

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..	88,726	94,676	118,979	142,246	164,790	179,687	213,325	203,866
Approximate land area.....acres..	44,087,680	44,087,680	44,179,840	44,179,840	44,341,120	44,341,120	44,396,160	44,424,960
Proportion in farms.....percent..	81.8	81.2	80.6	81.5	81.6	78.5	79.6	76.1
Land in farms.....acres..	36,077,472	35,800,688	35,630,045	36,006,603	36,161,822	34,803,317	35,334,870	33,790,817
Average size of farm.....acres..	406.6	378.1	299.5	253.1	219.4	193.7	165.6	165.8
Value of land and buildings:								
Average per farm.....dollars..	49,212	31,710	18,964	13,016	6,713	4,625	3,677	6,096
Average per acre.....dollars..	120.72	83.86	63.33	51.42	30.59	23.88	22.20	36.78
Land in farms according to use: ¹								
Cropland harvested.....farms..	59,360	66,155	84,870	115,242	148,437	166,398	197,177	193,821
.....acres..	8,343,588	8,975,117	10,249,134	11,896,040	14,088,470	12,766,219	12,342,344	15,552,185
1 to 9 acres.....farms..	5,690	5,701	8,383	14,051	23,356	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 to 19 acres.....farms..	5,904	6,457	8,365	12,542	12,397	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
20 to 29 acres.....farms..	4,680	4,984	6,587	10,841	12,267	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
30 to 49 acres.....farms..	7,053	7,767	10,150	15,762	21,760	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
50 to 99 acres.....farms..	10,805	12,950	17,710	23,887	32,416	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
100 to 199 acres.....farms..	11,228	13,647	17,963	21,642	27,444	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
200 acres or more.....farms..	14,000	14,649	15,712	16,517	18,797	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
200 to 499 acres.....farms..	11,224	12,032	13,266	13,828	16,152	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
500 to 999 acres.....farms..	2,440	2,294	2,136	2,273	2,261	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
1,000 acres or more.....farms..	336	323	310	446	384	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Cropland used only for pasture ²farms..	26,305	34,856	44,013	49,927	44,475	81,054	58,693	63,741
.....acres..	1,950,771	2,386,311	2,324,626	2,317,778	1,759,356	3,830,147	2,562,122	3,248,518
Cropland not harvested and not pastured.....farms..	30,335	30,862	33,688	41,397	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	2,715,707	2,682,400	1,896,757	1,802,253	1,116,186	3,064,997	4,708,553	1,779,989
Cultivated summer fallow.....farms..	12,898	11,191	13,677	10,171	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	997,035	967,469	823,220	488,967	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Soil-improvement grasses and legumes.....farms..	14,795	11,592	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	953,272	919,206	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Crop failure.....farms..	4,936	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	10,983	32,897	86,548	29,771
.....acres..	361,786	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	265,545	1,253,543	2,884,817	697,999
Idle cropland.....farms..	9,391	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	24,286	62,934	79,755	35,932
.....acres..	403,634	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	850,641	1,811,454	1,823,736	1,081,990
Woodland pastured.....farms..	28,061	30,018	40,741	50,240	45,834	(NA)	74,861	64,669
.....acres..	3,413,014	3,906,771	4,689,051	5,018,615	4,119,493	(NA)	4,270,650	3,566,972
Woodland not pastured.....farms..	4,511	7,097	7,119	14,263	9,439	(NA)	17,969	13,777
.....acres..	367,452	549,254	458,270	880,038	398,854	(NA)	576,105	492,521
Other pasture (see text) ²farms..	71,330	70,016	80,418	83,952	102,862	(NA)	86,443	72,871
.....acres..	18,449,031	16,270,071	15,021,028	12,744,634	13,350,734	(NA)	9,309,740	7,824,022
Improved pasture.....farms..	23,597	11,310	9,959	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	2,360,913	1,182,142	693,158	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Other land (house lots, roads, etc.).....farms..	77,964	(NA)	109,336	128,544	152,867	(NA)	186,338	150,288
.....acres..	837,554	1,030,764	991,179	1,347,245	1,328,729	(NA)	1,565,356	1,325,610
Cropland, total ²farms..	67,174	77,187	97,554	127,229	154,349	175,267	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	13,010,066	14,043,828	14,470,517	16,016,071	16,964,012	19,661,363	19,613,019	20,581,692
Land pastured, total.....farms..	83,544	87,663	108,497	126,898	145,216	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	23,812,816	22,563,153	22,034,705	20,081,027	19,229,583	(NA)	16,142,512	14,639,512
Woodland, total.....farms..	30,539	33,945	45,040	58,534	51,918	60,519	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	3,780,466	4,456,025	5,147,321	5,898,653	4,518,347	3,064,889	4,846,755	4,059,493
Irrigated land in farms.....farms..	2,673	2,481	1,620	466	74	275	184	99
.....acres..	302,081	197,632	108,151	34,071	2,237	4,437	31,361	42,109

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.