

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.....	34,504	43,982	68,583	81,418	97,600	99,282	104,747	82,641
Less than 10 acres.....	909	1,717	8,074	8,852	14,964	13,354	13,236	5,420
Less than 2 acres.....	383	637	1,159	1,034	2,132	958	131	426
1 acre or less.....	226	371	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
2 acres.....	157	266	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
3 to 9 acres.....	526	1,080	6,915	7,818	12,832	12,396	13,105	4,994
3 acres.....	86	199	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
4 acres.....	75	151	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
5 acres.....	94	196	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
6 acres.....	78	152	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
7 acres.....	78	130	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
8 acres.....	57	140	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
9 acres.....	58	112	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 to 49 acres.....	8,188	11,371	20,036	24,627	29,818	31,179	32,348	22,699
10 to 29 acres.....	4,134	5,928	11,211	13,602	17,085	17,601	17,912	(NA)
30 to 49 acres.....	4,054	5,443	8,825	11,025	12,733	13,578	14,436	(NA)
50 to 69 acres.....	4,073	5,242	8,130	10,155	11,961	12,872	13,827	123,990
70 to 99 acres.....	4,790	6,235	8,681	10,836	11,839	12,442	13,733	(NA)
100 to 139 acres.....	5,056	6,344	8,486	10,367	11,494	11,900	13,072	224,914
140 to 179 acres.....	3,155	3,845	4,750	5,540	6,021	6,061	6,574	(NA)
180 to 219 acres.....	2,131	2,497	3,114	3,574	3,768	3,815	4,070	(NA)
220 to 259 acres.....	1,397	1,650	1,799	1,948	2,135	2,134	2,273	(NA)
260 to 499 acres.....	3,215	3,467	3,811	3,984	4,105	4,098	4,183	4,169
500 to 999 acres.....	1,180	1,231	1,308	1,181	1,171	1,100	1,121	1,113
1,000 to 1,999 acres ³	335	311	394	324	324	327	310	336
2,000 acres or more.....	75	72	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Land in farms (acres):								
All land in farms.....	5,278,592	6,047,301	7,351,874	8,154,951	8,719,579	8,908,803	9,423,655	8,802,348
Average size of farm.....	153.0	137.5	107.2	100.2	89.3	89.7	90.0	106.5
Less than 10 acres.....	3,560	7,213	38,719	45,937	70,614	68,150	71,326	29,643
10 to 49 acres.....	237,162	325,837	548,425	682,328	799,335	841,048	882,518	652,022
10 to 29 acres.....	78,854	(NA)	206,995	252,528	308,921	317,993	325,785	(NA)
30 to 49 acres.....	158,308	(NA)	341,430	429,800	490,414	523,055	556,733	(NA)
50 to 69 acres.....	237,867	305,808	472,983	588,045	690,102	743,542	797,186	1,695,740
70 to 99 acres.....	399,176	517,590	721,360	895,935	976,290	1,029,604	1,133,735	(NA)
100 to 139 acres.....	587,832	737,789	980,080	1,194,936	1,316,119	1,363,677	1,497,227	23,736,121
140 to 179 acres.....	497,081	603,476	746,155	866,835	943,323	950,247	1,030,689	(NA)
180 to 219 acres.....	422,673	493,677	614,066	704,775	745,382	754,223	804,387	(NA)
220 to 259 acres.....	333,177	392,746	428,360	462,725	507,915	507,149	540,601	(NA)
260 to 499 acres.....	1,104,812	1,180,375	1,293,947	1,357,906	1,396,621	1,384,937	1,415,406	1,409,201
500 to 999 acres.....	777,838	817,629	859,055	758,780	767,037	716,143	727,772	717,760
1,000 to 1,999 acres ³	439,513	402,481	648,724	596,749	506,841	550,083	522,808	561,861
2,000 acres or more.....	237,901	262,680	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Land in farms according to use:⁴								
Cropland harvested by size of farm.....	31,296	39,456	60,477	71,528	90,964	95,022	101,676	79,100
Less than 10 acres.....	733,499	849,062	1,073,216	1,222,079	1,489,919	1,564,754	1,710,475	1,655,380
10 to 49 acres.....	6,830	9,823	17,004	20,642	27,308	29,543	30,772	14,539
50 to 69 acres.....	43,185	63,018	103,339	130,138	179,401	212,662	243,363	192,596
70 to 99 acres.....	3,311	(NA)	9,211	10,962	15,424	16,517	(NA)	(NA)
100 to 139 acres.....	16,669	(NA)	44,071	52,963	78,928	94,116	107,736	(NA)
140 to 179 acres.....	3,519	(NA)	7,793	9,680	11,884	13,026	(NA)	(NA)
180 to 219 acres.....	26,516	(NA)	59,268	77,175	100,473	118,546	135,627	(NA)
220 to 259 acres.....	3,646	4,737	7,459	9,205	11,357	12,464	(NA)	(NA)
260 to 499 acres.....	37,214	48,584	75,509	97,120	129,683	152,028	172,487	1392,597
