.9	54.4	157.3	70.3	88.1	88.3	15.2	17.6	546.2	475.6	65.9	46.3	359.2	326.1	504.4	433.5	42.8	46.7
36	Neb.	214.7	199.6	52.9	38.2	90.2	78.5	57.3	51.9	21.2	22.7	364.3	319.4	59.1	36.2	266.2	239.3	312.8	269.8	42.8	41.3
37	Kans.	216.3	199.3	57.4	46.5	136.0	109.6	45.9	46.1	29.7	28.3	220.1	190.9	80.3	59.4	304.1	268.0	217.7	188.6	42.8	42.9
	S. A.:																				
38	Del.	95.5	74.8	21.2	22.2	29.0	23.5	20.6	42.9	53.5	48.4	29.7	27.8	26.2	21.2	108.1	88.2	27.1	30.6	53.2	49.8
39	Md.	66.5	56.7	29.4	27.9	25.4	19.6	29.3	30.0	52.1	49.2	38.4	34.1	37.4	32.4	84.6	71.6	46.1	43.3	53.2	50.5
40	D. C.	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
41	Va.	33.2	27.5	30.8	24.5	19.9	14.8	31.9	31.4	75.2	66.6	48.5	40.0	43.2	33.6	49.2	39.3	60.7	52.1	75.5	66.7
42	W. Va.	21.1	17.7	34.5	28.5	24.4	17.1	47.5	41.3	66.8	55.7	61.8	53.3	44.9	35.4	37.4	28.5	80.4	67.7	72.3	58.5
43	N. C.	26.8	22.4	12.1	10.2	13.5	10.1	18.1	18.3	55.8	50.1	16.1	14.5	14.7	10.9	35.1	27.5	23.1	22.1	57.3	51.5
44	S. C.	37.6	30.0	26.8	22.5	23.0	17.4	46.0	42.5	78.4	64.2	30.1	26.6	33.6	26.5						

NA Not available.

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Table 18.—CULTIVATED SUMMER FALLOW, 1959 AND 1954; AND CROPLAND USED ONLY FOR SOIL-IMPROVEMENT CROPS AND OTHER CROPLAND NOT HARVESTED AND NOT PASTURED, 1959: FOR SPECIFIED STATES

State	Cropland not harvested and not pastured, total				Cultivated summer fallow											
					Farms reporting				Acres							
	Farms reporting		Acres		Total		Percent of all farms		Total		Average per farm		Percent of total cropland ¹		Percent distribution	
	1959	1954	1959	1954	1959	1954	1959	1954	1959	1954	1959	1954	1959	1954	1959	1954
Total, 17 specified States.....	354,302	387,304	50,288,527	42,296,944	195,655	214,411	20.2	18.2	30,718,927	28,631,403	157.0	133.5	14.2	13.2	100.0	100.0
Arizona.....	1,871	2,475	363,415	319,420	887	909	12.3	9.8	157,295	113,584	177.3	125.0	9.9	7.0	0.5	0.4
California.....	17,051	21,369	1,910,754	1,885,367	5,754	6,653	5.8	5.4	1,083,662	1,181,385	188.3	177.6	8.4	8.9	3.5	4.1
Colorado.....	14,642	20,126	3,918,046	4,835,454	10,261	12,461	30.7	30.6	2,686,522	3,059,424	261.8	245.5	24.4	27.7	8.7	10.7
Idaho.....	8,977	10,344	1,285,530	1,202,831	6,006	7,082	17.8	18.3	917,462	995,837	152.8	140.0	15.9	18.2	3.0	3.5
Kansas.....	56,227	61,815	7,649,504	6,777,519	35,769	35,015	34.3	29.1	5,494,571	4,527,097	153.6	129.3	18.5	15.3	17.9	15.8
Montana.....	17,547	19,121	5,973,938	5,356,356	16,087	17,803	55.6	53.8	5,374,988	4,966,526	334.1	279.0	35.6	34.2	17.5	17.3
Nebraska.....	38,378	36,639	3,461,403	2,876,380	23,896	23,030	26.4	22.8	2,312,900	2,128,822	96.8	92.4	10.1	9.3	7.5	7.4
Nevada.....	511	617	87,316	62,752	162	196	6.9	6.9	9,892	6,801	61.1	34.7	1.3	1.0	(2)	0.2
New Mexico.....	4,660	6,884	785,587	862,325	1,435	2,053	9.0	9.7	134,317	333,903	93.6	162.6	5.9	13.6	0.4	1.2
North Dakota.....	45,462	47,336	7,593,157	5,703,986	39,249	44,057	71.5	71.1	5,109,479	4,398,349	130.2	99.8	18.4	15.9	16.6	15.3
Oklahoma.....	30,862	33,688	2,682,400	1,896,757	11,191	13,677	11.8	11.5	967,469	829,220	86.5	60.6	6.9	5.7	3.1	2.9
Oregon.....	11,174	12,850	1,319,457	1,177,361	5,532	6,826	13.0	12.5	927,559	953,499	167.7	139.7	17.2	18.2	3.0	3.3
South Dakota.....	23,796	16,303	3,744,157	1,146,703	9,457	10,479	17.0	16.8	992,889	709,176	105.0	67.7	5.2	3.6	3.2	2.5
Texas.....	61,359	71,869	5,733,378	4,375,651	17,284	18,964	7.6	6.5	1,654,736	1,239,127	95.7	65.3	4.6	3.4	5.4	4.3
Utah.....	5,429	6,626	535,933	523,506	3,136	4,055	17.6	17.8	253,981	373,242	81.0	92.0	12.7	18.4	0.8	1.3
Washington.....	13,635	15,746	2,773,573	2,729,835	7,681	8,939	14.9	13.7	2,326,748	2,465,390	302.9	275.8	29.4	32.0	7.6	8.6
Wyoming.....	2,721	3,496	470,979	564,741	1,868	2,212	19.2	19.4	314,457	350,021	168.3	158.2	11.5	13.6	1.0	1.2

State	Cropland used for soil-improvement crops not harvested and not pastured				Other cropland (idle and crop failure)									
					Farms reporting				Acres					
					Farms reporting		Acres		Farms reporting		Acres		Farms reporting	
					Total	Percent of all farms	Total	Average per farm reporting	Percent of total cropland ¹	Percent distribution	Total	Average per farm reporting	Percent of total cropland ¹	Percent distribution
	1959	1954	1959	1954	1959	1954	1959	1959	1959	1959	1959	1959	1959	1959
Total, 17 specified States.....	2,934	6,049	91,461	9.4	9,328,288	102.0	4.3	100.0	158,647	16.4	10,241,312	64.6	4.7	100.0
Arizona.....	25	66	174	2.4	16,816	96.6	1.1	0.2	1,089	15.1	189,304	173.8	11.9	1.8
California.....	356	574	1,267	1.3	126,512	99.9	1.0	1.4	11,557	11.6	700,580	60.6	5.4	6.8
Colorado.....	94	1,027	2,990	9.0	649,108	217.1	5.9	7.0	6,429	19.3	582,416	90.6	5.3	5.7
Idaho.....	62	89	1,703	5.1	190,196	111.7	3.3	2.0	3,162	9.4	177,872	56.3	3.1	1.7
Kansas.....	200	349	16,729	16.0	1,037,842	62.0	3.5	11.1	23,138	22.2	1,117,091	48.3	3.8	10.9
Montana.....	86	121	1,886	6.5	338,486	179.5	2.2	3.6	2,850	9.8	260,464	91.4	1.7	2.5
Nebraska.....	104	141	12,435	13.7	655,323	52.7	2.9	7.0	12,842	14.2	493,180	38.4	2.2	4.8
Nevada.....	10	12	59	2.5	9,171	155.4	1.2	0.1	331	14.1	68,253	206.2	8.7	0.7
New Mexico.....	75	424	1,857	11.7	488,166	262.9	21.3	5.2	2,271	14.3	163,104	71.8	7.1	1.6
North Dakota.....	50	55	7,985	14.5	1,291,639	161.8	4.7	13.8	14,251	25.9	1,192,039	83.6	4.3	11.6
Oklahoma.....	462	600	11,592	12.2	919,206	79.3	6.5	9.9	15,579	16.5	795,725	51.1	5.7	7.8
Oregon.....	239	369	2,458	5.8	150,721	61.3	2.8	1.6	5,227	12.3	241,177	46.1	4.5	2.4
South Dakota.....	66	43	6,598	11.8	953,420	144.5	5.0	10.2	15,529	27.9	1,797,848	115.8	9.4	17.6
Texas.....	903	1,647	19,696	8.7	2,061,679	104.7	5.8	22.1	34,928	15.4	2,016,963	57.7	5.7	19.7
Utah.....	53	92	784	4.4	133,483	170.3	6.6	1.4	2,763	15.6	148,469	53.3	7.4	1.4
Washington.....	141	327	2,725	5.3	231,774	85.1	2.9	2.5	5,731	11.1	215,051	37.5	2.7	2.1
Wyoming.....	8	113	523	5.4	74,746	142.9	2.7	0.8	950	9.7	81,776	86.1	3.0	0.8

¹ Less than 0.05 percent.

² Cropland harvested, cropland pastured, and cropland not harvested and not pastured.

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Table 19.—IRRIGATED FARMS—NUMBER AND ACREAGE IRRIGATED BY DIVISIONS AND STATES:
CENSUSES OF 1959, 1954, AND 1950

