

# IRRIGATION—SUMMARY FOR THE UNITED STATES

## INTRODUCTION

This summary for irrigation in the United States, prepared under the supervision of William Lane Austin, chief statistician for agriculture, assisted by Paul A. Ewing, specialist in irrigation, and Frank W. Sebring, administrative assistant, presents some of the statistics relating to irrigation in the 19 States listed on page 2. The final irrigation statistics, including those relating to irrigated crops, will appear in the irrigation volume of the reports of the Fifteenth Census of the United States, 1930.

Statistics for area irrigated and cost of maintenance and operation of irrigation works relate to 1929; other items relate to 1930. Throughout the tables statistics for the census of 1920 are shown for purposes of comparison although the 1920 statistics for Arkansas and Louisiana represent rice irrigation only. Statistics for number, area, and value of irrigated farms were collected in 1930 on the general farm schedule. All other statistics were obtained on special schedules for irrigation enterprises.

### EXPLANATION OF TERMS USED IN THIS BULLETIN

**Irrigated farms.**—To be classed as a farm, an establishment must be at least 3 acres in extent or have produced crops to the value of \$250 in the crop year preceding the census year.

**Irrigated farms** are those reporting the irrigation of any land whatsoever in the censuses of 1930 and 1920 for the crop years 1929 and 1919, respectively. "Wholly irrigated" farms include those reporting the irrigation of all harvested crops and of all land from which no crops were harvested because of failure; also, for farms without crops, those reporting the irrigation of all pasture land. "Partly irrigated" farms are those reporting the irrigation of part of but not all such cropland or pasture land.

**Land in irrigated farms, 1930**, is the area of the farms which were wholly or partly irrigated in 1929. It includes, but is not identical with, the area actually irrigated.

**Tenure.**—"Owners and managers" include full owners, part owners, and managers, as classified in the 1930 farm census. "Tenants" include cash tenants and other tenants.

**Irrigation enterprise.**—An "enterprise" is an independent irrigation establishment, and includes the works for supplying water and the land to which water is supplied, or is to be supplied, except that the cost or value of the land is not included in the "investment" in the enterprise. Only such enterprises as supplied water for irrigation in 1929, or were capable of supplying water in 1930, or were in advanced stages of construction, January 1, 1930, are included in the Fifteenth Census of the United States. The 1930 totals take into account various consolidations made since 1920.

**Area irrigated.**—Area irrigated is the acreage to which water was actually applied in the seasons (1929 and 1919) preceding the census years of the Fifteenth and Fourteenth Censuses, respectively. It is not the area for which water was available nor the area entitled to water.

**Area enterprises were capable of supplying with water** relates to the year of the census (1930 or 1920). It is based on estimates made by those controlling the enterprises, and represents the area which the constructed works and the controlled and normally available water supply could serve.

**Irrigable area in enterprises (1930)** and **Total area in enterprises (1920)** represent the extent of the plans of those controlling the enterprises.

**Area of irrigated land reported as available, or to be available, for settlement** relates to land within operating enterprises and not to land susceptible of reclamation and settlement by enterprises not included in the Fifteenth Census.

**Character of enterprises.**—The characters of enterprises under which all data are classified are as follows:

**Individual or partnership enterprises**, which belong to individual farmers or to groups of farmers associated without formal organization.

**Cooperative or mutual enterprises**, which are controlled by the water users combined in some organized form of cooperation under State laws. The most common form of organization is the stock company, the stock of which is owned by the water users.

**Irrigation districts**, which are public corporations established under State laws and empowered to issue bonds to obtain funds for the purchase or construction of irrigation works, and to levy and collect taxes or assessments for the payment of bonds and interest on them, and for the payment of the cost of maintenance and operation. The term "irrigation districts" also includes water-improvement districts, water-conservation districts, water-storage districts, etc., which in some States are in addition to irrigation districts and in other States are in lieu of them.

**Carey Act enterprises**, established under the Federal law of August 18, 1894, granting each of the States in the arid region 1,000,000 acres of land on condition that the State provide for its irrigation, and under amendments to that law granting additional areas to several of these States, if applied for.

**Commercial enterprises**, incorporated or otherwise, and including public utilities regulated by State commissions, which supply water for compensation to farmers who own no interest in the works.

**United States Indian Service enterprises**, established under various acts of the Congress providing for construction, by that service, of works for irrigation of land in Indian reservations.

**United States Bureau of Reclamation enterprises**, established under the Federal law of June 17, 1902, and its amendments.

**State enterprises.**—In a few instances the States themselves have carried out irrigation enterprises under special legislation.

**City-water or sewage-disposal enterprises.**

**Values of irrigated farms.**—The values of irrigated farms are those values reported in the 1930 farm census; hence the term applies only to the 1930 values of farms which were wholly or partly irrigated in 1929. They have no necessary relationship to the investment in irrigation enterprises.

**Investment in irrigation enterprises.**—The investment in irrigation enterprises is that reported by the owners, and represents investments by their predecessors only in cases where changes of ownership have not involved changes in investment. For the larger works the investment is taken, in most cases, from books of account and represents actual outlays. In the case of many private, partnership, and cooperative enterprises, however, the works were built by farmers who kept no records of money or labor expended, and the investment reported represents estimates. The investment includes cost of construction and cost of acquiring rights. The latter usually consists of filing fees only, but in some instances it includes litigation and the purchase price of rights. For the Fifteenth and Fourteenth Censuses the average investment per acre is based on the area enterprises were capable of supplying with water and on the investment to January 1, 1930, and January 1, 1920, respectively.

**Maintenance and operation.**—Cost of maintenance and operation was not reported by all enterprises, and averages are based on the areas irrigated in 1929 for which cost was reported. No estimate of total cost of maintenance and operation for all irrigation enterprises has been made. For enterprises operating pumping plants the cost of maintenance and operation includes cost of fuel and attendance.

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**Water rights.**—The area irrigated has been classified by the character of rights under which water was received, except in Arkansas and Louisiana. The classes used are defined as follows:

*Appropriation and use* includes all rights acquired without formalities of any kind, and which have not been defined by the courts.

*Notice filed and posted* includes all rights for which claims of some kind have been either posted or filed, and which have not been defined by the courts.

*Adjudicated by court* includes all rights that have been defined by the courts.

*Permit from State* includes rights initiated under State laws requiring applications to appropriate water to be made to some State administrative agency, but does not include appropriations for which certificates or licenses have been issued.

*Certificate or license from State* includes rights initiated under State laws requiring applications to appropriate water to be made to some State administrative agency, and for which licenses or certificates have been issued.

*Riparian rights* include rights based on the ownership of riparian land.

*Underground* represents water taken from wells.

**Date of beginning.**—The date of beginning of irrigation enterprises is, in some cases, the date when construction began, and, in other cases, the date of filing a claim or applying for a permit. If a filing or appli-

cation for permit was made and work was begun and continued with reasonable diligence, the date of filing is considered the date of beginning; otherwise, the date of construction is taken as the date of beginning.

**Drainage basin.**—The drainage basin of a stream is all the land drained by the stream and its tributaries, including land irrigated by flowing or pumped wells.

**Units of quantity and capacity.**—Capacities of canals, reservoirs, wells, pumps, and engines, and quantities of water used are expressed in the following units:

Capacities of canals and rates of flowing water are given in second-feet ("sec.-ft."), a shorter equivalent for cubic feet per second.

Capacities of wells and pumps are given in gallons per minute ("g. p. m."). Four hundred and fifty gallons per minute equal 1 second-foot.

Capacities of reservoirs are given in acre-feet ("ac.-ft."). An acre-foot of water is the quantity that will cover 1 acre to a depth of 1 foot. It equals 43,560 cubic feet.

Capacities of engines and motors are given in horsepower ("h. p."). One horsepower is the power required to lift 33,000 pounds through a vertical distance of 1 foot in 1 minute of time.

Average lift of pumps, in feet, is the static lift or the average vertical distance between the level of the water in the source of supply when the pumps are running and the point to which the water is lifted. It does not take into account friction and velocity heads.

TABLE 1.—SUMMARY FOR THE 19 IRRIGATION STATES: 1930 AND 1920

ITEM (See definitions in Introduction)	CENSUS OF—		INCREASE <sup>1</sup>		
	1930	1920	Amount	Per cent	
All farms.....	number	2,002,813	1,916,291	146,422	7.6
All land in farms.....	acres	593,693,705	593,446,954	63,252,751	12.6
Approximate land area.....	acres	1,223,989,129	1,223,989,120		
Farms irrigated.....	number	265,147	222,789	42,358	19.0
Area irrigated.....	acres	19,547,544	19,191,716	355,828	1.9
Area enterprises were capable of supplying with water.....	acres	29,161,890	26,020,477	31,413	0.3
Area on enterprises <sup>2</sup> .....	acres	34,590,470	35,990,821		
Farms irrigated:					
All farms.....	per cent	12.9	11.6		
All land in farms.....	per cent	3.4	3.3		
Approximate land area.....	per cent	1.6	1.6		
Excess of area enterprises were capable of supplying with water over area irrigated.....	acres	6,354,346	6,828,761	-274,415	-4.0
Excess of area in enterprises <sup>2</sup> over area irrigated.....	acres	11,051,326	16,699,165		
Area of irrigated land available, or to be available, for settlement.....	acres	1,681,598	2,257,981	-576,383	-20.5
Value of irrigated farms (land, buildings (including dwellings), and implements and machinery).....	dollars	4,884,832,784	( <sup>3</sup> )		
Investment in irrigation enterprises.....	dollars	1,052,755,790	697,657,328	355,098,462	48.0
Average, per acre, based on area enterprises were capable of supplying with water.....	dollars	39.67	28.81	12.76	47.6
Estimated final cost of existing enterprises.....	dollars	1,153,198,210	819,778,005	333,330,205	46.9
Average, per acre, based on area in enterprises <sup>2</sup> .....	dollars	37.75	22.84		
Average annual cost, per acre, for maintenance and operation of irrigation works.....	dollars	2.77	2.43	0.34	14.0

<sup>1</sup> A minus sign (-) denotes decrease.