500 to 999 acres.....	4,459	5,710	8,146	10,126	11,355	12,103	(NA)	(NA)
1,000 to 1,999 acres.....	60,503	78,790	113,365	149,314	178,691	200,044	231,073	(NA)
2,000 acres or more.....	4,729	5,968	8,121	9,897	11,126	11,635	(NA)	(NA)
10 to 29 acres.....	89,186	117,519	154,099	192,400	238,833	259,272	291,757	2730,285
30 to 49 acres.....	2,995	3,639	4,564	5,270	5,863	5,956	(NA)	(NA)
50 to 69 acres.....	73,264	88,104	116,881	134,885	167,948	175,433	189,775	(NA)
70 to 99 acres.....	2,056	2,357	3,010	3,479	3,680	3,741	(NA)	(NA)
100 to 139 acres.....	61,851	75,151	94,047	105,976	129,262	130,056	141,631	(NA)
140 to 179 acres.....	1,355	1,565	1,760	1,903	2,099	2,099	(NA)	(NA)
180 to 219 acres.....	51,034	59,681	64,175	67,160	86,313	85,593	90,797	(NA)
220 to 259 acres.....	3,109	3,315	3,738	3,878	4,032	4,027	(NA)	(NA)
260 to 499 acres.....	157,324	170,258	183,489	186,484	209,007	199,756	199,091	211,571
500 to 999 acres.....	1,143	1,190	1,270	1,136	1,160	1,085	(NA)	(NA)
1,000 to 1,999 acres ³	93,559	87,792	97,346	88,971	88,497	77,646	73,982	76,343
2,000 acres or more.....	326	298	389	351	321	321	(NA)	(NA)
10 to 29 acres.....	47,623	42,591	59,471	55,164	54,360	39,931	36,283	37,449
30 to 49 acres.....	73	69	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
50 to 69 acres.....	17,658	15,609	(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 ²farms..	32,704	41,551	63,900	76,575	92,971	97,991	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	1,226,949	1,589,893	1,819,081	2,367,110	1,973,071	3,861,054	3,570,775	3,625,251
Less than 10 acres.....farms..	610	950	5,798	6,766	13,088	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	1,524	3,275	18,177	23,922	33,328	46,931	52,213	(NA)
10 to 49 acres.....farms..	7,359	10,504	18,515	22,777	28,113	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	76,912	125,035	197,359	263,418	247,129	452,011	443,756	(NA)
50 to 69 acres.....farms..	3,853	5,007	7,813	9,850	11,607	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	67,421	74,948	141,857	196,320	178,526	358,748	345,336	(NA)
70 to 99 acres.....farms..	4,649	6,040	8,457	10,576	11,553	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	108,758	161,535	202,604	289,224	242,615	481,832	470,087	(NA)
100 to 139 acres.....farms..	4,915	6,183	8,347	10,227	11,281	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	159,453	220,646	261,348	366,082	321,281	632,767	605,245	(NA)
140 to 179 acres.....farms..	3,093	3,774	4,661	5,425	5,939	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	124,228	165,493	194,588	254,600	224,630	436,049	404,084	(NA)
180 to 219 acres.....farms..	2,106	2,442	3,078	3,564	3,727	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	103,273	134,236	150,322	201,616	174,005	331,205	303,680	(NA)
220 to 259 acres.....farms..	1,379	1,625	1,777	1,918	2,114	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	82,530	110,204	105,167	131,228	111,030	214,258	200,872	(NA)
260 to 499 acres.....farms..	3,179	3,432	3,775	3,953	4,062	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	251,605	301,993	296,291	366,564	267,389	552,633	462,846	(NA)
500 to 999 acres.....farms..	1,160	1,216	1,288	1,166	1,164	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	151,246	164,797	157,016	173,866	109,201	216,397	189,075	(NA)
1,000 to 1,999 acres ³farms..	328	307	391	353	323	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	75,737	76,909	94,352	100,270	63,937	138,223	93,581	(NA)
2,000 acres or more.....farms..	73	71	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	24,262	30,822	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Land pastured, total, by size of farm.....farms..	31,871	40,336	60,039	71,647	85,107	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	2,875,249	3,194,273	4,064,846	4,269,627	4,655,397	(NA)	4,953,174	4,510,673
Less than 10 acres.....farms..	268	671	4,068	4,510	7,657	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	964	2,325	12,550	14,575	22,807	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 to 49 acres.....farms..	7,243	9,920	17,094	21,226	26,197	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	130,319	166,060	276,814	332,567	400,583	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
