

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.....	51,577	65,175	69,820	79,887	81,686	84,381	70,904	73,267	66,288
Approximate land area (see text).....acres.....	42,693,760	42,743,040	42,743,040	42,865,280	42,865,280	42,775,040	42,775,040	42,775,040	42,775,040
Proportion in farms.....percent.....	43.8	41.3	40.6	39.0	35.4	34.3	31.6	29.5	31.0
Land in farms.....acres.....	18,716,972	17,641,429	17,369,245	16,719,870	15,181,815	14,680,097	13,533,778	12,610,310	13,244,720
Average size of farm.....acres.....	362.9	270.7	248.8	209.3	185.9	174.0	190.9	172.1	199.8
Value of land and buildings:									
Average per farm.....dollars.....	44,071	29,116	20,693	11,268	7,264	6,527	10,911	9,921	13,885
Average per acre.....dollars.....	148.70	121.11	87.17	53.84	39.08	37.51	57.17	57.64	69.49
Land in farms according to use: ¹									
Cropland harvested.....farms reporting.....	42,290	50,419	56,042	68,176	73,089	77,993	65,307	NA	NA
.....acres.....	4,412,466	4,342,833	4,236,705	4,290,008	3,569,803	3,635,796	3,658,514	3,262,824	² 4,001,852
1 to 9 acres.....farms reporting.....	12,939	19,177	23,106	32,238	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
10 to 19 acres.....farms reporting.....	7,101	8,343	9,863	10,734	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
20 to 29 acres.....farms reporting.....	3,955	4,642	5,209	5,816	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
30 to 49 acres.....farms reporting.....	4,675	4,988	5,355	6,103	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
50 to 99 acres.....farms reporting.....	4,787	4,873	4,465	5,018	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
100 to 199 acres.....farms reporting.....	3,144	2,952	2,692	2,905	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
200 or more acres.....farms reporting.....	5,689	5,444	5,352	5,362	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
200 to 499 acres.....farms reporting.....	3,477	3,365	3,280	3,316	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
500 to 999 acres.....farms reporting.....	1,582	1,481	1,505	1,528	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1,000 or more acres.....farms reporting.....	630	598	567	518	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Cropland used only for pasture ³farms reporting.....	21,641	27,577	30,698	20,983	35,220	24,124	20,335	15,210	NA
.....acres.....	724,070	620,606	714,538	439,381	950,815	572,979	577,901	444,156	NA
Cropland not harvested and not pastured.....farms reporting.....	13,635	15,746	19,314	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	2,773,573	2,729,835	2,769,259	2,402,990	2,659,536	2,535,046	2,616,836	2,820,825	NA
Cultivated summer fallow.....farms reporting.....	7,681	8,939	10,274	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	2,326,748	2,465,390	2,425,594	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Soil-improvement grasses and legumes.....farms reporting.....	2,725	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	231,774	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Other cropland (idle and crop failure).....farms reporting.....	5,731	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	215,051	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Woodland pastured.....farms reporting.....	12,849	16,991	19,940	23,330	NA	30,435	24,203	24,150	NA
.....acres.....	3,104,726	2,887,649	2,432,934	1,861,550	NA	1,848,505	1,487,813	1,317,170	NA
Woodland not pastured.....farms reporting.....	11,635	14,066	15,973	15,060	NA	13,837	9,723	11,510	NA
.....acres.....	853,700	822,135	899,085	473,666	NA	505,663	386,427	538,413	NA
Other pasture (not cropland and not woodland) ³farms reporting.....	15,999	18,928	16,956	30,201	NA	22,549	18,836	18,103	NA
.....acres.....	6,125,305	5,726,122	5,806,543	6,802,679	NA	5,011,127	4,175,098	3,441,032	NA
Improved pasture.....farms reporting.....	4,554	6,101	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	154,722	140,907	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Other land (house lots, roads, wasteland, etc.).....farms reporting.....	NA	57,721	61,268	71,006	NA	71,110	52,108	NA	NA
.....acres.....	723,132	512,249	590,181	449,596	NA	570,981	631,189	785,890	NA
Cropland, total ⁴farms reporting.....	47,163	58,475	63,934	72,677	78,597	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	7,910,109	7,693,274	7,720,502	7,132,379	7,180,154	6,743,821	6,853,251	6,527,805	NA
Land pastured, total.....farms reporting.....	37,349	48,418	51,341	59,787	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	9,954,101	9,234,377	8,954,015	9,103,610	NA	7,432,611	6,240,812	5,202,358	NA
Woodland, total.....farms reporting.....	20,832	27,207	31,129	33,641	28,555	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	3,958,426	3,709,784	3,292,019	2,335,216	1,460,546	2,354,168	1,874,240	1,855,583	1,813,061
Irrigated land in farms.....farms reporting.....	19,292	18,844	16,928	15,974	17,426	NA	NA	NA	13,271
.....acres.....	1,006,969	778,135	⁴ 589,035	520,153	493,982	NA	NA	NA	NA
Irrigated cropland harvested.....farms reporting.....	16,800	16,506	15,438	NA	16,954	18,186	⁵ 15,949	NA	NA
.....acres.....	792,362	600,219	448,743	NA	409,161	422,335	⁵ 405,027	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.