	Region, division, and State	Number of irrigated farms						All irrigated land in farms											Increase or decrease (-), 1954-1959	
		1959	1954 ¹	1950	Percent of all farms			Acres			Percent of all land in farms			Average per farm (acres)						
					1959	1954	1950	1959	1954 ¹	1949	1959	1954	1949	1959	1954	1949				
																	Acres	Percent		
1	U. S.	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
2	Continous U.S.	306,532	320,236	305,061	8.3	6.7	5.7	33,021,799	29,552,155	25,787,455	2.9	2.6	2.2	107.7	92.3	84.5	3,469,644	11.7		
3	The North	36,273	27,648	18,348	2.1	1.4	0.8	3,356,861	1,925,423	1,258,321	0.8	0.4	0.3	92.5	69.6	68.6	1,431,438	74.3		
4	The South	63,011	57,185	39,087	3.8	2.5	1.5	7,783,403	7,102,185	4,552,481	2.2	1.8	1.2	123.5	124.2	116.5	681,218	9.6		
5	The West	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
6	Continous area ..	207,248	235,403	247,626	60.5	55.7	53.6	21,881,535	20,524,547	19,976,653	6.4	6.1	6.2	105.6	87.2	80.7	1,356,988	6.6		
	Geographic Divisions:																			
7	New England	1,618	2,017	1,581	2.8	2.5	1.5	30,651	38,395	31,450	0.3	0.3	0.3	18.9	19.0	19.9	-7,744	-20.2		
8	Middle Atlantic	4,430	4,333	2,208	2.2	1.7	0.7	148,393	135,886	54,616	0.6	0.5	0.2	33.5	31.4	24.7	12,507	9.2		
9	East North Central	3,934	3,509	2,110	0.6	0.4	0.2	111,376	75,578	36,237	0.1	0.1	(Z)	28.3	21.5	17.2	35,798	47.4		
10	West North Central	26,291	17,789	12,449	3.3	2.0	1.3	3,066,441	1,675,564	1,136,018	1.1	0.6	0.4	116.6	94.2	91.3	1,390,877	83.0		
11	South Atlantic	18,924	11,660	6,516	3.2	1.4	0.7	596,844	536,195	381,044	0.7	0.5	0.4	31.5	46.0	58.5	60,649	11.3		
12	East South Central	3,253	4,475	180	0.6	0.6	(Z)	136,627	185,130	6,950	0.2	0.2	(Z)	42.0	41.4	38.6	-48,503	-26.1		
13	West South Central	40,834	41,050	32,391	8.3	6.1	4.2	7,049,932	6,380,860	4,164,487	3.4	3.0	2.0	172.6	155.4	128.6	669,072	10.5		
14	Mountain	96,094	112,231	122,280	64.5	62.3	62.8	12,094,712	11,207,997	11,642,484	4.6	4.3	4.7	125.9	99.9	95.2	886,715	7.9		
15	Pacific	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
16	Continous area	111,154	123,172	125,346	57.5	50.8	47.0	9,786,823	9,316,550	8,334,169	12.7	12.2	11.2	88.0	75.6	66.5	470,273	5.0		
	New England:																			
17	Maine	138	87	123	0.8	0.4	0.4	2,214	1,097	2,299	0.1	(Z)	0.1	16.0	12.6	18.7	1,117	101.8		
18	New Hampshire	76	61	51	1.2	0.6	0.4	1,249	942	622	0.1	0.1	(Z)	16.4	15.4	12.2	307	32.6		
19	Vermont	72	55	22	0.6	0.3	0.1	1,612	689	303	0.1	(Z)	(Z)	22.4	12.5	13.8	923	134.0		
20	Massachusetts	1,093	1,366	1,053	9.8	7.9	4.7	19,999	22,683	18,507	1.8	1.6	1.1	18.3	16.6	17.6	-2,684	-11.8		
21	Rhode Island	34	43	52	2.4	2.1	2.0	406	1,009	1,631	0.3	0.7	0.9	11.9	23.5	31.4	-603	-59.8		
22	Connecticut	205	405	280	2.5	3.2	1.8	5,171	11,975	8,088	0.6	1.1	0.6	25.2	29.6	28.9	-6,804	-56.8		
	Middle Atlantic:																			
23	New York	1,741	1,675	888	2.1	1.6	0.7	57,997	59,024	19,248	0.4	0.4	0.1	33.3	35.2	21.7	-1,027	-1.7		
24	New Jersey	1,902	1,775	1,033	12.3	7.8	4.2	73,873	58,912	28,117	5.4	3.5	1.6	38.8	33.2	27.2	14,961	25.4		
25	Pennsylvania	787	883	287	0.8	0.7	0.2	16,523	17,950	7,251	0.1	0.1	0.1	21.0	20.3	25.3	-1,427	-7.9		
	East North Central:																			
26	Ohio	575	847	458	0.4	0.5	0.2	11,972	15,379	5,706	0.1	0.1	(Z)	20.8	18.2	12.5	-3,407	-22.2		
27	Indiana	480	443	164	0.4	0.3	0.1	17,237	11,738	5,339	0.1	0.1	(Z)	35.9	26.5	32.6	5,499	46.8		
28	Illinois	332	266	139	0.2	0.2	0.1	10,127	6,789	1,510	(Z)	(Z)	(Z)	30.5	25.5	10.9	3,338	49.2		
29	Michigan	1,909	1,408	995	1.7	1.0	0.6	40,178	23,473	13,901	0.3	0.1	0.1	21.0	16.7	14.0	16,705	71.2		
30	Wisconsin	638	545	354	0.5	0.4	0.2	31,862	17,199	9,781	0.2	0.1	(Z)	49.9	33.4	27.6	13,663	75.1		
	West North Central:																			
31	Minnesota	387	347	274	0.3	0.2	0.2	14,991	9,207	4,235	(Z)	(Z)	(Z)	38.7	26.5	15.5	5,784	62.8		
32	Iowa	313	132	76	0.2	0.1	(Z)	18,181	2,396	1,386	0.1	(Z)	(Z)	58.1	18.2	18.2	15,785	658.8		
33	Missouri	590	752	142	0.3	0.4	0.1	29,957	32,998	2,089	0.1	0.1	(Z)	50.8	43.9	14.7	-3,041	-9.2		
34	North Dakota	471	399	304	0.9	0.6	0.5	47,656	37,672	35,294	0.1	0.1	0.1	101.2	94.4	116.1	9,984	26.5		
35	South Dakota	1,002	923	807	1.8	1.5	1.2	115,629	90,371	78,069	0.3	0.2	0.2	115.4	97.9	96.7	25,258	27.9		
36	Nebraska	18,936	12,500	9,680	20.9	12.4	9.0	2,077,926	1,171,369	876,299	4.4	2.5	1.8	109.7	93.7	90.5	906,557	77.4		
37	Kansas	4,592	2,736	1,166	4.4	2.3	0.9	762,101	331,551	138,686	1.5	0.7	0.3	166.0	121.2	118.9	430,550	129.9		
	South Atlantic:																			
38	Delaware	156	81	10	3.0	1.3	0.1	15,533	5,553	404	2.0	0.7	(Z)	99.6	68.6	40.4	9,980	179.7		
39	Maryland	328	235	30	1.3	0.7	0.1	11,174	8,344	697	0.3	0.2	(Z)	34.1	35.5	23.2	2,830	33.9		
40	District of Columbia	NA	NA	2	NA	NA	7.1	NA	NA	13	NA	NA	1.0	NA	NA	6.5	NA	NA	NA	
41	Virginia	1,996	763	71	2.0	0.6	(Z)	31,101	21,805	2,817	0.2	0.1	(Z)	15.6	28.6	39.7	9,296	42.6		
42	West Virginia	66	62	9	0.1	0.1	(Z)	1,115	1,381	40	(Z)	(Z)	(Z)	16.9	22.3	4.4	-266	-19.3		
43	North Carolina	8,537	2,704	96	4.5	1.0	(Z)	65,743	25,423	2,083	0.4	0.1	(Z)	7.7	9.4	21.7	40,320	158.6		
44	South Carolina	1,398	748	84	1.8	0.6	0.1	24,952	22,009	6,408	0.3	0.2	0.1	17.8	29.4	76.3	2,943	13.4		
45	Georgia	2,194	1,268	139	2.1	0.8	0.1	33,700	23,873	3,161	0.2	0.1	(Z)	15.4	18.8	22.7	9,827	41.2		
46	Florida	4,249	5,799	6,075	9.4	10.1	10.7	413,526	427,807	365,421	2.7	2.4	2.2	97.3	73.8	60.2	-14,281	-3.3		
	East South Central:																			
47	Kentucky	1,130	1,226	67	0.7	0.6	(Z)	8,605	13,434	485	0.1	0.1	(Z)	7.6	11.0	7.2	-4,829	-35.9		
48	Tennessee	1,005	1,094	35	0.6	0.5	(Z)	10,979	22,548	1,012	0.1	0.1	(Z)	10.9	20.6	28.9	-11,569	-51.3		
49	Alabama	328	452	34	0.3	0.3	(Z)	17,357	16,658	367	0.1	0.1	(Z)	52.9	36.9	10.8	699	4.2		
50	Mississippi	790	1,703	44	0.6	0.8	(Z)	99,686	132,490	5,086	0.5	0.6	(Z)	126.2	77.8	115.6	-32,804	-24.8		
	West South Central:																			
51	Arkansas	5,652	6,218	3,060	5.9	4.3	1.7	711,812	857,863	422,107	4.3	4.8	2.2	125.9	138.0	137.9	-146,051	-17.0		
52	Louisiana	4,817	6,897	7,438	6.5	6.2	6.0	484,850	707,818	576,775	4.7	6.2	5.1	100.7	102.6	77.5	-222,968	-31.5		
53	Oklahoma	2,481	1,620	466	2.6	1.4	0.3	197,632	108,151	34,071	0.6	0.3	0.1	79.7	66.8	73.1	89,481	82.7		
54	Texas	27,884	26,31																	

FARMS AND LAND IN FARMS

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Table 20.—SPECIFIED LAND-USE AND CONSERVATION PRACTICES, BY DIVISIONS AND STATES: 1959

