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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 16,000 housing units have been selected for the survey in 1998. The present report, which is the thirty fifth in the series, is based on a sample of 4000 housing units and gives national estimates with a stipulated standard error of labour force characteristics as reported in the reference period of the fourth quarter of 1998. The survey could not be conducted in areas of Northern and Eastern provinces due to the disturbed situation.

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

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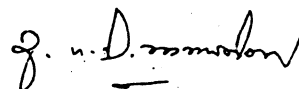
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1 INTRODUCTION

The field work of the survey in the fourth quarter of 1998 was done in October and November 1998 and the current labour force status of persons was measured as in the reference weeks of October and November 1998. 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 6.6 million. Of this number 6.0 million are employed and 0.6 million are unemployed.
- Of the persons aged 10 years and over, 51.3 percent is estimated to be economically active.
- A relatively higher participation can be seen in the lower age groups for females and in the middle age groups for males.
- The highest participation rate can be seen for females in the age group 20-24 and for males in the age group 30-34 years.

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

Age (in years)	Total	Male	Female
All age groups	51.3	67.7	35.5
15 - 19	29.3	36.8	21.2
20 - 24	71.0	88.6	55.2
25 - 29	70.9	94.5	50.3
30 - 34	72.6	97.2	48.5
35 - 39	72.8	96.5	53.3
40 - 44	75.6	96.0	53.1
45 - 49	74.3	96.4	52.5
50 - 54	61.9	91.1	36.7
55 - 59	49.8	75.3	24.2
60 & over	29.1	45.9	11.6

Fig 1 - Labour force participation rate by age and sex

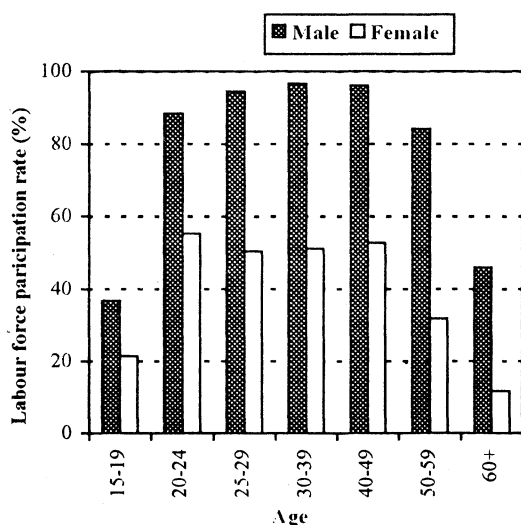


Table (ii)-Labour force participation rate by sex & sector

Sex	Sector		
	Total	Urban	Rural
Total	51.4	44.7	53.0
Male	67.7	63.8	68.6
Female	35.5	25.7	37.9

3. Employed Population

- The employed population in Sri Lanka is estimated at 6.0 million.
- Of the employed persons 4.0 million (or 67.3 percent) are males and 2.0 million (or 32.7 percent) are females.
- Of the employed persons, 1.0 million (or 16.9 percent) are residing in the urban sector and 5.0 million (or 83.1 percent) are residing in the rural sector)
- The highest proportion of employed persons is reported in the major occupational group, "Elementary occupations" for both males and females. (27.3 and 32.2 percent respectively)
- Occupations under the major industrial group "Agricultural, Livestock and Fisheries" have dominated all other industrial groups in the rural sector.

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

Major occupational group	Sex		
	Both	Male	Female
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
Senior Officials & Managers	0.8	0.9	0.7
Professionals	5.1	3.3	8.7
Technicians & Associate-Professionals	4.1	4.7	3.0
Clerks	3.6	3.0	4.7
Sales & Service Workers	11.3	12.9	8.1
Skilled Agricultural & Fishery workers	25.4	25.0	26.1
Craft & related workers	11.9	11.0	13.8
Plant & Machine Operators & Assemblers	5.7	7.7	1.5
Elementary Occupations	28.9	27.3	32.2
Unidentified	3.2	4.1	1.2

Fig 2 - Percentage distribution of currently employed population by major industrial group & Sector

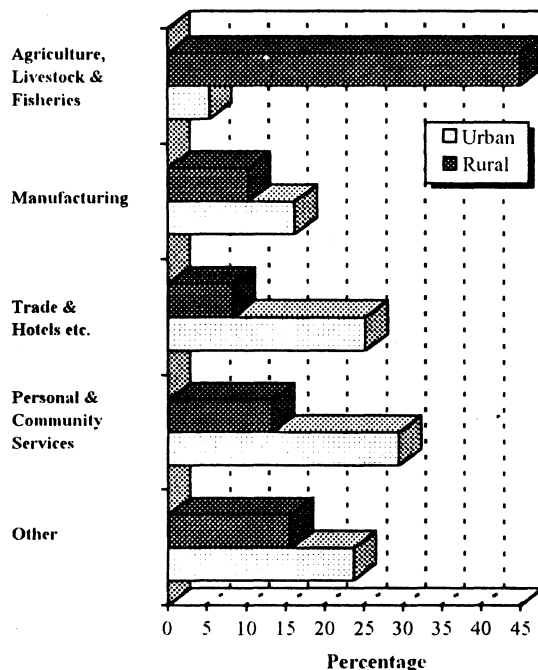


Table (iv) - Percentage distribution of currently employed population by major industrial group and sector

Major Industrial Group	Sector		
	Total	Urban	Rural
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
Agriculture, livestock, & Fisheries	44.4	5.4	52.4
Mining & Quarrying.	1.1	0.5	1.3
Manufacturing.	11.2	16.2	10.2
Electricity Gas & Water.	0.5	1.2	0.4
Construction	4.8	6.5	4.4
Trade and Hotels etc..	11.7	25.2	8.3
Transport & Communication	4.9	7.3	4.4
Insurance & Real Estate	1.6	3.6	1.2
Personal & Community Services.	16.1	29.5	13.3
Not Defined.	4.1	4.6	4.0

- Occupations under the major industry group "Personal Services" dominate all other major industry groups in the urban sector.
- Of the employed persons nearly 51 percent work as "employees" and another 31 percent work as "own account workers".
- A higher proportion of employed persons work as "unpaid family workers" in the agricultural sector as compared to the non agricultural sector (respective proportions being 27.9 percent and 5.3 percent in the two sectors.)

