

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..	80,852	99,274	123,075	137,168	138,917	132,658	150,360	135,676
Approximate land area.....acres..	100,206,720	100,206,720	100,313,600	100,313,600	100,353,920	100,353,920	99,617,280	99,617,280
Proportion in farms.....percent..	36.9	36.8	37.7	36.5	34.9	30.4	30.6	30.6
Land in farms.....acres..	37,010,925	36,887,948	37,794,780	36,613,291	35,054,379	30,524,324	30,437,995	30,442,581
Average size of farm.....acres..	457.8	371.6	307.1	266.9	252.3	230.1	202.4	224.4
Value of land and buildings:								
Average per farm.....dollars..	214,650	131,212	69,620	41,192	25,084	16,331	15,466	25,203
Average per acre.....dollars..	468.40	353.12	226.71	154.32	99.40	70.97	76.40	112.33
Land in farms according to use: ¹								
Cropland harvested.....farms..	62,078	76,663	93,231	104,712	112,399	110,754	130,510	120,276
.....acres..	7,845,816	8,021,836	8,326,331	7,956,671	7,535,523	6,534,562	6,578,724	6,549,967
1 to 9 acres.....farms..	18,860	25,353	32,660	35,383	39,757	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	9,496	12,049	15,818	19,887	21,378	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 to 19 acres.....farms..	5,013	6,304	8,006	9,699	10,509	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	7,074	8,832	10,784	12,830	13,534	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
20 to 29 acres.....farms..	7,759	9,245	10,570	11,813	12,430	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	5,640	6,496	7,035	7,150	7,444	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
30 to 49 acres.....farms..	8,236	8,384	8,358	7,950	7,347	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	4,879	5,179	5,141	5,141	4,915	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
50 to 99 acres.....farms..	2,031	2,004	1,964	1,792	1,593	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	1,326	1,201	1,253	1,017	839	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
100 to 199 acres.....farms..								
.....acres..								
200 acres or more.....farms..								
.....acres..								
Cropland used only for pasture ²farms..	16,576	20,343	28,630	32,068	24,281	39,334	31,751	26,880
.....acres..	2,052,678	3,033,050	3,018,010	3,530,589	2,196,312	4,242,598	2,967,526	3,075,362
Cropland not harvested and not pastured.....farms..	14,981	17,051	21,369	27,088	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	1,916,874	1,910,754	1,885,367	2,277,850	1,630,982	2,117,814	2,084,602	1,839,835
Cultivated summer fallow.....farms..	4,103	5,754	6,653	7,832	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	1,006,270	1,083,662	1,181,385	1,291,153	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Soil-improvement grasses and legumes.....farms..	1,360	1,267	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	195,166	126,512	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Crop failure.....farms..	1,567	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	3,440	5,338	8,775	8,992
.....acres..	105,458	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	108,446	296,391	459,505	293,486
Idle cropland.....farms..	9,998	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	12,463	23,941	26,381	24,143
.....acres..	609,980	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	1,522,536	1,821,423	1,625,097	1,546,349
Woodland pastured.....farms..	3,782	5,635	7,013	9,315	7,710	(NA)	11,969	10,983
.....acres..	2,803,967	4,076,443	5,142,261	6,289,944	3,341,441	(NA)	5,016,106	3,946,006
Woodland not pastured.....farms..	2,927	3,947	4,811	5,945	5,554	(NA)	5,826	5,028
.....acres..	598,986	822,636	712,517	1,032,227	690,923	(NA)	690,407	556,749
Other pasture (see text) ²farms..	19,199	20,986	25,107	21,187	32,353	(NA)	21,074	21,553
.....acres..	20,449,545	17,181,200	16,871,060	13,543,763	18,210,722	(NA)	11,516,134	12,969,581
Improved pasture.....farms..	9,095	8,423	10,347	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	933,291	840,396	650,530	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Other land (house lots, roads, etc.).....farms..	64,669	(NA)	102,216	109,912	109,537	(NA)	111,409	93,902
.....acres..	1,348,922	1,842,029	1,839,234	1,982,247	1,448,476	(NA)	1,584,496	1,505,081
Cropland, total ²farms..	69,386	85,012	105,931	119,062	122,071	124,116	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	11,815,368	12,965,640	13,229,708	13,765,110	11,362,817	12,894,974	11,630,852	11,465,164
Land pastured, total.....farms..	33,128	38,412	50,382	52,123	55,979	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	25,306,190	24,290,693	25,031,331	23,364,296	23,748,475	(NA)	19,499,766	19,990,949
Woodland, total.....farms..	6,081	8,690	10,883	13,874	12,208	11,308	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	3,402,953	4,899,079	5,854,778	7,322,171	4,032,364	2,337,090	5,706,513	4,502,755
Irrigated land in farms.....farms..	59,429	74,138	84,502	90,755	87,205	84,310	91,347	85,784
.....acres..	7,598,698	7,395,570	7,048,049	6,438,324	4,952,819	4,276,554	3,513,700	4,540,350

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.

⁴Acreage of irrigated crops, including some duplication where two or more crops were harvested from the same land.