Region, division, and State	Cultivated summer fallow (data for 17 States)				Cropland used for soil-improvement crops not harvested and not pastured				Other cropland (idle and crop failure)				Cropland in cover crops			
	Farms reporting	Acres	Percent of total cropland	Percent of total acreage of speci- fied grains har- vested	Farms reporting	Acres	Percent of total cropland	Percent of total cropland har- vested	Farms reporting	Acres	Percent of total cropland	Percent of total cropland har- vested	Farms reporting	Acres	Percent of total cropland	Percent of total cropland har- vested
1 U. S.	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	NA	NA	NA	NA	738,489	24,000,140	5.4	7.7	NA	NA	NA	NA
2 Contem- porary U.S.	195,655	30,718,927	14.2	49.0	330,191	16,375,535	3.7	5.3	736,712	23,839,113	5.3	7.7	368,465	9,003,704	2.0	2.9
3 The North	108,371	13,909,839	14.0	39.8	173,787	8,346,761	3.3	4.2	319,666	10,901,465	4.3	5.5	161,373	4,722,664	1.8	2.4
4 The South	28,475	2,622,205	5.3	27.0	139,978	5,619,595	4.5	7.5	374,666	10,109,182	8.1	13.4	194,113	3,739,224	3.0	5.0
5 The West	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	NA	NA	NA	NA	44,157	2,989,493	4.4	7.7	NA	NA	NA	NA
6 Contem- porary area...	58,809	14,186,883	21.0	78.7	16,426	2,409,179	3.6	6.2	42,380	2,828,466	4.2	7.3	12,979	541,816	0.8	1.4
7 Geo. Div.:																
8 N. E.	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	3,867	82,990	2.6	3.8	11,043	289,343	9.0	13.1	5,369	88,231	2.7	4.0
9 M. A.	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	16,710	394,718	2.7	3.7	56,147	1,416,853	9.7	13.4	16,145	413,238	2.8	3.9
10 E. N. C.	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	71,684	1,889,030	2.6	3.2	130,122	2,929,300	4.1	5.0	84,382	2,248,097	3.1	3.8
11 W. N. C.	108,371	13,909,839	14.0	39.8	81,526	5,980,023	3.6	4.7	122,354	6,265,969	3.8	5.0	55,477	1,973,098	1.2	1.6
12 S. A.	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	53,150	997,002	3.4	5.0	170,823	3,510,748	11.8	17.7	73,423	1,480,128	5.0	7.5
13 E. S. C.	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	48,242	1,254,720	4.0	7.6	127,274	2,883,408	9.1	17.6	90,667	963,185	3.1	5.9
14 W. S. C.	28,475	2,622,205	5.3	27.0	38,586	3,367,873	5.3	8.6	76,569	3,715,026	5.9	9.5	30,023	1,295,911	2.1	3.3
15 Mt.	39,842	9,848,914	23.8	84.0	9,976	1,900,172	4.6	8.2	19,865	1,671,658	7.3	6.0	6,034	235,940	0.6	1.0
16 Pac.	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	NA	NA	NA	NA	24,292	1,317,835	4.9	8.4	NA	NA	NA	NA
17 Contem- porary area...	18,967	4,337,969	16.5	68.8	6,450	509,007	1.9	3.3	22,515	1,156,808	4.4	7.4	6,945	305,876	1.2	2.0
18 N. E.:																
19 Maine	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	1,967	55,107	5.1	7.9	4,814	152,970	14.2	21.9	486	7,024	0.7	1.0
20 N. H.	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	273	2,759	0.9	1.3	1,150	26,171	8.5	12.7	520	6,065	2.0	2.9
21 Vt.	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	399	8,573	0.9	1.2	1,251	35,066	3.6	4.7	761	8,797	0.9	1.2
22 Mass.	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	671	8,141	1.8	2.8	2,189	43,582	9.8	15.0	1,646	30,347	6.8	10.4
23 R. I.	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	90	1,521	2.8	4.5	227	4,640	8.5	13.8	287	8,009	14.7	23.9
24 Conn.	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	467	6,889	2.0	2.9	1,412	26,914	7.7	11.3	1,669	27,989	8.0	11.8
25 M. A.:																
26 N. Y.	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	5,573	155,295	2.2	3.1	22,642	651,349	9.1	12.9	5,239	142,240	2.0	2.8
27 N. J.	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	1,399	25,479	2.9	3.9	4,085	83,343	9.3	12.7	3,241	124,754	14.0	19.0
28 Pa.	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	9,738	213,944	3.2	4.4	29,420	682,161	10.3	14.1	7,665	146,244	2.2	3.0
29 E. N. C.:																
30 Ohio	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	14,775	360,713	2.9	3.7	30,425	646,476	5.3	6.6	15,771	377,610	3.1	3.9
31 Ind.	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	15,315	397,178	2.9	3.6	21,750	429,356	3.1	3.9	19,946	557,561	4.1	5.0
32 Ill.	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	16,092	494,216	2.1	2.4	17,476	422,359	1.8	2.0	21,166	697,751	2.9	3.3
33 Mich.	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	18,207	392,317	3.9	5.5	41,800	1,011,188	10.2	14.1	17,546	392,857	3.9	5.5
34 Wis.	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	7,295	244,606	2.0	2.5	18,671	419,921	3.4	4.4	9,953	222,318	1.8	2.3
35 W. N. C.:																
36 Minn.	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	15,112	1,087,507	5.0	5.7	18,770	652,632	3.0	3.4	12,284	328,053	1.5	1.7
37 Iowa	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	10,087	416,554	1.6	1.8	12,893	262,360	1.0	1.1	11,243	356,067	1.3	1.6
38 Mo.	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	12,580	537,738	3.0	4.4	24,931	750,819	4.1	6.2	12,852	430,882	2.4	3.5
39 N. Dak.	39,249	5,109,479	18.4	37.2	7,985	1,291,639	4.7	6.7	14,251	1,192,039	4.3	6.2	2,298	157,748	0.6	0.8
40 S. Dak.	9,457	992,889	5.2	20.0	6,598	953,420	5.0	6.7	15,529	1,797,848	9.4	12.6	2,926	150,423	0.8	1.1
41 Nebr.	23,896	2,312,900	10.1	49.1	12,435	655,323	2.9	3.6	12,842	493,180	2.2	2.7	6,965	253,510	1.1	1.4
42 Kans.	35,769	5,494,571	18.5	47.6	16,729	1,037,842	3.5	5.1	23,138	1,117,091	3.8	5.4	6,909	296,415	1.0	1.4
43 S. A.:																
44 Del.	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	283	9,150	1.8	2.2	1,061	27,617	5.6	6.6	1,599	112,913	22.8	27.1
45 Md.	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	2,471	59,241	3.0	4.1	6,564	148,750	7.6	10.2	5,633	173,060	8.9	11.9
46 D. C.	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
47 Va.	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	9,061	141,503	3.2	5.0	22,360	409,325	9.2	14.3	13,041	281,786	6.4	9.9
48 W. Va.	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	2,006	39,839	2.6	4.8	6,671	160,122	10.3	19.2	2,188	17,735	1.1	2.1
49 N. C.	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	23,203	233,843	3.6	4.9	61,656	761,963	11.9	16.1	36,727	436,174	6.8	9.2
50 S. C.	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	5,949	148,700	3.7	5.5	27,199	551,198	13.7	20.5	4,703	130,722	3.2	4.9
51 Ga.	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	8,469	261,485	3.5	5.3	35,033	975,313	13.1	19.8	6,960	191,867	2.6	3.9
52 Fla.	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	1,708	103,241	3.0	5.5	10,279	476,460	14.0	25.3	2,572	135,871	4.0	7.2
53 E. S. C.:																
54 Ky.	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	18,429	429,595	4.3	10.7	31,208	744,283	7.5	18.5	51,830	302,995	3.1	7.6
55 Tenn.	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	17,721	418,328	4.9	10.2	35,082	747,694	8.8	18.2	22,530	250,741	3.0	6.1
56 Ala.	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	7,107	173,752	2.9	4.7	32,450	725,821	12.0	19.5	10,134	260,405	4.3	7.0
57 Miss.	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	4,985	233,045	3.3	5.1	28,534	665,610	9.4	14.6	6,173	149,044	2.1	3.3
58 W. S. C.:																
59 Ark.	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	5,097	269,377	3.2	5.1	15,532	571,529	6.8	10.7	5,077	206,058	2.4	3.9
60 La.	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	2,201	117,611	2.4	4.8	10,530	330,809	6.7	13.6	3,589	117,425	2.4	4.8
61 Okla.	11,191	967,469	6.9	17.6	11,592	919,206	6.5	10.2	15,579	795,725	5.7	8.9	7,892	365,662	2.6	4.1
62 Tex.	17,284	1,654,736	4.6	39.2	19,696	2,061,679	5.8	9.3	34,928	2,016,963	5.7	9.1	13,465	606,766	1.7	2.7
63 Mt.:																
64 Mont.	16,087	5,374,988	35.6	93.6	1,886	338,486	2.2	4.1	2,850	260,464	1.7	3.2	1,090	36,802	0.2	0.5
65 Idaho	6,006	917,462	15.9	53.3	1,703	190,196	3.3	5.0	3,162	177,872	3.1	4.6	2,304	81,483	1.4	2.1
66 Wyo.	1,868	314,457	11.5	70.1	523	74,746	2.7	4.5	950	81,776	3.0	4.9	538	17,502	0.6	1.0
67 Colo.	10,261	2,686,522	24.4	91.9	2,990	649,108	5.9	11.0	6,429	582,416	5.3	9.9	1,253	60,528	0.5	1.0
68 N. Mex.	1,435	134,317	5.9	53.0	1,857	488,166	21.3	45.3	2,271	163,104	7.1	15.1	237	15,891	0.7	1.5
69 Ariz.	887	157,295	9.9	74.4	174	16,816	1.1	1.7	1,089	189,304	11.9	18.6	183	13,677	0.9	1.3
70 Utah	3,136	253,981	12.7	65.0	784	133,483	6.6	12.6	2,783	148,469	7.4	14.0	350	4,971	0.2	0.5
71 Nev.	162	9,892	1.3	28.6	59	9,171	1.2	2.7	331	68,253	8.7	20.2	79	5,086	0.6	1.5
72 Pac.:																
73 Wash.	7,681	2,326,748	29.4	82.0	2,725	231,774	2.9	5.3	5,731	215,051	2.7	4.9	2,179	74,475	0.9	1.7
74 Oreg.	5,532	927,559	17.2	64.0	2,458	150,721	2.8	4.8	5,227	241,177	4.5	7.7	2,016	51,312	1.0	1.6
75 Calif.	5,754	1,083,662	8.4	53.7	1,267	126,512	1.0	1.6	11,557	700,580	5.4	8.7	2,750	180,089	1.4	2.2
76 Alaska	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	NA	NA	NA	NA	154	5,272	21.9	36.4	NA	NA	NA	NA
77 Hawaii	xxx	xxx	xxx	xxx	NA	NA	NA	NA	1,623	155,755	31.2	88.3	NA	NA	NA	NA

NA Not available.

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Table 20.—SPECIFIED LAND-USE AND CONSERVATION PRACTICES, BY DIVISIONS AND STATES: 1959—Continued