<sup>2</sup> Irrigable area, 1930; total area, 1920.

<sup>3</sup> Figures not available.

TABLE 2.—FARMS AND SPECIFIED FARM VALUES FOR THE 19 IRRIGATION STATES, BY TENURE OF FARM OPERATOR, 1930

ITEM (See definitions in Introduction)	FARMS		SPECIFIED FARM VALUES					
	Number	Area	Land and buildings		Land alone		Implements and machinery	
			Total	Per acre	Total	Per acre	Total	Per acre
All farms.....	2,002,813	Acres	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars
Owners and managers.....	1,074,845	593,693,705	23,394,278,231	39.25	6,630,723,434	11.67	1,320,915,546	2.32
Tenants.....	927,967	49,999,900	13,498,574,528	32.98	686,798,726	3.21	686,798,726	3.21
Irrigated farms.....	265,147	19,547,544	4,824,781,519	39.19	3,942,266,249	30.32	557,118,665	3.28
Owners and managers.....	173,384	11,730,415	3,738,823,265	38.69	3,132,577,370	47.33	294,835,587	3.08
Tenants.....	91,762	7,817,129	1,085,958,254	42.61	789,269,679	67.31	52,273,378	4.49
Wholly irrigated farms.....	225,271	17,000,888	3,598,144,796	47.79	3,032,440,080	67.91	187,913,193	3.74
Owners and managers.....	173,384	11,730,415	3,738,823,265	38.69	3,132,577,370	54.19	189,517,741	3.51
Tenants.....	51,887	5,270,473	760,321,531	64.67	617,797,939	74.04	41,401,441	4.96
Partly irrigated farms.....	39,876	2,546,656	1,046,637,021	41.04	909,826,269	35.78	59,181,793	3.29
Owners and managers.....	29,471	2,046,390	821,774,615	38.43	738,335,486	35.49	48,817,662	2.19
Tenants.....	9,405	500,266	224,862,406	36.73	171,490,783	59.71	10,364,131	3.22
Farms not irrigated.....	1,737,666	499,941,683	13,471,496,435	31.95	2,694,496,185	5.49	1,038,694,581	2.17

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FARMS AND AREA IRRIGATED

TABLE 3.—FARMS AND AREA IRRIGATED FOR THE 19 IRRIGATION STATES, 1896 TO 1930

CENSUS YEAR	FARMS IRRIGATED			AREA IRRIGATED		
	Number	In-crease	Pro-portion of all farms	Area	In-crease	Pro-portion of total land area
1896	285,147	19.0	12.9	19,547,544	1.3	1.6
1920	222,789	36.0	11.6	19,191,716	31.0	3.5
1910	162,733	43.0	9.2	14,438,265	30.4	3.2
1900	113,629	110.0	8.2	7,784,467	169.4	2.2
1890	64,136	5.8	5.8	5,713,788	0.3	2.2

TABLE 4.—AREA FOR THE 19 IRRIGATION STATES, BY DATE OF BEGINNING OF ENTERPRISES SUPPLYING WATER FOR IRRIGATION

DATE OF BEGINNING (See definitions in Introduction)	Enter-prises, 1930	AREA IRRIGATED IN 1929			
		Area	Per cent of area irrigated by enterprises	Area enter-prises capable of supplying water, 1929	Irrigable area in enterprises, 1930
Total	75,517	19,547,544	43.9	21,191,900	30,939,470
Before 1860	752	432,237	48.2	596,466	989,244
1860-1869	1,797	1,229,697	32.0	1,498,562	1,496,789
1870-1879	2,879	1,770,234	49.9	2,397,532	2,752,163
1880-1889	5,441	3,624,824	74.4	4,393,094	4,973,918
1890-1899	4,237	2,645,677	33.6	3,324,322	4,041,984
1900-1909	9,199	1,893,645	18.7	2,596,849	3,744,980
1910-1919	2,839	2,847,341	41.1	4,148,287	5,339,747
1916-1919	6,017	1,151,524	38.7	1,629,366	1,974,270
1918-1919	6,274	1,139,398	37.6	1,690,822	1,982,174
1920-1924	7,496	774,744	48.0	1,119,645	2,492,437
1925-1929	11,063	819,796	56.0	1,197,636	1,898,432
Not reported	22,555	1,485,265	73.0	1,781,846	1,946,904

TABLE 5.—AREA FOR THE 19 IRRIGATION STATES, BY SOURCE OF WATER SUPPLY: 1929 AND 1919

SOURCE OF SUPPLY	AREA IRRIGATED				Area enter-prises capable of supplying water, 1930	Irrigable area in enterprises, 1930
	1929		1919			
	Acres	Per cent	Acres	Per cent		
Total	19,547,544	43.9	19,191,716	30.9	30,939,470	
Streams, gravity	12,689,873	64.9	12,237,966	63.8	17,109,167	
Streams, pumped	1,713,966	8.8	1,226,510	6.4	2,798,760	
Streams, gravity and pumped	258,064	1.3	138,263	0.7	677,236	
Wells, pumped	2,681,733	13.7	1,203,168	6.3	2,475,899	
Wells, flowing	48,479	0.2	65,656	0.3	53,023	
Wells, pumped and flowing	18,798	0.1	55,696	0.3	23,757	
Lakes, pumped	77,816	0.4	33,730	0.2	138,960	
Lakes, gravity	58,163	0.3	190,689	1.0	101,823	
Springs	217,291	1.1	198,639	1.0	205,796	
Filtered stream water	70,357	0.4	68,873	0.4	68,873	
City water	1,634	0.0	731	0.0	3,819	
Seepage	3,529	0.0	2,578	0.0	6,703	
Streams, gravity and wells, pumped	1,164,349	6.0	344,713	1.8	1,567,694	
Streams, gravity and wells, flowing	31,232	0.2	32,665	0.2	34,237	
Other mixed	690,434	3.5	895,621	4.7	1,118,176	
Other	3,098	0.0	6,066	0.0	3,279	
Not reported	20,462	0.1	13,143	0.1	21,159	
Supplemental from pumped streams	24,371	0.1	0	0.0	33,977	
Pumped wells	263,626	1.3	203,321	1.1	321,746	
Flowing wells	149	0.0	149	0.0	203	

1 A minus sign (-) denotes decrease. Per cent not shown when more than 1,000.  
 2 In reservoirs filled from channels which carry water only during floods and are not channel or streams.  
 3 Shown as "Other and not reported."  
 4 Not considered to obtain because included in enterprises reporting other sources of supply listed above.

AREA, BY CHARACTER OF ENTERPRISE

TABLE 6.—AREA FOR THE 19 IRRIGATION STATES, BY CHARACTER OF ENTERPRISE: 1929 AND 1920

[For number of enterprises by classes, see Table 11]

TYPE AND CHARACTER (See definitions in Introduction)	CHANGES		INCREASE	
	1929	1920	Acres	Per cent
AREA IRRIGATED	Acres	Acres	Acres	
Total	19,547,544	19,191,716	355,828	1.9
Individual and partnership	8,426,381	7,548,867	877,514	11.4
Cooperative	6,371,334	6,582,486	-211,152	-3.3
Irrigation district	3,432,337	1,823,397	1,608,940	88.4
Carey Act	96,773	323,989	-227,216	-23.4
Commercial	1,230,955	1,322,369	-91,414	-7.3
United States Indian Service	321,940	321,321	619	0.2
United States Bureau of Reclamation	1,463,425	1,254,369	209,056	16.6
Non	13,680	1,622	12,058	104.4
State	323,238	63,140	260,098	393.9
City	245,584	7,233	238,351	100.0
Other	245,584	7,233	238,351	100.0
Not reported				
AREA ENTERPRISES WERE CAPABLE OF SUPPLYING WITH WATER				
Total	26,334,880	26,620,477	-285,597	-1.1
Individual and partnership	7,983,182	8,258,139	-274,957	-3.3
Cooperative	7,061,781	8,483,256	-1,421,475	-17.0
Irrigation district	4,345,195	2,531,425	1,813,770	71.6
Carey Act	174,440	804,256	-629,816	-78.5
Commercial	2,230,380	2,750,393	-520,013	-23.0
United States Indian Service	729,416	484,488	244,928	33.6
United States Bureau of Reclamation	1,944,825	1,680,643	264,182	15.7
Non	13,680	7,379	6,301	84.2
State	149,132	48,458	100,674	239.7
City	223,573	8,340	215,233	100.0
Other	223,573	8,340	215,233	100.0
Not reported				
AREA IN ENTERPRISES				
Total	16,336,470	15,630,321	706,149	4.5
Individual and partnership	8,999,681	11,968,412	-2,968,731	-24.8
Cooperative	6,628,280	10,628,543	-4,000,263	-37.7
Irrigation district	3,432,337	1,823,397	1,608,940	88.4
Carey Act	192,546	1,148,937	-956,391	-83.4
Commercial	2,619,537	3,096,381	-476,844	-15.4
United States Indian Service	1,122,134	932,165	189,969	20.4
United States Bureau of Reclamation	2,569,480	2,637,176	-67,696	-2.6
Non	13,680	7,379	6,301	84.2
State	149,132	48,458	100,674	239.7
City	223,573	8,340	215,233	100.0
Other	223,573	8,340	215,233	100.0
Not reported				

1 A minus sign (-) denotes decrease. Per cent not shown when more than 1,000.  
 2 Irrigable area, 1929; total area, 1929.

