

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..	39,757	42,573	54,441	59,827	63,125	61,829	64,826	55,153
Approximate land area.....acres..	61,572,480	61,598,720	61,641,600	61,641,600	61,664,000	61,664,000	61,188,480	61,188,480
Proportion in farms.....percent..	33.3	34.5	34.1	33.0	32.0	29.2	28.4	27.0
Land in farms.....acres..	20,509,302	21,236,298	21,047,340	20,327,683	19,754,257	17,988,307	17,357,549	16,548,678
Average size of farm.....acres..	515.9	498.8	386.6	339.8	312.9	290.9	267.8	300.1
Value of land and buildings:								
Average per farm.....dollars..	59,079	43,608	30,178	20,327	11,054	7,712	6,922	11,438
Average per acre.....dollars..	114.71	87.42	78.06	59.82	35.32	26.51	25.85	38.12
Land in farms according to use: ¹								
Cropland harvested.....farms..	29,981	33,420	41,218	47,482	52,630	54,589	59,508	50,862
.....acres..	3,050,278	3,118,451	3,265,385	3,218,767	3,276,086	2,824,316	2,831,742	2,906,324
1 to 9 acres.....farms..	8,634	9,410	13,202	16,428	19,096	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	4,568	4,997	6,150	7,489	8,020	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 to 19 acres.....farms..	2,792	3,205	3,868	4,574	5,067	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	3,471	4,028	4,797	5,600	6,335	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
20 to 29 acres.....farms..	3,920	4,700	5,601	6,079	6,698	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	2,932	3,332	3,887	3,881	3,992	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
100 to 199 acres.....farms..	3,664	3,748	3,713	3,431	3,422	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	2,377	2,554	2,562	2,432	2,393	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
200 acres or more.....farms..	905	848	822	698	727	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	382	346	329	301	302	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Cropland used only for pasture ²farms..	16,645	19,423	22,704	26,144	18,974	29,087	20,487	17,835
.....acres..	926,436	942,236	807,142	969,029	566,251	1,213,983	723,585	816,803
Cropland not harvested and not pastured.....farms..	10,917	11,174	12,850	17,324	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	1,305,241	1,319,457	1,177,361	1,349,351	1,066,764	1,217,168	1,365,712	1,266,195
Cultivated summer fallow.....farms..	5,691	5,532	6,826	8,530	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	953,392	927,559	953,499	972,345	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Soil-improvement grasses and legumes.....farms..	2,772	2,458	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	138,346	150,721	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Crop failure.....farms..	1,086	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	1,692	3,395	5,932	3,667
.....acres..	36,911	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	26,802	112,212	280,426	111,451
Idle cropland.....farms..	4,532	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	9,803	13,795	15,059	14,706
.....acres..	176,592	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	1,039,962	1,104,956	1,085,286	1,154,744
Woodland pastured.....farms..	10,701	11,650	15,521	19,338	18,566	(NA)	27,442	23,958
.....acres..	2,631,614	3,145,121	3,847,317	3,618,248	2,771,718	(NA)	2,778,314	2,619,478
Woodland not pastured.....farms..	7,659	9,101	10,188	12,824	8,356	(NA)	9,314	7,856
.....acres..	561,946	736,246	790,647	950,374	490,475	(NA)	571,630	502,737
Other pasture (see text) ²farms..	17,211	15,393	20,362	18,056	27,847	(NA)	24,161	18,916
.....acres..	11,577,256	11,481,945	10,607,429	9,664,984	11,085,754	(NA)	8,536,677	7,942,543
Improved pasture.....farms..	8,414	4,838	8,057	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	593,630	457,891	414,329	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Other land (house lots, roads, etc.).....farms..	35,576	(NA)	49,824	54,001	57,465	(NA)	59,039	44,623
.....acres..	456,189	492,842	552,059	556,930	497,209	(NA)	549,889	494,598
Cropland, total ²farms..	34,763	38,484	47,822	54,761	57,150	59,766	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	5,281,935	5,380,144	5,249,888	5,537,147	4,909,101	5,255,467	4,921,039	4,989,322
Land pastured, total.....farms..	31,329	32,556	42,155	45,649	50,332	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	15,135,286	15,569,302	15,261,888	14,252,261	14,423,723	(NA)	12,038,576	11,378,824
Woodland, total.....farms..	15,957	17,943	22,629	27,909	24,325	23,533	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	3,193,560	3,881,367	4,637,964	4,568,622	3,262,193	2,081,907	3,349,944	3,122,215
Irrigated land in farms.....farms..	15,869	17,724	19,826	17,663	15,597	16,159	13,243	11,387
.....acres..	1,607,659	1,384,284	1,490,366	1,306,810	1,129,059	1,030,228	578,838	637,967

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.