

TABLE 2. Farms and Acreage According to Use, by Size of Farm: 1930 to 1964

[Data for 1959 and 1950 based on sample; see Introduction and Appendix A]

Subject	1964	1959	1954	1950	1945	1940	1935	1930
Number of farms:								
All farms.....	15,759	17,811	22,826	24,198	26,322	25,411	30,695	27,159
Less than 10 acres.....	1,805	2,234	4,855	4,340	5,592	3,560	5,405	4,057
Less than 3 acres.....	645	875	1,915	1,411	1,737	556	1,425	1,444
1 acre or less.....	386	515	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
2 acres.....	259	360	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
3 to 9 acres.....	1,160	1,359	2,940	2,929	3,855	3,004	3,980	2,613
3 acres.....	189	237	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
4 acres.....	210	188	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
5 acres.....	222	272	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
6 acres.....	172	194	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
7 acres.....	114	179	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
8 acres.....	163	166	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
9 acres.....	90	123	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 to 49 acres.....	4,085	4,597	5,645	6,828	7,562	8,464	10,449	8,828
10 to 29 acres.....	2,492	2,792	3,251	3,873	4,375	4,605	5,818	(NA)
30 to 49 acres.....	1,593	1,805	2,394	2,955	3,187	3,859	4,631	(NA)
50 to 69 acres.....	1,092	1,231	1,609	1,911	2,068	2,216	2,471	¹ 5,235
70 to 99 acres.....	1,360	2,073	2,073	2,329	2,345	2,626	3,030	(NA)
100 to 139 acres.....	1,199	1,409	1,624	1,735	1,819	1,884	1,996	² 5,422
140 to 179 acres.....	994	1,097	1,366	1,373	1,381	1,609	1,855	(NA)
180 to 219 acres.....	649	703	731	919	827	800	905	(NA)
220 to 259 acres.....	486	525	566	532	591	528	627	(NA)
260 to 499 acres.....	1,434	1,526	1,611	1,652	1,622	1,609	1,871	1,794
500 to 999 acres.....	994	1,078	1,099	1,051	1,075	1,019	1,198	1,030
1,000 to 1,999 acres ³	661	708	1,647	1,528	1,440	1,096	888	793
2,000 acres or more.....	1,000	1,013	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Land in farms (acres):								
All land in farms.....	12,867,081	12,702,596	12,262,222	10,854,289	10,309,107	7,302,007	6,239,318	5,613,101
Average size of farm.....	816.5	713.2	537.2	448.6	391.7	287.4	203.3	206.7
Less than 10 acres.....	7,365	9,328	17,933	17,873	22,434	17,169	23,156	16,286
10 to 49 acres.....	105,276	121,608	149,692	186,133	199,252	231,425	283,890	244,857
10 to 29 acres.....	44,008	(NA)	57,359	70,233	76,723	82,702	105,435	(NA)
30 to 49 acres.....	61,268	(NA)	92,333	115,900	122,529	148,723	178,455	(NA)
50 to 69 acres.....	64,114	71,980	94,317	111,019	120,276	128,852	143,071	¹ 369,383
70 to 99 acres.....	112,512	139,828	170,864	192,194	191,910	214,746	246,611	(NA)
100 to 139 acres.....	140,230	165,165	190,708	202,814	211,681	219,249	232,839	² 858,758