	Region, division, and State	Cropland used for grain or row crops farmed on the contour				Land in strip-cropping systems for soil-erosion control				System of terraces on crop and pasture land			Improved pasture (not cropland and not woodland)			
		Farms reporting	Acres	Percent of total cropland	Percent of crop- land harvested	Farms reporting	Acres	Percent of total cropland	Percent of crop- land harvested	Farms reporting	Acres	Percent of total crop and pasture land	Farms reporting	Acres	Percent of total pasture	Percent of pasture other than cropland or woodland
1	U. S.	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2	Contemi- nous U.S.	355,987	22,320,810	5.0	7.2	124,547	15,947,586	3.6	5.1	444,815	31,960,006	3.0	350,949	23,245,097	3.7	5.0
3	The North....	180,104	11,235,222	4.4	5.7	90,696	8,294,574	3.2	4.2	129,240	9,931,752	2.5	125,855	3,960,204	2.7	4.0
4	The South....	169,550	9,891,438	8.0	13.2	22,104	1,012,085	0.8	1.3	310,283	21,156,521	6.4	186,282	14,798,832	7.2	11.2
5	The West....	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
6	Contemi- nous area...	6,333	1,194,150	1.8	3.1	11,747	6,640,927	9.8	17.2	5,292	871,733	0.3	38,812	4,486,061	1.7	1.9
	Geo. Div.:															
7	N. E.	1,438	37,365	1.2	1.7	1,052	29,941	0.9	1.4	737	22,749	0.4	4,805	100,682	3.8	10.9
8	M. A.	16,291	567,817	3.9	5.4	19,363	940,872	6.4	8.9	5,047	177,046	0.8	23,189	490,991	6.1	12.0
9	E. N. C.	45,935	1,718,795	2.4	2.9	30,975	1,373,945	1.9	2.3	21,149	709,432	0.7	45,040	1,021,753	4.1	12.7
10	W. N. C.	116,440	8,911,245	5.4	7.1	39,306	5,949,816	3.6	4.7	102,307	9,022,525	3.3	52,821	2,346,778	2.1	2.7
11	S. A.	56,434	1,682,993	5.7	8.5	12,881	390,613	1.3	2.0	99,087	4,413,827	7.5	87,365	3,608,480	12.2	31.1
12	E. S. C.	52,856	1,340,502	4.2	8.2	2,710	68,152	0.2	0.4	95,051	4,020,604	6.5	48,472	2,160,772	7.2	25.4
13	W. S. C.	60,260	6,867,943	10.9	17.6	6,513	553,320	0.9	1.4	116,145	12,722,090	6.1	50,445	9,029,580	6.1	8.1
14	Mid.	3,279	512,188	1.2	2.2	11,269	6,527,970	15.8	28.3	3,338	700,774	0.3	20,997	3,033,052	1.4	1.5
15	Pac.	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
16	Contemi- nous area...	3,054	681,962	2.6	4.4	478	112,957	0.4	0.7	1,954	170,959	0.2	17,815	1,453,009	2.9	4.2
	N. E.:															
17	Maine	604	19,631	1.8	2.8	538	17,829	1.7	2.6	328	12,710	0.8	820	12,488	2.6	9.4
18	N. H.	65	1,121	0.4	0.5	44	1,065	0.3	0.5	11	309	0.1	309	5,432	1.9	9.6
19	Vt.	413	6,220	0.6	0.8	188	4,255	0.4	0.6	134	4,281	0.2	2,219	53,526	4.2	10.3
20	Mass.	140	7,598	1.7	2.6	137	4,075	0.9	1.4	132	2,160	0.3	570	10,531	3.6	11.6
21	R. I.	55	950	1.7	2.8	2	54	0.1	0.2	15	175	0.2	87	1,464	4.4	14.4
22	Conn.	161	1,845	0.5	0.8	143	2,663	0.8	1.1	117	3,114	0.5	800	17,241	6.2	15.6
	M. A.:															
23	N. Y.	3,457	91,629	1.3	1.8	3,028	121,669	1.7	2.4	1,238	55,409	0.5	9,345	218,063	4.6	8.8
24	N. J.	577	19,840	2.2	3.0	453	22,539	2.5	3.4	572	28,087	2.5	817	19,289	8.4	23.6
25	Pa.	12,257	456,348	6.9	9.4	15,882	796,664	12.1	16.4	3,237	93,550	1.0	13,027	253,639	8.3	16.4
	E. N. C.:															
26	Ohio	8,161	219,192	1.8	2.2	7,053	276,378	2.3	2.8	2,868	71,515	0.4	12,993	332,683	6.8	14.2
27	Ind.	5,189	181,958	1.3	1.6	1,335	34,939	0.3	0.3	3,912	126,286	0.7	7,524	159,192	4.0	14.0
28	Ill.	12,772	617,074	2.6	2.9	2,744	132,670	0.6	0.6	7,016	299,573	1.0	11,920	307,878	5.6	16.3
29	Mich.	3,003	87,290	0.9	1.2	2,808	110,231	1.1	1.5	1,205	40,902	0.3	3,252	56,073	1.7	8.1
30	Wis.	16,810	613,281	5.0	6.4	17,035	819,727	6.7	8.5	6,148	171,156	0.9	9,351	165,927	2.3	8.4
	W. N. C.:															
31	Minn.	9,619	516,365	2.4	2.7	8,502	562,221	2.6	3.0	2,503	97,977	0.4	7,767	152,959	2.6	7.0
32	Iowa	40,845	2,673,296	10.1	11.7	6,346	381,502	1.4	1.7	18,483	1,094,537	3.2	12,293	349,361	4.5	10.5
33	Mo.	17,929	872,479	4.8	7.2	2,102	67,835	0.4	0.6	22,932	1,215,844	3.6	14,025	535,086	3.4	9.9
34	N. Dak.	1,528	240,407	0.9	1.2	9,526	2,595,956	9.4	13.4	411	96,676	0.2	1,764	120,873	1.0	1.1
35	S. Dak.	2,762	289,957	1.5	2.0	3,073	581,599	3.0	4.1	1,525	133,997	0.3	3,035	199,948	0.8	0.8
36	Nebr.	19,498	1,753,407	7.7	9.7	5,189	1,049,415	4.6	5.8	19,866	1,904,715	4.0	6,133	362,267	1.5	1.6
37	Kans.	24,259	2,565,334	8.7	12.5	4,568	711,288	2.4	3.5	36,587	4,478,779	9.1	7,804	626,284	3.2	3.5
	S. A.:															
38	Del.	125	6,602	1.3	1.6	23	978	0.2	0.2	10	400	0.1	212	5,549	8.0	27.3
39	Md.	1,903	75,330	3.9	5.2	2,068	109,783	5.6	7.5	801	26,337	1.0	3,041	113,600	14.5	31.9
40	D. C.	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
41	Va.	6,678	125,257	2.8	4.4	4,059	122,990	2.8	4.3	5,785	145,186	1.6	15,159	654,649	13.9	25.7
42	N. Va.	1,841	21,183	1.4	2.5	1,303	31,754	2.0	3.8	778	19,018	0.4	5,999	269,280	8.4	16.0
43	N. C.	22,784	368,698	5.7	7.8	3,641	57,632	0.9	1.2	38,997	1,173,786	12.8	31,481	463,992	16.9	44.6
44	S. C.	7,468	292,856	7.3	10.9	686	26,155	0.6	1.0	17,381	893,088	14.8	5,251	176,268	8.7	39.5
45	Ga.	14,449	724,381	9.7	14.7	940	30,633	0.4	0.6	33,066	2,003,295	15.2	18,995	687,566	12.0	49.7
46	Fla.	1,176	68,686	2.0	3.6	161	10,688	0.3	0.6	2,269	152,717	1.1	7,227	1,237,576	12.2	30.0
	E. S. C.:															
47	Ky.	8,467	125,205	1.3	3.1	615	11,887	0.1	0.3	4,788	148,679	0.8	8,114	240,396	3.1	14.8
48	Tenn.	10,066	223,441	2.6	5.4	1,059	24,638	0.3	0.6	13,176	529,961	3.5	10,119	272,329	4.2	18.3
49	Ala.	17,854	636,599	10.6	17.1	551	14,861	0.2	0.4	46,347	2,282,864	17.6	14,423	843,672	12.2	37.7
50	Miss.	16,469	355,257	5.0	7.8	485	16,766	0.2	0.4	30,740	1,059,100	6.6	15,816	804,375	9.0	25.5
	W. S. C.:															
51	Ark.	4,012	123,597	1.5	2.3	325	13,119	0.2	0.2	12,855	602,198	3.9	6,198	330,842	4.8	20.4
52	La.	2,575	71,318	1.5	2.9	132	4,840	0.1	0.2	5,905	352,917	3.4	5,779	407,602	7.4	24.1
53	Okl.	15,600	1,624,035	11.6	18.1	1,712	106,200	0.8	1.2	31,516	3,541,425	9.7	11,310	1,182,142	5.2	7.3
54	Tex.	38,073	5,048,993	14.2	22.7	4,344	429,161	1.2	1.9	65,869	8,225,550	5.6	27,158	7,108,994	6.3	7.7
	Mid.:															
55	Mont.	605	84,603	0.6	1.0	8,334	5,569,844	36.9	68.3	348	62,958	0.1	4,352	507,799	1.0	1.1
56	Idaho	786	115,348	2.0	3.0	248	36,940	0.6	1.0	215	11,762	0.1	6,136	382,024	4.3	5.4
57	Wyo.	205	14,689	0.5	0.9	802	342,743	12.5	20.4	220	36,976	0.1	2,217	418,145	1.2	1.3
58	Colo.	1,014	178,560	1.6	3.0	1,713	532,372	4.8	9.1	1,274	322,390	0.8	3,752	500,384	1.8	2.0
59	N. Mex.	407	68,119	3.0	6.3	49	9,757	0.4	0.9	918	228,414	0.5	614	287,227	0.7	0.7
60	Ariz.	53	10,891	0.7	1.1	16	4,004	0.3	0.4	101	9,531	(2)	386	434,267	1.2	1.4
61	Utah	184	38,981	1.9	3.7	96	30,910	1.5	2.9	216	20,346	0.2	2,995	276,428	2.6	3.0
62	Nev.	25	997	0.1	0.3	11	1,400	0.2	0.4	46	8,397	0.1	545	226,778	2.3	2.4
	Pac.:															
63	Wash.	1,000	315,360	4.0	7.1	239	52,138	0.7	1.2	214	42,727	0.2	4,554	154,722	1.6	2.5
64	Oreg.	650	97,418	1.8	3.1	134	22,164	0.4	0.7	293	36,195	0.2	4,838	457,891	2.9	4.0
65	Calif.	1,404	269,184	2.1	3.4	105	38,655	0.3	0.5	1,447	92,037	0.2	8,423	840,396	3.5	4.9
66	Alaska	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
67	Hawaii	82	27,481	5.5	15.6	31	5,632	1.1	3.2	143	39,548	2.3	488	121,696	10.1	13.3

NA Not available.

