

TABLE 2. Farms and Acreage According to Use, by Size of Farm: 1930 to 1964

[Data for 1959 and 1950 based on sample; see Introduction and Appendix A]

Subject	1964	1959	1954	1950	1945	1940	1935	1930
Number of farms:								
All farms.....	83,366	106,271	165,523	198,037	225,897	216,033	250,544	255,598
Less than 10 acres.....	4,884	6,825	14,990	11,951	15,301	7,884	9,873	8,313
Less than 3 acres.....	1,601	2,327	2,500	1,326	3,439	433	405	1,041
1 acre or less.....	866	1,449	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
2 acres.....	735	878	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
3 to 9 acres.....	3,283	4,498	12,490	10,625	11,862	7,451	9,468	7,272
3 acres.....	582	753	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
4 acres.....	521	666	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
5 acres.....	721	951	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
6 acres.....	458	599	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
7 acres.....	316	507	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
8 acres.....	404	604	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
9 acres.....	281	418	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 to 49 acres.....	19,680	27,956	51,958	67,043	81,121	72,530	91,457	114,886
10 to 29 acres.....	10,479	14,843	27,472	32,307	35,867	30,322	41,245	(NA)
30 to 49 acres.....	9,201	13,113	24,486	34,736	45,254	42,208	50,212	(NA)
50 to 69 acres.....	8,823	11,754	20,596	28,080	35,643	34,898	39,874	169,751
70 to 99 acres.....	9,338	12,095	18,546	24,216	26,309	28,669	31,269	(NA)
100 to 139 acres.....	9,877	12,943	18,537	23,234	26,550	28,607	32,251	250,829
140 to 179 acres.....	6,474	8,001	10,543	12,124	12,575	13,872	14,666	(NA)
180 to 219 acres.....	4,764	5,697	7,272	8,392	8,506	9,390	10,213	(NA)
220 to 259 acres.....	3,287	3,761	4,627	4,823	4,440	4,945	5,282	(NA)
260 to 499 acres.....	8,984	9,817	10,655	11,000	9,832	10,242	10,742	8,180
500 to 999 acres.....	4,685	4,917	5,038	4,677	3,857	3,585	3,587	2,722
1,000 to 1,999 acres ³	1,768	1,749	2,761	2,497	1,763	1,411	1,330	917
2,000 acres or more.....	802	756	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Land in farms (acres):								
All land in farms.....	17,886,931	19,644,019	24,018,773	25,783,945	23,675,612	23,683,631	25,296,522	22,078,630
Average size of farm.....	214.6	184.8	145.1	130.2	104.8	109.6	101.0	86.4
Less than 10 acres.....	20,492	29,247	71,891	60,370	68,408	43,444	55,463	45,228
10 to 49 acres.....	548,418	787,568	1,449,026	1,949,020	2,401,181	2,181,695	2,667,663	3,335,945
10 to 29 acres.....	192,666	(NA)	518,663	634,898	714,933	615,922	827,861	(NA)
30 to 49 acres.....	355,752	(NA)	930,363	1,314,122	1,686,248	1,565,773	1,839,802	(NA)
50 to 69 acres.....	508,698	677,450	1,178,479	1,610,804	2,013,344	1,983,947	2,253,581	14,632,012
70 to 99 acres.....	772,995	997,757	1,526,003	1,983,498	2,132,761	2,327,558	2,534,777	(NA)
100 to 139 acres.....	1,139,156	1,490,240	2,118,530	2,644,119	2,960,953	3,197,054	3,586,866	27,369,095
140 to 179 acres.....	1,016,426	1,256,650	1,653,886	1,897,936	1,962,027	2,166,429	2,288,162	(NA)
180 to 219 acres.....	942,946	1,129,806	1,439,408	1,660,891	1,682,702	1,857,783	2,021,828	(NA)
220 to 259 acres.....	785,281	899,428	1,104,590	1,145,444	1,062,242	1,182,658	1,262,240	(NA)
