

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.....	17,811	22,826	24,176	26,322	25,411	30,695	27,159	25,992	25,662
Approximate land area (see text)..... acres.....	52,696,960	52,701,440	52,701,440	52,701,440	52,701,440	52,597,760	52,597,760	52,597,760	52,597,760
Proportion in farms..... percent.....	24.1	23.3	20.6	19.6	13.9	11.9	10.7	9.5	9.6
Land in farms..... acres.....	12,688,518	12,262,222	10,865,165	10,309,107	7,302,007	6,239,318	5,613,101	5,000,724	5,050,410
Average size of farm..... acres.....	712.4	537.2	449.4	391.7	287.4	203.3	206.7	192.4	196.8
Value of land and buildings:									
Average per farm..... dollars.....	39,960	23,398	19,094	9,947	6,074	5,157	8,145	7,395	9,499
Average per acre..... dollars.....	71.19	51.71	47.52	25.40	21.14	25.37	39.41	38.43	48.26
Land in farms according to use: ¹									
Cropland harvested..... farms reporting.....	15,481	19,728	21,344	23,907	23,372	26,182	25,027	NA	NA
acres.....	1,062,246	1,228,520	1,279,469	1,247,718	966,088	814,854	2,159,890	1,024,566	21,030,464
1 to 9 acres..... farms reporting.....	2,654	4,458	4,366	5,956	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
10 to 19 acres..... farms reporting.....	2,200	2,612	2,960	3,220	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
20 to 29 acres..... farms reporting.....	1,707	2,175	2,513	2,763	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
30 to 49 acres..... farms reporting.....	2,615	3,419	4,059	4,312	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
50 to 99 acres..... farms reporting.....	3,435	4,116	4,524	4,794	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
100 to 199 acres..... farms reporting.....	1,924	1,916	1,942	1,947	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
200 or more acres..... farms reporting.....	946	1,032	980	915	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
200 to 499 acres..... farms reporting.....	768	796	766	744	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
500 to 999 acres..... farms reporting.....	136	179	160	140	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1,000 or more acres..... farms reporting.....	42	57	54	31	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Cropland used only for pasture ² farms reporting.....	6,458	7,267	6,739	4,257	9,262	3,793	5,992	2,820	NA
acres.....	409,472	275,432	305,178	127,813	395,033	201,055	228,205	138,512	NA
Cropland not harvested and not pastured..... farms reporting.....	5,429	6,626	7,039	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres.....	535,933	523,506	468,242	288,171	401,175	690,265	335,607	400,120	NA
Cultivated summer fallow..... farms reporting.....	3,136	4,055	4,578	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres.....	253,981	373,242	345,222	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Soil-improvement grasses and legumes..... farms reporting.....	784	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres.....	133,483	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Other cropland (idle and crop failure)..... farms reporting.....	2,783	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres.....	148,469	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Woodland pastured..... farms reporting.....	756	815	1,480	550	NA	1,164	1,249	689	NA
acres.....	928,391	979,746	1,454,387	173,093	NA	190,099	177,014	97,357	NA
Woodland not pastured..... farms reporting.....	215	247	491	209	NA	408	317	465	NA
acres.....	51,562	49,495	102,216	10,808	NA	29,758	14,322	63,871	NA
Other pasture (not cropland and not woodland) ³ farms reporting.....	9,170	11,554	11,561	15,400	NA	15,652	12,157	13,017	NA
acres.....	9,250,019	8,732,655	6,815,022	8,263,100	NA	3,901,488	3,256,558	2,831,382	NA
Improved pasture..... farms reporting.....	2,995	4,924	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres.....	276,428	277,655	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Other land (house lots, roads, wasteland, etc.)..... farms reporting.....	NA	18,965	19,531	20,636	NA	23,917	19,058	NA	NA
acres.....	450,895	472,868	440,651	198,404	NA	411,799	441,505	444,916	NA
Cropland, total ⁴ farms reporting.....	16,320	20,579	22,058	24,522	24,435	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres.....	2,007,651	2,027,458	2,052,889	1,663,702	1,762,296	1,706,174	1,723,702	1,563,198	NA
Land pastured, total..... farms reporting.....	12,710	15,549	16,028	17,487	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres.....	10,587,882	9,987,833	8,574,587	8,564,006	NA	4,292,642	3,661,777	3,067,251	NA
Woodland, total..... farms reporting.....	905	1,019	1,836	743	813	NA	NA	NA	NA
acres.....	979,953	1,029,241	1,556,603	183,901	79,192	219,857	191,336	161,228	212,762
Irrigated land in farms..... farms reporting.....	15,701	19,406	21,126	23,543	22,612	NA	NA	NA	22,218
acres.....	1,061,683	1,072,682	1,137,995	1,124,081	911,135	NA	NA	NA	NA
Irrigated cropland harvested..... farms reporting.....	14,561	18,239	20,068	NA	22,217	24,332	23,847	NA	NA
acres.....	771,221	799,885	847,271	NA	761,093	583,183	591,139	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 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.