Areas classified in Table 6 as "Carey Act" do not disclose the extent of the development which has been effected under the operation of that law, since most of the enterprises begun under it have reorganized and are reported in other classes. Under the operation of the Carey Act, the lands selected by the States are segregated from the public domain for specified periods during which the States undertake to cause adequate irrigation systems to be constructed and sufficient irrigation water made available, whereupon the lands are patented to the States by the Federal Government and disposed of by them to settlers. The Commissioner of the General Land Office on June 30, 1930, reported that 3,897,860 acres had been segregated and 1,174,903 acres patented. The report of June 30, 1920, shows 3,781,649 acres segregated and 888,793 acres patented.

Areas credited to United States Bureau of Reclamation include projects or project units constructed by that Bureau but now operated by irrigation districts or water-users' associations. The areas so credited do not include other lands partly served by Government works in both 1929 and 1919 with water carried through private canals under Warren Act (Act of February 21, 1911) or other water-service contracts. The outside areas so partly served in 1929 are reported by the Bureau of Reclamation as totalling 1,234,230 acres. The corresponding 1919 area was somewhat in excess of 900,000 acres.

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Areas classified as "City" in 1930 include, besides other lands, several large tracts in California which in 1929 were reported under "Irrigation district" and other classifications. The status of most of these enterprises being unaltered legally, the change in classification is necessitated by the actual control now exercised by the cities.

Areas classified as "State" include 2 land settlement enterprises in California, as well as various State institutions there and elsewhere which are not development enterprises.

Areas classified as "Other" include 3 drainage districts which operate irrigation as well as drainage systems, and a much larger number of "reclamation" districts which exercise the functions of flood control or drainage, or both, in addition to those of irrigation. Reclamation districts have no connection with United States Bureau of Reclamation enterprises.

AREA, BY CHARACTER OF WATER RIGHTS

TABLE 7.—AREA IRRIGATED FOR THE 19 IRRIGATION STATES, BY CHARACTER OF RIGHTS UNDER WHICH WATER IS RECEIVED: 1929 AND 1919

WATER RIGHTS (See definitions in Introduction)	1929		1919	
	Area	Proportion of total	Area	Proportion of total
	Acres	Per cent	Acres	Per cent
Total	19,547,544	100.0	19,191,719	100.0
Appropriation and use	1,959,467	10.0	2,521,982	13.1
Noise filed and posted	1,853,279	9.5	2,765,630	14.4
Adjudicated by court	7,871,804	40.3	7,189,954	37.3
Permit from State	3,911,931	19.9	1,960,924	10.2
Certificate or license from State	1,161,896	5.9	1,288,124	6.7
Riparian	530,912	2.7	570,896	2.9
Underground	1,755,227	9.0	1,097,666	5.6
Other	182,156	0.9	494,564	2.6
Mixed	471,455	2.4	562,330	2.9
Not reported <sup>1</sup>	922,429	4.8	1,492,339	7.8

<sup>1</sup> Includes acreage for Arkansas and Louisiana.

AREA, BY DRAINAGE BASIN

TABLE 8.—AREA FOR THE 19 IRRIGATION STATES, BY DRAINAGE BASIN: 1929 AND 1919

DRAINAGE BASIN (See definitions in Introduction)	AREA IRRIGATED			Irrigable area in enterprises, 1930	Irrigable area in enterprises, 1930
	1929	1919	Increase		
	Acres	Acres	Per cent		
<b>Total</b>	<b>19,547,544</b>	<b>19,191,719</b>	<b>1.9</b>	<b>19,500,000</b>	<b>19,191,719</b>
<b>Red River (of the North) tributaries</b>	<b>2,039</b>			<b>2,039</b>	<b>2,450</b>
<b>North River and tributaries</b>	<b>1,450</b>			<b>1,450</b>	<b>1,450</b>
<b>Other tributaries</b>	<b>640</b>			<b>640</b>	<b>656</b>
<b>Missouri River and tributaries</b>	<b>1,160,189</b>	<b>1,167,376</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>1,479,612</b>	<b>1,521,972</b>
Missouri River direct	34,367	27,762	-19.1	40,149	42,283
Jefferson River and tributaries	362,286	425,663	+14.0	408,228	479,621
Jefferson River direct	10,263	23,276	+22.6	19,243	33,662
Heartbeat River	131,358	163,673	+24.6	142,355	155,919
Big Hole River	146,730	144,659	-1.4	162,263	169,849
Baby River	31,671	34,474	+8.8	33,539	36,501
Other tributaries	37,820	39,637	+4.7	46,152	49,876
Madison River	30,366	34,428	+13.4	37,694	45,329
Madison River direct	59,753	66,963	+11.9	114,498	129,221
Snake River	23,461	34,967	+49.0	31,239	51,569
Snake River direct	66,974	84,983	+25.4	97,663	121,277
Teton River	26,650	32,500	+21.9	36,799	47,699
Markas River	7,423	12,779	+73.1	99,434	161,814
Judith River	30,262	43,336	+43.2	13,673	14,661
Missouli River	88,218	108,555	+22.8	84,730	96,520
Other tributaries	38,493	19,749	-49.0	148,161	169,719
Snake River	121	933	+676.8	569	163
Other tributaries	32,636	87,876	+269.3	41,197	47,133
Yellowstone River and tributaries	661,145	680,626	+2.9	1,019,000	1,031,212
Yellowstone River direct	152,312	169,434	+11.2	235,401	242,693
Bozeman River	11,369			19,478	12,981
Clark Fork and tributaries	92,959	77,738	-16.4	112,063	115,330
Clark Fork direct	50,650	72,325	+42.6	168,968	119,525
Tributaries	2,348	5,213	+22.2	2,092	2,683
Shoshone River	22,009	28,943	+31.5	40,462	39,417
Big Lost River	22,162	23,929	+8.0	31,697	32,327
Big Horn River and tributaries	381,026	379,948	-0.3	552,768	719,822
Big Horn River direct	69,698	68,962	-1.0	126,766	143,464
Pago-Lite River	21,131	22,679	+7.3	35,489	31,543
Wind River	31,796	52,039	+63.4	146,588	238,583
Crow Creek	19,746	13,610	-31.0	19,798	29,651
Big Wind River	12,286	18,269	+48.7	19,798	30,599
Grassland River	22,139	49,321	+223.2	65,551	79,894
Shoshone Creek	7,166	11,965	+67.1	13,369	18,994
Shoshone River	68,636	95,391	+38.8	143,000	169,362
Little Horn River	1,537	1,498	-2.6	2,783	2,783
Other tributaries	28,082	17,042	-39.3	49,375	58,239
Tongue River and tributaries	56,494	64,195	+13.5	71,009	79,731
Tongue River direct	28,219	28,973	+2.7	39,621	39,549
Greeno Creek	28,029	27,127	-3.2	31,388	39,182
Other tributaries	7,266	6,219	-14.4	8,051	8,964
Poudre River and tributaries	36,379	38,631	+6.2	56,611	59,519
Poudre River direct	5,945	7,192	+20.2	9,900	9,273
Red Fork Creek	463	5,941	+1281.2	662	850
Crabby Creek	2,009	21,662	+983.2	4,149	4,388
Clear Creek	35,265	39,638	+12.4	51,669	58,238
Other tributaries	6,666	16,098	+241.5	9,563	19,163
Other tributaries of Yellowstone River	61,325	59,182	-3.6	88,269	91,613
<b>North Platte River and tributaries</b>	<b>1,267,694</b>	<b>1,224,974</b>	<b>-3.4</b>	<b>1,441,367</b>	<b>1,568,154</b>
North Platte River direct	470,902	362,191	-30.6	504,642	540,615
Clear Creek	12,828	8,772	-46.1	12,998	12,906
Clear Creek	85,678	78,172	-8.7	131,778	143,842
St. Vrain Creek	178,569	244,831	+36.9	263,401	268,263
Big Thompson Creek	92,704	96,678	+4.2	103,773	101,818
Cache la Poudre River	265,499	267,197	+0.6	326,029	378,695
Loose Tree Creek	16,532	4,928	-70.0	10,942	11,293
Loose Tree Creek	8,947	4,323	-51.4	7,970	8,286
Big Thompson Creek	8,479	8,423	-0.7	9,476	10,529
Lodgepole Creek	15,425	29,694	+92.6	17,211	19,918
Other tributaries	169,692	169,241	-0.3	113,336	117,937
Loup River	291	1,177	+303.1	672	732
Other tributaries of North Platte River	24,791	879	-27.8	32,655	33,371
Kansas River and tributaries	28,236	34,672	+23.1	32,823	36,913
Republican River	23,263	34,259	+47.7	25,088	32,872
Smoky Hill River	141	278	+98.6	336	381
Other tributaries	2,611	24	-99.1	3,411	3,659
Other tributaries of Missouri River	74,342	51,389	-30.8	131,194	223,494

<sup>1</sup> A minus sign (-) denotes decrease. The word "and" shows a sum more than 1,000.  
<sup>2</sup> Belle Fourche River included in Littleton River direct in 1930.

