# VIET NAM - Agricultural Census 1994 - Explanatory Notes

## Historical outline:

The Viet Nam Agricultural Census 1994 was the first National Census of Agriculture conducted in Viet Nam.

# **Organization:**

The census was organized by the Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fishery of the General Statistical Office (GSO), in collaboration with other relevant agencies such as the Ministry of Planning and Investment, the Ministry of Agriculture and Food Industry, the Ministry of Fishery, the Ministry of Finance, the General Cadastral Office, and the Central Economic Committee. For conducting and implementing the census, a technical working group was set up at central level while the guiding boards were set up with the participation of the relevant offices at the provincial, district and commune levels.

# Enumeration period:

The starting date of enumeration period was 1 July 1994. In order to avoid the rainy season, some localities in remote highland areas were allowed to start the fieldwork before 1 July.

## **Reference date:**

The census reference year is the twelve-month period from 1 July 1993 to 30 June 1994.

## **Coverage:**

The census had a nation-wide coverage. It covered all households, organizations, establishments and farms in the rural areas engaged in agriculture, forestry or fishery. In addition, in order to have a comprehensive picture of agriculture, forestry and fishery throughout the country, coverage was expanded to urban areas in some big cities and industrial provinces. However, the figures presented here are those related to agricultural households in the rural areas only.

## Frame:

A list of households from the administrative records, such as resident registers, was used as frame for the census.

## Methods:

The census consisted of two parts:

- Part 1: Basic information was collected in 1994 through complete enumeration of all rural households, communes, enterprises and establishments involved in agriculture, forestry or fishery.
- Part 2: Data on income, expenditure, economic structure and production efficiency (both crop and animal production) were collected in 1995 by sample survey.

The direct interview method was applied in both parts of census.

### Data source:

Kêt quà tông diêu tra nông thôn và nông nghiêp nàm 1994. Hanoi 1995.

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