SLOVENIA - Agricultural Census 1991 - Explanatory Notes

Historical outline: Only two complete censuses of agricultural holdings were conducted on the territory of the Republic of Slovenia to date, in 1930 and 1960. A census of agricultural holdings was carried out in 1969 on the basis of a 5% sample. Subsequently, in 1981, representative data on land, cattle and agricultural machinery for smaller territorial units were provided by the Population, Housing and Households Census. Data presented here are from the Census of Population, Households, Housing and Agricultural Holdings which was carried out in 1991 while the Republic of Slovenia was still a part of the former Federation of Yugoslavia, but just before the declaration of independence. The next agricultural census is planned for 1997.

Organization: The census was organized under the supervision of the Slovenian Statistical Office. All material from the 1991 Census of Population, Households, Housing and Agricultural Holdings was processed according to the political and territorial divisions valid on 31 March 1991.

Enumeration period: The census was carried out between 1 April and 15 April 1991.

Reference date: The critical moment was 31 March 1991 at 24.00 hrs. (midnight between 31 March and 1 April 1991).

Definition:

An agricultural holding is an household that uses:

- at least 0.1 Ha of arable land;
- less than 0.1 Ha of arable land, but owning at least:
 - a cow and a calf or a cow and a young cattle; or
 - a cow and two small head of cattle; or
 - five full grown sheep; or
 - three full grown pigs; or
 - four full grown sheep and pigs in total; or
 - 50 head of full grown poultry; or
 - 20 beehives.

Coverage: The census covered the entire country. All private farming households, matching with the above indicated definition, whose inhabitants had permanent residence in the Republic of Slovenia, were included in the census.

Frame: A census list of farms was used, together with the existing land-register. An updated farm register is expected, in connection with the 1997 agricultural census.

Methods: A separate questionnaire for agricultural holdings was used during the 1991 Census of Population, Households, Housing and Agricultural Holdings. Data were collected by enumerators through direct interview.

Data source: Statistical Office of the Republic of Slovenia - Census of the Population, Households, Housing and Agricultural Holdings in the Republic of Slovenia in 1991, Results by Municipalities - st./No. 617, Ljubljana, 1994.

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