



**QUARTERLY REPORT OF THE**

**SRI LANKA LABOUR FORCE**

**SURVEY**

**SECOND QUARTER 2004**

**DEPARTMENT OF CENSUS & STATISTICS**

## 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 25000 housing units have been selected for the survey in 2004. The present report, which is the fifty seventh in the series, is based on a sample of 4500 housing units and gives national estimates with a stipulated standard error of labour force characteristics as reported in the reference period of the second quarter of 2004. Second quarter of 2004, survey covers all districts in the island.

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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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**Sri Lanka Labour Force Survey**  
**Summary Statistics on Labour Force Characteristics**  
**Second Quarter - 2004**

**10 years & over population**

	Total	Male	Female	Urban	Rural
Population (10 years & over)	16524967	7987960	8537007	2531706	13993260
Labour force in this age group	8037830	5405771	2632059	1133386	6904444
Labour force participation rate	48.6	67.7	30.8	44.8	49.3
Employed population	7313647	5049101	2264546	994696	6318951
Employment rate	91.0	93.4	86.0	87.8	91.5
Unemployed population	724183	356670	367513	138690	585493
Unemployment rate	9.0	6.6	14.0	12.2	8.5
Not in labour force	8487137	2582189	5904948	1398320	7088817

**15 years & over population**

	Total	Male	Female	Urban	Rural
Population (15 years & over)	14655388	7037229	7618158	2293664	12361723
Labour force in this age group	8012002	5387234	2624768	1132793	6879210
Labour force participation rate	54.7	76.6	34.5	49.4	55.6
Employed population	7289757	5030787	2258969	994325	6295431
Employment rate	91.0	93.4	86.1	87.8	91.5
Unemployed population	722246	356447	365799	138467	583778
Unemployment rate	9.0	6.6	13.9	12.2	8.5
Not in labour force	6643385	1649995	4993390	1160871	5482514

**20 years & over population**

	Total	Male	Female	Urban	Rural
Population (20 years & over)	12809855	6140353	6669502	1986346	10823509
Labour force in this age group	7564801	5114278	2450523	1053921	6510880
Labour force participation rate	59.1	83.3	36.7	53.1	60.2
Employed population	6995487	4843858	2151628	956222	6039265
Employment rate	92.5	94.7	87.8	90.7	92.8
Unemployed population	569314	270419	298895	97699	471616
Unemployment rate	7.5	5.3	12.2	9.3	7.2
Not in labour force	5245054	1026075	4218979	932426	4312628

### Estimate of Confidence Intervals for some selected characteristics

Year/ Quarter	Labour Force			Employed			Unemployed			Unemployment Rate		
	No.	95% C.I.		No.	95% C.I.		No.	95% C.I.		No.	95% C.I.	
		Lower	Upper		Lower	Upper		Lower	Upper		Lower	Upper
2003 *	7653717	7480359	7827075	7012756	6850621	7174891	640961	600124	681798	0.084	0.079	0.089
2004 1st Q**	7986948	7676828	8297068	7336708	7040023	7633394	650240	570664	729815	0.081	0.072	0.091
2004 2nd Q***	8037830	7692146	8383514	7313647	7006799	7620495	724183	626715	821650	0.090	0.079	0.101

\* - Including Eastern province but Excluding Northern province

\*\* - Excluding Vavunia, Mulathivu, Kilinochchi districts.

\*\*\* All the districts are included

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## 1. Introduction

Second quarter of 2004, Quarterly labor force survey covers all districts in the island. It should be noted that, first quarter of 2004, Labor Force survey was not conducted in Kilinochchi, Mulative and Vavunia districts. Therefore, it is not meaningful to compare these estimates directly with the estimates of previous quarters.

The field work of the second quarter, 2004 survey was done in April and May 2004 and the current Labor Force Status of persons was measured as in the reference weeks of April and May 2004. Survey covers only the persons living in housing units and it excludes the institutional population.

## 2. Working Age Population (age 10 years & over)

**Table (i) - Summary statistics on labor force**

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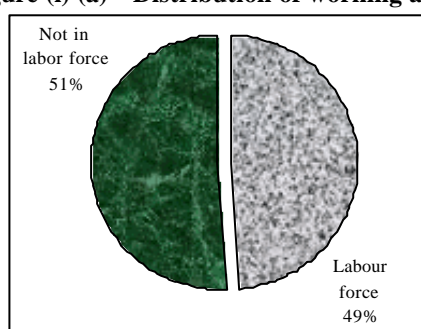
As can be seen from the table (i), it is estimated that 16.5 million persons are in the working age population during the survey period.

\* It is estimated that out of the working age population, 48 percent are males and 52 percent are females, while 15 percent are residing in urban sector and 85 percent are in rural sector.

Out of the total working age population, proportion of economically active males is 68 percent, while it is only 31 percent for females.

It is noted that proportion of economically inactive females is more than double that of males.

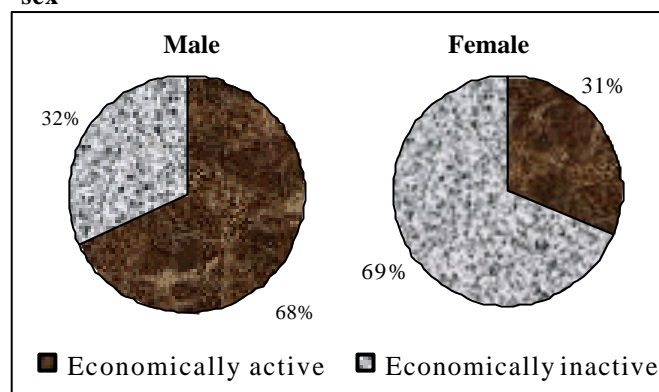
**Figure (i) (a) - Distribution of working age population**



**Figure (i) (b) - Distribution of labor force**



**Figure(ii) - Distribution of working age population by sex**



## 3. Economically Active Population

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

Sector	Sex		
	Total	Male	Female
Total	48.6	67.7	30.8
Urban	44.8	67.8	24.1
Rural	49.3	67.6	32.1

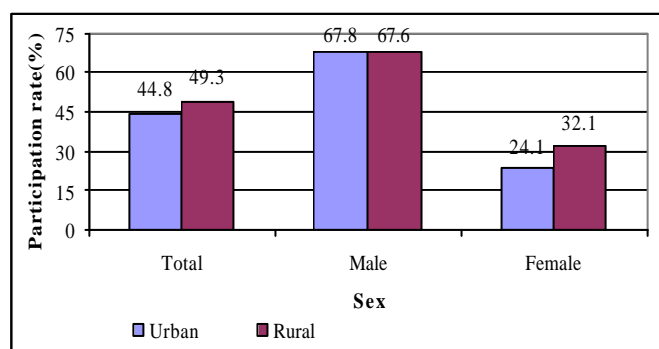
Table (ii) summarizes the labor force participation rates for rural and urban areas as well as for males and females.

The rates for male are seems to be almost similar for both urban and rural areas.

Among females, those rates are 24 percent and 32 percent for urban and rural areas respectively. This indicates female participation rate in rural sector is much higher than that of in urban areas.

Labor force participation rate is nearly 49 percent while those rates are 68 percent and 31 percent for male and female respectively.

**Figure (iii) - Labor force participation rate by sector & sex**



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

Age group(yrs)	Sex		
	Total	Male	Female
Total	48.6	67.7	30.8
15 - 19 yrs	24.2	30.4	18.4
20 - 24 yrs	62.9	83.8	45.3
25 - 29 yrs	67.4	94.2	41.1
30 - 39 yrs	68.3	96.7	43.2
40 + yrs	51.8	74.8	30.0

\*It is noted that, labor force participation rate for males remains around 97 percent for those who are in the age range 30 - 39 years. This indicates that, the male participation has reached the maximum level in this age group. The highest participation rate for females is ranging only from 40 to 45 percent in the age range 20 - 29 years.

#### 4. Employed Population

As shown in table (i), the employed population in Sri Lanka is estimated as 7.3 million.

**Table (iv) - Percentage distribution of Employed population by employment status and residential sector**

Employment status	Total	Sector	
		Urban	Rural
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
Employee			
Total	59.4	63.9	58.0
Public	12.4	15.7	11.9
Private	46.9	48.1	46.8
Employer	3.3	4.8	3.0
Own account worker	28.7	27.1	29.0
Unpaid family worker	8.5	4.2	9.2

In the urban sector, 27 percent of employed are own account workers. This proportion for rural sector is 29 percent.

Proportion of unpaid family workers in the urban and rural sectors are 4 percent and 9 percent respectively.

