

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..	147,315	168,672	201,614	230,045	242,934	256,100	278,454	255,940
Approximate land area.....acres..	44,248,320	44,248,320	44,304,640	44,304,640	44,332,800	44,332,800	43,985,280	43,985,280
Proportion in farms.....percent..	73.9	74.9	77.2	79.3	79.6	78.4	79.7	76.7
Land in farms.....acres..	32,691,618	33,155,226	34,195,379	35,123,143	35,278,251	34,739,598	35,054,542	33,743,019
Average size of farm.....acres..	221.9	196.6	169.6	152.7	145.2	135.6	125.9	131.8
Value of land and buildings:								
Average per farm.....dollars..	33,451	22,094	13,815	9,720	6,285	4,324	3,948	7,018
Average per acre.....dollars..	150.38	112.40	81.45	63.66	43.28	31.87	31.36	53.23
Land in farms according to use: ¹								
Cropland harvested.....farms..	119,569	136,089	162,726	191,678	210,571	232,877	253,959	239,119
.....acres..	11,067,975	12,177,822	12,365,630	12,263,847	12,902,170	12,399,860	11,761,845	13,175,947
1 to 9 acres.....farms..	13,068	13,992	19,366	24,724	27,765	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 to 19 acres.....farms..	15,619	16,789	20,459	26,041	26,637	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
20 to 29 acres.....farms..	12,351	13,337	16,497	22,266	24,312	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
30 to 49 acres.....farms..	18,018	20,254	25,897	34,695	40,589	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
50 to 99 acres.....farms..	24,952	30,318	39,343	46,367	53,066	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
100 to 199 acres.....farms..	21,186	26,556	29,273	28,259	29,630	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
200 acres or more.....farms..	14,375	14,843	11,891	9,326	8,572	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
200 to 499 acres.....farms..	12,490	13,366	10,942	8,668	8,003	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
500 to 999 acres.....farms..	1,626	1,293	826	567	520	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
1,000 acres or more.....farms..	259	184	123	91	49	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Cropland used only for pasture ²farms..	70,970	85,790	95,208	116,659	83,148	200,524	193,089	174,041
.....acres..	4,427,830	4,703,808	4,385,381	5,103,949	2,915,543	9,240,838	7,909,263	7,017,663
Cropland not harvested and not pastured.....farms..	58,455	34,429	35,437	46,424	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	2,464,535	1,288,557	954,118	1,389,197	1,039,026	1,366,660	2,850,071	2,470,325
Soil-improvement grasses and legumes.....farms..	42,618	12,580	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	1,670,410	537,738	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Crop failure.....farms..	7,081	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	13,413	14,487	72,410	30,296
.....acres..	155,717	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	396,823	238,486	1,302,422	805,531
Idle cropland.....farms..	21,013	(NA)	20,297	(NA)	25,684	47,729	86,590	63,561
.....acres..	638,408	(NA)	472,944	(NA)	642,203	1,128,174	1,547,649	1,664,794
Woodland pastured.....farms..	70,576	77,751	98,053	101,472	95,447	(NA)	132,787	116,719
.....acres..	5,213,606	5,434,422	6,581,567	5,804,522	5,158,733	(NA)	6,385,218	5,261,642
Woodland not pastured.....farms..	35,684	42,292	38,856	53,863	45,878	(NA)	60,104	55,672
.....acres..	2,120,991	2,421,601	2,003,075	2,693,788	1,973,021	(NA)	2,517,779	2,438,358
Other pasture (see text) ²farms..	79,202	83,318	103,716	108,300	167,329	(NA)	64,166	58,806
.....acres..	5,834,825	5,411,415	6,325,087	6,036,457	9,637,269	(NA)	2,242,761	2,017,431
Improved pasture.....farms..	26,563	14,025	13,716	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	1,293,954	535,086	404,489	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Other land (house lots, roads, etc.).....farms..	137,733	(NA)	190,051	213,046	233,266	(NA)	262,186	220,932
.....acres..	1,560,544	1,717,601	1,580,521	1,831,383	1,652,489	(NA)	1,387,605	1,361,653
Cropland, total ²farms..	134,608	153,354	181,115	211,067	220,708	252,460	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	17,960,340	18,170,187	17,705,129	18,756,993	16,856,739	23,007,358	22,521,179	22,663,935
Land pastured, total.....farms..	132,854	150,445	180,448	205,960	222,564	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	15,476,261	15,549,645	17,292,035	16,944,928	17,711,545	(NA)	16,537,242	14,296,736
Woodland, total.....farms..	90,004	100,752	119,020	130,364	122,140	140,040	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	7,334,597	7,856,023	8,584,642	8,498,310	7,131,754	6,952,039	8,902,997	7,700,000
Irrigated land in farms.....farms..	822	590	752	142	118	140	³ 143	(NA)
.....acres..	59,426	29,957	32,998	2,089	1,113	960	³ 981	(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.