50 to 69 acres.....farms..	3,799	4,942	7,600	9,485	11,407	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	130,102	163,023	252,399	294,050	358,729	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
70 to 99 acres.....farms..	4,535	5,910	8,262	10,391	11,482	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	217,134	274,900	389,206	468,675	515,415	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
100 to 139 acres.....farms..	4,847	6,116	8,216	9,916	11,173	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	324,677	388,831	540,914	623,980	690,526	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
140 to 179 acres.....farms..	3,049	3,743	4,624	5,320	5,898	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	272,773	320,985	411,923	454,180	506,137	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
180 to 219 acres.....farms..	2,071	2,432	3,026	3,483	3,688	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	232,718	262,856	339,742	373,132	397,943	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
220 to 259 acres.....farms..	1,367	1,623	1,762	1,917	2,097	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	185,326	222,215	244,682	257,279	277,522	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
260 to 499 acres.....farms..	3,141	3,404	3,729	3,904	4,039	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	617,033	638,199	733,105	701,485	762,058	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
500 to 999 acres.....farms..	1,157	1,200	1,269	1,146	1,150	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	430,740	403,185	469,083	411,466	426,711	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
1,000 to 1,999 acres ³farms..	325	304	389	349	319	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	234,529	223,984	394,428	338,238	296,966	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
2,000 acres or more.....farms..	69	71	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	98,934	127,710	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Irrigated land in farms, by size of farm.....farms..	79	84	62	1	11	23	611	(NA)
acres..	2,420	1,935	1,381	1	42	270	647	(NA)
Less than 10 acres.....farms..	2	-	2	-	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	7	-	4	-	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 to 49 acres.....farms..	11	40	4	-	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	62	145	19	-	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
50 to 69 acres.....farms..	3	15	4	-	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	25	70	124	-	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
70 to 99 acres.....farms..	8	-	4	-	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	194	-	13	-	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
100 to 139 acres.....farms..	8	5	8	-	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	183	5	44	-	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
140 to 179 acres.....farms..	7	10	9	-	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	63	25	238	-	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
180 to 219 acres.....farms..	2	-	3	-	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	17	-	29	-	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
220 to 259 acres.....farms..	8	5	7	-	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	130	1,155	93	-	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
260 to 499 acres.....farms..	8	-	12	-	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	475	-	221	-	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
500 to 999 acres.....farms..	14	6	4	-	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	597	455	157	-	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
1,000 to 1,999 acres ³farms..	5	3	5	1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	346	80	439	1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
2,000 acres or more.....farms..	3	-	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	321	-	(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.