<sup>1</sup> Larzac River direct includes 11,969 acres in 1930, reported in "Other tributaries of Larzac River" in 1929.

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TABLE 8.—AREA FOR THE 19 IRRIGATION STATES, BY DRAINAGE BASIN: 1929 AND 1919—Continued

Table with multiple columns: DRAINAGE BASIN (See definitions in Introduction), AREA IRRIGATED (1929, 1919, Increase), AREA CAPABLE OF SUPPLYING WATER (1929), AREA ENTERPRISES WERE CAPABLE OF SUPPLYING WITH WATER IN 1920, and Irrigable area in enterprises, 1929.

1. Includes the... 2. Including West Walker and West Weber Rivers.

3. Not including... 4. Not including independent streams in Snake River Basin.

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TABLE 9.—INVESTMENT IN ENTERPRISES FOR THE 19 IRRIGATION STATES: 1890 TO 1930

CENSUS YEAR	INVESTMENT		AVERAGE, PER ACRE <sup>1</sup>	
	Amount	Increase	Amount	Increase
	Dollars	Per cent	Dollars	Per cent
1930.....	1,032,755,790	48.0	30.57	47.6
1920.....	697,657,328	117.0	26.81	69.1
1910.....	321,454,008	359.2	15.85	75.3
1900.....	70,010,594	137.1	9.04	13.6
1890.....	29,533,921	-----	7.96	-----

<sup>1</sup> Based on area enterprises were capable of supplying with water.

TABLE 10.—INVESTMENT FOR THE 19 IRRIGATION STATES, BY DATE OF BEGINNING, 1930

DATE OF BEGINNING (See definitions in Introduction)	INVESTMENT		
	Amount	Proportion of total	Average, per acre <sup>1</sup>
	Dollars	Per cent	Dollars
Total.....	1,032,755,790	100.0	30.57
Before 1860.....	15,694,247	1.5	31.61
1860-1869.....	14,262,037	1.4	9.74
1870-1879.....	34,408,810	3.3	14.35
1880-1889.....	70,464,911	7.7	18.09
1890-1899.....	86,572,758	8.4	24.14
1900-1904.....	73,323,337	7.1	31.51
1905-1909.....	216,887,448	23.8	59.30
1910-1914.....	70,738,638	6.9	43.57
1915-1919.....	74,026,373	7.2	44.04
1920-1924.....	144,344,584	14.0	128.99
1925-1929.....	142,944,869	13.8	129.12
Not reported.....	51,091,378	4.9	20.00

<sup>1</sup> Based on area enterprises were capable of supplying with water in 1930.

TABLE 11.—INVESTMENT, 1930; AND COST OF MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION, 1929; FOR THE 19 IRRIGATION STATES, BY SOURCE OF WATER SUPPLY

[When water is pumped, cost of maintenance and operation includes cost of fuel and attendance]

SOURCE OF SUPPLY	INVESTMENT, 1930			MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION, 1929	
	Amount	Proportion of total	Average, per acre	Irrigated area reporting	Average, per acre <sup>1</sup>
	Dollars	Per cent	Dollars	Acres	Dollars
Total.....	1,032,755,790	100.0	30.57	18,600,184	2.77
Streams, gravity.....	452,381,562	43.8	26.44	12,392,865	1.21
Streams, pumped.....	102,027,081	9.9	37.07	1,078,550	4.30
Streams, gravity and pumped.....	20,823,588	2.0	47.63	1,252,784	4.41
Wells, pumped.....	271,426,464	26.3	110.07	1,921,000	9.17
Wells, flowing.....	2,300,242	0.2	42.27	22,493	2.34
Wells, pumped and flowing.....	1,548,810	0.1	74.58	16,542	9.27
Lakes, pumped.....	3,591,977	0.3	20.43	76,618	3.03
Lakes, gravity.....	4,693,943	0.5	55.61	55,527	2.70
Springs.....	3,498,382	0.3	13.27	195,502	1.02
Stored storm water.....	1,822,458	0.2	28.31	30,023	1.31
City water.....	32,306	(?)	17.85	978	7.31
Sewage.....	201,980	(?)	65.35	2,902	2.10
Streams, gravity and wells, pumped.....	90,936,110	9.7	66.20	1,159,631	4.40
Streams, gravity and wells, flowing.....	578,037	0.1	16.80	20,268	2.52
Other mixed.....	56,702,070	5.5	49.82	843,802	3.52
Other.....	199,060	(?)	24.27	7,030	1.68
Not reported.....	392,682	(?)	18.58	7,739	2.40
Supplemental from—					
Pumped streams.....	927,158	0.1	28.28	\$ 23,806	6.27
Pumped wells.....	9,627,568	0.9	29.02	\$ 276,347	5.01
Flowing wells.....	0,200	(?)	24.31	\$ 57	0.01

<sup>1</sup> Based on area irrigated in 1929 reporting cost.

<sup>2</sup> Less than one-tenth of 1 per cent.

<sup>3</sup> Not considered in total because included in enterprises reporting other sources of supply listed above.

TABLE 12.—INVESTMENT FOR THE 19 IRRIGATION STATES, BY CHARACTER OF ENTERPRISE: 1930 AND 1920

CHARACTER OF ENTERPRISE (See definitions in Introduction)	Enter-prises, 1930	INVESTMENT		INCREASE <sup>1</sup>		CHARACTER OF ENTERPRISE (See definitions in Introduction)	Enter-prises, 1930	INVESTMENT		INCREASE <sup>1</sup>	
		1930	1920	Amount	Per cent			1930	1920	Amount	Per cent
		Dollars	Dollars	Dollars				Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	
Total.....	75,517	1,032,755,790	697,657,328	335,098,462	48.0	United States Indian Services.....	110	31,570,920	14,851,236	16,725,684	112.6
Individual and partnership.....	71,173	327,867,189	154,634,160	173,233,011	112.0	United States Bureau of Reclamation.....	30	193,980,576	129,509,810	64,470,757	49.8
Cooperative.....	23,320	170,329,902	183,041,500	-3,711,598	-2.0	State.....	40	1,016,554	344,174	702,380	204.1
Irrigation district.....	2363	210,733,476	88,573,514	122,159,962	137.9	City.....	45	15,511,403	2,936,078	12,574,785	428.2
Carey Act.....	13	7,565,604	32,080,895	-25,115,091	-70.8	Other.....	32	2,783,341	5,310,309	-2,527,058	-47.6
Commercial.....	391	62,351,714	85,735,470	-23,383,756	-27.3	Not reported.....			39,674	-39,674	-100.0

<sup>1</sup> A minus sign (-) denotes decrease.

<sup>2</sup> Exclusive of water users' associations or irrigation districts which operate projects or project units constructed by the United States Bureau of Reclamation. (See text, second par., p. 5.)