260 to 499 acres.....	3,177,363	3,454,507	3,728,251	3,845,358	3,417,931	3,547,562	3,726,776	2,839,234
500 to 999 acres.....	3,202,497	3,337,756	3,422,652	3,151,450	2,576,342	2,362,356	2,352,294	1,779,335
1,000 to 1,999 acres ³	2,375,093	2,358,356	6,326,057	5,835,055	3,397,721	2,833,135	2,546,872	2,077,781
2,000 acres or more.....	3,397,566	3,225,254	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Land in farms according to use: ⁴								
Cropland harvested by size of farm.....farms..	65,059	90,409	140,499	176,718	212,430	210,696	241,992	241,427
acres..	3,950,518	4,984,896	6,117,379	7,135,852	7,824,189	8,802,593	8,645,593	8,337,145
Less than 10 acres.....farms..	2,075	3,209	8,338	7,080	11,947	6,664	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	7,832	13,337	32,970	26,503	37,394	27,105	38,376	32,299
10 to 49 acres.....farms..	13,741	23,154	43,963	59,943	76,696	70,419	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	177,810	368,652	797,451	1,196,676	1,674,899	1,542,235	1,847,306	2,409,047
10 to 29 acres.....farms..	7,086	(NA)	22,696	28,095	33,370	29,074	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	72,496	(NA)	306,266	400,514	506,439	460,674	622,304	(NA)
30 to 49 acres.....farms..	6,655	(NA)	21,267	31,848	43,326	41,345	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	105,314	(NA)	491,185	796,162	1,168,460	1,081,561	1,225,002	(NA)
50 to 69 acres.....farms..	6,697	10,267	18,191	26,009	34,200	34,305	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	136,534	256,758	537,040	814,299	1,144,140	1,154,648	1,227,628	12,472,677
70 to 99 acres.....farms..	7,386	10,728	16,455	22,510	25,247	28,283	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	200,621	343,183	562,942	806,020	943,843	1,130,156	1,132,864	(NA)
100 to 139 acres.....farms..	8,073	11,495	16,708	21,563	25,388	28,227	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	286,671	473,913	696,274	907,680	1,040,486	1,280,767	1,311,986	22,316,119
140 to 179 acres.....farms..	5,497	7,301	9,463	11,166	12,040	13,680	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	251,617	382,814	472,272	548,058	563,357	732,151	686,680	(NA)
180 to 219 acres.....farms..	4,091	5,103	6,549	7,752	8,080	9,241	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	237,059	325,420	378,926	429,865	421,027	568,834	551,954	(NA)
220 to 259 acres.....farms..	2,891	3,407	4,227	4,457	4,217	4,891	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	204,003	253,591	284,230	275,869	247,173	348,954	315,560	(NA)
260 to 499 acres.....farms..	7,985	8,938	9,614	9,980	9,321	10,090	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	810,165	952,234	862,561	849,995	704,352	943,404	791,734	572,907
500 to 999 acres.....farms..	4,270	4,506	4,542	4,135	3,642	3,517	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	759,100	783,860	692,471	595,102	501,284	586,150	438,273	317,305
1,000 to 1,999 acres ³farms..	1,620	1,606	2,123	2,123	1,652	1,379	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	482,254	468,908	800,242	685,785	546,234	488,189	303,232	216,791
2,000 acres or more.....farms..	733	695	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	396,852	362,226	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 2. Farms and Acreage According to Use, by Size of Farm: 1930 to 1964—Continued