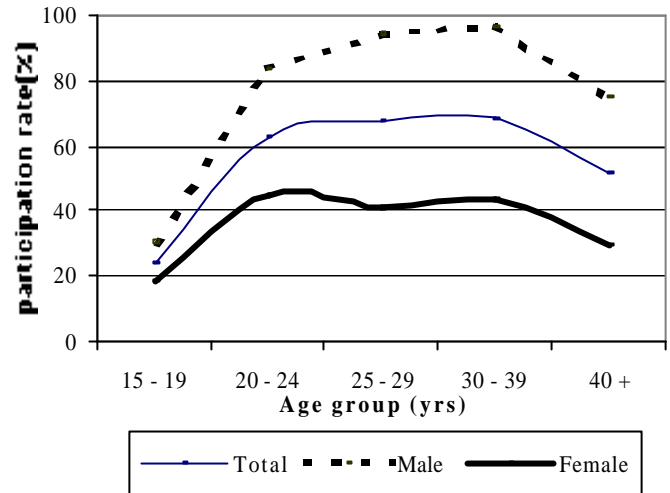
**Table (v) - Percentage distribution of Employed population by major industrial sector & employment status**

Industry group	Total	Employment Status			
		Employee	Employer	Own account worker	Unpaid family worker
Total	100.00	59.4	3.3	28.8	8.5
Agriculture	100.00	40.4	1.8	40.0	17.8
Non - Agriculture	100.00	69.9	4.1	22.6	3.4

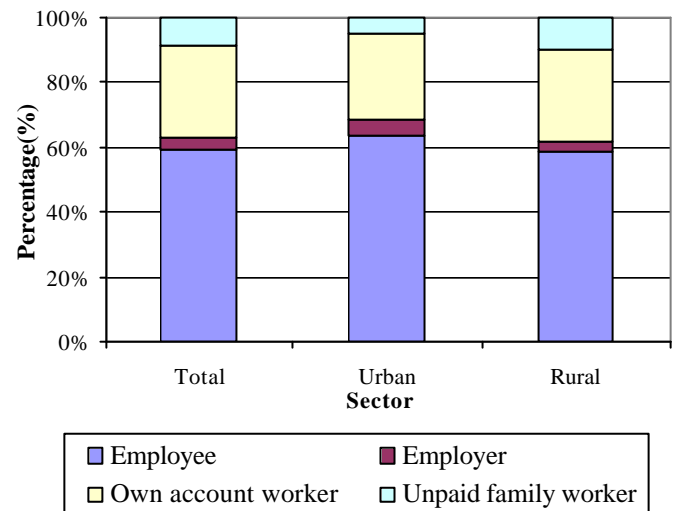
Within the agriculture sector 40 percent of employed persons are own account workers and about 18 percent are unpaid family workers.

With regard to non - agriculture sector, these percentages are 23 percent and 3 percent respectively.

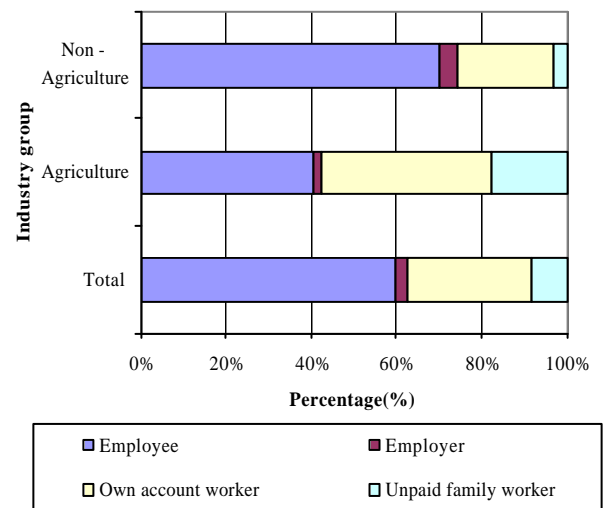
**Figure(iv) - Labour force participation rate by age & sex**



**Figure (v) - Percentage distribution of Employed population by employment status and residential sector**



**Figure (vi) - Percentage distribution of Employed population by major industrial sector & employment status**



**Table (vi) - Percentage distribution of employed population by major industrial category by sector**

Industry group	Total	Sex	
		Male	Female
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
1	35.7	33.5	40.4
2	16.9	13.1	25.4
3	5.3	7.5	0.5
4	12.0	14.0	7.5
5	1.1	1.3	0.8
6	6.3	8.5	1.5
7	2.6	2.7	2.5
8	6.9	7.3	6.0
9	3.3	2.0	6.4
10	1.2	0.6	2.7
11	1.6	1.7	1.3
12	1.1	0.5	2.3
13	4.0	5.0	1.7
14	1.9	2.3	1.1

**Industry group**

- 1 Agriculture Forestry and Fishery (A,B)
- 2 Manufacturing (D)
- 3 Construction (F)
- 4 Wholesale and Retail Trade, Repair of Motor Vehicles, Motorcycles and Personal and Household Goods (G)
- 5 Hotels and Restaurants (H)
- 6 Transport, Storage and Communication (I)
- 7 Financial Intermediation and Real Estate, Renting and Business Activities (J,K)
- 8 Public Administration and Defence, Compulsory Social Security (L)
- 9 Education (M)
- 10 Health and Social work (N)
- 11 Other Community, Social and Personal Service Activities (O)
- 12 Private Households with Employed Persons (P)
- 13 Miscellaneous Labour work
- 14 Other (C,E,Q)

**Other**

- Minning & Quarrying (C)
- Electricity, Gas and Water supply (E)
- Extra Territorial Organizations & bodies (Q)
- Industries not adequately described

Note: The tabulation groups based on ISIC (Rev.3) are indicated as A,B,C,.....Q. Due to the limitations on reliability (based on CV), some of these groups have been combined.

Table (vi) gives the percentage distribution of employed population by industry. The major industrial group Agriculture, Forestry and Fishery remains the main group indicating the percentage share of 36 percent.

Percentage of females engaged in Manufacturing sector is about twice as that of males. These percentages are 13 percent and 25 percent respectively for males and females.

**Table (vii) - Percentage distribution of Employed population by occupation group**

Occupation group	Total	Sex	
		Male	Female
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
Senior Officials and Manage	1.4	1.5	1.2
Professionals	5.0	3.3	8.8
Technical and Associate Professionals	5.0	4.9	5.1
Clerks	4.1	3.5	5.4
Proprietors and Managers of Enterprises	6.1	7.4	3.1
Sale and Service workers	8.5	8.8	7.7
Skilled Agricultural and Fishery workers	19.9	19.5	20.8
Craft and Related workers	15.4	14.5	17.5
Plant and Machine operator and Assemblers	6.2	8.4	1.2
Elementary occupations	27.9	27.3	29.1
Unidentified	0.6	0.8	0.0

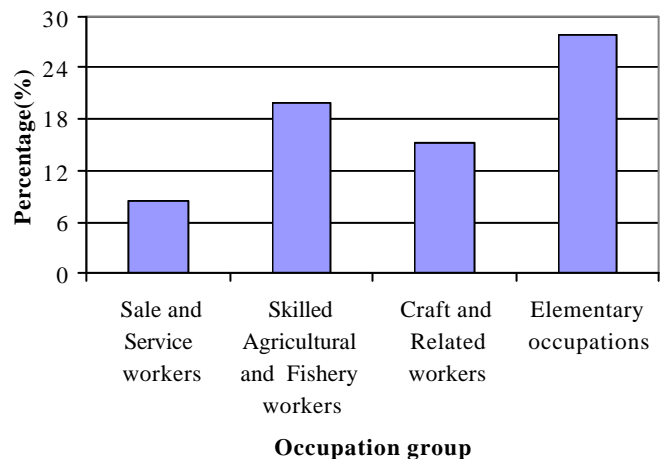
Note: It is to be noted here that these occupation groups are based on ISCO - 88, but they are not necessarily the Major Groups of ISCO - 88 classification

It is noted that percentage share of employed persons those who belong to the 'Agriculture' and 'Elementary occupation' groups together is about 48 percent

15 percent of employed persons are 'Craft & Related workers'. This percentage for female is about 18 percent.

There is no marked differences between males and females in most of the groups except 'Professionals', 'Plant & Machine operators' occupation groups.

**Figure (vii) - Percentage distribution of Employed population by selected occupation groups**



## 5. Unemployed Population

**Table (viii) - Unemployment rate by age group & sector**

Sector	Age group					
	All ages	15 - 19	20 - 24	25 - 29	30 - 39	40+
Total	9.0	34.2	26.1	11.9	4.4	1.3
Urban	12.2	51.7	26.2	16.1	6.6	1.1
* Rural	8.5	30.5	26.1	11.0	4.0	1.3

**Table (ix) - Unemployment rate by age group & sex**

Sex	Age group					
	All ages	15 - 19	20 - 24	25 - 29	30 - 39	40+
Total	9.0	34.2	26.1	11.9	4.4	1.3
Male	6.6	31.5	20.2	7.6	2.9	1.2
Female	13.9	38.4	35.3	21.6	7.3	1.4

**Table (x) - Percentage distribution of currently unemployed persons by reasons for not actively seeking work by sex & sector**

Sex & Sector	Reasons for not actively seeking work			
	Total	Discouraged not able to get a job	believe no suitable work available	Other reason
Total	100.0	60.3	10.1	29.6
Male	100.0	47.9	5.6	46.5
Female	100.0	68.2	12.9	18.8
Total	100.0	60.3	10.1	29.6
Urban	100.0	32.2	..	67.8
Rural	100.0	69.6	13.4	17.0

.. Negligible

**Figure (x) - Percentage distribution of currently unemployed persons by reasons for not actively seeking work by sex**

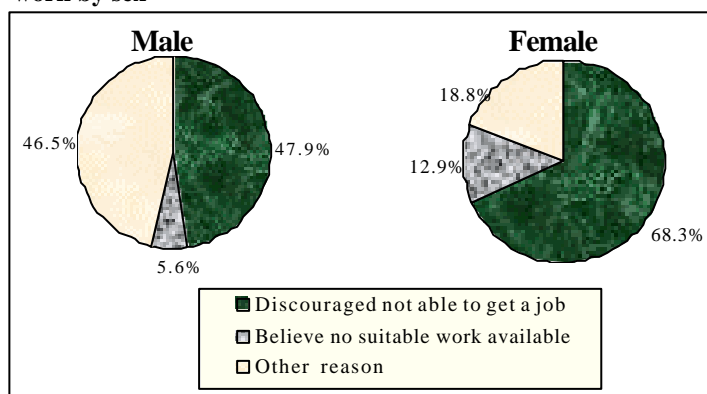


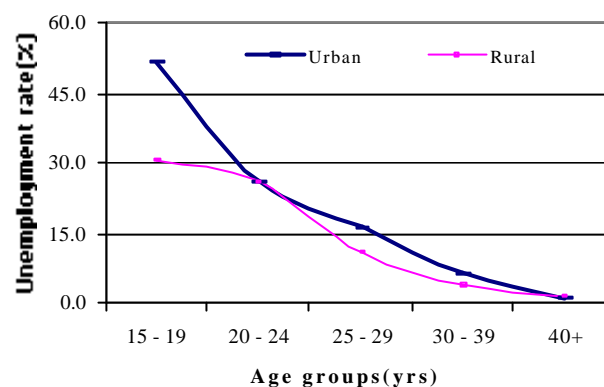
Table (viii) and table (ix) show unemployment rates among age groups by gender and by urban - rural residence respectively.