2 Less than 0.05 percent.

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Region, State, and year	Number of farms			All land in farms					Cropland harvested ¹					Value of farms (land and buildings) ²				
	Total	Increase or decrease (-)		Acres	Increase or decrease (-)		Per- cent of total land area ³	Average acre- age per farm	Acres	Per- cent in- crease or de- crease (-)	Per- cent of all land in farms	Average acre- age per farm (all farms)	Total (dollars)	Per- cent in- crease or de- crease (-)	Average per farm (dol- lars)	Average per acre (dol- lars)		
		Number	Per- cent		Acres	Per- cent												
UNITED STATES																		
1959.....	3,710,503	NA	NA	1,123,507,574	NA	NA	49.5	302.8	311,476,141	NA	27.7	83.9	NA	NA	NA	NA		
1954.....	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA		
1950.....	5,388,437	NA	NA	1,161,419,720	NA	NA	51.1	215.5	344,564,497	NA	29.7	63.9	75,462,427,000	NA	14,005	64.97		
1945.....	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA		
1940.....	6,102,417	NA	NA	1,065,113,774	NA	NA	46.8	174.5	321,434,288	NA	30.2	52.7	33,758,367,972	NA	5,532	31.69		
1935.....	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA		
1930.....	6,295,103	NA	NA	990,111,984	NA	NA	43.6	157.3	NA	NA	NA	NA	47,994,475,975	NA	7,624	48.47		
1925.....	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA		
1920.....	6,453,991	87,947	1.4	958,676,612	77,245,143	8.8	42.2	148.5	NA	NA	NA	NA	66,446,345,611	90.5	10,295	69.31		
1910.....	6,366,044	626,387	10.9	881,431,469	40,229,923	4.8	38.8	138.5	NA	NA	NA	NA	34,884,925,036	NA	5,480	39.58		
1900.....	5,739,657	1,175,016	25.7	841,201,546	217,982,927	35.0	37.0	146.6	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA		
CONTIGUOUS UNITED STATES																		
1959.....	3,703,894	-1,078,522	-22.6	1,120,157,789	-38,033,722	-3.3	58.9	302.4	311,285,249	-6.5	27.8	84.0	128,987,659,000	32.2	34,825	115.15		
1954.....	4,782,416	-599,746	-11.1	1,158,191,511	-374,341	(2)	60.8	242.2	332,870,479	-3.3	28.7	69.6	97,582,918,000	29.7	20,405	84.25		
1950.....	5,382,162	-477,007	-8.1	1,158,565,852	16,950,488	1.5	60.9	215.3	344,398,550	-2.4	29.7	64.0	75,260,606,000	62.2	13,983	64.96		
1945.....	5,859,169	-237,630	-3.9	1,141,615,364	80,762,990	7.6	59.9	194.8	352,865,765	9.8	30.9	60.2	46,388,925,560	37.9	7,917	40.63		
1940.....	6,096,799	-715,551	-10.5	1,060,852,374	6,337,263	0.6	55.7	174.0	321,242,430	8.7	30.3	52.7	33,641,738,726	2.4	5,518	31.71		
1935.....	6,812,350	523,702	8.3	1,054,515,111	67,744,095	6.9	55.4	154.8	295,624,176	-17.7	28.0	43.4	32,858,844,012	-31.4	4,823	31.16		
1930.....	6,288,648	-82,992	-1.3	986,771,016	62,451,664	6.8	51.8	156.9	359,242,091	4.3	36.4	57.1	47,879,838,358	-3.2	7,614	48.52		
1925.....	6,371,640	-76,703	-1.2	924,319,352	-31,564,363	-3.3	48.6	145.1	344,549,267	-1.2	37.3	54.1	49,467,647,287	-25.4	7,764	53.52		
1920.....	6,448,343	86,841	1.4	955,883,715	77,085,390	8.8	50.2	148.2	348,603,729	12.0	36.5	54.1	66,316,002,602	90.6	10,284	69.38		
1910.....	6,361,502	624,130	10.9	878,798,325	40,206,551	4.8	46.2	138.1	311,293,382	9.								

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		Number	Per- cent		Acres	Per- cent										
THE WEST— CONTIGUOUS AREA																
1959.....	342,504	-80,213	-19.0	341,270,035	3,844,491	1.1	45.3	996.4	38,597,765	-0.2	11.3	112.7	28,215,022,000	41.0	82,379	82.68
1954.....	422,717	-38,956	-8.4	337,425,544	12,902,769	4.0	44.8	798.2	38,669,082	-3.1	11.5	91.5	20,008,500,000	44.5	47,334	59.30
1950.....	461,673	-32,783	-6.6	324,522,775	8,417,331	2.7	43.1	702.9	39,911,952	4.5	12.3	86.5	13,849,968,000	76.7	30,000	42.68
1945.....	494,456	-15,214	-3.0	316,105,444	60,509,808	23.7	41.9	639.3	38,204,294	21.6	12.1	77.3	7,838,677,475	56.3	15,853	24.83
1940.....	509,670	-61,289	-10.7	255,595,636	19,239,251	8.1	33.9	501.5	31,416,995	13.4	12.3	61.6	5,016,479,678	-1.6	9,843	19.63
1935.....	570,959	67,912	13.5	236,356,385	18,381,215	8.4	31.4	414.0	27,699,944	-23.9	11.7	48.5	5,097,317,474	-30.0	8,928	21.57
1930.....	503,047	4,068	0.8	217,975,170	32,027,684	17.2	28.9	433.3	36,393,833	16.3	16.7	72.3	7,282,444,033	9.2	14,477	33.41
1925.....	498,979	20,706	4.3	185,947,486	12,457,555	7.2	24.7	372.7	31,283,810	10.6	16.8	62.7	6,668,428,872	-14.9	13,364	35.86
1920.....	478,273	104,936	28.1	173,489,931	62,627,722	56.5	23.0	362.7	28,285,497	45.1	16.3	59.1	7,832,604,517	106.3	16,377	45.15
1910.....	373,337	130,429	53.7	110,862,209	17,065,349	18.2	14.7	296.9	19,496,356	23.7	17.6	52.2	3,797,543,127	193.4	10,172	34.25
1900.....	242,908	97,030	66.5	93,796,860	46,514,627	98.4	12.4	386.1	15,756,166	61.7	16.8	64.9	1,294,479,856	18.2	5,329	13.80
1890.....	145,878	62,155	74.2	47,282,233	21,087,981	80.5	6.3	324.1	9,746,079	88.2	20.6	66.8	1,094,942,690	180.1	7,506	23.16
1880.....	83,723	35,511	73.7	26,194,252	9,975,166	61.5	3.5	312.9	5,179,858	NA	19.8	61.9	390,884,441	121.4	4,669	14.92
1870.....	48,212	13,548	39.1	16,219,086	3,501,419	27.5	2.2	336.4	NA	NA	NA	NA	176,533,175	150.4	3,662	10.88
1860.....	34,664	27,952	416.4	12,717,667	8,053,454	172.7	2.0	366.9	NA	NA	NA	NA	70,488,320	711.2	2,033	5.54
1850.....	6,712	...	...	4,664,213	...	...	0.8	694.9	NA	NA	NA	NA	8,688,932	...	1,295	1.86
NEW ENGLAND																
Maine																
1959.....	17,360	-6,008	-25.7	3,081,987	-532,255	-14.7	15.5	177.5	698,188	-12.3	22.7	40.2	256,157,000	16.7	14,756	83.11
1954.....	23,368	-6,990	-23.0	3,614,242	-567,371	-13.6	18.2	154.7	795,710	-14.6	22.0	34.1	219,464,000	-3.1	9,392	60.72
1950.....	30,358	-11,826	-28.0	4,181,613	-431,562	-9.4	21.0	137.7	932,028	-29.2	22.3	30.7	226,518,000	41.9	7,462	54.17
1945.....	42,184	3,204	8.2	4												

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		Number	Per cent		Acres	Per cent										
NEW ENGLAND—Con.																
Rhode Island																
1959.....	1,395	-609	-30.4	137,930	-16,744	-10.8	20.4	98.9	33,512	-4.2	24.3	24.0	52,411,000	-1.2	37,571	379.98
1954.....	2,004	-594	-22.9	154,674	-36,378	-19.0	22.8	77.2	34,980	-12.1	22.6	17.5	53,056,000	19.7	26,475	343.02
1950.....	2,598	-1,005	-27.9	191,052	-73,682	-27.8	28.2	73.5	39,782	-35.5	20.8	15.3	44,328,000	24.5	17,062	232.02
1945.....	3,603	589	19.5	264,734	42,821	19.3	39.1	73.5	61,725	26.6	23.3	17.1	35,609,900	35.2	9,883	134.51
1940.....	3,014	-1,313	-30.3	221,913	-85,812	-27.9	32.8	73.6	48,753	-26.6	22.0	16.2	26,334,374	-25.3	8,737	118.67
1935.....	4,327	1,005	30.3	307,725	28,364	10.2	45.1	71.1	66,464	20.4	21.6	15.4	35,237,660	2.1	8,144	114.51
1930.....	3,322	-589	-15.1	279,361	-29,652	-9.6	40.9	84.1	55,214	-20.4	19.8	16.6	34,507,749	23.6	10,388	123.52
1925.....	3,911	-172	-4.2	309,013	-22,587	-6.8	45.3	79.0	69,368	11.8	22.4	17.7	27,920,365	5.8	7,139	90.35
1920.....	4,083	-1,209	-22.8	331,600	-111,708	-25.2	48.6	81.2	62,045	-26.3	18.7	15.2	26,387,926	-5.5	6,463	79.58
1910.....	5,292	-202	-3.7	443,308	-12,294	-2.7	64.9	83.8	84,207	-8.9	19.0	15.9	27,932,860	20.8	5,278	63.01
1900.....	5,498	-2	(2)	455,602	-13,679	-2.9	66.7	82.9	92,415	-17.8	20.3	16.8	23,125,260	5.7	4,206	50.76
1890.....	5,500	-716	-11.5	469,281	-45,532	-8.8	68.7	85.3	112,367	-12.4	23.9	20.4	21,873,479	-15.5	3,977	46.61
1880.....	6,216	848	15.8	514,813	12,505	2.5	75.4	82.8	128,267	NA	24.9	20.6	25,882,079	50.0	4,164	50.27
1870.....	5,368	-38	-0.7	502,308	-18,916	-3.6	73.6	93.6	NA	NA	NA	NA	17,259,974	-11.7	3,215	34.36
1860.....	5,406	21	0.4	521,224	-32,714	-5.9	76.3	96.4	NA	NA	NA	NA	19,550,553	14.5	3,616	37.51
1850.....	5,385	...	...	553,938	...	...	81.1	102.9	NA	...	NA	NA	17,070,802	...	3,170	30.82
Connecticut																
1959.....	8,292	-4,461	-35.0	884,443	-253,451	-22.3	28.2	106.7	237,512	-16.9	26.9	28.6	392,810,000	18.6	47,372	444.13
1954.....	12,753	-2,862	-18.3	1,137,894	-134,458	-10.6	36.3	89.2	285,886	-7.3	25.1	22.4	331,211,000	5.1	25,971	291.07
1950.....	15,615	-6,626	-29.8	1,272,352	-320,817	-20.1	40.6	81.5	308,500	-28.8	24.2	19.8	315,251,000	19.9	20,189	247.77
1945.....	22,241	1,078	5.1	1,593,169	81,018	5.4	50.8	71.6	433,339	19.5	27.2	19.5	263,023,415	28.5	11,826	165.09
1940.....	21,163	-10,994	-34.2	1,512,151	-567,782	-27.3	48.2	71.5	362,577	-25.1	24.0	17.1	204,761,302	-27.9	9,675	135.41
1935.....	32,157	14,962	87.0	2,079,933	577,654	38.5	67.4	64.7	484,386	30.2	23.3	15.1	283,883,908	24.8	8,828	136.49
1930.....	17,195	-6,045	-26.0	1,502,279	-329,831	-18.0	48.7	87.4	372,147	-25.2	24.8	21.6	227,412,905	12.6	13,226	151.38
1925.....	23,24															

