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- Nil

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000 Thousand

Gg Gigagram (000 Tonne)

GWh Million kilowatt hour

c.i.f. Cost, insurance and freight

f.o.b. Free on board

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INTRODUCTION

The Republic of Mauritius is a group of islands in the South West of the Indian Ocean, consisting of the main island of Mauritius, Rodrigues and several outer islands located at distances greater than 350 km from the main island. Mauritius has been successively a Dutch, French and British colony. It became independent of Britain on 12th March 1968 and acceded to the status of Republic within the Commonwealth on 12th March 1992. The country has a Westminster type of Parliamentary government. The official language is English, but French is widely spoken.

The population, estimated at 1.2 million, comprises Indo-Mauritians, General population, i.e, people of mixed European and African origin and Sino-Mauritians.

The islands of Mauritius and Rodrigues, with a total area of 1,969 sq km, have an overall population density of 612 persons per sq km. About 46% of the area is allocated to agriculture, 20% is occupied by built-up areas and 2% by public roads; the remaining consists of forests, scrub land, grasslands and grazing lands, reservoirs and ponds, swamps and rocks.

The climate is sub-tropical. The average mid-day temperature on the central plateau varies from 21°C in August to 27°C in February. Near the coastal regions, temperatures are about 4-5°C higher.

During the past thirty years, the Mauritian economy has diversified from a sugar-cane monocrop economy in the 1970's to one based on sugar, manufacturing (mainly textiles and garments) and tourism in the 1980's. Global business (offshore) and freeport activities have also been growing continuously since the mid 1990s.

The economy in 2005 grew by 2.5% and the Gross National Income per capita at market prices reached 149,717 rupees. Unemployment rate is estimated at about 9.6% while inflation stood at 4.9% in 2005.

CONCEPTS & DEFINITIONS

2. Population and Vital Statistics

- 2.1 *Median age* The age which divides the population into two equal-size groups, one of which is younger and the other older than the median.
- 2.2 *Dependency ratio* The ratio of the combined child population under 15 years and population aged 65 years and over per 1,000 population of intermediate age (15-64 years).
- 2.3 *Crude birth rate* Number of live births registered in a year per 1,000 mid-year population.
- 2.4 *Total fertility rate* Average number of children born to an average woman under certain conditions.
- 2.5 *Crude death rate* Number of deaths occurring in a year per 1,000 mid-year population.
- 2.6 *Marriage rate* Number of persons civilly married in a year per 1,000 mid-year population.
- 2.7 *Divorce rate* Number of persons granted divorce in a year per 1,000 mid-year population.

3. Health

- 3.1 *Life expectancy at birth* The average number of years that a newly born child is expected to live under certain conditions.
- 3.2 *Early neonatal mortality rate* Number of deaths in a year of infants under 7 days of age per 1,000 live births during the year.
- 3.3 *Late neonatal mortality rate* Number of deaths in a year of infants aged from 7 to 27 days per 1,000 live births during the year.
- 3.4 *Perinatal mortality rate* Combined number of deaths of infants aged under 7 days and number of still births in a year per 1,000 total births (live+still) during the year.
- 3.5 *Infant mortality rate* Number of deaths in a year of infants aged under one year per 1,000 live births during the year.

Concepts & definitions (contd.)

4. Education

- 4.1 *Gross Enrolment* ratio
Number of students enrolled per 100 population aged

- 4-5 years for pre-primary level

- 6-11 years for primary level

- 12-19 years for secondary level
- 4.2 *Literacy rate*
Percentage of persons aged 12+ years who can, with understanding, both read and write a simple statement.

5. Labour

- 5.1 *Labour force*
Number of persons who are either working (employed) or not working, looking for work and available for work (unemployed).
- 5.2 *Activity rate*
Number of persons aged 15 years and above in the labour force as a % of the total number of persons aged 15 years and above.
- 5.3 *Unemployment* rate
Number of unemployed as a % of the labour force.

8. Household income and expenditure

- 8.1 *Gini Coefficient*
Measures the degree of inequality in the income distribution of households. It varies between 0 for complete equality and 1 for complete inequality.
- 8.2 *Median monthly income of* households
That value which divides the distribution of monthly household income into two parts such that 50% of households have an income above that value and 50% below.

9. Transport and communications

- 9.1 *Casualties*
The total number of fatalities and persons injured as a result of road accidents.
- 9.2 *Fatality*
Prior to 2002, fatality was defined as death occurring within seven days as a result of road accidents. From 1 January 2002, the definition changed to death occurring within 30 days as a result of road accident.

Concepts & definitions (contd.)

9.3 *Fatality index*

The number of fatalities per 100 casualties.

