

FOREWORD

The Bureau of Agricultural Statistics (BAS) has conducted the "Integrated Farm Household Survey (IFHS)" to generate updated benchmark information on the socio-economic conditions of the farming population. The survey covered sample farming households in 592 barangays nationwide. All provinces were covered by the survey except Batanes and Lanao del Sur. The reference period of the survey was July 2002 to June 2003. The survey was designed to generate statistics that can serve as inputs in agricultural research prioritization and in the improvement of agricultural performance indicators system.

This report presents the statistical outputs of the IFHS related to the structure and sources of farm household income; characteristics of farms, farm enterprises and farm households; access of farm households to agricultural support services; input use; expenditure patterns of farm households; farm investments; and other socio-economic data.

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As in other BAS publications, we welcome comments and suggestions from data users, readers and researchers.



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