

## **CHAPTER ONE: INTRODUCTION**

The Agricultural Survey 2002 is a follow up of the 2000 Survey of Agriculture to provide key information required for Agricultural planning.

The Survey was conducted as a joint exercise between the Department of Statistics (DOS) and the Ministry of Agriculture, Forests, Fisheries and Meteorology (MAFFM).

The fieldwork was conducted in October/ November for three weeks by a team of thirty enumerators. The Agricultural Extensions Officers were employed as supervisors during the enumeration period.

The 1999 Census of Agriculture results were used as a frame in which a ten percent (10%) sample was selected. A total of 2,302 households were enumerated for the whole country broken down into 4 Regions as follows:

Number of Households Enumerated by Region

Total (Samoa)	Apia Urban Area	North West Upolu	Rest of Upolu	Savaii
2302	625	653	449	575

The Survey questionnaire was basically the same with the one used in the 2000 Survey with the extension to include some information on forestry, climate and use of fertilizers.

The expansion as noted above was the result of consultation with MAFFM.