16. National accounts

16.1 *Gross Domestic*

The aggregate money value of all goods and services produced within a country out of economic activity during a specified period usually a year, before provision for the consumption of fixed capital.

Product (GDP)

16.2

GDP at basic

prices

GDP at basic prices is obtained as the difference between output and intermediate consumption whereby output is valued at basic prices and intermediate consumption at purchasers' prices.

The basic price is the amount receivable by the producer exclusive of taxes on products and inclusive of subsidies on products. The equivalent for imported products is the c.i.f. value, i.e. the value at the border of the importing country.

The purchasers' price is the amount payable by the purchaser exclusive of deductible taxes on products (e.g. deductible value added tax).

16.3

GDP at market

prices

GDP at basic prices plus taxes (net of subsidies) on products.

16.4

*Financial Intermediation
Services Indirectly*

FISIM is obtained as the difference between interest received and interest paid by banks excluding those received on own funds.

Measured (FISIM)

Concepts & definitions (contd.)

16.5	<i>Final Consumption Expenditure</i>	Consumption expenditure is made up of final consumption expenditure of households and of government. Government final consumption expenditure consists of collective and individual consumption expenditure. Collective expenditure consists of the services which government provides to the community as a whole, e.g. security and defence, whereas individual expenditure is made up of expenses incurred in providing services which are mostly beneficial to individuals, e.g. health and education.
16.6	<i>Gross Domestic Fixed Capital Formation (GDFCF)</i>	The net additions to the physical assets of the country in a year. These consist mainly of investment in buildings, plants, machinery & transport equipment, all valued at market prices.
16.7	<i>Gross National Income (GNI)</i>	GDP at market prices plus net primary income from the rest of the world gives GNI.
16.8	<i>Gross National Disposable Income (GNDI)</i>	The sum of GNI and net transfers from the rest of the world.
16.9	<i>Gross National Savings</i>	Disposable income (GNDI) less final consumption expenditure gives Gross National Savings.
18. External trade		
18.1	<i>Domestic Exports</i>	Exports of goods of national origin.
18.2	<i>Re-exports</i>	Goods exported in the same condition as imported or after undergoing minor operations which leave them essentially unchanged.

1. CLIMATE

Mean temp. (°C) - 2005

	Island of Mauritius		Island of Rodrigues	
	Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.
January	23.1	30.5	24.6	30.2
February	22.8	29.9	24.4	29.9
March	22.6	29.5	25.3	30.8
April	21.4	29.1	24.1	28.7
May	20.2	26.7	22.1	27.1
June	17.9	25.1	20.5	25.9
July	17.3	24.1	19.9	24.9
August	16.9	24.3	18.4	24.2
September	18.1	24.7	19.3	24.7
October	17.9	25.8	20.0	25.7
November	19.3	27.3	20.9	26.9
December	21.0	29.3	22.6	28.3

Rainfall (millimetres) - 2005

	Island of Mauritius	Island of Rodrigues
January	148	68
February	407	179
March	727	143
April	117	230
May	126	105
June	139	125
July	174	94
August	106	76
September	233	96
October	64	23
November	48	43
December	83	47

Total for the year

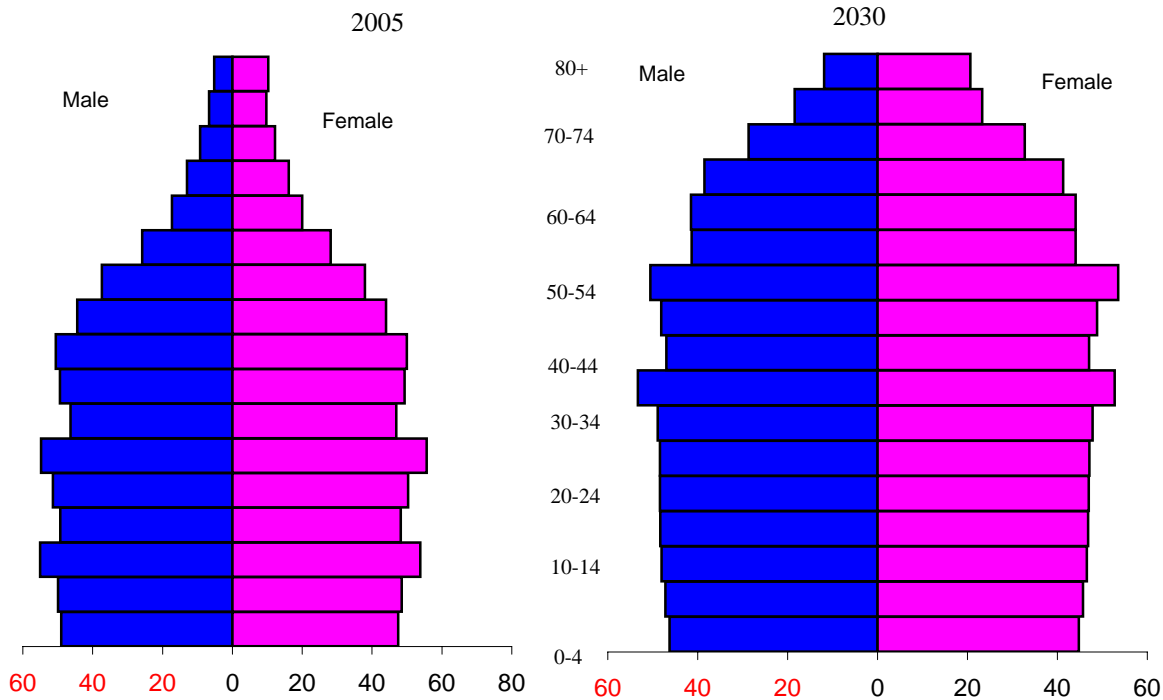
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2. POPULATION & VITAL STATISTICS

