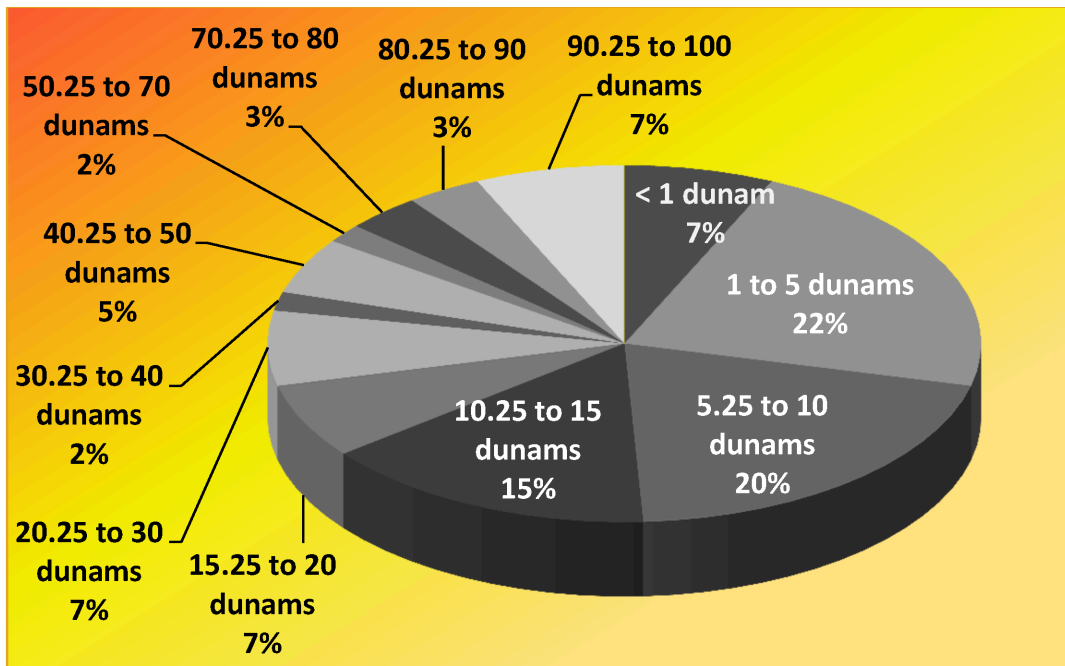


made into waqf land by the villagers.²⁷⁶ If shares in this land had been divided equally among all the householders, each share would have been small, some twenty-odd dunams.

Chart 3.1:

Landholdings of Shuyukh villagers by dunams, according to the *Esas-ı Emlak*



How did Shuyukhis subsist? Village historian Hamid Muhammad al-Shuyukhi describes the village as dependent on agriculture for its livelihood until today. He emphasizes the economic stratification within the village, noting that historically some village families were landless and

²⁷⁶ *Esas-ı Emlak* entry #13869.