The overall unemployment rate for the second quarter 2004 (Including all districts in the island) is reported as 9 percent.

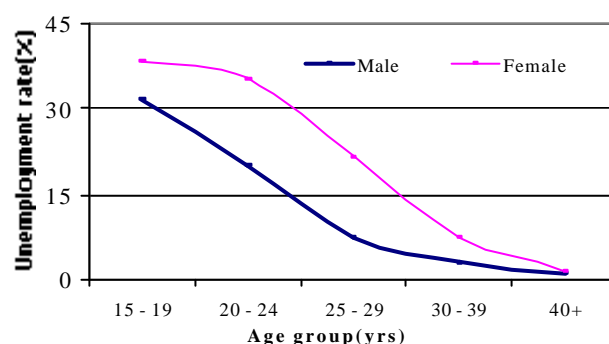
The data confirm the much higher rates of unemployment among the youth, particularly in urban areas.

Overall, the unemployment rates are high among females than males for all age groups.

**Figure (viii) - Unemployment rates by age group & sector**



**Figure (ix) - Unemployment rate by age group & sex**



48 percent of males and 69 percent of females have not been seeking work because they were discouraged on not been able to get a job.

It is noted that 70 percent of rural sector unemployed persons has reported that they are not actively seeking job as they have discouraged.

### Statistical significance of the change in unemployment rate

Estimated value of the unemployment rate in second quarter of year 2004 = 0.090

Estimated value of the unemployment rate in year 2003 = 0.084

The difference between the above estimated values is **not statistically significant** at 5 percent level of significance (two tail test)



## 7. Alternative Estimates of Employment, Unemployment and Labour Force Characteristics

Official employment, unemployment and labour force characteristics are estimated at the Sri Lanka Labour Force Survey, based on the internationally comparable concepts and definitions recommended by the ILO. However the validity of the concepts and definitions used at the survey is questioned very often in some forums, for the appropriateness of these concepts and definitions in the Sri Lankan context.

The concepts and definitions, which were found to be controversial are as below.

### (1) Number of Hours of Work :

A person who work **at least one hour** during the reference week, is considered **employed**, under these definitions.

### (2) Working Age Population :

All persons of **age 10 years and over** are considered to be in the working age.

### (3) Employment Status :

All, a) Paid employees, (those who work for wages/salaries).

b) Employers (who have at least one paid employee under them).

c) Own account workers (who carry out the economic activity without having any paid employees).

d) Unpaid family workers (who make their contribution to the economic activities carried out by their own household, without wages/salaries).

The validity of the above concepts and definitions is raised due to the following reasons.

(1) **Number of hours of Work** : Some point out that **one hour per week** is too low, to consider a person to be employed.

(2) **Working age Population** : Some point out that persons in the age group 10-14 yrs. are too young to consider to be in the working age.

(3) **Employment Status** : Some point out that 'unpaid family workers' may work in the family enterprise **without payment** because they have no other work, and so it is not appropriate to consider them as **employed**.

An attempt has been made to produce '**Alternative estimates of Employment, Unemployment and Labour Force Characteristics**,' by revising the original concepts and definitions so that the above issues are addressed as explained below.

The revisions made are,

### (1) Number of Hours of Work :

Persons who work **20 hours or more per week only** are considered to be employed.

### (2) Working Age Population :

Persons who are **over 15 yrs of age only** are considered to be in the working age.

### (3) Unpaid Family Worker :

Unpaid family workers are **not** considered as employed. Those unpaid family workers who were reported to be seeking some other work are considered as **unemployed** and the rest of the unpaid family workers are considered as **economically inactive** (not in the labour force) so **only, a) paid employees b) employers and c) own account workers are considered to be employed.**

Following tables are based on the above alternative concepts and definitions.

**TABLE 1 - LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF HOUSEHOLD POPULATION 15 YEARS & OVER (ALTERNATIVE ESTIMATES)**

YEAR	HOUSEHOLD POPULATION (15 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)	
*1998	11281913	5567813	49.4	4870332	87.5	697481	12.5	5714099
*1999	11582873	5632621	48.6	4974104	88.3	658517	11.7	5950382
*2000	11978962	5738351	47.9	5124615	89.3	613736	10.7	6241526
*2001	12258565	5893030	48.1	5292093	89.8	600937	10.2	6365944
*2002	12612657	6162963	48.9	5482779	89.0	680184	11.0	6450265
**2003	13839853	6547396	47.3	5849585	89.3	697811	10.7	7292837
***2004 1st Q	14422969	7075515	49.1	6363109	89.9	712406	10.1	7347454
# 2004 2nd Q	14650857	6933266	47.3	6171456	89.0	761810	11.0	7717591

**TABLE 2 - HISTORICAL TABLE OF NUMBER AND RATE OF UNEMPLOYMENT BY AGE (ALTERNATIVE ESTIMATES)**

YEAR	AGE GROUP											
	TOTAL		15 - 19		20 - 24		25 - 29		30 - 39		40 & ABOVE	
	NO.	RATE	NO.	RATE	NO.	RATE	NO.	RATE	NO.	RATE	NO.	RATE
*1999	658517	11.7	158129	41.3	269327	31.9	113285	15.4	81121	5.7	36655	1.6
*2000	613736	10.7	126288	36.5	266306	30.7	117768	15.7	71019	4.9	32354	1.4
*2001	601026	10.2	130397	40.2	271672	30.5	105295	14.0	63668	4.4	29905	1.2
*2002	680184	11.0	136693	41.1	317071	32.7	113919.98	14.5	75086	4.9	37414	1.5
**2003	697811	10.7	141608.9	40.4	314693	32.2	121632	14.5	80467	4.8	39410	1.5
***2004 1st Q	712406	10.1	155245	41.9	302368	27.9	116757	13.6	81047	4.5	56990	1.9
# 2004 2nd Q	761810	11.0	164386	43.6	338103	30.6	122739	14.2	88376	5.1	48205	1.7

\* Excluding Northern and Eastern province

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\*\*\* Excluding kilinochchi, Vavunia and Mulathivu districts.

# All the districts are included

**Table 3 - Currently Employed persons by Industry group (No. and percentage) (Based on ISIC Third Revision) - (Alternative estimates)**

Year	Industry group														
	Total	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
*2002															
No.	<b>5487325</b>	1559133	983601	264384	723210	104151	292951	164062	518764	211281	80915	96911	91085	283032	113845
%	<b>100.0</b>	28.4	17.9	4.8	13.2	1.9	5.3	3.0	9.5	3.9	1.5	1.8	1.7	5.2	2.1
**2003															
No.	<b>5860182</b>	1682994	1038390	343650	744153	104923	344294	176993	510486	233874	91213	94491	74181	293951	126590
%	<b>100.0</b>	28.7	17.7	5.9	12.7	1.8	5.9	3.0	8.7	4.0	1.6	1.6	1.3	5.0	2.2
***2004 1st Q															
No.	<b>6369078</b>	1758744	1115066	355419	890984	119183	388437	167217	556712	282288	111520	100164	62567	299825	160954
%	<b>100.0</b>	27.6	17.5	5.6	14.0	1.9	6.1	2.6	8.7	4.4	1.8	1.6	1.0	4.7	2.5
# 2004 2nd Q															
No.	<b>6177140</b>	1894530	1116239	347901	773883	71529	431580	190816	477511	236262	85112	98195	75773	257949	119860
%	<b>100.0</b>	30.7	18.1	5.6	12.5	1.2	7.0	3.1	7.7	3.8	1.4	1.6	1.2	4.2	1.9

**Industry group**

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|--|--|
| 1 Agriculture Forestry and Fishery (A,B)   | 8 Public Administration and Defence,Compulsory Social Security (L) |
| 2 Manufacturing (D)  | 9 Education (M)  |
| 3 Construction (F)   | 10 Health and Social work (N)                                      |
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| 5 Hotels and Restaurants (H)   | 12 Private Households with Employed Person ( P)                    |
| 6 Transport, Storage and Communication (I)   | 13 Miscellaneous Labour work                                       |
| 7 Financial Intermediation and Real Estate,<br>Renting and Business Activities (J,K)                       | 14 Other (C,E,Q)   |

**Other**

- Minning & Quarrying ( C )
- Electricity,Gas and Water supply ( E)
- Extra Teritorial Organizations & bodies (Q)
- Industries not adequately described

Note: The tabulation groups based on ISIC (Rev.3) are indicated as A,B,C.....Q. Due to the limitations on reliability ( based on CV), some of these groups have been combined.

\* Excluding Northern and Eastern province

\*\* Including Eastern province but excluding Northern province

\*\*\* Excluding kilinochchi, Vavunia and Mulathivu districts.

