

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.....	45,574	51,554	65,175	69,821	79,887	81,686	84,381	70,904
Less than 10 acres.....	4,604	6,710	13,764	13,957	19,592	17,411	17,277	12,343
Less than 3 acres.....	993	1,487	2,076	1,802	2,617	1,172	1,239	1,871
1 acre or less.....	452	767	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
2 acres.....	541	720	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
3 to 9 acres.....	3,611	5,223	11,688	12,155	16,975	16,239	16,038	10,472
3 acres.....	445	732	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
4 acres.....	491	597	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
5 acres.....	1,108	1,769	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
6 acres.....	455	541	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
7 acres.....	351	574	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
8 acres.....	463	552	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
9 acres.....	298	458	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 to 49 acres.....	17,098	18,694	23,890	26,795	30,654	33,359	34,559	27,884
10 to 29 acres.....	11,189	12,169	15,834	17,810	20,761	22,504	23,070	22,504
30 to 49 acres.....	5,909	6,525	8,056	8,985	9,893	10,855	11,489	(NA)
50 to 69 acres.....	2,868	3,226	3,535	4,081	3,930	3,891	3,945	19,414
70 to 99 acres.....	3,741	5,075	5,356	5,821	5,821	6,291	6,654	(NA)
100 to 139 acres.....	2,783	3,181	3,354	3,389	3,358	3,565	3,659	210,542
140 to 179 acres.....	2,509	2,825	2,923	3,172	3,404	4,039	4,764	(NA)
180 to 219 acres.....	1,345	1,458	1,423	1,494	1,456	1,472	1,477	(NA)
220 to 259 acres.....	1,044	1,145	1,140	1,221	1,232	1,320	1,335	(NA)
260 to 499 acres.....	3,190	3,369	3,501	3,663	3,897	4,177	4,446	4,464
500 to 999 acres.....	2,625	2,887	3,010	3,056	2,998	3,125	3,396	3,518
1,000 to 1,999 acres ³	2,020	2,016	3,560	3,637	3,545	3,036	2,869	2,739
2,000 acres or more.....	1,747	1,615	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Land in farms (acres):								
All land in farms.....	19,052,538	18,692,057	17,641,429	17,706,301	16,719,870	15,181,815	14,680,097	13,533,778
Average size of farm.....	418.1	362.6	270.7	253.6	209.3	185.9	174.0	190.9
Less than 10 acres.....	21,946	32,192	65,703	70,113	92,559	89,144	89,204	61,085
10 to 49 acres.....	412,782	449,880	566,118	635,329	708,244	776,501	805,677	667,550
10 to 29 acres.....	187,658	(NA)	258,943	292,666	331,035	360,965	367,321	(NA)
30 to 49 acres.....	225,124	(NA)	307,175	342,663	377,209	415,536	438,356	(NA)
50 to 69 acres.....	166,303	186,975	205,082	236,181	227,571	225,643	228,146	1683,533
70 to 99 acres.....	304,929	360,768	412,058	433,328	471,296	508,408	536,844	(NA)
100 to 139 acres.....	323,113	369,204	389,272	390,933	389,318	414,958	425,149	21,683,908
140 to 179 acres.....	395,291	445,765	461,276	499,422	537,533	639,038	753,802	(NA)
180 to 219 acres.....	264,770	286,629	280,546	295,925	286,948	290,386	290,541	(NA)
220 to 259 acres.....	248,448	271,691	271,346	291,223	293,190	314,286	317,588	(NA)
260 to 499 acres.....	1,146,208	1,200,423	1,261,184	1,329,157	1,404,597	1,506,580	1,614,343	1,624,589
500 to 999 acres.....	1,884,672	2,046,859	2,152,351	2,184,082	2,122,644	2,203,016	2,421,060	2,491,091
1,000 to 1,999 acres ³	2,831,098	2,809,870	11,576,493	11,340,608	10,185,970	8,213,855	7,197,743	6,322,022
2,000 acres or more.....	11,052,978	10,231,801	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Land in farms according to use:⁴								
Cropland harvested by size of farm.....farms..	35,815	42,488	50,419	56,111	68,176	73,089	77,993	65,307
acres.....	4,423,400	4,383,354	4,342,833	4,254,999	4,290,008	3,569,803	3,635,796	3,658,514
Less than 10 acres.....farms..	3,072	4,062	7,342	8,078	14,254	13,965	(NA)	(NA)
acres.....	9,521	12,856	19,847	22,924	34,970	36,370	42,833	32,041
10 to 49 acres.....farms..	11,582	14,476	17,900	21,263	26,086	29,899	(NA)	(NA)
acres.....	137,248	167,863	192,497	213,313	258,832	285,464	320,423	278,708
10 to 29 acres.....farms..	7,286	(NA)	11,405	13,746	17,349	19,963	(NA)	(NA)
acres.....	64,321	(NA)	90,868	104,709	127,474	143,211	160,196	(NA)
30 to 49 acres.....farms..	4,296	(NA)	6,495	7,517	8,737	9,936	(NA)	(NA)
acres.....	72,927	(NA)	101,629	108,604	131,358	142,253	160,227	(NA)
50 to 69 acres.....farms..	2,267	2,783	2,994	3,551	3,585	3,673	(NA)	(NA)
acres.....	57,182	66,579	71,206	77,738	80,215	80,411	84,972	1236,553
