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Preface

Sri Lanka Labour Force Survey was designed to measure the levels and trends of employment, unemployment and labour force in Sri Lanka. This survey is being conducted quarterly, since the first quarter of 1990. A nationally representative annual sample of about 20,000 housing units have been selected for the survey in 1997. The present report, which is the thirtieth in the series, is based on a sample of 4000 housing units (excluding Northern and Eastern provinces) and gives national estimates with a stipulated standard error of labour force characteristics as reported in the reference period of the second quarter of 1997.

A different set of table formats have been used in presenting the data, taking the level of accuracy of data at certain levels of disaggregation into consideration. Comments of the data users on this will therefore be appreciated. Furthermore, the sample design and the questionnaire have been changed commencing 1996.

Planning and the execution of the survey was done by the staff of the Sample Survey Division under the guidance of Mrs. S. Vidyaratne, Additional Director and the direction of Mr. G.Y.L. Fernando, Deputy Director and under the supervision of Mr. J.A.P. Balasuriya, Statistician.

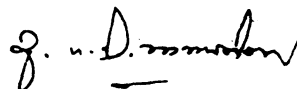
The computer data processing was done by Mr. P.A. Subawickrama, Miss W.A.S.M.P. Gunasekara and Miss S.A. Liyanagamage, Statistical Investigators of Sample Survey Division, under the supervision of Mr. J.A.P. Balasuriya, Statistician and Mrs. Dharma Dissanayake, Statistical Officer, using Micro Computers.

The Data Processing Division under the direction of Mrs. S.V. Nanayakkara, Deputy Director (in charge) and under the supervision of Mr. W. Sumanasiri, Deputy Director and Mr. Migara Fernando, Systems Analyst/Programmer was responsible for the survey data entry and preparation of computer edit programs and final tabulation programs.

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Finally, I wish to express my appreciation to all the respondents of the survey for their co-operation.



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1. INTRODUCTION

The field work of the survey in the second quarter of 1997 was done in April 1997 and the current labour force status of persons was measured as in the reference week of April 1997. The estimates described in the following sections will exclude the Northern and the Eastern Provinces in its' national level estimates and the survey covers only the persons living in housing units and it excludes the institutional population.

2. Economically Active Population

- The economically active population in Sri Lanka is estimated at 6.23 million. Of this number 5.59 million are employed and 0.64 million are unemployed.
- Of the persons age 10 years and over, 48.4 percent is estimated to be economically active.
- A higher participation in the labour force is reported for males (65.7 percent) as compared to females (31.6 percent).
- The highest participation rate for females (51.3 percent) is reported in the age group 20-24 years. For males, participation is highest (96.1 percent) in the age group 35-39 years.

Fig 2 - Labour force participation rate by sex and sector

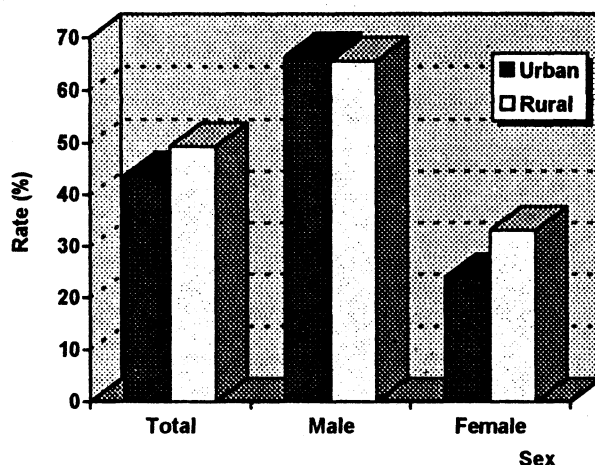


Table (i) - Labour force participation rate by age & sex

Age (in years)	Total	Male	Female
All age groups	48.4	65.7	31.6
10 - 14	1.1	1.4	0.7
15 - 19	23.3	28.7	17.8
20 - 24	66.5	83.7	51.3
25 - 29	69.9	95.0	48.4
30 - 34	71.4	95.6	46.8
35 - 39	70.9	96.1	44.9
40 - 44	69.2	92.8	43.2
45 - 49	66.6	92.5	40.5
50 - 54	56.4	88.4	32.7
55 - 59	50.8	78.6	24.1
60 & over	25.8	41.5	10.3

Fig 1 - Labour force participation rate by age and sex

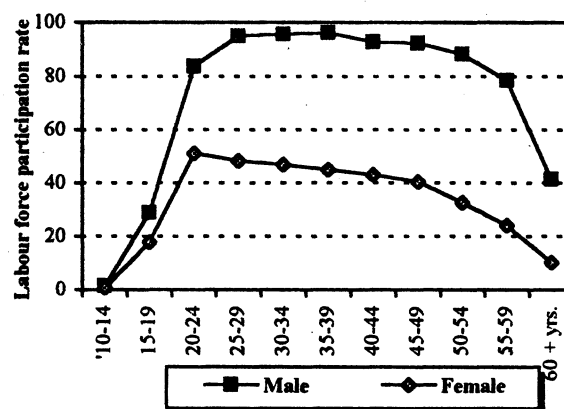


Table (ii)-Labour force participation rate by sex & sector

Sex	Sector		
	Total	Urban	Rural
Total	48.4	43.8	49.3
Male	65.7	66.4	65.6
Female	31.6	24.0	33.1

3. Employed Population

- The employed population in Sri Lanka is estimated at 5.6 million.
- Of the employed persons 3.9 million (or 69.2 percent) are males and 1.7 million (or 30.8 percent) are females.
- Of the employed persons, 0.8 million (or 14.4 percent) are residing in the urban sector and 4.8 million (or 85.6 percent) are residing in the rural sector.
- Occupations under the major groups, "Skilled Agricultural Workers and Fishery Workers" and "Elementary Occupations" account for nearly 52.7 percent of the occupations available in the rural sector.
- Occupations under the major industry group "Agricultural, Livestock and Fisheries" have dominated all other industry groups in the rural sector.

Fig 3 - Percentage distribution of currently employed population by major industrial group of the main occupation and sector

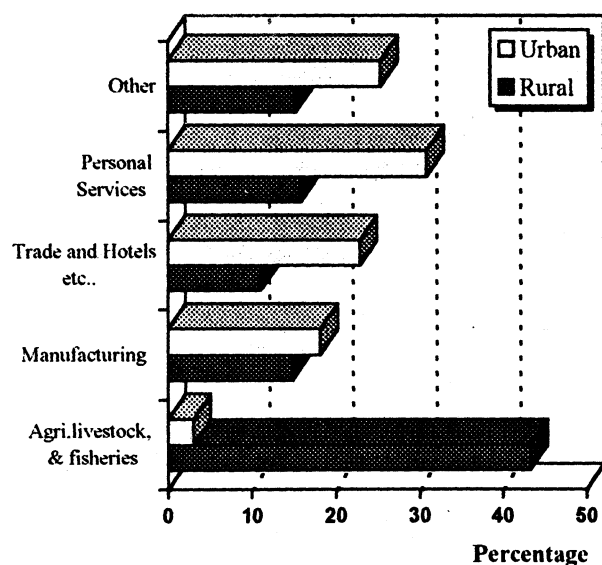


Table (iii) Percentage distribution of currently employed population by sector and major occupational group

Major occupational group	Sector		
	Both	Urban	Rural
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
Senior Officials & Managers	1.7	6.5	0.8
Professionals	6.0	11.1	5.1
Technicians & Associate-Professional	4.3	7.4	3.8
Clerks	5.0	9.6	4.2
Sales & Service Workers	11.6	21.1	10.0
Skilled Agricultural & Fishery workers	22.1	1.5	25.6
Craft & related workers	14.6	16.6	14.3
Plant & Machine Operators & Assemblers	6.5	7.8	6.3
Elementary Occupations	25.5	16.4	27.1
Unidentified	2.8	2.0	2.9

Table (iv) - Percentage distribution of currently employed population by major industrial group of the main occupation and sector

Major Industrial Group	Sector		
	Total	Urban	Rural
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
Agriculture, livestock, & Fisheries	37.4	3.0	43.2
Mining & Quarrying.	1.4	0.1	1.6
Manufacturing.	15.3	18.1	14.8
Electricity Gas & Water.	0.2	0.2	0.2
Construction	5.3	6.2	5.1
Trade and Hotels etc..	12.7	22.8	11.0
Transport & Communication	5.3	11.8	4.2
Insurance & Real Estate	1.6	5.1	1.0
Personal Services.	17.9	30.8	15.8
Not Defined.	2.8	1.8	3.0

- Occupations under the major industry groups "Personal Services" and "Trade and Hotels" dominate other major industry groups in the urban sector.
- Sixty percent of the employed persons work as "employees" and another 27.5 percent as "own account workers".
- A higher proportion of employed females work as "unpaid family workers" as compared to employed males (respective proportions being 18.0 percent and 6.7 percent.)

Table (v) - Percentage distribution of currently employed persons by employment status and sex

Employment Status	Total	Male	Female
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
Employee	59.9	58.4	63.5
Employer	2.4	2.9	1.1
Own-Account Worker	27.5	32.0	17.5
Unpaid Family Worker	10.2	6.7	18.0

Fig 5 - Percentage of currently employed persons by employment status and major industrial sector

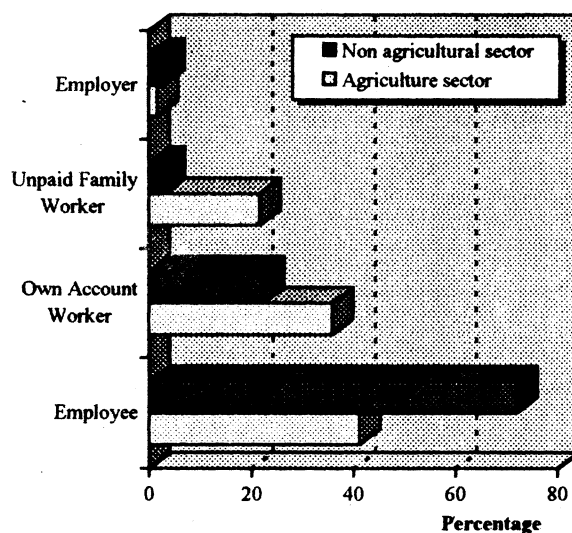


Fig 4 - Percentage distribution of currently employed population by employment status