TABLE 13.—INVESTMENT FOR THE 19 IRRIGATION STATES, BY DRAINAGE BASIN: 1930 AND 1920—Continued

DRAINAGE BASIN (See definitions in Introduction)	INVESTMENT		INCREASE <sup>1</sup>	
	1930	1920	Amount	Per cent
<b>Columbia River and tributaries—Continued</b>				
Snake River and tributaries <sup>2</sup> —Con.	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	
Asotin Creek	250,331	606,084	-355,753	-59.7
Palouse River	42,896	176,100	-133,204	-75.7
Other tributaries	1,500,818	4,028,739	-2,527,921	-62.7
Independent streams in Snake River Basin	2,575,068	3,828,006	-1,252,938	-32.7
Canas Creek	546,925	578,627	-31,702	-5.5
Beaver Creek	8,500	7,250	1,250	17.1
Medicine Lodge Creek	7,535	31,600	-24,065	-70.2
Little Lost River	16,000	474,466	-458,466	-90.5
Big Lost River	1,833,725	2,709,098	-875,373	-32.3
Other	161,789	26,867	134,922	502.2
Walla Walla River	747,053	1,171,914	-424,861	-36.3
Klickitat River	6,125	64,423	-58,298	-90.5
White Salmon River	111,802	91,786	20,016	21.0
Umatilla River	3,752,200	4,308,892	-556,692	-12.0
Willow Creek	70,547	60,139	10,408	32.3
John Day River	436,402	510,248	-73,846	-14.4
Deschutes River	6,046,877	5,078,686	968,191	19.1
Flood River	957,875	807,269	150,606	18.6
Willamette River	311,011	100,561	210,450	210.2
Other tributaries of Columbia River	3,042,031	2,422,729	1,019,302	38.9
Other independent streams in Columbia River Basin	610,036		610,036	
<b>Pacific Ocean streams other than Colorado and Columbia Rivers</b>	<b>420,005,422</b>	<b>107,898,448</b>	<b>252,066,974</b>	<b>150.9</b>
Dungeness River	200,120	94,010	202,110	215.0
Rogue River and tributaries	5,144,092	1,783,989	3,361,003	188.4
Rogue River direct	1,006,192	166,065	1,439,627	868.9
Little Butte Creek	1,210,886	604,794	615,092	101.7
Bear Creek	1,475,733	615,878	859,855	139.6
Evans Creek	22,504	40,830	-18,326	-44.9
Applegate River	166,053	180,894	-13,841	-7.7
Illinois River	203,421	87,963	115,458	131.2
Other tributaries	451,303	87,956	363,347	413.1
Klamath River and tributaries	9,430,560	5,502,800	3,927,760	71.4
Klamath River direct	4,263,840	1,734,009	2,519,741	145.3
Lost River	4,295,740	3,451,883	844,357	24.5
Sprague River	259,000	32,308	227,532	703.0
Other tributaries	621,080	285,040	336,040	117.9
Russian River	534,835	102,630	372,205	228.0
Sacramento River and tributaries	118,760,541	28,833,100	89,917,435	311.9
Sacramento River direct	17,502,425	11,830,374	5,672,051	47.9
Pit River	982,284	700,913	281,371	22.8
Cow Creek	89,200	126,046	-37,846	-29.7
Cottonwood Creek	821,779	673,601	148,178	43.3
Battle Creek	87,685	95,139	-7,454	-7.8
Stony Creek	2,439,017	1,539,014	899,403	58.4
Feather River	82,468,623	3,937,380	78,531,243	94.9
Yuba River	3,200,008	2,518,770	681,238	27.0
Catche Creek	2,421,872	916,477	1,505,395	164.3
American River	3,437,456	2,390,114	1,047,342	18.0
Other tributaries	5,300,132	3,004,778	1,695,354	47.0
San Joaquin River and tributaries <sup>3</sup>	111,540,168	71,694,653	39,845,515	55.6
San Joaquin River direct	12,006,191	9,224,164	2,782,027	30.2
Korn River	7,050,041	17,573,637	-10,523,596	-59.0
Tulare Lake	817,154	3,010,620	-2,193,466	-79.1
Tule River	4,133,982	2,842,405	1,291,487	45.4
Kaweah River	11,440,116	6,186,840	5,253,276	85.1
Kings River	24,300,665	8,145,446	16,155,219	198.3
Fresno River	432,791	415,355	17,436	4.2
Merced River	17,249,861	3,812,235	13,437,626	362.5
Tuolumne River	13,984,091	7,173,802	6,810,289	94.9
Stanislaus River	10,280,554	7,840,489	2,440,065	31.1
Calaveras River	463,580	818,995	-355,415	-43.4
Mokelumne River	3,709,181	1,075,137	2,634,044	121.4
Cosumnes River	592,683	153,896	438,787	285.1
Other tributaries	5,070,278	1,921,512	3,148,766	163.9
Independent streams in San Joaquin River Basin	906,636		906,636	
Tributaries of San Francisco Bay other than Sacramento and San Joaquin Rivers	9,405,130	4,040,061	4,465,078	90.4
Coyote Creek	2,575,822	1,453,138	1,122,684	77.3
Guadalupe River	2,445,426	1,883,040	562,377	29.9
Other tributaries	4,383,891	1,603,874	2,780,017	173.3
Pajaro River	2,970,981	1,248,343	1,722,638	138.0
Salinas River	4,774,377	2,570,351	2,204,046	85.7
Santa Maria River	1,044,252	573,194	471,058	82.2
Santa Ynez River	3,606,837	284,037	3,322,800	
Santa Clara River	5,422,200	2,211,473	3,210,727	145.2
Los Angeles River	17,879,997	5,508,400	12,371,597	224.6
San Gabriel River	79,955,209	12,862,319	67,092,890	521.6
Santa Ana River	27,092,533	19,918,560	7,173,983	36.0
San Diego River	3,192,381	1,789,124	1,403,257	78.4
Other Pacific Ocean streams	18,117,652	7,421,338	10,696,314	144.1

COST OF PREPARING LAND FOR IRRIGATION

The costs shown in Table 14 represent estimates of expenditures already made on the areas reporting, and include clearing and grading land, and building farm laterals and farm irrigation structures. They therefore represent expenditures additional to the investment in irrigation enterprises shown in Tables 9 to 13, inclusive.

TABLE 14.—ESTIMATED COST OF PREPARING LAND FOR THE 19 IRRIGATION STATES, 1930

ITEM	1930
Area reporting.....acres	18,579,542
Estimated cost reported.....dollars	524,046,596
Average, per acre.....dollars	28.21

DRAINAGE OF IRRIGATED LAND

The areas in Table 15 relate only to lands within the boundaries of irrigation enterprises. "Additional area needing drainage" represents all lands so reported by the owners of the enterprises and includes lands producing partial crops as well as those wholly unproductive.

TABLE 15.—AREA WITHIN IRRIGATION ENTERPRISES FOR WHICH DRAINS HAVE BEEN INSTALLED AND ADDITIONAL AREA IN NEED OF DRAINAGE, FOR THE 19 IRRIGATION STATES: 1930 AND 1920

ITEM	1930	1920
Enterprises reporting land drained or needing drainage.....number	3,853	3,008
Area <sup>1</sup> in enterprises reporting land drained or needing drainage.....acres	10,611,415	8,860,760
Area for which drains have been installed.....acres	3,707,354	1,519,853
Additional area needing drainage.....acres	1,078,566	1,476,771
Proportion that area for which drains have been installed is of area <sup>1</sup> in all irrigation enterprises reporting drainage.....per cent	34.9	17.2
Proportion that area for which drains have been installed is of area <sup>1</sup> in all irrigation enterprises.....per cent	12.1	4.2
Proportion that area for which drains have been installed plus that needing drainage is of area <sup>1</sup> in all irrigation enterprises.....per cent	15.6	8.3

<sup>1</sup> Irrigable area, 1930; total area, 1920.

QUANTITY OF WATER USED

The quantity of water used was reported on only part of the irrigation schedules, and all areas reporting "quantity of water entering canals" did not also report "quantity delivered to irrigators." In order that proper values may be assigned to the figures given, those representing measurements and those representing estimates are reported separately in Table 16. While the data are incomplete, the reports represent sufficient acreage to serve as bases for reliable averages.

Practice among irrigation enterprises is not uniform with regard to the place to which water is delivered; some carry it to individual farms, but others only to laterals which serve several farms. The "total quantity of water delivered to irrigators," shown in Table 16, is the quantity reported in answer to a question preceded by the inquiry: "Average head of water delivered per individual irrigator."

<sup>1</sup> A minus sign (-) denotes decrease. Per cent not shown when more than 1,000.  
<sup>2</sup> Not including "Independent streams in Snake River Basin."  
<sup>3</sup> Not including "Independent streams in San Joaquin River Basin."

TABLE 16.—WATER USED FOR THE 19 IRRIGATION STATES: 1929 AND 1919

ITEM (See definitions in Introduction)	TOTAL		MEASURED		NOT MEASURED	
	1929	1919	1929	1919	1929	1919
Average flow of water entering canals.....sec.-ft.	133,001	234,020	103,246	109,714	29,755	124,306
Area irrigated.....acres.	9,410,959	9,645,351	7,070,340	6,500,188	1,746,613	3,085,143
Average, per second-foot.....acres.	71	41	74	60	59	25*
Total quantity of water entering canals.....ac.-ft.	44,335,802	60,005,556	31,606,035	36,026,731	12,729,707	23,378,775
Area irrigated.....acres.	10,723,726	10,879,174	7,815,218	7,771,979	2,908,508	3,107,195
Average quantity per acre.....ac.-ft.	4.1	5.5	4.0	4.7	4.4	7.5
Total quantity of water delivered to irrigators.....ac.-ft.	17,968,596	15,330,104	14,311,037	8,673,341	3,657,559	6,065,703
Area irrigated.....acres.	6,474,338	6,069,953	5,054,632	3,980,026	1,419,706	2,070,927
Average quantity per acre.....ac.-ft.	2.8	2.5	2.8	2.2	2.6	3.2

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TABLE 17.—DAMS FOR THE 19 IRRIGATION STATES, BY MATERIAL, 1930

MATERIAL	DAMS		MATERIAL	DAMS	
	Diversion	Storage		Diversion	Storage
	Number	Number		Number	Number
Total.....	21,947	2,949	Earth and rock.....		1,712
Concrete or masonry.....	2,381	362	Other and mixed.....		719
Timber.....	3,077		Not reported.....		156
					15,686
					803

\* Principally temporary dams, replaced annually.