70 to 99 acres.....farms..	3,078	3,930	4,466	4,736	5,298	5,853	(NA)	(NA)
acres.....	106,366	139,373	146,366	137,715	159,013	163,372	176,411	(NA)
100 to 139 acres.....farms..	2,394	2,848	3,037	3,100	3,120	3,376	(NA)	(NA)
acres.....	116,730	138,908	127,147	110,319	120,980	121,518	126,199	2467,083
140 to 179 acres.....farms..	2,169	2,589	2,644	2,944	3,159	3,733	(NA)	(NA)
acres.....	144,022	165,598	145,863	151,684	156,093	166,188	191,401	(NA)
180 to 219 acres.....farms..	1,221	1,358	1,286	1,353	1,384	1,406	(NA)	(NA)
acres.....	101,036	101,819	83,278	81,822	84,343	80,389	80,140	(NA)
220 to 259 acres.....farms..	958	1,060	1,051	1,110	1,174	1,264	(NA)	(NA)
acres.....	99,475	97,836	85,720	83,627	93,415	91,288	95,787	(NA)
260 to 499 acres.....farms..	2,939	3,093	3,302	3,502	3,763	3,992	(NA)	(NA)
acres.....	447,106	417,507	426,029	459,414	479,228	446,677	476,208	508,115
500 to 999 acres.....farms..	2,500	2,774	2,928	2,961	2,922	3,026	(NA)	(NA)
acres.....	737,890	760,054	786,301	762,116	775,872	678,208	765,369	823,560
1,000 to 1,999 acres ³farms..	1,976	1,974	3,469	3,513	3,431	2,902	(NA)	(NA)
acres.....	994,720	953,529	2,258,579	2,154,327	2,047,047	1,419,918	1,276,053	1,312,454
2,000 acres or more.....farms..	1,659	1,541	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres.....	1,472,104	1,361,432	(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..	41,515	47,508	58,475	64,418	72,677	78,597	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	8,061,098	7,875,287	7,693,274	7,722,312	7,132,379	7,180,154	6,743,821	6,853,251
Less than 10 acres.....farms..	3,752	5,087	10,116	11,198	15,890	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	14,087	18,802	34,749	40,179	46,734	55,367	56,139	(NA)
10 to 49 acres.....farms..	14,863	16,996	21,630	24,857	28,112	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	238,485	265,351	316,184	351,163	340,953	425,669	-11,182	(NA)
50 to 69 acres.....farms..	2,655	3,059	3,348	3,921	3,742	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	99,602	108,940	114,486	128,614	104,583	120,431	111,003	(NA)
70 to 99 acres.....farms..	3,507	4,272	4,877	5,161	5,531	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	175,476	211,372	223,941	221,448	210,154	244,797	233,386	(NA)
100 to 139 acres.....farms..	2,661	3,084	3,240	3,304	3,235	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	187,625	208,758	196,145	184,361	158,848	185,190	171,496	(NA)
140 to 179 acres.....farms..	2,396	2,755	2,836	3,111	3,283	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	229,011	237,770	224,821	234,587	209,260	268,549	278,117	(NA)
180 to 219 acres.....farms..	1,303	1,428	1,383	1,463	1,420	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	153,654	148,785	127,626	131,767	113,402	127,852	118,201	(NA)
220 to 259 acres.....farms..	1,015	1,120	1,123	1,201	1,207	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	144,613	143,743	127,917	128,558	123,246	149,340	148,584	(NA)
260 to 499 acres.....farms..	3,103	3,283	3,438	3,607	3,835	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	661,027	638,109	669,517	696,416	677,672	804,331	845,651	(NA)
500 to 999 acres.....farms..	2,570	2,852	2,977	3,021	2,957	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	1,198,069	1,284,978	1,332,993	1,301,999	1,223,563	1,378,070	1,529,196	(NA)
1,000 to 1,999 acres ³farms..	1,998	2,001	3,507	3,574	3,465	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	1,861,962	1,780,865	4,324,895	4,303,220	3,923,964	3,420,558	2,840,866	(NA)
2,000 acres or more.....farms..	1,692	1,571	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	3,101,487	2,827,814	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Land pastured, total, by size of farm.....farms..	33,893	37,642	48,418	51,441	59,787	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	10,576,690	9,949,278	9,234,377	9,284,910	9,103,610	(NA)	7,432,611	6,240,812
Less than 10 acres.....farms..	1,814	2,951	7,549	6,936	9,711	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	6,337	9,327	22,844	20,684	26,170	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 to 49 acres.....farms..	12,682	13,440	17,861	19,639	23,575	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	181,873	169,850	222,668	235,441	286,514	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
50 to 69 acres.....farms..	2,373	2,654	2,946	3,467	3,522	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	73,272	76,256	81,693	95,262	103,312	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