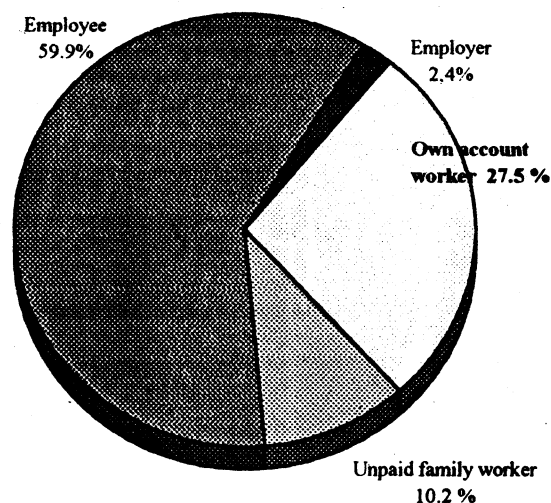


Table (vi) - Currently employed persons by employment status and major industrial sector (Percentage)

Employment status	Major industrial sector		
	Total	Agricultural sector	Non agricultural sector
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
Employee	60.0	41.1	71.9
Employer	2.4	1.6	2.9
Own-Account Worker	27.5	35.8	22.3
Unpaid Family Worker	10.2	21.5	3.0

4. Unemployed Population

- The unemployment rate in Sri Lanka is estimated at 10.2 percent.
- The unemployed population in Sri Lanka is estimated at 0.64 million of which 0.30 million are males and 0.34 million are females.
- Of the unemployed persons 0.09 million (or 14.1 percent) are residing in the urban sector and 0.55 million (or 85.9 percent) are residing in the rural sector.
- The highest unemployment rates have been reported in the age groups 15-19 yrs and 20-24 yrs.
- There is no marked difference in the unemployment rate between urban sector and the rural sector.
- A relatively higher unemployment rate is reported among females (16.3 percent) as compared to males (7.2 percent).

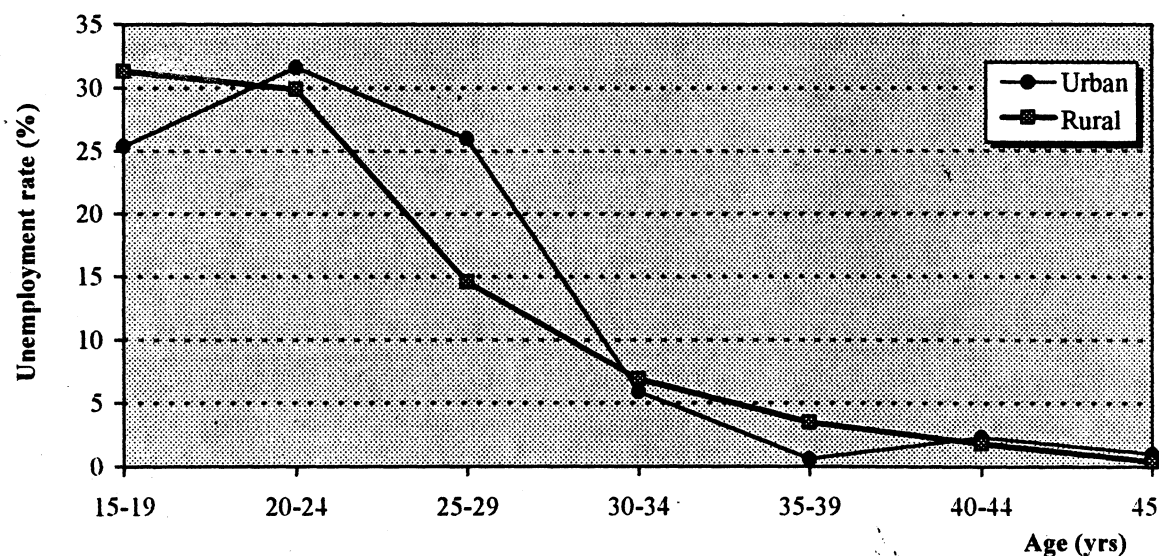
Table (vii) - Unemployment rate by age group for sectors

Age Group (years)	Sector		
	Total	Urban	Rural
All Age Groups	10.2	10.4	10.2
15 - 19	30.8	25.4	31.3
20 - 24	30.1	31.6	29.9
25 - 29	16.2	26.0	14.6
30 - 34	6.7	5.9	6.9
35 - 39	3.1	0.6	3.5
40 - 44	1.9	2.3	1.8
45 & over	0.5	1.0	0.4

Table (viii) - Unemployment rate by sex and sector

Sex	Sector		
	Total	Urban	Rural
Total	10.2	10.4	10.2
Male	7.2	7.6	7.2
Female	16.3	17.2	16.2

Fig 6- Unemployment rate by age for sectors



5. Educational Attainment

- Nearly 26 percent of the employed persons have attained a level of education equivalent to G.C.E. (O/L) or above.
- Of the employed persons 5.6 percent has not gone to school at all.
- Of the unemployed females about 60 percent have attained educational qualifications equivalent to G.C.E. (O/L) or above. Corresponding proportion for unemployed males is 35.1 percent.
- More than 50 percent of the unemployed persons have attained a level of education up to grade 9 only.

Table (ix) - Educational attainment of the currently employed and unemployed persons by sex

Labour Force Status & Sex	Total	No Schooling	Grade 0-4/ Year 1-5	Grade 5-9/Year 6-10	GCE(O/L)/NCGE	GCE(AL), HNCE & Above
Employed						
Total	100.0	5.6	24.9	43.3	15.8	10.5
Male	100.0	3.8	25.8	46.0	16.0	8.5
Female	100.0	9.5	22.8	37.3	15.3	15.1
Unemployed						
Total	100.0	0.1	4.9	47.0	26.6	21.5
Male	100.0	0.1	6.9	57.8	18.8	16.3
Female	100.0	-	3.1	37.2	33.5	26.3

Table (x) : Duration of unemployment of the unemployed persons by sex

Total	Duration			
	Total	Less than 6 months	6-12 months	More than 12 months
Total	100.0	13.1	12.7	74.1
Male	100.0	12.8	16.6	70.6
Female	100.0	13.5	9.3	77.2

TABLE 1 - HISTORICAL TABLE OF LABOUR FORCE STATUS (CURRENT) OF THE HOUSEHOLD POPULATION, 10 YEARS OF AGE AND OVER - BOTH SEXES

NATIONAL LEVEL DATA								
YEAR	HOUSEHOLD POPULATION (10 YEARS & OVER)	TOTAL LABOUR FORCE	LABOUR FORCE PARTIC- IPATION RATE (%)	LABOUR FORCE				NOT IN LABOUR FORCE
				EMPLOYED		UNEMPLOYED		
				NUMBER	RATE (% TO TOTAL LABOUR FORCE)	NUMBER	RATE (% TO TOTAL LABOUR FORCE)	
1990	11573941	6001148	51.9	5047354	84.1	953794	15.9	5572793
1991	11795793	5877198	49.8	5015517	85.3	861680	14.7	5918596
1992	12058463	5808062	48.2	4962105	85.4	845957	14.6	6250400
1993	12278055	6032383	49.1	5201474	86.2	830910	13.8	6245675
1994	12492850	6078863	48.7	5281272	86.9	797591	13.1	6413985
1995	12736185	6106138	47.9	5357117	87.7	749021	12.3	6630048
1996								
1	12810100	6297167	49.2	5586917	88.7	710251	11.3	6512927
2	12822700	6217026	48.5	5502287	88.5	714737	11.5	6605671
3	12843490	6238113	48.6	5517209	88.4	720905	11.6	6605374
4	12849590	6227005	48.5	5534758	88.9	692247	11.1	6622583
1997								
1	12858650	6237278	48.5	5569359	89.3	667917	10.7	6621373
2 #	12861640	6226208	48.4	5588698	89.8	637509	10.2	6635426

- STANDARD ERROR OF THE ESTIMATES ARE GIVEN IN TABLE - 19

TABLE 1A - HISTORICAL TABLE OF LABOUR FORCE STATUS (CURRENT) OF THE HOUSEHOLD POPULATION, 10 YEARS OF AGE AND OVER - MALE

Year	Household population (10 years & over)	Total labour force	Labour Force participation Rate (%)	Labour Force				Not in Labour Force
				Employed		Unemployed		
				Number	Rate (% to Total Labour Force)	Number	Rate (% to Total Labour Force)	
1993	6109486	3989443	65.3	3601779	90.3	387663	9.7	2120044
1994	6228064	4072937	65.4	3678648	90.3	394289	9.7	2155127
1995	6318003	4068608	64.4	3700951	91.0	367656	9.0	2249395
1996								
1	6317982	4125645	65.3	3797422	92.0	328223	8.0	2192336
2	6326123	4186923	66.2	3851596	92.0	335327	8.0	2139201
3	6398514	4226790	66.1	3879944	91.8	346845	8.2	2171724
4	6454989	4264493	66.1	3889392	91.2	375101	8.8	2190497
1997								
1	6422932	4190437	65.2	3853175	91.9	337262	8.1	2232495
2	6347370	4169934	65.7	3868420	92.8	301515	7.2	2177436

TABLE 1B - HISTORICAL TABLE OF LABOUR FORCE STATUS (CURRENT) OF THE HOUSEHOLD POPULATION, 10 YEARS OF AGE AND OVER - FEMALE

Year	Household population (10 years & over)	Total labour force	Labour Force participation Rate (%)	Labour Force				Not in Labour Force
				Employed		Unemployed		
				Number	Rate (% to Total Labour Force)	Number	Rate (% to Total Labour Force)	
1993	6168572	2042941	33.1	1599695	78.3	443247	21.7	4125631
1994	6264782	2005927	32.0	1602625	79.9	403302	20.1	4258857
1995	6418183	2037530	31.7	1656166	81.3	381364	18.7	4380652
1996								
1	6492116	2171525	33.4	1789495	82.4	382028	17.6	4320591
2	6496567	2030103	31.3	1650693	81.3	379410	18.7	4466464
3	6444971	2011325	31.2	1637265	81.4	374060	18.6	4433647
4	6394598	1962512	30.7	1645365	83.8	317146	16.2	4432086
1997								
1	6433672	2046837	31.8	1716182	83.8	330655	16.2	4386834
2	6514259	2056275	31.6	1720280	83.7	335995	16.3	4457987

TABLE 2 - LABOUR FORCE STATUS (CURRENT) OF THE HOUSEHOLD POPULATION 10 YEARS OF AGE AND OVER, BY AGE - BOTH SEXES

(SECOND QUARTER 1997)

AGE	HOUSEHOLD POP: (10 YEARS & OVER)	LABOUR FORCE						NOT IN LABOUR FORCE
		TOTAL LABOUR FORCE	LABOUR FORCE PARTICI: RATE (%)	EMPLOYED		UNEMPLOYED		
				NUMBER	RATE (% TO TOTAL LABOUR FORCE)	NUMBER	RATE (% TO TOTAL LABOUR FORCE)	
ALL AGES	12861640	6226208	48.4	5588698	89.8	637509	10.2	6635426
10 - 14 YRS	1622083	*	*	16844	*	*	*	1604319
15 - 19 YRS	1638268	382389	23.3	264785	69.2	117604	30.8	1255880
20 - 24 YRS	1344507	893667	66.5	624578	69.9	269088	30.1	450839
25 - 29 YRS	1287478	899924	69.9	753941	83.8	145982	16.2	387553
30 - 39 YRS	2386502	1697022	71.1	1613509	95.1	83512	4.9	689481
40 - 49 YRS	1940072	1317136	67.9	1300410	98.7	16727	1.3	622935
50 - 59 YRS	1188827	643410	54.1	639733	99.4	3678	0.6	545418
60 + YRS	1453900	374898	25.8	374898	100.0	1079002

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* The age group has been included only to depict the number employed.