TABLE 18.—LENGTH OF PIPE LINES FOR THE 19 IRRIGATION STATES, BY MATERIAL AND SIZE, 1930

MATERIAL AND SIZE (DIAMETER)	Length	MATERIAL AND SIZE (DIAMETER)	Length
	Miles		Miles
Total.....	17,363.1	Wood:	
Concrete:		1 to 12 inches.....	503.4
1 to 12 inches.....	7,519.1	13 to 30 inches.....	296.7
13 to 30 inches.....	2,541.4	More than 30 inches.....	109.7
More than 30 inches.....	140.5	Not segregated by size.....	4.0
Not segregated by size.....	123.5	Not segregated:	
Clay:		Concrete and—	
1 to 12 inches.....	235.4	Clay.....	12.2
13 to 30 inches.....	69.1	Metal.....	539.5
More than 30 inches.....	0.3	Wood.....	11.3
Not segregated by size.....	27.0	Metal and—	
Metal:		Clay.....	1.0
1 to 12 inches.....	4,919.7	Wood.....	34.6
13 to 30 inches.....	739.4	Concrete and—	
More than 30 inches.....	96.1	Clay and metal.....	49.8
Not segregated by size.....	2.5	Metal and wood.....	111.5
		Material not specified.....	93.5

TABLE 19.—IRRIGATION WORKS FOR THE 19 IRRIGATION STATES, BY DATE OF BEGINNING, 1930

DATE OF BEGINNING (See definitions in Introduction)	DAMS		MAIN CANALS		Lateral canals, length	RESERVOIRS		Pipe lines, length	FLOWING WELLS		PUMPED WELLS		PUMPING PLANTS			
	Diversion	Storage	Capacity	Length		Number	Capacity		Number	Capacity	Number	Capacity	Number	Engine or motor capacity	Pumps	
	Number	Number	Sec.-ft.	Miles	Miles	5,122	Acre-ft.	Miles	4,811	G. p. m.	56,729	G. p. m.	59,344	I. p.	61,445	G. p. m.
Total.....	21,947	2,949	547,314	75,376	51,427	5,122	24,608,690	17,363.1	4,811	609,367	56,729	32,467,120	59,344	1,283,419	61,445	57,244,859
Before 1860.....	600	127	11,151	2,900	1,238	138	223,066	221.3	0	359	75	60,057	89	4,456	101	90,003
1860-1869.....	1,719	80	42,859	5,180	2,170	102	195,052	73.6	21	300	54	24,573	72	1,350	78	74,345
1870-1879.....	3,172	165	49,725	8,169	2,994	206	262,319	280.2	107	6,574	82	68,290	105	7,664	115	818,006
1880-1889.....	5,074	333	103,746	15,748	6,488	391	1,478,372	1,065.7	513	39,255	200	177,612	338	22,712	373	1,292,116
1890-1899.....	3,049	321	76,226	10,809	7,371	381	1,613,410	975.2	310	21,447	610	430,994	623	30,074	714	2,719,256
1900-1909.....	1,828	289	58,700	6,818	6,492	353	1,855,623	545.8	462	64,623	794	452,875	916	30,007	990	2,956,984
1905-1909.....	1,237	331	97,548	8,323	13,149	507	11,210,849	1,990.2	396	112,029	1,704	1,320,961	1,011	108,307	2,075	5,384,338
1910-1919.....	1,388	417	27,382	4,688	3,141	740	1,647,521	2,020.7	677	116,701	5,371	3,146,633	5,602	151,707	5,040	5,046,019
1915-1919.....	954	263	26,379	3,637	3,408	601	2,334,230	2,226.4	617	41,569	6,623	4,276,141	6,961	182,727	7,210	6,503,745
1920-1924.....	659	198	20,694	2,565	1,705	470	2,484,764	2,782.5	572	57,419	7,902	4,507,304	8,268	171,067	8,468	6,642,094
1925-1929.....	605	214	16,570	1,857	2,554	509	1,188,870	2,000.2	532	71,065	10,829	6,270,295	11,551	218,037	11,068	8,095,589
Not reported.....	1,663	211	16,274	4,684	648	824	114,514	2,693.3	680	78,080	22,425	11,661,496	22,018	336,612	23,407	33,750,404

TABLE 20.—IRRIGATION WORKS FOR THE 19 IRRIGATION STATES, BY CHARACTER OF ENTERPRISE, 1930

CHARACTER OF ENTERPRISE (See definitions in Introduction)	DAMS		MAIN CANALS		Lateral canals, length	RESERVOIRS		Pipe lines, length	FLOWING WELLS		PUMPED WELLS		PUMPING PLANTS			
	Diversion	Storage	Capacity	Length		Number	Capacity		Number	Capacity	Number	Capacity	Number	Engine or motor capacity	Pumps	
	Number	Number	Sec.-ft.	Miles	Miles	5,122	Acre-ft.	Miles	4,811	G. p. m.	56,729	G. p. m.	59,344	I. p.	61,445	G. p. m.
Total.....	21,947	2,949	547,314	75,376	51,427	5,122	24,608,690	17,363.1	4,811	609,367	56,729	32,467,120	59,344	1,283,419	61,445	57,244,859
Individual and partnership.....	18,971	1,953	141,492	40,831	4,818	3,763	910,829	9,870.3	4,278	505,266	53,968	29,301,030	56,387	939,008	57,803	36,061,720
Cooperative.....	2,256	599	205,317	19,638	13,751	871	2,871,247	3,115.3	191	23,681	1,160	873,662	1,189	111,290	1,494	4,312,711
Irrigation district.....	200	136	83,630	7,038	14,102	178	3,739,285	2,083.5	302	15,815	763	1,006,612	810	108,004	1,077	7,233,209
Carey Act.....	14	13	4,118	232	412	12	481,450	2.1								
Commercial.....	146	140	41,067	3,395	4,674	175	1,013,020	689.0	11	5,052	424	642,082	452	73,421	573	4,922,012
United States Indian Service.....	163	28	11,947	1,384	3,773	35	1,798,400	94.6	1	27	108	121,463	103	7,317	46	262,723
United States Bureau of Reclamation.....	52	48	55,393	2,250	9,435	47	12,978,850	433.5	3	30	180	380,000	108	30,577	232	1,806,587
State.....	6	4	80	37	14	14	351	218.2			54	34,855	72	2,100	81	76,617
City.....	2	2	2,235	426	141	35	114,956	954.8	1	90	101	107,080	103	5,141	94	1,007,480
Other.....	30	1	2,029	144	807	2	103	1.2	24	6	1	900	30	6,466	45	870,900









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TABLE 21.—IRRIGATION WORKS FOR THE 19 IRRIGATION STATES, BY DRAINAGE BASIN, 1930—Continued

Table with columns: DRAINAGE BASIN, DAMS (Diver-sion, Storage), MAIN CANALS (Capacity, Length, Lateral canals, length), RESERVOIRS (Number, Capacity), PIPE LINES, length, FLOWING WELLS (Number, Capacity), PUMPED WELLS (Number, Capacity), PUMPING PLANTS (Number, Engine or motor capacity, Pumps, Capacity, Av-er-age lift). Rows include Columbia River and tributaries, Snake River and tributaries, Independent streams in Snake River Basin, Pacific Ocean streams other than Colorado and Columbia Rivers, Klamath River and tributaries, Russian River, Sacramento River and tributaries, San Joaquin River and tributaries, Independent streams in San Joaquin River Basin, Tributaries of San Francisco Bay, Pajaro River, Salinas River, Santa Maria River, Santa Ynez River, Santa Clara River, Los Angeles River, San Gabriel River, Santa Ana River, San Diego River, and Other Pacific Ocean streams.

1 Not including "Independent streams in Snake River Basin."

2 Not including "Independent streams in San Joaquin River Basin."

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TABLE 22.-PUMPING EQUIPMENT FOR THE 19 IRRIGATION STATES, BY KIND OF POWER AND PUMP: 1930 AND 1920

Main data table with columns for ITEM, ENGINES OR MOTORS (Capacity, Proportion of total, In-crase), PUMPS (Number, Proportion of total, In-crase, Capacity, Proportion of total, In-crase), and Average lift. Includes sub-sections for KIND OF POWER and KIND OF PUMP.

