

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..	14,206	15,919	21,070	23,599	29,695	34,105	41,369	31,404
Approximate land area.....acres..	77,766,400	77,766,400	77,767,040	77,767,040	77,767,040	77,767,040	78,401,920	78,401,920
Proportion in farms.....percent..	61.3	59.5	63.6	61.1	63.8	50.0	43.9	39.3
Land in farms.....acres..	47,646,966	46,293,207	49,450,885	47,521,809	49,608,445	38,860,427	34,397,205	30,822,034
Average size of farm.....acres..	3,354.0	2,908.0	2,347.0	2,013.7	1,670.6	1,139.4	831.5	981.5
Value of land and buildings:								
Average per farm.....dollars..	117,042	68,233	50,078	30,228	11,004	5,498	4,113	6,619
Average per acre.....dollars..	34.93	23.46	21.34	15.01	6.59	4.83	4.95	6.74
Land in farms according to use: ¹								
Cropland harvested.....farms..	8,828	10,592	14,633	18,896	23,065	26,728	24,489	25,563
.....acres..	905,867	1,076,947	1,135,073	1,897,813	1,956,827	1,572,507	743,840	1,493,998
1 to 9 acres.....farms..	2,700	3,174	5,733	5,843	7,188	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 to 19 acres.....farms..	1,243	1,506	1,892	2,898	3,752	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
20 to 29 acres.....farms..	626	757	965	1,452	1,958	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
30 to 49 acres.....farms..	785	987	1,231	1,685	2,289	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
50 to 99 acres.....farms..	1,103	1,327	1,679	2,102	2,589	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
100 to 199 acres.....farms..	1,092	1,262	1,521	2,043	2,330	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
200 acres or more.....farms..	1,279	1,579	1,612	2,873	2,959	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
200 to 499 acres.....farms..	935	1,168	1,249	2,139	2,304	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
500 to 999 acres.....farms..	267	332	293	571	533	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
1,000 acres or more.....farms..	77	79	70	163	122	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Cropland used only for pasture ²farms..	3,769	3,953	4,927	4,828	2,479	9,738	10,681	9,744
.....acres..	384,529	429,179	463,256	445,953	135,370	2,374,384	2,930,982	3,198,497
Cropland not harvested and not pastured.....farms..	5,091	4,660	6,884	6,058	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	980,764	785,587	862,325	495,229	410,368	625,807	1,644,048	305,192
Cultivated summer fallow.....farms..	1,460	1,435	2,053	1,901	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	186,607	134,317	333,903	225,973	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Soil-improvement grasses and legumes.....farms..	1,852	1,857	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	420,397	488,166	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Crop failure.....farms..	1,492	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	4,602	8,277	19,478	4,213
.....acres..	195,753	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	170,389	260,820	1,222,601	98,108
Idle cropland.....farms..	2,166	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	3,157	7,074	8,510	4,837
.....acres..	178,007	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	239,979	364,987	421,447	207,084
Woodland pastured.....farms..	1,431	1,468	2,015	3,661	2,969	(NA)	5,467	4,295
.....acres..	3,231,740	3,538,552	5,031,026	7,113,989	4,646,822	(NA)	2,062,262	1,752,177
Woodland not pastured.....farms..	282	359	442	845	948	(NA)	801	855
.....acres..	224,624	282,512	268,505	597,898	83,988	(NA)	69,404	65,957
Other pasture (see text) ²farms..	7,929	8,732	10,392	10,669	18,078	(NA)	18,512	11,979
.....acres..	41,188,571	39,413,663	41,034,758	36,250,813	41,614,123	(NA)	26,445,456	23,543,551
Improved pasture.....farms..	1,306	614	1,010	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	393,611	287,227	84,237	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Other land (house lots, roads, etc.).....farms..	11,212	(NA)	16,546	18,139	26,740	(NA)	20,195	15,439
.....acres..	730,871	766,767	655,942	720,114	760,947	(NA)	501,213	462,662
Cropland, total ²farms..	10,742	12,176	17,198	20,197	25,595	31,026	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	2,271,160	2,291,713	2,460,654	2,838,995	2,502,565	4,572,698	5,318,870	4,997,687
Land pastured, total.....farms..	10,471	11,489	14,002	15,688	20,600	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	44,804,840	43,381,394	46,529,040	43,810,755	46,396,315	(NA)	31,438,700	28,494,225
Woodland, total.....farms..	1,632	1,717	2,329	4,236	3,651	3,860	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	3,456,364	3,821,064	5,299,531	7,711,887	4,730,810	1,481,992	2,131,666	1,818,134
Irrigated land in farms.....farms..	8,274	8,850	11,690	12,691	14,299	15,811	³ 17,093	14,347
.....acres..	812,723	731,835	649,615	655,287	534,640	436,402	³ 314,319	⁴ 371,269

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.