	2000	2004 ^{1/}	2005 ^{2/}
Total mid-year resident population ('000)	1,186.9	1,233.4	1,243.2
Male	588.2	610.1	614.8
Female	598.7	623.3	628.4
Age composition (%)			
under 15 years	25.7	24.8	24.5
(15-59) years	65.2	65.8	65.9
(60-64) years	2.8	2.9	3.0
65 years and over	6.3	6.5	6.6
Median age (years)	29.0	30.1	30.4
Dependency ratio	470.4	457.1	450.6
Population density (per km²)	585	607	612
Mid-year geographical distribution ('000)			
Port Louis	128.8	130.5	130.4
Pamplemousses	123.1	129.6	131.2
Riv. du Rempart	99.6	104.2	105.2
Flacq	127.8	133.8	135.0
Grand Port	107.5	111.4	112.3
Savanne	66.8	68.7	69.2
Plaine Wilhems	360.5	372.7	375.1
Moka	76.0	78.6	79.1
Black River	61.0	67.2	68.8
Rodrigues	35.8	36.7	36.9
Vital statistics			
Live births	20,205	19,230	18,829
Deaths	7,982	8,475	8,648
Marriages	10,963	11,385	11,294
Divorces	1,191	1,162	1,133
¹ Revised		² Provisional	

	2000	2004 ^{1/}	2005 ^{2/}
Vital statistics (contd.)			
Crude birth rate	17.0	15.6	15.1
Total fertility rate	2.0	1.9	1.8
Crude death rate	6.7	6.9	7.0
Marriage rate	18.5	18.5	18.2
Divorce rate	2.0	1.9	1.8
	2010	2020	2030
Projected population ('000)			
	1,293.2	1,383.4	1,448.9
Male	638.4	682.3	714.9
Female	654.8	701.1	734.0
Age composition (%)			
under 15 years	22.5	20.7	19.2
15-59 years	66.5	63.4	60.0
60-64 years	3.9	5.6	5.9
65 years and over	7.1	10.3	14.9
Population pyramid ('000)			



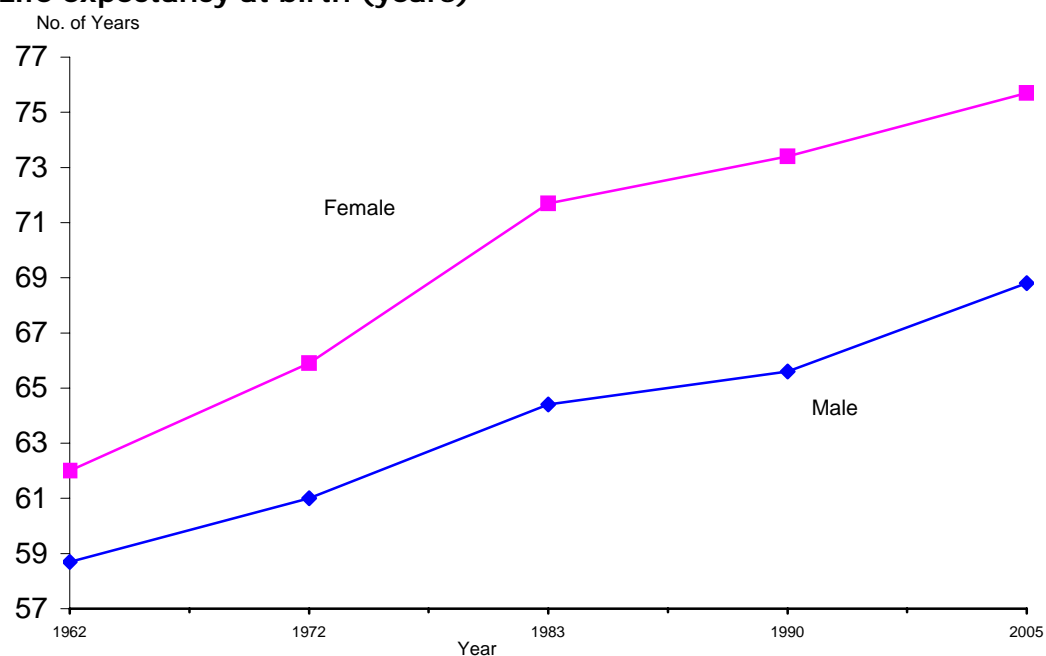
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² Provisional

