

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

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

Item (For definitions and explanations, see text)	Census of—								
	1959 (Oct.-Nov.)	1954 (Oct.-Nov.)	1950 (April 1)	1945 (January 1)	1940 (April 1)	1935 (January 1)	1930 (April 1)	1925 (January 1)	1920 (January 1)
Farms.....number.....	45,100	57,543	56,921	61,159	62,248	72,857	58,966	59,217	54,005
Approximate land area (see text).....acres.....	34,721,280	34,727,680	34,727,680	34,727,680	34,727,680	35,111,040	35,111,040	35,111,040	35,111,040
Proportion in farms.....percent.....	43.9	52.3	47.5	37.7	24.0	17.2	14.3	16.7	17.2
Land in farms.....acres.....	15,236,521	18,161,675	16,527,536	13,083,501	8,337,708	6,048,406	5,026,617	5,864,519	6,046,691
Average size of farm.....acres.....	337.8	315.6	290.4	213.9	133.9	83.0	85.2	99.0	112.0
Value of land and buildings:									
Average per farm.....dollars.....	62,977	28,444	15,437	8,149	5,211	4,407	7,179	8,088	5,212
Average per acre.....dollars.....	223.90	114.58	57.61	38.09	38.90	53.08	84.22	81.67	46.55
Land in farms according to use: ¹									
Cropland harvested.....farms reporting.....	35,854	44,780	44,174	52,855	56,235	66,965	54,404	NA	NA
.....acres.....	1,881,879	1,935,655	1,728,232	1,809,430	1,679,622	1,579,049	1,454,254	1,369,050	² 1,237,009
1 to 9 acres.....farms reporting.....	13,744	17,516	16,292	18,370	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
10 to 10 acres.....farms reporting.....	5,855	7,957	8,095	9,805	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
20 to 20 acres.....farms reporting.....	3,635	4,557	5,222	6,853	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
30 to 40 acres.....farms reporting.....	4,116	5,237	6,206	8,599	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
50 to 99 acres.....farms reporting.....	4,257	5,279	5,149	6,255	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
100 to 199 acres.....farms reporting.....	2,593	2,792	2,117	2,023	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
200 or more acres.....farms reporting.....	1,654	1,442	1,093	950	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
900 to 499 acres.....farms reporting.....	1,266	1,072	834	757	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
500 to 999 acres.....farms reporting.....	246	262	162	119	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1,000 or more acres.....farms reporting.....	142	108	97	74	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Cropland used only for pasture ³farms reporting.....	9,932	13,848	16,082	8,045	13,485	9,494	8,955	3,985	NA
.....acres.....	939,342	877,500	936,853	562,563	643,065	347,860	301,432	257,788	NA
Cropland not harvested and not pastured.....farms reporting.....	11,358	15,332	18,850	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	579,701	585,314	659,337	505,201	533,901	541,730	514,980	653,234	NA
Soil-improvement grasses and legumes.....farms reporting.....	1,708	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	103,241	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Other cropland (idle and crop failure).....farms reporting.....	10,279	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	476,460	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Woodland pastured.....farms reporting.....	10,042	16,318	16,527	13,731	NA	10,396	9,250	6,898	NA
.....acres.....	5,098,268	7,150,928	7,288,204	4,527,462	NA	1,470,354	840,843	793,782	NA
Woodland not pastured.....farms reporting.....	11,536	14,918	18,277	19,026	NA	24,138	17,004	22,550	NA
.....acres.....	1,634,442	1,824,724	1,761,638	1,274,398	NA	1,140,941	1,050,995	1,498,301	NA
Other pasture (not cropland and not woodland) ³farms reporting.....	11,316	13,417	4,989	8,093	NA	3,078	2,595	1,655	NA
.....acres.....	4,130,239	4,780,972	3,395,591	4,005,715	NA	544,460	176,310	437,500	NA
Improved pasture.....farms reporting.....	7,227	8,859	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	1,237,576	1,061,626	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Other land (house lots, roads, wasteland, etc.).....farms reporting.....	NA	44,581	45,230	45,084	NA	47,011	32,737	NA	NA
.....acres.....	972,650	1,006,582	757,681	398,732	NA	424,012	687,803	854,864	NA
Cropland, total ⁴farms reporting.....	39,408	50,855	51,161	56,479	60,594	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	3,400,922	3,398,469	3,324,422	2,877,194	2,856,588	2,468,639	2,270,666	2,280,072	NA
Land pastured, total.....farms reporting.....	21,603	29,480	28,002	25,410	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	10,167,849	12,809,400	11,620,648	9,095,740	NA	2,362,674	1,318,585	1,489,070	NA
Woodland, total.....farms reporting.....	18,748	27,643	31,030	29,831	29,628	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	6,732,710	8,975,652	9,049,842	5,801,860	2,649,960	2,611,295	1,891,838	2,292,083	2,780,790
Irrigated land in farms.....farms reporting.....	4,249	5,799	6,075	4,092	3,947	⁵ 2,751	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	413,526	427,807	⁵ 365,421	221,917	126,191	⁵ 65,832	NA	NA	NA

NA Not available.

¹For the Censuses of 1959 and 1954, in the Census year; for all other Censuses, in the calendar year preceding the Census.

²Total acreage of crops for which figures are available, except that corn out for forage was excluded as most of this acreage was probably duplicated in the acreage of corn harvested for grain.

³Not fully comparable for the various Census years because of differences in definition of cropland used only for pasture. See text.

⁴Irrigated cropland only.

⁵Includes irrigated cropland not harvested and not pastured.