Fig 3 - Percentage distribution of currently employed population by employment status

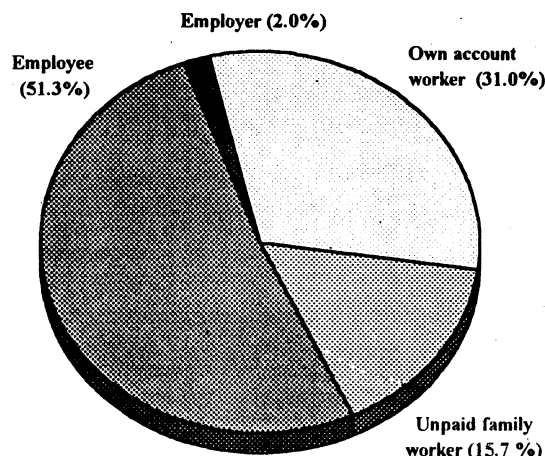


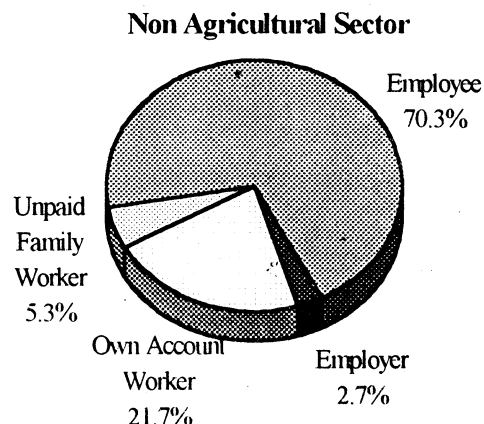
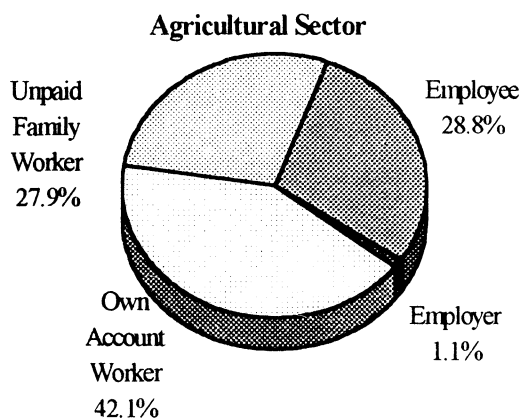
Table (v) - Percentage distribution of currently employed persons by employment status and sex

Employment Status	Total	Male	Female
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
Employee	51.3	51.4	51.2
Employer	2.0	2.6	0.8
Own-Account Worker	31.0	37.5	17.8
Unpaid Family Worker	15.7	8.6	30.2

Table (vi) - Percentage distribution of currently employed persons by employment status and major industrial sector

Employment status	Major industrial sector		
	Total	Agricultural sector	Non agricultural sector
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
Employee	51.3	28.8	70.3
Employer	2.0	1.1	2.7
Own-Account Worker	31.0	42.1	21.7
Unpaid Family Worker	15.7	27.9	5.3

Fig 4 - Percentage of currently employed persons by employment status and major industrial sector



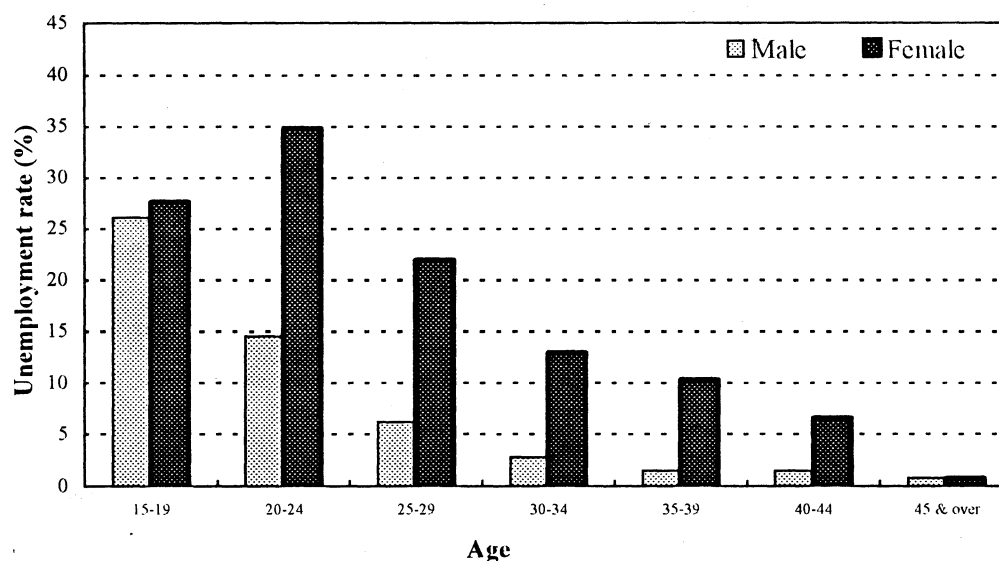
4. Unemployed Population

- The unemployment rate in Sri Lanka is estimated at 8.8 percent.
- The unemployed population in Sri Lanka is estimated at 584480 of which 240780 are males and 343700 are females.
- The highest unemployment rates have been reported in the age group 15-19 yrs for males and in the 20-24 yrs age group for females.
- A higher unemployment rate is reported in the urban sector (12.0 percent) as compared to the rural sector. (8.2 percent)

Table (vii) - Unemployment rate by age group and sex

Age Group (years)	Sex		
	Total	Male	Female
All Age Groups	8.8	5.6	14.8
15 - 19	26.6	26.1	27.6
20 - 24	22.8	14.5	34.8
25 - 29	12.1	6.2	21.9
30 - 34	6.2	2.8	12.9
35 - 39	5.0	1.5	10.3
40 - 44	3.2	1.5	6.6
45 & over	0.8	0.8	0.7

