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ADEN PROTECTORATE

TIME REFERENCE

All statistics relate to the calendar year 1950, unless otherwise stated.

LEGAL OR ADMINISTRATIVE BASIS

The British Secretary of State for the Colonies' despatch 19744/73/18/49 of 31 May 1949, requested colonial territories to supply information according to five minimum tables.

METHOD OF COLLECTION

The figures are only in the nature of rough guesses, though the figures for long staple cotton are based on some kind of

survey. The figures for livestock can be regarded only as indicating the order of magnitude of the numbers.

E CROPS

Areas are those sown or planted except areas under wheat and barley which refer to crops sown in the previous year but harvested in 1950.

F LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY

The livestock figures refer to 31 December 1950.

SOURCE : *Report on World Census of Agriculture, 1950, in British Colonial Territories.* Colonial Office, March 1953.

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Not classified by size of holding

A, B, C, D *Not available*

E CROPS - AREA AND PRODUCTION

Wheat

Hectares	2 200
Metric tons	2 370

Millet and sorghum

Hectares	36 800
Metric tons	16 700

Barley

Hectares	2 400
Metric tons	4 100

Cotton

Hectares	444
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Sesame

Hectares	3 400
Metric tons	860

Dates

Hectares	4 250
Metric tons	7 100

F LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY (number)

Horses, Mules and Asses

Horses	...
Mules	...
Asses	7 000

Cattle	63 000
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Sheep	200 000
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Goats	855 000
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Pigs	...
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Poultry	...
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Camels	80 000
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G, H, I, J, K *Not available*

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TIME REFERENCE

The 1950 Census of Agriculture was taken as of 1 April 1950. Inventory items relate to 1 April. Data on acreage and quantity of crops harvested are for the crop year of 1949.

LEGAL OR ADMINISTRATIVE BASIS

Authorization for the 1950 Census of Agriculture was made in the act of Congress, approved 18 June 1929, providing for the fifteenth and subsequent decennial censuses.

METHOD OF COLLECTION

The questionnaire used for the census of population helped the enumerator to obtain an agriculture questionnaire for every place for which one was required. The population questionnaire contained two possible inquiries for every family enumerated. One of these questions was: "Is this house on a farm?". In case the answer was "No", the second was: "Is this house on a place of three or more acres?". If the answer to either of these inquiries was "Yes", the census enumerator was instructed to obtain an agriculture questionnaire from the person in charge of the place. This method of enumeration resulted in the securing of a number of questionnaires not included in the tabulations because they did not meet the criteria established for a holding.

The enumerators in rural areas were instructed to indicate on their maps the location of every dwelling place and holding. This procedure was intended to help the supervisor to ascertain if his enumerators had visited all parts of the enumeration districts assigned them.

A HOLDING AND TENURE

(a) *Holding*. Places of three or more acres were counted as holdings if the value of agricultural products in 1949, exclusive of home gardens, amounted to \$150 or more. The agricultural products could have been either for home use or for sale. Places of less than three acres were counted as holdings only if the value of sales of agricultural products in 1949 amounted to \$150 or more. Places operated in 1949 for which the value of agricultural products in 1949 was less than these minima because of crop failure or other unusual circumstance, and places operated in 1950 or 1949 for the first time were counted as holdings if normally they could be expected to produce these minimum quantities of the products of holding. All the land under the control of one person or partnership was included as one holding. Control may have been through ownership, homestead law or through lease or rental arrangement.

The census enumerator was not given the definition of a holding. He was instructed to obtain an agriculture question-

naire for every place that the operator considered a holding, for every place of three or more acres, whether or not it was considered a holding, and for certain specialized operations regardless of the size of the place. The specialized operations include greenhouses and hothouses, places with 100 or more poultry or on which 300 dozen eggs or more were produced in 1949, and places with ten or more fur-bearing animals. Thus, agriculture questionnaires were filled for more places than those that qualified as holdings. The determination as to which reports were to be included in the tabulations as representing holdings was made during the processing of the questionnaires in Washington.

(b) *Tenure*. Land owned includes all land in the holding which the operator or his wife, or both, hold under title, purchase contract, homestead law or as one of the heirs or as a trustee of an undivided estate. Land rented from others includes land used rent-free if the operator had the sole use of the land. Land rented or leased under other arrangements was also included. Public grazing land used without rental was not to be included. Managers operate holdings for others and are paid a wage or salary for their services; persons acting merely as caretakers or hired as laborers are not classified as managers. If the farm operator managed land for two or more employers, all the land managed was considered one holding.

B LAND UTILIZATION

Land in holdings was classified according to the use made of the land in 1949. These classes of land are mutually exclusive, i.e. each acre of land was included once even though it may have had more than one use in 1949.

Cropland includes land from which crops were harvested, land from which hay was cut, and land in fruit orchards; it includes also the land from which no crop was harvested in 1949 because of destruction by frost, flood, drought, hail, insects, fire or from any cause, or from failure to harvest because of low prices or lack of labor. It further includes idle cropland, i.e. cropland which was lying idle or which was in fallow, and land which was not pastured or from which no crop of any kind was harvested in 1949. It also includes land that was used only for pasture in 1949 which could have been used for crops without additional clearing, draining or irrigating. This last category of land may include some permanent pasture.

The figure for *Arable land* has been obtained by deducting the area under small fruits and the land in fruit orchards from the cropland. It may still include parts of the permanent pasture.

Land for growing trees, vines and shrubs is the total of the area under fruits and the land in fruit orchards.

Permanent meadow and pasture includes rough and brush land pastured and any other land pastured which the respondent did not consider as either woodland or cropland.

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Woodland includes all woodland that was used for pasture or grazing as well as all woodland which was not used for pasture and grazing in 1949. No definition of woodland was given to enumerators except an instruction not to include brush pasture as woodland.