3. HEALTH

	2000	2004 ¹	2005 ²
Life expectancy at birth (years)			
<i>Male</i>	68.2	68.7	68.8
<i>Female</i>	75.3	75.6	75.7
Early neonatal mortality rate	9.0	7.9	6.7
Late neonatal mortality rate	3.6	2.9	3.1
Perinatal mortality rate	21.9	17.7	16.4
Infant mortality rate	15.9	14.4	13.2
Deaths per 100,000 of 45-64 yrs old			
<i>Male</i>	1,314	1,285	1,295
<i>Female</i>	744	710	694

Life expectancy at birth (years)



	2000	2004 ¹	2005 ²
Health facilities			
Hospitals ³	15	14	14
Hospital beds	3,990	3,704	3,724
Area health centres ⁴	27	27	27
Mediclinics	2	2	2
Community health centres	121	122	125
Private clinics	13	11	12

¹ Revised. ² Provisional. ³ Including two health centres with beds in Rodrigues.

⁴ Including Y. Cantin and Mahebourg Community Hospitals.

	2000	2004 ¹	2005 ²
Health facilities (contd.)			
Medical practitioners	1,080	1,303	1,342
Dentists	146	167	172
Nurses & midwives ³	2,773	2,774	2,893
Pharmacists	247	286	305
Population per doctor	1,099	950	930
Population per dentist	8,129	7,412	7,258
Deaths (per 100,000 population)			
Circulatory system	258	262	261
Respiratory system	62	54	61
Neoplasms	63	78	74
Injury & poisoning	42	43	41
Diabetes mellitus	100	135	146
Renal failure	21	14	15
% Deaths			
Circulatory system ⁴	37	38	38
Respiratory system	9	8	9
Neoplasms	9	11	11
Injury & poisoning	6	6	6
Diabetes mellitus ⁴	15	20	21
Renal failure	3	2	2
Public expenditure on health as % of			
Total public expenditure	8.4	9.0	8.9
GDP at market prices	2.0	2.3	2.2

¹ Revised ² Provisional ³ Public sector only

⁴ revised in the light of 2005 data following application of the new revision (10th) of the International Classification of Diseases (ICD 10) for the coding of underlying causes of death

4. EDUCATION

	2000	2004	2005
Pre-primary			
Schools	1,087	1,070	1,072
Enrolment	39,232	37,483	37,356
<i>Male</i>	19,677	19,120	18,934
<i>Female</i>	19,555	18,363	18,422
Gross enrolment ratio	96	96	94
<i>Male</i>	95	96	93
<i>Female</i>	96	96	95
Teaching staff	2,448	2,474	2,501
Pupil/teacher ratio	16	15	15
Primary			
Schools	291	289	291
Enrolment	135,237	126,226	123,562
<i>Male</i>	68,711	64,019	62,729
<i>Female</i>	66,526	62,207	60,833
Gross enrolment ratio	104	102	102
<i>Male</i>	105	103	103
<i>Female</i>	104	101	102
Teaching staff ¹	5,178	5,741	5,531
<i>Male</i>	2,326	2,195	2,064
<i>Female</i>	2,852	3,546	3,467
Pupil/teacher ratio ²	36	29	30
Cert. of Primary Education (% pass)	66.4	63.0	64.9
<i>Male</i>	61.2	57.9	59.0
<i>Female</i>	71.8	68.4	71.2

