

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.....	147,315	168,679	201,614	229,958	242,934	256,100	278,454	255,940
Less than 10 acres.....	3,080	5,392	11,191	13,248	14,908	14,811	16,126	11,013
Less than 3 acres.....	974	1,784	2,119	1,893	1,188	412	265	1,077
1 acre or less.....	569	975	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
2 acres.....	405	809	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
3 to 9 acres.....	2,106	3,608	9,072	11,355	13,720	14,399	15,861	9,936
3 acres.....	306	614	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
4 acres.....	297	463	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
5 acres.....	580	1,008	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
6 acres.....	268	411	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
7 acres.....	219	390	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
8 acres.....	288	445	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
9 acres.....	148	277	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 to 49 acres.....	21,294	26,210	35,107	43,429	48,373	51,990	60,989	50,877
10 to 29 acres.....	9,377	12,329	16,742	20,351	22,275	22,621	27,201	(NA)
30 to 49 acres.....	11,917	13,881	18,365	23,078	26,098	29,369	33,788	(NA)
50 to 99 acres.....	7,511	9,073	11,446	13,754	14,237	16,100	19,166	160,119
100 to 139 acres.....	17,442	20,715	25,998	32,770	35,751	41,353	45,463	(NA)
140 to 179 acres.....	18,112	21,272	26,318	32,102	34,160	38,045	42,453	2107,930
180 to 219 acres.....	16,495	19,562	24,264	27,966	29,997	32,813	35,292	(NA)
220 to 259 acres.....	11,941	14,195	16,458	17,787	18,625	18,431	19,316	(NA)
260 to 299 acres.....	10,083	11,695	12,974	13,906	13,280	12,939	12,999	(NA)
300 to 399 acres.....	28,326	29,865	29,174	27,537	26,637	23,989	22,153	21,658
400 to 999 acres.....	10,734	9,044	7,210	6,311	5,935	4,806	3,872	3,760
1,000 to 1,999 acres ³	1,943	1,371	1,474	1,148	1,011	823	625	583
2,000 acres or more.....	354	285	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Land in farms (acres):								
All land in farms.....	32,691,618	33,156,920	34,195,379	35,157,456	35,278,251	34,739,598	35,054,542	33,743,019
Average size of farm.....	221.9	196.6	169.6	152.9	145.2	135.6	125.9	131.8
Less than 10 acres.....	13,162	23,313	51,153	65,491	74,704	78,186	86,794	56,750
10 to 49 acres.....	631,682	765,060	1,008,264	1,260,928	1,402,876	1,539,082	1,797,741	1,529,307
10 to 29 acres.....	166,437	(NA)	293,945	361,533	384,545	388,053	474,599	(NA)
30 to 49 acres.....	465,245	(NA)	714,319	899,395	1,018,331	1,151,029	1,323,182	(NA)
50 to 99 acres.....	439,909	531,611	670,576	807,684	832,902	942,206	1,120,831	14,509,359
100 to 99 acres.....	1,427,413	1,695,846	2,131,317	2,683,471	2,918,466	3,382,842	3,719,541	(NA)
100 to 139 acres.....	2,118,740	2,494,534	3,084,129	3,787,993	3,994,150	4,444,234	4,960,376	217,071,684
140 to 179 acres.....	2,604,918	3,090,260	3,827,859	4,397,396	4,728,448	5,172,445	5,561,384	(NA)
180 to 219 acres.....	2,359,962	2,802,503	3,245,471	3,508,887	3,669,734	3,631,901	3,805,663	(NA)
220 to 259 acres.....	2,396,117	2,783,649	3,079,613	3,298,314	3,151,277	3,069,750	3,081,360	(NA)
260 to 499 acres.....	9,969,484	10,406,653	10,042,809	9,382,585	9,095,533	8,135,539	7,465,193	7,266,000
500 to 999 acres.....	7,061,736	5,867,227	4,661,951	4,090,904	3,820,567	3,074,632	2,467,244	2,385,825
1,000 to 1,999 acres ³	2,515,711	1,781,269	2,392,237	1,893,803	1,589,594	1,268,781	988,415	924,094
2,000 acres or more.....	1,152,784	914,995	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Land in farms according to use:⁴								
Cropland harvested by size of farm.....								
