

POLAND - Agricultural Census 2002 - Explanatory Notes

Historical outline

The Agricultural Census 2002 was conducted together with the National Population and Housing Census 2002.

Organization

The census was conducted by the Central Statistics Office with its President as the General Census Commissioner.

Enumeration period

The enumeration period took place from 21 May to 8 June 2002.

Reference date/period

The reference period for labour contribution to agricultural holdings was 12 months previous to survey.

Definition

- **Agricultural Holding:** Is an agricultural area, including forest land, buildings, equipment and stock if they constitute or may constitute an organised economic unit as well as rights and obligation related to running a holding.
- **Private farm:** An agricultural holding from 0.1 ha of agricultural land, being exclusive property or used by natural person or group of persons.
- **Owner of livestock:** A person having less than 0.1 ha of agricultural land or nothing but having at least 1 head of cattle, or/and 5 head of pigs, 1 sow, 3 head of sheep or goats, 1 horse, 30 head of poultry, 5 females of fur animals.

Coverage

The Census was conducted in the whole country and it covered private farms, natural persons owning livestock and other agricultural holdings managed by legal persons or units without legal personality.

Frame

The list of private farms was prepared on the framework of the statistical tax register which was updated during pre-census visits carried out by census enumerators and supplemented by the list of livestock owners. Index of agricultural holdings managed by legal persons and other units was established on the bases of Statistics Units Database.

Method

The enumeration was based on interviews. For those agricultural holdings which holders refused to participate or were out of contact, data were imputed.

Data source

Report on the Agricultural Census 2002. Central Statistics Office, Warsaw, Poland.

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