

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.....	131,163	145,639	165,225	179,119	188,952	197,351	203,302	185,255
Less than 10 acres.....	2,433	2,911	5,676	5,785	7,349	6,695	7,205	4,399
Less than 3 acres.....	1,121	1,055	2,127	1,444	1,173	444	325	493
1 acre or less.....	853	637	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
2 acres.....	268	418	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
3 to 9 acres.....	1,312	1,856	3,549	4,341	6,176	6,251	6,880	3,906
3 acres.....	189	284	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
4 acres.....	211	253	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
5 acres.....	404	595	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
6 acres.....	148	198	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
7 acres.....	143	192	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
8 acres.....	147	198	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
9 acres.....	70	136	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 to 49 acres.....	8,237	10,120	12,066	15,206	18,825	23,326	24,756	18,730
10 to 29 acres.....	3,527	4,731	5,277	6,345	7,605	8,520	9,392	(NA)
30 to 49 acres.....	4,710	5,389	6,789	8,861	11,220	14,806	15,364	(NA)
50 to 99 acres.....	3,053	3,356	3,985	4,552	4,694	5,545	6,120	133,150
100 to 139 acres.....	11,989	14,042	17,503	21,428	24,785	30,035	30,723	(NA)
140 to 179 acres.....	13,444	16,222	19,813	23,123	23,509	24,938	25,844	299,762
180 to 219 acres.....	24,058	30,117	35,862	39,479	41,264	43,545	44,752	(NA)
220 to 259 acres.....	13,194	15,573	17,135	17,590	17,659	16,401	17,230	(NA)
260 to 299 acres.....	13,778	15,737	16,534	17,240	16,738	15,618	15,950	(NA)
300 to 499 acres.....	31,976	30,969	30,842	29,566	29,350	27,078	26,958	25,881
500 to 999 acres.....	7,737	5,755	5,084	4,557	4,277	3,743	3,455	3,100
1,000 to 1,999 acres <sup>3</sup> .....	1,084	717	725	593	502	427	309	233
2,000 acres or more.....	180	120	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Land in farms (acres):								
All land in farms.....	30,804,980	30,827,140	32,284,539	33,004,827	33,139,997	32,606,962	32,817,911	30,913,367
Average size of farm.....	234.9	211.7	195.4	184.3	175.4	165.2	161.4	166.9
Less than 10 acres.....	8,515	11,546	21,669	25,569	34,226	34,036	37,377	22,572
10 to 49 acres.....	246,114	292,000	356,276	460,032	567,843	726,726	765,565	596,763
10 to 29 acres.....	61,541	(NA)	90,766	111,577	126,463	143,101	158,286	(NA)
30 to 49 acres.....	184,573	(NA)	265,510	348,455	441,380	583,625	607,279	(NA)
50 to 99 acres.....	179,846	197,598	233,718	267,754	275,478	325,018	359,214	12,572,274
100 to 139 acres.....	976,954	1,145,144	1,426,018	1,744,804	2,011,566	2,433,874	2,494,899	(NA)
140 to 179 acres.....	1,588,380	1,919,154	2,338,186	2,732,706	2,772,471	2,934,091	3,038,939	216,706,242
180 to 219 acres.....	3,820,092	4,781,971	5,696,465	6,276,016	6,553,133	6,913,708	7,104,239	(NA)
220 to 259 acres.....	2,609,158	3,072,878	3,386,660	3,474,086	3,489,666	3,242,150	3,403,125	(NA)
260 to 299 acres.....	3,278,452	3,745,118	3,932,698	4,100,877	3,984,719	3,717,412	3,794,705	(NA)
300 to 499 acres.....	11,113,242	10,612,808	10,513,585	10,045,827	9,946,656	9,208,475	9,122,503	8,727,731
500 to 999 acres.....	5,039,763	3,738,113	3,279,232	2,942,273	2,726,718	2,402,657	2,207,974	1,945,277
1,000 to 1,999 acres <sup>3</sup> .....	1,384,009	918,817	1,100,032	934,883	777,521	668,815	489,371	342,508
2,000 acres or more.....	560,455	391,993	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Land in farms according to use: <sup>4</sup>								
Cropland harvested by size of farm.....farms..	124,424	137,596	156,315	170,649	181,403	191,021	198,072	181,760
acres..	17,514,799	19,030,180	19,492,965	19,809,064	18,558,711	18,807,114	17,161,044	18,445,306
Less than 10 acres.....farms..	696	783	1,757	2,252	4,180	4,875	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	1,918	2,627	5,076	6,363	10,594	12,576	15,962	10,036
10 to 49 acres.....farms..	5,942	7,357	9,078	12,092	16,047	20,697	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	89,172	116,826	135,205	178,061	218,627	270,810	301,447	261,464
10 to 29 acres.....farms..	2,163	(NA)	3,410	4,315	5,882	7,104	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	19,402	(NA)	30,787	38,617	47,060	54,856	66,642	(NA)
30 to 49 acres.....farms..	3,779	(NA)	5,668	7,777	10,165	13,593	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	69,770	(NA)	104,418	139,444	171,567	215,954	234,805	(NA)
50 to 99 acres.....farms..	2,607	3,004	3,547	4,097	4,429	5,286	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	73,607	95,873	105,368	117,210	127,604	150,550	164,285	11,325,358