[Data for 1959 and 1950 based on sample; see Introduction and Appendix A]

Subject	1964	1959	1954	1950	1945	1940	1935	1930
Land in farms according to use—Con.								
Cropland, total, by size of farm ¹farms..	74,033	98,407	153,975	189,636	220,920	215,086	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	6,367,160	7,535,510	8,924,073	10,541,834	10,643,425	11,690,225	11,780,596	11,426,831
Less than 10 acres.....farms..	2,691	3,729	9,927	8,905	12,841	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	9,648	15,999	40,450	35,801	43,229	33,387	44,355	(NA)
10 to 49 acres.....farms..	16,231	25,683	48,892	64,708	80,090	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	268,095	481,772	971,601	1,445,522	1,875,492	1,745,345	2,106,336	(NA)
50 to 69 acres.....farms..	7,934	11,164	19,853	27,484	35,331	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	228,720	361,543	691,370	1,043,627	1,349,109	1,370,020	1,478,630	(NA)
70 to 99 acres.....farms..	8,619	11,649	17,958	23,816	26,067	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	338,580	505,376	773,609	1,092,241	1,197,248	1,407,053	1,440,615	(NA)
100 to 139 acres.....farms..	9,176	12,493	17,953	22,742	26,272	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	477,429	697,834	980,998	1,285,104	1,423,859	1,681,668	1,786,075	(NA)
140 to 179 acres.....farms..	6,095	7,754	10,181	11,803	12,419	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	410,538	571,757	684,512	810,815	815,624	1,007,809	980,757	(NA)
180 to 219 acres.....farms..	4,517	5,510	7,013	8,149	8,400	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	378,202	4,931,197	566,800	663,577	648,493	820,582	830,371	(NA)
220 to 259 acres.....farms..	3,150	3,648	4,481	4,658	4,358	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	317,055	377,053	423,031	442,006	377,123	491,366	472,623	(NA)
260 to 499 acres.....farms..	8,613	9,562	10,270	10,635	9,652	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	1,262,236	1,423,618	1,319,462	1,377,198	1,144,927	1,390,892	1,277,540	(NA)
500 to 999 acres.....farms..	4,531	4,785	4,834	4,429	3,767	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	1,203,089	1,223,562	1,094,602	991,899	816,434	899,241	751,944	(NA)
1,000 to 1,999 acres ²farms..	1,708	1,698	2,613	2,307	1,723	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	792,193	752,077	1,377,638	1,354,044	951,887	842,862	611,350	(NA)
2,000 acres or more.....farms..	768	732	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	681,375	631,722	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Land pastured, total, by size of farm.....farms..	64,414	76,888	108,077	120,294	125,990	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	5,417,796	5,822,751	7,858,209	6,885,808	5,902,936	(NA)	6,209,625	4,651,627
Less than 10 acres.....farms..	1,065	1,376	3,860	3,314	3,552	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	3,314	4,147	11,359	9,170	7,825	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 to 49 acres.....farms..	12,624	14,779	24,023	27,391	29,719	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	182,857	171,812	262,538	247,960	240,662	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
50 to 69 acres.....farms..	6,967	8,617	13,651	17,202	21,046	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	173,476	172,914	261,628	279,002	299,388	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
70 to 99 acres.....farms..	7,688	9,685	14,393	17,958	18,740	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	255,617	259,084	395,499	404,100	398,351	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
100 to 139 acres.....farms..	8,458	11,023	15,475	18,299	20,178	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	382,564	417,625	604,241	602,659	635,337	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
140 to 179 acres.....farms..	6,655	6,975	9,186	9,790	9,865	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	333,474	359,250	493,637	458,013	439,709	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
180 to 219 acres.....farms..	4,248	5,102	6,422	7,016	6,803	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	311,519	341,402	463,142	445,945	409,732	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
220 to 259 acres.....farms..	2,945	3,395	4,122	3,992	3,391	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	249,193	273,959	358,965	310,077	259,577	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
260 to 499 acres.....farms..	8,132	9,000	9,687	9,246	7,865	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	1,028,625	1,073,708	1,305,538	1,074,896	918,539	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
500 to 999 acres.....farms..	4,278	4,577	4,645	3,963	3,229	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	979,465	1,099,998	1,300,407	978,544	812,289	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
1,000 to 1,999 acres ²farms..	1,607	1,638	2,613	2,163	1,602	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	698,987	726,580	2,401,255	2,075,442	1,481,527	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
2,000 acres or more.....farms..	747	721	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	818,705	922,272	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Irrigated land in farms, by size of farm.....farms..	6,907	2,268	1,268	122	14	26	672	(NA)
.....acres..	64,112	37,963	23,873	3,233	423	158	6401	(NA)
Less than 10 acres.....farms..	250	75	74	5	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	752	240	193	15	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 to 49 acres.....farms..	717	272	197	12	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	2,849	1,532	1,065	87	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
50 to 69 acres.....farms..	468	155	86	10	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	2,151	880	617	15	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
70 to 99 acres.....farms..	650	160	112	10	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	2,879	820	657	55	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
100 to 139 acres.....farms..	866	246	97	15	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	3,996	1,731	1,021	320	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
140 to 179 acres.....farms..	710	190	75	10	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	4,084	1,425	859	95	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
180 to 219 acres.....farms..	551	172	67	-	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	3,582	2,710	983	-	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
220 to 259 acres.....farms..	429	105	67	10	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	3,133	1,240	955	35	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
260 to 499 acres.....farms..	1,288	624	200	26	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	12,805	6,215	3,503	727	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
500 to 999 acres.....farms..	657	305	155	9	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	12,647	10,024	5,045	479	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
1,000 to 1,999 acres ²farms..	234	109	134	15	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	6,797	6,091	8,975	1,405	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
2,000 acres or more.....farms..	87	55	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	8,437	5,055	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)

NA Not available.

¹50 to 99 acres.

²100 to 259 acres.

³Prior to 1959, 1,000 acres or more.

⁴For the censuses of 1964, 1959, and 1954, in the census year; for all other censuses in the calendar year preceding the census.

⁵Not fully comparable for the various census years because of differences in definition of cropland used for pasture. See text.

⁶Irrigated cropland harvested only.