

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.. | 12,875 | 17,360 | 23,368 | 30,358 | 42,184 | 38,980 | 41,907 | 39,006 |
| Approximate land area.....acres.. | 19,847,680 | 19,847,680 | 19,865,600 | 19,865,600 | 19,865,600 | 19,865,600 | 19,132,800 | 19,132,800 |
| Proportion in farms.....percent.. | 13.0 | 15.5 | 18.2 | 21.0 | 23.2 | 21.3 | 24.7 | 24.3 |
| Land in farms.....acres.. | 2,590,022 | 3,081,987 | 3,614,242 | 4,181,613 | 4,613,175 | 4,223,297 | 4,721,842 | 4,639,938 |
| Average size of farm.....acres.. | 201.2 | 177.5 | 154.7 | 137.7 | 109.4 | 108.3 | 112.7 | 119.0 |
| Value of land and buildings: | | | | | | | | |
| Average per farm.....dollars.. | 19,979 | 14,756 | 9,392 | 7,462 | 3,785 | 3,183 | 3,425 | 4,981 |
| Average per acre.....dollars.. | 100.06 | 83.11 | 60.72 | 54.17 | 34.61 | 29.38 | 30.40 | 41.87 |
| Land in farms according to use: ¹ | | | | | | | | |
| Cropland harvested.....farms.. | 11,007 | 15,195 | 20,260 | 27,880 | 39,882 | 36,964 | 41,415 | 38,214 |
|acres.. | 594,434 | 698,188 | 795,710 | 932,028 | 1,315,562 | 1,146,613 | 1,386,025 | 1,304,014 |
| 1 to 9 acres.....farms.. | 2,090 | 2,809 | 4,223 | 6,226 | 4,223 | 9,778 | (NA) | (NA) |
| 10 to 19 acres.....farms.. | 1,647 | 2,637 | 3,725 | 5,839 | 7,694 | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) |
| 20 to 29 acres.....farms.. | 1,381 | 2,085 | 3,059 | 4,494 | 6,416 | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) |
| 30 to 49 acres.....farms.. | 1,837 | 2,791 | 4,005 | 5,413 | 7,772 | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) |
| 50 to 99 acres.....farms.. | 2,275 | 3,139 | 3,654 | 4,498 | 6,239 | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) |
| 100 to 199 acres.....farms.. | 1,362 | 1,362 | 1,293 | 1,189 | 1,664 | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) |
| 200 acres or more.....farms.. | 415 | 372 | 301 | 221 | 319 | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) |
| 200 to 499 acres.....farms.. | 381 | 352 | 276 | 206 | 287 | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) |
| 500 to 999 acres.....farms.. | 27 | 16 | 20 | 13 | 22 | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) |
| 1,000 acres or more.....farms.. | 7 | 4 | 5 | 2 | 10 | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) |
| Cropland used only for pasture ²farms.. | 5,341 | 7,665 | 10,931 | 12,310 | 4,493 | 15,646 | 11,589 | 13,742 |
|acres.. | 142,560 | 171,405 | 235,948 | 221,330 | 73,983 | 319,687 | 180,385 | 259,265 |
| Cropland not harvested and not pastured.....farms.. | 4,651 | 6,081 | 10,381 | 9,803 | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) |
|acres.. | 157,212 | 208,077 | 240,692 | 253,664 | 100,244 | 123,062 | 65,518 | 97,751 |
| Soil-improvement grasses and legumes.....farms.. | 1,466 | 1,967 | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) |
|acres.. | 47,458 | 55,107 | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) |
| Crop failure.....farms.. | 296 | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | 1,362 | 1,298 | 1,034 | 1,009 |
|acres.. | 3,818 | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | 15,506 | 14,898 | 6,585 | 6,445 |
| Idle cropland.....farms.. | 3,549 | (NA) | 7,275 | (NA) | 4,787 | 6,132 | 3,534 | 5,457 |
|acres.. | 105,936 | (NA) | 157,724 | (NA) | 84,738 | 108,164 | 58,933 | 91,306 |
| Woodland pastured.....farms.. | 2,537 | 3,639 | 6,207 | 9,322 | 14,059 | (NA) | 22,495 | 20,901 |
|acres.. | 128,722 | 169,511 | 280,425 | 382,715 | 611,498 | (NA) | 957,843 | 878,810 |
| Woodland not pastured.....farms.. | 10,013 | 13,548 | 17,015 | 22,061 | 27,144 | (NA) | 24,228 | 22,323 |
|acres.. | 1,329,726 | 1,545,041 | 1,712,071 | 1,849,401 | 1,838,946 | (NA) | 1,469,795 | 1,362,100 |
| Other pasture (see text) ²farms.. | 3,122 | 4,437 | 6,461 | 9,030 | 16,274 | (NA) | 16,052 | 16,396 |
|acres.. | 98,124 | 133,280 | 203,424 | 272,547 | 439,136 | (NA) | 431,482 | 499,461 |
| Improved pasture.....farms.. | 740 | 820 | 988 | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) |
|acres.. | 14,886 | 12,488 | 13,581 | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) |
| Other land (house lots, roads, etc.).....farms.. | 10,948 | (NA) | 18,938 | 22,902 | 30,925 | (NA) | 34,269 | 24,744 |
|acres.. | 139,136 | 156,485 | 145,972 | 269,928 | 233,806 | (NA) | 230,794 | 238,537 |
| Cropland, total ²farms.. | 12,020 | 16,329 | 22,414 | 29,257 | 41,067 | 38,237 | (NA) | (NA) |
|acres.. | 894,206 | 1,077,670 | 1,272,350 | 1,407,022 | 1,489,789 | 1,589,362 | 1,631,928 | 1,661,030 |
| Land pastured, total.....farms.. | 8,008 | 11,376 | 16,577 | 21,592 | 28,088 | (NA) | (NA) | (NA) |
|acres.. | 369,406 | 474,196 | 719,797 | 876,592 | 1,124,617 | (NA) | 1,569,710 | 1,637,536 |
| Woodland, total.....farms.. | 10,810 | 14,568 | 19,176 | 25,071 | 33,568 | 29,855 | (NA) | (NA) |
|acres.. | 1,458,448 | 1,714,552 | 1,992,496 | 2,232,116 | 2,450,444 | 1,783,327 | 2,427,638 | 2,240,910 |
| Irrigated land in farms.....farms.. | 206 | 138 | 87 | 123 | 3 | 33 | 36 | (NA) |
|acres.. | 4,157 | 2,214 | 1,097 | 2,299 | 100 | 143 | 223 | (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.