TABLE 2A - LABOUR FORCE STATUS (CURRENT) OF THE HOUSEHOLD POPULATION 10 YEARS OF AGE AND OVER, BY AGE - MALE

(SECOND QUARTER 1997)

AGE	HOUSEHOLD POP: (10 YEARS & OVER)	LABOUR FORCE						NOT IN LABOUR FORCE
		TOTAL LABOUR FORCE	LABOUR FORCE PARTICI: RATE (%)	EMPLOYED		UNEMPLOYED		
				NUMBER	RATE (% TO TOTAL LABOUR FORCE)	NUMBER	RATE (% TO TOTAL LABOUR FORCE)	
ALL AGES	6347370	4169934	65.7	3868420	92.8	301515	7.2	2177436
10 - 14 YRS	834866	*	*	11126	*	*	*	822821
15 - 19 YRS	829817	238336	28.7	174611	73.3	63725	26.7	591481
20 - 24 YRS	630094	527255	83.7	403181	76.5	124074	23.5	102839
25 - 29 YRS	593717	563890	95.0	501063	88.9	62827	11.1	29827
30 - 39 YRS	1205294	1155330	95.9	1112934	96.3	42397	3.7	49963
40 - 49 YRS	995015	921900	92.7	918005	99.6	3895	0.4	73116
50 - 59 YRS	536233	451233	84.1	447556	99.2	3678	0.8	84999
60 + YRS	722334	299944	41.5	299944	100.0	422390

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* The age group has been included only to depict the number employed.

TABLE 2B - LABOUR FORCE STATUS (CURRENT) OF THE HOUSEHOLD POPULATION 10 YEARS OF AGE AND OVER, BY AGE - FEMALE

(SECOND QUARTER 1997)

AGE	HOUSEHOLD POP: (10 YEARS & OVER)	LABOUR FORCE						NOT IN LABOUR FORCE
		TOTAL LABOUR FORCE	LABOUR FORCE PARTICI: RATE (%)	EMPLOYED		UNEMPLOYED		NUMBER
				NUMBER	RATE (% TO TOTAL LABOUR FORCE)	NUMBER	RATE (% TO TOTAL LABOUR FORCE)	
ALL AGES	6514259	2056275	31.6	1720280	83.7	335995	16.3	4457987
10 - 14 YRS	787214	*	*	5718	*	*	*	781497
15 - 19 YRS	808450	144052	17.8	90174	62.6	53878	37.4	664398
20 - 24 YRS	714411	366411	51.3	221398	60.4	145014	39.6	348000
25 - 29 YRS	693759	336034	48.4	252878	75.3	83155	24.8	357726
30 - 39 YRS	1181207	541691	45.9	500575	92.4	41116	7.6	639517
40 - 49 YRS	945056	395238	41.8	382405	96.8	12832	3.2	549819
50 - 59 YRS	652596	192177	29.4	192177	100.0	460419
60 + YRS	731566	74955	10.2	74955	100.0	656611

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* The age group has been included only to depict the number employed.

TABLE 3 - HISTORICAL TABLE OF CURRENTLY EMPLOYED PERSONS BY AGE GROUPS (PERCENTAGE) - BOTH SEXES

Year	All Ages	Age Groups							
		10 - 14 YRS	15 - 19 YRS	20 - 24 YRS	25 - 29 YRS	30 - 39 YRS	40 - 49 YRS	50 - 59 YRS	60 + YRS
1990	100.0	1.1	5.7	11.9	13.7	27.0	20.5	12.4	7.8
1991	100.0	0.7	5.4	12.7	13.7	26.8	21.8	11.8	7.1
1992	100.0	0.5	5.1	13.4	14.1	27.0	21.2	11.9	6.8
1993	100.0	0.4	5.2	12.7	14.2	26.7	22.8	11.1	6.8
1994	100.0	0.4	4.9	12.3	13.9	28.2	22.4	11.6	6.3
1995	100.0	0.3	4.9	11.6	14.1	26.5	23.9	12.3	6.5
1996									
1	100.0	0.5	5.7	12.5	13.8	27.6	22.1	12.2	5.7
2	100.0	0.3	5.5	12.0	13.9	28.1	23.1	11.4	5.7
3	100.0	0.5	4.8	11.6	13.8	29.2	22.8	11.5	5.9
4	100.0	0.4	5.1	12.4	13.0	27.1	23.1	12.4	6.5
1997									
1	100.0	0.2	5.4	11.3	13.2	26.8	24.2	12.4	6.5
2	100.0	0.3	4.7	11.2	13.5	28.9	23.3	11.4	6.7

TABLE 3A - HISTORICAL TABLE OF CURRENTLY EMPLOYED PERSONS BY AGE GROUPS (PERCENTAGE) - MALE

Year	All Ages	Age Groups							
		10 - 14 YRS	15 - 19 YRS	20 - 24 YRS	25 - 29 YRS	30 - 39 YRS	40 - 49 YRS	50 - 59 YRS	60 + YRS
1990	100.0	1.0	5.7	11.7	13.3	26.3	19.9	12.6	9.6
1991	100.0	0.6	5.2	12.6	13.2	25.7	21.5	13.0	8.3
1992	100.0	0.4	4.7	13.2	13.9	26.2	21.1	12.4	8.1
1993	100.0	0.4	4.8	11.5	14.8	26.2	21.9	12.0	8.3
1994	100.0	0.4	4.7	11.9	13.5	27.2	22.2	12.5	7.5
1995	100.0	0.3	4.8	11.0	14.0	26.0	23.4	13.0	7.4
1996									
1	100.0	0.4	5.2	11.4	13.5	27.3	22.5	13.0	6.7
2	100.0	0.4	5.3	11.6	14.0	27.9	21.9	12.3	6.6
3	100.0	0.4	4.3	11.4	13.7	29.4	22.1	11.9	6.9
4	100.0	0.5	5.0	12.3	12.5	26.2	22.9	13.2	7.4
1997									
1	100.0	0.2	5.1	11.2	13.7	25.7	23.2	13.2	7.7
2	100.0	0.3	4.5	10.4	13.0	28.8	23.7	11.6	7.8

TABLE 3B - HISTORICAL TABLE OF CURRENTLY EMPLOYED PERSONS BY AGE GROUPS (PERCENTAGE) - FEMALE

Year	All Ages	Age Groups							
		10 - 14 YRS	15 - 19 YRS	20 - 24 YRS	25 - 29 YRS	30 - 39 YRS	40 - 49 YRS	50 - 59 YRS	60 + YRS
1990	100.0	1.2	5.6	12.4	14.5	28.4	21.8	12.2	4.0
1991	100.0	0.9	6.0	13.0	14.6	29.1	22.5	9.2	4.7
1992	100.0	0.8	5.9	13.9	14.4	29.2	21.4	10.7	3.7
1993	100.0	0.4	5.9	15.4	12.9	27.7	24.9	9.2	3.6
1994	100.0	0.5	5.3	13.2	14.8	30.4	22.7	9.5	3.7
1995	100.0	0.4	5.0	12.9	14.3	27.3	24.9	10.7	4.5
1996									
1	100.0	0.8	6.6	14.7	14.5	28.1	21.0	10.5	3.7
2	100.0	0.2	6.0	13.0	13.8	28.5	25.9	9.1	3.6
3	100.0	0.6	6.0	12.2	14.3	28.6	24.3	10.6	3.4
4	100.0	0.2	5.3	12.5	14.4	29.4	23.6	10.3	4.3
1997									
1	100.0	0.4	6.1	11.4	12.1	29.3	26.4	10.6	3.8
2	100.0	0.3	5.2	12.9	14.7	29.1	22.2	11.2	4.4

**TABLE 4 - HISTORICAL TABLE OF CURRENTLY EMPLOYED PERSONS BY LEVEL OF EDUCATION
(PERCENTAGE) - BOTH SEXES**

Year	Total	Level of Education				
		No Schooling	Grades 0 - 4/ Years 1 - 5	Grades 5 - 10/ Years 6 - 11	GCE (O.L)/ NCGE	GCE (A.L)/ HNCE AND ABOVE
1990	100.0	7.0	24.9	45.1	16.0	7.0
1991	100.0	7.9	23.7	44.8	15.6	7.9
1992	100.0	7.0	22.9	44.9	16.5	8.7
1993	100.0	6.8	21.7	45.1	16.9	9.5
1994	100.0	6.9	21.3	45.4	17.5	8.8
1995	100.0	5.9	20.9	44.9	18.0	10.3
1996						
1	100.0	4.5	24.1	42.8	18.1	10.5
2	100.0	6.1	25.1	42.1	16.9	9.9
3	100.0	5.6	24.4	43.8	16.3	9.9
4	100.0	5.1	23.4	44.9	16.1	10.5
1997						
1	100.0	4.9	23.0	44.0	18.3	9.8
2	100.0	5.6	24.9	43.3	15.8	10.5

**TABLE 4A - HISTORICAL TABLE OF CURRENTLY EMPLOYED PERSONS BY LEVEL OF EDUCATION
(PERCENTAGE) - MALE**

Year	Total	Level of Education				
		No Schooling	Grades 0 - 4/ Years 1 - 5	Grades 5 - 10/ Years 6 - 11	GCE (O.L)/ NCGE	GCE (A.L)/ HNCE AND ABOVE
1990	100.0	4.2	25.4	48.3	16.1	5.9
1991	100.0	4.6	23.4	49.0	15.5	7.5
1992	100.0	4.5	22.9	48.2	17.0	7.4
1993	100.0	4.1	21.3	49.8	17.2	7.7
1994	100.0	4.3	21.2	49.6	17.7	7.2
1995	100.0	4.0	21.1	48.2	18.3	8.4
1996						
1	100.0	2.7	24.2	46.5	18.1	8.5
2	100.0	4.2	25.3	45.7	16.7	8.2
3	100.0	3.6	24.7	47.5	16.7	7.6
4	100.0	3.0	23.3	49.3	15.6	8.9
1997						
1	100.0	2.3	24.2	47.3	18.0	8.3
2	100.0	3.8	25.8	46.0	16.0	8.5