70 to 99 acres.....farms..	11,240	13,337	16,815	20,836	24,212	29,293	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	470,752	628,849	747,342	903,808	1,009,407	1,194,142	1,183,700	(NA)
100 to 139 acres.....farms..	12,984	15,704	19,433	22,827	23,262	24,641	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	820,197	1,083,632	1,287,966	1,499,902	1,481,133	1,565,048	1,548,333	210,084,389
140 to 179 acres.....farms..	23,630	29,466	35,616	39,264	40,978	43,191	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	2,237,033	3,080,665	3,584,242	3,935,528	3,800,217	4,100,040	3,800,420	(NA)
180 to 219 acres.....farms..	13,026	15,366	17,038	17,505	17,566	16,332	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	1,481,507	1,913,243	2,036,608	2,093,138	1,975,747	1,897,804	1,841,861	(NA)
220 to 259 acres.....farms..	13,660	15,516	16,479	17,185	16,690	15,548	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	1,962,200	2,450,817	2,505,196	2,584,220	2,351,911	2,302,626	2,102,157	(NA)
260 to 499 acres.....farms..	31,708	30,550	30,753	29,486	29,276	27,003	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	6,481,686	6,702,068	6,491,457	6,215,078	5,706,168	5,599,627	4,839,179	5,467,655
500 to 999 acres.....farms..	7,676	5,689	5,076	4,512	4,261	3,730	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	2,846,475	2,207,052	1,951,262	1,734,737	1,469,209	1,362,072	1,115,934	1,121,332
1,000 to 1,999 acres <sup>3</sup> .....farms..	704	723	723	593	502	425	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	758,835	538,853	642,843	541,019	408,094	351,819	247,766	175,072
2,000 acres or more.....farms..	178	120	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	291,417	209,675	(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 <sup>1</sup> .....farms..	127,259	140,830	158,378	173,048	183,632	194,422	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	22,243,431	22,081,939	22,192,962	22,588,380	22,292,266	22,974,024	22,790,436	21,739,895
Less than 10 acres.....farms..	783	894	2,027	2,778	4,632	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	2,475	3,231	6,582	8,545	13,194	18,901	22,305	(NA)
10 to 49 acres.....farms..	6,756	8,103	9,911	12,998	16,906	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	129,468	146,941	171,790	225,543	256,816	370,055	378,970	(NA)
50 to 69 acres.....farms..	2,844	3,125	4,297	4,297	4,516	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	104,080	114,314	124,638	140,145	145,639	189,814	200,052	(NA)
70 to 99 acres.....farms..	11,731	13,792	17,149	21,107	24,516	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	615,531	726,158	857,992	1,039,577	1,146,059	1,469,409	1,436,419	(NA)
100 to 139 acres.....farms..	13,301	16,077	19,615	22,998	23,408	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	1,019,856	1,241,152	1,456,409	1,691,400	1,681,572	1,884,773	1,890,271	(NA)
140 to 179 acres.....farms..	23,971	30,062	35,756	39,409	41,189	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	2,740,088	3,474,058	3,997,071	4,386,715	4,457,007	4,913,391	4,925,764	(NA)
180 to 219 acres.....farms..	13,175	15,538	17,097	17,565	17,634	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	1,811,151	2,152,123	2,272,678	2,336,913	2,310,167	2,265,814	2,366,179	(NA)
220 to 259 acres.....farms..	13,764	15,707	16,513	17,225	16,718	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	2,404,097	2,733,065	2,783,313	2,880,315	2,797,739	2,755,877	2,804,890	(NA)
260 to 499 acres.....farms..	31,949	30,944	30,811	29,531	29,337	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	8,159,336	7,720,595	7,367,500	7,094,551	6,994,139	6,826,308	6,780,912	(NA)
500 to 999 acres.....farms..	7,723	5,754	5,081	4,547	4,274	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	3,783,149	2,771,517	2,333,444	2,093,759	1,919,046	1,779,502	1,622,803	(NA)
1,000 to 1,999 acres <sup>2</sup> .....farms..	1,082	714	723	593	502	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	1,062,312	714,517	821,545	690,917	570,828	500,180	361,871	(NA)
2,000 acres or more.....farms..	180	120	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	411,888	284,268	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Land pastured, total, by size of farm.....farms..								
.....acres..	103,152	118,443	142,829	159,122	172,376	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Less than 10 acres.....farms..	5,835,370	5,915,620	7,118,585	7,567,623	8,197,497	(NA)	8,937,434	8,247,807
.....acres..	321	447	1,158	1,581	2,706	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 to 49 acres.....farms..	1,092	1,485	3,557	4,887	7,813	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	5,062	6,149	8,136	11,102	14,153	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
