

TABLE 2. Farms and Acreage According to Use, by Size of Farm: 1930 to 1964

[Data for 1959 and 1950 based on sample; see Introduction and Appendix A]

Subject	1964	1959	1954	1950	1945	1940	1935	1930
Number of farms:								
All farms.....	93,504	111,765	138,922	155,519	175,268	187,589	196,517	169,372
Less than 10 acres.....	2,659	3,537	7,964	8,518	11,202	12,675	11,642	5,780
Less than 3 acres.....	911	1,112	1,791	1,538	764	602	351	648
1 acre or less.....	524	649	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
2 acres.....	387	463	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
3 to 9 acres.....	1,748	2,425	6,173	6,980	10,438	12,073	11,291	5,132
3 acres.....	220	363	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
4 acres.....	251	301	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
5 acres.....	503	740	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
6 acres.....	225	256	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
7 acres.....	182	263	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
8 acres.....	231	290	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
9 acres.....	136	212	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 to 49 acres.....	17,753	23,230	31,113	36,066	43,301	47,784	50,800	38,639
10 to 29 acres.....	6,917	9,378	13,384	15,200	18,161	18,951	19,482	(NA)
30 to 49 acres.....	10,836	13,852	17,729	20,866	25,140	28,833	31,318	(NA)
50 to 69 acres.....	6,952	8,407	10,387	12,026	12,762	14,757	16,276	157,749
70 to 99 acres.....	16,534	20,570	25,849	30,870	36,177	43,220	47,624	(NA)
100 to 139 acres.....	13,545	16,927	20,811	24,827	27,415	29,630	31,516	261,126
140 to 179 acres.....	10,753	13,018	15,718	17,400	18,925	18,744	19,298	(NA)
180 to 219 acres.....	7,100	8,138	9,215	9,740	9,876	8,597	8,329	(NA)
220 to 259 acres.....	5,291	5,725	5,824	5,824	5,875	5,030	4,727	(NA)
260 to 499 acres.....	10,565	10,341	10,031	8,795	8,457	6,220	5,421	5,275
500 to 999 acres.....	2,129	1,664	1,423	1,232	1,064	763	703	636
1,000 to 1,999 acres.....	180	174	233	221	214	169	181	167
2,000 acres or more.....	43	34	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Land in farms (acres):								
All land in farms.....	13,598,992	14,776,569	16,466,750	17,302,432	18,392,227	18,037,995	18,459,922	17,118,951
Average size of farm.....	145.4	132.2	118.5	111.3	104.9	96.2	93.9	101.1
Less than 10 acres.....	11,173	15,237	36,508	40,787	56,917	64,790	61,238	30,566
10 to 49 acres.....	549,732	711,980	929,286	1,085,476	1,294,643	1,457,007	1,571,087	1,242,251
10 to 29 acres.....	125,209	(NA)	236,204	267,726	308,099	322,349	336,115	(NA)
30 to 49 acres.....	424,523	(NA)	693,082	817,750	986,544	1,134,658	1,234,972	(NA)
50 to 69 acres.....	407,770	495,825	610,171	705,664	746,644	863,852	952,099	14,359,825
70 to 99 acres.....	1,347,442	1,677,206	2,104,443	2,507,445	2,936,465	3,503,657	3,857,021	(NA)
100 to 139 acres.....	1,580,938	1,976,335	2,425,087	2,889,911	3,189,580	3,440,856	3,654,905	29,033,569
140 to 179 acres.....	1,689,948	2,047,770	2,469,743	2,727,749	2,968,584	2,935,298	3,022,011	(NA)
180 to 219 acres.....	1,398,408	1,603,839	1,810,559	1,918,502	1,938,914	1,688,728	1,632,723	(NA)
220 to 259 acres.....	1,255,306	1,358,568	1,461,048	1,379,021	1,389,210	1,190,202	1,118,427	(NA)