**TABLE 4B - HISTORICAL TABLE OF CURRENTLY EMPLOYED PERSONS BY LEVEL OF EDUCATION
(PERCENTAGE) - FEMALE**

Year	Total	Level of Education				
		No Schooling	Grades 0 - 4/ Years 1 - 5	Grades 5 - 10/ Years 6 - 11	GCE (O.L)/ NCGE	GCE (A.L)/ HNCE AND ABOVE
1990	100.0	13.1	23.9	38.1	15.6	9.3
1991	100.0	15.1	24.5	35.8	15.9	8.8
1992	100.0	13.0	22.7	37.0	15.5	11.9
1993	100.0	12.9	22.7	34.7	16.3	13.5
1994	100.0	13.0	21.5	35.8	17.2	12.6
1995	100.0	10.3	20.5	37.3	17.5	14.3
1996						
1	100.0	8.3	23.7	35.0	18.2	14.8
2	100.0	10.4	24.4	33.6	17.5	14.1
3	100.0	10.5	23.8	35.1	15.3	15.3
4	100.0	10.2	23.5	34.7	17.3	14.3
1997						
1	100.0	10.8	20.3	36.7	19.2	13.0
2	100.0	9.5	22.8	37.3	15.3	15.1

**TABLE 5 - HISTORICAL TABLE OF CURRENTLY EMPLOYED PERSONS BY EMPLOYMENT STATUS
(PERCENTAGE) - BOTH SEXES**

YEAR	TOTAL EMPLOYED	EMPLOYEE			EMPLOYER	OWN ACCOUNT WORKER	UNPAID FAMILY WORKER
		TOTAL	PUBLIC	PRIVATE			
1990	100.0	55.2	21.5	33.7	1.8	29.2	13.8
1991	100.0	62.4	22.9	39.5	2.2	25.4	10.0
1992	100.0	60.1	20.0	40.0	1.6	27.1	11.2
1993	100.0	60.0	17.4	42.8	2.0	27.4	10.4
1994	100.0	60.7	16.4	44.3	2.3	27.2	9.8
1995	100.0	59.8	15.6	44.3	2.5	28.3	9.4
1996							
1	100.0	59.9	16.1	43.8	2.4	27.2	10.5
2	100.0	61.9	14.8	47.2	2.4	25.9	9.9
3	100.0	61.4	14.2	47.2	2.4	26.7	9.6
4	100.0	61.0	14.8	46.2	2.2	27.3	9.5
1997							
1	100.0	59.6	15.0	44.7	1.7	29.0	9.7
2	100.0	60.0	15.6	44.2	2.4	27.5	10.2

**TABLE 5A - HISTORICAL TABLE OF CURRENTLY EMPLOYED PERSONS BY EMPLOYMENT STATUS
(PERCENTAGE) - MALE**

YEAR	TOTAL EMPLOYED	EMPLOYEE			EMPLOYER	OWN ACCOUNT WORKER	UNPAID FAMILY WORKER
		TOTAL	PUBLIC	PRIVATE			
1990	100.0	55.2	19.7	35.5	2.3	34.6	7.9
1991	100.0	61.5	20.3	41.2	2.9	29.8	5.9
1992	100.0	58.7	18.4	40.3	2.0	32.2	7.2
1993	100.0	57.7	15.6	42.0	2.6	33.0	6.7
1994	100.0	59.3	15.9	43.4	2.9	32.0	5.9
1995	100.0	58.4	14.6	43.7	3.1	33.5	5.1
1996							
1	100.0	59.7	16.0	43.7	3.3	31.3	5.8
2	100.0	59.7	13.8	45.9	3.2	31.0	6.1
3	100.0	60.2	12.7	47.4	3.1	30.4	6.3
4	100.0	59.5	13.8	45.7	3.0	31.7	5.8
1997							
1	100.0	59.4	14.6	44.8	2.1	33.2	5.3
2	100.0	58.4	15.0	43.4	2.9	32.0	6.7

**TABLE 5B - HISTORICAL TABLE OF CURRENTLY EMPLOYED PERSONS BY EMPLOYMENT STATUS
(PERCENTAGE) - FEMALE**

YEAR	TOTAL EMPLOYED	EMPLOYEE			EMPLOYER	OWN ACCOUNT WORKER	UNPAID FAMILY WORKER
		TOTAL	PUBLIC	PRIVATE			
1990	100.0	55.1	25.3	29.8	0.6	17.9	26.5
1991	100.0	64.5	28.6	35.9	0.7	16.0	18.9
1992	100.0	63.4	24.1	39.4	0.7	14.8	21.0
1993	100.0	65.6	21.0	44.6	0.7	15.0	18.7
1994	100.0	64.2	17.7	46.5	0.9	16.1	18.8
1995	100.0	63.2	17.6	45.5	1.1	16.7	19.1
1996							
1	100.0	60.3	16.4	44.0	0.5	18.6	10.5
2	100.0	67.0	16.9	50.1	0.4	13.8	18.8
3	100.0	64.3	17.5	46.7	0.8	17.8	17.2
4	100.0	64.6	17.1	47.5	0.2	17.0	18.2
1997							
1	100.0	60.2	15.8	44.3	0.7	19.5	19.7
2	100.0	63.5	17.4	46.1	1.1	17.5	18.0

TABLE 6 - HISTORICAL TABLE OF CURRENTLY EMPLOYED PERSONS BY MAJOR INDUSTRIAL GROUPS - BOTH SEXES

Year	Total	Major Industrial Groups									
		Agriculture	Mining & Quarrying	Manufac- turing	Electricity Gas & Water	Constr- ction	Trade & Hotels	Transport Storage & Communica- tion	Insurance & Real Estate	Personal Services	Not Defined
1990	5047354	2360951	79763	669282	31999	196990	485196	206470	63744	792773	160185
1991	5015519	2130241	55677	751035	20744	236696	538695	205492	93190	742131	241620
1992	4962104	2088953	79560	650229	17492	237694	559258	216286	73501	839003	200130
1993	5201473	2159053	80544	684349	32763	226792	576628	212056	82235	911827	235228
1994	5281272	2084730	43316	756219	30307	216440	644749	245981	96742	953706	209085
1995	5357110	1966794	89250	788582	24944	285494	652770	252205	81265	929207	286607
1996											
1	5586947	1962677	68666	838038	24523	320880	705140	259488	118022	1083135	206377
2	5502270	2141227	103686	776614	26479	272113	658116	248510	94926	1005487	175130
3	5517248	2077896	86083	837727	27891	284587	604882	276087	104626	975188	242236
4	5534746	2084552	97376	804657	31062	320004	659927	302924	116066	952081	166118
1997											
1	5569353	2080723	87699	845341	48052	326066	758917	251752	77376	899161	194277
2	5588732	2089912	78576	855304	13449	294473	710854	296734	88830	1002444	158129

TABLE 6.1 - HISTORICAL TABLE OF CURRENTLY EMPLOYED PERSONS BY MAJOR INDUSTRIAL GROUPS (PERCENTAGE) - BOTH SEXES

Year	Total	Major Industrial Groups									
		Agriculture	Mining & Quarrying	Manufac- turing	Electricity Gas & Water	Constr- ction	Trade & Hotels	Transport Storage & Communica- tion	Insurance & Real Estate	Personal Services	Not Defined
1990	100.0	46.8	1.6	13.3	0.6	3.9	9.6	4.1	1.3	15.7	3.2
1991	100.0	42.5	1.1	15.0	0.4	4.7	10.7	4.1	1.9	14.8	4.8
1992	100.0	42.1	1.6	13.1	0.4	4.8	11.3	4.4	1.5	16.9	4.0
1993	100.0	41.5	1.5	13.2	0.6	4.4	11.1	4.1	1.6	17.5	4.5
1994	100.0	39.5	0.8	14.3	0.6	4.1	12.2	4.7	1.8	18.1	4.0
1995	100.0	36.7	1.7	14.7	0.5	5.3	12.2	4.7	1.5	17.3	5.4
1996											
1	100.0	35.1	1.2	15.0	0.4	5.7	12.6	4.6	2.1	19.4	3.7
2	100.0	38.9	1.9	14.1	0.5	4.9	12.0	4.5	1.7	18.3	3.2
3	100.0	37.7	1.6	15.2	0.5	5.2	11.0	5.0	1.9	17.7	4.4
4	100.0	37.7	1.8	14.5	0.6	5.8	11.9	5.5	2.1	17.2	3.0
1997											
1	100.0	37.4	1.6	15.2	0.9	5.9	13.6	4.5	1.4	16.1	3.5
2	100.0	37.4	1.4	15.3	0.2	5.3	12.7	5.3	1.6	17.9	2.8

TABLE 6A - HISTORICAL TABLE OF CURRENTLY EMPLOYED PERSONS BY MAJOR INDUSTRIAL GROUPS - MALE

Year	Total	Major Industrial Groups			
		Agriculture	Manufac- turing	Personal Services	Other
1993	3601807	1439257	331072	567658	1263821
1994	3678652	1370508	398212	621750	1288183
1995	3700948	1325113	380115	570740	1424979
1996					
1	3797441	1244178	429874	691092	1432298
2	3851616	1397010	421157	664791	1368658
3	3879965	1385678	459335	610535	1424417
4	3889413	1393192	410889	625129	1460202
1997					
1	3853192	1402669	368887	558681	1522954
2	3868437	1372195	449388	639641	1407214

TABLE 6A.1 - HISTORICAL TABLE OF CURRENTLY EMPLOYED PERSONS BY MAJOR INDUSTRIAL GROUPS (PERCENTAGE) - MALE

Year	Total	Major Industrial Groups			
		Agriculture	Manufac- turing	Personal Services	Other
1993	100.0	40.0	9.2	15.8	35.1
1994	100.0	37.3	10.8	16.9	35.0
1995	100.0	35.8	10.3	15.4	38.5
1996					
1	100.0	32.8	11.3	18.2	37.7
2	100.0	36.3	10.9	17.3	35.5
3	100.0	35.7	11.8	15.7	36.7
4	100.0	35.8	10.6	16.1	37.5
1997					
1	100.0	36.4	9.6	14.5	39.5
2	100.0	35.5	11.6	16.5	36.4