	2000	2004	2005
Secondary - Academic			
Schools	134	176	188
Enrolment	95,448	105,988	110,287
<i>Male</i>	46,399	50,910	52,988
<i>Female</i>	49,049	55,078	57,299
Gross enrolment ratio	60	66	67
<i>Male</i>	58	63	64
<i>Female</i>	63	70	71
Teaching staff	5,140	6,396	6,785
<i>Male</i>	2,658	2,994	3,082
<i>Female</i>	2,482	3,402	3,703
Pupil/teacher ratio	19	17	16
School Certificate (% pass)	76.6	77.5	78.4
<i>Male</i>	74.7	75.4	75.2
<i>Female</i>	78.3	79.4	81.2
Higher School Certificate (% pass)	72.3	76.2	78.2
<i>Male</i>	67.4	72.5	73.6
<i>Female</i>	76.9	79.4	82.0
Secondary - Pre-vocational ³			
Schools	25	126	147
Enrolment	4,695	8,488	9,845
<i>Male</i>	3,344	5,457	6,121
<i>Female</i>	1,351	3,031	3,724
Teaching staff	296	578	648
<i>Male</i>	157	224	239
<i>Female</i>	139	354	409
Pupil/teacher ratio	16	15	15

	2000	2003	2004
Vocational & Technical Training⁴			
Schools	12	12	12
Enrolment	5,450	7,061	7,083
<i>Male</i>	4,684	5,436	5,421
<i>Female</i>	766	1,625	1,662
Post-secondary⁵	00/01	04/05	05/06
Schools	3	5	5
Enrolment	10,041	14,232	14,290
<i>Male</i>	4,422	5,987	6,418
<i>Female</i>	5,619	8,245	7,872
Polytechnics⁶			
Enrolment	997	1,346	1,197
<i>Male</i>	761	942	816
<i>Female</i>	236	404	381
Mauritius College of the Air			
Distance Education Courses			
Enrolment	1,444	2,278	1,365
<i>Male</i>	191	680	282
<i>Female</i>	1,253	1,598	1,083
Literacy rate	2000	2004	2005
<i>Male</i>	88.7	...	...
<i>Female</i>	81.5	...	...
Public expenditure on education⁷			
as a % of (Year ending 30th June)	00/01	04/05	05/06
Total public expenditure	15.0	13.9	14.3
GDP at market prices	3.5	3.7	3.8

¹ General purpose teachers and Asian language teachers. ² Pupils per general purpose teacher. ³ State Secondary Sch., State Secondary Vocational Sch., M. Gandhi Secondary Schools, R. Tagore Institute, Gandhian Basic School and Private Secondary Schools ⁴ Industrial & Vocational Training Board Centres.

⁵ The University of Mauritius, The Mauritius Institute of Education, The Mahatma Gandhi Institute & The University of Technology, Mauritius. As from 2003/2004, figures include Mauritius Institute of Health. ⁶ Swami Dayanand Institute of Management, Lycee Sir Guy Forget, Institut Superieur de Technologie. ⁷ Figures revised for years 2004/05

5. ENVIRONMENT

	2000	2004	2005 ¹
Greenhouse gas (Gg)			
Emissions			
Carbon dioxide	2,456.8	2795.5	...
Oxides of nitrogen	13.8	15.2	...
Carbon monoxide	66.3	66.9	...
Sulphur dioxide	28.9	32.7	...
Removals			
Carbon dioxide	229.2	223.7	...
Net emissions			
Carbon dioxide	2,227.6	2572	...
Carbon dioxide emissions			
from fossil fuels (Gg)	2,454	2,793.8	...
Energy industries	1,185.4	1430.5	...
Manufacturing industries	357.4	362.3	...
Transport	735.8	807.1	...
Residential	141.7	154.2	...
Other (Agriculture and Commerce)	33.7	39.7	...
Solid Waste landfilled (tonne)	265,815	381,203	389,950
Number of E.I.A² licenses issued			
	92	85	55
Land parcelling (morcellement)	31	21	19
Poultry rearing	26	-	-
Industrial development	7	1	5
Coastal hotels and related works	11	-	-
Housing	4	-	-
Other	13	63	31

	2000	2004	2005 ¹
Number of PER³. licenses issued	....	119	88
Land parcelling (morcellement)	...	19	16
Poultry rearing	...	30	22
Industrial development	...	30	8
Coastal hotels and related works	...	-	4
Housing	...	-	10
Other	...	40	28
Number of complaints received			
at the Dept. of Environment	1,906	1,705	1,473
Noise	555	444	342
Solid waste	586	177	201
Air pollution	71	129	154
Waste water	150	180	289
Odour	251	328	272
Other	293	447	215

¹ Provisional

² Environment Impact Assessment (EIA)

³ Preliminary Environmental Report (PER)

