

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..	49,703	55,727	62,520	66,452	68,705	72,454	83,303	83,157
Approximate land area.....acres..	48,881,920	48,881,920	48,983,040	48,983,040	48,983,040	48,983,040	49,195,520	49,195,520
Proportion in farms.....percent..	93.2	91.8	91.8	91.4	87.9	80.6	75.4	74.1
Land in farms.....acres..	45,567,263	44,850,666	44,949,473	44,785,529	43,031,964	39,473,584	37,101,871	36,470,083
Average size of farm.....acres..	916.8	804.8	719.0	674.0	626.3	544.8	445.4	438.6
Value of land and buildings:								
Average per farm.....dollars..	56,615	40,852	28,263	21,095	11,124	6,976	8,305	15,455
Average per acre.....dollars..	61.60	50.76	39.31	31.30	17.76	12.80	18.65	35.24
Land in farms according to use: ¹								
Cropland harvested.....farms..	46,230	52,161	59,804	63,553	66,211	67,022	55,556	81,039
.....acres..	14,445,400	14,236,384	17,759,947	17,527,893	16,524,613	12,297,291	4,863,888	17,856,178
1 to 9 acres.....farms..	438	466	705	992	1,210	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 to 19 acres.....farms..	581	641	609	771	844	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
20 to 29 acres.....farms..	516	633	523	635	830	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
30 to 49 acres.....farms..	1,113	1,349	1,169	1,403	1,597	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
50 to 99 acres.....farms..	3,858	4,403	4,195	4,905	6,285	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
100 to 199 acres.....farms..	11,157	14,387	16,594	18,982	21,169	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
200 acres or more.....farms..	28,567	30,282	36,009	35,865	34,276	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
200 to 499 acres.....farms..	21,397	24,779	28,040	28,525	28,566	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
500 to 999 acres.....farms..	5,970	4,770	6,670	6,261	5,023	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
1,000 acres or more.....farms..	1,200	733	1,299	1,079	687	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Cropland used only for pasture ²farms..	12,231	14,645	13,276	13,880	15,391	43,521	43,448	53,991
.....acres..	934,280	1,184,218	721,844	816,112	641,357	6,246,650	4,354,751	5,706,998
Cropland not harvested and not pastured.....farms..	30,869	23,796	16,303	18,414	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	3,327,567	3,744,157	1,146,703	1,477,687	1,337,291	4,625,355	12,552,978	1,146,533
Cultivated summer fallow.....farms..	17,608	9,457	10,479	7,964	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	1,563,960	992,889	709,176	446,627	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Soil-improvement grasses and legumes.....farms..	13,538	6,598	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	1,138,649	953,420	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Crop failure.....farms..	4,148	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	15,583	30,896	69,360	10,511
.....acres..	253,150	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	712,825	2,154,748	9,781,936	583,313
Idle cropland.....farms..	6,813	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	11,938	35,439	49,827	9,804
.....acres..	371,808	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	624,466	2,470,607	2,771,042	563,220
Woodland pastured.....farms..	2,272	2,981	3,719	4,672	2,411	(NA)	8,316	7,438
.....acres..	207,034	262,627	328,477	437,911	194,460	(NA)	532,898	394,627
Woodland not pastured.....farms..	4,101	5,926	6,406	6,388	5,440	(NA)	6,131	4,660
.....acres..	64,139	90,201	112,490	143,211	79,008	(NA)	102,811	95,930
Other pasture (see text) ²farms..	39,665	44,062	49,522	52,188	56,989	(NA)	49,846	45,189
.....acres..	25,432,240	24,065,398	23,553,569	22,913,148	22,491,520	(NA)	13,558,457	9,815,115
Improved pasture.....farms..	7,226	3,035	3,278	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	588,741	199,948	151,855	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Other land (house lots, roads, etc.).....farms..	(NA)	(NA)	60,036	63,449	67,282	(NA)	81,316	72,850
.....acres..	1,156,310	1,267,681	1,326,443	1,469,567	1,763,715	(NA)	1,136,088	1,454,702
Cropland, total ²farms..	47,133	53,347	60,192	64,199	66,823	71,266	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	18,707,247	19,164,759	19,628,494	19,821,692	18,503,261	23,169,296	21,771,617	24,709,709
Land pastured, total.....farms..	44,985	50,575	56,762	60,392	64,449	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	26,573,554	25,512,243	24,603,890	24,167,171	23,327,337	(NA)	18,446,106	15,916,740
Woodland, total.....farms..	5,909	8,253	9,439	10,280	7,551	12,942	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	271,173	352,828	440,967	581,122	273,468	340,399	635,709	490,557
Irrigated land in farms.....farms..	1,005	1,002	923	807	708	967	3974	763
.....acres..	130,050	115,629	90,371	78,069	52,895	54,073	356,565	459,361

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.