



10.4 million bales harvested in 1969. The average yield per acre in 1974 was 0.89 of a bale compared with an average of 0.90 in 1969, but higher than any census year from 1899 to 1954.

**Table 4. Cotton Harvested: 1899 to 1974**

All Farms	Farms (1,000)	Acres (mil-lions)	Bales (mil-lions)	Yield per acre (bales)
1974.....	90	12.2	10.9	0.89
1969.....	200	11.5	10.4	.90
1964.....	324	13.9	14.7	1.06
1959.....	510	14.6	13.9	.95
1954.....	864	18.9	12.9	.69
1949.....	1,111	26.6	15.4	.58
1944.....	1,218	19.0	11.8	.62
1939.....	1,590	22.8	11.5	.50
1934.....	1,920	26.8	9.5	.35
1929.....	1,987	43.2	14.6	.34
1924.....	1,931	39.2	13.7	.35
1919.....	1,906	33.7	11.4	.34
1909.....	1,714	32.0	10.6	.33
1899.....	1,419	24.3	9.5	.39

**Peanuts for nuts**—The value of peanuts for nuts harvested from all farms in 1974 was \$569 million, 92 percent higher than in 1969. Most of the crop was produced

in three areas: Georgia, Alabama, and Florida; Texas and Oklahoma; and North Carolina and Virginia. The Georgia-Alabama-Florida area had 52 percent of the acres harvested and produced 60 percent of the crop. The Texas-Oklahoma area had 27 percent of the acres harvested and produced 18 percent of the crop. The North Carolina-Virginia area had 19 percent of the acres harvested and produced 20 percent of the crop.

Farms reporting peanuts for nuts have been declining since 1934, when a peak of 453,835 farms was reported. The total farms reporting in 1974 was 33,113 or 30 percent less than in 1969 and about 7 percent of the number in 1934.

The acreage for peanuts for nuts on all farms in 1974 was 1.37 million, slightly less than the 1.43 million acres in 1969.

The production of 3.2 billion pounds was 29 percent more in 1974 than the 2.5 billion pounds produced in 1969. The average yield per acre was 2,315 pounds in 1974 compared with 1,724 pounds in

1969, 1,488 pounds in 1964, and 1,060 pounds in 1959.

**Tobacco**—The value of tobacco produced on all farms in 1974 was \$1.9 billion, 57 percent more than in 1969. The 197,764 farms reporting in 1974 were 28 percent less than in 1969. Acres harvested increased slightly from 876,927 acres in 1969 to 877,113 acres in 1974. Production increased 5 percent in 1974 from 1.6 billion pounds to 1.7 billion pounds. The yield of 1,976 pounds per acre in 1974 was 5 percent more than the 1,875 pounds in 1969.

The average number of acres of tobacco harvested per farm has increased from 2.7 in 1959 to 4.4 in 1974. The acreage used on individual farms is very small with 27 percent of the farms harvesting less than 1 acre and 75 percent harvesting less than 5 acres.

Tobacco was reported in 24 States in 1974, but only 16 States reported more than 1,000 acres harvested. The greatest