260 to 499 acres.....	3,607,693	3,498,084	3,342,261	2,909,357	2,789,372	2,042,177	1,768,792	1,717,991
500 to 999 acres.....	1,350,612	1,040,048	908,402	773,891	677,493	491,420	448,703	400,721
1,000 to 1,999 acres.....	235,313	223,995	369,242	364,629	404,405	360,008	372,916	334,028
2,000 acres or more.....	164,657	127,682	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Land in farms according to use: ⁴								
Cropland harvested by size of farm.....farms..	87,947	104,965	126,757	144,590	165,709	178,187	190,258	162,092
acres..	6,738,032	7,250,362	7,658,801	7,849,486	8,520,587	7,862,858	8,352,687	7,738,221
Less than 10 acres.....farms..	1,584	1,814	4,130	4,889	8,734	10,344	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	4,398	5,333	11,969	14,413	25,366	27,350	32,584	15,752
10 to 49 acres.....farms..	15,552	20,500	25,714	31,288	38,775	43,541	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	238,616	328,556	386,449	465,321	582,793	630,196	729,970	596,891
10 to 29 acres.....farms..	5,787	(NA)	10,226	12,308	15,655	16,630	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	53,836	(NA)	91,916	108,576	138,302	137,363	162,176	(NA)
30 to 49 acres.....farms..	9,765	(NA)	15,488	18,980	23,120	26,911	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	184,780	(NA)	294,533	356,745	444,491	492,833	567,794	(NA)
50 to 69 acres.....farms..	6,531	7,937	9,661	11,426	12,199	14,177	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	190,203	243,657	291,148	335,083	378,530	425,885	492,749	12,201,149
70 to 99 acres.....farms..	15,721	19,823	24,694	29,900	35,061	41,964	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	629,109	830,756	1,011,600	1,209,820	1,445,682	1,661,011	1,893,001	(NA)
100 to 139 acres.....farms..	13,117	16,376	20,302	24,359	26,985	29,123	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	782,611	1,000,715	1,211,956	1,429,469	1,617,687	1,632,696	1,795,000	1,155,744
140 to 179 acres.....farms..	10,503	12,748	15,471	17,154	18,667	18,479	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	849,543	1,032,518	1,211,094	1,309,148	1,434,988	1,297,608	1,371,564	(NA)
180 to 219 acres.....farms..	6,981	8,063	9,109	9,635	9,787	8,502	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	733,199	833,075	892,855	913,796	920,785	728,319	718,991	(NA)
220 to 259 acres.....farms..	5,209	5,639	6,122	5,789	5,844	4,981	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	661,907	690,924	707,565	626,957	635,637	491,346	471,248	(NA)
260 to 499 acres.....farms..	10,442	10,216	9,934	8,719	8,393	6,165	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	1,899,481	1,748,787	1,520,496	1,209,545	1,176,425	772,908	656,828	614,680
500 to 999 acres.....farms..	2,095	1,643	1,402	1,217	1,055	746	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	640,059	447,868	334,510	263,816	221,835	142,496	130,129	106,220
1,000 to 1,999 acres ³farms..	170	172	218	214	209	165	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	82,781	67,464	79,159	72,118	80,859	53,043	60,623	47,785
2,000 acres or more.....farms..	42	34	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	26,125	20,709	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 2. Farms and Acreage According to Use, by Size of Farm: 1930 to 1964—Continued