TABLE 6B - HISTORICAL TABLE OF CURRENTLY EMPLOYED PERSONS BY MAJOR INDUSTRIAL GROUPS - FEMALE

Year	Total	Major Industrial Groups			
		Agriculture	Manufac- turing	Personal Services	Other
1993	1599706	719808	353282	344180	182437
1994	1602626	714225	358008	331958	198436
1995	1656159	641680	408963	358467	247050
1996					
1	1789506	718499	408164	392043	270799
2	1650703	744228	355461	340701	210311
3	1637274	692236	378397	364659	201982
4	1645375	691364	393771	326956	233283
1997					
1	1716190	678059	476457	340483	221191
2	1720287	717721	405919	362807	233840

TABLE 6B.1 - HISTORICAL TABLE OF CURRENTLY EMPLOYED PERSONS BY MAJOR INDUSTRIAL GROUPS (PERCENTAGE) - FEMALE

Year	Total	Major Industrial Groups			
		Agriculture	Manufac- turing	Personal Services	Other
1993	100.0	45.0	22.1	21.5	11.4
1994	100.0	44.6	22.3	20.7	12.4
1995	100.0	38.7	24.7	21.6	14.9
1996					
1	100.0	40.1	22.8	21.9	15.1
2	100.0	45.1	21.5	20.6	12.7
3	100.0	42.3	23.1	22.3	12.3
4	100.0	42.0	23.9	19.9	14.2
1997					
1	100.0	39.5	27.8	19.8	12.9
2	100.0	41.7	23.6	21.1	13.6

TABLE 7 - HISTORICAL TABLE OF CURRENTLY EMPLOYED PERSONS BY MAJOR OCCUPATIONAL GROUPS - BOTH SEXES

Year	Total	Major Occupational Groups									
		Senior Officials & Managers	Profe- ssionals	Technicians & Associate Profess- ionals	Clerks	Sales & Service Workers	Skilled Agricultural & Fishery Workers	Craft & Related Workers	Plant & Machine Operators & Assemblers	Elementary Occupa- tion	Uniden- tified
1990	5047354	22360	232655	160716	169645	462607	1474439	593432	272919	1647629	10951
1991	5015519	39753	229843	160509	206221	488942	1191529	693632	205248	1782996	16846
1992	4962105	120852	254983	158049	184299	476333	1448329	752179	210342	1147737	209003
1993	5201474	74362	309453	194130	210475	533980	1592374	747645	248904	1119142	171012
1994	5281273	70855	278979	171716	243614	642599	1330001	826947	255333	1272628	188602
1995	5357109	81871	296289	180941	257214	657552	1320757	840597	229523	1399110	93268
1996											
1	5586947	70423	340398	254035	244510	735676	1283354	906736	254852	1364176	132787
2	5502270	61100	275615	217814	285695	594713	1357375	893308	251961	1426056	138658
3	5517248	65482	322177	203688	250985	572507	1265544	911821	314930	1515358	94721
4	5534787	77054	295129	191455	263438	682356	1265039	909995	306136	1440027	104158
1997											
1	5569353	73055	264776	201858	228630	703511	1306315	910339	311949	1410890	158041
2	5588724	92517	333595	240238	278806	647337	1236501	817013	361893	1427128	153696

TABLE 7.1 - HISTORICAL TABLE OF CURRENTLY EMPLOYED PERSONS BY MAJOR OCCUPATIONAL GROUPS (PERCENTAGE) - BOTH SEXES

Year	Total	Major Occupational Groups									
		Senior Officials & Managers	Profe- ssionals	Technicians & Associate Profess- ionals	Clerks	Sales & Service Workers	Skilled Agricultural & Fishery Workers	Craft & Related Workers	Plant & Machine Operators & Assemblers	Elementary Occupation	Uniden- tified
1990	100.0	0.4	4.6	3.2	3.4	9.2	29.2	11.8	5.4	32.6	0.2
1991	100.0	0.8	4.6	3.2	4.1	9.7	23.8	13.8	4.1	35.5	0.3
1992	100.0	2.4	5.1	3.2	3.7	9.6	29.2	15.2	4.2	23.1	4.2
1993	100.0	1.4	5.9	3.7	4.0	10.3	30.6	14.4	4.8	21.5	3.3
1994	100.0	1.3	5.3	3.3	4.6	12.2	25.2	15.7	4.8	24.1	3.6
1995	100.0	1.5	5.5	3.4	4.8	12.3	24.7	15.7	4.3	26.1	1.7
1996											
1	100.0	1.3	6.1	4.5	4.4	13.2	23.0	16.2	4.6	24.4	2.4
2	100.0	1.1	5.0	4.0	5.2	10.8	24.7	16.2	4.6	25.9	2.5
3	100.0	1.2	5.8	3.7	4.5	10.4	22.9	16.5	5.7	27.5	1.7
4	100.0	1.4	5.3	3.5	4.8	12.3	22.9	16.4	5.5	26.0	1.9
1997											
1	100.0	1.3	4.8	3.6	4.1	12.6	23.5	16.3	5.6	25.3	2.8
2	100.0	1.7	6.0	4.3	5.0	11.6	22.1	14.6	6.5	25.5	2.8

TABLE 7A - HISTORICAL TABLE OF CURRENTLY EMPLOYED PERSONS BY MAJOR OCCUPATIONAL GROUPS - MALE

Year	Major Occupational Group										
	Total	Senior officials and Managers	Professionals	Technicians and Associate professionals	Clerks	Sales & Service workers	Skilled Agricultural and Fishery workers	Craft & Related workers	Paint & Machine operators and Assemblers	Elementary occupations	Unidentified
1993	3601806	59767	139075	143226	118992	434627	1095624	468233	210993	776570	154700
1994	3678652	55147	125606	128923	143947	518133	929882	527320	226015	847803	175877
1995	3700949	68221	114634	134409	161138	509569	947839	522641	198335	960296	83866
1996											
1	3797441	62244	153430	188007	141658	572670	855940	567790	221913	914154	119635
2	3851616	46961	121602	166438	161899	484176	943726	615225	226410	967462	117717
3	3879965	55945	143098	158472	141681	460635	885830	603280	282343	1066180	82500
4	3889413	67744	139686	149082	141757	526621	890963	630333	281783	970947	90496
1997											
1	3853192	67687	106410	154843	120770	561293	927460	539799	280428	959898	134603
2	3868437	73682	153715	176162	155726	498739	871655	555198	304189	936618	142754

TABLE 7A.1 - HISTORICAL TABLE OF CURRENTLY EMPLOYED PERSONS BY MAJOR OCCUPATIONAL GROUPS (PERCENTAGE) - MALE

Year	Major Occupational Group										
	Total	Senior officials and Managers	Profess- ionals	Technicians and Associate profess- ionals	Clerks	Sales & Service workers	Skilled Agricultural and Fishery workers	Craft & Related workers	Paint & Machine operators and Assemblers	Element- ary occu- pations	Uniden- tified
1993	100.0	1.7	3.9	4.0	3.3	12.1	30.4	13.0	5.9	21.6	4.3
1994	100.0	1.5	3.4	3.5	3.9	14.1	25.3	14.3	6.1	23.0	4.8
1995	100.0	1.8	3.1	3.6	4.4	13.8	25.6	14.1	5.4	25.9	2.3
1996											
1	100.0	1.6	4.0	5.0	3.7	15.0	22.5	15.0	5.8	24.1	3.2
2	100.0	1.2	3.2	4.3	4.2	12.6	24.5	16.0	5.9	25.1	3.1
3	100.0	1.4	3.7	4.1	3.7	11.9	22.8	15.5	7.3	27.5	2.1
4	100.0	1.7	3.6	3.8	3.6	13.5	22.9	16.2	7.2	25.0	2.3
1997											
1	100.0	1.8	2.8	4.0	3.1	14.6	24.1	14.0	7.3	24.9	3.5
2	100.0	1.9	4.0	4.6	4.0	12.9	22.5	14.4	7.9	24.2	3.7

TABLE 7B - HISTORICAL TABLE OF CURRENTLY EMPLOYED PERSONS BY MAJOR OCCUPATIONAL GROUPS - FEMALE

Year	Major Occupational Group										
	Total	Senior officials and Managers	Professionals	Technicians and Associate professionals	Clerks	Sales & Service workers	Skilled Agricultural and Fishery workers	Craft & Related workers	Paint & Machine operators and Assemblers	Elementary occupations	Unidentified
1993	1599706	14596	170381	50906	91486	99359	496758	279417	37913	342579	16312
1994	1602627	15709	153373	42793	99667	124467	400120	299628	29318	424827	12726
1995	1656167	13650	181655	46532	96076	147983	372917	317951	31188	438814	9401
1996											
1	1789506	8179	186968	66029	102852	163006	427414	338946	32938	450022	13152
2	1650703	14138	154014	51377	123797	110540	413654	278088	25552	458602	20941
3	1637274	9538	179081	45218	109305	111875	379720	308546	32588	449184	12221
4	1645375	9309	155442	42375	121680	155736	374076	279663	24352	469080	13661
1997											
1	1716190	5369	158368	47016	107861	142221	378863	370542	31522	450990	23438
2	1720287	18835	179880	64076	123080	148598	364846	261815	57704	490511	10942

TABLE 7B.1 - HISTORICAL TABLE OF CURRENTLY EMPLOYED PERSONS BY MAJOR OCCUPATIONAL GROUPS (PERCENTAGE) - FEMALE

Year	Total	Major Occupational Group									Uniden- tified
		Senior Officals and Managers	Profess- ionals	Technicians and Associate profess- ionals	Clerks	Sales & Service workers	Skilled Agricultural and Fishery workers	Craft & Related Workers	Plant & Machine operators & Assemblers	Elementary occupa- tions	
1993	100.0	0.9	10.7	3.2	5.7	6.2	31.1	17.5	2.4	21.4	1.0
1994	100.0	1.0	9.6	2.7	6.2	7.8	25.0	18.7	1.8	26.5	0.8
1995	100.0	0.8	11.0	2.8	5.8	8.9	22.5	19.2	1.9	26.5	0.6
1996											
1	100.0	0.5	10.4	3.7	5.7	9.1	23.9	18.9	1.8	25.1	0.7
2	100.0	0.9	9.3	3.1	7.5	6.7	25.1	16.8	1.5	27.8	1.3
3	100.0	0.6	10.9	2.8	6.7	6.8	23.2	18.8	2.0	27.4	0.7
4	100.0	0.6	9.4	2.6	7.4	9.5	22.7	17.0	1.5	28.5	0.8
1997											
1	100.0	0.3	9.2	2.7	6.3	8.3	22.1	21.6	1.8	26.3	1.4
2	100.0	1.1	10.5	3.7	7.2	8.6	21.2	15.2	3.4	28.5	0.6