140 to 179 acres.....	136,731	174,367	215,577	216,640	217,947	254,526	293,615	(NA)
180 to 219 acres.....	128,372	139,759	144,428	181,728	163,839	157,743	179,321	(NA)
220 to 259 acres.....	115,425	124,607	134,492	126,290	140,430	125,122	149,228	(NA)
260 to 499 acres.....	509,705	542,865	568,113	593,583	569,334	566,566	657,464	630,562
500 to 999 acres.....	696,757	767,910	790,403	749,699	750,050	717,348	826,464	712,283
1,000 to 1,999 acres ³	919,538	992,031	9,785,695	8,276,316	7,721,954	4,669,261	3,203,659	2,780,972
2,000 acres or more.....	9,911,056	9,453,148	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Land in farms according to use:⁴								
Cropland harvested by size of farm.....	13,759	15,688	19,728	21,578	23,907	23,372	26,182	25,027
Less than 10 acres.....	1,039,040	1,090,384	1,228,520	1,313,726	1,247,718	966,088	814,854	1,159,890
Less than 10 acres.....	975	1,286	2,795	2,575	4,024	2,736	(NA)	(NA)
acres.....	3,239	4,441	8,086	8,845	12,646	10,198	11,390	9,826
10 to 49 acres.....	3,614	4,170	5,172	6,432	7,198	8,044	(NA)	(NA)
acres.....	58,120	73,311	89,541	116,909	131,241	147,750	141,830	167,050
10 to 29 acres.....	2,149	(NA)	2,905	3,607	4,128	4,342	(NA)	(NA)
acres.....	24,367	(NA)	34,187	45,989	51,924	54,969	56,561	(NA)
30 to 49 acres.....	1,465	(NA)	2,267	2,825	3,070	3,702	(NA)	(NA)
acres.....	33,753	(NA)	55,354	70,920	79,317	92,781	85,269	(NA)
50 to 69 acres.....	1,028	1,176	1,567	1,894	2,035	2,174	(NA)	(NA)
acres.....	35,498	41,770	55,885	67,610	76,825	77,344	65,312	¹ 215,529
70 to 99 acres.....	1,278	2,013	2,278	2,278	2,304	2,523	(NA)	(NA)
acres.....	59,353	78,370	96,225	107,027	109,919	109,294	92,421	(NA)
100 to 139 acres.....	1,151	1,338	1,581	1,699	1,786	1,845	(NA)	(NA)
acres.....	71,605	89,156	93,734	99,622	107,420	95,033	74,486	² 338,660
140 to 179 acres.....	927	1,061	1,306	1,333	1,336	1,524	(NA)	(NA)
acres.....	69,034	85,522	88,684	87,474	88,070	85,105	66,923	(NA)
180 to 219 acres.....	620	683	712	893	813	772	(NA)	(NA)
acres.....	54,121	62,244	54,191	66,226	63,981	47,970	42,741	(NA)
220 to 259 acres.....	461	509	547	517	582	510	(NA)	(NA)
acres.....	46,276	45,773	47,209	44,133	49,549	36,526	32,482	(NA)
260 to 499 acres.....	1,348	1,441	1,544	1,602	1,560	1,512	(NA)	(NA)
acres.....	153,907	149,772	156,446	168,876	163,410	124,909	98,509	161,270
500 to 999 acres.....	923	983	1,043	996	1,024	908	(NA)	(NA)
acres.....	136,638	134,934	150,480	164,475	148,874	92,090	75,813	116,437
1,000 to 1,999 acres ³	607	628	1,448	1,359	1,245	824	(NA)	(NA)
acres.....	121,158	114,347	388,039	382,529	295,783	139,869	112,947	151,118
2,000 acres or more.....	827	796	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres.....	230,091	210,744	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 2. Farms and Acreage According to Use, by Size of Farm: 1930 to 1964—Continued

