

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

[Data on value of land and buildings for 1950, 1954, and 1959 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.....	74,438	111,127	124,181	129,295	150,007	170,216	161,445	132,450	135,463
Approximate land area (see text).....acres.....	28,867,840	28,903,680	28,903,680	28,913,280	28,913,280	29,061,760	29,061,760	29,061,760	29,061,760
Proportion in farms.....percent.....	35.8	39.6	38.8	34.7	34.6	35.9	32.2	30.4	34.5
Land in farms.....acres.....	10,347,328	11,441,343	11,202,278	10,039,657	9,996,108	10,444,288	9,355,437	8,837,502	10,019,822
Average size of farm.....acres.....	139.0	103.0	90.2	77.6	66.6	61.4	57.9	66.7	74.0
Value of land and buildings:									
Average per farm.....dollars.....	21,012	9,660	6,983	3,653	2,359	1,736	2,590	2,451	3,499
Average per acre.....dollars.....	174.95	112.81	82.47	47.05	35.40	28.29	44.70	36.74	47.31
Land in farms according to use: ¹									
Cropland harvested.....farms reporting.....	52,490	82,755	99,191	118,532	143,722	163,516	152,413	NA	NA
.....acres.....	2,425,936	3,010,580	3,148,881	3,490,159	4,051,670	3,977,024	4,068,151	3,484,753	² 3,924,267
1 to 9 acres.....farms reporting.....	16,445	26,254	27,327	26,295	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
10 to 19 acres.....farms reporting.....	12,240	22,280	29,671	38,143	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
20 to 29 acres.....farms reporting.....	7,581	13,619	19,694	27,963	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
30 to 49 acres.....farms reporting.....	6,481	9,781	12,455	16,253	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
50 to 99 acres.....farms reporting.....	4,614	5,375	5,351	5,470	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
100 to 199 acres.....farms reporting.....	2,761	2,841	2,562	2,435	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
200 or more acres.....farms reporting.....	2,368	2,605	2,131	1,973	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
200 to 499 acres.....farms reporting.....	1,801	2,063	1,631	1,504	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
500 to 999 acres.....farms reporting.....	421	396	358	347	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1,000 or more acres.....farms reporting.....	146	146	142	122	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Cropland used only for pasture ³farms reporting.....	28,909	38,183	42,369	28,215	55,617	44,844	37,254	28,390	NA
.....acres.....	2,032,724	1,959,126	1,803,849	1,032,409	1,442,636	1,119,597	915,839	784,503	NA
Cropland not harvested and not pastured.....farms reporting.....	12,133	18,938	26,345	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	448,420	497,796	704,737	612,848	543,761	779,476	672,244	794,775	NA
Soil-improvement grasses and legumes.....farms reporting.....	2,201	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	117,611	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Other cropland (idle and crop failure).....farms reporting.....	10,530	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	330,809	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Woodland pastured.....farms reporting.....	22,560	32,686	30,986	25,352	NA	30,617	24,627	15,959	NA
.....acres.....	1,749,694	2,258,661	1,803,948	1,385,826	NA	1,204,536	917,138	674,327	NA
Woodland not pastured.....farms reporting.....	17,021	22,212	28,598	30,259	NA	42,149	31,177	26,673	NA
.....acres.....	1,463,165	1,690,586	1,964,815	1,494,006	NA	2,222,895	1,741,975	1,731,892	NA
Other pasture (not cropland and not woodland) ³farms reporting.....	25,541	30,061	28,918	40,845	NA	16,029	13,890	5,590	NA
.....acres.....	1,690,233	1,520,606	1,151,882	1,502,337	NA	471,710	401,710	250,401	NA
Improved pasture.....farms reporting.....	5,779	5,987	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	407,602	318,424	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Other land (house lots, roads, wasteland, etc.).....farms reporting.....	NA	95,191	98,213	113,711	NA	158,490	93,200	NA	NA
.....acres.....	537,156	503,988	624,166	522,072	NA	669,050	638,380	1,116,851	NA
Cropland, total ⁴farms reporting.....	62,428	97,770	112,349	124,582	148,880	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	4,907,080	5,467,502	5,657,467	5,135,416	6,038,067	5,876,097	5,656,234	5,064,031	NA
Land pastured, total.....farms reporting.....	55,548	73,113	76,898	76,259	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	5,472,651	5,738,393	4,759,679	3,920,572	NA	2,795,843	2,234,687	1,709,231	NA
Woodland, total.....farms reporting.....	34,511	48,594	50,958	46,624	53,585	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	3,212,859	3,949,247	3,768,763	2,879,832	2,950,119	3,427,431	2,659,113	2,406,219	3,614,040
Irrigated land in farms.....farms reporting.....	4,817	NA	7,438	7,185	7,037	NA	NA	NA	6,471
.....acres.....	484,850	NA	⁵ 576,775	535,619	413,969	NA	NA	NA	NA
Irrigated cropland harvested.....farms reporting.....	4,783	6,897	7,400	NA	7,034	6,585	⁵ 5,588	NA	NA
.....acres.....	481,843	707,818	571,665	NA	411,859	361,943	⁵ 400,375	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.

⁴Includes irrigated cropland not harvested and not pastured.

⁵Acreage of irrigated crops including some duplication where two or more crops were harvested from the same land.