# All the districts are included

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

YEAR	HOUSEHOLD POPULATION (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	6001148	51.9	5047354	84.1	953794	5.9	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	12881790	6660520	51.7	6049238	90.8	611285	9.2	6221274
1999	13169250	6673487	50.7	6082641	91.2	590846	8.9	6495782
2000	13564660	6827312	50.3	6310145	92.4	517168	7.6	6737345
2001	13870479	6772834	48.8	6235588	92.1	537246	7.9	7097644
2002	14201396	7145382	50.3	6519415	91.2	625967	8.8	7056014
*2003	15651479	7653716	48.9	7012755	91.6	640961	8.4	7997763
**2004 1st Q	16315638	7986948	49.0	7336708	91.9	650240	8.1	8328690
*** 2004 2nd Q	16524970	8037831	48.6	7313648	91.0	724183	9.0	8487138

# - STANDARD ERROR OF THE ESTIMATES ARE GIVEN IN TABLE - 18

(Note : Up to 2002 fourth quarter, both Northern & Eastern provinces are excluded from the estimates.)

\* - Including Eastern province but Excluding Northern province

\*\* - Excluding Vavunia, Mulathivu, Kilinochchi districts.

\*\*\* All the districts are included

**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 PARTICI: RATE(%)	LABOUR FORCE				NOT IN LABOUR FORCE NUMBER
				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	6344453	4281996	67.5	4004504	93.5	277491	6.5	2062456
*1999	6506662	4402713	67.7	4107497	93.3	295217	6.7	2103953
*2000	6702871	4501597	67.2	4241477	94.2	260120	5.8	2201274
*2001	6837264	4529016	66.2	4248877	93.8	280139	6.2	2308248
*2002	6935012	4705586	67.9	4395164	93.4	310421	6.6	2229427
**2003	7657368	5144206	67.2	4833483	94.0	310723	6.0	2513162
***2004 1st Q	7969483	5369236	67.4	5037384	93.8	331852	6.2	2600247
**** 2004 2nd Q	7987960	5405771	67.7	5049101	93.4	356670	6.6	2582189

**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 PARTICI: RATE(%)	LABOUR FORCE				NOT IN LABOUR FORCE NUMBER
				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	6537344	2378526	36.4	2044732	86.0	333795	14.0	4158818
*1999	6662613	2270782	34.1	1975153	87.0	295629	13.0	4392047
*2000	6861794	2325716	33.9	2068667	89.0	257048	11.0	4536078
*2001	7033214	2243818	31.9	1986711	88.5	257107	11.5	4789396
*2002	7266384	2439796	33.6	2124250	87.1	315546	12.9	4826588
**2003	7994111	2509510	31.4	2179272	86.8	330238	13.2	5484600
***2004 1st Q	8346156	2617712	31.4	2299324	87.8	318388	12.2	5728444
**** 2004 2nd Q	8537007	2632059	30.8	2264546	86.0	367513	14.0	5904948

\* - Excluding Northern and Eastern provinces

\*\* - Including Eastern province but Excluding Northern province

\*\*\* - Excluding Vavunia, Mulathivu, Kilinochchi districts.

\*\*\*\* - All the districts are included

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

(SECOND QUARTER 2004)

AGE	HOUSEHOLD POP: (10 YEARS & OVER)	LABOUR FORCE						NOT IN LABOUR FORCE NUMBER
		TOTAL LABOUR FORCE	LABOUR FORCE PARTICI: RATE(%)	EMPLOYED		UNEMPLOYED		
				NUMBER	RATE	NUMBER	RATE	
<b>ALL AGES</b>	16524967	8037830	48.6	7313647	91.0	724183	9.0	8487137
10 - 14 YRS	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
15 - 19 YRS	1845532	447202	24.2	294270	65.8	152931	34.2	1398331
20 - 24 YRS	1957781	1232233	62.9	910293	73.9	321940	26.1	725548
25 - 29 YRS	1452855	979109	67.4	862719	88.1	116390	11.9	473746
30 - 39 YRS	2925283	1998038	68.3	1910730	95.6	87307	4.4	927245
40 + YRS	6473937	3355421	51.8	3311744	98.7	43677	1.3	3118516

\* Reliable estimates cannot be provided.

**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+ YRS
*1990	100.0	1.1	5.7	11.9	13.7	27.0	40.7
*1991	100.0	0.7	5.4	12.7	13.7	26.8	40.7
*1992	100.0	0.5	5.1	13.4	14.1	27.0	39.9
*1993	100.0	0.4	5.2	12.7	14.2	26.7	40.7
*1994	100.0	0.4	4.9	12.3	13.9	28.2	40.3
*1995	100.0	0.3	4.9	11.6	14.1	26.5	42.7
*1996	100.0	0.4	5.3	12.1	13.7	28.1	40.4
*1997	100.0	0.3	5.1	11.9	13.3	27.2	42.1
*1998	100.0	0.8	5.9	12.1	12.5	26.7	42.1
*1999	100.0	0.9	5.8	11.8	12.2	26.1	43.3
*2000	100.0	0.5	5.2	12.2	12.3	26.0	43.8
*2001	100.0	0.4	4.3	12.1	12.0	25.4	45.8
*2002	100.0	0.3	4.4	12.2	12.1	26.2	44.8
**2003	100.0	0.3	4.2	11.6	12.2	26.3	45.4
*** 2004 1st Q	100.0	0.4	4.1	12.4	11.4	26.0	45.7
**** 2004 2nd Q	100.0	0.3	4.0	12.4	11.8	26.1	45.3



These figures are to be treated with caution as the corresponding CV (Coefficient of variation) values are above 40 percent.

\* - Excluding Northern and Eastern provinces

\*\* - Including Eastern province but Excluding Northern province

\*\*\* - Excluding Vavunia, Mulathivu, Kilinochchi districts.

\*\*\*\* - All the districts are included

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

(SECOND QUARTER 2004)

AGE	HOUSEHOLD		LABOUR FORCE					NOT IN
	POP: (10 YEARS & OVER)	TOTAL LABOUR FORCE	LABOUR FORCE PARTICI: RATE(%)	EMPLOYED		UNEMPLOYED		LABOUR FORCE NUMBER
				NUMBER	RATE	NUMBER	RATE	
				(% TO TOTAL LABOUR FORCE)		(% TO TOTAL LABOUR FORCE)		
ALL AGES	7987960	5405771	67.7	5049101	93.4	356670	6.6	2582189
10 - 14 YRS	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
15 - 19 YRS	896877	272957	30.4	186929	68.5	86028	31.5	623920
20 - 24 YRS	894852	750237	83.8	598629	79.8	151608	20.2	144616
25 - 29 YRS	718681	677327	94.2	626123	92.4	51204	7.6	41355
30 - 39 YRS	1372794	1326996	96.7	1288742	97.1	38254	2.9	45798
40 + YRS	3154026	2359718	74.8	2330364	98.8	29354	1.2	794307

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

(SECOND QUARTER 2004)

AGE	HOUSEHOLD		LABOUR FORCE					NOT IN
	POP: (10 YEARS & OVER)	TOTAL LABOUR FORCE	LABOUR FORCE PARTICI: RATE(%)	EMPLOYED		UNEMPLOYED		LABOUR FORCE NUMBER
				NUMBER	RATE	NUMBER	RATE	
				(% TO TOTAL LABOUR FORCE)		(% TO TOTAL LABOUR FORCE)		
ALL AGES	8537007	2632059	30.8	2264546	86.0	367513	14.0	5904948
10 - 14 YRS	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
15 - 19 YRS	948656	174245	18.4	107341	61.6	66904	38.4	774411
20 - 24 YRS	1062928	481996	45.3	311665	64.7	170332	35.3	580932
25 - 29 YRS	734174	301782	41.1	236596	78.4	65187	21.6	432391
30 - 39 YRS	1552489	671042	43.2	621988	92.7	49053	7.3	881448
40 + YRS	3319911	995703	30.0	981380	98.6	14323	1.4	2324208

\* Reliable estimates cannot be provided due to small cell sizes.

These figures are to be treated with caution as the corresponding CV (Coefficient of variation) values are above 40 percent.



**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+ YRS
*1990	100.0	1.0	5.7	11.7	13.3	26.3	42.1
*1991	100.0	0.6	5.2	12.6	13.2	25.7	42.8
*1992	100.0	0.4	4.7	13.2	13.9	26.2	41.6
*1993	100.0	0.4	4.8	11.5	14.8	26.2	42.2
*1994	100.0	0.4	4.7	11.9	13.5	27.2	42.2
*1995	100.0	0.3	4.8	11.0	14.0	26.0	43.8
*1996	100.0	0.4	5.0	11.7	13.4	27.8	41.7
*1997	100.0	0.3	4.8	11.1	13.0	27.1	43.6
*1998	100.0	0.7	5.6	11.9	12.3	26.2	43.3
*1999	100.0	0.7	5.8	11.8	11.8	25.7	44.1
*2000	100.0	0.4	5.2	12.0	12.3	25.4	44.7
*2001	100.0	0.3	4.1	12.0	12.1	25.0	46.4
*2002	100.0	0.3	4.2	11.8	11.8	26.2	45.8
**2003	100.0	0.3	3.9	11.4	12.7	25.7	46.1
***2004 1st Q	100.0	0.3	3.7	12.3	12.3	25.2	46.1
****2004 2nd Q	100.0	0.4	3.7	11.9	12.4	25.5	46.2

**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+ YRS
*1990	100.0	1.2	5.6	12.4	14.5	28.4	38.0
*1991	100.0	0.9	6.0	13.0	14.6	29.1	36.4
*1992	100.0	0.8	5.9	13.9	14.4	29.2	35.8
*1993	100.0	0.4	5.9	15.4	12.9	27.7	37.7
*1994	100.0	0.5	5.3	13.2	14.8	30.4	35.9
*1995	100.0	0.4	5.0	12.9	14.3	27.3	40.1
*1996	100.0	0.5	6.0	13.1	14.2	28.8	37.4
*1997	100.0	0.3	5.7	13.7	14.0	27.6	38.7
*1998	100.0	1.0	6.4	12.4	12.8	27.6	39.7
*1999	100.0	1.1	5.9	11.7	12.9	27.1	41.4
*2000	100.0	0.7	5.3	12.6	12.1	27.4	41.9
*2001	100.0	0.5	4.7	12.4	11.8	26.2	44.5
*2002	100.0	0.5	4.7	13.1	12.6	26.2	42.9
**2003	100.0	0.4	4.7	12.2	11.2	27.6	43.9
***2004 1st Q	100.0	0.6	4.9	12.7	9.5	27.7	44.6
****2004 2nd Q	100.0	0.2	4.7	13.8	10.4	27.5	43.3

These figures are to be treated with caution as the corresponding CV (Coefficient of variation) values are above 40 percent.

