

**Table 1. Farms, Land in Farms, and Land Use: 1945 to 1978**

	1978	1974	1969	1964	1959	1954	1950	1945
All farms..... number.....	34 642	26 753	29 063	39 757	42 573	54 441	59 827	63 125
Land in farms..... acres.....	18 414 484	18 241 445	18 017 850	20 509 302	21 236 298	21 047 340	20 327 683	19 745 257
Average size of farm..... acres.....	532	482	620	516	499	387	340	313
Approximate land area..... acres.....	61 557 760	61 557 184	61 557 184	61 572 480	61 598 720	61 641 600	61 641 600	61 664 000
Proportion in farms..... percent.....	29.9	29.6	29.3	33.3	34.5	34.1	33.0	32.0
Value of land and buildings: <sup>1</sup>								
Average per farm..... dollars.....	267 149	170 145	93 134	59 079	43 608	30 178	20 327	11 054
Average per acre..... dollars.....	504	250	150	115	87	78	60	35
Farms by value of land and buildings:								
\$1 to \$9,999.....	374	780	1 784	4 014	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$10,000 to \$19,999.....	946	1 586	3 893	9 036	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$20,000 to \$39,999.....	2 839	4 723	7 752	11 756	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$40,000 to \$69,999.....	5 848	5 919	6 067	6 817	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$70,000 to \$99,999.....	4 851	3 318	2 769	2 717	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$100,000 to \$149,999.....	5 304	3 077	2 502	2 132	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$150,000 to \$199,999.....	3 585	1 917	1 276	1 162	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$200,000 to \$499,999.....	6 967	3 718	2 315	1 706	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$500,000 or more.....	3 928	1 715	705	417	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Land in farms according to use:								
Total cropland..... farms.....	30 819	24 875	26 604	34 763	38 484	47 822	54 761	57 150
..... acres.....	5 247 487	5 074 988	5 197 520	5 281 935	5 380 144	5 249 888	5 537 147	4 909 101
Harvested cropland..... farms.....	25 609	21 636	22 117	29 981	33 420	41 218	47 482	52 630
..... acres.....	3 280 005	3 213 399	2 893 632	3 050 278	3 118 451	3 265 385	3 218 767	3 276 086
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 49 acres.....	16 776	12 886	13 114	19 465	21 640	28 017	34 091	38 518
1 to 9 acres.....	7 129	4 607	4 713	8 634	9 410	13 202	16 428	19 096
10 to 19 acres.....	4 238	3 488	3 549	4 568	4 997	6 150	7 489	8 020
20 to 29 acres.....	2 672	2 245	2 124	2 792	3 205	3 868	4 574	5 067
30 to 49 acres.....	2 737	2 546	2 728	3 471	4 028	4 797	5 600	6 335
50 to 99 acres.....	2 950	2 813	3 037	3 920	4 700	5 601	6 079	6 698
100 to 199 acres.....	2 147	2 214	2 408	2 932	3 332	3 887	3 881	3 992
200 to 499 acres.....	2 156	2 125	2 189	2 377	2 554	2 562	2 432	2 393
500 to 999 acres.....	981	999	924	905	848	822	698	727
1,000 acres or more.....	599	599	445	382	346	329	301	302
1,000 to 1,999 acres.....	429	437	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
2,000 acres or more.....	170	162	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Cropland used only for pasture or grazing <sup>2</sup> ..... farms.....	15 751	12 852	15 133	16 645	19 423	22 704	26 144	18 974
..... acres.....	814 484	815 197	1 077 257	926 416	942 236	807 142	969 029	566 251
Other cropland..... farms.....	7 009	4 729	7 829	10 917	11 174	12 850	17 324	(NA)
..... acres.....	1 152 998	1 046 392	1 226 631	1 305 241	1 319 457	1 177 361	1 349 351	1 066 764
Cropland in cover crops, legumes, and soil-improvement grasses, not harvested and not pastured..... farms.....	1 360	(NA)	(NA)	2 772	2 458	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
..... acres.....	52 366	(NA)	(NA)	138 346	150 721	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Cropland on which all crops failed..... farms.....	1 103	(NA)	(NA)	1 086	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	1 692
..... acres.....	45 675	(NA)	(NA)	36 911	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	26 802
Cropland in cultivated summer fallow <sup>3</sup> ..... farms.....	2 783	(NA)	(NA)	5 691	5 532	6 826	8 530	(NA)
..... acres.....	891 476	(NA)	(NA)	953 392	927 559	953 499	972 345	(NA)
Cropland idle..... farms.....	3 146	(NA)	(NA)	4 532	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	9 803
..... acres.....	163 481	(NA)	(NA)	176 592	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	1 039 962
Total woodland..... farms.....	11 883	9 120	10 786	15 957	17 943	22 629	27 909	24 325
..... acres.....	1 786 919	1 730 245	2 030 077	3 193 560	3 881 367	4 637 964	4 568 622	3 262 193
Woodland pastured..... farms.....	7 118	(NA)	(NA)	10 701	11 650	15 521	19 338	18 566
..... acres.....	1 295 325	(NA)	(NA)	2 631 614	3 145 121	3 847 317	3 618 246	2 771 718
Woodland not pastured..... farms.....	6 583	(NA)	(NA)	7 659	9 101	10 188	12 824	8 356
..... acres.....	491 594	(NA)	(NA)	561 946	736 246	790 647	950 374	490 475
Other land..... farms.....	26 087	19 593	21 132	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
..... acres.....	11 380 078	11 436 212	10 790 253	12 033 807	11 974 787	11 159 488	10 221 914	11 573 963
Pastureland and rangeland other than cropland and woodland pastured..... farms.....	9 215	(NA)	(NA)	17 211	15 393	20 362	18 056	27 847
..... acres.....	10 914 492	(NA)	(NA)	11 577 256	11 481 945	10 607 429	9 664 984	11 085 754
Land in house lots, ponds, roads, wasteland, etc..... farms.....	23 091	(NA)	(NA)	35 576	(NA)	49 824	54 001	57 465
..... acres.....	465 586	(NA)	(NA)	456 551	492 842	552 059	556 930	497 209
Irrigated land..... farms.....	15 637	11 791	12 014	15 869	17 724	19 826	17 663	15 597
..... acres.....	1 920 318	1 561 438	1 519 421	1 607 659	1 384 284	1 490 366	1 306 810	1 129 059