Fig 5- Unemployment rate by sex and age



5. Educational Attainment

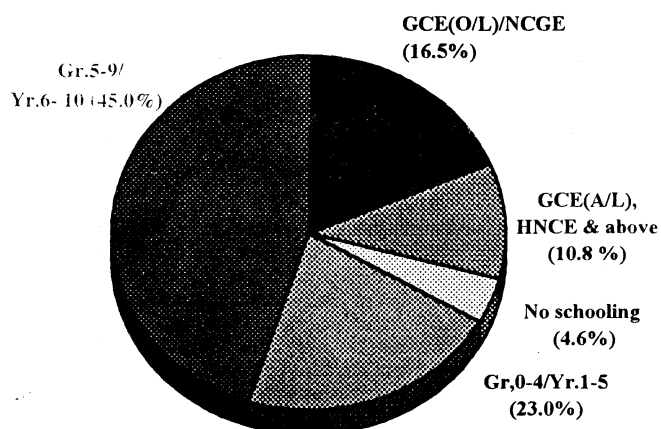
- Nearly 28 percent of the employed persons have attained a level of education equivalent to G.C.E. (O/L) or above.
- Of the employed persons 4.6 percent have not gone to school at all.
- Of the unemployed females, nearly 67 percent have attained educational qualifications equivalent to G.C.E. (O/L) or above. Corresponding proportion for unemployed males is 40.9 percent.
- Nearly sixty percent of the unemployed males have attained on education at or below Grade 9 only.

Table (viii) - Percentage distribution of currently employed and unemployed population by level of education and sex

Labour Force Status & Sex	Level of education					
	Total	No Schooling	Grade 0-4/ Year 1-5	Grade 5-9/Year 6-10	GCE(O/L)/NCGE	GCE(A/L), HNCE & Above
Employed						
Total	100.0	4.6	23.0	45.0	16.5	10.8
Male	100.0	3.3	23.0	48.5	16.1	9.1
Female	100.0	7.3	23.1	38.0	17.4	14.3
Unemployed						
Total	100.0	1.1	5.8	37.1	28.7	27.2
Male	100.0	1.0	7.0	51.0	25.7	15.2
Female	100.0	1.2	5.0	27.4	30.8	35.7

Fig 6-Educational attainment of currently employed and unemployed population

Employed



Unemployed

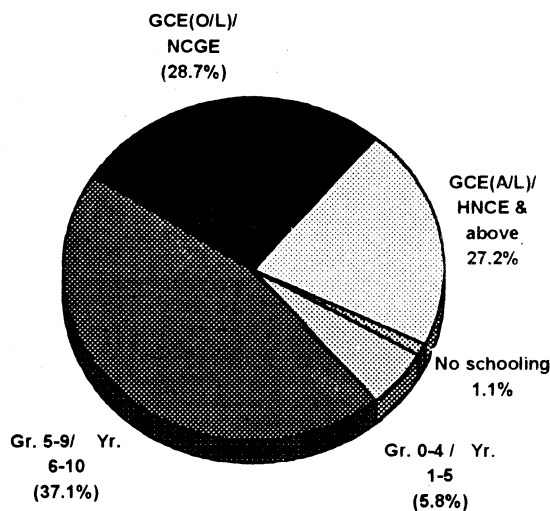


TABLE 1 - HISTORICAL TABLE OF LABOUR FORCE STATUS (CURRENT) OF THE HOUSEHOLD POPULATION, 10 YEARS OF AGE AND OVER - BOTH SEXES

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	12831240	6241889	48.6	5537285	88.7	704604	11.3	6589365
1997	12870791	6266160	48.7	5607881	89.5	658279	10.5	6604630
1998								
1	12877860	6647212	51.6	5946148	89.5	701067	10.6	6230654
2	12883460	6573835	51.0	5950638	90.5	623197	9.5	6309619
3	12888030	6693039	51.9	6085636	90.9	607402	9.1	6195001
# 4	12891980	6620702	51.4	6036221	91.2	584480	8.8	6271274

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

Note : A marked increase in the labour force participation rate can be seen from first quarter 1998 onwards. It has been observed that the reason for this increase is better coverage of female unpaid family workers in the agricultural sector.

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	6373670	4200886	65.9	3857147	91.8	343741	8.2	2172784
1997	6372365	4184248	65.6	3862087	92.3	322168	7.7	2188110
1998								
1	6237661	4151549	66.6	3855324	92.9	296225	7.1	2086115
2	6352514	4303080	67.7	4018209	93.4	284871	6.6	2049432
3	6369336	4298188	67.5	3993614	92.9	304574	7.1	2071143
4	6356329	4300531	67.7	4059751	94.4	240780	5.6	2055798

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	6457583	2041002	31.6	1680138	82.3	360864	17.7	4416583
1997	6498427	2081906	32.0	1745794	83.9	336112	16.1	4416521
1998								
1	6640209	2495667	37.6	2090825	83.8	404842	16.2	4144543
2	6530938	2270755	34.8	1932429	85.1	338326	14.9	4260185
3	6518712	2394842	36.7	2092014	87.4	302827	12.6	4123866
4	6535645	2320171	35.5	1976471	85.2	343700	14.8	4215474

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

(FOURTH QUARTER 1998)

AGE	HOUSEHOLD POP: 10 YEARS & OVER)	LABOUR FORCE						NOT IN
		TOTAL LABOUR FORCE	LABOUR FORCE PARTICI: RATE (%)	EMPLOYED		UNEMPLOYED		LABOUR
				NUMBER	RATE (% TO TOTAL LABOUR FORCE)	NUMBER	RATE (% TO TOTAL LABOUR FORCE)	FORCE
ALL AGES	12891980	6620702	51.4	6036221	91.2	584480	8.8	6271274
10 - 14 YRS	1732053	*	*	49716	94.3	*	*	1679315
15 - 19 YRS	1715884	502071	29.3	368368	73.4	133704	26.6	1213813
20 - 24 YRS	1342971	953698	71.0	736538	77.2	217160	22.8	389271
25 - 29 YRS	1159731	822289	70.9	722462	87.9	99826	12.1	337442
30 - 39 YRS	2301126	1673400	72.7	1580390	94.4	93009	5.6	627725
40 - 49 YRS	1975097	1480247	74.9	1447930	97.8	32318	2.2	494848
50 - 59 YRS	1297024	738246	56.9	733887	99.4	4359	0.6	558776
60 + YRS	1368098	398012	29.1	396930	99.7	1083	0.3	970085