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		Number	Per- cent		Acres	Per- cent											
EAST NORTH CENTRAL																	
Ohio																	
1959.....	140,353	-36,721	-20.7	18,506,796	-1,484,790	-7.4	70.6	131.9	9,743,467	-5.8	52.6	69.4	4,573,139,000	23.4	32,583	247.11	
1954.....	177,074	-22,285	-11.2	19,991,586	-977,825	-4.7	76.2	112.9	10,339,955	(2)	51.7	58.4	3,707,415,000	29.7	20,937	185.45	
1950.....	199,359	-21,216	-9.6	20,969,411	-958,433	-4.4	79.9	105.2	10,295,590	-5.0	49.1	51.6	2,858,969,000	53.0	14,341	136.34	
1945.....	220,575	-13,208	-5.6	21,927,844	20,321	0.1	83.3	99.4	10,837,062	10.9	49.4	49.1	1,868,351,004	29.4	8,470	85.20	
1940.....	233,783	-21,363	-8.4	21,907,523	-950,169	-4.2	83.2	93.7	9,771,609	-5.9	44.6	41.8	1,443,917,176	13.0	6,176	65.91	
1935.....	255,146	35,850	16.3	22,857,692	1,343,633	6.2	87.7	89.6	10,383,642	2.6	45.4	40.7	1,277,556,256	-24.5	5,007	55.89	
1930.....	219,296	-25,407	-10.4	21,514,059	-705,189	-3.2	82.5	98.1	10,115,652	-5.5	47.0	46.1	1,693,030,716	-13.0	7,720	78.69	
1925.....	244,703	-11,992	-4.7	22,219,248	-1,296,640	-5.5	85.2	90.8	10,703,042	-9.2	48.2	43.7	1,945,630,975	-26.9	7,951	87.57	
1920.....	256,695	-15,350	-5.6	23,515,888	-589,820	-2.4	90.2	91.6	11,783,788	3.1	50.1	45.9	2,661,435,949	60.9	10,368	113.18	
1910.....	272,045	-4,674	-1.7	24,105,708	-396,277	-1.6	92.5	88.6	11,431,610	-1.6	47.4	42.0	1,654,152,406	59.6	6,080	68.62	
1900.....	276,719	25,289	10.1	24,501,985	1,149,577	4.9	94.0	88.5	11,614,165	15.7	47.4	42.0	1,036,615,180	-1.3	3,746	42.31	
1890.....	251,430	4,241	1.7	23,352,408	-1,176,818	-4.8	89.6	92.9	10,038,131	10.5	43.0	39.9	1,050,031,828	-6.9	4,176	44.96	
1880.....	247,189	51,236	26.1	24,529,226	2,816,806	13.0	94.1	99.2	9,086,811	NA	37.0	36.8	1,127,497,353	33.7	4,561	45.97	
1870.....	195,953	16,064	8.9	21,712,420	1,240,279	6.1	83.3	110.8	NA	NA	NA	NA	843,572,181	24.4	4,305	38.85	
1860.....	179,889	36,082	25.1	20,472,141	2,474,648	13.7	78.5	113.8	NA	NA	NA	NA	678,132,991	89.0	3,770	33.12	
1850.....	143,807	...	...	17,997,493	...	...	69.0	125.2	NA	...	NA	NA	358,758,603	...	2,495	19.93	
Indiana																	
1959.....	128,160	-25,433	-16.6	18,613,046	-619,728	-3.2	80.4	145.2	11,147,102	-1.6	59.9	87.0	4,932,749,000	32.1	38,489	265.02	
1954.....	153,993	-13,034	-7.8	19,232,774	-425,903	-2.2	83.0	125.2	11,333,161	3.0	58.9	73.8	3,732,730,000	38.7	24,303	194.08	
1950.....	166,627	-9,243	-5.3	19,658,677	-368,338	-1.8	84.8	118.0	11,000,662	0.8	56.0	66.0	2,691,273,000	50.0	16,151	136.90	
1945.....	175,970	-8,579	-4.6	20,027,015	226,237	1.1	86.4	113.8	10,912,368	12.4	54.5	62.0	1,794,314,968	43.4	10,197	89.59	
1940.....	184,549	-16,286	-8.1	19,800,778	-717,967	-3.5	85.5	107.3	9,711,028	-3.9	49.0	52.6	1,251,491,614	20.3	6,781	63.20	
1935.....	200,835	19,265	10.6	20,518,745	830,070	4.2	88.9	102.2	10,102,689	-1.1	49.2	50.3	1,040,238,254	-26.5	5,180	50.70	
1930.....	181,570	-14,216	-7.3	19,688,675	-226,445	-1.1	85.3	106.4	10,213,813	-3.8	51.9	56.3	1,415,542,192	-16.5	7,796	71.90	
1925.....																	

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		Number	Per- cent		Acres	Per- cent											
WEST NORTH CENTRAL																	
Minnesota																	
1959.....	145,662	-19,563	-11.8	30,796,097	-1,488,442	-4.6	60.1	211.4	18,917,911	-2.9	61.4	129.9	4,749,296,000	36.5	32,605	154.22	
1954.....	165,225	-13,876	-7.7	32,284,539	-598,624	-1.8	63.0	195.4	19,492,565	-1.1	60.4	118.0	3,478,232,000	25.2	21,051	107.74	
1950.....	179,101	-9,851	-5.2	32,883,163	-256,834	-0.8	64.2	183.6	19,709,121	6.2	59.9	110.0	2,777,312,000	51.5	15,507	84.46	
1945.....	188,952	-8,399	-4.3	33,139,997	533,035	1.6	64.7	175.4	18,558,711	-1.3	56.0	98.2	1,833,761,468	27.1	9,705	55.33	
1940.....	197,351	-5,951	-2.9	32,606,962	-210,949	-0.6	63.7	165.2	18,807,114	9.6	57.7	95.3	1,443,021,290	4.3	7,312	44.26	
1935.....	203,302	18,047	9.7	32,817,911	1,904,544	6.2	63.4	161.4	17,161,044	-7.0	52.3	84.4	1,383,072,263	-34.9	6,803	42.14	
1930.....	185,255	-2,976	-1.6	30,913,367	854,230	2.8	59.7	166.9	18,445,306	2.9	59.7	99.6	2,125,093,278	-11.2	11,471	68.74	
1925.....	188,231	9,753	5.5	30,059,137	-162,621	-0.5	58.1	159.7	17,929,704	9.6	56.6	95.3	2,393,741,745	-27.5	12,717	79.63	
1920.....	178,478	22,341	14.3	30,221,758	2,545,935	9.2	58.4	169.3	16,364,914	11.1	54.1	91.7	3,301,168,325	161.5	18,496	109.23	
1910.....	156,137	1,478	1.0	27,675,823	1,427,325	5.4	53.5	177.3	14,731,464	-2.6	53.2	94.3	1,262,441,426	88.6	8,085	45.62	
1900.....	154,659	37,808	32.4	26,248,498	7,584,853	40.6	50.7	169.7	15,119,570	60.5	57.6	97.8	669,522,315	96.9	4,329	25.51	
1890.....	116,851	24,465	26.5	18,663,645	5,260,626	39.2	36.1	159.7	9,419,785	78.1	50.5	80.6	340,059,470	75.5	2,910	18.22	
1880.....	92,386	45,886	98.7	13,403,019	6,919,191	106.7	25.9	145.1	5,287,758	NA	39.5	57.2	193,724,260	147.5	2,097	14.45	
1870.....	46,500	28,319	155.8	6,483,828	3,771,860	139.1	12.5	139.4	NA	NA	NA	NA	78,277,954	184.6	1,683	12.07	
1860.....	18,181	18,024	(4)	2,711,968	2,683,078	(4)	5.2	149.2	NA	NA	NA	NA	27,505,922	(4)	1,513	10.14	
1850.....	157	...	...	28,881	...	...	0.1	183.9	NA	...	NA	NA	161,948	...	1,032	5.61	
Iowa</																	

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WEST NORTH CENTRAL—Con. Nebraska																
1959.....	90,475	-10,371	-10.3	47,755,708	269,128	0.6	97.4	527.8	18,057,090	-4.3	37.8	199.6	4,233,856,000	24.5	46,796	88.66
1954.....	100,846	-6,337	-5.9	47,486,580	19,752	(2)	96.8	470.9	18,874,341	-2.7	39.7	187.2	3,399,827,000	24.3	33,713	71.60
1950.....	107,183	-4,573	-4.1	47,466,828	-286,113	-0.6	96.7	442.9	19,406,990	-1.0	40.9	181.1	2,735,039,000	61.0	25,517	57.62
1945.....	111,756	-9,306	-7.7	47,752,941	408,960	0.9	97.3	427.3	19,596,324	13.2	41.0	175.3	1,699,209,821	49.3	15,205	35.58
1940.....	121,062	-12,554	-9.4	47,343,981	728,219	1.6	96.5	391.1	17,304,802	41.9	36.6	142.9	1,137,808,019	-27.2	9,399	24.03
1935.....	133,616	4,158	3.2	46,615,762	1,907,197	4.3	94.8	348.9	12,194,716	-43.0	26.2	91.3	1,562,812,974	-37.4	11,696	33.53
1930.....	129,458	1,724	1.3	44,708,565	2,683,790	6.4	91.0	345.4	21,399,340	8.0	47.9	165.3	2,495,203,071	-1.1	19,274	55.81
1925.....	127,734	3,317	2.7	42,024,775	-200,700	-0.5	85.5	329.0	19,810,362	4.6	47.1	155.1	2,524,073,626	-32.0	19,760	60.06
1920.....	124,417	-5,261	-4.1	42,225,475	3,603,454	9.3	85.9	339.4	18,936,108	9.9	44.8	152.2	3,712,107,760	104.7	29,836	87.91
1910.....	129,678	8,153	6.7	38,622,021	8,710,242	29.1	78.6	297.8	17,231,205	14.5	44.6	132.9	1,813,346,935	213.9	13,983	46.95
1900.....	121,525	7,917	7.0	29,911,779	8,318,335	38.5	60.8	246.1	15,044,428	40.3	50.3	123.8	577,660,020	43.6	4,753	19.31
1890.....	113,608	50,221	79.2	21,593,444	11,648,618	117.1	43.9	190.1	10,724,838	166.8	49.7	94.4	402,358,913	279.8	3,542	18.63
1880.....	63,387	51,086	415.3	9,944,826	7,871,045	379.6	20.4	156.9	4,019,116	NA	NA	63.4	105,932,541	337.9	1,671	10.65
1870.....	12,301	9,512	341.1	2,073,781	1,442,567	228.5	4.3	168.6	NA	NA	NA	NA	24,193,749	523.8	1,967	11.67
1860.....	2,789	...	...	631,214	...	...	0.8	226.3	NA	...	NA	NA	3,878,326	...	1,391	6.14
Kansas																
1959.....	104,347	-15,820	-13.2	50,152,870	129,332	0.3	95.5	4								

