

TABLE 1. Number of Farms with Selected Kinds of Livestock and Livestock Products for the Conterminous United States: 1900 to 1964

Subject and census year	Farms		
	Total	Percent of all farms	Percent increase or decrease (—) over preceding census
Cattle and calves:			
1964.....	2,282,138	72.4	—14.6
1959.....	2,672,085	72.1	—26.8
1954.....	3,650,714	76.3	—10.2
1950.....	4,063,945	75.5	—13.3
1945.....	4,688,746	80.0	—3.2
1940.....	4,843,417	79.4	—11.6
1935.....	5,480,775	80.5	14.1
1930.....	4,803,174	76.4	—10.4
1920.....	5,358,243	83.1	1.4
1910.....	5,284,916	83.1	11.7
1900.....	4,730,480	82.4	NA
Milk cows:			
1964.....	1,133,589	36.0	—36.7
1959.....	1,791,729	48.4	—39.0
1954.....	2,935,842	61.4	—19.5
1950.....	3,648,257	67.8	—21.4
1940.....	4,644,317	76.2	4.3
1930.....	4,452,936	70.8	19.4
1925.....	3,728,587	58.5	—16.4
1920.....	4,461,296	69.2	—13.2
1910.....	5,140,869	80.8	13.9
1900.....	4,513,895	78.7	NA
Whole milk sold:			
1964.....	544,634	17.3	—29.3
1959.....	770,043	20.8	—17.6
1954.....	934,143	19.5	—14.8
1949.....	1,096,650	20.4	—5.7
1944.....	1,163,218	19.9	21.9
1939.....	953,898	15.6	6.8
1929.....	893,431	14.2	25.7
1919.....	710,694	11.0	42.4
1909.....	498,916	7.8	NA
Cattle and calves sold:			
1964.....	1,989,757	63.1	—13.6
1959.....	2,302,243	62.2	—11.8
1954.....	2,611,031	54.6	—12.5
1949.....	2,982,616	55.4	—1.1
1944.....	3,014,338	51.4	14.8
1939.....	2,625,783	43.1	NA
Hogs and pigs:			
1964.....	1,080,371	34.3	—41.5
1959.....	1,846,982	49.9	—21.9
1954.....	2,365,708	49.5	—21.5
1950.....	3,011,807	56.0	—9.1
1945.....	3,313,883	56.6	—12.0
1940.....	3,766,675	61.8	—5.1
1935.....	3,971,122	58.3	12.3
1930.....	3,535,119	56.2	—2.3
1925.....	3,618,624	56.8	—25.4
1920.....	4,850,807	75.2	11.5
1910.....	4,351,751	68.4	0.4
1900.....	4,335,363	75.6	NA
Hogs and pigs sold:			
1964.....	801,904	25.4	—37.0
1959.....	1,272,243	34.4	—10.7
1954.....	1,423,943	29.8	—32.1
1949.....	2,097,807	39.0	—0.3
1944.....	2,104,170	35.9	14.2
1939.....	1,842,704	30.2	NA
Sheep and lambs:			
1964.....	234,746	7.4	—31.3
1959.....	341,897	9.2	—5.3
1954.....	361,001	8.1	12.7
1950.....	320,314	6.0	—29.9
1945.....	456,986	7.8	—21.9
1940.....	584,935	9.6	—7.9
1935.....	635,384	9.3	8.9
1930.....	583,578	9.3	35.5
1925.....	430,738	6.8	—20.0
1920.....	538,593	8.4	—11.8
1910.....	610,894	9.6	—20.0
1900.....	763,518	13.3	NA
Sheep and lambs sold:			
1964.....	215,593	6.8	—26.3
1959.....	292,379	7.9	1.1
1954.....	289,118	6.0	6.5
1949.....	271,552	5.0	—18.3
1944.....	332,449	5.7	—14.0
1939.....	386,381	6.3	NA
Chickens 4 months old and over:			
1964.....	1,209,988	38.4	—44.2
1959.....	2,170,265	58.6	—36.5
1954.....	3,418,204	71.5	—18.9
1950.....	4,215,616	78.3	—14.0
1945.....	4,900,948	83.6	—4.8
1940.....	5,150,055	84.5	—11.7

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Chickens 4 months old and over—Con.			
1935.....	5,833,079	85.6	8.6
1930.....	5,372,597	85.4	—2.4
1925.....	5,505,617	86.4	—5.7
1920.....	5,837,367	90.5	4.6
1910.....	5,578,425	87.7	NA
Chickens (excluding started pullets) sold:			
1964.....	395,480	12.5	—50.8
1959.....	803,594	21.7	—22.0
1954.....	1,030,287	21.5	—39.9
1949.....	1,713,435	31.8	—32.0
1939.....	2,519,076	41.3	—19.5
1929.....	3,129,715	49.8	16.0
1919.....	2,698,211	41.8	—11.2
1909.....	3,038,932	47.8	NA

¹ For States for which data are available.

² Includes any farms reporting sheep shorn with no sheep on hand.

Definitions and Explanations—Definitions of a farm, farms reporting, commercial farms, other farms, type of farm, class of farm, etc. appear in the introduction to this volume.

Values—The value of livestock and poultry on farms represent estimated values, obtained by multiplying the number of animals for each age or sex group by State average prices. The State average prices were collected and compiled by the Statistical Reporting Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

The value of livestock and livestock products, and poultry and poultry products sold were obtained in two ways. The value of sheep and lambs sold, hogs and pigs sold, cattle and calves sold, and miscellaneous poultry (started pullets, turkeys, ducks, geese, and their eggs), and miscellaneous livestock and livestock products (horses and mules, goats, goat milk, fur bearing animals, bees honey, etc.) were obtained from farm operators. The values for the sale of eggs, broilers, hens and roosters sold for slaughter, wool, milk and cream were obtained by multiplying the quantity sold by State average prices, except in the case of milk and cream, where the average prices were for milk marketing areas within States. The average prices used were collected and compiled for the Bureau of the Census by the Statistical Reporting Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Sources of data—The census data given in the tables in this chapter were obtained by adding figures reported on questionnaires filled for all farms in the United States. Figures on the