

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..	154,162	174,707	192,933	203,159	208,934	213,318	221,986	214,928
Approximate land area.....acres..	35,860,480	35,860,480	35,868,800	35,868,800	35,830,400	35,831,040	35,575,040	35,575,040
Proportion in farms.....percent..	94.1	94.3	94.9	95.5	96.2	95.3	96.6	95.6
Land in farms.....acres..	33,758,321	33,830,950	34,044,533	34,264,639	34,453,936	34,148,673	34,359,152	34,019,332
Average size of farm.....acres..	219.0	193.6	176.5	168.7	164.9	160.1	154.8	158.3
Value of land and buildings:								
Average per farm.....dollars..	59,553	49,150	35,090	27,105	17,284	12,614	11,092	19,655
Average per acre.....dollars..	271.77	253.82	198.86	160.71	104.81	78.79	71.66	124.18
Land in farms according to use: <sup>1</sup>								
Cropland harvested.....farms..	143,701	162,116	180,454	190,553	196,604	204,949	213,109	208,101
acres..	19,951,672	22,873,407	22,444,290	22,547,337	21,562,039	20,076,641	18,925,893	22,275,868
1 to 9 acres.....farms..	4,829	4,718	6,756	8,873	9,938	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 to 19 acres.....farms..	4,448	4,472	4,834	5,554	5,996	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
20 to 29 acres.....farms..	4,092	3,992	4,594	5,222	6,149	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
30 to 49 acres.....farms..	9,138	8,259	10,491	11,986	15,023	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
50 to 79 acres.....farms..	32,219	34,215	46,018	51,953	59,245	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
100 to 199 acres.....farms..	99,080	72,839	82,439	82,970	80,155	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
200 acres or more.....farms..	29,895	33,621	25,342	23,995	20,098	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
200 to 499 acres.....farms..	28,734	32,462	24,637	23,426	19,653	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
500 to 999 acres.....farms..	1,095	1,092	661	521	407	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
1,000 acres or more.....farms..	66	67	44	48	38	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Cropland used only for pasture <sup>2</sup> .....farms..	80,232	92,727	105,187	109,575	91,744	167,143	157,587	150,330
acres..	2,632,490	2,849,683	3,161,015	3,143,758	2,611,946	6,361,302	5,769,836	4,981,837
Cropland not harvested and not pastured.....farms..	92,546	21,386	17,790	16,905	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	3,771,954	678,914	376,109	358,224	768,211	1,109,892	2,288,382	462,509
Soil-improvement grasses and legumes.....farms..	83,302	10,087	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	3,300,279	416,554	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Crop failure.....farms..	4,108	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	26,649	16,027	49,525	12,162
acres..	72,493	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	592,989	281,947	1,110,571	231,954
Idle cropland.....farms..	13,356	(NA)	8,566	(NA)	8,406	36,065	72,062	11,702
acres..	399,182	(NA)	144,662	(NA)	175,222	827,945	1,177,811	230,555
Woodland pastured.....farms..	30,788	33,202	38,375	42,685	31,129	(NA)	50,567	51,959
acres..	1,550,549	1,561,133	1,783,898	1,902,371	1,451,738	(NA)	2,060,105	1,969,134
Woodland not pastured.....farms..	15,112	15,736	14,484	17,604	9,709	(NA)	16,466	14,924
acres..	429,479	407,052	349,735	418,130	224,757	(NA)	252,139	244,370
Other pasture (see text) <sup>2</sup> .....farms..	71,517	81,918	93,985	98,092	134,693	(NA)	94,025	79,354
acres..	3,248,045	3,336,979	3,798,656	3,730,722	5,759,280	(NA)	3,237,612	2,557,673
Improved pasture.....farms..	21,320	12,293	11,165	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	691,507	349,361	283,922	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Other land (house lots, roads, etc.).....farms..	150,222	(NA)	188,543	197,922	206,181	(NA)	215,845	200,626
acres..	2,171,438	(NA)	2,130,830	2,164,097	2,075,965	(NA)	1,825,185	1,527,941
✓ Cropland, total <sup>2</sup> .....farms..	148,055	166,224	183,269	194,030	199,649	210,628	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	26,356,116	26,402,004	25,981,414	26,049,319	24,942,196	27,547,835	26,984,111	27,720,214
Land pastured, total.....farms..	131,633	151,783	174,256	186,875	197,703	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	7,431,084	7,747,795	8,743,569	8,776,851	9,822,964	(NA)	11,067,553	9,508,644
✓ Woodland, total.....farms..	39,623	42,552	47,084	53,226	38,073	(NA)	47,404	(NA)
acres..	1,980,028	1,968,185	2,133,633	2,320,501	1,676,495	1,300,443	2,312,244	2,213,504
Irrigated land in farms.....farms..	291	313	132	76	54	88	107	(NA)
acres..	21,528	18,181	2,396	1,386	1,197	2,258	1,461	(NA)

NA Not available.

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

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

<sup>3</sup>Irrigated cropland harvested only.