

Viet Nam

COUNTRY Food Safety Framework Profile Country Overview

According to Yearbook 2004

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| Area | Km2 |
| Population | 82032,3 thous. |
| % of population working in agriculture | 23626,1 thous. (Agriculture and Forestry areas) |
| Average income | 484,4 thous.dongs/month (2003-2004) |
| Main food products | Agri-food |
| Main food exports | Rice, coffee, fishary products |
| Main food imports | |

National Food Safety plans include the involvement of a number of government agencies working on particular aspects of Food Safety and how cooperation and management of the plan operates.

The key elements of a Food Safety Plan are:

| Sector | Agency | Food Safety Responsibilities | Notes |
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| Legislation | Ministry of Health (MOH) | Domestic and imported food | |
| | Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development (MARD) | Primary production | |
| | Ministry of Fishary (MOF) | Fishary products | |
| | Ministry of Science and Technology (MOST) | Vietnam Standards (TCVN) | |
| Laboratories | MOH, MOST, MARD, MOF | | |
| Monitoring and surveillance | MOH, MOST, MARD, MOF, Ministry of Industry (MOI) | | |
| Implementation of food safety systems | MOH, MOST, MARD, MOF, Ministry of Industry (MOI), Ministry of Trade (MOT) | | |
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| Food inspection and certification | MOH, MOST, MARD, MOF, MOI | | |
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| Education and training | MOH, MOST, MARD, MOF, MOI | | |
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| Information sharing | MOH, MOST, MARD, MOF, MOI and Ministry of Culture and Information | | |
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| Research and Development | MOH, MOST, MARD, MOF, MOI | | |
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| International participation | Codex, ASEAN... | | |
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| Consumer participation in food safety | Consumer Protection Association | Comment on Food Regulation (when required) | |
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| Food Safety Control System | MOH, MOST, MARD, MOF, MOI, MOT | | |
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Food Safety Councils/Committees (e.g. CODEX Committee)

| Name of the Council/ Committee | Member Organisations of the Council/ Committee | Chair of the Council/ Committee | Council/ Committee responsibilities | Council/ Committee programs |
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| Vietnam Codex Committee | Codex Comission | Mr. Bui Manh Hai – Vice Minister of MOST | | |
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