Less than 10 acres.....	119,569	137,163	162,726	192,240	210,571	232,877	253,959	239,119
Less than 10 acres.....	11,067,975	12,334,611	12,365,630	12,284,947	12,902,170	12,399,860	11,761,845	13,175,947
Less than 10 acres.....	912	1,307	2,447	3,479	5,769	9,263	(NA)	(NA)
10 to 49 acres.....	2,856	4,869	8,091	11,327	15,409	24,782	28,390	21,642
10 to 29 acres.....	10,805	14,547	19,924	28,691	35,435	42,056	(NA)	(NA)
30 to 49 acres.....	131,300	198,175	278,311	402,141	514,103	546,061	717,321	710,117
10 to 29 acres.....	4,138	(NA)	8,515	11,885	14,745	17,032	(NA)	(NA)
30 to 49 acres.....	36,934	(NA)	91,534	122,020	145,690	144,023	204,790	(NA)
50 to 99 acres.....	6,667	(NA)	11,409	16,806	20,690	25,024	(NA)	(NA)
100 to 139 acres.....	94,366	(NA)	186,777	280,121	368,413	402,038	512,531	(NA)
140 to 179 acres.....	5,020	6,397	8,331	11,185	12,203	14,511	(NA)	(NA)
180 to 219 acres.....	101,292	150,279	192,194	264,015	308,816	356,286	432,251	1,920,138
220 to 259 acres.....	13,110	16,103	21,225	28,426	32,309	38,670	(NA)	(NA)
260 to 499 acres.....	350,848	506,328	671,219	892,740	1,061,148	1,240,021	1,317,522	(NA)
500 to 999 acres.....	15,137	18,049	23,494	29,870	32,209	36,638	(NA)	(NA)
1,000 to 1,999 acres.....	584,072	816,056	1,076,465	1,359,009	1,502,617	1,672,806	1,790,343	27,038,547
2,000 acres or more.....	14,617	17,656	22,552	26,314	28,782	31,854	(NA)	(NA)
100 to 139 acres.....	796,082	1,132,740	1,432,370	1,603,535	1,820,418	1,934,623	1,954,334	(NA)
140 to 179 acres.....	10,963	13,240	15,650	17,052	18,061	18,026	(NA)	(NA)
180 to 219 acres.....	770,966	1,091,519	1,277,033	1,315,189	1,428,371	1,349,698	1,325,331	(NA)
220 to 259 acres.....	9,388	11,047	12,476	13,411	12,944	12,726	(NA)	(NA)
260 to 499 acres.....	827,198	1,125,441	1,242,390	1,247,571	1,236,777	1,159,474	1,056,224	(NA)
500 to 999 acres.....	27,042	28,644	28,265	26,691	26,101	23,625	(NA)	(NA)
1,000 to 1,999 acres.....	3,714,545	4,313,137	3,937,781	3,450,253	3,392,232	2,882,006	2,351,986	2,625,726
2,000 acres or more.....	10,384	8,633	6,981	6,040	5,785	4,713	(NA)	(NA)
100 to 139 acres.....	2,675,437	2,230,896	1,645,229	1,304,937	1,235,640	954,006	638,431	689,590
140 to 179 acres.....	1,864	1,281	1,381	1,081	973	795	(NA)	(NA)
180 to 219 acres.....	849,819	568,976	604,547	434,230	386,639	280,097	149,712	170,187
220 to 259 acres.....	327	259	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
260 to 499 acres.....	263,560	196,195	(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 ²farms..	134,608	154,305	181,115	211,623	220,708	252,460	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	17,960,340	18,416,662	17,705,129	18,811,441	16,856,739	23,007,358	22,521,179	22,663,935
Less than 10 acres.....farms..	1,310	2,093	4,351	6,635	7,261	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	4,838	8,113	16,449	26,857	23,265	54,118	60,249	(NA)
10 to 49 acres.....farms..	15,563	20,089	26,970	36,293	39,213	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	288,889	375,048	486,872	689,433	684,767	1,048,597	1,241,021	(NA)
50 to 69 acres.....farms..	6,438	7,977	9,961	12,561	13,026	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	213,766	285,009	236,146	439,735	415,577	661,080	772,728	(NA)
70 to 99 acres.....farms..	15,814	19,044	24,226	31,298	33,903	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	719,795	895,123	1,087,634	1,478,320	1,423,691	2,321,662	2,477,994	(NA)
100 to 139 acres.....farms..	17,138	20,366	25,351	31,311	33,188	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	1,109,866	1,358,859	1,636,229	2,096,249	1,971,311	3,057,095	3,330,980	(NA)
140 to 179 acres.....farms..	15,941	19,126	23,726	27,490	29,394	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	1,399,901	1,738,260	2,065,581	2,419,911	2,349,898	3,498,915	3,666,144	(NA)
180 to 219 acres.....farms..	11,648	13,950	16,208	17,582	18,340	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	1,294,978	1,617,779	1,776,062	1,943,667	1,827,135	2,443,728	2,501,461	(NA)
220 to 259 acres.....farms..	9,893	11,525	12,830	13,786	13,131	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	1,336,643	1,602,630	1,704,018	1,866,047	1,572,198	2,087,184	2,031,807	(NA)
260 to 499 acres.....farms..	27,967	29,589	28,918	27,294	26,393	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	5,705,665	6,053,448	5,382,957	5,117,817	4,356,861	5,328,249	4,677,705	(NA)
500 to 999 acres.....farms..	10,637	8,922	7,128	6,242	5,866	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	4,054,340	3,238,046	2,313,905	2,008,527	1,655,747	1,892,275	1,387,057	(NA)
1,000 to 1,999 acres ³farms..	1,917	1,446	1,446	1,151	993	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	1,362,803	891,839	909,276	724,878	576,289	614,455	374,033	(NA)
