

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..	80,354	97,623	136,416	150,997	173,051	174,885	197,632	170,610
Approximate land area.....acres..	25,496,320	25,496,320	25,531,520	21,531,520	25,535,360	25,535,360	25,767,680	25,767,680
Proportion in farms.....percent..	47.1	51.5	57.5	61.0	64.1	64.4	68.5	64.9
Land in farms.....acres..	12,001,860	13,125,802	14,685,964	15,572,295	16,358,072	16,444,907	17,644,898	16,728,620
Average size of farm.....acres..	149.4	134.5	107.7	103.1	94.5	94.0	89.3	98.1
Value of land and buildings:								
Average per farm.....dollars..	27,572	18,635	11,369	8,458	5,021	3,860	3,005	5,016
Average per acre.....dollars..	182.64	138.60	105.61	82.01	53.11	41.04	33.66	51.16
Land in farms according to use: ¹								
Cropland harvested.....farms..	71,748	85,955	114,707	128,747	160,243	165,642	188,540	161,831
.....acres..	2,566,117	2,857,848	3,157,774	3,313,849	3,933,284	3,840,189	3,841,733	3,975,307
1 to 9 acres.....farms..	25,904	29,825	44,952	48,696	65,581	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 to 19 acres.....farms..	15,527	19,094	25,677	30,505	33,758	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
20 to 29 acres.....farms..	8,469	10,943	14,252	17,317	20,894	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
30 to 49 acres.....farms..	8,679	11,026	13,634	16,238	20,497	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
50 to 99 acres.....farms..	7,421	9,129	10,632	11,114	13,912	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
100 to 199 acres.....farms..	3,766	4,194	4,116	3,690	4,357	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
200 acres or more.....farms..	1,982	1,744	1,444	1,187	1,244	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
200 to 499 acres.....farms..	1,741	1,560	1,314	1,065	1,104	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
500 to 999 acres.....farms..	206	158	111	97	118	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
1,000 acres or more.....farms..	35	26	19	25	22	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Cropland used only for pasture ²farms..	25,053	33,061	45,534	67,183	50,126	111,231	109,205	94,951
.....acres..	864,577	1,018,405	1,116,147	1,564,181	1,168,570	3,191,670	2,992,866	2,925,350
Cropland not harvested and not pastured.....farms..	27,770	27,741	37,675	51,795	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	579,179	550,828	557,315	911,122	689,525	930,502	1,215,387	1,083,010
Soil-improvement grasses and legumes.....farms..	13,431	9,061	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	218,440	141,503	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Crop failure.....farms..	3,752	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	5,234	5,979	10,394	8,902
.....acres..	45,504	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	46,861	63,303	64,762	80,465
Idle cropland.....farms..	17,957	(NA)	30,069	(NA)	44,291	57,331	70,938	53,365
.....acres..	315,235	(NA)	416,646	(NA)	642,664	867,199	1,150,625	1,002,545
Woodland pastured.....farms..	31,920	36,122	49,547	51,132	47,921	(NA)	62,096	55,404
.....acres..	1,142,915	1,153,352	1,553,438	1,355,977	1,176,756	(NA)	1,628,524	1,527,726
Woodland not pastured.....farms..	46,880	60,093	75,496	91,110	111,700	(NA)	124,520	107,872
.....acres..	3,891,862	4,516,200	5,031,795	5,374,734	5,642,667	(NA)	6,041,830	5,167,430
Other pasture (see text) ²farms..	45,860	52,656	69,212	63,581	93,904	(NA)	41,984	36,756
.....acres..	2,567,698	2,551,484	2,771,351	2,378,887	3,158,736	(NA)	1,202,643	1,140,272
Improved pasture.....farms..	17,297	15,159	19,690	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	836,420	654,649	661,123	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Other land (house lots, roads, etc.).....farms..	70,243	(NA)	122,805	133,904	153,285	(NA)	167,670	129,085
.....acres..	388,347	477,685	498,144	673,545	588,534	(NA)	721,915	909,525
Cropland, total ²farms..	75,021	90,064	123,006	140,287	166,232	173,325	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	4,009,873	4,427,081	4,831,236	5,789,152	5,791,379	7,962,361	8,049,986	7,983,667
Land pastured, total.....farms..	63,962	77,801	104,463	117,102	132,373	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	4,575,190	4,723,241	5,440,936	5,299,045	5,504,062	(NA)	5,824,033	5,593,348
Woodland, total.....farms..	61,401	75,121	98,703	111,068	127,251	131,635	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	5,034,777	5,669,552	6,585,233	6,730,711	6,819,423	6,761,703	7,670,354	6,695,156
Irrigated land in farms.....farms..	4,452	1,996	763	71	31	53	336	(NA)
.....acres..	50,968	31,101	21,805	2,817	1,419	687	3387	(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.