

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..	108,082	128,160	153,593	166,627	175,970	184,549	200,835	181,570
Approximate land area.....acres..	23,158,400	23,158,400	23,171,200	23,171,200	23,171,200	23,171,200	23,068,800	23,068,800
Proportion in farms.....percent..	77.4	80.4	83.0	84.8	86.4	85.5	88.9	85.3
Land in farms.....acres..	17,933,226	18,613,046	19,232,774	19,658,677	20,027,015	19,800,778	20,518,745	19,688,675
Average size of farm.....acres..	165.9	145.2	125.2	118.0	113.8	107.3	102.2	108.4
Value of land and buildings:								
Average per farm.....dollars..	51,645	38,489	24,303	16,151	10,197	6,781	5,180	7,796
Average per acre.....dollars..	309.84	265.02	194.08	136.90	89.59	63.20	50.70	71.90
Land in farms according to use: ¹								
Cropland harvested.....farms..	95,846	111,380	130,341	142,402	150,116	166,977	188,040	168,399
.....acres..	10,298,855	11,147,102	11,333,161	11,000,662	10,912,368	9,711,028	10,102,689	10,213,813
1 to 9 acres.....farms..	9,938	10,280	14,598	18,484	21,407	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 to 19 acres.....farms..	9,322	10,192	11,639	13,978	14,501	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
20 to 29 acres.....farms..	7,512	8,453	10,099	11,688	12,495	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
30 to 49 acres.....farms..	12,285	14,767	17,824	20,587	22,361	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
50 to 99 acres.....farms..	20,671	26,405	33,970	38,034	40,876	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
100 to 199 acres.....farms..	20,244	26,285	30,660	30,073	30,088	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
200 acres or more.....farms..	15,874	14,998	11,951	9,558	8,388	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
200 to 499 acres.....farms..	14,539	14,063	11,346	9,078	7,972	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
500 to 999 acres.....farms..	1,238	866	558	432	372	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
1,000 acres or more.....farms..	97	69	47	48	44	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Cropland used only for pasture ²farms..	52,413	67,676	82,774	91,480	78,328	138,133	131,954	119,476
.....acres..	1,334,520	1,686,779	1,966,805	2,050,995	1,816,551	3,701,562	2,951,164	2,810,184
Cropland not harvested and not pastured.....farms..	50,724	33,487	28,170	38,180	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	1,683,832	826,534	528,448	776,549	811,229	1,237,409	1,735,034	1,508,423
Soil-improvement grasses and legumes.....farms..	37,859	15,315	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	1,179,980	397,178	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Crop failure.....farms..	4,451	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	9,533	12,987	26,387	22,344
.....acres..	65,139	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	131,156	168,259	394,127	347,912
Idle cropland.....farms..	18,902	(NA)	19,913	(NA)	32,190	50,561	79,019	48,689
.....acres..	438,713	(NA)	345,413	(NA)	680,073	1,069,150	1,340,907	1,160,511
Woodland pastured.....farms..	37,948	47,601	62,271	69,625	69,942	(NA)	91,799	85,074
.....acres..	1,018,493	1,201,292	1,568,200	1,659,960	1,710,087	(NA)	2,091,878	1,833,869
Woodland not pastured.....farms..	43,636	47,417	44,519	48,201	39,297	(NA)	41,954	35,505
.....acres..	1,336,163	1,342,916	1,211,586	1,217,617	963,878	(NA)	972,309	785,611
Other pasture (see text) ²farms..	36,173	42,385	52,084	61,348	90,040	(NA)	54,676	54,069
.....acres..	1,101,690	1,135,767	1,314,257	1,467,491	2,475,022	(NA)	1,301,634	1,312,363
Improved pasture.....farms..	11,391	7,524	7,934	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	264,472	159,192	146,240	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Other land (house lots, roads, etc.).....farms..	102,263	(NA)	148,055	159,429	172,527	(NA)	194,277	164,273
.....acres..	1,158,965	1,272,656	1,310,317	1,485,403	1,337,880	(NA)	1,364,037	1,224,412
Cropland, total ²farms..	102,137	118,673	138,641	152,158	160,991	180,214	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	13,317,207	13,660,415	13,828,414	13,828,206	13,540,148	14,649,999	14,788,887	14,532,420
Land pastured, total.....farms..	82,191	101,434	125,172	140,870	156,745	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	3,454,703	4,023,838	4,849,262	5,178,446	6,001,660	(NA)	6,344,676	5,956,416
Woodland, total.....farms..	68,470	80,206	91,683	99,676	96,833	102,092	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	2,354,656	2,544,208	2,779,786	2,877,577	2,673,965	2,340,207	3,064,187	2,619,480
Irrigated land in farms.....farms..	558	480	443	164	123	136	3102	(NA)
.....acres..	16,924	17,237	11,738	5,339	830	685	3532	(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.