

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.....	82,356	105,714	124,977	149,490	153,238	177,025	159,806	188,754	193,195
Approximate land area (see text).....acres.....	30,680,960	30,684,160	30,684,160	30,674,560	30,674,560	30,498,560	30,498,560	30,498,560	30,498,560
Proportion in farms.....percent.....	44.0	49.1	52.5	57.3	56.0	61.3	59.0	63.2	67.7
Land in farms.....acres.....	13,489,516	15,070,832	16,016,721	17,568,471	17,170,337	18,685,741	17,979,633	19,269,926	20,632,803
Average size of farm.....acres.....	163.8	142.6	128.2	117.5	112.1	105.6	112.5	102.1	106.8
Value of land and buildings:									
Average per farm.....dollars.....	23,333	15,181	11,841	7,275	6,180	5,905	8,234	7,243	7,376
Average per acre.....dollars.....	145.10	107.51	91.97	61.90	55.16	55.95	73.19	70.95	69.07
Land in farms according to use: ¹									
Cropland harvested.....farms reporting.....	75,830	94,968	114,003	140,324	145,270	172,301	154,864	NA	NA
.....acres.....	5,032,671	5,546,506	5,791,673	6,921,549	6,581,296	7,388,398	6,958,936	8,290,335	² 8,147,816
1 to 9 acres.....farms reporting.....	9,730	13,845	18,651	27,787	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
10 to 19 acres.....farms reporting.....	7,783	10,384	13,787	15,965	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
20 to 29 acres.....farms reporting.....	6,813	9,373	12,395	14,250	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
30 to 49 acres.....farms reporting.....	12,826	17,729	23,044	26,531	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
50 to 99 acres.....farms reporting.....	22,759	28,241	32,395	39,095	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
100 to 199 acres.....farms reporting.....	12,869	12,728	11,798	14,496	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
200 or more acres.....farms reporting.....	3,050	2,668	1,933	2,200	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
200 to 499 acres.....farms reporting.....	2,856	2,506	1,844	2,071	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
500 to 999 acres.....farms reporting.....	174	145	73	111	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1,000 or more acres.....farms reporting.....	20	17	16	18	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Cropland used only for pasture ³farms reporting.....	35,704	42,709	51,603	27,511	92,436	86,980	92,031	91,927	NA
.....acres.....	1,281,330	1,409,174	1,578,698	704,651	2,779,979	2,066,424	2,375,854	2,080,544	NA
Cropland not harvested and not pastured.....farms reporting.....	26,082	36,547	42,024	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	806,644	900,687	1,114,392	739,744	875,571	851,252	1,195,379	797,328	NA
Soil-improvement grasses and legumes.....farms reporting.....	5,573	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	155,295	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Other cropland (idle and crop failure).....farms reporting.....	22,642	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	651,349	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Woodland pastured.....farms reporting.....	25,341	33,530	39,865	42,765	NA	68,645	69,993	77,350	NA
.....acres.....	975,645	1,211,627	1,361,541	1,523,268	NA	1,961,206	1,949,441	2,025,249	NA
Woodland not pastured.....farms reporting.....	44,867	51,590	59,428	65,002	NA	68,829	58,457	66,926	NA
.....acres.....	2,035,021	2,108,959	2,110,934	2,100,112	NA	2,061,284	1,684,798	1,780,380	NA
Other pasture (not cropland and not woodland) ³farms reporting.....	42,469	54,855	62,821	95,609	NA	92,930	79,770	94,323	NA
.....acres.....	2,465,925	3,071,814	3,125,881	4,550,128	NA	3,492,212	2,974,850	3,297,710	NA
Improved pasture.....farms reporting.....	9,345	9,999	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	218,063	186,041	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Other land (house lots, roads, wasteland, etc.).....farms reporting.....	NA	97,342	113,029	140,371	NA	151,453	122,933	NA	NA
.....acres.....	892,280	822,065	933,602	1,029,019	NA	864,965	840,375	998,380	NA
Cropland, total ³farms reporting.....	78,867	100,778	119,061	144,576	150,646	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	7,120,645	7,856,367	8,484,763	8,365,944	10,236,846	10,306,074	10,530,169	11,168,207	NA
Land pastured, total.....farms reporting.....	64,327	82,627	97,828	120,451	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	4,722,900	5,692,615	6,066,120	6,778,047	NA	7,519,842	7,300,145	7,403,503	NA
Woodland, total.....farms reporting.....	58,621	71,947	82,690	92,767	99,815	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	3,010,666	3,320,586	3,472,475	3,623,380	3,022,323	4,022,490	3,634,239	3,805,629	4,160,567
Irrigated land in farms.....farms reporting.....	1,741	1,675	888	646	567	1,488 NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	57,997	59,024	19,248	10,316	5,948	3,221 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.

⁴ Irrigated cropland 2,200,000 acres