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SOUTH ATLANTIC—Con. Virginia																	
1959.....	97,623	-38,793	-28.4	13,125,802	-1,560,162	-10.6	51.5	134.5	2,857,848	-9.5	21.8	29.3	1,819,248,000	17.3	18,635	138.60	
1954.....	136,416	-14,581	-9.7	14,685,964	-886,331	-5.7	57.5	107.7	3,157,774	-4.7	21.5	23.1	1,590,959,000	21.4	11,369	105.61	
1950.....	150,997	-22,054	-12.7	15,572,295	-785,777	-4.8	61.0	103.1	3,313,849	-15.7	21.3	21.9	1,277,084,000	47.0	8,458	82.01	
1945.....	173,051	-1,834	-1.0	16,358,072	-86,835	-0.5	64.1	94.5	3,933,284	2.4	24.0	22.7	868,806,343	28.7	5,021	53.11	
1940.....	174,885	-22,747	-11.5	16,444,907	-1,199,991	-6.8	64.4	94.0	3,840,189	(2)	23.4	22.0	674,975,424	13.7	3,860	41.04	
1935.....	197,632	27,022	15.8	17,644,898	916,278	5.5	68.5	89.3	3,841,733	-3.4	21.8	19.4	593,854,761	-30.6	3,005	33.66	
1930.....	170,610	-23,113	-11.9	16,728,620	-481,554	-2.8	64.9	98.1	3,975,307	0.2	23.8	23.3	855,849,672	-3.5	5,016	51.16	
1925.....	193,723	7,481	4.0	17,210,174	-1,350,938	-7.3	66.8	88.8	3,968,570	-13.3	23.1	20.5	886,814,019	-13.4	4,578	51.53	
1920.....	186,242	2,224	1.2	18,561,112	-934,524	-4.8	72.0	99.7	4,579,830	7.6	24.7	24.6	1,024,435,025	92.5	5,501	55.19	
1910.....	184,018	16,132	9.6	19,495,636	-412,247	-2.1	75.7	105.9	4,256,226	-2.1	21.8	23.1	532,058,062	95.9	2,891	27.29	
1900.....	167,886	40,286	31.6	19,907,883	802,932	4.2	77.3	118.6	4,345,537	14.9	21.8	25.9	271,578,200	6.7	1,618	13.64	
1890.....	127,600	9,083	7.7	19,104,951	-730,834	-3.7	74.1	149.7	3,781,053	-1.7	19.8	29.6	254,490,600	17.8	1,994	13.32	
1880.....	118,517	44,668	60.5	19,835,785	1,689,874	9.3	77.0	167.4	3,844,702	NA	19.4	32.4	216,028,107	26.8	1,823	10.89	
1870.....	73,849	-18,756	-20.3	18,145,911	-12,971,125	-41.7	70.4	245.7	NA	NA	NA	NA	170,416,676	-54.2	2,308	9.39	
1860 ⁸	92,605	15,592	20.2	31,117,036	4,964,725	19.0	75.6	336.0	NA	NA	NA	NA	371,761,661	71.8	4,014	11.95	
1850 ⁸	77,013	...	...	26,152,311	...	...	63.6	339.6	NA	...	NA	NA	216,401,543	...	2,810	8.27	
West Virginia																	
1959.....	44,011	-2															

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SOUTH ATLANTIC—Con. Florida																		
1959.....	45,100	-12,443	-21.6	15,236,521	-2,925,154	-16.1	43.9	337.8	1,881,879	-2.8	12.4	41.7	3,317,285,000	71.4	73,554	217.72		
1954.....	57,543	622	1.1	18,161,675	1,634,139	9.9	52.3	315.6	1,935,655	12.0	10.7	33.6	1,935,002,000	104.6	36,627	106.54		
1950.....	56,921	-4,238	-6.9	16,527,536	3,444,035	26.3	47.6	290.4	1,728,232	-4.5	10.5	30.4	945,871,000	89.8	16,617	57.23		
1945.....	61,159	-1,089	-1.7	13,083,501	4,745,793	56.9	37.7	213.9	1,809,430	7.7	13.8	29.6	498,399,612	53.6	8,149	38.09		
1940.....	62,248	-10,609	-14.6	8,337,708	2,289,302	37.8	24.0	133.9	1,679,622	6.4	20.1	27.0	324,377,874	1.0	5,211	38.90		
1935.....	72,857	13,891	23.6	6,048,406	1,021,789	20.3	17.2	83.0	1,579,049	8.6	26.1	21.7	321,077,653	-24.2	4,407	53.08		
1930.....	58,966	-251	-0.4	5,026,617	-837,902	-14.3	14.3	85.2	1,454,254	6.2	28.9	24.7	423,346,262	-11.6	7,179	84.22		
1925.....	59,217	5,212	9.7	5,864,519	-182,172	-3.0	16.7	99.0	1,369,050	10.7	23.3	23.1	478,941,968	70.2	8,088	81.67		
1920.....	54,005	3,989	8.0	6,046,691	793,153	15.1	17.2	112.0	1,237,009	1.1	20.5	22.9	281,449,404	138.2	5,212	46.55		
1910.....	50,016	9,202	22.5	5,253,538	889,647	20.4	15.0	105.0	1,223,078	19.9	23.3	24.5	118,145,989	189.6	2,362	22.49		
1900.....	40,814	6,586	19.2	4,363,891	689,405	18.8	12.4	106.9	1,019,968	42.5	23.4	25.0	40,799,838	-43.9	1,000	9.35		
1890.....	34,228	10,790	46.0	3,674,486	377,162	11.4	10.5	107.4	715,633	4.5	19.5	20.9	72,745,180	258.5	2,125	19.80		
1880.....	23,438	13,197	128.9	3,297,324	923,783	38.9	9.4	140.7	684,630	NA	20.8	29.2	20,291,835	155.0	866	6.15		
1870.....	10,241	3,673	55.9	2,373,541	-546,687	-18.7	6.8	231.8	NA	NA	NA	NA	7,958,336	-51.6	777	3.35		
1860.....	6,568	2,264	52.6	2,920,228	1,324,939	83.1	8.3	444.6	NA	NA	NA	NA	16,435,727	159.9	2,502	5.63		
1850.....	4,304	...	...	1,595,289	...	...	4.5	370.7	NA	...	NA	NA	6,323,109	...	1,469	3.96		
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL																		

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	Total	Increase or decrease (-)		Acres	Increase or decrease (-)		Per- cent of total land area ³	Aver- age acre- age per farm	Acres	Per- cent in- crease or de- crease (-)	Per- cent of all land in farms	Aver- age acre- age per farm (all farms)	Total (dollars)	Per- cent in- crease or de- crease (-)	Aver- age per farm (dol- lars)	Aver- age per acre (dol- lars)
		Number	Per- cent		Acres	Per- cent										
WEST SOUTH CENTRAL																
Arkansas																
1959.....	95,007	-50,069	-34.5	16,458,515	-1,485,852	-8.3	49.0	173.2	5,324,541	-3.8	32.4	56.0	1,797,070,000	30.4	18	

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		Number	Per- cent		Acres	Per- cent												
MOUNTAIN—Con. Idaho																		
1959.....	33,670	-5,070	-13.1	15,232,401	867,930	6.0	28.8	452.4	3,832,164	2.8	25.2	113.8	1,701,283,000	31.2	50,528	111.69		
1954.....	38,740	-1,544	-3.8	14														

