

STATISTICS FOR COUNTIES

County Table 1.—FARMS, ACREAGE, AND VALUE: CENSUSES OF 1959 AND 1954

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Item (For definitions and explanations, see text)	The State	Barnstable	Berkshire	Bristol	Dukes	Essex	Franklin
FARMS, ACREAGE, AND VALUE							
1 Farms.....number 1959...	11,179	329	786	993	49	785	1,022
2 1954...	17,361	512	1,088	1,610	72	1,197	1,541
3 Decrease in farms due to change in farm definition 1954 to 1959.....number	857	46	83	56	6	63	89
4 Approximate land area.....acres 1959...	5,034,880	255,360	602,880	355,840	67,840	320,000	452,480
5 Proportion in farms.....percent 1959...	22.7	5.0	24.4	19.2	11.6	18.0	32.9
6 Land in farms.....acres 1959...	1,142,341	12,797	147,074	68,447	7,848	57,650	149,028
7 1954...	1,439,080	20,427	176,631	86,405	6,576	73,110	189,445
8 Average size of farm.....acres 1959...	102.2	38.9	187.1	68.9	160.2	73.4	145.8
9 1954...	82.9	39.9	162.3	53.7	91.3	61.1	122.9
Value of land and buildings:							
10 Average per farm.....dollars 1959...	30,037	30,688	28,135	22,913	33,488	38,412	22,055
11 1954...	16,471	16,022	15,877	14,359	25,444	16,680	13,903
12 Average per acre.....dollars 1959...	304.55	844.89	154.69	406.40	222.35	485.84	152.06
13 1954...	217.39	293.20	107.87	284.58	430.45	321.39	113.93
14 Proportion of farms reporting value.....percent 1959...	85	84	88	72	100	93	84
15 1954...	79	51	79	83	82	64	85
Land in farms according to use:							
16 Cropland harvested.....farms reporting 1959...	8,779	277	684	667	41	576	943
17 1954...	13,005	404	929	982	45	881	1,411
18 acres 1959...	290,682	2,705	37,850	20,310	1,079	20,284	32,874
19 1954...	331,180	4,064	40,876	23,110	1,320	22,683	37,639
20 1 to 9 acres.....farms reporting 1959...	3,034	203	129	208	13	225	236
21 1954...	5,483	329	234	373	17	382	458
22 10 to 19 acres.....farms reporting 1959...	1,528	48	104	125	10	93	176
23 1954...	2,280	36	131	206	12	160	285
24 20 to 29 acres.....farms reporting 1959...	1,061	10	73	110	9	57	126
25 1954...	1,500	18	99	135	6	91	198
26 30 to 49 acres.....farms reporting 1959...	1,310	9	110	112	6	78	177
27 1954...	1,790	9	158	149	4	104	256
28 50 to 99 acres.....farms reporting 1959...	1,262	4	157	84	1	70	175
29 1954...	1,415	9	197	92	2	104	170
30 100 to 199 acres.....farms reporting 1959...	455	1	85	20	...	40	45
31 1954...	435	...	92	24	3	29	39
32 200 to 499 acres.....farms reporting 1959...	117	2	24	7	2	13	8
33 1954...	95	3	18	3	1	10	5
34 500 to 999 acres.....farms reporting 1959...	11	...	2	1	...	...	...
35 1954...	7	...	...	...	...	...	...
36 1,000 or more acres.....farms reporting 1959...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
37 1954...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
38 Cropland used only for pasture.....farms reporting 1959...	4,045	38	389	382	24	272	424
39 1954...	6,469	52	547	584	21	393	656
40 acres 1959...	102,748	461	16,939	7,577	1,460	7,082	10,774
41 1954...	142,930	899	21,504	9,779	963	8,796	14,477
42 Cropland not harvested and not pastured.....farms reporting 1959...	2,658	115	171	196	18	246	225
43 1954...	4,757	180	249	486	20	363	337
44 acres 1959...	51,723	1,196	6,928	4,394	880	5,239	3,696
45 1954...	76,503	2,874	8,643	6,078	725	4,958	4,388
46 Soil-improvement grasses and legumes.....tubs reporting 1959...	671	31	39	36	8	54	75
47 1954...	8,141	151	666	425	37	566	756
48 acres 1959...	2,189	98	144	168	12	216	164
49 1954...	43,582	1,045	6,262	3,969	843	4,673	2,940
50 Woodland pastured.....farms reporting 1959...	2,150	8	244	180	5	109	356
51 1954...	3,609	16	387	279	9	186	587
52 acres 1959...	101,945	91	14,560	3,947	134	3,426	25,438
53 1954...	166,641	435	22,382	6,963	498	5,904	40,252
54 Woodland not pastured.....farms reporting 1959...	6,248	183	452	540	30	332	685