* 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

(FOURTH QUARTER 1998)

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	6356329	4300531	67.7	4059751	94.4	240780	5.6	2055798
10 - 14 YRS	878390	*	*	30308	92.4	*	*	845592
15 - 19 YRS	887183	326614	36.8	241287	73.9	85328	26.1	560569
20 - 24 YRS	635862	563433	88.6	481944	85.5	81488	14.5	72429
25 - 29 YRS	541328	511429	94.5	479816	93.8	31613	6.2	29898
30 - 39 YRS	1086952	1052664	96.8	1030398	97.9	22266	2.1	34289
40 - 49 YRS	1008057	969794	96.2	956833	98.7	12962	1.3	38263
50 - 59 YRS	621386	523785	84.3	520235	99.3	3551	0.7	97601
60 + YRS	697171	320012	45.9	318930	99.7	1083	0.3	377159

* 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

(FOURTH QUARTER 1998)

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	6535645	2320171	35.5	1976471	85.2	343700	14.8	4215474
10 - 14 YRS	853662	*	*	19408	97.3	*	*	833722
15 - 19 YRS	828699	175457	21.2	127081	72.4	48376	27.6	653243
20 - 24 YRS	707107	390265	55.2	254594	65.2	135672	34.8	316842
25 - 29 YRS	618403	310859	50.3	242646	78.1	68213	21.9	307543
30 - 39 YRS	1214174	620736	51.1	549993	88.6	70743	11.4	593437
40 - 49 YRS	967039	510453	52.8	491097	96.2	19356	3.8	456586
50 - 59 YRS	675637	214461	31.7	213652	99.6	809	0.4	461176
60 + YRS	670925	78000	11.6	78000	100.0	592925

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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	100.0	0.4	5.3	12.1	13.7	28.1	22.7	11.8	5.9
1997	100.0	0.3	5.1	11.9	13.3	27.2	23.7	12.3	6.1
1998									
1	100.0	0.7	5.9	12.0	13.1	27.3	22.1	12.7	6.3
2	100.0	1.0	5.7	12.2	13.1	26.1	21.7	13.5	6.8
3	100.0	0.5	5.7	11.6	12.5	27.0	23.3	13.5	5.9
4	100.0	0.8	6.1	12.2	12.0	26.2	24.0	12.2	6.6

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

Year	Age Groups								
	All Ages	10 - 14	15 - 19	20 - 24	25 - 29	30 - 39	40 - 49	50 - 59	60 +
		YRS	YRS	YRS	YRS	YRS	YRS	YRS	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	100.0	0.4	5.0	11.7	13.4	27.8	22.3	12.6	6.8
1997	100.0	0.3	4.8	11.1	13.0	27.1	23.7	12.8	7.1
1998									
1	100.0	0.4	5.1	12.9	12.5	26.4	21.5	13.3	7.9
2	100.0	0.8	5.3	12.6	13.4	25.3	21.2	14.0	7.5
3	100.0	0.4	5.4	11.1	12.7	27.1	22.3	14.3	6.6
4	100.0	0.7	5.9	11.9	11.8	25.4	23.6	12.8	7.9

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

Year	Age Groups								
	All Ages	10 - 14	15 - 19	20 - 24	25 - 29	30 - 39	40 - 49	50 - 59	60 +
		YRS	YRS	YRS	YRS	YRS	YRS	YRS	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	100.0	0.5	6.0	13.1	14.2	28.8	23.6	10.1	3.7
1997	100.0	0.3	5.7	13.7	14.0	27.6	23.6	11.1	4.0
1998									
1	100.0	1.0	7.3	10.4	14.2	29.1	23.1	11.5	3.4
2	100.0	1.4	6.6	11.3	12.6	27.7	22.8	12.3	5.2
3	100.0	0.6	6.2	12.6	12.0	26.8	25.4	11.9	4.6
4	100.0	1.0	6.4	12.9	12.3	27.8	24.8	10.8	3.9

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 - 9/ Years 6 - 10	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	100.0	5.3	24.2	43.3	16.9	10.3
1997	100.0	4.7	23.2	44.0	17.6	10.5
1998						
1	100.0	5.0	23.6	43.2	18.3	9.9
2	100.0	4.5	22.4	44.9	16.3	11.9
3	100.0	4.3	21.6	45.2	18.4	10.5
4	100.0	4.6	23.0	45.0	16.5	10.8

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 - 9/ Years 6 - 10	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	100.0	3.4	24.3	47.1	16.8	8.4
1997	100.0	2.9	23.6	47.2	17.5	8.7
1998						
1	100.0	3.6	23.4	46.8	17.6	8.5
2	100.0	2.9	21.9	49.1	16.5	9.6
3	100.0	2.5	21.7	48.4	18.4	8.9
4	100.0	3.3	23.0	48.5	16.1	9.1

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 - 9/ Years 6 - 10	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	100.0	9.8	23.9	34.4	17.1	14.7
1997	100.0	8.8	22.2	37.0	17.6	14.4
1998						
1	100.0	7.5	24.1	36.5	19.6	12.5
2	100.0	7.8	23.4	36.3	16.0	16.5
3	100.0	7.7	21.3	39.0	18.4	13.6
4	100.0	7.3	23.1	38.0	17.4	14.3

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	100.0	60.8	15.0	45.8	2.3	26.8	10.0
1997	100.0	59.4	15.1	44.3	2.3	28.8	9.4
1998							
1	100.0	54.9	13.1	41.8	1.7	28.8	14.7
2	100.0	56.0	14.4	41.6	2.3	28.7	12.9
3	100.0	55.6	14.5	41.1	1.9	29.0	13.5
4	100.0	51.3	13.7	37.6	2.0	31.0	15.7