70 to 99 acres.....farms..	3,085	3,560	4,290	4,618	5,221	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	128,969	126,569	162,491	183,943	219,333	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
100 to 139 acres.....farms..	2,296	2,513	2,901	3,045	3,098	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	129,866	127,701	157,437	168,210	193,494	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
140 to 179 acres.....farms..	2,028	2,331	2,504	2,816	3,084	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	157,876	158,427	192,326	213,535	285,751	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
180 to 219 acres.....farms..	1,112	1,253	1,257	1,334	1,335	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	102,282	113,121	120,995	121,019	148,283	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
220 to 259 acres.....farms..	841	939	985	1,058	1,133	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	90,767	96,890	110,126	130,214	151,019	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
260 to 499 acres.....farms..	2,594	2,805	2,916	3,084	3,448	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	420,071	424,562	481,747	510,803	662,702	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
500 to 999 acres.....farms..	2,036	2,282	2,339	2,444	2,549	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	619,708	622,478	708,664	745,283	840,773	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
1,000 to 1,999 acres ³farms..	1,524	1,537	2,870	3,000	3,111	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	933,602	915,837	6,973,386	6,860,516	6,186,259	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
2,000 acres or more.....farms..	1,508	1,377	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	7,732,067	7,108,260	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Irrigated land in farms, by size of farm.....farms..	16,488	19,539	18,844	17,192	15,974	17,426	⁶ 18,186	15,949
.....acres..	1,149,842	994,181	778,135	605,540	520,153	493,982	⁶ 422,335	⁷ 405,027
Less than 10 acres.....farms..	2,271	3,126	3,864	3,341	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	3,255
.....acres..	8,965	11,943	13,361	13,876	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 to 49 acres.....farms..	5,900	7,145	7,033	7,440	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	7,687
.....acres..	100,986	117,312	115,668	122,794	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
50 to 69 acres.....farms..	928	1,166	1,075	984	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	84,010
.....acres..	35,834	41,290	39,189	35,573	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
70 to 99 acres.....farms..	1,231	1,669	1,683	1,527	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	66,166	87,490	85,442	75,713	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
100 to 139 acres.....farms..	1,019	1,369	1,143	956	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	74,208	92,242	71,391	53,206	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
140 to 179 acres.....farms..	1,024	1,231	923	766	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	100,897	106,696	74,610	60,163	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
180 to 219 acres.....farms..	615	627	458	381	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	76,047	68,157	42,796	35,525	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
220 to 259 acres.....farms..	501	503	353	327	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	70,918	63,313	39,961	34,171	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
260 to 499 acres.....farms..	1,299	1,162	979	665	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	531
.....acres..	239,785	170,254	117,484	70,862	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
500 to 999 acres.....farms..	699	655	555	375	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	250
.....acres..	151,560	98,552	70,545	48,547	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
1,000 to 1,999 acres ³farms..	419	380	778	430	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	216
.....acres..	85,401	46,948	107,688	55,110	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
2,000 acres or more.....farms..	582	506	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
.....acres..	139,075	89,984	(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.