

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

	1978	1974	1969	1964	1959	1954	1950	1945
All farms..... number.....	866	597	700	1 100	1 395	2 004	2 598	3 603
Land in farms..... acres.....	74 585	61 068	68 720	103 801	137 930	154 674	191 052	264 734
Average size of farm..... acres.....	86	102	98	94	99	77	74	74
Approximate land area..... acres.....	672 000	671 296	671 296	677 120	677 120	677 120	677 120	677 120
Proportion in farms..... percent.....	11.1	9.1	10.2	15.4	20.4	22.8	28.2	39.1
Value of land and buildings: ¹								
Average per farm..... dollars.....	209 667	153 390	72 033	46 030	37 571	26 475	17 062	9 883
Average per acre..... dollars.....	2 370	1 500	734	485	380	343	232	135
Farms by value of land and buildings:								
\$1 to \$9,999.....	7	17	51	121	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$10,000 to \$19,999.....	23	50	81	228	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$20,000 to \$39,999.....	67	84	169	338	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$40,000 to \$69,999.....	154	106	157	227	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$70,000 to \$99,999.....	137	73	91	79	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$100,000 to \$149,999.....	149	75	79	47	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$150,000 to \$199,999.....	75	47	19	32	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$200,000 to \$499,999.....	170	109	46	21	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
\$500,000 or more.....	84	36	7	7	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Land in farms according to use:								
Total cropland..... farms.....	804	543	604	941	1 131	1 632	2 152	3 346
..... acres.....	36 434	29 078	31 840	45 233	54 584	67 225	80 288	81 130
Harvested cropland..... farms.....	710	512	543	825	997	1 312	1 809	3 240
..... acres.....	24 997	21 422	21 553	28 897	33 512	34 980	39 782	61 725
Farms by acres harvested:								
1 to 49 acres.....	582	374	407	644	791	1 110	1 606	2 916
1 to 9 acres.....	261	169	150	322	345	506	780	1 721
10 to 19 acres.....	145	87	110	139	201	255	367	535
20 to 29 acres.....	94	60	83	72	108	153	216	305
30 to 49 acres.....	82	58	64	111	137	196	243	355
50 to 99 acres.....	68	82	79	118	140	151	151	243
100 to 199 acres.....	43	37	40	42	50	38	47	69
200 to 499 acres.....	13	17	17	19	13	12	5	11
500 to 999 acres.....	4	2	-	2	3	-	-	-
1,000 acres or more.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1,000 to 1,999 acres.....	-	-	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
2,000 acres or more.....	-	-	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Cropland used only for pasture or grazing ² farms.....	369	208	288	420	541	880	1 097	515
..... acres.....	7 875	5 325	8 708	12 108	14 911	21 571	25 512	10 450
Other cropland..... farms.....	174	89	109	239	297	569	724	(NA)
..... acres.....	3 562	2 331	1 579	4 228	6 161	10 674	14 994	8 955
Cropland in cover crops, legumes, and soil-improvement grasses, not harvested and not pastured..... farms.....	63	(NA)	(NA)	51	90	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
..... acres.....	1 051	(NA)	(NA)	866	1 521	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Cropland on which all crops failed..... farms.....	31	(NA)	(NA)	52	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	109
..... acres.....	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	451	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	1 113
Cropland in cultivated summer fallow ³ farms.....	4	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
..... acres.....	(D)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Cropland idle..... farms.....	115	(NA)	(NA)	172	(NA)	452	(NA)	628
..... acres.....	2 235	(NA)	(NA)	2 911	(NA)	8 438	(NA)	7 842
Total woodland..... farms.....	470	266	357	570	776	1 033	1 304	2 189
..... acres.....	26 700	22 219	26 093	43 299	62 034	63 422	79 356	109 876
Woodland pastured..... farms.....	128	(NA)	(NA)	163	236	295	517	623
..... acres.....	3 531	(NA)	(NA)	5 117	7 908	11 060	14 212	18 094
Woodland not pastured..... farms.....	405	(NA)	(NA)	490	660	875	1 087	1 935
..... acres.....	23 169	(NA)	(NA)	38 182	54 126	52 362	65 144	91 782
Other land..... farms.....	647	393	480	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
..... acres.....	11 451	9 771	10 787	15 269	21 312	24 027	31 408	73 728
Pastureland and rangeland other than cropland and woodland pastured..... farms.....	80	(NA)	(NA)	234	331	396	484	1 519
..... acres.....	2 948	(NA)	(NA)	7 471	10 144	12 124	12 526	40 601
Land in house lots, ponds, roads, wasteland, etc..... farms.....	625	(NA)	(NA)	930	(NA)	1 720	1 917	3 231
..... acres.....	8 503	(NA)	(NA)	7 798	11 168	11 903	18 882	33 127
Irrigated land..... farms.....	100	73	60	66	34	43	52	9
..... acres.....	2 985	2 336	1 925	1 428	406	1 009	1 631	133

¹1978 and 1950 through 1964 data are based on a sample of farms. ²Not fully comparable for various census years because of differences in cropland used only for pasture. ³Varies 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.....	520	419	462	Land in farms according to use—Con.			
Land in farms..... acres.....	50 107	44 674	50 327	Total cropland—Con.			
Average size of farm..... acres.....	96	107	109	Cropland on which all crops failed..... farms.....	11	11	13
Value of land and buildings: ¹				..... acres.....	(D)	89	203
Average per farm..... dollars.....	250 922	164 952	83 941	Cropland in cultivated summer fallow..... farms.....	4	4	11
Average per acre..... dollars.....	2 483	1 547	771	..... acres.....	(D)	91	124
Land in farms according to use:				Cropland idle..... farms.....	75	32	39
Total cropland..... farms.....	486	378	402	..... acres.....	1 635	729	545
..... acres.....	29 103	25 367	27 417	Total woodland..... farms.....	257	169	214
Harvested cropland..... farms.....	446	363	371	..... acres.....	14 124	12 529	16 024
..... acres.....	21 570	19 858	18 984	Woodland pastured..... farms.....	56	56	88
Farms by acres harvested:				..... acres.....	2 104	2 685	4 562
1 to 49 acres.....	326	228	242	Woodland not pastured..... farms.....	233	138	158
50 to 99 acres.....	60	79	74	..... acres.....	12 020	9 844	11 462
100 to 199 acres.....	43	37	39	Pastureland and rangeland other than cropland and woodland pastured..... farms.....	45	67	77
200 to 499 acres.....	13	17	16	..... acres.....	2 218	2 933	2 709
500 to 999 acres.....	4	2	-	Land in house lots, ponds, roads, wasteland, etc..... farms.....	360	252	278
1,000 acres or more.....	-	-	-	..... acres.....	4 662	3 845	4 177
1,000 to 1,999 acres.....	-	-	-	Pastureland, all types..... farms.....	218	187	250
2,000 acres or more.....	-	-	-	..... acres.....	9 044	9 540	14 468
Cropland used only for pasture or grazing..... farms.....	171	127	179	Irrigated land..... farms.....	80	57	59
..... acres.....	4 722	3 922	7 197	..... acres.....	2 931	2 264	1 924
Cropland in cover crops, legumes, and soil- improvement grasses, not harvested and not pastured..... farms.....	38	25	15				
..... acres.....	951	678	364				

¹1978 data are based on a sample of farms; see text.