**TABLE 8 - CURRENTLY EMPLOYED PERSONS BY HOURS PER WEEK ACTUALLY WORKED AT THE MAIN JOB AND MAJOR INDUSTRIAL GROUP
(PERCENTAGE) - BOTH SEXES**

(SECOND QUARTER 1997)

MAJOR INDUSTRIAL GROUP	TOTAL	0 *	1 - 9	10 - 19	20 - 29	30 - 39	40 - 49	50 & OVER
TOTAL	100.0	10.6	2.1	7.6	15.1	17.1	29.8	17.7
AGRICULTURE ETC.	100.0	12.0	2.2	10.2	17.6	20.3	26.9	10.9
MINING & QUARRING	100.0	30.3	..	1.3	15.6	23.7	27.7	1.5
MANUFACTURING	100.0	10.6	2.1	7.3	17.7	18.9	30.3	13.1
ELECTRICITY GAS & WATER	100.0	..	..	..	4.7	6.9	45.4	43.0
CONSTRUCTION	100.0	20.0	4.3	4.3	14.5	13.7	33.6	9.6
TRADE & HOTELS ETC.	100.0	3.6	2.2	5.6	7.6	14.7	27.9	38.4
TRANSPORT, STORAGE & COMMUNICATION	100.0	5.0	..	2.3	12.4	12.9	42.0	25.5
INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	100.0	5.5	..	6.9	16.6	13.2	41.9	16.1
PERSONAL SERVICES	100.0	11.0	1.7	7.0	14.0	12.4	29.7	24.3
NOT DEFINED	100.0	7.8	6.1	7.1	14.4	20.6	37.6	6.4

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* Has a job but not at work during the reference week

**TABLE 8A - CURRENTLY EMPLOYED PERSONS BY HOURS PER WEEK ACTUALLY WORKED AT THE MAIN JOB AND MAJOR INDUSTRIAL GROUP
(PERCENTAGE) - MALE**
(SECOND QUARTER 1997)

MAJOR INDUSTRIAL GROUP	TOTAL	0 *	1 - 9	10 - 19	20 - 29	30 - 39	40 - 49	50 & OVER
TOTAL	100.0	10.8	1.5	6.3	14.4	16.3	29.5	21.1
AGRICULTURE ETC.	100.0	12.7	1.6	9.1	17.5	20.1	25.0	14.1
MINING & QUARRING	100.0	29.7	..	..	16.1	24.3	28.4	1.5
MANUFACTURING	100.0	13.0	1.6	5.3	18.2	17.4	29.6	14.8
ELECTRICITY GAS & WATER	100.0	..	..	..	5.8	8.5	56.0	29.8
CONSTRUCTION	100.0	20.4	3.6	4.4	14.5	13.9	33.7	9.4
TRADE & HOTELS ETC.	100.0	3.7	1.7	4.7	6.9	14.3	27.8	40.8
TRANSPORT, STORAGE & COMMUNICATION	100.0	5.5	..	2.5	10.8	12.9	40.3	28.0
INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	100.0	7.8	..	7.0	21.3	11.0	32.8	20.1
PERSONAL SERVICES	100.0	8.2	1.1	5.5	13.3	10.6	30.5	30.8
NOT DEFINED	100.0	8.7	2.1	7.2	12.2	18.9	43.7	7.2

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* Has a job but not at work during the reference week

**TABLE 8B - CURRENTLY EMPLOYED PERSONS BY HOURS PER WEEK ACTUALLY WORKED AT THE MAIN JOB AND MAJOR INDUSTRIAL GROUP
(PERCENTAGE) - FEMALE**
(SECOND QUARTER 1997)

MAJOR INDUSTRIAL GROUP	TOTAL	0 *	1 - 9	10 - 19	20 - 29	30 - 39	40 - 49	50 & OVER
TOTAL	100.0	10.0	3.4	10.4	16.6	19.0	30.5	10.1
AGRICULTURE ETC.	100.0	10.6	3.2	12.4	18.0	20.6	30.6	4.7
MINING & QUARRING	100.0	52.2	..	47.9	..	..	..	..
MANUFACTURING	100.0	8.0	2.5	9.6	17.1	20.5	31.0	11.3
ELECTRICITY GAS & WATER	100.0	..	..	..	..	..	..	100.0
CONSTRUCTION	100.0	..	39.1	..	10.6	..	25.6	24.7
TRADE & HOTELS ETC.	100.0	3.4	4.5	9.0	10.2	16.4	27.9	28.5
TRANSPORT, STORAGE & COMMUNICATION	100.0	..	..	..	27.8	12.8	57.8	1.7
INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	100.0	..	..	6.6	5.5	18.1	63.0	6.8
PERSONAL SERVICES	100.0	15.8	2.7	9.6	15.2	15.7	28.2	12.8
NOT DEFINED	100.0	3.8	24.2	7.0	24.4	28.2	9.6	2.8

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* Has a job but not at work during the reference week

TABLE 9 - HISTORICAL TABLE OF CURRENTLY UNEMPLOYED PERSONS BY AGE GROUPS (PERCENTAGE) - BOTH SEXES

YEAR	TOTAL	AGE GROUPS						
		15 - 19 YRS	20 - 24 YRS	25 - 29 YRS	30 - 39 YRS	40 - 49 YRS	50 - 59 YRS	60 YRS & OVER
1990	100.0	20.3	40.3	19.3	13.2	4.6	2.0	0.5
1991	100.0	19.3	42.2	16.7	15.8	4.8	1.0	0.2
1992	100.0	19.2	40.9	20.4	13.4	4.5	1.3	0.3
1993	100.0	20.4	38.5	18.9	15.5	5.0	1.6	0.2
1994	100.0	22.4	41.2	15.6	15.5	3.9	1.2	0.4
1995	100.0	21.1	38.2	20.1	15.1	5.0	0.5	..
1996								
1	100.0	21.1	38.1	19.7	15.8	4.5	0.5	0.3
2	100.0	24.6	39.8	17.8	14.4	2.9	0.5	..
3	100.0	24.9	37.7	17.0	16.6	3.2	0.5	..
4	100.0	25.4	41.3	18.2	10.4	3.6	1.0	..
1997								
1	100.0	20.9	42.5	19.1	12.3	3.4	1.1	0.7
2	100.0	18.5	42.3	22.9	13.1	2.6	0.6	..

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TABLE 9A - HISTORICAL TABLE OF CURRENTLY UNEMPLOYED PERSONS BY AGE GROUPS (PERCENTAGE) - MALE

YEAR	TOTAL	AGE GROUPS						
		15 - 19 YRS	20 - 24 YRS	25 - 29 YRS	30 - 39 YRS	40 - 49 YRS	50 - 59 YRS	60 YRS & OVER
1990	100.0	23.8	41.2	16.1	9.6	5.1	3.5	0.6
1991	100.0	23.0	42.6	15.1	11.7	6.1	1.3	0.3
1992	100.0	21.8	42.7	18.5	10.0	4.4	2.4	0.3
1993	100.0	24.0	39.5	16.0	12.7	4.9	2.7	0.4
1994	100.0	24.3	40.8	13.3	13.4	5.5	2.3	0.8
1995	100.0	22.3	38.2	19.0	12.9	6.7	0.8	0.1
1996								
1	100.0	24.2	37.7	18.2	13.4	5.4	0.5	0.6
2	100.0	28.2	40.9	13.9	11.6	5.2	0.2	..
3	100.0	27.7	37.5	18.7	13.0	2.3	0.8	..
4	100.0	28.4	41.9	17.1	6.1	5.3	1.2	..
1997								
1	100.0	23.3	41.1	18.3	10.7	4.2	1.2	1.2
2	100.0	21.2	41.3	20.9	14.1	1.3	1.2	..

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TABLE 9B - HISTORICAL TABLE OF CURRENTLY UNEMPLOYED PERSONS BY AGE GROUPS (PERCENTAGE) - FEMALE

YEAR	TOTAL	AGE GROUPS						
		15 - 19 YRS	20 - 24 YRS	25 - 29 YRS	30 - 39 YRS	40 - 49 YRS	50 - 59 YRS	60 YRS & OVER
1990	100.0	17.0	39.4	22.2	16.6	4.1	0.7	0.2
1991	100.0	16.3	42.0	18.0	19.2	3.6	0.9	0.1
1992	100.0	16.7	39.1	22.2	16.9	4.7	0.2	0.4
1993	100.0	12.8	34.1	23.7	21.8	6.6	0.9	0.2
1994	100.0	16.7	37.6	21.4	20.6	3.4	0.1	0.4
1995	100.0	19.9	38.3	21.2	17.2	3.3	0.1	..
1996								
1	100.0	18.6	38.4	20.9	17.8	3.6	0.6	0.1
2	100.0	21.4	38.8	21.3	16.9	0.9	0.7	..
3	100.0	22.4	38.0	15.4	19.9	4.0	0.3	..
4	100.0	21.7	40.7	19.6	15.4	1.7	0.8	0.1
1997								
1	100.0	18.4	43.9	20.0	13.9	2.7	0.9	0.3
2	100.0	16.0	43.2	24.7	12.2	3.8

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**TABLE 10 - HISTORICAL TABLE OF CURRENTLY UNEMPLOYED PERSONS BY LEVEL OF EDUCATION
(PERCENTAGE) - BOTH SEXES**

YEAR	TOTAL	LEVEL OF EDUCATION				
		NO SCHOOLING	GRADES 0 - 4/ YEARS 1 - 5	GRADES 5 - 9/ YEARS 6 - 10	GCE(O/L) NCGE	GCE(A/L) HNCE AND ABOVE
1990	100.0	1.3	7.2	49.7	26.5	15.4
1991	100.0	1.9	7.1	45.7	30.3	15.1
1992	100.0	1.5	7.7	50.5	27.0	13.7
1993	100.0	1.3	7.0	44.9	28.7	18.0
1994	100.0	1.2	7.4	44.9	28.3	18.2
1995	100.0	0.8	4.7	47.1	29.1	18.4
1996						
1	100.0	1.1	8.4	43.8	26.5	20.3
2	100.0	2.2	6.0	46.3	28.3	17.3
3	100.0	0.8	5.1	47.5	27.6	18.9
4	100.0	0.6	7.1	51.6	21.7	19.1
1997						
1	100.0	1.0	3.0	46.0	28.1	22.0
2	100.0	0.1	4.9	46.9	26.6	21.5

