Historical outline
The first Agricultural Census after the unification of Yemen was conducted in April 2003, which provided the much needed structural data on the agricultural sector.

Organization
According to the national law on statistics, the Central Statistical Organization in the Ministry of Planning of Yemen is the responsible institution for conducting the censuses. The Agricultural Census 2003 was conducted by Central Statistical Organization in cooperation with Ministry of Agriculture and was funded by European Commission. A committee headed by the Minister of Agriculture provided the leadership was to the census organization. Working groups and technical committees comprising representation from related ministries and organizations were also established.

Enumeration period
The agricultural census was conducted during April to May 2003.

Reference date/period
For Agricultural land utilization: calendar year 2002.
For other items: the enumeration day.

Coverage
The census covered the entire country.

Frame
The frame was developed from the listing stage of the Agricultural Census. A list of agricultural Enumeration Areas (EAs) was drawn, for the agricultural census at district level and maps for selected EAs were developed.

Method
The listing stage of the census covered 2.4 million households. About 1.3 million agricultural holders were identified on the basis of basic information on agricultural land, type of irrigation used and livestock inventory collected during the listing operations. The main agricultural census was conducted in all the governorates and districts, urban and rural areas with a sample size of 86 700 agricultural holders, selected using a two-stages stratified random sample.

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