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	100.0	59.5	14.1	45.4	3.2	31.2	6.1
1997	100.0	58.3	14.4	43.9	3.0	33.2	5.5
1998							
1	100.0	54.4	12.6	41.8	2.4	36.3	6.8
2	100.0	55.4	13.7	41.7	3.1	34.3	7.2
3	100.0	56.3	14.4	41.9	2.5	35.3	5.9
4	100.0	51.4	13.3	38.1	2.6	37.5	8.6

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	100.0	63.9	17.0	46.8	0.5	16.7	18.9
1997	100.0	61.8	16.7	45.2	0.9	19.0	18.3
1998							
1	100.0	55.8	14.0	41.8	0.3	14.9	29.1
2	100.0	57.3	15.8	41.4	0.7	17.2	24.8
3	100.0	54.3	14.8	39.5	0.8	17.0	27.9
4	100.0	51.2	14.6	36.6	0.8	17.8	30.2

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

Year	Major Industrial Groups										
	Total	Agriculture	Mining & Quarrying	Manufac- turing	Electricity Gas & Water	Constr- uction	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	5537402	2072197	86824	806704	27539	297122	663575	270668	109662	1009624	193355
1997	5607881	2031907	91788	920422	30954	311792	695725	267968	94418	969281	193627
1998											
1	5946156	2472298	78240	914708	35377	309346	593746	268065	117195	1006737	150431
2	5950668	2264459	72262	909059	34251	303529	796114	304396	121925	1038222	106450
3	6085628	2322380	76639	927604	40518	281712	709442	256561	123079	1120576	227117
4	6036225	2683571	68544	678827	32080	288571	673358	293785	98289	970298	248898

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- uction	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	100.0	34.4	1.6	14.6	0.5	5.4	12.0	4.9	2.0	18.2	3.5
1997	100.0	36.2	1.6	16.4	0.6	5.6	12.4	4.8	1.7	17.3	3.5
1998											
1	100.0	41.6	1.3	15.4	0.6	5.2	10.0	4.5	2.0	16.9	2.5
2	100.0	38.1	1.2	15.3	0.6	5.1	13.4	5.1	2.0	17.4	1.8
3	100.0	38.2	1.3	15.2	0.7	4.6	11.7	4.2	2.0	18.4	3.7
4	100.0	44.5	1.1	11.2	0.5	4.8	11.2	4.9	1.6	16.1	4.1

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	3857229	1360123	428005	649439	1419660
1997	3862088	1337615	456151	615950	1452372
1998					
1	3855333	1451605	479561	607780	1316387
2	4018229	1432352	506401	627250	1452226
3	3993628	1398134	453114	709794	1432586
4	4059768	1666678	342459	605473	1445158

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	100.0	35.3	11.1	16.8	36.8
1997	100.0	34.6	11.8	15.9	37.7
1998					
1	100.0	37.7	12.4	15.8	34.1
2	100.0	35.6	12.6	15.6	36.1
3	100.0	35.0	11.3	17.8	35.9
4	100.0	41.1	8.4	14.9	35.6

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	1680175	712143	378711	360203	229115
1997	1745793	694292	464271	353331	233899
1998					
1	2090831	1020704	435149	398960	236017
2	1932438	832107	402659	410972	286699
3	2092023	924256	474493	410889	282385
4	1976479	1016906	336371	364829	258373

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	100.0	42.4	22.5	21.4	13.6
1997	100.0	39.8	26.6	20.2	13.4
1998					
1	100.0	48.8	20.8	19.1	11.3
2	100.0	43.1	20.8	21.3	14.8
3	100.0	44.2	22.7	19.6	13.5
4	100.0	51.5	17.0	18.5	13.1

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

Year	Total	Major Occupational Groups									Uniden- tified
		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	
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	5537402	70829	310985	216449	262503	652713	1302070	895680	281174	1427616	117389
1997	5607881	92763	305298	238049	258681	654577	1273080	878567	339635	1434876	132354
1998											
1	5946156	105881	355919	216509	245139	648433	1633672	800129	301670	1576036	62757
2	5950668	126233	243537	292592	237670	781564	1387472	792348	337209	1524236	127808
3	6085649	81185	349899	251926	218776	784279	1502549	906601	336152	1493955	160327
4	6036225	49982	304625	249828	215809	685041	1532592	720959	341381	1745731	190280

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

Year	Major Occupational Groups										
	Total	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	100.0	1.3	5.6	3.9	4.7	11.8	23.5	16.2	5.1	25.8	2.1
1997	100.0	1.7	5.4	4.2	4.6	11.7	22.7	15.7	6.1	25.6	2.4
1998											
1	100.0	1.8	6.0	3.6	4.1	10.9	27.5	13.5	5.1	26.5	1.1
2	100.0	2.1	5.8	4.9	4.0	13.1	23.3	13.3	5.7	25.6	2.1
3	100.0	1.3	5.7	4.1	3.6	12.9	24.7	14.9	5.5	24.5	2.6
4	100.0	0.8	5.1	4.1	3.6	11.4	25.4	11.9	5.7	28.9	3.2

TABLE 7A - HISTORICAL TABLE OF CURRENTLY EMPLOYED PERSONS BY MAJOR OCCUPATIONAL GROUPS - 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	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	3857229	59909	140569	165335	147373	516531	901074	599093	252189	972596	102560
1997	3862088	77855	136578	171771	145449	518862	886922	550030	291381	963907	119332
1998											
1	3855333	102082	129311	161260	135810	499322	1051677	520555	267695	926398	61223
2	4018229	105452	145732	203457	136101	579325	913002	520425	305231	999377	110127
3	3993629	59344	154933	193945	105569	570830	955564	546796	291761	972427	142460
4	4059770	36941	132167	191113	122746	525286	1015819	448327	312080	1109502	165789