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Region, State, and year	Number of farms			All land in farms						Cropland harvested ¹				Value of farms (land and buildings) ²			
	Total	Increase or decrease (-)		Acres	Increase or decrease (-)		Per- cent of total land area ³	Average acreage per farm	Acres	Per- cent in- crease or de- crease (-)	Per- cent of all land in farms	Aver- age acre- age per farm (all farms)	Total (dollars)	Per- cent in- crease or de- crease (-)	Aver- age per farm (dol- lars)	Aver- age per farm (dol- lars)	
		Number	Per- cent		Acres	Per- cent											
MOUNTAIN—Con. Utah																	
1959.....	17,811	-5,015	-22.0	12,688,518	426,296	3.5	24.1	712.4	1,062,246	-13.5	8.4	59.6	755,028,000	28.9	42,391	59.50	
1954.....	22,826	-1,350	-5.6	12,262,222	1,397,057	12.9	23.3	537.2	1,228,520	-4.0	10.0	53.8	585,533,000	24.3	25,652	47.75	
1950.....	24,176	-2,146	-8.2	10,865,165	556,058	5.4	20.6	449.4	1,279,469	2.5	11.8	52.9	471,242,000	80.0	19,492	43.37	
1945.....	26,322	911	3.6	10,309,107	3,007,100	41.2	19.6	391.7	1,247,718	29.2	12.1	47.4	261,817,649	69.6	9,947	25.40	
1940.....	25,411	-5,284	-17.2	7,302,007	1,062,689	17.0	13.9	287.4	966,088	18.6	13.2	38.0	154,358,365	-2.5	6,074	21.14	
1935.....	30,695	3,536	13.0	6,239,318	626,217	11.2	11.9	203.3	814,854	-29.7	13.0	26.5	158,303,329	-28.4	5,157	25.37	
1930.....	27,159	1,167	4.5	5,613,101	612,377	12.2	10.7	206.7	1,159,890	13.2	20.7	42.7	221,223,172	15.1	8,135	39.41	
1925.....	25,992	330	1.3	5,000,724	-49,686	-1.0	9.5	192.4	1,024,566	-0.6	20.5	39.4	192,201,366	-21.1	7,395	38.43	
1920.....	25,662	3,986	18.4	5,050,410	1,652,711	48.6	9.6	196.8	1,030,464	36.4	20.4	40.2	243,751,758	107.4	9,499	48.26	
1910.....	21,676	2,289	11.8	3,397,699	-719,252	-17.5	6.5	156.7	755,370	12.8	22.2	34.8	117,545,332	131.5	5,423	34.60	
1900.....	19,387	8,870	84.3	4,116,951	2,793,246	211.7	7.8	212.4	669,824	131.7	16.3	34.6	50,778,350	78.8	2,619	12.33	
1890.....	10,517	1,065	11.3	1,323,705	668,181	101.9	2.5	125.9	289,138	52.6	21.8	27.5	28,402,780	102.7	2,701	21.46	
1880.....	9,452	4,544	92.6	655,524	507,163	341.8	1.2	69.4	189,509	NA	28.9	20.0	14,015,178	662.4	1,483	21.38	
1870.....	4,908	1,273	35.0	148,361	58,450	65.0	0.3	30.2	NA	NA	NA	NA	1,838,338	37.9	375	12.39	
1860.....	3,635	2,709	292.5	89,911	43,062	91.9	0.1	24.7	NA	NA	NA	NA	1,333,355	327.6	367	14.83	
1850.....	926	...	...	46,849	...	...	...	50.6	NA	...	NA	NA	311,799	...	337	6.66	
Nevada																	
1959.....	2,354	-503	-17.6	10,942,936	2,711,666	32.9	15.6	4,648.7	337,529	-6.2	3.1	143.4	334,206,000	49.7	141,974	30.54	
1954.....	2,857	-253	-8.1	8,231,270	1,167,745	16.5	11.7	2,881.1	360,011	-14.5	4.4	126.0	223,308,000	64.3	78,162	27.13	
1950.....	3,110	-319	-9.3	7,063,525	885,521	14.3	10.1	2,271.2	421,202	-13.5	6.0	135.4	135,907,000	88.9	43,700	19.24	
1945.....	3,429	-144	-4.0	6,178,004	2,392,898	63.2	8.8	1,801.7	486,842	11.7	7.9	142.0	71,955,968	51.2	20,985	11.65	
1940.....	3,573	-123	-3.3	3,785,106	163,337	4.5	5.4	1,059.4	435,855	60.0	11.5	122.0	47,594,384	11.8	13,321	12.57	
1935.....	3,696	254	7.4	3,621,769	-459,137	-11.3	5.2	979.9	272,463	-31.6	7.5	73.7	42,568,709	-33.6	11,518	11.75	
1930.....	3,442	-441	-11.4	4,080,906	-9,680	-0.2	5.8	1,185.6	397,504	9.6	9.7	115.5	64,111,000	-5.7	18,626	15.71	
1925.....	3,883	720	22.8	4,090,586	1,733,423	73.5	5.8	1,053.5	362,552	-6.9	8.9	93.4	67,997,492	2.6	17,512	16.62	
1920.....	3,163	474	17.6	2,357,163	-357,594	-13.2	3.4	745.2	389,281	-0.8	16.5	123.1	66,255,214	67.3	20,947	28.11	
1910.....	2,689	505	23.1	2,714,757	149,110	5.8	3.9	1,009.6	392,387	20.2	14.5	145.9	39,609,339	153.7	14,730	14.59	
1900.....	2,184	907	71.0	2,565,647	904,231	54.4	3.7	1,174.7	326,526	107.9	12.7	149.5	15,615,710	26.6	7,150	6.09	
1890.....	1,277	-127	-9.0	1,661,416	1,130,554	213.0	2.4	1,301.0	157,048	50.4	9.5	123.0	12,339,410	128.2	9,663	7.43	
1880.....	1,404	368	35.5	530,862	322,352	154.6	0.8	378.1	104,422	NA	19.7	74.4	5,408,325	264.1	3,852	10.19	
1870.....	1,036	945	...	208,510	152,392	271.6	0.3	201.3	NA	NA	NA	NA	1,485,505	391.3	1,434	7.12	
1860.....	91	...	...	56,118	...	...	0.1	616.7	NA	...	...	...	302,340	...	3,322	5.39	
PACIFIC Washington																	
1959.....	51,577	-13,598	-20.9	18,716,972	1,075,543	6.1	43.8	362.9	4,412,466	1.6	23.6	85.6	2,454,524,000	21.4	47,590	131.14	
1954.....	65,175	-4,645	-6.7	17,641,429	272,184	1.6	41.3	270.7	4,342,833	2.5	24.6	66.6	2,021,583,000	37.5	31,018	114.59	
1950.....	69,820	-10,067	-12.6	17,369,245	649,375	3.9	40.6	248.8	4,236,705	-1.2	24.4	60.7	1,470,208,000	63.3	21,057	84.64	
1945.....	79,887	-1,799	-2.2	16,719,870	1,538,055	10.1	39.0	209.3	4,290,008	20.2	25.7	53.7	900,184,222	51.7	11,268	53.84	
1940.....	81,686	-2,695	-3.2	15,181,815	501,718	3.4	35.4	185.9	3,969,803	-1.8	23.5	43.7	593,366,445	7.7	7,264	39.08	
1935.....	84,381	13,477	19.0	14,680,097	1,146,319	8.5	34.3	174.0	3,635,796	-0.6	24.8	43.1	550,720,198	-28.8	6,527	37.51	
1930.....	70,904	-2,363	-3.2	13,533,778	923,468	7.3	31.6	190.9	3,658,514	12.1	27.0	51.6	773,662,602	6.4	10,911	57.17	
1925.....	73,267	6,979	10.5	12,610,310	-634,410	-4.8	29.5	172.1	3,262,824	-18.5	25.9	44.5	726,889,847	-21.0	9,921	57.64	
1920.....	66,288	10,096	18.0	13,244,720	1,532,485	13.1	31.0	199.8	4,001,852	16.6	30.2	60.4	920,392,341	60.9	13,885	69.49	
1910.....	56,192	22,990	69.2	11,712,235	3,212,938	37.8	27.4	208.4	3,431,273	80.5	29.3	61.1	571,968,457	394.8	10,179	48.84	
1900.....	33,202	15,146	83.9	8,499,297	4,320,107	103.4	19.9	256.0	1,901,381	135.0	22.4	57.3	115,609,710	38.5	3,482	13.60	
1890.....	18,056	11,527	176.6	4,179,190	2,769,769	196.5	9.8	231.4	809,266	302.1	19.4	44.8	83,461,660	502.9	4,622	19.97	
1880.....	6,529	3,402	108.8	1,409,421	760,282	117.1	3.3	215.9	201,261	NA	14.3	30.8	13,844,224	248.0	2,120	9.82	
1870.....	3,127	1,797	135.1	649,139	282,983	77.3	1.5	207.6	NA	NA	NA	NA	3,978,341	79.4	1,272	6.13	
1860.....	1,330	...	...	366,156	...	...	0.3	275.3	NA	...	...	...	2,217,842	...	1,668	6.06	
Oregon																	
1959.....	42,573	-11,868	-21.8	21,236,298	188,958	0.9	34.5	498.8	3,118,451	-4.5	14.7	73.3	1,856,543,000	13.0	43,608	87.42	
1954.....	54,441	-5,386	-9.0	21,047,340	719,657	3.5	34.1	386.6	3,265,385	1.4	15.5	60.0	1,642,910,000	35.1	30,178	78.06	
1950.....	59,827	-3,298	-5.2	20,327,683	573,426	2.9	33.0	339.8	3,218,767	-1.7	15.8	53.8	1,216,088,000	74.3	20,327	59.82	
1945.....	63,125	1,296	2.1	19,754,257	1,765,950	9.8	32.0	312.9	3,276,086	16.0	16.6	51.9	697,775,183	46.3	11,054	35.32	
1940.....	61,829	-2,997	-4.6	17,988,307	630,758	3.6	29.2	290.9	2,824,316	-0.3	15.7	45.7	476,817,354	6.3	7,712	26.51	
1935.....	64,826	9,673	17.5	17,357,549	808,871	4.9	28.4	267.8	2,831,742	-2.6	16.3	43.7	448,711,757	-28.9	6,922	25.85	
1930.....	55,153	-758	-1.4	16,548,678	2,417,831	17.1	27.0	300.1	2,906,324	12.1	17.6	52.7	630,827,927	2.4	11,338	38.12	
1925.....	55,911	5,705	11.4	14,130,847	588,529	4.3	23.1	252.7	2,592,219	-7.6	18.3	46.4	616,068,770	-8.8	11,019	43.60	
1920.....	50,206	4,704	10.3	13,542,318	1,857,208	15.9	22.1	269.7	2,804,265	22.9	20.7	55.9	675,213,				

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		Number	Percent		Acres	Percent										
PACIFIC—Con. Alaska																
1959.....	367	NA	NA	888,331	NA	NA	0.2	2,420.5	14,482	NA	1.6	39.5	17,755,000	NA	48,379	19.99
1954.....	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1950.....	525	NA	NA	421,799	NA	NA	0.1	803.4	6,450	NA	1.5	12.3	6,544,000	NA	12,465	15.51
1945.....	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1940.....	623	NA	NA	1,775,752	NA	NA	0.5	2,850.3	7,305	NA	0.4	11.7	3,841,045	NA	6,165	2.16
1935.....	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1930.....	500	NA	NA	525,942	NA	NA	0.1	1,051.9	123,875	NA	0.7	7.8	2,857,185	NA	5,714	5.43
1925.....	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1920.....	364	142	64.0	90,652	48,108	113.1	(2)	249.0	124,473	NA	4.9	12.3	1,211,685	39.7	3,329	13.37
1910.....	222	210	(4)	42,544	42,385	(4)	(2)	191.6	NA	NA	NA	NA	867,638	NA	3,908	20.39
1900.....	12	...	...	159	...	...	(2)	13.3	12104	NA	65.4	8.7	(13)	(13)	(13)	(13)
Hawaii																
1959.....	6,242	NA	NA	2,461,454	NA	NA	60.0	394.3	176,410	NA	7.2	28.3	NA	NA	NA	NA
1954.....	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1950.....	5,750	NA	NA	2,432,069	NA	NA	59.3	423.0	159,497	NA	6.6	27.7	195,277,000	NA	33,961	80.29
1945.....	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1940.....	4,995	NA	NA	2,485,648	NA	NA	60.6	497.6	184,553	NA	7.4	36.9	112,788,201	NA	22,580	45.38
1935.....	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1930.....	5,955	NA	NA	2,815,026	NA	NA	68.7	472.7	NA	NA	NA	NA	111,780,432	NA	18,771	39.70
1925.....	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1920.....	5,284	964	22.3	2,702,245	111,645	4.3	65.5	511.4	NA	NA	NA	NA	129,131,324	55.7	24,438	47.78
1910.....	4,320	2,047	90.1	2,590,600	-19,013	-0.7	62.8	599.7	NA	NA	NA	NA	82,931,701	38.2	19,197	32.01
1900.....	2,273	...	...	2,609,613	...	...	63.2	1,148.1	NA	NA	NA	NA	60,029,956	...	26,410	23.00

NA Not available. Z Less than 0.05 percent. ¹Prior to 1924, the data relate to the total acreage of crops for which figures are available, except for 1919 when 14,502,932 acres of corn cut for forage were excluded (as most of this was probably duplicated in the acreage of corn harvested for grain). ²The total value for each State for 1959, 1954, and 1950 was based on the average value per acre for farms in the sample, for which value of land and buildings was reported. The average value per farm and per acre was based on the total value of all farms. See text. ³Percentages for 1959 are based on land areas as shown in Tables 1 and 9. Percentages for earlier years are based on land areas as published in Census reports for those years. United States land areas, for earlier years, are shown in Table 1. For 1850, the percentage for the United States was based on total land area, including 297,976,960 acres of unorganized territory omitted in the calculations for regions and States. ⁴1,000 percent or more. ⁵Figures for 1880 were obtained by consolidating data for the counties which then occupied the area now known as North Dakota. ⁶The 1870 and 1860 figures are for Dakota Territory. ⁷Figures for 1880 were obtained by consolidating data for the counties which then occupied the area now known as South Dakota. ⁸In 1860 and 1850, Virginia included the area now known as West Virginia. ⁹Figures for 1900 are for Oklahoma Territory and Indian Territory. ¹⁰The 1890 figures for number of farms, farm acreage, and value are for Oklahoma Territory alone, no data for these items being available for Indian Territory; the percent of total land area in farms is based on the total land area of Oklahoma Territory plus Indian Territory; acreage shown under cropland harvested includes 35,078 acres of cotton in Indian Territory estimated from a special survey. ¹¹There was no enumeration of farms in 1880 in what is now known as Oklahoma; the figure shown under cropland harvested consists of cotton acreage reported for Indian Territory by special agent. ¹²Acres of all crops harvested. ¹³No titles to land in 1900.