

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.....	118,816	131,192	153,558	168,582	177,745	186,735	199,877	181,767
Less than 10 acres.....	2,600	2,697	5,526	5,827	5,690	6,362	7,902	4,690
Less than 3 acres.....	1,105	1,068	1,931	1,368	668	438	294	460
1 acre or less.....	727	606	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
2 acres.....	378	462	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
3 to 9 acres.....	1,495	1,629	3,595	4,459	5,022	5,924	7,608	4,230
3 acres.....	324	282	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
4 acres.....	204	239	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
5 acres.....	409	424	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
6 acres.....	156	193	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
7 acres.....	156	171	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
8 acres.....	151	179	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
9 acres.....	95	141	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 to 49 acres.....	10,117	11,362	14,686	17,987	20,267	25,071	30,379	24,533
10 to 29 acres.....	3,812	4,404	5,796	6,884	7,204	8,185	10,065	(NA)
30 to 49 acres.....	6,305	6,958	8,890	11,103	13,063	16,886	20,314	(NA)
50 to 99 acres.....	4,763	5,254	6,706	7,910	8,592	9,846	11,069	157,376
70 to 99 acres.....	17,569	20,884	28,006	34,217	39,288	45,661	49,332	(NA)
100 to 139 acres.....	21,086	25,394	31,205	35,497	37,231	38,386	39,613	285,276
140 to 179 acres.....	20,512	23,441	26,369	27,697	28,651	28,363	28,930	(NA)
180 to 219 acres.....	13,370	14,604	14,980	15,176	15,050	13,831	13,855	(NA)
220 to 259 acres.....	9,323	9,637	9,310	9,038	9,038	7,931	7,944	(NA)
260 to 499 acres.....	16,557	15,627	14,401	13,136	12,334	10,144	9,792	8,915
500 to 999 acres.....	2,572	2,013	1,778	1,631	1,415	995	930	860
1,000 to 1,999 acres.....	270	227	257	194	189	145	131	117
2,000 acres or more.....	77	52	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Land in farms (acres):								
All land in farms.....	20,377,572	21,164,615	22,507,288	23,254,749	23,615,031	22,876,494	23,459,203	21,874,155
Average size of farm.....	171.5	161.3	146.6	137.9	132.9	122.5	117.4	120.3
Less than 10 acres.....	9,407	10,606	22,326	27,613	28,121	32,332	41,497	24,786
10 to 49 acres.....	317,220	359,831	453,102	557,444	642,553	811,173	979,611	814,237
10 to 29 acres.....	68,249	(NA)	102,301	118,507	124,343	140,479	173,158	(NA)
30 to 49 acres.....	248,971	(NA)	350,801	438,937	518,210	670,694	806,453	(NA)
50 to 99 acres.....	281,433	311,703	397,080	466,880	508,742	581,963	654,183	14,435,193
70 to 99 acres.....	1,440,423	1,716,095	2,294,132	2,789,065	3,201,033	3,712,301	4,009,783	(NA)
100 to 139 acres.....	2,484,506	2,987,679	3,663,836	4,159,722	4,355,628	4,488,145	4,630,612	212,968,153
140 to 179 acres.....	3,238,508	3,701,688	4,155,805	4,361,780	4,512,042	4,463,696	4,553,122	(NA)
180 to 219 acres.....	2,637,657	2,877,622	2,951,620	2,990,746	2,961,816	2,722,506	2,726,304	(NA)
220 to 259 acres.....	2,211,202	2,287,252	2,283,380	2,206,445	2,140,745	1,878,193	1,880,686	(NA)
260 to 499 acres.....	5,556,165	5,201,531	4,758,885	4,316,291	4,052,296	3,311,885	3,186,703	2,898,962
500 to 999 acres.....	1,621,564	1,250,563	1,116,127	1,044,458	890,067	620,367	579,886	527,360
1,000 to 1,999 acres.....	345,585	293,801	410,995	334,305	321,988	253,933	216,816	205,464
2,000 acres or more.....	233,902	166,244	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Land in farms according to use: <sup>4</sup>								
Cropland harvested by size of farm.....farms..	112,963	125,764	147,001	162,759	174,057	182,763	197,016	179,118
acres..	9,038,263	9,674,767	9,849,700	10,153,296	10,544,975	9,815,964	9,771,796	9,618,331
Less than 10 acres.....farms..	1,278	1,306	2,836	3,401	4,430	5,290	6,430	13,733
acres..	3,193	4,052	8,105	10,904	14,067	15,827	21,824	13,733
10 to 49 acres.....farms..	8,395	9,770	12,648	16,215	18,985	23,697	28,697	23,697
acres..	133,675	173,775	207,593	257,918	305,711	357,058	416,496	391,107
10 to 29 acres.....farms..	2,854	(NA)	4,661	5,923	6,490	7,521	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	26,241	(NA)	45,572	56,666	61,952	67,603	83,980	(NA)
30 to 49 acres.....farms..	5,541	(NA)	7,987	10,292	12,495	16,176	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	107,434	(NA)	162,021	201,252	243,759	289,455	332,516	(NA)
50 to 99 acres.....farms..	4,333	4,928	6,325	7,645	8,394	9,653	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	129,748	163,038	202,187	242,080	276,747	305,436	332,961	12,190,180