Note: Licences were issued as from September 2002

6. LABOUR

	2004	2005
Labour Force- Mauritians ('000)¹	532.1	542.5
Male	348.2	349.4
Female	183.9	193.1
Activity rate (%)¹	58.2	58.6
Male	77.4	76.6
Female	39.7	41.1
Employment- Mauritians ('000)¹	487.0	490.4
Male	327.9	329.1
Female	159.1	161.3
Unemployment ('000)¹	45.1	52.1
Male	20.3	20.3
Female	24.8	31.8
Unemployment rate¹	8.5	9.6
Male	5.8	5.8
Female	13.5	16.5
Employment- Foreigners ('000)²	17.5	16.6
Male	9.0	9.1
Female	8.5	7.5
Total Employment by sector ('000) ³	504.5	507.0
Primary sector	49.3	49.3
Secondary sector	177.3	170.9
Manufacturing	125.2	118.2
Electricity and water supply	3.0	3.0
Construction	49.1	49.7
Tertiary sector	277.9	286.8
Trade, hotels & restaurants	103.2	105.9
Transport, storage & communications	35.9	36.0
Financial intermediation, real estate, renting and business activities	26.0	28.4
Other services	112.8	116.5

Average earnings & Wage rate index

	2000	2004 ⁵	2005 ⁶
Average monthly earnings (rupees)	8,178	11,103	12,061
Primary sector	6,585	9,302	9,789
Sugar cane	6,159	8,580	9,054
Secondary sector	6,131	8,178	8,698
Manufacturing	5,544	7,299	7,798
<i>EPZ</i> ⁴	4,774	6,196	6,696
Electricity & water supply	13,515	18,456	19,457
Construction	8,746	11,465	12,042
Tertiary sector	10,328	13,391	14,367
Trade, hotels & restaurants	8,562	10,493	11,227
Transport, storage & communications	11,502	15,189	15,982
Financial intermediation, real estate, renting and business activities	11,974	15,085	16,105
Other services	10,466	13,925	15,042
Wage Rate Index (base: 2000=100)	100.0	130.7	136.9

¹ The Continuous Multi-Purpose Household Survey is used, as from 2004, as the instrument to measure labour force, employment and unemployment. Estimates refer to the Mauritian population aged 15 years and above, and exclude foreign workers

² Data on foreigners are obtained from surveys of employment and earnings

³ Including Foreigners

⁴ Export Processing Zone

⁵ Revised

⁶ Provisional

7. PRICE INDICES

	Weight	2004	2005
Consumer Price Index (base: July 2001-June 2002=100)	1,000	112.1	117.6
Food & non-alcoholic beverages	299	112.5	119.1
Alcoholic beverages & tobacco	86	119.8	127.0
Clothing & footwear	60	105.0	106.3
Housing, water, electricity, gas & other fuels	96	107.1	110.8
Furnishings, hhold.equip.& hhold. maintenance	80	107.6	112.8
Health	28	117.1	122.4
Transport	139	111.2	118.2
Communication	31	134.4	135.0
Recreation and culture	53	103.6	105.4
Education	24	111.7	119.2
Restaurants and hotels	50	113.7	122.1
Miscellaneous goods and services	54	114.7	119.2
Inflation rate(%) - calendar year		4.7	4.9
Export Price Index (base: 2003=100)	10,000	107.3¹	112.5²
Food & live animals	3,234	104.9	111.5
- <i>Sugar</i>	2,789	<i>105.9</i>	111.4
Manufactured goods	426	100.9	101.4
Misc. manufactured goods	6,340	108.7	113.4
- <i>Apparel & clothing accessories</i>	6,159	<i>108.6</i>	113.0

	Weight	2004	2005
Import Price Index (base 2003 = 100)	10,000	111.1¹	128.8²
Food & live animals	1,621	112.2	124.6
Mineral fuel, lubricants and related materials	1,789	124.5	181.2
<i>Petroleum, Petroleum products and related materials</i>	1,554	124.3	183.9
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	3,776	108.6	117.8
-Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles, n.e.s	2,590	105.6	110.1
Machinery and transport equipment	1,134	102.6	108.8

Producer Price Index

(Manufacturing: Base year 1998 = 100)

Manufacturing	1,000	129.7	139.4
Food	305	122.3	129.0
Beverages & tobacco	182	151.9	164.2
Other	513	126.3	136.8
Construction Price Index	1,000	114.8	123.6

(residential: base: 4th Qr.2001=100)

Labour	345	107.8	111.1
Hire of plant	30	102.1	104.2
Materials	572	120.5	133.8
Transport	53	105.3	105.3

¹ Revised.

