

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.....	42,573	54,441	59,827	63,125	61,829	64,826	55,153	55,911	50,206
Approximate land area (see text)..... acres.....	61,598,720	61,641,600	61,641,600	61,664,000	61,664,000	61,188,480	61,188,480	61,188,480	61,188,480
Proportion in farms..... percent.....	34.5	34.1	33.0	32.0	29.2	28.4	27.0	23.1	22.1
Land in farms..... acres.....	21,236,298	21,047,340	20,327,683	19,754,257	17,988,307	17,357,549	16,548,678	14,130,847	13,542,318
Average size of farm..... acres.....	498.8	386.6	339.8	312.9	290.9	267.8	300.1	252.7	269.7
Value of land and buildings:									
Average per farm..... dollars.....	41,146	27,803	19,918	11,054	7,712	6,922	11,438	11,019	13,449
Average per acre..... dollars.....	92.97	76.17	62.83	35.32	26.51	25.85	38.12	43.60	49.86
Land in farms according to use: ¹									
Cropland harvested..... farms reporting.....	33,420	41,218	47,482	52,630	54,589	59,508	50,862	NA	NA
acres.....	3,118,451	3,265,385	3,218,767	3,276,086	2,824,316	2,831,742	2,906,324	2,592,219	2,804,265
1 to 9 acres..... farms reporting.....	9,410	13,202	16,428	19,096	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
10 to 19 acres..... farms reporting.....	4,997	6,150	7,489	8,020	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
20 to 29 acres..... farms reporting.....	3,205	3,868	4,574	5,067	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
30 to 49 acres..... farms reporting.....	4,028	4,797	5,600	6,335	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
50 to 99 acres..... farms reporting.....	4,700	5,601	6,079	6,698	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
100 to 199 acres..... farms reporting.....	3,332	3,887	3,881	3,992	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
200 or more acres..... farms reporting.....	3,748	3,713	3,431	3,422	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
200 to 499 acres..... farms reporting.....	2,554	2,562	2,432	2,393	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
500 to 999 acres..... farms reporting.....	848	822	698	727	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1,000 or more acres..... farms reporting.....	346	329	301	302	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Cropland used only for pasture ² farms reporting.....	19,423	22,704	26,144	18,974	29,087	20,487	17,835	13,515	NA
acres.....	942,236	807,142	969,029	566,251	1,213,983	723,585	816,803	598,869	NA
Cropland not harvested and not pastured..... farms reporting.....	11,174	12,850	17,324	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres.....	1,319,457	1,177,361	1,349,351	1,066,764	1,217,168	1,365,712	1,266,195	1,635,118	NA
Cultivated summer fallow..... farms reporting.....	5,532	6,826	8,530	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres.....	927,559	953,499	972,345	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Soil-improvement grasses and legumes..... farms reporting.....	2,458	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres.....	150,721	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Other cropland (idle and crop failure)..... farms reporting.....	5,227	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres.....	241,177	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Woodland pastured..... farms reporting.....	11,650	15,521	19,338	18,566	NA	27,442	23,958	24,093	NA
acres.....	3,145,121	3,847,317	3,618,248	2,771,718	NA	2,778,314	2,619,478	2,144,963	NA
Woodland not pastured..... farms reporting.....	9,101	10,188	12,824	8,356	NA	9,314	7,856	7,540	NA
acres.....	736,246	790,647	950,374	490,475	NA	571,630	502,737	519,674	NA
Other pasture (not cropland and not woodland) ³ farms reporting.....	15,393	20,362	18,056	27,847	NA	24,161	18,916	18,316	NA
acres.....	11,481,945	10,607,429	9,664,984	11,085,754	NA	8,536,677	7,942,543	6,059,168	NA
Improved pasture..... farms reporting.....	4,838	8,057	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres.....	457,891	414,329	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Other land (house lots, roads, wasteland, etc.)..... farms reporting.....	NA	49,824	54,001	57,465	NA	59,039	44,623	NA	NA
acres.....	492,842	552,059	556,930	497,209	NA	549,889	494,598	580,836	NA
Cropland, total ⁴ farms reporting.....	38,484	47,822	54,761	57,150	59,766	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres.....	5,380,144	5,249,888	5,537,147	4,909,101	5,255,467	4,921,039	4,989,322	4,826,206	NA
Land pastured, total..... farms reporting.....	32,556	42,155	45,649	50,332	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres.....	15,569,302	15,261,888	14,252,261	14,423,723	NA	12,038,576	11,378,824	8,803,000	NA
Woodland, total..... farms reporting.....	17,943	22,629	27,909	24,325	23,533	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres.....	3,881,367	4,637,964	4,568,622	3,262,193	2,081,907	3,349,944	3,122,215	2,664,637	2,309,596
Irrigated land in farms..... farms reporting.....	17,724	19,826	17,663	15,597	16,159	NA	NA	NA	9,154
acres.....	1,384,284	1,490,366	⁴ 1,306,810	1,129,059	1,030,228	NA	NA	NA	NA
Irrigated cropland harvested..... farms reporting.....	13,926	15,607	14,653	NA	14,882	13,243	⁵ 11,387	NA	NA
acres.....	967,766	1,006,566	893,304	NA	730,682	578,838	⁵ 637,967	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 sown 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. 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.