55 1954...	9,047	194	589	813	37	463	951
56 acres 1959...	410,079	6,294	45,378	21,977	3,056	12,828	57,407
57 1954...	503,965	7,367	61,162	27,473	2,345	16,530	68,445
58 Other pasture (not cropland and not woodland).....farms reporting 1959...	2,513	21	321	238	12	130	385
59 1954...	3,484	49	301	311	7	230	465
60 acres 1959...	90,483	196	16,837	4,960	467	4,676	14,542
61 1954...	113,329	870	14,252	5,332	519	6,268	18,474
62 Improved pasture (see text).....farms reporting 1959...	570	5	48	52	1	31	115
63 1954...	673	4	66	58	5	54	125
64 acres 1959...	10,531	42	1,051	759	8	769	2,052
65 1954...	10,102	72	1,606	731	157	922	1,850
66 Other land (house lots, roads, wasteland, etc.).....acres 1959...	94,681	1,854	8,582	5,282	772	4,115	4,297
67 1954...	104,532	3,908	7,812	7,670	206	7,971	5,770
68 Cropland, total.....farms reporting 1959...	9,752	294	732	777	45	659	973
69 1954...	15,217	456	1,022	1,292	54	1,042	1,486
70 acres 1959...	6,248	58	643	581	32	382	759
71 1954...	9,961	107	886	892	31	621	1,179
72 Land pastured, total.....farms reporting 1959...	7,162	185	557	621	34	385	801
73 1954...	10,809	207	785	997	44	569	1,219
74 acres 1959...	1,093	185	2	109	2	53	16
75 1954...	1,366	263	8	135	6	73	37
76 irrigated land in farms.....farms reporting 1959...	19,999	1,529	53	2,036	28	885	204
77 1954...	22,683	2,689	58	2,672	84	993	407
Land-use practices:							
78 Cropland in cover crops.....farms reporting 1959...	1,646	30	56	238	10	102	146
79 1954...	30,347	160	440	3,903	45	1,243	2,145
80 acres 1959...	140	...	...	20	...	5	25
81 1954...	7,598	...	...	310	...	5	135
82 acres 1959...	137	26	...	16	20
83 1954...	4,075	440	...	400	230
84 acres 1959...	132	5	...	30	...	5	5
85 1954...	2,160	165	...	455	...	25	250

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Item (For definitions and explanations, see text)	Hampden	Hampshire	Middlesex	Nantucket	Norfolk	Plymouth	Suffolk	Worcester
FARMS, ACREAGE, AND VALUE								
1 Farms..... number 1959...	857	1,156	1,346	15	513	1,229	34	2,065
2	1,412	1,610	2,245	11	915	1,846	35	3,267
3 Decrease in farms due to change in farm definition 1954 to 1959..... number.....	116	79	46	3	20	117	1	132
4 Approximate land area..... acres 1959.....	397,440	337,920	530,560	29,440	254,720	424,960	35,200	970,240
5 Proportion in farms..... percent 1959.....	22.9	36.5	18.1	14.5	11.8	22.5	1.2	26.7
6 Land in farms..... acres 1959.....	91,041	123,347	96,148	4,263	29,978	95,659	436	258,625
7	116,432	150,355	131,950	4,147	46,394	113,313	453	323,452
8 Average size of farm..... acres 1959.....	106.2	106.7	71.4	284.2	58.4	77.8	12.8	125.2
9	82.5	93.4	58.8	377.0	50.7	61.4	12.9	99.0
Value of land and buildings:								
10 Average per farm..... dollars 1959.....	26,315	25,336	47,008	22,300	32,034	28,645	33,667	27,064
11	14,976	14,014	21,556	13,180	21,366	18,547	8,214	14,515
12 Average per acre..... dollars 1959.....	255.51	256.52	663.47	193.91	697.76	346.16	15,538.46	225.97
13	185.49	151.67	469.21	96.91	529.57	386.89	2,211.54	160.54
14 Proportion of farms reporting value..... percent 1959.....	81	94	88	83	92	84	94	81
15	88	76	81	91	80	88	100	76
Land in farms according to use:								
16 Cropland harvested..... farms reporting 1959.....	706	1,041	948	11	277	901	29	1,678
17	1,088	1,432	1,480	10	526	1,261	26	2,530
18 acres 1959.....	20,754	33,427	27,821	340	7,543	20,674	140	64,881
19	24,636	37,048	35,387	239	10,396	22,452	175	71,155
20 1 to 9 acres..... farms reporting 1959.....	254	355	382	4	107	500	27	391
21	479	645	680	4	290	780	22	870
22 10 to 19 acres..... farms reporting 1959.....	125	203	171	1	51	149	...	272
23	208	258	246	1	72	185	2	478
24 20 to 29 acres..... farms reporting 1959.....	93	127	96	...	37	74	...	249