50 to 69 acres.....farms..	74,604	87,991	117,667	162,757	203,928	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	2,195	2,539	3,248	3,820	4,254	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
70 to 99 acres.....farms..	51,458	56,883	77,385	91,900	98,733	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	9,203	11,190	15,033	19,050	22,747	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
100 to 139 acres.....farms..	254,940	293,731	419,168	540,777	650,507	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	11,171	13,915	18,016	21,498	22,556	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
140 to 179 acres.....farms..	402,872	485,705	659,580	807,685	851,068	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	19,496	25,500	32,597	36,820	39,307	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
180 to 219 acres.....farms..	782,182	956,233	1,301,632	1,485,400	1,646,944	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	11,202	13,641	16,038	16,653	17,245	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
220 to 259 acres.....farms..	575,758	663,535	832,652	867,323	928,643	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	11,368	13,356	15,400	16,355	16,362	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
260 to 499 acres.....farms..	624,304	707,467	844,144	910,015	927,886	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	26,327	26,676	28,286	27,707	28,513	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
500 to 999 acres.....farms..	2,009,789	1,944,993	2,144,264	2,050,011	2,190,410	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	5,982	4,501	4,379	4,090	4,081	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
1,000 to 1,999 acres <sup>2</sup> .....farms..	785,268	562,863	563,706	508,644	559,398	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	715	461	446	446	452	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
2,000 acres or more.....farms..	183,243	113,550	154,830	138,224	132,167	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	110	68	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	89,860	41,184	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Irrigated land in farms, by size of farm.....farms..								
.....acres..	470	528	347	291	27	216	61	(NA)
Less than 10 acres.....farms..	17,510	13,523	9,207	4,009	210	2,968	6,488	(NA)
.....acres..	73	82	51	65	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 to 49 acres.....farms..	131	196	124	190	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	92	146	96	103	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
50 to 69 acres.....farms..	605	898	907	891	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	17	20	23	20	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
70 to 99 acres.....farms..	265	250	511	490	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	35	55	31	35	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
100 to 139 acres.....farms..	698	1,550	844	960	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	39	30	37	20	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
140 to 179 acres.....farms..	1,351	780	1,171	330	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	28	36	26	20	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
180 to 219 acres.....farms..	1,413	1,452	926	310	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	31	36	12	1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
220 to 259 acres.....farms..	1,375	710	188	25	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	17	15	16	5	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
260 to 499 acres.....farms..	662	635	776	150	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	84	77	25	7	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
500 to 999 acres.....farms..	5,086	4,541	1,680	342	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	41	18	19	12	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
1,000 to 1,999 acres <sup>2</sup> .....farms..	4,045	1,380	1,540	292	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	11	11	11	3	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
2,000 acres or more.....farms..	1,733	902	540	29	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	2	2	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	146	229	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)

NA Not available.

<sup>1</sup>50 to 99 acres.

<sup>2</sup>100 to 259 acres.

<sup>3</sup>Prior to 1959, 1,000 acres or more.

<sup>4</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>5</sup>Not fully comparable for the various census years because of differences in definition of cropland used for pasture. See text.

<sup>6</sup>Irrigated cropland harvested only.