

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.....	100,052	128,876	146,887	171,761	169,027	191,284	172,419	200,443	202,250
Approximate land area (see text).....acres.....	28,804,480	28,828,800	28,828,800	28,828,800	28,828,800	28,692,480	28,692,480	28,692,480	28,692,480
Proportion in farms.....percent.....	41.2	45.7	49.0	52.1	50.6	55.3	53.4	56.8	61.5
Land in farms.....acres.....	11,861,727	13,162,093	14,112,841	15,019,675	14,594,134	15,855,343	15,309,485	16,296,468	17,657,513
Average size of farm.....acres.....	118.6	102.1	96.1	87.4	86.3	82.9	88.8	81.3	87.3
Value of land and buildings:									
Average per farm.....dollars.....	21,408	13,509	10,361	5,872	5,113	4,505	6,977	5,838	6,560
Average per acre.....dollars.....	184.42	134.48	107.53	67.15	59.22	54.35	78.58	71.81	75.14
Land in farms according to use: ¹									
Cropland harvested.....farms reporting.....	90,334	114,359	131,322	160,167	160,703	185,731	166,501	NA	NA
.....acres.....	4,853,664	5,433,491	5,637,292	6,604,192	6,097,116	6,632,941	6,587,707	7,283,511	27,874,646
1 to 9 acres.....farms reporting.....	14,193	22,269	27,804	39,776	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
10 to 19 acres.....farms reporting.....	11,974	15,015	18,082	20,615	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
20 to 29 acres.....farms reporting.....	9,829	12,765	15,215	17,143	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
30 to 49 acres.....farms reporting.....	16,727	21,984	26,753	30,611	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
50 to 99 acres.....farms reporting.....	25,174	30,265	32,899	39,539	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
100 to 199 acres.....farms reporting.....	10,561	10,390	9,309	11,231	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
200 or more acres.....farms reporting.....	1,876	1,671	1,260	1,252	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
200 to 499 acres.....farms reporting.....	1,752	1,569	1,168	1,158	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
500 to 999 acres.....farms reporting.....	99	79	72	73	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1,000 or more acres.....farms reporting.....	25	23	20	21	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Cropland used only for pasture ³farms reporting.....	38,469	46,741	58,526	34,283	92,342	79,383	85,762	83,269	NA
.....acres.....	845,487	945,591	1,111,196	628,497	2,038,636	1,545,035	1,779,305	1,697,457	NA
Cropland not harvested and not pastured.....farms reporting.....	35,804	43,141	55,199	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	896,105	871,164	1,196,362	768,646	1,104,407	1,230,584	1,226,119	1,147,538	NA
Soil-improvement grasses and legumes.....farms reporting.....	9,738	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	213,944	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Other cropland (idle and crop failure).....farms reporting.....	29,420	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	682,161	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Woodland pastured.....farms reporting.....	24,562	31,468	37,150	36,721	NA	55,884	56,628	58,713	NA
.....acres.....	664,255	844,378	932,860	973,955	NA	1,356,370	1,337,773	1,391,193	NA
Woodland not pastured.....farms reporting.....	56,782	66,593	75,134	82,526	NA	88,940	74,865	81,887	NA
.....acres.....	2,244,867	2,403,298	2,490,736	2,338,129	NA	2,309,170	2,025,542	2,138,996	NA
Other pasture (not cropland and not woodland) ³farms reporting.....	49,150	60,178	62,956	94,452	NA	78,084	64,993	66,038	NA
.....acres.....	1,545,907	1,848,396	1,811,186	2,638,221	NA	1,740,380	1,459,114	1,484,733	NA
Improved pasture.....farms reporting.....	13,027	13,075	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	253,639	230,714	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Other land (house lots, roads, wasteland, etc.).....farms reporting.....	NA	120,334	134,006	158,560	NA	179,110	138,772	NA	NA
.....acres.....	811,442	815,775	933,209	1,068,035	NA	1,040,863	893,925	1,153,040	NA
Cropland, total ²farms reporting.....	94,544	121,291	138,822	165,169	166,960	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	6,595,256	7,250,246	7,944,850	8,001,335	9,240,159	9,408,560	9,593,131	10,128,506	NA
Land pastured, total.....farms reporting.....	77,230	96,888	110,957	128,424	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	3,055,649	3,638,365	3,855,242	4,240,673	NA	4,641,785	4,576,192	4,573,383	NA
Woodland, total.....farms reporting.....	68,813	83,866	94,761	102,985	107,416	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	2,909,122	3,247,676	3,423,596	3,312,084	2,935,766	3,665,540	3,363,315	3,530,189	4,043,902
Irrigated land in farms.....farms reporting.....	787	883	287	94	299	4/193 NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	16,523	17,950	7,251	8,764	3,356	4/1041 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 not harvested for grain