

TABLE 1. Farms, Acreage, and Value: 1930 to 1964

[Data for value of land and buildings for 1950 to 1964 based on sample; see Introduction and Appendix A]

Subject	1964	1959	1954	1950	1945	1940	1935	1930
Farms.....number..	92,530	115,788	176,956	211,512	223,369	231,746	273,455	257,395
Approximate land area.....acres..	32,678,400	32,678,400	32,689,920	32,689,920	32,689,920	32,689,920	32,818,560	32,818,560
Proportion in farms.....percent..	46.6	50.6	63.7	63.9	58.3	58.6	59.9	53.5
Land in farms.....acres..	15,225,787	16,542,730	20,810,492	20,888,784	19,067,844	19,143,391	19,660,828	17,554,635
Average size of farm.....acres..	164.5	142.9	117.6	98.8	85.4	82.6	71.9	68.2
Value of land and buildings:								
Average per farm.....dollars..	20,552	12,780	6,816	4,809	2,506	1,764	1,347	1,952
Average per acre.....dollars..	124.37	89.45	57.96	48.69	29.36	21.35	18.73	28.62
Land in farms according to use: ¹								
Cropland harvested.....farms..	74,409	98,794	151,742	189,554	210,612	226,154	266,430	248,389
.....acres..	2,989,719	3,715,251	4,812,086	5,729,421	6,163,110	7,111,717	7,238,606	7,113,937
1 to 9 acres.....farms..	22,872	24,383	38,744	36,741	40,509	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 to 19 acres.....farms..	17,706	24,608	36,426	44,615	44,927	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
20 to 29 acres.....farms..	9,852	15,180	26,472	42,951	49,562	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
30 to 49 acres.....farms..	9,172	14,787	25,427	39,670	49,701	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
50 to 99 acres.....farms..	8,109	12,483	17,710	19,889	20,992	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
100 to 199 acres.....farms..	4,209	5,192	5,123	4,249	3,577	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
200 acres or more.....farms..	2,489	2,161	1,840	1,439	1,344	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
200 to 499 acres.....farms..	2,068	1,853	1,546	1,179	1,102	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
500 to 999 acres.....farms..	361	257	264	209	199	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
1,000 acres or more.....farms..	60	51	30	51	43	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Cropland used only for pasture ²farms..	25,741	33,568	46,044	60,321	37,371	98,076	76,348	68,088
.....acres..	1,243,080	1,413,137	1,653,472	1,598,354	853,725	2,173,731	1,363,326	1,203,622
Cropland not harvested and not pastured.....farms..	22,660	36,676	53,295	73,492	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	885,811	899,573	1,014,612	1,393,726	1,249,270	1,111,825	1,117,579	1,085,102
Soil-improvement grasses and legumes.....farms..	12,500	7,107	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	348,412	173,752	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Crop failure.....farms..	2,709	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	6,390	32,807	10,259	15,128
.....acres..	36,600	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	58,193	308,834	76,099	157,028
Idle cropland.....farms..	23,388	(NA)	45,803	(NA)	61,373	59,159	64,555	58,236
.....acres..	500,799	(NA)	866,756	(NA)	1,191,077	802,991	1,041,480	928,074
Woodland pastured.....farms..	44,070	51,728	79,947	89,981	76,335	(NA)	106,179	89,671
.....acres..	2,897,065	3,279,701	4,596,858	3,712,094	2,916,878	(NA)	2,968,218	2,290,928
Woodland not pastured.....farms..	42,283	53,716	73,698	93,829	98,373	(NA)	111,924	89,315
.....acres..	4,226,139	4,497,177	5,736,374	6,029,600	4,659,104	(NA)	5,279,913	4,195,053
Other pasture (see text) ²farms..	42,293	43,671	64,224	64,673	88,876	(NA)	33,606	29,142
.....acres..	2,554,979	2,236,160	2,454,344	1,706,362	2,440,341	(NA)	710,519	610,616
Improved pasture.....farms..	18,814	14,423	20,190	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	1,215,076	843,672	829,183	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Other land (house lots, roads, etc.).....farms..	81,361	(NA)	150,962	174,246	189,488	(NA)	219,895	167,085
.....acres..	428,608	(NA)	542,746	719,227	785,416	(NA)	983,567	1,055,377
Cropland, total ²farms..	83,918	107,385	165,555	202,159	216,860	230,824	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	5,118,610	6,027,961	7,480,170	8,721,501	8,266,105	10,397,273	9,719,511	9,402,661
Land pastured, total.....farms..	71,478	84,061	124,217	143,873	147,397	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	6,695,124	6,928,998	8,704,674	7,016,810	6,210,944	(NA)	5,042,063	4,105,166
Woodland, total.....farms..	66,164	78,985	115,522	133,371	129,046	135,701	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	7,123,204	7,776,878	10,333,232	9,741,694	7,575,982	7,009,164	8,247,231	6,485,981
Irrigated land in farms.....farms..	318	328	452	34	153	37	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	11,768	17,357	16,658	367	487	281	193	(NA)

NA Not available.

¹For the censuses of 1964, 1959, and 1954, in the census year; for all other censuses, in the calendar year preceding the census.

²Not fully comparable for the various census years because of differences in definition of cropland used only for pasture. See text.

³Irrigated cropland harvested only.