

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..	133,446	157,688	203,149	231,631	234,431	247,617	273,783	245,657
Approximate land area.....acres..	26,478,080	26,727,680	26,750,080	26,750,080	26,855,040	26,855,040	26,679,680	26,679,680
Proportion in farms.....percent..	57.7	60.2	66.0	69.3	66.2	68.9	71.5	67.5
Land in farms.....acres..	15,266,213	16,081,285	17,654,324	18,534,380	17,788,997	18,492,898	19,085,837	18,003,241
Average size of farm.....acres..	114.4	102.0	86.9	80.0	75.9	74.7	69.7	73.3
Value of land and buildings:								
Average per farm.....dollars..	20,509	13,288	8,049	6,182	3,715	2,683	2,030	3,025
Average per acre.....dollars..	178.94	130.30	92.62	77.26	48.96	35.93	29.12	41.28
Land in farms according to use: ¹								
Cropland harvested.....farms..	115,755	136,554	175,280	205,031	216,618	235,643	265,323	232,085
.....acres..	3,617,961	4,116,418	4,860,793	5,575,106	5,843,567	6,158,662	6,330,402	6,106,300
1 to 9 acres.....farms..	45,616	45,122	55,846	56,060	61,178	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 to 19 acres.....farms..	24,401	30,890	41,092	49,668	49,068	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
20 to 29 acres.....farms..	14,273	19,409	27,401	36,901	38,688	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
30 to 49 acres.....farms..	13,807	19,360	25,932	35,690	39,234	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
50 to 99 acres.....farms..	10,807	14,738	18,120	20,401	22,038	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
100 to 199 acres.....farms..	4,532	5,267	5,414	5,125	5,251	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
200 acres or more.....farms..	2,319	1,768	1,475	1,186	1,161	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
200 to 499 acres.....farms..	1,889	1,549	1,333	1,090	1,072	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
500 to 999 acres.....farms..	347	177	117	80	78	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
1,000 acres or more.....farms..	83	42	25	16	11	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Cropland used only for pasture ²farms..	75,327	93,648	108,473	126,620	101,300	163,052	157,336	132,757
.....acres..	3,059,139	3,216,771	3,094,755	2,855,786	2,259,571	3,547,298	3,015,451	2,751,200
Cropland not harvested and not pastured.....farms..	47,645	46,842	59,653	80,702	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	1,178,109	1,166,022	1,060,593	1,489,116	1,169,883	1,453,194	1,382,320	1,559,476
Soil-improvement grasses and legumes.....farms..	26,859	17,721	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	592,534	418,328	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Crop failure.....farms..	3,071	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	8,122	22,219	11,130	13,526
.....acres..	38,441	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	80,964	203,446	96,577	145,470
Idle cropland.....farms..	27,611	(NA)	47,475	(NA)	61,281	79,939	80,142	78,270
.....acres..	547,134	(NA)	794,095	(NA)	1,088,919	1,249,748	1,285,743	1,414,006
Woodland pastured.....farms..	51,884	56,378	72,631	77,249	56,040	(NA)	73,045	66,800
.....acres..	1,738,115	1,744,013	2,218,808	1,902,208	1,333,168	(NA)	1,717,509	1,528,409
Woodland not pastured.....farms..	57,311	70,954	81,252	99,527	107,535	(NA)	122,233	105,289
.....acres..	3,121,071	3,457,302	3,716,561	3,966,399	3,719,883	(NA)	4,488,708	3,884,938
Other pasture (see text) ²farms..	47,017	45,915	62,122	71,155	98,770	(NA)	46,494	43,331
.....acres..	1,808,202	1,484,776	1,807,533	1,657,286	2,447,255	(NA)	911,038	887,988
Improved pasture.....farms..	15,687	10,119	11,784	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	510,953	272,329	271,183	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Other land (house lots, roads, etc.).....farms..	117,064	(NA)	175,182	197,345	218,628	(NA)	236,920	189,800
.....acres..	742,799	895,983	895,281	1,088,479	1,015,670	(NA)	1,240,409	1,284,930
Cropland, total ²farms..	127,992	150,350	193,380	222,009	227,923	246,047	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	7,855,209	8,499,211	9,016,141	9,920,008	9,273,021	11,159,154	10,728,173	10,416,976
Land pastured, total.....farms..	107,080	123,022	152,323	176,940	180,109	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	6,605,456	6,445,560	7,121,096	6,415,280	6,039,994	(NA)	5,643,998	5,167,597
Woodland, total.....farms..	89,363	104,176	125,888	141,092	136,355	150,167	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	4,859,186	5,201,315	5,935,369	5,868,607	5,053,051	5,219,105	6,206,217	5,413,347
Irrigated land in farms.....farms..	1,086	1,005	1,094	35	21	21	34	(NA)
.....acres..	10,737	10,979	22,548	1,012	393	311	557	(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.