

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.....	12,099	15,981	19,043	26,490	23,582	27,061	24,898	27,786	29,075
Approximate land area (see text).....acres.....	5,936,640	5,937,920	5,937,920	5,937,920	5,937,920	5,839,360	5,839,360	5,839,360	5,839,560
Proportion in farms.....percent.....	49.6	55.9	59.4	66.2	61.8	69.2	66.7	67.2	72.5
Land in farms.....acres.....	2,945,343	3,317,737	3,527,381	3,930,514	3,666,835	4,042,658	3,896,097	3,925,683	4,235,811
Average size of farm.....acres.....	243.4	207.6	185.2	148.4	155.5	149.4	156.5	141.3	145.7
Value of land and buildings:									
Average per farm.....dollars.....	19,871	12,579	10,309	5,080	4,712	4,286	5,861	4,940	5,473
Average per acre.....dollars.....	81.22	61.42	55.80	34.24	30.30	28.69	37.46	34.97	37.56
Land in farms according to use: ¹									
Cropland harvested.....farms reporting.....	11,418	14,643	17,997	25,603	22,981	26,795	24,535	NA	NA
.....acres.....	743,448	799,145	858,512	1,159,888	1,022,581	1,113,689	1,073,693	1,127,004	² 1,143,361
1 to 9 acres.....farms reporting.....	1,069	1,881	2,722	4,504	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
10 to 19 acres.....farms reporting.....	928	1,389	2,097	2,923	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
20 to 29 acres.....farms reporting.....	1,108	1,600	2,058	3,097	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
30 to 39 acres.....farms reporting.....	2,325	3,237	4,237	5,710	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
40 to 49 acres.....farms reporting.....	3,745	4,525	4,987	6,702	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
50 to 59 acres.....farms reporting.....	1,840	1,688	1,629	2,319	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
60 or more acres.....farms reporting.....	403	323	267	348	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
200 to 499 acres.....farms reporting.....	377	310	250	337	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
500 to 999 acres.....farms reporting.....	24	13	14	10	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1,000 or more acres.....farms reporting.....	2	...	3	1	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Cropland used only for pasture ³farms reporting.....	5,398	6,015	6,397	2,687	11,008	9,626	9,724	8,515	NA
.....acres.....	196,477	196,265	219,109	92,990	400,890	222,366	274,179	252,220	NA
Cropland not harvested and not pastured.....farms reporting.....	1,575	2,898	2,761	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	43,639	66,856	78,047	27,714	54,595	18,907	54,324	22,652	NA
Soil-improvement grasses and legumes.....farms reporting.....	399	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	8,573	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Other cropland (idle and crop failure).....farms reporting.....	1,251	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	35,066	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Woodland pastured.....farms reporting.....	6,690	8,730	10,296	13,020	NA	18,843	16,973	17,636	NA
.....acres.....	555,477	702,724	733,425	857,087	NA	1,182,963	1,017,750	1,031,310	NA
Woodland not pastured.....farms reporting.....	7,073	8,086	9,344	9,938	NA	7,976	7,815	8,254	NA
.....acres.....	808,758	804,508	788,322	694,387	NA	488,083	485,931	517,724	NA
Other pasture (not cropland and not woodland) ³farms reporting.....	7,460	9,896	11,257	16,666	NA	17,109	15,927	16,784	NA
.....acres.....	521,097	668,813	751,573	1,022,774	NA	915,866	899,742	891,978	NA
Improved pasture.....farms reporting.....	2,219	2,330	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	53,526	46,345	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Other land (house lots, roads, wasteland, etc.).....farms reporting.....	NA	13,939	15,346	16,236	NA	24,133	14,920	NA	NA
.....acres.....	76,447	79,426	98,393	75,674	NA	100,784	90,478	82,795	NA
Cropland, total ⁴farms reporting.....	11,680	15,195	18,505	25,876	23,376	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	983,564	1,062,266	1,155,668	1,280,592	1,478,066	1,354,962	1,402,196	1,401,876	NA
Land pastured, total.....farms reporting.....	10,929	14,156	16,825	22,162	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	1,273,051	1,567,802	1,704,107	1,972,851	NA	2,321,195	2,191,671	2,175,508	NA
Woodland, total.....farms reporting.....	10,400	12,976	15,180	18,642	17,930	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	1,364,235	1,507,232	1,521,747	1,551,474	1,173,791	1,671,046	1,503,681	1,549,034	1,428,309
Irrigated land in farms.....farms reporting.....	72	55	22	2	4 1/2	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	1,612	689	303	6	4 1/2	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 crops