

All Farms

Table 1. Changes in Resources and Production for Farms With Sales Under \$2,500: 1954 to 1969

(Data for 1959 and 1954 are based on reports for only a sample number of farms)

	Total all farms				Farms with value of farm products sold under \$2,500 ¹			
	1969	1964	1959	1954 ²	1969	1964	1959	1954 ²
Farms.....number..	2,730,250	3,157,857	3,707,973	4,783,021	994,456	1,338,239	1,637,849	2,678,486
Figures in thousands								
Land in farms.....acres..	1,063,346	1,110,187	1,123,378	1,160,044	89,780	137,605	140,326	235,953
Total cropland.....acres..	459,048	434,232	450,975	461,938	40,514	45,418	53,896	89,797
Harvested cropland.....acres..	273,016	286,892	313,637	334,164	11,265	18,354	26,386	50,801
Irrigated land.....acres..	39,122	37,056	33,419	29,799	623	1,304	1,233	1,839
Cattle and calves of all ages.....number..	106,381	105,558	93,694	95,635	7,654	13,018	10,088	18,758
Milk cows.....number..	11,175	14,623	16,824	20,365	289	1,046	1,965	4,749
Hogs and pigs of all ages.....number..	55,455	54,080	69,460	57,912	1,699	3,363	7,436	8,390
Chickens 3 months old or older ³number..	371,008	343,162	369,864	383,971	6,420	21,517	50,855	103,115
Tractors other than garden tractors and motor tillers.....number..	4,619	4,787	4,688	4,345	868	968	937	1,124
Grain and bean combines, self-propelled.....number..	467	341	(NA)	(NA)	21	13	(NA)	(NA)
Cornpickers, corn heads, and picker shellers.....number..	635	690	792	687	46	62	77	68
Pickup balers.....number..	708	751	680	448	94	104	72	57
Motor trucks including pickups.....number..	2,985	3,030	2,834	2,703	656	815	740	946
Expenditures for—								
Feed for livestock and poultry.....dollars..	7,100,396	5,511,813	4,775,471	3,906,048	181,545	278,937	306,647	483,939
Gasoline and other petroleum fuel and oil for the farm business.....dollars..	1,906,579	1,786,796	1,554,367	1,366,244	143,914	137,540	148,120	186,957
Commercial fertilizer.....dollars..	2,209,185	1,771,617	(NA)	1,079,265	95,636	113,998	(NA)	193,936
Hired farm labor.....dollars..	3,375,203	2,798,571	2,621,651	2,279,344	76,049	68,130	78,942	139,000
Contract labor, machine hire and customwork.....dollars..	1,405,259	869,780	804,587	638,057	64,811	62,038	77,967	115,117
Value of agricultural products sold.....dollars..	45,609,090	45,292,430	30,625,934	24,813,570	935,276	1,142,863	1,514,510	2,183,724
Crops including nursery products and forest products.....dollars..	17,082,971	16,410,672	13,458,951	12,297,040	419,144	574,838	733,760	1,221,794
Livestock, poultry, and their products.....dollars..	28,526,120	18,841,027	17,166,982	12,516,530	516,133	565,644	780,750	961,930
Crops harvested:								
Field corn for all purposes.....acres..	60,402	63,515	79,896	78,134	1,867	3,464	7,705	14,442
Wheat for grain.....acres..	45,373	47,958	(NA)	51,449	1,252	1,693	(NA)	4,235
Cotton.....acres..	11,496	13,917	(NA)	18,701	409	839	(NA)	4,678
Tobacco.....acres..	877	1,025	(NA)	1,533	87	128	(NA)	487
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons for sale.....acres..	3,352	3,334	(NA)	(NA)	73	151	(NA)	(NA)
Land in orchards (see text).....acres..	4,234	4,251	4,185	4,062	203	535	591	826
Farm operators reporting days of work off farm.....operators..	1,482	1,462	1,661	2,154	731	802	954	1,488
100 days and over.....operators..	1,091	1,013	1,108	1,334	617	666	757	1,086
Farm operators by age groups:								
Under 35 years.....number..	326	362	465	711	113	126	164	(NA)
35 to 44 years.....number..	523	654	806	1,100	173	230	297	(NA)
45 to 54 years.....number..	724	851	980	1,154	235	315	393	(NA)
55 to 64 years.....number..	704	742	803	951	246	317	366	(NA)
65 years and over.....number..	453	548	617	779	227	351	404	(NA)
Not reporting age.....number..	-	-	37	87	-	-	15	(NA)

¹Abnormal farms not included.

²Data for Alaska and Hawaii not included.

³For 1964, 1959, and 1954—4 months old and over.

⁴Includes recreational income.