

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...	17,360	23,368	30,358	42,184	38,980	41,907	39,006	50,033	48,227
Approximate land area (see text).....acres...	19,847,680	19,865,600	19,865,600	19,865,600	19,865,600	19,132,800	19,132,800	19,132,800	19,132,800
Proportion in farms.....percent...	15.5	18.2	21.0	23.2	21.3	24.7	24.3	27.0	28.4
Land in farms.....acres...	3,081,987	3,614,242	4,181,613	4,613,175	4,223,297	4,721,842	4,639,938	5,161,428	5,425,968
Average size of farm.....acres...	177.5	154.7	137.7	109.4	108.3	112.7	119.0	103.2	112.5
Value of land and buildings:									
Average per farm.....dollars...	14,582	9,330	7,570	3,785	3,183	3,425	4,981	3,943	4,232
Average per acre.....dollars...	83.19	60.47	54.06	34.61	29.38	30.40	41.87	38.22	37.62
Land in farms according to use: ¹									
Cropland harvested.....farms reporting...	15,195	20,260	27,880	39,882	36,964	41,415	38,214	NA	NA
.....acres...	698,188	795,710	932,028	1,315,562	1,146,613	1,386,025	1,304,014	1,605,576	² 1,530,027
1 to 9 acres.....farms reporting...	2,809	4,223	6,226	9,778	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
10 to 19 acres.....farms reporting...	2,637	3,725	5,839	7,694	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
20 to 29 acres.....farms reporting...	2,085	3,059	4,494	6,416	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
30 to 49 acres.....farms reporting...	2,791	4,005	5,413	7,772	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
50 to 99 acres.....farms reporting...	3,139	3,654	4,498	6,239	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
100 to 199 acres.....farms reporting...	1,362	1,293	1,189	1,664	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
200 or more acres.....farms reporting...	372	301	221	319	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
200 to 499 acres.....farms reporting...	352	276	206	287	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
500 to 999 acres.....farms reporting...	16	20	13	22	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1,000 or more acres.....farms reporting...	4	5	2	10	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Cropland used only for pasture ³farms reporting...	7,665	10,931	12,310	4,493	15,646	11,589	13,742	11,767	NA
.....acres...	171,405	235,948	221,330	73,983	319,687	180,385	259,265	195,768	NA
Cropland not harvested and not pastured.....farms reporting...	6,081	10,381	9,803	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres...	208,077	240,692	253,664	100,244	123,062	65,518	97,751	37,939	NA
Soil-improvement grasses and legumes.....farms reporting...	1,967	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres...	55,107	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Other cropland (idle and crop failure).....farms reporting...	4,814	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres...	152,970	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Woodland pastured.....farms reporting...	3,639	6,207	9,322	14,059	NA	22,495	20,901	25,998	NA
.....acres...	169,511	280,425	382,715	611,498	NA	957,843	878,810	980,645	NA
Woodland not pastured.....farms reporting...	13,548	17,015	22,061	27,144	NA	24,228	22,323	26,980	NA
.....acres...	1,545,041	1,712,071	1,849,401	1,838,946	NA	1,469,795	1,362,100	1,508,392	NA
Other pasture (not cropland and not woodland) ³farms reporting...	4,437	6,461	9,030	16,274	NA	16,052	16,396	20,324	NA
.....acres...	133,280	203,424	272,547	439,136	NA	431,482	499,461	575,372	NA
Improved pasture.....farms reporting...	820	988	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres...	12,488	13,581	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Other land (house lots, roads, wasteland, etc.).....farms reporting...	NA	18,938	22,902	30,925	NA	34,269	24,744	NA	NA
.....acres...	156,485	145,972	269,928	233,806	NA	230,794	238,537	257,736	NA
Cropland, total ³farms reporting...	16,329	22,414	29,257	41,067	38,237	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres...	1,077,670	1,272,350	1,407,022	1,489,789	1,589,362	1,631,928	1,661,030	1,839,283	NA
Land pastured, total.....farms reporting...	11,376	16,577	21,592	28,088	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres...	474,196	719,797	876,592	1,124,617	NA	1,569,710	1,637,536	1,751,785	NA
Woodland, total.....farms reporting...	14,568	19,176	25,071	33,568	29,855	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres...	1,714,552	1,992,496	2,232,116	2,450,444	1,783,327	2,427,638	2,240,910	2,489,037	2,447,597
Irrigated land in farms.....farms reporting...	138	87	123	3	33	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres...	2,214	1,097	2,299	100	143	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.