All other land includes all house lots, barn lots, lanes, roads, ditches and wasteland.

E CROPS

If two or more crops were harvested on the same land during the crop year 1949, the area and quantity harvested for each crop was included. The acreage given for the several crops represents the acres harvested for the crop year of 1949 except that the acreage for land in fruit orchard represents the land in bearing and non-bearing trees on the census date. Figures for vegetables refer only to vegetables harvested for sale. The figures for quantity for other crops harvested represent the amount actually harvested during the 1949 crop year.

F LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY

Livestock were to be enumerated on the holding on which they were located at the census date, regardless of ownership.

Fur-bearing animals include fur animals kept in captivity on the holding at the census date.

G AGRICULTURAL TECHNOLOGY

Holdings were grouped by class of work-power on the basis of whether horses, mules or tractors were reported. This classification does not present an entirely accurate picture of the work-power used on all farms. For some farms, all the work-power may be hired. Thus, farms hiring all the work-power from others are shown as having no work-power.

Specified equipment refers to equipment on the holding on 1 April 1950 ; it includes equipment or facilities that were temporarily out of order.

Tractors were to include home-made tractors. In reporting motor-lorries, trucks and automobiles, "pick-ups" and truck-trailer combinations were to be reported as trucks. Jeeps and station-wagons were to be included as motor-trucks or automobiles depending on whether they were used for hauling or as passenger vehicles.

SOURCE : *United States Census of Agriculture : 1950 Vol. I, Part 34, Chapter 1, Alaska.* United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Washington, D.C., 1951.

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A HOLDING AND TENURE

Number and Area of Holdings

Number	525
Area (hectares)	170 694

Number and Area of Holdings, by Tenure

Holdings operated under one tenure form	
Owned by the holder	
Number	445
Area (hectares)	21 491
Rented from others	
Number	20
Area (hectares)	81 801
Holdings operated under mixed forms of tenure	
Number	150
Area (hectares)	3 806
Holdings operated by managers	
Number	10
Area (hectares)	63 596

Total Area in Holdings, by Tenure (hectares)

Area owned by the holder	24 648
Area rented from others	82 450
Area operated by managers	263 596

B LAND UTILIZATION

Utilization of Land in Holdings (hectares)

Cropland	5 012
Arable land	(4 995)
Land for growing trees, vines and shrubs	(17)
Permanent meadow and pasture	144 257
Wood or forest land	17 330
Grazed	(2 876)
Not grazed	(14 454)
All other land	4 095

C, D Not available

E CROPS - AREA AND PRODUCTION

Wheat

Number of holdings reporting	31
Hectares	83
Metric tons	143

Barley

Number of holdings reporting	7
Hectares	22
Metric tons	14

Oats

Number of holdings reporting	34
Hectares	135
Metric tons	169

Mixed grains

Number of holdings reporting	11
Hectares	66
Metric tons	78

Potatoes

Number of holdings reporting	285
Hectares	417
Metric tons	5 031

Mixed grains cut for hay

Number of holdings reporting	145
Hectares	1 012
Metric tons	3 336

Mixed grains cut for silage

Number of holdings reporting	46
Hectares	402
Metric tons, green weight	4 375

Cabbage

Number of holdings reporting	58
Hectares	15

Carrots

Number of holdings reporting	58
Hectares	13

Lettuce

Number of holdings reporting	62
Hectares	17

Cauliflower

Number of holdings reporting	16
Hectares	1

¹Includes holdings for which holders own or homestead a part of the land they operate and rent the remainder from others. — ²Includes land owned and/or rented.

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Celery			F LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY ON AGRI- CULTURAL HOLDINGS	
Number of holdings reporting	18		Horses, Mules and Asses	
Hectares	2		Number of holdings reporting horses and mules	74
Rutabagas			Number of horses and mules	207
Number of holdings reporting	25		Asses	...
Hectares	3		Cattle	
Turnips			Number of holdings reporting cattle	170
Number of holdings reporting	18		Total number of cattle	2 236
Hectares	3		Cows including heifers that have calved	
Other vegetables			Number of holdings reporting cows including heifers that have calved	158
Hectares	17		Number of head	1 324
Tame and cultivated grass cut for hay			Sheep	
Number of holdings reporting	38		Number of holdings reporting sheep	10
Hectares	210		Total number of sheep	6 046
Metric tons	704		Sheep clipped during the census year	4 748
Marsh, prairie and other wild grass cut for hay			Total production of wool (metric tons)	26
Number of holdings reporting	23		Goats	...
Hectares	78		Pigs	
Metric tons	210		Number of holdings reporting	32
Apples (including crab apples)			Total number of pigs	1 201
Number of holdings reporting	11		Poultry	
Number of trees of bearing age	36		Number of holdings reporting chickens 4 months of age and over	169
Cherries			Number of chickens 4 months of age and over	20 278
Number of holdings reporting	7		Fur-bearing animals	
Number of trees of bearing age	25		Number of holdings reporting fur-bearing animals	24
Strawberries			Foxes	
Number of holdings reporting	101		Number of females over 3 months of age	39
Hectares	11		Minks	
Metric tons	9		Number of females over 3 months of age	1 255
Raspberries			Other	
Number of holdings reporting	54		Number of females over 3 months of age	84
Hectares	4			
Metric tons	3			
Currants				
Number of holdings reporting	5			
Hectares	3...			

^aReported in small fractions.



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Animal and mechanical power	15	Number of trucks	300
Neither animal nor mechanical power	232	Automobiles	
Kind of Power Used		Number of holdings reporting	172
		Number of automobiles	191
Number of holdings reporting electricity	306	H, I, J, K	Not available