TABLE 7A.1 - HISTORICAL TABLE OF CURRENTLY EMPLOYED PERSONS BY MAJOR OCCUPATIONAL GROUPS (PERCENTAGE) - 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	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	100.0	1.6	3.6	4.3	3.8	13.4	23.4	15.5	6.5	25.2	2.7
1997	100.0	2.0	3.5	4.4	3.8	13.4	23.0	14.2	7.5	25.0	3.1
1998											
1	100.0	2.6	3.4	4.2	3.5	13.0	27.3	13.5	6.9	24.0	1.6
2	100.0	2.6	3.6	5.1	3.4	14.4	22.7	13.0	7.6	24.9	2.7
3	100.0	1.5	3.9	4.9	2.6	14.3	23.9	13.7	7.3	24.3	3.6
4	100.0	0.9	3.3	4.7	3.0	12.9	25.0	11.0	7.7	27.3	4.1

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	1680175	10920	170415	51112	115131	136182	400997	296586	28980	455020	14830
1997	1745793	14908	168720	66278	113232	135715	386157	328537	48255	470969	13022
1998											
1	2090831	3800	226609	55250	109330	149113	582002	279577	33975	649642	1534
2	1932438	20780	197804	89136	101569	202239	474470	271923	31978	524859	17680
3	2092021	21841	194966	57981	113207	213449	546985	359804	44392	521528	17868
4	1976479	13041	172459	58716	93064	159757	516777	272636	29303	636234	24492

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

Year	Total	Major Occupational Group									
		Senior Officials 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	Uniden- tified
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	100.0	0.6	10.1	3.0	6.9	8.1	23.9	17.7	1.7	27.1	0.9
1997	100.0	0.9	9.7	3.8	6.5	7.8	22.1	18.8	2.8	27.0	0.7
1998											
1	100.0	0.2	10.8	2.6	5.2	7.1	27.8	13.4	1.6	31.1	0.1
2	100.0	1.1	10.2	4.6	5.3	10.5	24.6	14.1	1.7	27.2	0.9
3	100.0	1.0	9.3	2.8	5.4	10.2	26.1	17.2	2.1	24.9	0.9
4	100.0	0.7	8.7	3.0	4.7	8.1	26.1	13.8	1.5	32.2	1.2

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

(FOURTH QUARTER 1998)

MAJOR INDUSTRIAL GROUP	TOTAL	0 *	1 - 9	10 - 19	20 - 29	30 - 39	40 - 49	50 & OVER
TOTAL	100.0	4.5	2.6	6.1	11.0	15.2	35.6	25.1
AGRICULTURE ETC.	100.0	5.2	4.3	10.0	14.7	18.1	33.1	14.6
MINING & QUARRING	100.0	5.1	..	1.3	6.9	14.2	27.0	45.5
MANUFACTURING	100.0	3.2	1.7	4.1	8.1	8.1	46.1	28.7
ELECTRICITY GAS & WATER	100.0	3.5	..	0.3	..	12.7	65.4	18.1
CONSTRUCTION	100.0	8.9	1.6	5.3	12.5	19.5	35.1	17.0
TRADE & HOTELS ETC.	100.0	3.0	0.6	2.5	7.9	8.1	25.1	52.8
TRANSPORT, STORAGE & COMMUNICATION	100.0	2.1	0.3	0.8	3.8	6.7	40.7	45.6
INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	100.0	8.7	1.9	2.9	4.1	9.9	51.2	21.3
PERSONAL SERVICES	100.0	3.0	0.7	2.2	8.8	16.9	38.1	30.4
NOT DEFINED	100.0	6.2	4.5	4.3	7.6	22.6	40.2	14.6

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

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

(FOURTH QUARTER 1998)

MAJOR INDUSTRIAL GROUP	TOTAL	0 *	1 - 9	10 - 19	20 - 29	30 - 39	40 - 49	50 & OVER
TOTAL	100.0	4.7	2.0	4.6	8.7	14.1	35.4	30.4
AGRICULTURE ETC.	100.0	5.0	3.7	7.7	11.7	18.4	33.4	20.0
MINING & QUARRING	100.0	5.3	..	1.4	5.8	14.3	26.4	46.8
MANUFACTURING	100.0	4.2	0.9	3.0	5.5	9.1	43.3	33.9
ELECTRICITY GAS & WATER	100.0	3.6	..	0.3	..	11.2	66.5	18.4
CONSTRUCTION	100.0	9.1	1.7	5.5	12.9	18.8	34.9	17.1
TRADE & HOTELS ETC.	100.0	3.6	0.3	1.7	5.8	6.0	24.5	58.0
TRANSPORT, STORAGE & COMMUNICATION	100.0	2.2	0.3	0.8	3.8	7.0	38.7	47.2
INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	100.0	6.1	..	4.1	5.5	12.0	46.5	25.8
PERSONAL SERVICES	100.0	3.4	0.6	1.5	6.2	10.3	41.3	36.6
NOT DEFINED	100.0	6.5	3.4	4.0	7.8	24.3	38.9	15.1

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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

(FOURTH QUARTER 1998)

MAJOR INDUSTRIAL GROUP	TOTAL	0 *	1 - 9	10 - 19	20 - 29	30 - 39	40 - 49	50 & OVER
TOTAL	100.0	4.0	3.7	9.2	15.7	17.3	36.1	14.1
AGRICULTURE ETC.	100.0	5.5	5.1	13.9	19.6	17.7	32.5	5.7
MINING & QUARRING	100.0	..	..	..	26.8	12.9	39.1	21.2
MANUFACTURING	100.0	2.1	2.6	5.2	10.7	7.0	48.8	23.5
ELECTRICITY GAS & WATER	100.0	..	..	..	..	100.0	..	..
CONSTRUCTION	100.0	..	..	..	..	46.5	39.9	13.6
TRADE & HOTELS ETC.	100.0	0.6	1.8	5.2	14.8	15.2	27.2	35.3
TRANSPORT, STORAGE & COMMUNICATION	100.0	..	..	..	4.6	3.0	71.5	20.9
INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE	100.0	14.7	6.1	..	0.8	5.2	62.0	11.1
PERSONAL SERVICES	100.0	2.2	1.0	3.3	13.0	27.7	32.8	20.1
NOT DEFINED	100.0	4.8	9.7	5.2	6.7	15.1	46.3	12.2

