

FRENCH GUIANA - Agricultural Census 2000 – Main Results

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Number and area of holdings		
	Number of holdings	Area of holdings (ha)
Total	5318	34 655

Number of holdings by size		
	Number of holdings	Area of holdings (ha)
Total	5 318	—
<1 ha	1 108	—
1-2	1 886	—
2-5	1 850	—
5-10	293	—
10 - 20	94	—
20 >	87	—

Holder's household members		
	Number of persons	
Total	20 000	—

household members engaged in agricultural work on the holding		
	Number of persons	
Total	9 360	—

Hired permanent workers		
	Holdings reporting	Number of workers
Total	174	442

Temporary crops		
	Holdings reporting	Area (ha)
Root, tuber crops	4 033	4 805
Leguminous plants	2 823	433

Permanent crops		
	Holdings reporting	Area (ha)
Bananas	2 232	295
Pineapples	738	130

Livestock		
	Holdings reporting	Head/units
Cattle	326	9 559
Sheep	100	1 600
Goats	116	1 026
Pigs	341	8 100
Horses	70	500
Rabbits	30	1 500
Chickens	1 684	99 395
Ducks	391	11 027
Geese	108	772
Turkeys	84	1 212
Pigeons	63	2 908
Guinea fowls	136	4 162
Beehives	7	166

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Information note:

French Guiana, the largest Department of the French Territory, for practical purposes is recorded in the World Census of Agriculture Database at country level in the South American Region. Consequently, results related to France bear only upon the territory of France in Europe (France Métropolitaine).

Historical outline:

The 2000 Agricultural Census is the third conducted in French Guiana; the first was carried out in 1980-81 while the second in 1988-89.

Organization:

The 2000 Agricultural Census was organized by the Central Service of Statistical Surveys and Studies (SCEES) of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries of France. Field work was carried out through the Statistics Services of the French Guyana's Direction of Agriculture and Forestry (DAF).

Enumeration period:

The enumeration period lasted from June 2000 to January 2001.

Reference date:

For the largest part of census items, and especially for use of land, the reference period was the agricultural year 1999-2000; for livestock numbers it was the day of enumeration.

Definitions:

Agricultural holding is an economic unit of agricultural production satisfying the following conditions:

- Managing at least one hectare of "superficie agricole utilisée",
- Or 2000 square meters of specialized cultures,
- Or overstepping a certain production activity (e.g. having at least one cow).

The holding should be located in a municipality and identified by the most important building or the largest parcel.

"Superficie agricole utilisée" includes arable land, land under permanent crops, land under permanent meadows and pastures, kitchen gardens and land temporarily fallow.

Coverage:

The census covered the entire Department (Département-d'Outre-Mer) of French Guyana.

Frame:

The list of agricultural holdings to be investigated was prepared by municipality boards and used as the frame.

Methods:

Complete enumeration of all agricultural holdings was carried out through direct interview.

Data source:

Ministère de l'Agriculture et de la Pêche - Recensement Agricole 2000 - Principaux Résultats.

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