70 to 99 acres.....farms..	16,759	20,288	27,362	33,667	38,861	45,072	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	706,361	907,174	1,173,426	1,424,280	1,643,493	1,800,008	1,858,812	(NA)
100 to 139 acres.....farms..	20,513	24,877	30,864	35,155	37,010	38,063	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	1,236,358	1,559,453	1,814,561	2,027,825	2,163,937	2,127,291	2,132,173	25,806,657
140 to 179 acres.....farms..	20,104	23,021	26,162	27,462	28,490	28,133	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	1,561,794	1,809,948	1,910,007	1,970,898	2,065,341	1,948,469	1,923,806	(NA)
180 to 219 acres.....farms..	13,159	14,403	14,884	15,075	14,999	13,760	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	1,231,264	1,343,582	1,288,097	1,275,289	1,297,701	1,140,454	1,105,642	(NA)
220 to 259 acres.....farms..	9,178	9,516	9,601	9,255	9,004	7,895	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	986,717	1,013,880	953,706	902,910	891,341	746,911	719,733	(NA)
260 to 499 acres.....farms..	16,376	15,401	14,313	13,086	12,297	10,083	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	2,266,989	2,096,391	1,795,571	1,607,984	1,525,597	1,163,767	1,078,782	1,043,663
500 to 999 acres.....farms..	2,537	1,982	1,756	1,606	1,401	978	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	586,954	456,078	360,460	337,469	280,700	172,272	149,825	140,751
1,000 to 1,999 acres.....farms..	260	223	250	192	186	139	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	114,982	94,995	135,987	95,739	80,340	38,471	31,742	32,240
2,000 acres or more.....farms..	71	49	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	80,228	52,401	(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 <sup>1</sup> .....farms..	116,432	128,599	149,845	165,072	175,726	185,393	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	12,043,283	12,345,250	12,680,346	12,953,647	12,682,517	13,037,946	12,707,223	12,106,071
Less than 10 acres.....farms..	1,419	1,491	3,306	3,876	4,786	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	4,258	5,072	11,260	14,240	17,167	21,416	27,793	(NA)
10 to 49 acres.....farms..	9,416	10,505	13,741	17,015	19,618	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	202,984	232,702	284,558	338,268	372,320	474,008	529,994	(NA)
50 to 69 acres.....farms..	4,648	5,094	6,558	7,790	8,496	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	190,510	213,810	263,933	308,985	331,482	393,292	414,407	(NA)
70 to 99 acres.....farms..	17,400	20,759	27,816	34,002	39,110	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	979,828	1,175,934	1,517,199	1,792,935	1,961,916	2,309,038	2,326,962	(NA)
100 to 139 acres.....farms..	21,001	25,303	31,112	35,411	37,142	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	1,646,503	1,979,003	2,317,133	2,551,590	2,578,073	2,749,903	2,704,328	(NA)
140 to 179 acres.....farms..	20,464	23,376	26,319	27,632	28,601	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	2,043,150	2,291,120	2,426,501	2,485,253	2,463,983	2,566,135	2,493,991	(NA)
180 to 219 acres.....farms..	13,335	14,584	14,962	15,151	15,025	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	1,600,394	1,695,167	1,637,683	1,615,872	1,553,883	1,521,950	1,459,092	(NA)
220 to 259 acres.....farms..	9,311	9,622	9,632	9,275	9,029	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	1,289,572	1,285,787	1,218,864	1,146,770	1,074,778	1,017,932	968,082	(NA)
260 to 499 acres.....farms..	16,531	15,586	14,377	13,111	12,324	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	2,988,733	2,668,974	2,328,892	2,091,342	1,868,529	1,656,578	1,510,495	(NA)
500 to 999 acres.....farms..	2,568	2,003	1,767	1,616	1,406	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	819,663	594,038	488,787	463,688	360,535	268,642	223,306	(NA)
1,000 to 1,999 acres <sup>3</sup> .....farms..	263	227	255	193	139	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	162,555	131,911	185,536	144,704	99,851	59,002	48,773	(NA)
2,000 acres or more.....farms..	76	49	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	115,133	71,732	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Land pastured, total, by size of farm.....farms..	102,529	117,720	139,057	154,056	166,532	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	6,412,878	7,064,893	8,515,609	9,013,561	9,720,803	(NA)	10,114,657	8,822,623
Less than 10 acres.....farms..	317	361	1,049	1,460	1,944	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	1,033	1,274	3,109	5,055	5,054	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 to 49 acres.....farms..	6,199	7,104	10,059	13,041	16,253	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	83,453	94,105	139,164	179,985	224,672	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