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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	100.0	24.0	39.3	18.1	14.3	3.6	0.6	0.1
1997	100.0	22.5	41.5	19.0	12.7	3.4	0.7	0.2
1998								
1	100.0	18.9	42.2	17.2	13.6	6.5	1.7	..
2	100.0	18.6	42.2	21.0	13.9	3.4	0.5	0.4
3	100.0	24.9	43.7	13.0	12.4	3.7	1.4	0.8
4	100.0	23.0	37.3	17.2	16.0	5.6	0.7	0.2

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

AGE GROUPS								
YEAR	TOTAL	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	100.0	27.2	39.6	16.9	10.9	4.6	0.7	0.1
1997	100.0	25.0	41.5	17.2	11.5	3.5	1.0	0.3
1998								
1	100.0	24.3	43.2	16.0	6.4	7.8	2.4	..
2	100.0	23.1	40.9	20.5	11.4	1.9	1.2	0.9
3	100.0	29.6	41.8	12.6	8.7	3.6	2.2	1.5
4	100.0	35.8	34.2	13.3	9.3	5.4	1.5	0.5

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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	100.0	21.0	39.0	19.2	17.4	2.6	0.6	..
1997	100.0	20.1	41.6	20.7	13.8	3.4	0.4	..
1998								
1	100.0	14.9	41.5	18.0	18.9	5.5	1.1	..
2	100.0	14.8	43.1	21.4	15.9	4.6
3	100.0	20.2	45.7	13.4	16.1	3.8	0.7	..
4	100.0	14.1	39.5	19.9	20.6	5.6	0.2	..
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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	100.0	1.2	6.7	47.1	26.1	19.0
1997	100.0	0.8	4.9	44.7	28.2	21.4
1998						
1	100.0	0.1	6.1	49.9	29.2	14.8
2	100.0	0.2	4.2	43.1	26.1	26.4
3	100.0	..	5.5	45.8	27.3	21.4
4	100.0	1.1	5.8	37.1	28.7	27.2

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	100.0	0.8	7.9	56.9	23.8	10.6
1997	100.0	0.7	6.3	54.5	25.0	13.5
1998						
1	100.0	0.1	7.8	58.1	27.6	6.4
2	100.0	0.2	6.5	54.1	23.5	15.7
3	100.0	..	5.3	55.0	24.6	15.2
4	100.0	1.0	7.0	51.0	25.7	15.2

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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	100.0	1.6	5.5	37.6	28.3	27.0
1997	100.0	0.9	3.6	35.3	31.3	28.9
1998						
1	100.0	..	4.9	43.9	30.3	20.9
2	100.0	0.1	2.3	33.7	28.4	35.5
3	100.0	..	5.7	36.5	30.1	27.6
4	100.0	1.2	5.0	27.4	30.8	35.7

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

(FOURTH QUARTER 1998)

SEX & SECTOR	TOTAL	LEVEL OF EDUCATION				
		NO SCHOOLING	GRADE	GRADE	GCE (O.L.) / NCGE	GCE (A.L.) / HNCE AND ABOVE
			0 - 4/	5 - 9/		
			YEAR 1 - 5	YEAR 6 - 10		

BOTH SECTORS						
TOTAL	584480	6547	33960	217001	167750	159222
MALE	240780	2389	16930	122897	61912	36652
FEMALE	343700	4158	17030	94104	105838	122570
URBAN						
TOTAL	138369	1268	6296	51555	44381	34869
MALE	64046	525	3887	33415	17256	8963
FEMALE	74322	742	2409	18141	27125	25906
RURAL						
TOTAL	446111	5279	27665	165445	123369	124352
MALE	176734	1864	13043	89482	44655	27689
FEMALE	269377	3415	14622	75963	78714	96663

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* Including estate sector

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

(FOURTH QUARTER 1998)

SEX & SECTOR	TOTAL	LEVEL OF EDUCATION				
		NO SCHOOLING	GRADE	GRADE	GCE (O.L.) / NCGE	GCE (A.L.) / HNCE AND ABOVE
			0 - 4/ YEAR	5 - 9/ YEAR		
			1 - 5	6 - 10		

BOTH SECTORS						
TOTAL	100.0	1.1	5.8	37.1	28.7	27.2
MALE	100.0	1.0	7.0	51.0	25.7	15.2
FEMALE	100.0	1.2	5.0	27.4	30.8	35.7
URBAN						
TOTAL	100.0	0.9	4.6	37.3	32.1	25.2
MALE	100.0	0.8	6.1	52.2	26.9	14.0
FEMALE	100.0	1.0	3.2	24.4	36.5	34.9
* RURAL						
TOTAL	100.0	1.2	6.2	37.1	27.7	27.9
MALE	100.0	1.1	7.4	50.6	25.3	15.7
FEMALE	100.0	1.3	5.4	28.2	29.2	35.9

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* Including estate sector

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

(FOURTH QUARTER 1998)

OCCUPATION DESIRED & SEX	TOTAL	DURATION		
		LESS THAN 6 MONTHS	6 TO LESS THAN 12 MONTHS	12+ MONTHS
BOTH SEXES				
TOTAL	532507	83676	50931	397901
%	100.0	15.7	9.6	74.7
MANAGERIAL	1812	..	1812	..
PROFESSIONAL	53217	10704	4458	38054
TECHNICAL	14295	1985	1612	10698
CLERICAL	107907	15588	2597	89722
SALES & SERVICES	21091	3585	2343	15162
AGRICULTURAL & FISHERY	5086	1787	..	3299
CRAFT & RELATED WORKERS	95468	18957	13452	63059
PLANT & MACHINE OPERATORS	16036	3708	3765	8563
ELEMENTARY OCCUPATIONS	50590	9770	4343	36477
OTHERS	167004	17591	16547	132866
MALE				
TOTAL	226178	38392	31902	155884
%	100.0	17.0	14.1	68.9
MANAGERIAL	1812	..	1812	..
PROFESSIONAL	13663	4370	543	8750
TECHNICAL	3196	521	856	1820
CLERICAL	20613	5605	641	14367
SALES & SERVICES	14767	2197	2343	10227
AGRICULTURAL & FISHERY	2418	1787	..	631
CRAFT & RELATED WORKERS	31331	5672	8263	17396
PLANT & MACHINE OPERATORS	13096	3708	3134	6254
ELEMENTARY OCCUPATIONS	33905	5983	3433	24489
OTHERS	91376	8549	10878	71950
FEMALE				
TOTAL	306329	45284	19029	242016
%	100.0	14.8	6.2	79.0
MANAGERIAL	..	..	..	..
PROFESSIONAL	39554	6334	3916	29304
TECHNICAL	11099	1464	757	8878
CLERICAL	87294	9983	1957	75355
SALES & SERVICES	6323	1388	..	4935
AGRICULTURAL & FISHERY	2668	..	..	2668
CRAFT & RELATED WORKERS	64137	13285	5189	45663
PLANT & MECHINE OPERATORS	2940	..	631	2309
ELEMENTARY OCCUPATIONS	16686	3787	910	11988
OTHERS	75628	9042	5670	60916

