

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..	27,020	28,959	33,061	35,085	37,747	41,823	50,564	47,495
Approximate land area.....acres..	93,271,040	93,271,040	93,361,920	93,361,920	93,642,240	93,642,240	93,523,840	93,523,840
Proportion in farms.....percent..	70.6	68.7	65.8	63.5	62.8	49.6	50.8	47.8
Land in farms.....acres..	65,833,760	64,081,391	61,468,903	59,247,434	58,787,318	46,451,594	47,511,868	44,659,152
Average size of farm.....acres..	2,436.5	2,212.8	1,859.3	1,688.7	1,557.4	1,110.7	939.6	940.3
Value of land and buildings:								
Average per farm.....dollars..	103,271	76,761	44,653	28,475	13,720	8,373	7,433	11,109
Average per acre.....dollars..	42.30	34.69	24.02	16.86	8.81	7.54	7.91	11.81
Land in farms according to use: ¹								
Cropland harvested.....farms..	24,308	26,726	30,575	32,090	34,853	38,092	33,926	44,016
.....acres..	7,812,612	8,158,899	8,414,058	7,576,173	7,439,470	5,748,069	4,592,453	7,840,979
1 to 9 acres.....farms..	986	1,122	1,680	1,945	2,358	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 to 1 ⁹ acres.....farms..	837	1,017	1,105	1,398	1,456	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
20 to 29 acres.....farms..	769	866	1,017	1,296	1,445	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
30 to 49 acres.....farms..	1,532	1,650	1,968	2,498	2,844	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
50 to 99 acres.....farms..	3,369	3,776	4,728	5,534	6,420	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
100 to 199 acres.....farms..	4,840	5,510	6,495	6,998	7,778	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
200 acres or more.....farms..	11,975	12,785	13,582	12,421	12,552	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
200 to 499 acres.....farms..	7,059	7,718	8,694	8,389	9,084	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
500 to 999 acres.....farms..	3,608	3,877	3,778	3,201	2,840	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
1,000 acres or more.....farms..	1,308	1,190	1,110	831	628	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Cropland used only for pasture ²farms..	6,680	6,539	6,630	8,918	4,531	21,265	18,586	22,764
.....acres..	1,030,734	944,930	737,975	1,271,471	400,092	4,654,639	3,638,716	4,694,535
Cropland not harvested and not pastured.....farms..	16,450	17,547	19,121	20,656	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	6,545,085	5,973,938	5,356,356	5,080,884	3,479,126	4,386,335	6,005,370	3,557,942
Cultivated summer fallow.....farms..	14,840	16,087	17,803	17,850	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	5,695,266	5,374,988	4,966,526	4,224,669	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Soil-improvement grasses and legumes.....farms..	3,318	1,886	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	444,787	338,486	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Crop failure.....farms..	1,519	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	2,872	7,985	23,560	11,563
.....acres..	145,089	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	317,306	496,854	2,567,252	788,535
Idle cropland.....farms..	2,551	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	16,958	22,545	26,611	23,187
.....acres..	259,943	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	3,161,820	3,889,481	3,438,118	2,769,407
Woodland pastured.....farms..	3,406	3,934	4,586	6,021	3,842	(NA)	7,819	6,855
.....acres..	1,869,971	2,178,339	1,971,937	2,754,944	985,924	(NA)	1,637,575	1,641,607
Woodland not pastured.....farms..	1,068	1,291	1,190	1,737	1,019	(NA)	1,652	1,446
.....acres..	255,335	259,523	191,723	404,934	99,046	(NA)	136,302	178,299
Other pasture (see text) ²farms..	20,414	22,245	25,362	25,604	31,815	(NA)	38,253	34,321
.....acres..	47,376,901	45,471,269	43,922,843	41,226,673	45,556,351	(NA)	30,542,600	25,340,232
Improved pasture.....farms..	5,904	4,352	5,212	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	1,035,065	507,799	491,247	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Other land (house lots, roads, etc.).....farms..	24,502	(NA)	30,625	32,222	34,803	(NA)	44,370	37,497
.....acres..	942,850	1,094,493	874,011	932,355	827,309	(NA)	958,852	1,405,558
Cropland, total ²farms..	25,212	27,486	31,218	33,331	35,743	40,811	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	15,388,431	15,077,767	14,508,389	13,928,528	11,318,688	14,789,043	14,236,539	16,093,456
Land pastured, total.....farms..	23,828	25,551	29,338	31,432	35,234	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	50,277,606	48,594,538	46,632,755	45,253,088	46,942,367	(NA)	35,818,891	31,676,374
Woodland, total.....farms..	4,081	4,772	5,340	7,098	4,497	6,941	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	2,125,306	2,437,862	2,163,660	3,159,878	1,084,970	1,137,345	1,773,877	1,819,906
Irrigated land in farms.....farms..	10,843	11,935	13,114	13,457	12,997	15,087	213,864	11,925
.....acres..	1,893,360	1,874,520	1,890,671	1,716,792	1,555,480	1,587,602	31,272,054	41,343,035

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.

⁴Acreage of irrigated crops including some duplication where two or more crops were harvested from the same land.