50 to 69 acres.....farms..	3,593	4,286	5,855	7,025	8,129	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	73,827	85,730	127,081	145,655	171,214	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
70 to 99 acres.....farms..	14,987	18,830	26,243	32,485	38,071	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	413,321	516,797	790,370	994,655	1,200,818	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
100 to 139 acres.....farms..	18,945	24,050	30,130	34,532	36,522	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	732,023	947,619	1,321,955	1,547,185	1,692,850	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
140 to 179 acres.....farms..	18,980	22,445	25,658	27,062	28,153	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	1,012,094	1,253,032	1,602,556	1,727,678	1,882,312	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
180 to 219 acres.....farms..	12,566	14,182	14,658	14,814	14,867	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	850,755	997,680	1,165,622	1,212,755	1,270,469	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
220 to 259 acres.....farms..	8,801	9,306	9,438	9,100	8,914	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	732,358	813,800	914,565	910,520	942,286	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
260 to 499 acres.....farms..	15,615	15,096	14,101	12,845	12,162	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	1,871,528	1,850,295	1,937,308	1,803,598	1,840,215	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
500 to 999 acres.....farms..	2,292	1,862	1,665	1,530	1,352	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	509,447	397,214	411,525	402,542	387,395	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
1,000 to 1,999 acres <sup>3</sup> .....farms..	192	171	201	162	165	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	87,322	73,532	102,354	83,933	103,518	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
2,000 acres or more.....farms..	42	27	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	45,717	33,815	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Irrigated land in farms, by size of farm.....farms..	813	636	545	354	226	163	<sup>6</sup> 78	(NA)
acres..	62,302	31,407	18,199	11,691	4,569	2,345	<sup>6</sup> 1,438	(NA)
Less than 10 acres.....farms..	40	35	18	41	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	56	75	39	101	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
10 to 49 acres.....farms..	81	50	78	60	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	501	510	574	830	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
50 to 69 acres.....farms..	22	18	28	15	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	243	238	501	375	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
70 to 99 acres.....farms..	50	48	38	20	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	537	628	561	555	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
100 to 139 acres.....farms..	65	76	55	10	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	1,680	1,330	956	80	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
140 to 179 acres.....farms..	68	51	36	20	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	2,191	1,375	582	110	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
180 to 219 acres.....farms..	42	7	39	41	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	1,025	417	872	435	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
220 to 259 acres.....farms..	48	43	30	20	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	2,091	1,279	515	985	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
260 to 499 acres.....farms..	152	167	104	80	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	11,081	7,206	3,236	3,843	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
500 to 999 acres.....farms..	152	80	71	22	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	19,005	7,517	3,787	1,898	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
1,000 to 1,999 acres <sup>3</sup> .....farms..	66	39	48	25	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	10,612	5,548	6,576	2,479	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
2,000 acres or more.....farms..	27	22	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
acres..	13,280	5,284	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)

NA Not available.

<sup>1</sup>50 to 99 acres.

<sup>2</sup>100 to 259 acres.

<sup>3</sup>Prior to 1959, 1,000 acres or more.

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

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

<sup>6</sup>Irrigated cropland harvested only.