

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<br>(For definitions and explanations, see text)                               | Census of—          |                     |                   |                     |                   |                     |                   |                     |                     |
|--|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------|---------------------|-------------------|---------------------|-------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
|  | 1959<br>(Oct.-Nov.) | 1954<br>(Oct.-Nov.) | 1950<br>(April 1) | 1945<br>(January 1) | 1940<br>(April 1) | 1935<br>(January 1) | 1930<br>(April 1) | 1925<br>(January 1) | 1920<br>(January 1) |
| Farms.....number...  | 157,688             | 203,149             | 231,631           | 234,431             | 247,617           | 273,783             | 245,657           | 252,669             | 252,774             |
| Approximate land area (see text).....acres...                                      | 26,727,680          | 26,750,080          | 26,750,080        | 26,855,040          | 26,855,040        | 26,679,680          | 26,679,680        | 26,679,680          | 26,679,680          |
| Proportion in farms.....percent...   | 60.2                | 66.0                | 69.3              | 66.2                | 68.9              | 71.5                | 67.5              | 67.1                | 73.1                |
| Land in farms.....acres...   | 16,081,285          | 17,654,324          | 18,534,380        | 17,788,997          | 18,492,898        | 19,085,837          | 18,003,241        | 17,901,139          | 19,510,856          |
| Average size of farm.....acres...  | 102.0               | 86.9                | 80.0              | 75.9                | 74.7              | 69.7                | 73.3              | 70.8                | 77.2                |
| Value of land and buildings:   |                     |                     |                   |                     |                   |                     |                   |                     |                     |
| Average per farm.....dollars...  | 12,487              | 7,505               | 6,123             | 3,715               | 2,683             | 2,030               | 3,025             | 3,006               | 4,055               |
| Average per acre.....dollars...  | 130.92              | 91.54               | 77.23             | 48.96               | 35.93             | 29.12               | 41.28             | 42.42               | 52.53               |
| Land in farms according to use: <sup>1</sup>                                       |                     |                     |                   |                     |                   |                     |                   |                     |                     |
| Cropland harvested.....farms reporting...  | 136,554             | 175,280             | 205,031           | 216,618             | 235,643           | 265,323             | 232,085           | NA                  | NA                  |
| .....acres...  | 4,116,418           | 4,860,793           | 5,575,106         | 5,843,567           | 6,158,662         | 6,330,402           | 6,106,300         | 6,209,428           | 26,787,384          |
| 1 to 9 acres.....farms reporting...  | 45,122              | 55,846              | 56,060            | 61,178              | NA                | NA                  | NA                | NA                  | NA                  |
| 10 to 19 acres.....farms reporting...  | 30,890              | 41,092              | 49,668            | 49,068              | NA                | NA                  | NA                | NA                  | NA                  |
| 20 to 29 acres.....farms reporting...  | 19,409              | 27,401              | 36,901            | 38,688              | NA                | NA                  | NA                | NA                  | NA                  |
| 30 to 49 acres.....farms reporting...  | 19,360              | 25,932              | 35,690            | 39,234              | NA                | NA                  | NA                | NA                  | NA                  |
| 50 to 99 acres.....farms reporting...  | 14,738              | 18,120              | 20,401            | 22,038              | NA                | NA                  | NA                | NA                  | NA                  |
| 100 to 199 acres.....farms reporting...  | 5,267               | 5,414               | 5,125             | 5,251               | NA                | NA                  | NA                | NA                  | NA                  |
| 200 or more acres.....farms reporting...   | 1,768               | 1,475               | 1,186             | 1,161               | NA                | NA                  | NA                | NA                  | NA                  |
| 200 to 499 acres.....farms reporting...  | 1,549               | 1,333               | 1,090             | 1,072               | NA                | NA                  | NA                | NA                  | NA                  |
| 500 to 999 acres.....farms reporting...  | 177                 | 117                 | 80                | 78                  | NA                | NA                  | NA                | NA                  | NA                  |
| 1,000 or more acres.....farms reporting...   | 42                  | 25                  | 16                | 11                  | NA                | NA                  | NA                | NA                  | NA                  |
| Cropland used only for pasture <sup>2</sup> .....farms reporting...                | 93,648              | 108,473             | 126,620           | 101,300             | 163,052           | 157,336             | 132,757           | 124,264             | NA                  |
| .....acres...  | 3,216,771           | 3,094,755           | 2,855,786         | 2,259,571           | 3,547,298         | 3,015,451           | 2,751,200         | 2,588,462           | NA                  |
