

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.....	131,215	153,558	168,561	177,745	186,735	199,877	181,767	193,155	189,295
Approximate land area (see text).....acres.....	35,011,200	35,011,200	35,011,200	35,017,600	35,017,600	35,363,840	35,363,840	35,363,840	35,363,840
Proportion in farms.....percent.....	60.4	64.3	66.3	67.4	65.3	66.3	61.9	61.8	62.6
Land in farms.....acres.....	21,156,223	22,507,288	23,221,095	23,615,031	22,876,494	23,459,203	21,874,155	21,850,853	22,148,223
Average size of farm.....acres.....	161.2	146.6	137.8	132.9	122.5	117.4	120.3	113.1	117.0
Value of land and buildings:									
Average per farm.....dollars.....	21,280	14,824	12,225	8,069	6,365	6,238	9,526	9,830	11,558
Average per acre.....dollars.....	132.03	100.93	88.71	60.74	51.96	53.15	79.16	86.90	98.78
Land in farms according to use: ¹									
Cropland harvested.....farms reporting.....	125,672	147,001	162,833	174,057	182,763	197,016	179,118	NA	NA
.....acres.....	9,599,094	9,849,700	10,112,027	10,544,975	9,815,964	9,771,796	9,618,331	9,538,023	² 9,590,633
1 to 9 acres.....farms reporting.....	5,567	8,634	11,295	12,772	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
10 to 19 acres.....farms reporting.....	6,454	8,435	10,727	11,438	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
20 to 29 acres.....farms reporting.....	8,106	10,894	13,322	14,429	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
30 to 49 acres.....farms reporting.....	22,387	30,668	36,159	39,661	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
50 to 99 acres.....farms reporting.....	52,633	62,317	67,018	71,328	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
100 to 199 acres.....farms reporting.....	26,434	23,214	21,960	22,335	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
200 or more acres.....farms reporting.....	4,091	2,839	2,352	2,094	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
200 to 499 acres.....farms reporting.....	3,857	2,671	2,199	1,981	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
500 to 999 acres.....farms reporting.....	198	134	130	96	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1,000 or more acres.....farms reporting.....	36	34	23	17	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Cropland used only for pasture ³farms reporting.....	83,983	96,791	98,722	89,826	118,286	103,268	96,640	89,732	NA
.....acres.....	1,986,639	2,254,176	2,187,485	1,791,245	2,757,420	2,045,770	1,899,616	1,703,243	NA
Cropland not harvested and not pastured.....farms reporting.....	24,026	28,352	26,813	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	664,527	576,470	606,200	346,297	464,562	889,657	588,124	589,891	NA
Soil-improvement grasses and legumes.....farms reporting.....	7,295	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	244,606	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Other cropland (idle and crop failure).....farms reporting.....	18,671	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	419,921	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Woodland pastured.....farms reporting.....	68,261	85,074	99,741	92,540	NA	126,520	113,141	112,150	NA
.....acres.....	3,114,850	3,816,102	4,423,919	3,975,720	NA	5,248,386	4,439,957	4,431,416	NA
Woodland not pastured.....farms reporting.....	52,501	50,086	50,887	42,657	NA	43,195	40,267	38,446	NA
.....acres.....	2,329,526	2,113,941	2,002,309	1,535,538	NA	1,263,381	1,265,435	1,216,711	NA
Other pasture (not cropland and not woodland) ³farms reporting.....	55,839	68,987	70,772	103,738	NA	93,433	81,696	79,816	NA
.....acres.....	1,983,687	2,445,331	2,431,918	3,953,838	NA	2,820,501	2,483,050	2,536,897	NA
Improved pasture.....farms reporting.....	9,351	9,016	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	165,927	140,761	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Other land (house lots, roads, wasteland, etc.).....farms reporting.....	NA	148,838	162,183	174,204	NA	196,816	163,145	NA	NA
.....acres.....	1,477,900	1,451,568	1,457,237	1,467,418	NA	1,419,712	1,579,642	1,834,672	NA
Cropland, total ³farms reporting.....	128,513	149,845	164,983	175,726	185,393	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	12,250,260	12,680,346	12,905,712	12,682,517	13,037,946	12,707,223	12,106,071	11,831,157	NA
Land pastured, total.....farms reporting.....	117,140	139,057	153,775	166,532	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	7,085,176	8,515,609	9,043,322	9,720,803	NA	10,114,657	8,822,623	8,671,556	NA
Woodland, total.....farms reporting.....	95,656	109,055	121,393	113,901	118,945	NA	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	5,444,376	5,930,043	6,426,228	5,511,258	4,120,877	6,511,767	5,705,392	5,648,127	5,401,910
Irrigated land in farms.....farms reporting.....	638	545	354	226	163	78	NA	NA	NA
.....acres.....	31,862	18,199	9,781	4,569	2,345	1438	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 cropland was not included