1 A minus sign (-) denotes decrease. Per cent not shown when more than 1,000.

2 Less than one-tenth of 1 per cent.



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STATE TABLE I.—FARMS, AREA, INVESTMENT IN IRRIGATION ENTERPRISES, AND IRRIGATION WORKS, 1930 AND 1920; AREAS IRRIGATED, 1920 AND 1919; TENURE OF FARM OPERATORS AND VALUE OF FARMS, 1930; AND COST OF MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION, 1929; FOR THE 19 IRRIGATION STATES

ITEM (See definitions in Introduction)	TOTAL (19 States)	Arizona	Arkansas	California	Colorado	Idaho
<b>FARMS AND FARM OPERATORS</b>						
1 All farms.....1930.....number.....	2,062,813	14,173	242,334	135,076	59,950	41,074
2 Irrigated farms.....1930.....number.....	265,147	8,523	1,006	85,784	31,288	27,053
3 Operated by—						
4 Owners and managers.....number.....	203,825	6,760	625	71,911	20,060	20,486
5 Tenants.....number.....	61,322	1,773	471	13,873	11,228	7,407
6 Irrigated farms.....1920.....number.....	222,789	6,605	1,166	67,391	28,756	25,283
Increase, <sup>1</sup> 1920-1930.....per cent.....	10.0	29.0	-6.0	27.3	8.8	10.0
<b>FARM AREA AND TOTAL LAND AREA</b>						
7 Approximate land area.....1930.....acres.....	1,223,959,120	72,838,400	33,616,000	99,617,280	66,341,120	53,346,560
8 Land in all farms.....1930.....acres.....	568,693,705	10,526,627	16,052,962	30,442,581	28,876,171	9,346,908
9 Land in irrigated farms.....1930.....acres.....	78,330,222	2,983,764	363,549	12,018,804	10,390,299	4,851,440
10 Average, per farm.....acres.....	295.5	350.1	331.7	140.1	332.1	173.6
11 Operated by owners and managers.....acres.....	66,612,767	2,652,388	219,101	10,169,705	8,034,879	3,955,944
12 Average, per farm.....acres.....	326.8	392.9	350.6	141.4	400.5	193.1
13 Operated by tenants.....acres.....	11,720,465	331,396	144,448	1,849,159	2,356,420	895,496
14 Average, per farm.....acres.....	191.2	186.9	306.7	133.3	209.8	119.9
15 Area irrigated.....1929.....acres.....	19,547,544	575,590	151,787	4,746,632	3,393,619	2,181,250
16 .....1919.....acres.....	19,101,716	467,565	143,946	4,210,040	3,348,385	2,488,806
17 Increase, <sup>1</sup> 1919-1920.....per cent.....	1.0	23.1	5.4	12.5	1.4	-12.4
18 Area enterprises were capable of supplying with water.....1930.....acres.....	26,101,890	824,152	200,942	6,815,250	4,078,712	2,617,031
19 .....1920.....acres.....	26,020,477	627,393	179,013	5,894,466	3,855,348	3,092,810
20 Increase, <sup>1</sup> 1920-1930.....per cent.....	0.3	31.4	17.3	15.6	5.8	-15.4
21 Irrigable area in enterprises.....1930.....acres.....	30,590,470	1,065,627	225,992	8,075,895	4,528,251	2,814,048
22 Total area in enterprises.....1920.....acres.....	35,890,821	813,153	246,480	7,805,207	5,220,588	3,780,048
23 Area in enterprises available, or to be available, for settlement.....1930.....acres.....	1,081,598	104,693	-----	158,687	88,731	79,072
<b>IRRIGATION WORKS</b>						
24 Enterprises.....1930.....number.....	75,551	1,270	1,043	38,117	6,509	3,222
25 .....1920.....number.....	63,298	1,388	944	24,115	6,634	3,629
26 Main canals.....1930.....length, miles.....	75,375	1,732	46	7,588	15,355	7,077
27 .....1920.....length, miles.....	103,177	1,760	68	14,437	19,022	11,144
28 .....1930.....capacity, sec.-ft.....	547,314	13,697	1,845	84,944	123,662	70,793
29 .....1920.....capacity, sec.-ft.....	631,079	11,707	1,205	115,237	119,568	86,273
30 Laterals.....1930.....length, miles.....	51,427	2,242	5	11,014	6,025	7,207
31 .....1920.....length, miles.....	56,687	1,590	18	12,947	8,571	6,154
32 Reservoirs.....1930.....number.....	5,122	378	10	1,769	765	155
33 .....1920.....number.....	7,538	340	16	3,030	979	240
34 .....1930.....capacity, ac.-ft.....	24,508,590	3,410,975	7,342	3,225,675	1,924,982	3,645,373
35 .....1920.....capacity, ac.-ft.....	21,246,436	1,510,856	20	1,091,394	2,406,372	3,493,511
36 Wells, flowing.....1930.....number.....	4,811	215	-----	449	621	220
37 .....1920.....number.....	4,606	310	-----	1,415	476	142
38 .....1930.....capacity, g. p. m.....	609,367	13,772	-----	65,768	39,644	30,108
39 .....1920.....capacity, g. p. m.....	935,057	14,547	-----	287,187	20,139	15,133
40 Wells, pumped.....1930.....number.....	56,720	1,398	1,190	46,737	654	121
41 .....1920.....number.....	32,094	999	1,089	25,401	527	53
42 .....1930.....capacity, g. p. m.....	32,467,120	1,832,362	1,641,448	24,266,167	237,903	34,001
43 .....1920.....capacity, g. p. m.....	10,366,549	1,042,590	1,470,147	10,608,476	210,094	17,749
44 Pumping plants.....1930.....number.....	59,344	1,378	1,184	46,729	516	393
45 .....1920.....number.....	20,468	744	1,041	21,661	400	143
46 .....1930.....engine capacity, h. p.....	1,283,410	57,633	66,980	820,767	11,204	33,764
47 .....1920.....engine capacity, h. p.....	748,971	22,014	58,332	386,200	8,635	28,394
48 .....1930.....pump capacity, g. p. m.....	57,244,869	2,125,293	1,775,788	33,240,589	437,250	2,113,513
49 .....1920.....pump capacity, g. p. m.....	36,275,005	1,048,030	1,654,097	16,773,692	299,726	1,397,681
50 .....1930.....average lift, feet.....	51	46	68	53	25	32
51 .....1920.....average lift, feet.....	41	44	50	41	23	20
<b>VALUES OF FARMS, 1930</b>						
52 Land and buildings, all farms.....dollars.....	20,101,278,254	184,230,650	547,828,250	3,419,470,704	629,346,675	417,240,572
53 Land and buildings, irrigated farms.....dollars.....	4,629,781,810	149,154,077	10,092,851	2,438,289,524	386,053,880	289,343,066
54 Operated by—						
55 Owners and managers.....dollars.....	3,736,423,785	119,493,080	10,101,159	2,074,125,516	242,084,080	214,018,772
56 Tenants.....dollars.....	893,358,034	29,660,997	5,991,695	364,164,008	143,969,809	75,324,894
57 Average, land and buildings, per farm.....dollars.....	17,461.19	17,500.19	14,001.14	28,423.59	12,338.72	10,361.08
58 per acre.....dollars.....	60.10	49.99	44.02	202.87	37.16	59.64
59 Land (excluding buildings).....dollars.....	3,942,266,249	131,238,561	12,989,124	2,145,451,026	309,265,986	233,067,280
60 Buildings (including dwellings).....dollars.....	687,515,570	17,915,516	3,013,730	292,838,498	76,787,903	50,276,386
61 Implements and machinery, irrigated farms.....dollars.....	257,110,665	8,136,633	2,414,628	96,785,492	28,127,021	27,305,398
62 Average, per farm.....dollars.....	969.69	954.67	2,203.13	1,128.25	898.97	976.83
per acre.....dollars.....	3.28	2.73	6.04	8.05	2.71	5.93
<b>INVESTMENT IN IRRIGATION ENTERPRISES</b>						
63 Investment to Jan. 1, 1930.....dollars.....	1,032,755,700	73,328,197	6,836,648	450,967,979	87,603,240	84,500,354
64 .....1920.....dollars.....	697,657,328	33,498,094	7,183,322	194,886,388	88,302,442	91,501,000
65 Increase, <sup>1</sup> 1920-1930.....per cent.....	48.0	118.9	-4.8	131.4	-0.8	-7.7
66 Average, per acre, based on area enterprises were capable of supplying with water, 1930.....dollars.....	39.57	88.97	32.56	66.17	21.48	32.29
.....1920.....dollars.....	26.81	53.40	40.13	33.06	22.90	29.59
67 Estimated final investment in existing enterprises, 1930.....dollars.....	1,155,108,210	91,913,550	6,844,092	465,930,535	91,845,804	101,850,250
68 .....1920.....dollars.....	819,778,005	34,615,064	7,283,522	225,799,123	95,198,423	97,019,717
69 Increase, <sup>1</sup> 1920-1930.....per cent.....	40.9	165.5	-6.0	106.3	-3.5	4.5
70 Average, per acre, based on estimated final investment and irrigable area, 1930.....dollars.....	37.75	84.60	30.28	57.09	20.28	36.02
71 Average, per acre, based on estimated final investment and total area, 1920.....dollars.....	22.84	42.57	29.55	28.93	18.24	25.67
<b>COST OF MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION, 1929</b>						
72 Irrigated area for which cost was reported.....acres.....	18,890,184	561,605	147,921	4,538,579	3,235,029	2,109,087
73 Average, per acre, based on area reporting.....dollars.....	2.77	4.57	7.03	6.10	0.85	1.44

<sup>1</sup> A minus sign (-) denotes decrease.<sup>2</sup> Includes 34 interstate projects counted in this table as 68 independent enterprises; corresponding figures for 1920 not available. For actual number of enterprises see Tables 4 and 12.