\* - Excluding Northern and Eastern provinces

\*\* - Including Eastern province but Excluding Northern province

\*\*\* - Excluding Vavunia, Mulathivu, Kilinochchi districts.

\*\*\*\* - All the districts are included

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

Year	Total	Level of education			
		Below Grade 5	Grades 5 - 9/ Years 6 - 10	GCE (O.L.)/ NCGE	GCE (A.L.)/ HNCE and above
*1990	100.0	31.9	45.1	16.0	7.0
*1991	100.0	31.6	44.8	15.6	7.9
*1992	100.0	29.9	44.9	16.5	8.7
*1993	100.0	28.5	45.1	16.9	9.5
*1994	100.0	28.2	45.4	17.5	8.8
*1995	100.0	26.8	44.9	18.0	10.3
*1996	100.0	29.5	43.3	16.9	10.3
*1997	100.0	27.9	44.0	17.6	10.5
*1998	100.0	26.8	45.0	17.2	11.0
*1999	100.0	25.4	45.7	18.0	10.9
*2000	100.0	25.1	46.3	16.7	11.9
*2001	100.0	22.7	46.1	17.7	13.5
*2002	100.0	24.6	45.6	15.8	14.0
**2003	100.0	24.5	46.2	15.9	13.3
***2004 1st Q	100.0	23.1	45.2	17.5	14.2
**** 2004 2nd Q	100.0	26.0	45.6	15.5	12.9

\* - Excluding Northern and Eastern provinces

\*\* - Including Eastern province but Excluding Northern province

\*\*\* - Excluding Vavunia, Mulathivu, Kilinochchi districts.

\*\*\*\* - All the districts are included

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

Year	Total	Level of education			
		Below Grade 5	Grades 5 - 9/ Years 6 - 10	GCE (O.L.)/ NCGE	GCE (A.L.)/ HNCE and above
*1990	100.0	29.6	48.3	16.1	5.9
*1991	100.0	28.0	49.0	15.5	7.5
*1992	100.0	27.4	48.2	17.0	7.4
*1993	100.0	25.4	49.8	17.2	7.7
*1994	100.0	25.5	49.6	17.7	7.2
*1995	100.0	25.1	48.2	18.3	8.4
*1996	100.0	27.7	47.1	16.8	8.4
*1997	100.0	26.5	47.2	17.5	8.7
*1998	100.0	25.3	48.5	17.0	9.2
*1999	100.0	24.0	49.4	17.7	9.0
*2000	100.0	24.1	49.6	16.6	9.8
*2001	100.0	21.5	49.3	17.8	11.4
*2002	100.0	23.5	49.1	16.0	11.4
**2003	100.0	23.8	49.2	16.2	10.8
***2004 1st Q	100.0	21.6	49.2	17.8	11.4
**** 2004 2nd Q	100.0	24.0	49.4	16.0	10.7

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

Year	Total	Level of education			
		Below Grade 5	Grades 5 - 9/ Years 6 - 10	GCE (O.L.)/ NCGE	GCE (A.L.)/ HNCE and above
*1990	100.0	37.0	38.1	15.6	9.3
*1991	100.0	39.6	35.8	15.9	8.8
*1992	100.0	35.7	37.0	15.5	11.9
*1993	100.0	35.6	34.7	16.3	13.5
*1994	100.0	34.5	35.8	17.2	12.6
*1995	100.0	30.8	37.3	17.5	14.3
*1996	100.0	33.7	34.4	17.1	14.7
*1997	100.0	31.0	37.0	17.6	14.4
*1998	100.0	29.9	38.2	17.7	14.3
*1999	100.0	28.3	38.0	18.7	15.0
*2000	100.0	27.3	39.6	17.1	16.1
*2001	100.0	25.5	39.2	17.3	18.0
*2002	100.0	27.0	38.3	15.3	19.4
**2003	100.0	26.1	39.6	15.5	18.9
***2004 1st Q	100.0	26.4	36.6	16.7	20.3
**** 2004 2nd Q	100.0	30.5	37.2	14.5	17.8

\* - Excluding Northern and Eastern provinces

\*\* - Including Eastern province but Excluding Northern province

\*\*\* - Excluding Vavunia, Mulathivu, Kilinochchi districts.

\*\*\*\* - All the districts are included

**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	100.0	55.6	14.5	41.2	1.9	28.9	13.6
*1999	100.0	57.5	14.4	43.1	2.0	28.3	12.2
*2000	100.0	56.3	13.4	42.9	2.3	28.4	13.0
*2001	100.0	58.6	13.9	44.7	2.3	28.5	10.6
*2002	100.0	57.9	13.4	44.5	2.8	28.6	10.7
**2003	100.0	57.9	13.5	44.4	2.6	29.6	9.9
***2004 1st Q	100.0	61.1	13.8	47.3	2.8	27.6	8.5
**** 2004 2nd Q	100.0	59.4	12.4	47.0	3.3	28.8	8.5

\* - Excluding Northern and Eastern provinces

\*\* - Including Eastern province but Excluding Northern province

\*\*\* - Excluding Vavunia, Mulathivu, Kilinochchi districts.

\*\*\*\* - All the districts are included

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

YEAR	EMPLOYEE					OWN ACCOUNT WORKER	UNPAID FAMILY WORKER
	TOTAL EMPLOYED	TOTAL	PUBLIC	PRIVATE	EMPLOYER		
*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	100.0	55.8	14.1	41.7	2.5	34.8	6.8
*1999	100.0	57.7	13.8	43.9	2.7	33.5	6.2
*2000	100.0	56.6	12.6	44.0	3.1	33.8	6.5
*2001	100.0	57.9	12.9	45.0	3.1	33.4	5.5
*2002	100.0	57.5	12.6	44.8	3.7	34.0	4.8
**2003	100.0	57.4	12.6	44.9	3.4	34.5	4.8
***2004 1st Q	100.0	60.4	12.1	48.4	3.6	31.7	4.2
**** 2004 2nd Q	100.0	57.9	11.3	46.7	4.3	33.9	3.9

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

YEAR	EMPLOYEE					OWN ACCOUNT WORKER	UNPAID FAMILY WORKER
	TOTAL EMPLOYED	TOTAL	PUBLIC	PRIVATE	EMPLOYER		
*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	100.0	55.2	15.2	40.1	0.6	17.2	27.0
*1999	100.0	57.2	15.6	41.5	0.6	17.5	24.8
*2000	100.0	55.5	15.0	40.5	0.8	17.2	26.5
*2001	100.0	60.1	15.9	44.1	0.5	18.1	21.3
*2002	100.0	58.8	15.1	43.7	0.8	17.4	23.0
**2003	100.0	59.0	15.7	43.3	0.9	18.8	21.3
***2004 1st Q	100.0	62.4	17.5	44.9	1.0	18.6	18.0
**** 2004 2nd Q	100.0	62.7	15.0	47.7	0.9	17.4	18.9

\* - Excluding Northern and Eastern provinces

\*\* - Including Eastern province but Excluding Northern province

\*\*\* - Excluding Vavunia, Mulathivu, Kilinochchi districts.

\*\*\*\* - All the districts are included

**Table 6 - Currently Employed person by Industry group (Based on ISIC Third Revision)**

Year	Industry group														
	Total	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
*2002	<b>6519415</b>	2247602	1072720	286543	838796	117556	309553	168973	524724	227785	82260	108458	93252	317121	124072
**2003	<b>7012755</b>	2384397	1156682	371985	867131	121627	363393	191390	541070	262440	98107	108681	75858	333477	136519
***2004 1st Q	<b>7336708</b>	2354859	1242362	383344	1006731	133884	400525	170930	568978	296426	113818	112601	64905	321773	165571
****2004 2 nd Q	<b>7313647</b>	2608143	1239447	390334	879046	82110	460019	193161	503919	244823	89361	116973	78772	289233	138304

**Industry group**

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| 1 Agriculture Forestry and Fishery (A,B)   | 8 Public Administration and Defence,Compulsory Social Security (L) |
| 2 Manufacturing (D)  | 9 Education (M)  |
| 3 Construction (F)   | 10 Health and Social work (N)                                      |
| 4 Wholesale and Retail Trade,Repair of Motor Vehicles,<br>Motorcycles and Personal and Household Goods (G) | 11 Other Community,Social and Personal Service Activities (O)      |
| 5 Hotels and Restaurants (H)   | 12 Private Households with Employed Persons ( P)                   |
| 6 Transport, Storage and Communication (I)   | 13 Miscellaneous Labour work                                       |
| 7 Financial Intermediation and Real Estate,<br>Renting and Business Activities (J,K)                       | 14 Other (C,E,Q)   |

**Other**

- Mining & Quarrying ( C )
- Electricity,Gas and Water supply ( E)
- Extra Teritorial Organizations & bodies (Q)
- Industries not adequately described

Note: The tabulation groups based on ISIC (Rev.3) are indicated as A,B,C.....Q. Due to the limitations on reliability ( based on CV),some of these groups have been combined.

