

Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics
PCBS Release A Statistical Report about Agriculture Statistics in the Palestinian Territory, 2003\2004
1,824 Thousand Dunum Cultivated in the Palestinian Territory
US\$ 555 Million the Value Added of the Agricultural Sector, 2003\2004

Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics "PCBS" released a statistical data on agriculture statistics in the Palestinian Territory for the agricultural year 2003\2004, data reveal that the area cultivated with field crops, fruit trees, vegetables, and cut flowers in the Palestinian Territory amounted to 1,824 thousand dunum, compared with 1,815 thousand dunum in 2002/2003.

Fruit trees constituted 63.2% from the total cultivated area of the Palestinian Territory. While field crops and vegetables production comprised 26.9% and 9.9% of the cultivated Palestinian areas respectively; 69.3% of the cultivated area in Gaza Strip rely on irrigation compared with only 7.9% in the West Bank.

The livestock production was as follows: cattle, 32,395 in 2003/2004 compared with 33,235 in 2002/2003 with 2.5% decrease, sheep, 811,864 in 2003/2004 compared with 828,678 in 2002/2003 with 2.0% decrease, and 398,821 goats in 2003/2004 compared with 392,122 in 2002/2003 with 1.7% increase. 33,533 thousands broiler chickens, and 2,513 thousands layer chickens the number of chickens reported in 2003/2004.

The value added of agricultural production of the Palestinian Territory amounted to about US\$ 555 million which shows increase compared with 2002/2003 which amounted to US\$ 416 million. Plant production constituted 74.2% of the value added of agricultural production (of which 68.1% in the West Bank and 31.9% in Gaza Strip), while animal production constituted 25.8% (of which 74.4% in West Bank and 25.6% in Gaza Strip). The value of agricultural production of the Palestinian Territory amounted to about US\$ 940 million, of which 57.6% for plant production and 42.4% for Livestock production. The cost of intermediate consumption was about US\$ 385 millions, of which 33.6% of plant production and 66.4% of Livestock production .

Basic Changes for the Agriculture Sector in the Palestinian Territory, 1999\2000 - 2003\2004

Variable	1999\2000	2000\2001	2001\2002	2002\2003	2003/*2004
Total Cultivated Area	1,836,789	1,815,547	1,851,070	1,815,019	1,823,670
Area of Fruit Trees	1,192,658	1,174,458	1,181,239	1,158,050	1,152,692
Area of Vegetables*	173,862	173,417	174,016	173,595	179,468
Area of Field Crops	469,682	467,122	495,297	482,848	491,178
Area of Cut Flowers	587	550	518	526	332
Number of Cattle	23,688	26,601	30,105	33,235	32,395
Number of Sheep	566,409	615,838	758,293	828,678	811,864
Number of Goats	308,845	313,583	355,387	392,122	398,821
Value of Plant Production	629,334	431,072	506,938	473,678	541,357
Value of Livestock Production	350,483	370,529	348,906	382,367	398,722
Value of Agricultural Production	979,817	801,601	855,844	856,045	940,079
Cost of Agricultural Inputs	391,137	413,724	397,927	440,543	385,237
Value Added of Agricultural Sector	588,680	387,877	457,917	415,502	554,842

Area in Dunum, and Value in US\$ 1000

*: Area of vegetables doesn't include cut flowers.