

Table 5.14 shows that the mean number of income receivers /obtainers per household is 1.8 in Sri Lanka. The corresponding figure for estate sector is 2.1, which is reported as the highest among sectors.

Table 5.15: Average number of income receivers by sector and by income decile - 2006

Decile group	Sri Lanka		Urban		Rural		Estate	
	Income group (Rs.)	Income receivers (No.)	Income group (Rs.)	Income receivers (No.)	Income group (Rs.)	Income receivers (No.)	Income group (Rs.)	Income receivers (No.)
<b>All groups</b>		<b>1.8</b>		<b>1.9</b>		<b>1.8</b>		<b>2.1</b>
1	Less than 6402	1.3	Less than 9049	1.3	Less than 6166	1.2	Less than 5997	1.5
2	6402- 9048	1.5	9049 -12803	1.5	6166 - 8751	1.4	5997 - 8125	1.6
3	9049 - 11312	1.7	12804 - 16000	1.6	8752 - 11067	1.6	8126 - 8971	2.0
4	11313 - 13743	1.7	16001 - 19410	1.9	11068 - 13460	1.7	8972 - 10138	2.2
5	13744- 16494	1.8	19411 - 23000	1.8	13461 -15783	1.8	10139 - 11287	2.0
6	16495 - 19841	1.9	23001 - 27947	2.0	15784 - 19251	1.8	11288 - 11909	2.2
7	19841 - 24227	1.9	27948 - 36197	2.0	19252 - 23470	1.9	11910 - 13647	2.2
8	24228 - 32143	2.0	36198 - 49158	2.4	23471 - 30543	2.0	13648 - 16933	2.6
9	32144 - 45676	2.3	49159 - 78500	2.3	30544 - 43223	2.2	16934 - 23082	2.5
10	More than 45676	2.3	More than 78500	2.4	More than 43223	2.3	More than 23082	2.5

When the income deciles (income groups) are considered from the lowest decile to the highest decile it shows that the mean number of income receivers increase gradually. (Table 5.15)

Table 5.16: Income receiver's mean income and median income by sector and province - 2006

Sector/Province	Income receiver's mean income (Rs.)	Income receiver's median income (Rs.)
<b>Sri Lanka</b>	<b>13705</b>	<b>8333</b>
<b>Sector</b>		
Urban	21842	11000
Rural	12686	8400
Estate	7290	4875
<b>Province</b>		
Western	17087	9743
Central	11432	6646
Southern	13420	8827
Eastern	11878	9000
North Western	11281	7567
North Central	15251	10000
Uva	11456	7047
Sabaragamuwa	10460	6400

In 2006 the average monthly income receiver's income is reported as Rs. 13705 for Sri Lanka. When sectors are compared an income receiver in the urban sector earns almost three times of income than that an income receiver in the estate sector earns for a month. The reported figures for urban sector and estate sector are Rs. 21842 and Rs.7290 respectively. (Table 5. 16)