- \* - Excluding Northern and Eastern provinces
- \*\* - Including Eastern province but Excluding Northern province
- \*\*\* - Excluding Vavunia,Mulathivu,Kilinochchi districts.
- \*\*\*\* - All the districts are included

**Table 6A - Currently Employed person by Industry group - Male (Based on ISIC Third Revision)**

Year	Total	Industry group						
		1	2	4	7	8	9	Other
*2002	<b>4395164</b>	1397423	569761	656505	115203	387301	70813	1198158
**2003	<b>4833483</b>	1529117	624791	681185	138146	405572	98074	1356598
***2004 1st Q	<b>5037384</b>	1479343	668667	813172	139335	388208	115026	1433633
**** 2004 2nd Q	<b>5049101</b>	1692915	663480	708990	136396	368932	99461	1378927

**Table 6B - Currently Employed person by Industry group - Female (Based on ISIC Third Revision)**

Year	Total	Industry group						
		1	2	4	7	8	9	Other
*2002	<b>2124250</b>	850179	502959	182291	53770	137423	156972	240656
**2003	<b>2179272</b>	855280	531891	185946	53243	135498	164365	253049
***2004 1st Q	<b>2299324</b>	875516	573695	193559	31595	180770	181400	262789
**** 2004 2nd Q	<b>2264546</b>	915228	575968	170056	56765	134987	145362	266180

**Industry group**

1 Agriculture Forestry and Fishery (A,B)

2 Manufacturing (D)

4 Wholesale and Retail Trade, Repair of Motor Vehicles,  
Motorcycles and Personal and Household Goods (G)7 Financial Intermediation and Real Estate,  
Renting and Business Activities (J,K)

8 Public Administration and Defence, Compulsory Social Security (L)

9 Education (M)

**Other**

Mining &amp; Quarrying (C)

Electricity, Gas and Water supply (E)

Extra Territorial Organizations &amp; bodies (Q)

Industries not adequately described

Construction (F)

Hotels and Restaurants (H)

Transport, Storage and Communication (I)

# Classification categories of industries have been revised based on ISIC - Rev. 3, commencing from 2002 first quarter.

Note: The tabulation groups based on ISIC (Rev.3) are indicated as A,B,C.....Q. Due to the limitations on reliability (based on CV), some of these groups have been combined.

\* - Excluding Northern and Eastern provinces

\*\* - Including Eastern province but Excluding Northern province

\*\*\* - Excluding Vavunia, Mulathivu, Kilinochchi districts.

\*\*\*\* - All the districts are included

**Table 7 - Currently Employed person by Occupation group (Based on ISCO 88)**

Year	Total	Occupation group										
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	0
*2002	<b>6519415</b>	85553	352238	316763	283719	406992	510148	1579024	935477	373588	1608511	67402
**2003	<b>7012755</b>	88043	367654	341634	303828	328796	628729	1634289	1084436	419540	1735336	80470
***2004 1st Q	<b>7336708</b>	85651	463832	390000	300840	304024	750201	1397102	1114835	502142	1962684	65397
****2004 2nd Q	<b>7313647</b>	100942	367989	362448	298814	443806	620898	1454905	1128503	454644	2039631	41066

**Occupation group**

1 Senior Officials and Managers

2 Professionals

3 Technical and Associate Professionals

4 Clerks

5 Proprietors and Managers of Enterprises

6 Sale and Service workers

7 Skilled Agricultural and Fishery workers

8 Craft and Related workers

9 Plant and Machine operators and Assemblers

10 Elementary occupations

0 Unidentified

Note: It is to be noted here that these occupation groups are based on ISCO - 88, but they are not necessarily the **Major Groups** of ISCO - 88 classification

\* - Excluding Northern and Eastern provinces

\*\* - Including Eastern province but Excluding Northern province

\*\*\* - Excluding Vavunia, Mulathivu, Kilinochchi districts.

\*\*\*\* - All the districts are included



**Table 7A - Currently Employed person by Occupation group - Male (Based on ISCO 88)**

Year	Total	Occupation group										
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	0
*2002	<b>4395164</b>	67276	146656	215548	151511	318172	379695	1024190	596472	335568	1097444	62633
**2003	<b>4833483</b>	71574	161375	236263	167584	260270	464633	1109200	711720	368452	1205366	77047
***2004 1st Q	<b>5037384</b>	62095	212829	265840	156222	256351	550478	921979	739623	460188	1347881	63897
****2004 2nd Q	<b>5009079</b>	73408	169102	247005	176146	373383	446487	983327	733192	426400	1380630	40022

**Table 7B - Currently Employed person by Occupation group - Female (Based on ISCO 88)**

Year	Total	Occupation group										
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	0
*2002	<b>2124250</b>	18277	205582	101215	132209	88819	130453	554835	339005	38020	511066	4769
**2003	<b>2179272</b>	16469	206279	105370	136245	68526	164096	525090	372716	51088	529971	3423
***2004 1st Q	<b>2299324</b>	23557	251004	124161	144618	47673	199722	475122	375212	41953	614803	1500
****2004 2nd Q	<b>2263501</b>	27535	198887	115444	122668	70422	174411	471578	395311	28244	659001	1044

**Occupation group**

1 Senior Officials and Managers

2 Professionals

3 Technical and Associate Professionals

4 Clerks

5 Proprietors and Managers of Enterprises

6 Sale and Service workers

7 Skilled Agricultural and Fishery workers

8 Craft and Related workers

9 Plant and Machine operators and Assemblers

10 Elementary occupations

0 Unidentified

Note: It is to be noted here that these occupation groups are based on ISCO - 88, but they are not necessarily the **Major Groups** of ISCO - 88 classification

# - The estimates in these cells have a CV value around 20 percent

\* - Excluding Northern and Eastern provinces

\*\* - Including Eastern province but Excluding Northern province

\*\*\* - Excluding Vavunia, Mulathivu, Kilinochchi districts.

\*\*\*\* - All the districts are included

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

(SECOND QUARTER 2004)

MAJOR INDUSTRIAL GROUP	TOTAL	0*	1 - 9	10 - 19	20 - 29	30 - 39	40 - 49	50 & OVER
Total	100.0	12.3	2.0	6.8	13.5	14.2	29.2	22.0
1	100.0	9.8	3.0	10.5	17.8	18.5	26.4	14.0
2	100.0	17.3	0.6	5.4	10.9	11.3	34.2	20.4
3	100.0	23.4	2.5	7.1	10.7	12.5	25.9	17.8
4	100.0	10.4	1.5	4.7	9.3	10.3	24.9	38.9
5	100.0	1.5	..	6.7	6.8	12.7	23.8	48.5
6	100.0	7.7	2.3	2.3	9.3	10.5	23.6	44.3
7	100.0	7.5	..	0.5	8.3	12.8	48.1	22.8
8	100.0	8.6	1.9	3.3	11.2	7.8	43.6	23.5
9	100.0	32.3	1.7	1.8	14.9	30.9	17.8	0.6
10	100.0	6.4	1.8	2.5	3.0	9.6	50.4	26.4
11	100.0	9.6	6.2	6.1	15.1	7.7	23.8	31.5
12	100.0	9.3	..	3.8	10.9	5.1	7.7	63.2
13	100.0	12.6	1.4	8.8	18.2	15.3	33.2	10.5
14	100.0	10.1	2.6	10.0	17.5	8.5	30.5	20.8

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

.. Negligible

**Industry group**

1 Agriculture Forestry and Fishery (A,B)

2 Manufacturing (D)

3 Construction (F)

4 Wholesale and Retail Trade, Repair of Motor Vehicles, Motorcycles and Personal and Household Goods (G)

5 Hotels and Restaurants (H)

6 Transport, Storage and Communication (I)

7 Financial Intermediation and Real Estate, Renting and Business Activities (J,K)

8 Public Administration and Defence, Compulsory Social Security (L)

9 Education (M)

10 Health and Social work (N)

11 Other Community, Social and Personal Service Activities (O)

12 Private Households with Employed Persons (P)

13 Miscellaneous Labour work

14 Other (C,E,Q)

**Other**

Minning & Quarrying (C)

Electricity, Gas and Water supply (E)

Extra Territorial Organizations & bodies (Q)

Industries not adequately described

Note: The tabulation groups based on ISIC (Rev.3) are indicated as A,B,C.....Q. Due to the limitations on reliability (based on CV), some of these have been combined.

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

(SECOND QUARTER 2004)

MAJOR INDUSTRIAL GROUP	TOTAL	0 *	1 - 9	10 - 19	20 - 29	30 - 39	40 - 49	50 & OVER
Total	100.0	10.9	1.6	5.9	12.4	13.9	29.2	26.1
1	100.0	10.1	2.0	8.2	15.1	19.0	27.2	18.4
2	100.0	14.3	0.4	5.4	10.8	11.2	34.0	23.8
3	100.0	24.1	2.6	6.9	9.7	12.9	25.6	18.3
4	100.0	9.2	1.3	3.8	8.6	10.0	25.7	41.3
5	100.0	1.9	..	5.7	6.4	10.7	23.5	51.9
6	100.0	7.3	2.0	2.5	8.5	11.1	22.7	46.0
7	100.0	3.8	..	0.1	7.0	17.7	43.1	28.3
8	100.0	5.1	1.2	3.5	11.2	7.3	43.3	28.5
9	100.0	23.3	1.5	3.5	18.5	27.5	24.2	1.5
10	100.0	4.1	..	..	4.9	3.6	58.4	29.0
11	100.0	8.9	3.1	8.1	11.8	8.6	21.9	37.7
12	100.0	..	..	8.6	23.0	4.1	8.2	56.1
13	100.0	10.4	1.7	8.6	19.5	13.1	35.2	11.6
14	100.0	11.3	2.1	9.9	19.0	8.3	27.3	22.1

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

..Negligible

**Industry group**

1 Agriculture Forestry and Fishery (A,B)

2 Manufacturing (D)

3 Construction (F)

4 Wholesale and Retail Trade,Repair of Motor Vehicles, Motorcycles and Personal and Household Goods (G)

5 Hotels and Restaurants (H)

6 Transport, Storage and Communication (I)

7 Financial Intermediation and Real Estate, Renting and Business Activities (J,K)

8 Public Administration and Defence,Compulsory Social Security (L)

9 Education (M)

10 Health and Social work (N)

11 Other Community,Social and Personal Service Activities (O)

12 Private Households with Employed Persons (P)

13 Miscellaneous Labour work

14 Other (C,E,Q)

**Other**

Minning & Quarrying (C)

Electricity,Gas and Water supply (E)

Extra Teritorial Organizations & bodies (Q)

Industries not adequately described

Note: The tabulation groups based on ISIC (Rev.3) are indicated as A,B,C.....Q.Due to the limitations on reliability ( based on CV),some of the have been combined.

