

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..	80,163	90,475	100,846	107,183	111,756	121,062	133,616	129,458
Approximate land area.....acres..	49,031,680	49,031,680	49,064,320	49,064,320	49,058,560	49,057,920	49,157,120	49,157,120
Proportion in farms.....percent..	97.5	97.4	96.8	96.7	97.3	96.5	94.8	91.0
Land in farms.....acres..	47,792,663	47,755,708	47,486,580	47,466,828	47,752,941	47,343,981	46,615,762	44,708,565
Average size of farm.....acres..	596.2	527.8	470.9	442.9	427.3	391.1	348.9	345.4
Value of land and buildings:								
Average per farm.....dollars..	65,268	46,796	33,713	25,517	15,205	9,399	11,696	19,274
Average per acre.....dollars..	109.39	88.66	71.60	57.62	35.58	24.03	33.53	55.81
Land in farms according to use: ¹								
Cropland harvested.....farms..	73,758	84,105	94,580	100,984	106,013	115,202	112,843	126,419
.....acres..	15,229,112	18,057,090	18,874,341	19,406,990	19,596,324	17,304,802	12,194,716	21,399,340
1 to 9 acres.....farms..	1,472	1,535	2,372	3,302	3,579	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 to 19 acres.....farms..	1,444	1,439	1,428	1,856	1,837	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
20 to 29 acres.....farms..	1,419	1,171	1,251	1,457	1,553	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
30 to 49 acres.....farms..	3,233	2,532	2,670	3,003	3,519	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
50 to 99 acres.....farms..	12,268	10,737	12,912	14,777	16,820	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
100 to 199 acres.....farms..	27,056	32,562	40,654	43,265	45,538	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
200 acres or more.....farms..	26,866	34,129	33,293	33,324	33,167	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
200 to 499 acres.....farms..	22,919	29,892	29,370	29,308	29,163	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
500 to 999 acres.....farms..	3,106	3,330	2,998	3,129	3,230	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
1,000 acres or more.....farms..	841	907	925	887	774	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Cropland used only for pasture ²farms..	20,583	24,762	29,272	33,447	43,135	67,582	61,305	71,476
.....acres..	1,031,016	1,309,492	1,116,793	1,399,626	942,301	3,735,689	2,652,622	4,160,254
Cropland not harvested and not pastured.....farms..	58,511	38,378	36,639	39,396	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	5,839,382	3,461,403	2,876,380	2,969,854	2,889,894	4,374,369	10,514,300	944,272
Cultivated summer fallow.....farms..	30,413	23,896	23,030	19,620	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	3,128,230	2,312,900	2,128,822	1,948,942	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Soil-improvement grasses and legumes.....farms..	32,202	12,435	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	1,761,221	655,323	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Crop failure.....farms..	7,404	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	26,893	41,306	93,089	8,548
.....acres..	299,604	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	1,250,547	1,883,723	8,234,858	359,783
Idle cropland.....farms..	13,856	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	28,105	53,859	70,618	11,221
.....acres..	650,327	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	1,639,347	2,490,646	2,279,442	584,489
Woodland pastured.....farms..	5,404	6,457	8,297	9,514	7,430	(NA)	19,334	17,677
.....acres..	356,693	369,742	430,441	602,899	377,651	(NA)	790,782	798,141
Woodland not pastured.....farms..	5,866	7,143	8,452	9,377	9,613	(NA)	12,706	8,109
.....acres..	139,382	151,652	192,064	216,706	133,296	(NA)	143,455	143,078
Other pasture (see text) ²farms..	58,513	62,712	70,586	71,057	78,254	(NA)	75,319	67,123
.....acres..	23,730,795	22,846,585	22,542,465	21,415,000	22,184,950	(NA)	18,941,671	15,839,636
Improved pasture.....farms..	18,359	6,133	7,833	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	1,114,597	362,267	283,527	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Other land (house lots, roads, etc.).....farms..	75,603	(NA)	96,911	102,557	109,917	(NA)	131,521	115,274
.....acres..	1,465,618	1,559,744	1,454,096	1,455,753	1,628,525	(NA)	1,378,216	1,423,844
Cropland, total ²farms..	75,386	85,744	95,570	102,525	107,746	119,019	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	22,099,510	22,827,985	22,867,514	23,776,470	23,428,519	25,414,860	25,361,638	26,503,866
Land pastured, total.....farms..	69,236	78,395	89,303	94,678	101,029	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	25,118,504	24,525,819	24,089,699	23,417,525	23,504,902	(NA)	22,385,075	20,798,031
Woodland, total.....farms..	9,846	12,189	15,071	17,015	15,855	23,467	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	496,075	521,394	622,505	819,605	510,947	550,100	934,237	941,219
Irrigated land in farms.....farms..	18,833	18,936	12,500	9,680	7,156	6,913	35,140	4,602
.....acres..	2,169,317	2,077,926	1,171,369	876,259	631,762	473,775	3,345,417	440,481

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.