25	120	169	169	2	55	105	...	333
26 30 to 49 acres..... farms reporting 1959.....	111	132	123	2	40	75	1	334
27	139	226	180	2	55	90	1	417
28 50 to 99 acres..... farms reporting 1959.....	84	159	116	4	28	73	1	306
29	110	169	142	1	36	73	1	309
30 100 to 199 acres..... farms reporting 1959.....	32	51	48	...	11	22	...	100
31	25	37	53	...	15	17	...	101
32 200 to 499 acres..... farms reporting 1959.....	6	13	11	...	3	4	...	24
33	7	6	10	...	3	7	...	22
34 500 to 999 acres..... farms reporting 1959.....	1	1	1	3	...	2
35	2	4
36 1,000 or more acres..... farms reporting 1959.....	1
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38 Cropland used only for pasture..... farms reporting 1959.....	334	376	447	5	176	295	2	881
39	517	580	781	4	350	508	4	1,472
40 acres 1959.....	7,864	9,275	10,123	557	3,528	5,255	72	21,781
41	8,957	12,370	14,733	179	5,883	6,527	61	37,802
42 Cropland not harvested and not pastured..... farms reporting 1959.....	273	315	405	4	74	174	4	438
43	446	411	745	6	278	434	8	794
44 acres 1959.....	5,502	3,554	7,184	309	754	2,850	73	9,164
45	6,501	6,935	9,758	791	3,631	5,250	33	15,938
46 Soil-improvement grasses and legumes..... farms reporting 1959.....	90	78	73	1	13	42	...	131
47	1,710	904	1,396	2	41	369	...	1,118
48 Other cropland (idle and crop failure)..... farms reporting 1959.....	212	263	354	3	63	143	4	345
49	3,792	2,650	5,788	307	713	2,481	73	8,046
50 Woodland pastured..... farms reporting 1959.....	178	248	156	2	37	53	...	574
51	319	406	236	...	108	127	1	948
52 acres 1959.....	7,882	11,474	4,181	102	856	849	...	29,005
53	14,926	21,210	6,790	...	2,227	2,079	1	42,974
54 Woodland not pastured..... farms reporting 1959.....	536	637	626	7	254	688	...	1,278
55	810	839	1,030	4	470	991	1	1,855
56 acres 1959.....	37,212	47,749	33,988	809	11,098	38,332	...	93,951
57	46,985	54,488	44,901	380	17,689	47,871	6	108,323
58 Other pasture (not cropland and not woodland)..... farms reporting 1959.....	128	303	185	3	63	100	...	624
59	298	383	356	1	118	185	1	779
60 acres 1959.....	4,134	10,808	3,660	107	1,700	2,177	...	26,219
61	8,321	12,507	8,133	30	2,012	4,265	20	32,526
62 Improved pasture (see text)..... farms reporting 1959.....	33	92	32	1	6	13	...	141
63	54	67	45	...	17	24	...	154
64 acres 1959.....	415	1,550	497	30	377	130	...	2,851
65	682	747	649	...	206	169	...	2,311
66 Other land (house lots, roads, wasteland, etc.)..... acres 1959.....	7,693	7,060	9,191	2,039	4,499	25,522	151	13,624
67	6,106	5,797	12,248	2,528	4,556	24,869	157	14,934
68 Cropland, total..... farms reporting 1959.....	791	1,086	1,142	12	338	1,024	30	1,849
69	1,274	1,538	1,865	10	714	1,519	28	2,917
70 Land pastured, total..... farms reporting 1959.....	464	664	612	5	227	388	2	1,431
71	837	976	1,089	5	450	693	4	2,191
72 Woodland, total..... farms reporting 1959.....	582	742	707	7	273	710	...	1,558
73	941	1,015	1,156	4	526	1,052	1	2,293
74 Irrigated land in farms..... farms reporting 1959.....	61	34	70	5	16	499	...	41
75	50	27	198	3	29	500	2	35
76 acres 1959.....	2,304	618	1,372	141	206	10,147	...	476
77	1,327	641	3,125	129	437	9,519	24	578
Land-use practices:								
78 Cropland in cover crops..... farms reporting 1959.....	196	254	234	5	25	91	...	259
79	3,457	12,473	2,643	30	125	758	...	2,925
80 Cropland used for grain or row crops farmed on the contour..... farms reporting 1959.....	21	16	10	...	...	...	...	43
81	242	6,251	60	...	...	...	...	595
82 Land in strip-cropping systems for soil-erosion control..... farms reporting 1959.....	...	17	10	...	...	5	...	43
83 .....	...	2,275	35	...	...	15	...	680
84 System of terraces on crop and pasture land..... farms reporting 1959.....	15	17	21	...	...	1	...	33
85	45	368	170	...	...	25	...	657