

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..	133,038	150,986	193,487	218,476	238,501	252,894	278,298 ¹	248,499 ⁵
Approximate land area.....acres..	25,509,120	25,512,320	25,512,960	25,512,960	25,699,760	25,699,760	25,715,840	25,715,840
Proportion in farms.....percent..	63.8	66.8	70.7	76.2	76.8	79.1	80.5	77.5
Land in farms.....acres..	16,265,180	17,030,675	18,034,380	19,441,774	19,724,834	20,294,016	20,698,510	19,927,286
Average size of farm.....acres..	122.3	112.8	93.2	89.0	82.7	80.2	74.4	80.8
Value of land and buildings:								
Average per farm.....dollars..	22,235	15,269	8,900	7,196	4,259	3,070	2,229	3,535
Average per acre.....dollars..	181.07	135.37	95.49	80.87	51.50	38.26	29.97	43.73
Land in farms according to use: ¹								
Cropland harvested.....farms..	123,100	136,803	175,113	198,061	224,567	240,357	267,135	227,535
.....acres..	3,473,047	4,012,962	4,541,381	5,053,682	5,322,477	5,271,623	5,418,065	5,330,821
1 to 9 acres.....farms..	53,213	51,683	71,227	72,695	88,368	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	23,260	27,889	36,725	45,239	50,124	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 to 19 acres.....farms..	13,894	17,367	21,653	27,877	30,330	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	14,974	18,508	22,005	27,214	29,757	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
20 to 29 acres.....farms..	11,434	14,321	16,419	18,087	19,257	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	4,380	5,180	5,369	5,321	5,365	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
100 to 199 acres.....farms..	1,945	1,855	1,715	1,628	1,366	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	1,649	1,627	1,542	1,450	1,255	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
200 to 499 acres.....farms..	252	193	142	159	96	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	44	35	31	19	15	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
500 to 999 acres.....farms..								
.....acres..								
1,000 acres or more.....farms..								
.....acres..								
Cropland used only for pasture ²farms..	84,529	102,812	122,037	149,537	133,086	189,021	181,786	167,016
.....acres..	4,571,854	4,740,357	4,879,874	5,265,003	4,038,375	6,703,335	5,686,996	5,394,648
Cropland not harvested and not pastured.....farms..	51,834	44,164	50,737	61,691	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	1,319,193	1,173,878	1,033,938	1,282,243	1,039,034	1,237,670	1,455,435	1,596,094
Soil-improvement grasses and legumes.....farms..	32,440	18,429	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	642,255	429,595	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Crop failure.....farms..	3,399	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	5,907	13,315	13,661	11,835
.....acres..	44,807	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	56,414	133,181	104,143	150,207
Idle cropland.....farms..	26,899	(NA)	42,579	(NA)	48,668	58,983	70,491	68,460
.....acres..	632,131	(NA)	834,469	(NA)	982,620	1,104,489	1,351,292	1,445,887
Woodland pastured.....farms..	46,865	49,332	63,376	66,307	50,896	(NA)	70,587	57,993
.....acres..	1,433,320	1,397,302	1,762,236	1,609,178	1,172,396	(NA)	1,668,918	1,402,831
Woodland not pastured.....farms..	55,997	68,645	75,284	91,230	103,884	(NA)	111,309	96,309
.....acres..	2,813,216	3,098,515	3,087,996	3,294,119	3,352,832	(NA)	3,752,328	3,393,795
Other pasture (see text) ²farms..	38,977	38,328	45,678	52,645	107,484	(NA)	48,853	46,775
.....acres..	1,824,178	1,628,334	1,759,403	1,696,363	3,683,144	(NA)	1,153,786	1,322,477
Improved pasture.....farms..	13,065	8,114	7,950	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	453,899	240,396	219,145	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Other land (house lots, roads, etc.).....farms..	118,492	(NA)	169,407	194,403	212,868	(NA)	248,062	183,240
.....acres..	826,750	979,327	969,552	1,241,186	1,116,576	(NA)	1,562,982	1,486,620
Cropland, total ²farms..	130,723	146,709	188,596	212,356	232,994	251,523	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	9,364,094	9,927,197	10,455,193	11,600,928	10,399,886	13,212,628	12,560,496	12,321,563
Land pastured, total.....farms..	108,931	125,673	154,519	181,997	199,102	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	7,829,352	7,765,993	8,401,513	8,570,544	8,893,915	(NA)	8,509,700	8,119,956
Woodland, total.....farms..	84,031	97,318	116,748	129,587	130,247	148,881	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	4,246,536	4,495,817	4,850,232	4,903,297	4,525,228	4,592,204	5,421,246	4,796,626
Irrigated land in farms.....farms..	2,708	1,130	1,226	67	34	46	337	(NA)
.....acres..	14,405	8,605	13,434	485	230	205	234	(NA)

¹NA Not available.

²For the censuses of 1964, 1959, and 1954, in the census year; for all other censuses, in the calendar year preceding the census.

³Not fully comparable for the various census years because of differences in definition of cropland used only for pasture. See text.

⁴Irrigated cropland harvested only.