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

(SECOND QUARTER 2004)

MAJOR INDUSTRIAL GROUP	TOTAL	0 *	1 - 9	10 - 19	20 - 29	30 - 39	40 - 49	50 & OVER
Total	100.0	15.5	3.1	8.8	15.9	14.9	29.0	12.8
1	100.0	9.2	4.7	14.9	22.7	17.6	24.9	6.0
2	100.0	20.8	0.9	5.3	10.9	11.4	34.5	16.3
3	100.0	..	..	15.6	46.7	..	37.7	..
4	100.0	15.6	2.1	8.7	12.1	11.3	21.5	28.8
5	100.0	..	..	10.5	8.4	19.6	25.1	36.4
6	100.0	12.1	6.0	..	19.8	3.2	35.9	22.9
7	100.0	16.3	..	1.6	11.4	0.9	60.1	9.7
8	100.0	18.3	3.9	2.9	11.0	9.4	44.5	10.1
9	100.0	38.4	1.9	0.6	12.5	33.2	13.4	..
10	100.0	7.4	2.6	3.6	2.2	12.3	46.7	25.2
11	100.0	11.7	15.7	..	25.1	4.9	29.6	13.1
12	100.0	14.2	..	1.3	4.4	5.6	7.5	67.0
13	100.0	26.5	..	10.6	9.8	29.7	20.5	2.8
14	100.0	4.6	4.7	10.7	10.0	9.9	45.8	14.3

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

.. Negligible

**Industry group**

1 Agriculture Forestry and Fishery (A,B)

2 Manufacturing (D)

3 Construction (F)

4 Wholesale and Retail Trade,Repair of Motor Vehicles,  
Motorcycles and Personal and Household Goods (G)

5 Hotels and Restaurants (H)

6 Transport, Storage and Communication (I)

7 Financial Intermediation and Real Estate,  
Renting and Business Activities (J,K)

8 Public Administration and Defence,Compulsory Social Security (L)

9 Education (M)

10 Health and Social work (N)

11 Other Community,Social and Personal Service Activities (O)

12 Private Households with Employed Persons (P)

13 Miscellaneous Labour work

14 Other (C,E,Q)

**Other**

Minning & Quarrying (C)

Electricity,Gas and Water supply (E)

Extra Teritorial Organizations & bodies (Q)

Industries not adequately described

Note: The tabulation groups based on ISIC (Rev.3) are indicated as A,B,C.....Q.Due to the limitations on reliability ( based on CV),some of the have been combined.

**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 + YRS
*1990	100.0	20.3	40.3	19.3	13.2	7.1
*1991	100.0	19.3	42.2	16.7	15.8	6.0
*1992	100.0	19.2	40.9	20.4	13.4	6.1
*1993	100.0	20.4	38.5	18.9	15.5	6.8
*1994	100.0	22.4	41.2	15.6	15.5	5.5
*1995	100.0	21.1	38.2	20.1	15.1	5.5
*1996	100.0	24.0	39.3	18.1	14.3	4.3
*1997	100.0	22.5	41.5	19.0	12.7	4.3
*1998	100.0	21.9	40.8	17.6	13.6	6.0
*1999	100.0	23.9	40.5	17.2	12.5	5.9
*2000	100.0	19.5	44.4	18.4	11.9	5.8
*2001	100.0	21.2	45.4	17.8	10.4	5.1
*2002	100.0	19.8	47.1	16.6	11.0	5.5
**2003	100.0	19.9	45.8	17.2	11.6	5.6
***2004 1st Q	100.0	21.6	42.4	16.5	11.5	8.0
**** 2004 2nd Q	100.0	21.2	44.6	16.1	12.1	6.0

\* - Excluding Northern and Eastern provinces

\*\* - Including Eastern province but Excluding Northern province

\*\*\* - Excluding Vavunia, Mulathivu, Kilinochchi districts.

\*\*\*\* - All the districts are included

**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+ YRS
*1990	100.0	23.8	41.2	16.1	9.6	9.2
*1991	100.0	23.0	42.6	15.1	11.7	7.7
*1992	100.0	21.8	42.7	18.5	10.0	7.1
*1993	100.0	24.0	39.5	16.0	12.7	8.0
*1994	100.0	24.3	40.8	13.3	13.4	8.6
*1995	100.0	22.3	38.2	19.0	12.9	7.6
*1996	100.0	27.2	39.6	16.9	10.9	5.4
*1997	100.0	25.0	41.5	17.2	11.5	4.8
*1998	100.0	27.7	39.6	16.5	9.5	6.7
*1999	100.0	27.6	40.6	14.3	9.3	8.2
*2000	100.0	24.0	46.4	15.2	9.1	5.3
*2001	100.0	25.4	46.3	15.0	7.1	6.2
*2002	100.0	22.2	49.1	13.5	8.3	6.9
**2003	100.0	22.7	47.6	14.8	8.3	6.6
***2004 1st Q	100.0	21.9	47.0	14.3	7.5	9.3
**** 2004 2nd Q	100.0	24.1	42.5	14.4	10.7	8.2

**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+ YRS
*1990	100.0	17.0	39.4	22.2	16.6	5.0
*1991	100.0	16.3	42.0	18.0	19.2	4.6
*1992	100.0	16.7	39.1	22.2	16.9	5.3
*1993	100.0	12.8	34.1	23.7	21.8	7.7
*1994	100.0	16.7	37.6	21.4	20.6	3.9
*1995	100.0	19.9	38.3	21.2	17.2	3.4
*1996	100.0	21.0	39.0	19.2	17.4	3.2
*1997	100.0	20.1	41.6	20.7	13.8	3.8
*1998	100.0	17.1	41.8	18.6	17.0	5.4
*1999	100.0	20.2	40.5	20.0	15.6	3.7
*2000	100.0	15.1	42.3	21.5	14.8	6.3
*2001	100.0	16.7	44.5	20.9	14.1	3.8
*2002	100.0	17.5	45.1	19.5	13.7	4.2
**2003	100.0	17.2	44.1	19.4	14.7	4.6
***2004 1st Q	100.0	21.4	37.5	18.8	15.8	6.6
**** 2004 2nd Q	100.0	18.3	46.6	17.8	13.4	3.9

\* - Excluding Northern and Eastern provinces

\*\* - Including Eastern province but Excluding Northern province

\*\*\* - Excluding Vavunia, Mulathivu, Kilinochchi districts.

\*\*\*\* - All the districts are included

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

YEAR	TOTAL	LEVEL OF EDUCATION			
		BELOW GRADE 5	GRADES 5 - 9/ YEARS 6 - 10	GCE(O/L) NCGE	GCE(A/L) HNCE AND ABOVE
*1990	100.0	8.5	49.7	26.5	15.4
*1991	100.0	9.0	45.7	30.3	15.1
*1992	100.0	9.2	50.5	27.0	13.7
*1993	100.0	8.3	44.9	28.7	18.0
*1994	100.0	8.6	44.9	28.3	18.2
*1995	100.0	5.5	47.1	29.1	18.4
*1996	100.0	7.9	47.1	26.1	19.0
*1997	100.0	5.7	44.7	28.2	21.4
*1998	100.0	5.8	44.2	27.1	22.9
*1999	100.0	4.4	41.9	29.2	24.5
*2000	100.0	3.1	45.6	26.0	25.3
*2001	100.0	3.6	40.7	27.3	28.4
*2002	100.0	4.7	40.7	25.2	29.4
**2003	100.0	4.8	40.2	26.1	28.9
***2004 1st Q	100.0	6.6	40.1	25.8	27.5
**** 2004 2nd Q	100.0	6.3	39.8	23.3	30.6

\* - Excluding Northern and Eastern provinces  
 \*\* - Including Eastern province but Excluding Northern province  
 \*\*\* - Excluding Vavunia, Mulathivu, Kilinochchi districts.  
 \*\*\*\* - All the districts are included

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

YEAR	TOTAL	LEVEL OF EDUCATION			
		BELOW GRADE 5	GRADES 5 - 9/ YEARS 6 - 10	GCE(O/L) NCGE	GCE(A/L) HNCE AND ABOVE
*1990	100.0	10.6	57.7	23.3	8.4
*1991	100.0	11.2	53.2	25.0	10.5
*1992	100.0	9.9	57.4	25.1	7.9
*1993	100.0	11.4	47.7	28.0	12.9
*1994	100.0	11.4	50.3	27.0	11.3
*1995	100.0	5.3	54.4	29.4	10.9
*1996	100.0	8.7	56.9	23.8	10.6
*1997	100.0	7.0	54.5	25.0	13.5
*1998	100.0	6.7	54.8	24.7	13.9
*1999	100.0	4.8	48.3	29.1	17.8
*2000	100.0	3.9	54.7	26.0	15.4
*2001	100.0	4.4	50.9	25.2	19.5
*2002	100.0	5.6	50.1	24.7	19.6
**2003	100.0	5.5	47.3	27.7	19.5
***2004 1st Q	100.0	3.9	47.2	29.1	19.7
**** 2004 2nd Q	100.0	11.2	44.2	25.3	19.3