2,000 acres or more.....farms..	342	280	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	468,856	352,508	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Land pastured, total, by size of farm.....farms..	132,854	151,318	180,448	206,361	222,564	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	15,476,261	15,423,842	17,292,035	16,893,264	17,711,545	(NA)	16,537,242	14,296,736
Less than 10 acres.....farms..	1,327	2,366	5,885	7,926	10,479	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	5,257	9,011	22,050	30,440	38,033	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 to 49 acres.....farms..	17,510	20,552	27,235	33,534	38,276	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	375,927	420,819	554,167	623,482	677,102	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
50 to 69 acres.....farms..	6,652	8,011	10,203	12,345	12,989	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	248,298	285,855	373,188	404,355	406,740	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
70 to 99 acres.....farms..	15,908	18,953	23,963	30,475	34,049	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	792,475	909,143	1,146,621	1,342,155	1,464,438	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
100 to 139 acres.....farms..	16,687	19,587	24,868	30,584	33,101	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	1,116,315	1,258,232	1,577,615	1,822,111	1,961,003	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
140 to 179 acres.....farms..	15,349	18,472	23,201	26,907	29,329	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	1,312,790	1,461,812	1,895,834	2,100,371	2,310,725	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
180 to 219 acres.....farms..	11,129	13,413	15,825	17,107	18,246	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	1,149,956	1,269,919	1,552,863	1,612,659	1,784,216	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
220 to 259 acres.....farms..	9,480	11,183	12,533	13,489	13,051	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	1,133,469	1,248,762	1,452,132	1,519,227	1,526,606	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
260 to 499 acres.....farms..	26,668	28,539	28,327	26,787	26,221	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	4,453,462	4,511,750	4,861,876	4,340,338	4,546,378	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
500 to 999 acres.....farms..	10,030	8,673	6,982	6,106	5,830	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	3,090,829	2,653,511	2,409,641	2,008,079	2,059,266	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
1,000 to 1,999 acres ³farms..	1,783	1,294	1,426	1,101	993	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	1,150,899	869,984	1,446,048	1,090,047	937,038	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
2,000 acres or more.....farms..	331	275	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	646,584	525,044	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Irrigated land in farms, by size of farm.....farms..	822	635	752	123	118	140	6143	(NA)
.....acres..	59,426	27,246	32,998	1,310	1,113	960	9981	(NA)
Less than 10 acres.....farms..	43	60	51	20	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	121	165	130	90	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 to 49 acres.....farms..	80	139	105	80	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	914	1,069	907	560	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
50 to 69 acres.....farms..	14	16	19	5	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	300	211	288	20	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
70 to 99 acres.....farms..	35	40	47	10	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	1,066	1,055	814	90	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
100 to 139 acres.....farms..	35	35	58	5	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	1,270	1,325	1,925	30	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
140 to 179 acres.....farms..	44	50	52	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	1,889	1,295	1,275	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
180 to 219 acres.....farms..	45	15	38	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	2,042	125	1,275	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
220 to 259 acres.....farms..	54	38	59	1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	2,735	1,895	2,223	20	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
260 to 499 acres.....farms..	202	96	143	1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	14,774	4,070	8,202	80	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
500 to 999 acres.....farms..	187	104	118	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	21,109	8,342	9,881	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
1,000 to 1,999 acres ³farms..	62	27	62	1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	10,212	4,712	6,078	420	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
2,000 acres or more.....farms..	21	15	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	2,994	2,982	(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.