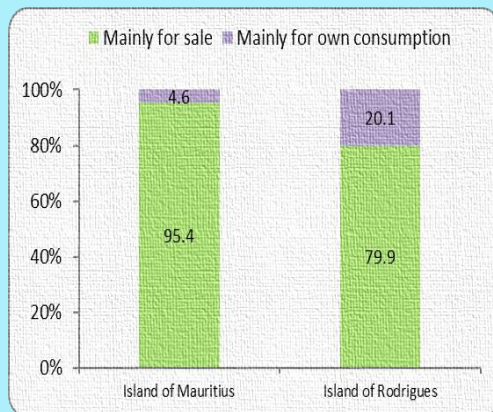


Main purpose of production



Main constraints

Island of Mauritius:

- ✓ Natural disaster (58%)
- ✓ Theft (55%)
- ✓ Pests/Diseases (48%)
- ✓ High price of fertilisers and pesticides (45%)
- ✓ Unavailability of labour (38%)

Island of Rodrigues:

- ✓ Unavailability of water (78%)
- ✓ Pests/Diseases (58%)
- ✓ Natural disaster (26%)
- ✓ High price of feeds (17%)
- ✓ Theft (13%)



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2024 Census of Agriculture

Republic of Mauritius



Background

- First Census in 1930
- Second Census in 1940
- Third Census in 2014
- Fourth Census in 2024

Objectives

- 1 Provide important information on the organisational structure of farms at geographic level
- 2 Improve estimates on contribution of agriculture for the economy
- 3 Provide information on household sector including subsistence farming which is important for food security
- 4 Improve completeness of existing sampling frame

Field staff

A field force of around 325 officers was mobilised for data collection

Budget

The budget allocated for the CA 2024 was

Rs. 13 million

Data collection phases

Phase 1 - Census of non-household farms

- ✓ around 200 business farms were surveyed by mails

Phase 2 – Sample census of household farms

- ✓ A sample of 10,237 units (8,187 for the Island of Mauritius and 2,050 for the Island of Rodrigues)

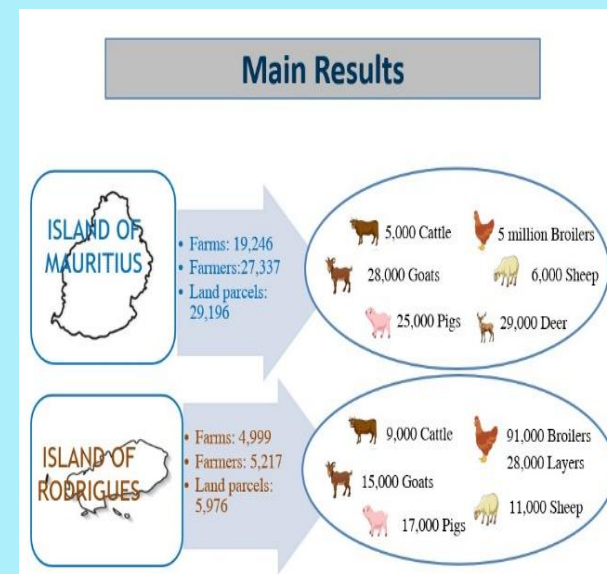
Phase 3 – Survey of private households

- ✓ A random sample of 8,727 private household

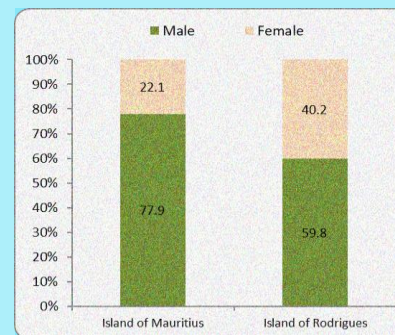
Data Collection & Processing

Business farms were surveyed using paper questionnaires sent by post. Farm and Household questionnaires were administered using tablets. Data were processed using the STATA software. Tables were compiled using Microsoft Excel.

Main Census results



Percentage of farmers by sex in household sector



Compared to the results of CA2014, number of farms (excluding sugarcane and tea) in CA2024 increased by nearly 700. Similarly, number of farmers increased by around 300.