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

YEAR	TOTAL	LEVEL OF EDUCATION			
		BELOW GRADE 5	GRADES 5 - 9/ YEARS 6 - 10	GCE(O/L) NCGE	GCE(A/L) HNCE AND ABOVE
*1990	100.0	6.4	42.2	29.5	21.9
*1991	100.0	7.1	39.6	34.5	18.8
*1992	100.0	8.5	43.6	28.9	19.4
*1993	100.0	5.7	42.5	29.4	22.5
*1994	100.0	6.9	39.6	29.6	24.9
*1995	100.0	5.7	40.0	28.8	25.5
*1996	100.0	7.1	37.6	28.3	27.0
*1997	100.0	4.5	35.3	31.3	28.9
*1998	100.0	5.1	35.4	29.1	30.5
*1999	100.0	4.0	35.5	29.3	31.2
*2000	100.0	2.3	36.3	26.1	35.3
*2001	100.0	2.6	29.7	29.7	38.0
*2002	100.0	3.9	31.4	25.6	39.1
**2003	100.0	4.0	33.5	24.6	37.8
***2004 1st Q	100.0	9.3	32.8	22.4	35.5
**** 2004 2nd Q	100.0	1.5	35.6	21.4	41.5

- \* - Excluding Northern and Eastern provinces
- \*\* - Including Eastern province but Excluding Northern province
- \*\*\* - Excluding Vavunia, Mulathivu, Kilinochchi districts.
- \*\*\*\* - All the districts are included



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

(SECOND QUARTER 2004)

SECTOR	TOTAL	LEVEL OF EDUCATION			
		BELOW GRADE 5	GRADE 5 - 9/ YEAR 6 - 10	GCE(O/L)/ NCGE	GCE(A/L)/ HNCE AND ABOVE
BOTH SECTORS	724183	45482	288464	168751	221486
URBAN	138690	5766	57942	34720	40262
* RURAL	585493	39716	230522	134031	181224

\* Including estate sector

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

(SECOND QUARTER 2004)

SECTOR	TOTAL	LEVEL OF EDUCATION			
		BELOW GRADE 5	GRADE 5 - 9/ YEAR 6 - 10	GCE(O/L)/ NCGE	GCE(A/L)/ HNCE AND ABOVE
BOTH SECTORS	100.0	6.3	39.8	23.3	30.6
URBAN	100.0	4.2	41.8	25.0	29.0
* RURAL	100.0	6.8	39.4	22.9	31.0

\* Including estate sector

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

(SECOND QUARTER 2004)

SEX	TOTAL	DURATION		
		LESS THAN 6 MONTHS	6 TO LESS THAN 12 MONTHS	12 + MONTHS
BOTH SEXES	638569	102702	53389	482478
%	100.0	16.1	8.4	75.6
MALE	315832	56773	29967	229092
%	100.0	18.0	9.5	72.5
FEMALE	322737	45929	23422	253386
%	100.0	14.2	7.3	78.5

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

(SECOND QUARTER 2004)

SEX	ALL RESIDENTIAL SECTORS	URBAN SECTOR	RURAL SECTOR
BOTH SEXES	567615	111841	455774
%	100.0	19.7	80.3
MALE	262933	47846	215086
%	100.0	18.2	81.8
FEMALE	304683	63995	240688
%	100.0	21.0	79.0

**TABLE 14 - CURRENTLY UNEMPLOYED PERSONS BY REASONS FOR NOT ACTIVELY SEEKING WORK SEX AND SECTOR (PERCENTAGE)**

(SECOND QUARTER 2004)

SEX & SECTOR	REASONS FOR NOT ACTIVELY SEEKING WORK			
	TOTAL	DISCOURAGED NOT ABLE TO GET A JOB	BELIEVE NO SUITABLE WORK AVAILABLE	OTHER REASON
TOTAL	100.0	60.3	10.1	29.6
MALE	100.0	47.9	5.6	46.5
FEMALE	100.0	68.2	12.9	18.8
TOTAL	100.0	60.3	10.1	29.6
URBAN	100.0	32.2	..	67.8
* RURAL	100.0	69.6	13.4	17.0

.. Negligible

\* Including estate sector

**TABLE 15 - NUMBER OF PERSONS NOT IN THE LABOUR FORCE BY REASONS FOR NOT IN THE LABOUR FORCE SEX AND SECTOR (PERCENTAGE)**

(SECOND QUARTER 2004)

SEX & SECTOR	TOTAL NOT IN LABOUR FORCE	REASONS				
		ENGAGED IN STUDIES	HOUSEHOLD WORK	DISABLE OR INFIRM	RETIRED	OTHER REASONS
TOTAL	100.0	37.9	40.3	2.5	14.7	4.6
MALE	100.0	60.2	3.2	4.1	24.3	8.2
FEMALE	100.0	28.2	56.5	1.8	10.5	3.0
TOTAL	100.0	37.9	40.3	2.5	14.7	4.6
URBAN	100.0	33.7	46.3	2.2	12.7	5.1
* RURAL	100.0	38.8	39.1	2.6	15.1	4.5

\* Including estate sector

**TABLE 16 - 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 2004)

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)	
<b>ALL AGES</b>	16524967	7858495	47.6	7199531	91.6	658964	8.4	8666472
10 - 14 YRS	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
15 - 19 YRS	1845532	415886	22.5	264108	63.5	151778	36.5	1429646
20 - 24 YRS	1957781	1173911	60.0	882358	75.2	291553	24.8	783870
25 - 29 YRS	1452855	948630	65.3	856349	90.3	92281	9.7	504225
30 - 39 YRS	2925283	1975134	67.5	1893168	95.9	81966	4.1	950149
40 + YRS	6473937	3320926	51.3	3282949	98.9	37976	1.1	3153011

\* Reliable estimates cannot be provided due to small cell sizes.

**TABLE 17 - 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	12881060	6330442	49.2	5684159	89.8	646288	10.2	6550616
*1999	13168850	6385690	48.5	5791504	90.7	594187	9.3	6783178
*2000	13564020	6515494	48.0	5976066	91.7	539429	8.3	7048533
*2001	13871282	6441843	46.4	5922538	91.9	519305	8.1	7429439
*2002	14201396	6836316	48.1	6247168	91.4	589148	8.6	7368139
**2003	15651479	7416523	47.4	6799148	91.7	617375	8.3	8232348
***2004 1st Q	16315638	7800596	47.8	7124682	91.3	675914	8.7	8515042
****2004 2nd Q	16524967	7858495	47.6	7199531	91.6	658964	8.4	8666472

\* - Excluding Northern and Eastern provinces

\*\* - Including Eastern province but Excluding Northern province

\*\*\* - Excluding Vavunia, Mulathivu, Kilinochchi districts.

\*\*\*\* - All the districts are included

**TABLE 18 - STANDARD ERROR AND COEFFICIENT OF VARIATION OF SELECTED VARIABLES**

	Estimated Value	Standard Error	Coefficient of Variation (%)	Estimated Value (Ratio)	Standard Error	Coefficient of Variation (%)
<b>General labour force characteristics</b>						
Population ( 10 years & over)	16524967	294904	1.78	-	-	-
Employed Population	7313647	156555	2.14	-	-	-
Unemployed Population	724183	49728	6.87	-	-	-
Employment Rate	-	-	-	0.91	0.005	0.60
Unemployment Rate	-	-	-	0.09	0.005	6.03
Labour Force	8037830	176369	2.19	-	-	-
Not in Labour Force	8487137	190142	2.24	-	-	-
<b>Employed persons by major industry Groups</b>						
1	2608143	136361	5.23	-	-	-
2	1239447	65586	5.29	-	-	-
3	390334	33461	8.57	-	-	-
4	879046	54300	6.18	-	-	-
5	82110	12193	14.85	-	-	-
6	460019	37868	8.23	-	-	-
7	193161	20639	10.68	-	-	-
8	503919	40015	7.94	-	-	-
9	244823	24872	10.16	-	-	-
10	89361	15064	16.86	-	-	-
11	116973	15372	13.14	-	-	-
12	78772	14981	19.02	-	-	-
13	289233	31796	10.99	-	-	-
14	138304	23310	16.85	-	-	-
<b>Unemployed persons by level of education</b>						
Below grade 5	45482	10256	22.55	-	-	-
Grade 5 - 9/Year 6 - 10	288464	30742	10.66	-	-	-
G.C.E.(O/L)/N.C.G.E.	168751	22592	13.39	-	-	-
G.C.E.(A/L)/H.N.C.E. & above	221486	23237	10.49	-	-	-

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|---|--|
| 1 Agriculture Forestry and Fishery (A,B)  | 8 Public Administration and Defence,Compulsory Social Security (L) |
| 2 Manufacturing (D)   | 9 Education (M)  |
| 3 Construction (F)  | 10 Health and Social work (N)                                      |
| 4 Wholesale and Retail Trade,Repair of Motor Vehicles, Motorcycles and Personal and Household Goods (G) | 11 Other Community,Social and Personal Service Activities (O)      |
| 5 Hotels and Restaurants (H)  | 12 Private Households with Employed Person ( P )                   |
| 6 Transport, Storage and Communication (I)  | 13 Miscellaneous Labour work                                       |
| 7 Financial Intermediation and Real Estate, Renting and Business Activities (J,K)                       | 14 Other (C,E,Q)   |
|   | <b>Other</b>   |
|   | Minning & Quarrying ( C )  |
|   | Electricity,Gas and Water supply ( E)                              |
|   | Extra Teritorial Organizations & bodies (Q)                        |
|   | Industries not adequately described                                |