

ETHIOPIA - Agricultural Census 1989-92 - Explanatory Notes

Historical outline: The Agricultural Sample Survey has been conducted annually since 1980-81. Data presented here are from two different annual surveys: data on holdings, holder, farm population, land use and crops are from the 1988-89 Cropland Utilization Survey, while data on livestock are from the 1991-92 Livestock and Poultry Sample Survey.

Organization: The annual surveys are organized in the context of the Integrated System of Food and Agricultural Statistics Programme started in 1980, which is part of the Rural Integrated Household Survey Programme, which is, in turn, part of the National Integrated Household Survey Programme. Twelve regional supervisors, 170 field supervisors, and 835 enumerators were engaged in the operation of the 1988-89 Cropland Utilization Survey.

Enumeration period: The Cropland Utilization Survey field work was carried out from September 1988 to February 1989, while data on livestock and poultry were collected through the Annual Agricultural Sample Survey conducted in 1991-92.

Reference date: The reference period for area under crops is related to the agricultural year 1988-89. The enumeration date for livestock and poultry is 1 January 1992.

Coverage:

- The 1988-89 Cropland Utilization Survey was launched in 25 of the newly formed administrative regions plus one autonomous region; autonomous regions of Eritrea, Tigray, Asab, and Ogaden were excluded; private peasant holdings, cooperatives and state farms were considered as enumeration units.
- The 1991-92 Livestock Survey included the same geographic area but excluded the Nomadic Areas; private peasant holdings were selected as enumeration units.

Frame: The complete list of agricultural households in selected Farmers' Associations (FAS) was updated, refreshed and used as frame.

Methods:

- For the Cropland Utilization Survey the following sampling design was used: 867 Farmers' Associations were selected without replacement, from the 25 administrative regions plus one autonomous region in the country, with probability proportional to size. From each selected Farmers' Association, a systematic sample of 25 agricultural households was selected from a fresh list of agricultural households. Data were collected through direct interview and objective measurement techniques.
- For Livestock and Poultry Survey, information was collected from 639 Farmers' Associations out of 864 sampled; 25 agricultural households were drawn from sampled Farmers' Associations using a systematic random sample design. Information related to livestock was collected by interviewing the sample holders within the selected households.

Data source: Report on Cropland Utilization 1988-89 (Statistical Bulletin No.118), and Report on Livestock, Poultry & Beehives Population of private holdings 1991-92 (Statistical Bulletin No.119) - Agricultural Sample Survey - Addis Ababa - June 1993.

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