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ITEM (See definitions in Introduction)	Oklahoma	Oregon	South Dakota	Texas	Utah	Washington	Wyoming
<b>FARMS AND FARM OPERATORS</b>							
1 All farms..... 1930..... number.....	203,866	55,153	83,157	495,480	27,159	70,004	10,011
2 Irrigated farms..... 1930..... number.....	99	11,387	763	10,861	23,847	15,049	7,308
3 Operated by—							
4 Owners and managers..... number.....	69	9,339	453	6,056	20,886	13,120	5,426
5 Tenants..... number.....	30	2,048	310	4,805	2,961	2,820	1,882
6 Irrigated farms..... 1920..... number.....	73	9,154	1,198	5,974	22,218	13,271	6,440
Increase, 1920-1930..... per cent.....	35.6	24.4	-36.3	81.8	7.3	20.2	13.3
<b>FARM AREA AND TOTAL LAND AREA</b>							
7 Approximate land area..... 1930..... acres.....	44,424,960	61,188,480	40,195,520	167,934,720	52,597,760	42,775,040	62,430,720
8 Land in all farms..... 1930..... acres.....	33,790,817	16,548,678	36,470,083	124,707,130	5,613,101	13,533,778	23,525,234
9 Land in irrigated farms..... 1930..... acres.....	57,367	6,306,825	379,270	1,899,240	4,137,021	1,923,337	9,959,883
10 Average, per farm..... acres.....	579.5	553.9	497.1	174.9	173.5	120.0	1,362.0
11 Operated by owners and managers..... acres.....	52,107	5,006,140	207,826	1,475,014	3,779,080	1,630,945	8,807,734
12 Average, per farm..... acres.....	765.2	690.3	591.2	243.6	180.9	124.9	1,623.2
13 Operated by tenants..... acres.....	5,200	700,685	111,444	424,225	357,941	283,392	1,152,149
14 Average, per farm..... acres.....	175.3	342.1	359.5	88.3	120.9	100.5	612.2
15 Area irrigated..... 1929..... acres.....	1,573	898,713	67,107	798,917	1,324,125	490,283	1,236,155
16 Increase, 1919-1920..... 1919..... acres.....	2,969	980,162	100,682	586,120	1,371,651	529,899	1,207,982
17 per cent.....	-47.0	-8.9	-33.3	36.3	-3.5	-5.8	2.3
18 Area enterprises were capable of supplying with water..... 1930..... acres.....	7,331	1,158,210	109,550	1,177,415	1,542,475	631,511	1,655,008
19 Increase, 1920-1930..... 1920..... acres.....	0,072	1,344,046	150,914	1,150,542	1,700,550	637,161	1,831,039
20 per cent.....	-24.2	-13.8	-27.4	2.3	-9.3	-0.9	-9.6
21 Irrigable area in enterprises..... 1930..... acres.....	7,344	1,478,128	122,510	1,568,876	1,739,869	915,379	1,958,147
22 Total area in enterprises..... 1920..... acres.....	11,742	1,925,987	188,382	1,687,447	2,359,244	836,795	2,504,608
23 Area in enterprises available, or to be available, for settlement..... 1930..... acres.....		380,475	5,000	80,323	199,449	195,041	164,301
<b>IRRIGATION WORKS</b>							
24 Enterprises..... 1930..... number.....	77	4,066	121	1,728	2,714	2,986	2,631
25 1920..... number.....	33	2,710	292	1,371	2,403	2,092	3,564
26 Main canals..... 1930..... length, miles.....	23	5,839	354	1,043	5,614	3,862	8,043
27 1920..... length, miles.....	38	7,115	653	1,624	6,343	3,851	9,517
28 1930..... capacity, sec.-ft.....	77	25,006	1,095	21,626	36,948	14,987	35,811
29 1920..... capacity, sec.-ft.....	344	28,897	5,427	23,261	29,447	16,242	39,000
30 Laterals..... 1930..... length, miles.....	1	2,338	728	3,236	3,623	1,861	2,732
31 1920..... length, miles.....	10	1,056	605	2,040	5,334	1,764	2,534
32 Reservoirs..... 1930..... number.....	7	120	5	325	413	78	214
33 1920..... number.....	8	266	119	368	476	205	374
34 1930..... capacity, ac.-ft.....	268	1,698,428	203,124	935,085	1,093,252	699,807	3,051,745
35 1920..... capacity, ac.-ft.....	52	1,905,037	212,264	392,990	1,000,505	477,789	2,011,748
36 Wells, flowing..... 1930..... number.....	1	69	13	61	1,663	42	7
37 1920..... number.....	1	5	4	135	1,256	6	7
38 1930..... capacity, g. p. m.....	100	6,585	4,825	36,020	104,670	27,290	2,205
39 1920..... capacity, g. p. m.....	18	11,968	2,750	62,364	96,371	14,925	46
40 Wells, pumped..... 1930..... number.....	18	558	1	1,102	346	1,019	11
41 1920..... number.....	19	208	1	901	192	520	16
42 1930..... capacity, g. p. m.....	2,715	136,669	375	614,395	120,333	366,800	8,280
43 1920..... capacity, g. p. m.....	3,643	47,026	800	538,565	39,959	227,744	8,020
44 Pumping plants..... 1930..... number.....	25	1,091	8	1,828	429	1,951	61
45 1920..... number.....	22	573	25	1,369	250	975	57
46 1930..... engine capacity, h. p.....	220	21,257	92	95,933	11,381	33,187	612
47 1920..... engine capacity, h. p.....	184	13,769	498	80,511	11,392	22,929	1,304
48 1930..... pump capacity, g. p. m.....	8,855	1,022,213	4,027	6,494,099	877,042	993,303	86,905
49 1920..... pump capacity, g. p. m.....	7,668	600,045	23,320	6,825,998	783,588	636,552	30,725
50 1930..... average lift, feet.....	33	27	27	55	36	59	21
51 1920..... average lift, feet.....	59	28	21	45	25	60	31
<b>VALUES OF FARMS, 1930</b>							
52 Land and buildings, all farms..... dollars.....	1,242,723,526	630,827,927	1,285,153,538	3,597,406,986	221,223,172	773,662,602	206,852,171
53 Land and buildings, irrigated farms..... dollars.....	1,071,866	160,937,926	10,520,455	180,145,621	199,983,735	195,394,180	120,208,187
54 Operated by—							
55 Owners and managers..... dollars.....	1,356,220	136,987,981	6,417,810	129,362,009	176,941,080	168,250,045	97,153,418
56 Tenants..... dollars.....	315,046	23,049,945	4,102,645	50,783,512	23,042,055	27,144,135	23,054,760
57 Average, land and buildings, per farm..... dollars.....	16,887.54	14,133.48	13,788.28	16,586.46	8,386.12	12,251.19	16,448.85
58 per acre..... dollars.....	29.14	25.62	27.74	94.85	101.59	12.07	12.07
59 Land (excluding buildings)..... dollars.....	1,215,461	130,246,175	8,312,305	159,716,101	157,832,148	154,326,847	99,704,088
60 Buildings (including dwellings)..... dollars.....	466,405	30,691,751	2,208,150	20,429,420	42,151,687	41,067,333	20,504,099
61 Implements and machinery, irrigated farms..... dollars.....	99,517	10,081,075	1,055,845	9,995,783	12,274,514	13,343,847	9,483,860
62 Average, per farm..... dollars.....	1,005.22	964.35	1,383.81	920.34	514.72	836.06	1,207.74
per acre..... dollars.....	1.73	1.74	2.78	5.26	2.97	6.94	0.95
<b>INVESTMENT IN IRRIGATION ENTERPRISES</b>							
63 Investment to Jan. 1, 1930..... dollars.....	100,009	38,754,548	4,502,117	49,022,164	35,069,819	40,561,895	35,153,187
64 1920..... dollars.....	151,325	28,929,151	5,405,248	35,072,739	32,037,351	29,299,011	34,320,328
65 Increase, 1920-1930..... per cent.....	5.8	34.0	-17.6	39.8	11.3	38.4	2.4
66 Average, per acre, based on area enterprises were capable of supplying with water, 1930..... dollars.....	21.84	33.40	41.10	41.64	23.13	64.23	21.24
67 1920..... dollars.....	15.65	21.62	36.21	30.48	18.84	45.98	18.75
68 Estimated final investment in existing enterprises, 1930..... dollars.....	167,909	60,039,939	5,174,417	59,555,024	37,857,011	53,232,477	41,970,416
69 1920..... dollars.....	162,775	41,585,742	5,500,748	30,860,871	33,836,641	37,684,591	51,500,288
70 Increase, 1920-1930..... per cent.....	3.2	44.4	-5.9	49.4	11.9	41.3	-18.5
71 Average, per acre, based on estimated final investment and irrigable area, 1930..... dollars.....	22.86	40.62	42.24	38.01	21.76	58.15	21.43
72 Average, per acre, based on estimated final investment and total area, 1920..... dollars.....	13.86	21.59	29.20	23.62	14.34	45.03	20.08
<b>COST OF MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION, 1929</b>							
73 Irrigated area for which cost was reported..... acres.....	935	863,685	65,783	772,160	1,301,098	487,977	1,131,867
74 Average, per acre, based on area reporting..... dollars.....	7.62	1.41	1.33	4.74	1.00	4.14	0.84

1 A minus sign (-) denotes decrease.