

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...	97,623	136,416	150,997	173,051	174,885	197,632	170,610	193,723	186,242
Approximate land area (see text).....acres...	25,496,320	25,531,520	21,531,520	25,535,360	25,535,360	25,767,680	25,767,680	25,767,680	25,767,680
Proportion in farms.....percent...	51.5	57.5	61.0	64.1	64.4	68.5	64.9	66.8	72.0
Land in farms.....acres...	13,125,802	14,685,964	15,572,295	16,358,072	16,444,907	17,644,898	16,728,620	17,210,174	18,561,112
Average size of farm.....acres...	134.5	107.7	103.1	94.5	94.0	89.3	98.1	88.8	99.7
Value of land and buildings:									
Average per farm.....dollars...	18,256	11,290	8,447	5,021	3,860	3,005	5,016	4,578	5,501
Average per acre.....dollars...	140.54	105.53	82.33	53.11	41.04	33.66	51.16	51.53	55.19
Land in farms according to use: ¹									
Cropland harvested.....farms reporting...	85,955	114,707	128,747	160,243	165,642	188,540	161,831	NA	NA
.....acres...	2,857,848	3,157,774	3,313,849	3,933,284	3,840,189	3,841,733	3,975,307	3,968,570	24,579,830
1 to 9 acres.....farms reporting...	29,825	44,952	48,696	65,581	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
10 to 19 acres.....farms reporting...	19,094	25,677	30,505	33,758	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
20 to 29 acres.....farms reporting...	10,943	14,252	17,317	20,894	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
30 to 49 acres.....farms reporting...	11,026	13,634	16,238	20,497	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
50 to 99 acres.....farms reporting...	9,129	10,632	11,114	13,912	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
100 to 199 acres.....farms reporting...	4,194	4,116	3,690	4,397	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
200 or more acres.....farms reporting...	1,744	1,444	1,187	1,244	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
200 to 499 acres.....farms reporting...	1,560	1,314	1,065	1,104	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
500 to 999 acres.....farms reporting...	158	111	97	118	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1,000 or more acres.....farms reporting...	26	19	25	22	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Cropland used only for pasture ²farms reporting...	33,061	45,534	67,183	50,126	111,231	109,205	94,951	102,536	NA
.....acres...	1,018,405	1,116,147	1,564,181	1,168,570	3,191,670	2,992,866	2,925,350	2,964,815	NA
Cropland not harvested and not pastured.....farms reporting...	27,741	37,675	51,795	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres...	550,828	557,315	911,122	689,525	930,502	1,215,387	1,083,010	1,399,618	NA
Soil-improvement grasses and legumes.....farms reporting...	9,061	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres...	141,503	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Other cropland (idle and crop failure).....farms reporting...	22,360	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres...	409,325	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Woodland pastured.....farms reporting...	36,122	49,547	51,132	47,921	NA	62,096	55,404	50,745	NA
.....acres...	1,153,352	1,553,438	1,355,977	1,176,756	NA	1,628,524	1,527,726	1,331,719	NA
Woodland not pastured.....farms reporting...	60,093	75,496	91,110	111,700	NA	124,520	107,872	123,168	NA
.....acres...	4,516,200	5,031,795	5,374,734	5,642,667	NA	6,041,830	5,167,430	5,523,513	NA
Other pasture (not cropland and not woodland) ³farms reporting...	52,656	69,212	63,581	93,904	NA	41,984	36,756	31,227	NA
.....acres...	2,551,484	2,771,351	2,378,887	3,158,736	NA	1,202,643	1,140,272	991,460	NA
Improved pasture.....farms reporting...	15,159	19,690	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres...	654,649	661,123	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Other land (house lots, roads, wasteland, etc.).....farms reporting...	NA	122,805	133,904	153,285	NA	167,670	129,085	NA	NA
.....acres...	477,685	498,144	673,545	588,534	NA	721,915	909,525	1,030,479	NA
Cropland, total ⁴farms reporting...	90,064	123,006	140,287	166,232	173,325	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres...	4,427,081	4,831,236	5,789,152	5,791,379	7,962,361	8,049,986	7,983,667	8,333,003	NA
Land pastured, total.....farms reporting...	77,801	104,463	117,102	132,373	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres...	4,723,241	5,440,936	5,299,045	5,504,062	NA	5,824,033	5,593,348	5,287,994	NA
Woodland, total.....farms reporting...	75,121	98,703	111,068	127,251	131,635	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres...	5,669,552	6,585,233	6,730,711	6,819,423	6,761,703	7,670,354	6,695,156	6,855,232	7,907,352
Irrigated land in farms.....farms reporting...	1,996	763	71	31	53	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres...	31,101	21,805	2,817	1,419	687	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.
⁴Irrigated croplands include...

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