**TABLE 10A - HISTORICAL TABLE OF CURRENTLY UNEMPLOYED PERSONS BY LEVEL OF EDUCATION
(PERCENTAGE) - MALE**

YEAR	TOTAL	LEVEL OF EDUCATION				
		NO SCHOOLING	GRADES 0 - 4/ YEARS 1 - 5	GRADES 5 - 9/ YEARS 6 - 10	GCE (O/L) NCGE	GCE (A/L) HNCE AND ABOVE
1990	100.0	1.2	9.4	57.7	23.3	8.4
1991	100.0	2.1	9.1	53.2	25.0	10.5
1992	100.0	1.3	8.6	57.4	25.1	7.9
1993	100.0	1.7	9.7	47.7	28.0	12.9
1994	100.0	1.4	10.0	50.3	27.0	11.3
1995	100.0	0.5	4.8	54.4	29.4	10.9
1996						
1	100.0	1.3	10.4	51.7	26.3	10.4
2	100.0	1.6	8.1	57.7	25.4	7.2
3	100.0	0.5	5.2	59.0	23.5	11.9
4	100.0	..	7.7	60.1	20.0	12.2
1997						
1	100.0	1.3	3.8	56.6	26.8	11.6
2	100.0	0.1	6.9	57.8	18.8	16.3

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**TABLE 10B - HISTORICAL TABLE OF CURRENTLY UNEMPLOYED PERSONS BY LEVEL OF EDUCATION
(PERCENTAGE) - FEMALE**

YEAR	TOTAL	LEVEL OF EDUCATION				
		NO SCHOOLING	GRADES 0 - 4/ YEARS 1 - 5	GRADES 5 - 9/ YEARS 6 - 10	GCE (O/L) NCGE	GCE (A/L) HNCE AND ABOVE
1990	100.0	1.3	5.1	42.2	29.5	21.9
1991	100.0	1.7	5.4	39.6	34.5	18.8
1992	100.0	1.7	6.8	43.6	28.9	19.4
1993	100.0	1.1	4.6	42.5	29.4	22.5
1994	100.0	2.1	4.8	39.6	29.6	24.9
1995	100.0	1.1	4.6	40.0	28.8	25.5
1996						
1	100.0	1.0	6.6	37.0	26.6	28.8
2	100.0	2.7	4.1	36.2	30.8	26.2
3	100.0	1.2	5.1	36.9	31.5	25.4
4	100.0	1.3	6.4	41.5	23.6	27.3
1997						
1	100.0	0.7	2.1	35.1	29.5	32.6
2	100.0	..	3.1	37.2	33.5	26.3

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TABLE 11 - CURRENTLY UNEMPLOYED PERSONS BY SEX, LEVEL OF EDUCATION AND SECTOR

(SECOND QUARTER 1997)

SEX & SECTOR	TOTAL	LEVEL OF EDUCATION				
		NO SCHOOLING	GRADE	GRADE	GCE (O.L.)/ NCGE	GCE (A.L.)/ HNCE AND ABOVE
			0 - 4/ YEAR 1 - 5	5 - 9/ YEAR 6 - 10		
BOTH SECTORS						
TOTAL	637509	386	31200	299289	169315	137320
MALE	301515	386	20921	174389	56764	49054
FEMALE	335995	..	10279	124900	112551	88266
URBAN						
TOTAL	93101	..	2489	31560	29752	29300
MALE	48287	..	1979	20026	17014	9268
FEMALE	44814	..	510	11534	12738	20032
* RURAL						
TOTAL	544408	386	28711	267729	139563	108020
MALE	253228	386	18942	154363	39751	39786
FEMALE	291181	..	9768	113366	99813	68234

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* Including estate sector

**TABLE 11A - CURRENTLY UNEMPLOYED PERSONS BY SEX, LEVEL OF EDUCATION AND SECTOR
(PERCENTAGE)**

(SECOND QUARTER 1997)

SEX & SECTOR	TOTAL	LEVEL OF EDUCATION				
		NO SCHOOLING	GRADE	GRADE	GCE (O.L.)/ NCGE	GCE (A.L.)/ HNCE AND ABOVE
			0 - 4/ YEAR 1 - 5	5 - 9/ YEAR 6 - 10		
BOTH SECTORS						
TOTAL	100.0	0.1	5.0	47.0	26.6	21.5
MALE	100.0	0.1	6.9	57.8	18.8	16.3
FEMALE	100.0	..	3.1	37.2	33.5	26.3
URBAN						
TOTAL	100.0	..	2.7	33.9	32.0	31.5
MALE	100.0	..	4.1	41.5	35.2	19.2
FEMALE	100.0	..	1.1	25.7	28.4	44.7
* RURAL						
TOTAL	100.0	0.1	5.3	49.2	25.6	19.8
MALE	100.0	0.2	7.5	61.0	15.7	15.7
FEMALE	100.0	..	3.4	38.9	34.3	23.4

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* Including estate sector

**TABLE 12 - CURRENTLY UNEMPLOYED PERSONS BY SEX, DURATION OF UNEMPLOYMENT AND
OCCUPATION DESIRED**

(SECOND QUARTER 1997)

OCCUPATION DESIRED & SEX	TOTAL	DURATION		
		LESS THAN 6 MONTHS	6 TO LESS THAN 12 MONTHS	12+ MONTHS
BOTH SEXES				
TOTAL	561930	73855	71547	416529
%	100.0	13.1	12.7	74.1
MANAGERIAL	2022	..	1679	343
PROFESSIONAL	61546	2414	2191	56940
TECHNICAL	15229	5192	1782	8254
CLERICAL	112393	6423	7133	98837
SALES & SERVICES	31807	4694	5616	21497
AGRICULTURAL & FISHERY	2098	..	..	2098
CRAFT & RELATED WORKERS	97284	22083	19097	56103
PLANT & MACHINE OPERATORS	34755	2521	3465	28768
ELEMENTARY OCCUPATIONS	69008	11478	7975	49554
OTHERS	135790	19048	22607	94134
MALE				
TOTAL	265003	33907	43905	187191
%	100.0	12.8	16.6	70.6
MANAGERIAL	2022	..	1679	343
PROFESSIONAL	11729	1423	779	9527
TECHNICAL	8960	3313	1782	3865
CLERICAL	36558	2320	4319	29919
SALES & SERVICES	22147	3101	5497	13549
AGRICULTURAL & FISHERY	1012	..	..	1012
CRAFT & RELATED WORKERS	41370	5679	7566	28124
PLANT & MACHINE OPERATORS	23301	2521	1842	18938
ELEMENTARY OCCUPATIONS	38489	6272	5711	26506
OTHERS	79416	9278	14731	55407
FEMALE				
TOTAL	296927	39948	27641	229338
%	100.0	13.5	9.3	77.2
MANAGERIAL	..	..	..	..
PROFESSIONAL	49817	991	1413	47414
TECHNICAL	6268	1879	..	4389
CLERICAL	75835	4103	2814	68918
SALES & SERVICES	9660	1594	119	7948
AGRICULTURAL & FISHERY	1085	..	..	1085
CRAFT & RELATED WORKERS	55914	16404	11531	27979
PLANT & MECHINE OPERATORS	11454	..	1624	9830
ELEMENTARY OCCUPATIONS	30520	5207	2265	23048
OTHERS	56374	9771	7876	38727

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TABLE 13 - CURRENTLY UNEMPLOYED PERSONS WHO NEVER HAD A JOB BY AGE, SEX AND SECTOR

(SECOND QUARTER 1997)

AGE & SEX	ALL RESIDENTIAL SECTORS	SECTOR	
		URBAN SECTOR	RURAL SECTOR
BOTH SEXES			
ALL AGES	501610	68092	433518
%	100.0	13.6	86.4
10 - 14 YRS	919	..	919
15 - 19 YRS	107281	7999	99282
20 - 24 YRS	237305	35344	201961
25 - 29 YRS	110645	21034	89612
30 - 39 YRS	41777	3715	38062
40 + YRS	3682	..	3682
MALE			
ALL AGES	224671	36950	187721
%	100.0	16.4	83.6
10 - 14 YRS	919	..	919
15 - 19 YRS	57758	6984	50774
20 - 24 YRS	105272	15077	90195
25 - 29 YRS	45883	14030	31854
30 - 39 YRS	13943	859	13084
40 + YRS	895	..	895
FEMALE			
ALL AGES	276940	31142	245797
%	100.0	11.2	88.8
10 - 14 YRS	..	..	..
15 - 19 YRS	49523	1015	48508
20 - 24 YRS	132033	20267	111766
25 - 29 YRS	64762	7004	57758
30 - 39 YRS	27835	2856	24979
40 + YRS	2787	..	2787

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TABLE 14 - CURRENTLY UNEMPLOYED PERSONS BY SOURCES OF ASSISTANCE AND SECTOR (PERCENTAGE) - BOTH SEXES

(SECOND QUARTER 1997)

SECTOR	TOTAL	SOURCE OF ASSISTANCE						
		GOVERNMENT	CHARITABLE INSTITUTION	PARENTS SPOUSE CHILD	PROPERTY INCOME	WITHDRAWN SAVINGS	NO ASSISTANCE REQUIRED	NO ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE
BOTH SECTORS	100.0	2.3	2.8	91.3	0.5	1.9	0.2	1.0
URBAN SECTOR	100.0	0.1	3.3	95.3	..	1.3
RURAL SECTOR	100.0	2.6	2.7	90.7	0.6	2.0	0.2	1.2

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TABLE 15 - CURRENTLY UNEMPLOYED PERSONS BY SEX, REASONS FOR NOT ACTIVELY SEEKING WORK AND SECTOR (PERCENTAGE)

(SECOND QUARTER 1997)

SEX & SECTOR	REASONS FOR NOT ACTIVELY SEEKING WORK			
	TOTAL	DISCOURAGED NOT ABLE TO GET A JOB	BELIEVE NO SUITABLE WORK AVAILABLE	OTHER REASON
BOTH SECTORS				
TOTAL	100.0	43.3	13.3	43.4
MALE	100.0	44.7	5.8	49.6
FEMALE	100.0	42.1	20.0	37.9
URBAN SECTOR				
TOTAL	100.0	62.0	7.4	30.5
MALE	100.0	60.6	..	39.4
FEMALE	100.0	63.2	13.3	23.5
RURAL SECTOR				
TOTAL	100.0	42.1	13.7	44.2
MALE	100.0	43.7	6.1	50.2
FEMALE	100.0	40.7	20.4	38.9