[Data for 1959 and 1950 based on sample; see Introduction and Appendix A]

Subject	1964	1959	1954	1950	1945	1940	1935	1930
Land in farms according to use--Con.								
Cropland, total, by size of farm ¹farms..	91,560	109,024	134,118	150,774	171,344	185,711	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	9,454,589	10,032,773	10,788,098	11,075,281	11,209,638	11,898,762	11,817,299	11,157,799
Less than 10 acres.....farms..	1,744	2,145	5,155	6,069	9,740	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	5,848	7,687	19,034	22,713	33,968	43,597	44,311	(NA)
10 to 49 acres.....farms..	17,071	22,212	29,590	34,303	41,592	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	390,987	497,538	638,553	748,070	817,848	1,013,125	1,076,576	(NA)
50 to 69 acres.....farms..	6,864	8,312	10,242	11,886	12,581	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	297,169	358,246	434,168	499,333	502,506	635,391	687,321	(NA)
70 to 99 acres.....farms..	16,422	20,459	25,681	30,650	35,837	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	982,870	1,209,590	1,486,125	1,737,175	1,912,678	2,452,771	2,621,048	(NA)
100 to 139 acres.....farms..	13,489	16,862	20,739	24,757	27,317	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	1,144,474	1,408,464	1,691,247	1,979,580	2,086,769	2,387,135	2,463,439	(NA)
140 to 179 acres.....farms..	10,712	15,692	17,345	17,345	18,856	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	1,203,723	1,426,221	1,671,540	1,800,103	1,859,410	1,941,935	1,920,253	(NA)
180 to 219 acres.....farms..	7,091	8,133	9,198	9,720	9,852	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	1,002,532	1,116,660	1,214,237	1,235,361	1,191,898	1,097,474	1,029,157	(NA)
220 to 259 acres.....farms..	5,284	5,720	6,169	5,819	5,861	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	886,892	924,929	955,607	866,453	823,312	758,005	676,200	(NA)
260 to 499 acres.....farms..	10,544	10,336	10,009	8,775	8,438	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	2,497,844	2,319,568	2,073,607	1,691,703	1,551,313	1,219,458	981,481	(NA)
500 to 999 acres.....farms..	2,121	1,664	1,417	1,232	1,059	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	869,087	617,622	476,808	379,529	306,574	241,322	204,334	(NA)
1,000 to 1,999 acres ³farms..	176	226	226	211	211	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	123,523	105,598	127,172	115,261	123,362	108,549	113,179	(NA)
2,000 acres or more.....farms..	42	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	49,640	40,650	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Land pastured, total, by size of farm.....farms..	54,655	71,584	99,225	119,189	143,152	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	2,632,324	3,205,758	4,591,500	5,228,575	6,348,150	(NA)	6,585,905	5,891,890
Less than 10 acres.....farms..	218	311	1,131	1,745	2,824	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	667	874	3,603	5,475	7,856	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 to 49 acres.....farms..	6,637	9,001	15,034	20,676	28,473	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	82,461	103,425	190,076	263,092	365,118	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
50 to 69 acres.....farms..	3,300	4,601	6,983	9,060	10,820	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	59,197	79,452	132,343	168,910	212,142	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
70 to 99 acres.....farms..	9,295	13,305	19,779	25,735	32,647	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	228,093	326,470	522,739	698,230	932,828	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
100 to 139 acres.....farms..	8,718	12,123	17,510	22,053	25,728	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	284,027	400,715	631,826	823,694	1,019,337	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
140 to 179 acres.....farms..	7,545	10,267	13,948	15,960	18,054	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	324,914	445,073	689,747	827,045	1,031,322	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
180 to 219 acres.....farms..	5,135	6,652	8,373	8,981	9,530	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	265,875	341,055	509,697	584,371	688,821	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
220 to 259 acres.....farms..	3,993	4,837	5,688	5,403	5,687	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	248,825	313,875	425,306	434,366	514,191	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
260 to 499 acres.....farms..	8,022	8,910	9,278	8,248	8,169	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	696,583	811,402	1,023,569	977,331	1,084,773	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
500 to 999 acres.....farms..	1,622	1,402	1,299	1,120	1,013	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	298,634	260,193	309,716	274,549	295,887	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
1,000 to 1,999 acres ³farms..	135	145	202	208	207	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	66,905	71,275	152,878	171,512	195,875	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
2,000 acres or more.....farms..	35	30	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	76,143	51,949	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Irrigated land in farms, by size of farm....farms..	2,041	2,119	1,408	942	347	462	6718	(NA)
acres..	48,991	41,826	23,473	12,128	2,850	2,960	65,567	(NA)
Less than 10 acres.....farms..	134	141	100	147	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	314	413	223	376	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 to 49 acres.....farms..	489	599	366	241	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	4,105	4,879	2,734	1,342	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
50 to 69 acres.....farms..	178	136	126	66	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	2,343	2,470	1,426	601	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
70 to 99 acres.....farms..	272	292	180	65	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	4,069	3,637	2,463	505	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
100 to 139 acres.....farms..	215	192	164	117	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	3,890	4,427	2,761	1,546	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
140 to 179 acres.....farms..	171	205	134	61	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	4,248	4,520	2,541	902	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
180 to 219 acres.....farms..	139	76	56	51	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	3,830	2,780	1,131	643	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
220 to 259 acres.....farms..	85	92	64	37	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	3,151	3,262	1,665	582	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
260 to 499 acres.....farms..	229	266	152	130	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	11,789	10,387	5,267	4,278	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
500 to 999 acres.....farms..	106	95	45	15	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	8,855	3,617	2,203	383	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
1,000 to 1,999 acres ³farms..	14	20	21	12	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	1,748	1,198	1,059	970	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
2,000 acres or more.....farms..	9	5	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	649	236	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)

NA Not available.

¹50 to 99 acres.

²100 to 259 acres.

³Prior to 1959, 1,000 acres or more.

⁴For the censuses of 1964, 1959, and 1954, in the census year; for all other censuses, in the calendar year preceding the census.

⁵Not fully comparable for the various census years because of differences in definition of cropland used for pasture. See text.

⁶Irrigated cropland harvested only.