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

(FOURTH QUARTER 1998)

AGE & SEX	ALL RESIDENTIAL SECTORS	SECTOR	
		URBAN SECTOR	RURAL SECTOR
BOTH SEXES			
ALL AGES	453004	108278	344726
%	100.0	23.9	76.1
10 - 14 YRS	3021	..	3021
15 - 19 YRS	123773	31979	91794
20 - 24 YRS	181636	40413	141223
25 - 29 YRS	76413	18129	58284
30 - 39 YRS	62587	17116	45472
40 + YRS	5573	641	4932
MALE			
ALL AGES	185853	49531	136322
%	100.0	26.7	73.3
10 - 14 YRS	2490	..	2490
15 - 19 YRS	78886	24352	54533
20 - 24 YRS	67921	13690	54231
25 - 29 YRS	21048	8325	12723
30 - 39 YRS	14729	3163	11566
40 + YRS	779	..	779
FEMALE			
ALL AGES	267151	58747	208404
%	100.0	22.0	78.0
10 - 14 YRS	531	..	531
15 - 19 YRS	44887	7626	37261
20 - 24 YRS	113715	26723	86992
25 - 29 YRS	55365	9804	45561
30 - 39 YRS	47858	13953	33906
40 + Yrs	4794	641	4153
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TABLE 14 - CURRENTLY UNEMPLOYED PERSONS BY SOURCES OF ASSISTANCE AND SECTOR (PERCENTAGE) - BOTH SEXES

(FOURTH QUARTER 1998)

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	3.0	1.4	89.0	0.7	2.7	0.4	2.9
URBAN SECTOR	100.0	..	1.3	90.0	2.2	3.5	1.3	1.8
RURAL SECTOR	100.0	3.9	1.5	88.7	0.2	2.4	0.1	3.2

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

(FOURTH QUARTER 1998)

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	57.9	22.2	19.9
MALE	100.0	56.2	25.3	18.5
FEMALE	100.0	58.6	20.9	20.5
URBAN SECTOR				
TOTAL	100.0	80.0	..	20.0
MALE	100.0	..	..	100.0
FEMALE	100.0	100.0	..	..
RURAL SECTOR				
TOTAL	100.0	56.5	23.6	20.0
MALE	100.0	58.4	26.4	15.2
FEMALE	100.0	55.7	22.4	22.0

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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)

(FOURTH QUARTER 1998)

SEX & SECTOR	TOTAL NOT IN LABOUR FORCE	REASONS				
		ENGAGED IN STUDIES	HOUSEHOLD WORK	DISABLE OR INFIRM	RETIRED	OTHER REASONS
BOTH SECTORS						
TOTAL	100.0	44.6	34.5	2.3	13.8	4.8
MALE	100.0	67.8	1.6	3.5	20.4	6.7
FEMALE	100.0	33.3	50.6	1.7	10.6	3.8
URBAN SECTOR						
TOTAL	100.0	37.9	39.8	2.1	13.6	6.6
MALE	100.0	64.4	1.5	3.1	22.4	8.7
FEMALE	100.0	25.0	58.4	1.6	9.4	5.6
* RURAL SECTOR						
TOTAL	100.0	46.6	33.0	2.3	13.9	4.2
MALE	100.0	68.7	1.7	3.6	19.9	6.1
FEMALE	100.0	35.7	48.3	1.7	11.0	3.3

* 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

(FOURTH QUARTER 1998)

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	12891980	6325993	49.1	5749601	90.9	576391	9.1	6565984
10 - 14 YRS	1732053	39044	2.3	35007	89.7	4037	10.3	1693009
15 - 19 YRS	1715884	421057	24.5	291382	69.2	129675	30.8	1294827
20 - 24 YRS	1342971	906705	67.5	691841	76.3	214863	23.7	436264
25 - 29 YRS	1159731	801325	69.1	707599	88.3	93725	11.7	358405
30 - 39 YRS	2301126	1624981	70.6	1534975	94.5	90006	5.9	676143
40 - 49 YRS	1975097	1440806	72.9	1404956	97.5	35849	2.6	534290
50 - 59 YRS	1297024	709500	54.7	701263	98.8	8238	1.2	587523
60 + YRS	1368098	382577	28.0	382577	100.0	985521

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* 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	12831240	5939606	46.3	5239568	88.2	700041	11.8	6891641
1997	12869060	5985286	46.5	5290512	88.4	694778	11.6	6883788
1998								
1	12873930	6365369	49.4	5601501	88.0	763871	12.0	6508569
2	12883460	6295854	48.9	5654532	89.8	641321	10.2	6587605
3	12888030	6295826	48.9	5646063	89.7	649760	10.3	6592213
4	12891980	6325993	49.1	5749601	90.9	576391	9.1	6565984

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)	12891980	531199	4.12			
Employed Population	6036221	271433	4.49			
Unemployed Population	584480	47048	8.05			
Employment Rate	-	-	-	0.918	0.00676	0.74
Unemployment Rate	-	-	-	0.082	0.00676	7.68
Labour Force	6620702	284601	4.30			
Not in Labour Force	6271274	286697	4.57			

Appendix - 1

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 nor 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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