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* Including Estate Sector

TABLE 16 - NUMBER OF PERSONS NOT IN THE LABOUR FORCE BY SEX, REASONS FOR NOT IN THE LABOUR FORCE AND SECTOR (PERCENTAGE)

(SECOND QUARTER 1997)

SEX & SECTOR	TOTAL NOT IN LABOUR FORCE	REASONS				
		ENGAGED IN STUDIES	HOUSEHOLD WORK	DISABLE OR INFIRM	RETIRED	OTHER REASONS
BOTH SECTORS						
TOTAL	100.0	41.1	36.8	2.4	14.4	5.3
MALE	100.0	62.5	2.3	4.8	21.2	9.2
FEMALE	100.0	30.7	53.6	1.3	11.1	3.3
URBAN SECTOR						
TOTAL	100.0	33.9	41.7	1.8	16.5	6.1
MALE	100.0	54.2	1.1	3.8	29.5	11.4
FEMALE	100.0	26.0	57.5	1.1	11.5	4.0
* RURAL SECTOR						
TOTAL	100.0	42.7	35.7	2.5	14.0	5.1
MALE	100.0	64.0	2.5	5.0	19.8	8.8
FEMALE	100.0	31.8	52.7	1.3	11.0	3.2

* Including Estate Sector

TABLE 17 - USUAL LABOUR FORCE STATUS (DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS) OF THE HOUSEHOLD POPULATION 10 YEARS OF AGE AND OVER, BY AGE - BOTH SEXES

(SECOND QUARTER 1997)

AGE	HOUSEHOLD POP: (10 YEARS & OVER)	LABOUR FORCE						NOT IN LABOUR FORCE (NUMBER)
		TOTAL LABOUR FORCE	LABOUR FORCE PARTICI: RATE	EMPLOYED		UNEMPLOYED		
				NUMBER	RATE (% TO TOTAL LABOUR FORCE)	NUMBER	RATE (% TO TOTAL LABOUR FORCE)	
ALL AGES	12861640	5962274	46.4	5276783	88.5	685491	11.5	6899360
10 - 14 YRS	1622082	*	*	8468	80.2	*	*	1611528
15 - 19 YRS	1638268	336655	20.6	215055	63.9	121600	36.1	1301612
20 - 24 YRS	1344507	845591	62.9	564540	66.8	281052	33.2	498914
25 - 29 YRS	1287478	856676	66.5	718625	83.9	138051	16.1	430800
30 - 39 YRS	2386502	1643193	68.9	1545373	94.0	97819	6.0	743308
40 - 49 YRS	1940072	1294190	66.7	1263186	97.6	31004	2.4	645881
50 - 59 YRS	1188827	624513	52.5	614895	98.5	9618	1.5	564316
60 + YRS	1453900	350902	24.1	346640	98.8	4261	1.2	1102999

* The age group has been included only to depict the number employed.

TABLE 18 - HISTORICAL TABLE OF USUAL LABOUR FORCE STATUS (DURING THE PAST 12 MONTHS) OF THE HOUSEHOLD POPULATION 10 YEARS OF AGE AND OVER - BOTH SEXES

YEAR	HOUSEHOLD POP: (10 YEARS & OVER)	LABOUR FORCE						NOT IN LABOUR FORCE (NUMBER)
		TOTAL LABOUR FORCE	LABOUR FORCE PARTICI: RATE	EMPLOYED		UNEMPLOYED		
				NUMBER	RATE (% TO TOTAL LABOUR FORCE)	NUMBER	RATE (% TO TOTAL LABOUR FORCE)	
1990	11573941	5423464	46.9	4480415	82.6	943049	17.4	6150477
1991	11795793	5515831	46.8	4626243	83.9	889588	16.1	6279962
1992	12058463	5524670	45.8	4630792	83.8	893878	16.2	6533791
1993	12278055	5788175	47.1	4773069	82.5	1015107	17.5	6489882
1994	12491815	5750618	46.0	5011626	87.1	738993	12.9	6741195
1995	12735447	5787261	45.4	5090049	88.0	697213	12.0	6948187
1996								
1	12810100	6000990	46.8	5232529	87.2	768463	12.8	6809106
2	12822701	5860314	45.7	5201215	88.8	659100	11.2	6962384
3	12843490	5917951	46.1	5235990	88.5	681963	11.5	6925537
4	12849590	5978500	46.5	5270677	88.2	707825	11.8	6871089
1997								
1	12856320	5963113	46.4	5267173	88.3	695938	11.7	6893202
2	12861640	5962274	46.4	5276783	88.5	685491	11.5	6899360

TABLE 19 - STANDARD ERROR AND COEFFICIENT OF VARIATION OF SELECTED VARIABLES

	Estimated Value	Standard Error	Coefficient of Variation (%)	Estimated Value (Ratio)	Standard Error	Coefficient of Variation (%)
Population (10 years & over)	12861640	540442	4.20	-	-	-
Employed Population	5588698	246851	4.42	-	-	-
Unemployed Population	637509	53096	8.33	-	-	-
Employment Rate	-	-	-	0.898	0.00699	0.78
Unemployment Rate	-	-	-	0.102	0.00699	6.85
Labour Force	6226208	273363	4.39	-	-	-
Not in Labour Force	6635426	295390	4.45	-	-	-

Technical Notes

A. Introduction

The data is derived from household interviews obtained from a sample of the population 10 years of age and older. The survey is conducted quarterly by the Department of Census & Statistics and provides comprehensive data on the Labour Force, the Employed, the Unemployed and includes such characteristics as age, sex, occupation, and industry attachment. The survey also provides information on hours worked, and reasons for unemployment and nonparticipation in the labour force. The survey is conducted by trained interviewers from a total annual sample of about 16000 household. The data collected are based on the respondent's activity or status during the preceding week and previous 12 months period.

B. Collection and Coverage

Data are collected quarterly during a similar time period in each quarter through a scientifically selected sample designed to represent the non-institutional household population. About 4000 households are visited each quarter. Respondents are interviewed to obtain information about each member of the household, 10 years of age or older. The inquiry relates to the pervious calendar week of the interview to obtain "current" information, and to the previous 12 calendar months to obtain "usual" activity information.

Inmates of institutions, military camps, and are not surveyed.

C. Concepts and Definitions :

The concepts and definitions underlying the labour force data from this survey differ somewhat from those in previous labour force surveys. Therefore comparisons of data should be made carefully taking into account the concepts and definitions that follow:

Labour Force : The Labour Force is composed of the economically active population aged 10 years and over.

Economically Active Population : The economically active population is defined as those persons who are/were employed or unemployed during the reference period of the survey.

Employed : Employed persons are all household members who during the reference period worked as paid employees, employers, own account workers (self-employed) or unpaid family workers, in family enterprises. Also included are persons who had a job but were temporarily absent from work because of such things as vacation, illness, bad weather, and labour management disputes etc. It should be noted that if a person has one or more jobs, that person is counted only once.

Unemployed : Persons who were available and/or looking for work, and had no employment during the reference period, are considered to be unemployed.

Reference Period : In this survey there are two reference periods, "current" and "usual". The "current" reference period is the week preceding the week of data collection, i.e. last week.

The "usual" reference period is the preceding 12 months , i.e., the past 12 months.

Currently Economically Active : A person who was employed or unemployed is considered to be currently economically active.

Usually Economically Active : A person whose major activity during the past 12 months was employment and/or unemployed is considered to have been usually economically active. Twenty - six weeks or more is the measure that determines the major activity of the respondent for the year.

Currently Employed : A person who works for pay, profit, or unpaid family gain for one (1) hour or more during the past week is considered to have been employed during that period. This includes persons whether paid or not, with a job but not at work for the various cited above.

Usually Employed : A person whose major economic activity during the past 12 months was employment is considered to have been usually employed.

Currently Unemployed : A person who did no work but who was looking or available for work during the past week is considered to have been currently unemployed.

Not in Labour Force (Not Economically Active) : Persons who were neither working not available /looking for work are classified as not in the labour force. This group includes persons engaged in own house work, going to school, unable to work because of long term infirmities, retired, and others. Others include persons voluntarily idle.

MEASURES OF THE LABOUR FORCE :

The working age population is the total non-institutional household population aged 10 years or over.

The participation rate is the proportion of the labour force that is in the working age population.

The labour force is the number of persons classified as employed or unemployed according to the criterion described above.

The unemployed rate represents the number of unemployed persons as a percent of the labour force.

These measures can be computed for age, sex, educational attainment and other personal or economic characteristics.

Occupation, Industry and Employment Status : These apply to the job held by the currently employed during the survey week. For persons with more than one job, it is usually the main job that is described. However , classifications are also made for the secondary job. Occupations are classified according to the International Standard Classification of Occupations (ISCO), ILO, 1988. Industry is classified according to ILO's International Standard Industrial Classification. The employment - status classification specifies employment in the public or private sectors, and further breaks down into employees (wage and salary workers), employers, own account workers (self-employed), and unpaid family workers.

Hours of Work refer to hours actually worked during the week. If the hours actually worked are less than the hours usually worked, respondents are asked the reasons for working fewer hours, which include the following: illness or injury, strike, vacation, reduction in economic activity, off season inactivity, bad weather, mechanical or electrical failure, and shortage of raw materials.

A **Household** consists of all persons, related or not, who occupy a housing unit, which covers a house, an apartment, a group of rooms when occupied as separate living quarters. Domestic servants, Boarders, and lodgers who live and have their meals or share other essentials of living with the family are also related as members of the household. Persons, who usually live here but are temporary away are included as members of the household, but persons who have usual residence elsewhere, but are present at the time of the interview, are excluded.

Geographic Data : Data is available at national and provincial levels, and further broken down by urban and rural categories. URBAN areas are those that have an administrative structure of a Municipal Council, an Urban Council. Rural areas are those not classified as urban.

D. SAMPLE DESIGN

The Survey is conducted quarterly to produce estimates of employment, unemployment, labour force participation and basic demographic characteristics. The scope of coverage includes all households in Sri Lanka.

The list of housing units created for Demographic Survey 1994 were taken as sample frame. Sample lists were selected from the above frame taken as primary Sampling Units (PSU). A systematic Sample of 15 housing units per PSU was selected on final sampling units.

The total annual sample size is 15915 housing units, distributed as 265 PSUs per each quarter and 15 housing units (SSUs) per PSU. The allocation to the domains aims at ensuring approximately equal levels of reliability from domain to domain.

The 1,061 PSUs were selected by systematic Sampling from the PSUs created for Demographic Survey - 1994. A listing operation was conducted in each selected PSU to provide a frame for the second stage of selection. The selection of housing units within PSU was systematic with random start.

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