² Provisional

8. HOUSING & HOUSEHOLDS

	1990*	2000*
Buildings ('000)	209.9	268.3
<i>of which - % wholly residential</i>	<i>90.1</i>	<i>89.4</i>
<i>- % partly residential</i>	<i>3.5</i>	<i>4.4</i>
 Residential & partly residential buildings		
Year of construction (%)		
Before 1985	70.6	38.9
1985 - 1989	20.1	14.8
1990 - 1994	1.1 ¹	17.5
1995 - April 2000	...	24.3
Not completed but inhabited	4.9	2.0
Not known	3.3	2.5
 Construction materials (%)		
Concrete walls & roof	70.6	86.3
Concrete walls & iron or tin roof	7.3	3.9
Iron or tin walls and roof	18.2	8.1
Wood walls & iron or tin or shingle roof	2.3	0.9
Other	1.6	0.7
Average no. of housing units per building	1.21	1.24
 Housing units ('000)		
Ownership (%)		
Private	98.6	99.1
Public	1.3	0.4
Not stated	0.1	0.5
 Occupancy (%)		
Occupied	97.5	94.8
Vacant	2.5	5.2

¹ Buildings constructed from January to April 1990

* Census figures

	1990*	2000*
Average no. of rooms per housing unit	3.9	4.6
Average no. of persons per room	1.2	0.9
Average no. of households per housing unit	1.10	1.07
Households ('000)	236.1	296.3
Tenure (%)		
Owner	75.9	86.5
Tenant	14.8	9.3
Subtenant	0.4	-
Free	8.8	4.1
Other	0.1	-
Amenities (%)		
Piped water	95.2	98.7
Electricity	96.9	99.0
Toilet	99.3	99.8
<i>of which: flush toilet</i>	<i>62.8</i>	<i>88.8</i>
Bathroom	94.5	99.0
Kitchen	97.5	99.2
Acceptable refuse disposal	68.4	97.0
Fuel used for cooking (%)		
Wood & charcoal	26.3	4.5
Kerosene	21.7	3.4
Electricity	1.5	0.5
Gas	50.3	91.5
Other	0.2	0.1
% female-headed	17.6	17.5
% one-parent	8.1	7.7
% 60+ years living alone	2.8	3.0
Average household size	4.5	3.9

* Census figures

9. HOUSEHOLD INCOME & EXPENDITURE

Household Budget Survey
91/92 96/97 01/02²

Household income

Average household size	4.3	4.1	3.9
Income earners per household	1.6	1.9	1.9
Average monthly income (rupees)	6,503	10,179	14,232
Median monthly income (rupees)	5,300	7,870	11,150
1/2 median monthly income (rupees)	2,650	3,935	5,575
% hholds with < 1/2 med. mthly income	13.7	14.2	13.1
Gini coefficient	0.379	0.387	0.371

Income share

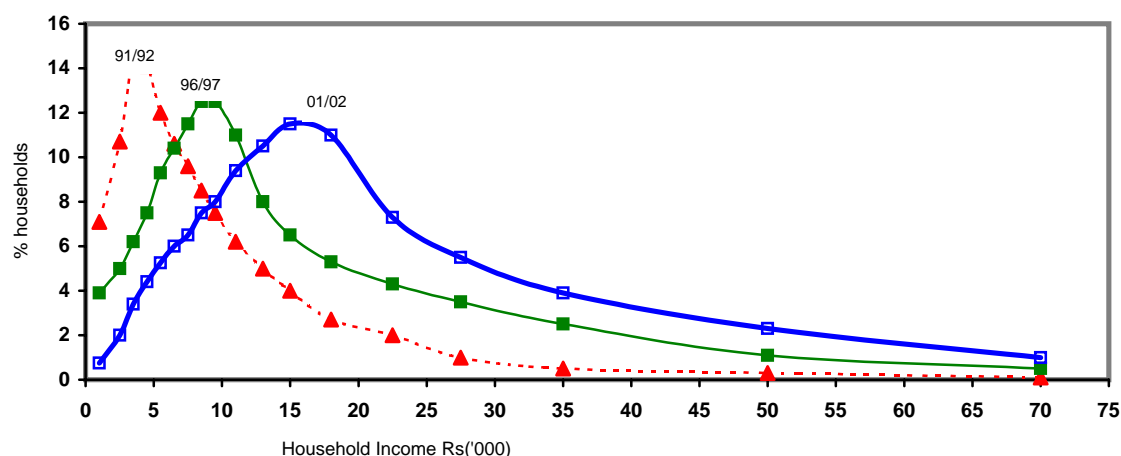
% of total income going to:

Lowest 20% of households	6.4	5.9	6.4
Highest 20% of households	43.5	46.2	44.0
Ratio of highest 20% to lowest 20%	6.8	7.8	6.9

Household consumption expenditure¹

Average monthly expenditure (rupees)	5,225	7,846	10,220
Median monthly expenditure (rupees)	4,136	6,136	8,154
1/2 median monthly expend. (rupees)	2,068	3,068	4,077
% hholds with < 1/2 med. mthly expend.	11.9	13.3	12.3

Trends in monthly household income distribution



¹ Unadjusted for under reporting.

