

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.....	168,672	201,614	230,045	242,934	256,100	278,454	255,940	260,473	263,004
Approximate land area (see text).....acres.....	44,248,320	44,304,640	44,304,640	44,332,800	44,332,800	43,985,280	43,985,280	43,985,280	43,985,280
Proportion in farms.....percent.....	74.9	77.2	79.3	79.6	78.4	79.7	76.7	74.2	79.1
Land in farms.....acres.....	33,155,226	34,195,379	35,123,143	35,278,251	34,739,598	35,054,542	33,743,019	32,641,893	34,774,679
Average size of farm.....acres.....	196.6	169.6	152.7	145.2	135.6	125.9	131.8	125.3	132.2
Value of land and buildings:									
Average per farm.....dollars.....	21,707	13,507	9,781	6,285	4,324	3,948	7,018	7,691	11,646
Average per acre.....dollars.....	110.56	79.48	63.73	43.28	31.87	31.36	53.23	61.37	88.08
Land in farms according to use: ¹									
Cropland harvested.....farms reporting.....	136,089	162,726	191,678	210,571	232,877	253,959	239,119	NA	NA
.....acres.....	12,177,822	12,365,630	12,263,847	12,902,170	12,399,860	11,761,845	13,175,947	13,720,574	215,419,907
1 to 9 acres.....farms reporting.....	13,992	19,366	24,724	27,765	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
10 to 19 acres.....farms reporting.....	16,789	20,459	26,041	26,637	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
20 to 29 acres.....farms reporting.....	13,337	16,497	22,266	24,312	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
30 to 49 acres.....farms reporting.....	20,254	25,897	34,695	40,589	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
50 to 99 acres.....farms reporting.....	30,318	39,343	46,367	53,066	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
100 to 199 acres.....farms reporting.....	26,556	29,273	28,259	29,630	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
200 or more acres.....farms reporting.....	14,843	11,891	9,326	8,572	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
200 to 499 acres.....farms reporting.....	13,366	10,942	8,668	8,003	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
500 to 999 acres.....farms reporting.....	1,293	826	567	520	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1,000 or more acres.....farms reporting.....	184	123	91	49	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Cropland used only for pasture ²farms reporting.....	85,790	95,208	116,659	83,148	200,524	193,089	174,041	173,177	NA
.....acres.....	4,703,808	4,385,381	5,103,949	2,915,543	9,240,838	7,909,263	7,017,663	6,858,678	NA
Cropland not harvested and not pastured.....farms reporting.....	34,429	35,437	46,424	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	1,288,557	954,118	1,389,197	1,039,026	1,366,660	2,850,071	2,470,325	1,557,862	NA
Soil-improvement grasses and legumes.....farms reporting.....	12,580	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	537,738	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Other cropland (idle and crop failure).....farms reporting.....	24,931	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	750,819	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Woodland pastured.....farms reporting.....	77,751	98,053	101,472	95,447	NA	132,787	116,719	109,369	NA
.....acres.....	5,434,422	6,581,567	5,804,522	5,158,733	NA	6,385,218	5,261,642	4,780,176	NA
Woodland not pastured.....farms reporting.....	42,292	38,856	53,863	45,878	NA	60,104	55,672	55,615	NA
.....acres.....	2,421,601	2,003,075	2,693,788	1,973,021	NA	2,517,779	2,438,358	2,625,667	NA
Other pasture (not cropland and not woodland) ³farms reporting.....	83,318	103,716	108,300	167,329	NA	64,166	58,806	46,414	NA
.....acres.....	5,411,415	6,325,087	6,036,457	9,637,269	NA	2,242,761	2,017,431	1,659,968	NA
Improved pasture.....farms reporting.....	14,025	13,716	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	535,086	404,489	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Other land (house lots, roads, wasteland, etc.).....farms reporting.....	NA	190,051	213,046	233,266	NA	262,186	220,932	NA	NA
.....acres.....	1,717,601	1,580,521	1,831,383	1,652,489	NA	1,387,605	1,361,653	1,438,968	NA
Cropland, total ⁴farms reporting.....	153,354	181,115	211,067	220,708	252,460	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	18,170,187	17,705,129	18,756,993	16,856,739	23,007,358	22,521,179	22,663,935	22,137,114	NA
Land pastured, total.....farms reporting.....	150,445	180,448	205,960	222,564	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	15,549,645	17,292,035	16,944,928	17,711,545	NA	16,537,242	14,296,736	13,298,822	NA
Woodland, total.....farms reporting.....	100,752	119,020	130,364	122,140	140,040	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	7,856,023	8,584,642	8,498,310	7,131,754	6,952,039	8,902,997	7,700,000	7,405,843	8,553,857
Irrigated land in farms.....farms reporting.....	590	752	142	118	140	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	29,957	32,998	2,089	1,113	960	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.

Handwritten note: The figures are subject to change.