[Data for 1959 and 1950 based on sample; see Introduction and Appendix A]

Subject	1964	1959	1954	1950	1945	1940	1935	1930
Land in farms according to use—Con.								
Cropland, total, by size of farm ¹farms..	14,570	16,543	20,579	22,222	24,522	24,435	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	2,069,514	2,040,035	2,027,458	2,112,353	1,663,702	1,762,296	1,706,174	1,723,702
Less than 10 acres.....farms..	1,165	1,571	3,196	2,861	4,349	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	4,452	5,891	10,518	11,102	14,682	13,084	16,303	(NA)
10 to 49 acres.....farms..	3,882	4,337	5,383	6,617	7,347	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	80,581	91,641	112,057	142,649	147,091	188,194	215,996	(NA)
50 to 69 acres.....farms..	1,060	1,211	1,588	1,905	2,050	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	48,961	52,615	68,346	80,387	85,198	100,813	101,007	(NA)
70 to 99 acres.....farms..	1,328	1,674	2,042	2,314	2,319	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	82,940	101,843	120,748	132,707	124,981	154,321	158,615	(NA)
100 to 139 acres.....farms..	1,180	1,383	1,605	1,720	1,799	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	99,260	117,273	121,987	130,982	126,294	146,130	136,961	(NA)
140 to 179 acres.....farms..	964	1,081	1,338	1,353	1,355	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	104,902	115,367	125,876	123,800	109,075	143,950	143,059	(NA)
180 to 219 acres.....farms..	637	693	727	899	817	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	81,477	83,209	77,461	96,486	80,833	88,274	87,017	(NA)
220 to 259 acres.....farms..	477	520	559	517	586	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	70,468	73,582	70,238	67,698	64,149	67,541	67,349	(NA)
260 to 499 acres.....farms..	1,402	1,501	1,580	1,617	1,587	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	256,421	269,905	253,608	271,966	221,375	263,676	246,103	(NA)
500 to 999 acres.....farms..	959	1,053	1,064	1,031	1,040	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	271,094	264,352	274,021	299,979	220,922	230,388	215,839	(NA)
1,000 to 1,999 acres ³farms..	640	663	1,497	1,388	1,273	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	275,556	262,826	792,598	754,597	469,102	365,925	317,925	(NA)
2,000 acres or more.....farms..	876	856	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	693,402	601,531	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Land pastured, total, by size of farm.....farms..	11,389	12,629	15,549	16,330	17,487	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	10,864,936	10,565,856	9,987,833	8,495,400	8,564,006	(NA)	4,292,642	3,661,777
Less than 10 acres.....farms..	592	776	1,501	1,302	1,536	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	1,695	2,019	3,313	3,479	4,114	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 to 49 acres.....farms..	2,475	2,725	3,478	3,901	4,225	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	28,402	28,094	35,932	38,014	42,749	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
50 to 69 acres.....farms..	794	921	1,240	1,533	1,615	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	18,579	20,140	24,933	28,358	31,723	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
70 to 99 acres.....farms..	1,017	1,248	1,624	1,853	1,921	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	34,178	37,456	48,087	52,988	60,051	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
100 to 139 acres.....farms..	949	1,057	1,377	1,508	1,606	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	47,848	50,156	64,626	66,112	80,287	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
140 to 179 acres.....farms..	793	851	1,151	1,172	1,275	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	59,846	51,515	83,544	85,956	103,640	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
180 to 219 acres.....farms..	534	581	640	788	768	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	52,097	55,115	62,393	74,820	79,421	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
220 to 259 acres.....farms..	417	463	508	462	551	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	51,220	52,754	58,280	52,748	72,400	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
260 to 499 acres.....farms..	1,300	1,360	1,473	1,476	1,545	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	270,598	272,552	301,280	298,820	341,136	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
500 to 999 acres.....farms..	922	998	994	929	1,032	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	449,853	486,424	483,054	395,168	521,414	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
1,000 to 1,999 acres ³farms..	621	664	1,563	1,406	1,413	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	663,942	709,145	8,821,791	7,398,937	7,227,071	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
2,000 acres or more.....farms..	975	985	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	9,186,678	8,800,486	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Irrigated land in farms, by size of farm.....farms..	13,762	15,922	19,406	21,311	23,543	22,612	⁶ 24,332	23,847
.....acres..	1,092,270	1,096,862	1,072,682	1,151,443	1,124,081	911,135	⁶ 583,183	⁷ 917,139 ⁸
Less than 10 acres.....farms..	1,148	1,636	3,197	3,046	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	2,645
.....acres..	4,278	5,961	9,879	11,132	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 to 49 acres.....farms..	3,719	4,300	5,161	6,452	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	8,395
.....acres..	68,979	84,241	97,871	128,884	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
50 to 69 acres.....farms..	1,033	1,191	1,526	1,879	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	⁸ 10,006
.....acres..	41,035	46,700	60,513	75,677	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
70 to 99 acres.....farms..	1,276	1,582	1,960	2,223	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	69,819	85,903	104,466	119,043	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
100 to 139 acres.....farms..	1,140	1,353	1,531	1,659	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	81,319	98,533	100,528	111,534	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
140 to 179 acres.....farms..	907	1,011	1,243	1,293	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	80,587	89,912	96,003	98,736	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
180 to 219 acres.....farms..	605	688	684	829	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	62,148	67,236	58,824	68,725	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
220 to 259 acres.....farms..	450	509	514	467	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	52,373	55,726	48,104	40,970	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
260 to 499 acres.....farms..	1,297	1,396	1,417	1,442	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	1,481
.....acres..	181,167	168,787	154,756	152,898	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
500 to 999 acres.....farms..	853	927	889	810	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	767
.....acres..	151,274	141,593	112,128	101,157	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
1,000 to 1,999 acres ³farms..	547	566	1,284	1,211	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	553
.....acres..	98,979	82,471	229,610	242,687	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
2,000 acres or more.....farms..	787	763	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	200,312	169,799	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)

NA Not available.

¹50 to 99 acres.

²100 to 259 acres.

³Prior to 1959, 1,000 acres or more.

⁴For the censuses of 1964, 1959, and 1954, in the census year; for all other censuses in the calendar year preceding the census.

⁵Not fully comparable for the various census years because of differences in definition of cropland used for pasture. See text.

⁶Irrigated cropland harvested only.

⁷Acreage of irrigated crops, including some duplication where two or more crops were harvested from same land.

⁸50 to 259 acres.