

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..	83,086	100,052	128,876	146,887	171,761	169,027	191,284	172,419
Approximate land area.....acres..	28,804,480	28,804,480	28,828,800	28,828,800	28,828,800	28,828,800	28,692,480	28,692,480
Proportion in farms.....percent..	37.5	41.2	45.7	49.0	52.1	50.6	55.3	53.4
Land in farms.....acres..	10,803,983	11,861,727	13,162,093	14,112,841	15,019,675	14,594,134	15,855,343	15,309,485
Average size of farm.....acres..	130.0	118.6	102.1	96.1	87.4	86.3	82.9	88.8
Value of land and buildings:								
Average per farm.....dollars..	29,836	21,892	14,039	10,299	5,872	5,113	4,505	6,977
Average per acre.....dollars..	228.35	184.65	137.46	107.19	67.15	59.22	54.35	78.58
Land in farms according to use: ¹								
Cropland harvested.....farms..	76,600	90,334	114,359	131,322	160,167	160,703	185,731	166,501
.....acres..	4,534,073	4,853,664	5,433,491	5,637,292	6,604,192	6,097,116	6,632,941	6,587,707
1 to 9 acres.....farms..	11,434	14,193	22,269	27,804	39,776	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 to 19 acres.....farms..	9,399	11,974	15,015	18,082	20,615	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
20 to 29 acres.....farms..	8,186	9,829	12,765	15,215	17,143	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
30 to 49 acres.....farms..	13,549	16,727	21,984	26,753	30,611	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
50 to 99 acres.....farms..	21,159	25,174	30,265	32,899	39,539	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
100 to 199 acres.....farms..	10,462	10,561	10,390	9,309	11,231	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
200 acres or more.....farms..	2,411	1,876	1,671	1,260	1,252	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
200 to 499 acres.....farms..	2,245	1,752	1,569	1,168	1,158	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
500 to 999 acres.....farms..	137	99	79	72	73	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
1,000 acres or more.....farms..	29	25	23	20	21	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Cropland used only for pasture ²farms..	29,887	38,469	46,741	58,526	34,283	92,342	79,383	85,762
.....acres..	685,936	845,487	945,591	1,111,196	628,497	2,038,636	1,545,035	1,779,305
Cropland not harvested and not pastured.....farms..	32,501	35,804	43,141	55,159	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	822,828	896,105	871,164	1,196,362	768,646	1,104,407	1,230,584	1,226,119
Soil-improvement grasses and legumes.....farms..	12,776	9,738	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	267,313	213,944	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Crop failure.....farms..	4,773	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	6,340	10,505	16,204	16,524
.....acres..	55,485	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	59,607	115,989	137,908	146,979
Idle cropland.....farms..	21,914	(NA)	36,971	(NA)	34,164	50,953	60,765	54,413
.....acres..	500,030	(NA)	735,727	(NA)	709,039	988,418	1,092,676	1,079,140
Woodland pastured.....farms..	20,012	24,562	31,468	37,150	36,721	(NA)	55,884	56,628
.....acres..	572,749	664,255	844,378	932,860	973,955	(NA)	1,356,370	1,337,773
Woodland not pastured.....farms..	47,104	56,782	66,593	75,134	82,526	(NA)	88,940	74,865
.....acres..	1,995,233	2,244,867	2,403,298	2,490,736	2,338,129	(NA)	2,309,170	2,025,542
Other pasture (see text) ²farms..	43,026	49,150	60,178	62,996	94,452	(NA)	78,084	64,993
.....acres..	1,519,255	1,545,907	1,848,396	1,811,186	2,638,221	(NA)	1,740,380	1,459,114
Improved pasture.....farms..	12,788	13,027	13,075	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	281,269	253,639	230,714	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Other land (house lots, roads, etc.).....farms..	76,543	(NA)	120,334	134,006	158,560	(NA)	179,110	138,772
.....acres..	673,229	811,442	815,775	933,209	1,068,035	(NA)	1,040,863	893,925
Cropland, total ²farms..	79,917	94,544	121,291	138,822	165,169	166,960	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	6,042,837	6,595,256	7,250,246	7,944,850	8,001,335	9,240,159	9,408,560	9,593,131
Land pastured, total.....farms..	64,988	77,230	96,888	110,957	128,424	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	2,777,940	3,055,649	3,638,365	3,855,242	4,240,673	(NA)	4,641,785	4,576,192
Woodland, total.....farms..	56,405	83,866	94,761	102,985	94,761	107,416	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	2,567,982	2,909,122	3,247,676	3,423,596	3,312,084	2,935,766	3,665,540	3,363,315
Irrigated land in farms.....farms..	1,006	787	883	287	94	299	193	(NA)
.....acres..	22,734	16,523	17,950	7,251	8,764	3,356	3,047	(NA)

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.