<sup>1</sup>1978 and 1950 through 1964 data are based on a sample of farms. <sup>2</sup>Not fully comparable for various census years because of differences in cropland used only for pasture. <sup>3</sup>Varies from State to State, 1950 through 1964; 17 Western States, 1945 not available.

**Table 2. Farms, Land in Farms, and Land Use, for Farms With Sales of \$2,500 or More: 1978, 1974, and 1969**

	1978	1974	1969		1978	1974	1969
Farms..... number.....	20 819	17 017	17 003	Land in farms according to use—Con. Total cropland—Con.			
Land in farms..... acres.....	16 982 246	16 861 101	16 434 738				
Average size of farm..... acres.....	816	991	967	Cropland on which all crops failed..... farms.....	760	386	407
Value of land and buildings: <sup>1</sup>				..... acres.....	37 495	19 592	25 446
Average per farm..... dollars.....	371 548	231 907	133 902	Cropland in cultivated summer fallow..... farms.....	2 500	2 093	3 589
Average per acre..... dollars.....	460	234	139	..... acres.....	885 722	873 572	922 100
Land in farms according to use:				Cropland idle..... farms.....	2 261	1 287	2 333
Total cropland..... farms.....	19 112	16 071	16 058	..... acres.....	124 756	70 153	151 124
..... acres.....	4 933 385	4 795 155	4 825 808	Total woodland..... farms.....	6 861	5 474	6 295
Harvested cropland..... farms.....	16 916	14 916	14 765	..... acres.....	1 518 736	1 508 177	1 743 192
..... acres.....	3 165 287	3 122 858	2 780 647	Woodland pastured..... farms.....	4 172	3 397	4 176
Farms by acres harvested:				..... acres.....	1 132 221	1 144 957	1 415 536
1 to 49 acres.....	8 357	6 328	6 037	Woodland not pastured..... farms.....	3 773	3 023	3 233
50 to 99 acres.....	2 713	2 667	2 785	..... acres.....	386 515	363 220	327 656
100 to 199 acres.....	2 119	2 205	2 399	Pastureland and rangeland other than cropland and woodland pastured..... farms.....	6 340	5 730	6 012
200 to 499 acres.....	2 149	2 121	2 182	..... acres.....	10 158 841	10 128 804	9 481 689
500 to 999 acres.....	980	996	918	Land in house lots, ponds, roads, wasteland, etc..... farms.....	13 575	11 073	11 077
1,000 acres or more.....	598	599	444	..... acres.....	371 284	428 965	384 049
1,000 to 1,999 acres.....	428	437	337	Pastureland, all types..... farms.....	14 375	11 581	12 517
2,000 acres or more.....	170	162	107	..... acres.....	11 962 633	11 926 758	11 790 841
Cropland used only for pasture or grazing..... farms.....	8 957	7 375	8 512	Irrigated land..... farms.....	11 245	8 783	8 842
..... acres.....	671 571	652 997	893 616	..... acres.....	1 833 905	1 507 491	1 458 257
Cropland in cover crops, legumes, and soil- improvement grasses, not harvested and not pastured..... farms.....	1 038	623	1 131				
..... acres.....	48 554	55 983	52 875				

<sup>1</sup>1978 data are based on a sample of farms; see text.