

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.....	25,122	32,500	36,107	41,275	42,110	44,412	43,203	49,001	47,908
Approximate land area (see text).....acres.....	6,319,360	6,323,840	6,323,840	6,327,680	6,327,680	6,362,240	6,362,240	6,362,240	6,362,240
Proportion in farms.....percent.....	54.7	61.6	64.1	66.4	66.3	68.9	68.8	69.7	74.8
Land in farms.....acres.....	3,456,769	3,896,608	4,055,529	4,199,859	4,197,827	4,383,641	4,374,398	4,433,398	4,757,999
Average size of farm.....acres.....	137.6	119.9	112.3	101.8	99.7	98.7	101.3	90.5	99.3
Value of land and buildings:									
Average per farm.....dollars.....	36,461	20,342	14,163	8,596	6,506	5,465	8,244	6,966	8,070
Average per acre.....dollars.....	276.22	177.02	124.75	84.48	65.27	55.37	81.42	77.00	81.25
Land in farms according to use: ¹									
Cropland harvested.....farms reporting.....	21,881	27,744	31,048	38,088	38,619	42,700	41,185	NA	NA
acres.....	1,455,921	1,571,744	1,531,421	1,745,261	1,608,856	1,677,434	1,741,615	1,777,513	2,199,030
1 to 9 acres.....farms reporting.....	4,527	6,477	7,640	10,363	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
10 to 19 acres.....farms reporting.....	2,928	3,911	4,763	5,265	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
20 to 29 acres.....farms reporting.....	2,100	2,775	3,366	3,863	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
30 to 39 acres.....farms reporting.....	3,097	4,042	4,736	5,915	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
40 to 49 acres.....farms reporting.....	4,715	5,840	6,301	7,939	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
50 to 59 acres.....farms reporting.....	3,182	3,559	3,364	3,998	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
60 or more acres.....farms reporting.....	1,332	1,140	878	745	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
200 to 499 acres.....farms reporting.....	1,169	1,027	818	691	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
500 to 999 acres.....farms reporting.....	139	97	50	48	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1,000 or more acres.....farms reporting.....	24	16	10	6	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Cropland used only for pasture ²farms reporting.....	9,772	13,026	17,264	13,833	24,888	23,460	23,233	23,401	NA
acres.....	287,198	363,264	447,503	393,615	600,743	550,587	538,913	525,523	NA
Cropland not harvested and not pastured.....farms reporting.....	8,195	9,600	14,008	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres.....	207,991	188,461	306,193	224,838	375,021	405,092	387,649	450,002	NA
Soil-improvement grasses and legumes.....farms reporting.....	2,471	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres.....	59,241	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Other cropland (idle and crop failure).....farms reporting.....	6,564	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres.....	148,750	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Woodland pastured.....farms reporting.....	4,714	6,462	6,537	5,060	NA	6,810	8,132	7,467	NA
acres.....	137,937	194,100	163,397	127,338	NA	185,515	205,474	187,183	NA
Woodland not pastured.....farms reporting.....	15,641	19,073	22,326	25,004	NA	28,269	26,856	28,327	NA
acres.....	814,712	938,659	1,005,620	973,937	NA	1,078,433	1,007,629	945,760	NA
Other pasture (not cropland and not woodland) ³farms reporting.....	9,296	12,238	12,155	17,548	NA	11,508	11,354	10,311	NA
acres.....	356,531	417,170	350,833	471,767	NA	213,835	214,435	180,204	NA
Improved pasture.....farms reporting.....	3,041	3,394	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres.....	113,600	109,870	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Other land (house lots, roads, wasteland, etc.).....farms reporting.....	NA	30,041	32,580	36,760	NA	40,500	37,046	NA	NA
acres.....	196,479	223,210	250,562	263,103	NA	272,745	278,683	367,213	NA
Cropland, total ⁴farms reporting.....	23,076	29,673	33,680	39,496	41,310	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres.....	1,951,110	2,123,469	2,285,117	2,363,714	2,584,620	2,633,113	2,668,177	2,753,038	NA
Land pastured, total.....farms reporting.....	16,967	22,517	26,058	29,047	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres.....	781,666	974,534	961,733	992,720	NA	949,937	958,822	892,910	NA
Woodland, total.....farms reporting.....	17,915	22,412	25,290	27,283	29,360	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres.....	952,649	1,132,759	1,169,017	1,101,275	1,142,236	1,263,948	1,213,103	1,132,943	1,327,221
Irrigated land in farms.....farms reporting.....	328	235	30	8	17	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres.....	11,174	8,344	697	287	67	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 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.

4) Irrigated cropland land...