

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...	106,350	165,523	198,191	225,897	216,033	250,544	255,598	249,095	310,732
Approximate land area (see text).....acres...	37,295,360	37,429,120	37,429,120	37,451,520	37,451,520	37,584,000	37,584,000	37,584,000	37,584,000
Proportion in farms.....percent...	52.7	64.2	68.8	63.2	63.2	67.3	58.7	58.4	67.7
Land in farms.....acres...	19,657,615	24,018,773	25,751,055	23,675,612	23,683,631	25,296,522	22,078,630	21,945,496	25,441,061
Average size of farm.....acres...	184.8	145.1	129.9	104.8	109.6	101.0	86.4	88.1	81.9
Value of land and buildings:									
Average per farm.....dollars...	16,464	7,905	5,323	2,896	2,223	1,715	2,259	2,359	3,663
Average per acre.....dollars...	100.03	61.46	43.25	27.63	20.28	16.99	26.15	26.77	44.74
Land in farms according to use: ¹									
Cropland harvested.....farms reporting...	89,686	140,499	176,610	212,430	210,696	241,992	241,427	NA	NA
.....acres...	4,917,975	6,117,379	7,098,147	7,824,189	8,802,593	8,645,593	8,337,145	8,127,577	210,470,079
1 to 9 acres.....farms reporting...	20,116	30,943	29,436	31,526	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
10 to 19 acres.....farms reporting...	15,972	26,006	32,313	35,555	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
20 to 29 acres.....farms reporting...	11,121	21,232	32,513	45,437	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
30 to 49 acres.....farms reporting...	14,259	26,319	41,160	57,362	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
50 to 99 acres.....farms reporting...	16,068	24,048	30,515	33,935	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
100 to 199 acres.....farms reporting...	7,913	8,377	7,792	6,226	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
200 or more acres.....farms reporting...	4,237	3,574	2,881	2,389	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
200 to 499 acres.....farms reporting...	3,521	2,980	2,350	1,922	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
500 to 999 acres.....farms reporting...	595	490	429	379	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1,000 or more acres.....farms reporting...	121	104	102	88	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Cropland used only for pasture ²farms reporting...	36,457	43,295	47,457	32,462	75,505	56,351	57,445	50,440	NA
.....acres...	1,303,702	1,407,398	1,273,027	784,245	1,512,913	958,656	980,234	811,562	NA
Cropland not harvested and not pastured.....farms reporting...	39,836	58,324	84,890	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres...	1,236,798	1,399,296	2,115,701	2,034,991	1,374,719	2,176,347	2,109,452	2,568,240	NA
Soil-improvement grasses and legumes.....farms reporting...	8,469	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres...	261,485	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Other cropland (idle and crop failure).....farms reporting...	35,033	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres...	975,313	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Woodland pastured.....farms reporting...	43,717	66,225	74,224	69,169	NA	103,913	78,300	69,225	NA
.....acres...	3,065,538	4,600,542	4,371,298	3,508,135	NA	4,423,210	2,880,358	2,324,250	NA
Woodland not pastured.....farms reporting...	61,331	82,406	101,109	114,292	NA	130,101	105,568	94,199	NA
.....acres...	7,175,352	8,085,789	8,908,851	7,214,139	NA	7,252,159	5,492,579	4,721,563	NA
Other pasture (not cropland and not woodland) ³farms reporting...	37,214	57,101	52,142	68,751	NA	42,892	40,705	34,261	NA
.....acres...	1,384,167	1,850,269	1,184,817	1,610,556	NA	827,759	791,035	713,127	NA
Improved pasture.....farms reporting...	18,995	24,519	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres...	687,566	803,144	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Other land (house lots, roads, wasteland, etc.).....farms reporting...	NA	140,244	155,205	197,044	NA	216,848	158,569	NA	NA
.....acres...	574,083	558,100	799,214	699,357	NA	1,012,798	1,487,827	2,679,177	NA
Cropland, total ⁴farms reporting...	98,071	153,975	189,266	220,920	215,086	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres...	7,458,475	8,924,073	10,486,875	10,643,425	11,690,225	11,780,596	11,426,831	11,507,379	NA
Land pastured, total.....farms reporting...	75,550	108,077	119,324	125,990	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres...	5,753,407	7,858,209	6,829,142	5,902,936	NA	6,209,625	4,651,627	3,848,939	NA
Woodland, total.....farms reporting...	78,610	112,791	132,205	141,135	149,159	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres...	10,240,890	12,686,331	13,280,149	10,722,274	10,174,775	11,675,369	8,372,937	7,045,813	10,491,848
Irrigated land in farms.....farms reporting...	2,194	1,268	139	14	26	72 NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres...	33,700	23,873	3,161	423	158	401 NA	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 cut for forage was excluded as most of this acreage was probably duplicated in the acreage of corn harvested for grain.

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

4 Irrigated cropland includes land only