

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...	28,959	33,061	35,085	37,747	41,823	50,564	47,495	46,904	57,677
Approximate land area (see text)..... acres...	93,271,040	93,361,920	93,361,920	93,642,240	93,642,240	93,523,840	93,523,840	93,523,840	93,523,840
Proportion in farms..... percent...	68.7	65.8	63.5	62.8	49.6	50.8	47.8	35.0	37.5
Land in farms..... acres...	64,081,391	61,468,903	59,247,434	58,787,318	46,451,594	47,511,868	44,659,152	32,735,723	35,070,656
Average size of farm..... acres...	2,212.8	1,859.3	1,688.7	1,557.4	1,110.7	939.6	940.3	697.9	608.1
Value of land and buildings:									
Average per farm..... dollars...	71,218	43,108	27,682	13,720	8,373	7,433	11,109	9,709	13,468
Average per acre..... dollars...	35.70	24.23	17.07	8.81	7.54	7.91	11.81	13.91	22.15
Land in farms according to use: ¹									
Cropland harvested..... farms reporting...	26,726	30,575	32,090	34,853	38,092	38,926	44,016	NA	NA
acres...	8,158,899	8,414,058	7,576,173	7,439,470	5,748,069	4,592,453	7,840,979	6,416,335	² 3,812,033
1 to 9 acres..... farms reporting...	1,122	1,680	1,945	2,358	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
10 to 19 acres..... farms reporting...	1,017	1,105	1,398	1,456	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
20 to 29 acres..... farms reporting...	866	1,017	1,296	1,445	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
30 to 49 acres..... farms reporting...	1,650	1,968	2,498	2,844	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
50 to 99 acres..... farms reporting...	3,776	4,728	5,534	6,420	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
100 to 199 acres..... farms reporting...	5,510	6,495	6,998	7,778	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
200 or more acres..... farms reporting...	12,785	13,582	12,421	12,552	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
200 to 499 acres..... farms reporting...	7,718	8,694	8,389	9,084	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
500 to 999 acres..... farms reporting...	3,877	3,778	3,201	2,840	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1,000 or more acres..... farms reporting...	1,190	1,110	831	628	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Cropland used only for pasture ³ farms reporting...	6,539	6,630	8,918	4,531	21,265	18,586	22,764	22,933	NA
acres...	944,930	737,975	1,271,471	400,092	4,654,639	3,638,716	4,694,535	4,124,050	NA
Cropland not harvested and not pastured..... farms reporting...	17,547	19,121	20,656	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres...	5,973,938	5,356,356	5,080,884	3,479,126	4,386,335	6,005,370	3,557,942	2,057,889	NA
Cultivated summer fallow..... farms reporting...	16,087	17,803	17,850	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres...	5,374,988	4,966,526	4,224,669	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Soil-improvement grasses and legumes..... farms reporting...	1,886	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres...	338,486	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Other cropland (idle and crop failure)..... farms reporting...	2,850	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres...	260,464	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Woodland pastured..... farms reporting...	3,934	4,586	6,021	3,842	NA	7,819	6,855	6,733	NA
acres...	2,178,339	1,971,937	2,754,944	985,924	NA	1,637,575	1,641,607	1,311,615	NA
Woodland not pastured..... farms reporting...	1,291	1,190	1,737	1,019	NA	1,652	1,446	1,628	NA
acres...	259,523	191,723	404,934	99,046	NA	136,302	178,299	234,158	NA
Other pasture (not cropland and not woodland) ⁴ farms reporting...	22,245	25,362	25,604	31,815	NA	38,253	34,321	33,871	NA
acres...	45,471,269	43,922,843	41,226,673	45,556,351	NA	30,542,600	25,340,232	17,279,146	NA
Improved pasture..... farms reporting...	4,352	5,212	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres...	507,799	491,247	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Other land (house lots, roads, wasteland, etc.)..... farms reporting...	NA	30,625	32,222	34,803	NA	44,370	37,497	NA	NA
acres...	1,094,493	874,011	932,355	827,309	NA	958,852	1,405,558	1,312,530	NA
Cropland, total ⁵ farms reporting...	27,486	31,218	33,331	35,743	40,811	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres...	15,077,767	14,508,389	13,928,528	11,318,688	14,789,043	14,236,539	16,093,456	12,598,274	NA
Land pastured, total..... farms reporting...	25,551	29,338	31,432	35,234	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres...	48,594,538	46,632,755	45,253,088	46,942,367	NA	35,818,891	31,676,374	22,714,811	NA
Woodland, total..... farms reporting...	4,772	5,340	7,098	4,497	6,941	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres...	2,437,862	2,163,660	3,159,878	1,084,970	1,137,345	1,773,877	1,819,906	1,545,773	1,646,462
Irrigated land in farms..... farms reporting...	11,935	13,114	13,457	12,997	15,087	NA	NA	NA	10,807
acres...	1,874,520	1,890,671	⁴ 1,716,792	1,555,480	1,587,602	NA	NA	NA	NA
Irrigated cropland harvested..... farms reporting...	11,189	12,372	12,613	NA	14,744	13,864	⁵ 11,925	NA	NA
acres...	1,456,852	1,480,061	1,366,851	NA	1,359,126	1,272,054	⁵ 1,343,035	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; acreage counted more than once where two or more crops were harvested from the same land.