| Cropland not harvested and not pastured.....farms reporting...                     | 46,842              | 59,653              | 80,702            | NA                  | NA                | NA                  | NA                | NA                  | NA                  |
| .....acres...  | 1,166,022           | 1,060,593           | 1,489,116         | 1,169,883           | 1,453,194         | 1,382,320           | 1,559,476         | 1,379,078           | NA                  |
| Soil-improvement grasses and legumes.....farms reporting...                        | 17,721              | NA                  | NA                | NA                  | NA                | NA                  | NA                | NA                  | NA                  |
| .....acres...  | 418,328             | NA                  | NA                | NA                  | NA                | NA                  | NA                | NA                  | NA                  |
| Other cropland (idle and crop failure).....farms reporting...                      | 35,082              | NA                  | NA                | NA                  | NA                | NA                  | NA                | NA                  | NA                  |
| .....acres...  | 747,694             | NA                  | NA                | NA                  | NA                | NA                  | NA                | NA                  | NA                  |
| Woodland pastured.....farms reporting...   | 56,378              | 72,631              | 77,249            | 56,040              | NA                | 73,045              | 66,800            | 54,388              | NA                  |
| .....acres...  | 1,744,013           | 2,218,808           | 1,902,208         | 1,333,168           | NA                | 1,717,509           | 1,528,409         | 1,364,386           | NA                  |
| Woodland not pastured.....farms reporting...                                       | 70,954              | 81,252              | 99,527            | 107,535             | NA                | 122,233             | 105,289           | 109,827             | NA                  |
| .....acres...  | 3,457,302           | 3,716,561           | 3,966,399         | 3,719,883           | NA                | 4,488,708           | 3,884,938         | 4,198,111           | NA                  |
| Other pasture (not cropland and not woodland) <sup>3</sup> .....farms reporting... | 45,915              | 62,122              | 71,155            | 98,770              | NA                | 46,494              | 43,331            | 33,653              | NA                  |
| .....acres...  | 1,484,776           | 1,807,533           | 1,657,286         | 2,447,255           | NA                | 911,038             | 887,988           | 744,601             | NA                  |
| Improved pasture.....farms reporting...  | 10,119              | 11,784              | NA                | NA                  | NA                | NA                  | NA                | NA                  | NA                  |
| .....acres...  | 272,329             | 271,183             | NA                | NA                  | NA                | NA                  | NA                | NA                  | NA                  |
| Other land (house lots, roads, wasteland, etc.).....farms reporting...             | NA                  | 175,182             | 197,345           | 218,628             | NA                | 236,920             | 189,800           | NA                  | NA                  |
| .....acres...  | 895,983             | 895,281             | 1,088,479         | 1,015,670           | NA                | 1,240,409           | 1,284,930         | 1,417,073           | NA                  |
| Cropland, total <sup>4</sup> .....farms reporting...                               | 150,350             | 193,380             | 222,009           | 227,923             | 246,047           | NA                  | NA                | NA                  | NA                  |
| .....acres...  | 8,499,211           | 9,016,141           | 9,920,008         | 9,273,021           | 11,159,154        | 10,728,173          | 10,416,976        | 10,176,968          | NA                  |
| Land pastured, total.....farms reporting...  | 123,022             | 152,323             | 176,940           | 180,109             | NA                | NA                  | NA                | NA                  | NA                  |
| .....acres...  | 6,445,560           | 7,121,096           | 6,415,280         | 6,039,994           | NA                | 5,643,998           | 5,167,597         | 4,697,449           | NA                  |
| Woodland, total.....farms reporting...   | 104,176             | 125,888             | 141,092           | 136,355             | 150,167           | NA                  | NA                | NA                  | NA                  |
| .....acres...  | 5,201,315           | 5,935,369           | 5,868,607         | 5,053,051           | 5,219,105         | 6,206,217           | 5,413,347         | 5,562,497           | 7,080,169           |
| Irrigated land in farms.....farms reporting...                                     | 1,005               | 1,094               | 35                | 21                  | 21                | <del>NA</del>       | NA                | NA                  | NA                  |
| .....acres...  | 10,979              | 22,548              | 1,012             | 393                 | 311               | <del>NA</del>       | NA                | NA                  | NA                  |

NA Not available.

<sup>1</sup>For the Censuses of 1959 and 1954, in the Census year; for all other Censuses, in the calendar year preceding the Census.

<sup>2</sup>Total 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.

<sup>3</sup>Not fully comparable for the various Census years because of differences in definition of cropland used only for pasture. See text.

<sup>4</sup>Irrigated Cropland Harvested Only