

SOUTH DAKOTA

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.....	55,727	62,520	66,452	68,705	72,454	83,303	83,157	79,537	74,637
Approximate land area (see text).....acres.....	48,881,920	48,983,040	48,983,040	48,983,040	48,983,040	49,195,520	49,195,520	49,195,520	49,195,520
Proportion in farms.....percent.....	91.8	91.8	91.4	87.9	80.6	75.4	74.1	65.1	70.4
Land in farms.....acres.....	44,850,666	44,949,473	44,785,529	43,031,964	39,473,584	37,101,871	36,470,083	32,017,986	34,636,491
Average size of farm.....acres.....	804.8	719.0	674.0	626.3	544.8	445.4	438.6	402.6	464.1
Value of land and buildings:									
Average per farm.....dollars.....	41,369	28,683	20,740	11,124	6,976	8,305	15,455	18,071	33,132
Average per acre.....dollars.....	51.55	38.99	31.40	17.76	12.80	18.65	35.24	44.89	71.40
Land in farms according to use: ¹									
Cropland harvested.....farms reporting.....	52,161	59,804	63,553	66,211	67,022	55,556	81,039	NA	NA
.....acres.....	14,236,384	17,759,947	17,527,893	16,524,613	12,297,291	4,863,888	17,856,178	15,792,987	² 14,655,116
1 to 9 acres.....farms reporting.....	466	705	992	1,210	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
10 to 19 acres.....farms reporting.....	641	609	771	844	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
20 to 29 acres.....farms reporting.....	633	523	635	830	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
30 to 49 acres.....farms reporting.....	1,349	1,169	1,403	1,597	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
50 to 99 acres.....farms reporting.....	4,403	4,195	4,905	6,285	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
100 to 199 acres.....farms reporting.....	14,387	16,594	18,982	21,169	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
200 or more acres.....farms reporting.....	30,282	36,009	35,865	34,276	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
200 to 499 acres.....farms reporting.....	24,779	28,040	28,525	28,566	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
500 to 999 acres.....farms reporting.....	4,770	6,670	6,261	5,023	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1,000 or more acres.....farms reporting.....	733	1,239	1,079	687	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Cropland used only for pasture ³farms reporting.....	14,645	13,276	13,880	15,391	43,521	43,448	53,991	54,302	NA
.....acres.....	1,184,218	721,844	816,112	641,357	6,246,650	4,354,751	5,706,998	6,148,511	NA
Cropland not harvested and not pastured.....farms reporting.....	23,796	16,303	18,414	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	3,744,157	1,146,703	1,477,687	1,337,291	4,625,355	12,552,978	1,146,533	647,759	NA
Cultivated summer fallow.....farms reporting.....	9,457	10,479	7,964	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	992,889	709,176	446,627	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Soil-improvement grasses and legumes.....farms reporting.....	6,598	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	953,420	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Other cropland (idle and crop failure).....farms reporting.....	15,529	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	1,797,848	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Woodland pastured.....farms reporting.....	2,981	3,719	4,672	2,411	NA	8,316	7,438	5,572	NA
.....acres.....	262,627	328,477	437,911	194,460	NA	532,898	394,627	287,661	NA
Woodland not pastured.....farms reporting.....	5,926	6,406	6,388	5,440	NA	6,131	4,660	5,359	NA
.....acres.....	90,201	112,490	143,211	79,008	NA	102,811	95,930	112,393	NA
Other pasture (not cropland and not woodland) ³farms reporting.....	44,062	49,522	52,188	56,989	NA	49,846	45,189	37,588	NA
.....acres.....	24,065,398	23,553,569	22,913,148	22,491,520	NA	13,558,457	9,815,115	7,360,951	NA
Improved pasture.....farms reporting.....	3,035	3,278	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	199,948	151,855	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Other land (house lots, roads, wasteland, etc.).....farms reporting.....	NA	60,036	63,449	67,282	NA	81,316	72,850	NA	NA
.....acres.....	1,267,681	1,326,443	1,469,567	1,763,715	NA	1,136,088	1,454,702	1,667,724	NA
Cropland, total ³farms reporting.....	53,347	60,192	64,199	66,823	71,266	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	19,164,759	19,628,494	19,821,692	18,503,261	23,169,296	21,771,617	24,709,709	22,589,257	NA
Land pastured, total.....farms reporting.....	50,575	56,762	60,392	64,449	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	25,512,243	24,603,890	24,167,171	23,327,337	NA	18,446,106	15,916,740	13,797,123	NA
Woodland, total.....farms reporting.....	8,253	9,439	10,280	7,551	12,942	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	352,828	440,967	581,122	273,468	340,399	635,709	490,557	400,054	536,183
Irrigated land in farms.....farms reporting.....	1,002	923	807	708	967	NA	NA	NA	1,198
.....acres.....	115,629	90,371	478,069	52,895	54,073	NA	NA	NA	NA
Irrigated cropland harvested.....farms reporting.....	972	879	761	NA	912	974	⁴ 763	NA	NA
.....acres.....	102,302	78,236	66,926	NA	49,740	56,565	⁵ 59,361	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.