² Revised.

Household Budget Survey

96/97

01/02⁴

Consumption pattern

Monthly household consumption¹ expenditure² (%)

Food & non-alcoholic beverages		33.7	31.6
Alcoholic beverages & tobacco		8.9	9.1
Clothing & footwear		7.7	6.4
Housing, water, electricity, gas & other fuels		9.6	9.3
Furnishing, household equipment & routine household maintenance		7.8	6.0
Health		3.4	2.5
Transport		11.5	12.6
Communication		2.1	3.3
Recreation and culture		4.0	4.6
Education		2.6	3.7
Restaurants and hotels		4.7	6.1
Miscellaneous goods and services		3.8	4.8

Per capita consumption (kg/year)³

2000⁴

2004

2005

Selected food items

Wheat flour	76.5	76.6	....
Milled rice	55.9	53.0	....
Potatoes	18.2	18.8	....
Sugar	34.0	34.9	....
Fresh vegetables	82.2	71.5	....
Oils & fats	28.4	29.3	....
Fresh milk (litres)	6.2	6.1	....
Powdered milk	13.6	13.6	....
Pulses	10.1	10.4	....
Eggs	9.4	9.6	....
Meat & meat preparations	39.0	41.8	....
Banana	7.2	9.7	....
Other fresh fruits	16.4	17.7	....
Fish & fish preparations	23.1	19.8	....

¹ Classification of Individual Consumption According to Purpose

² Adjusted for under reporting ³ Source: Food balance sheet

⁴ Revised

⁵ Provisional

10. TRANSPORT & COMMUNICATIONS

	2000	2004	2005
Road transport			
Motor-vehicles registered ('000)	244.0	291.6	305.5
Private cars	49.9	70.9	78.0
Taxi cars	5.0	6.5	6.8
Vans	18.8	23.3	24.0
Dual purpose vehicles	34.9	40.7	42.0
Lorries & trucks	10.5	11.8	12.0
Buses	2.4	2.5	2.6
Motor cycle	24.5	28.6	30.9
Autocycle	92.0	100.8	102.5
Other vehicles	6.0	6.5	6.7
Road traffic accidents			
Number of accidents	18,278	19,495	22,554
Rate (per 100,000 population)	1,588	1,629	1,869
Rate (per 1,000 registered motor-vehicles)	77	69	76
Motor-vehicles involved			
Number	33,537	35,506	43,741
Rate (per 1,000 reg. motor-vehicles)	142	126	148
Casualties			
Number	3,291	2,951	2,760
Fatal ¹	163	144	136
Seriously injured	266	245	358
Slightly injured	2,862	2,562	2,266
Fatality			
Rate (per 100,000 population)	14.16	12.03	11.27
Rate (per 1,000 registered motor-vehicles)	0.69	0.51	0.46
Index	4.95	4.83	4.93
Private cars per 1,000 households	169	228	247
Length of roads (kilometres)	1,926	2,020	2,020
Vehicles per kilometre of road	127	144	151

¹ For year 2000, figures were based on definition of fatal accidents whereby deaths were caused within 7 days of road accidents but for years 2002 onwards figures are based on new definition of fatal accidents whereby deaths are caused within 30 days of road accidents.

	2000	2004	2005
Air transport			
Landings	8,349	9,316	9,705
Freight loaded ('000 tonnes)	21.2	26.0	25.2
Freight unloaded ('000 tonnes)	20.1	22.4	23.9
Sea transport			
Arrivals	1,658	1,330	1,407
Goods loaded ('000 tonnes)	1,514	1,773	1,197
Goods unloaded ('000 tonnes)	3,677	4,696	4,709
Communication			
Radio operators	1	4	4
Television operators	4	4	4
Television sets licensed ('000)	223.9	260.3	277.9
Telephone connection lines('000)	284.6	353.1	357.5
National calls registered ¹ ('000,000)	506.6	534.5	543.3
International outgoing telephone traffic ('000 minutes)	34,641	45,539	55,713
Cellular mobile telephone subscribers	126,600	547,831	656,828
Internet subscribers	35,000	65,700²	68,400
Local press	41	42	44
Dailies	6	7	9
-English & French	4	5	7
-Other	2	2	2
Weeklies	29	32	33
-English & French	23	25	28
-Other	6	7	5
Others	6	3	4
-English & French	6	2	2
-Other	-	1	2

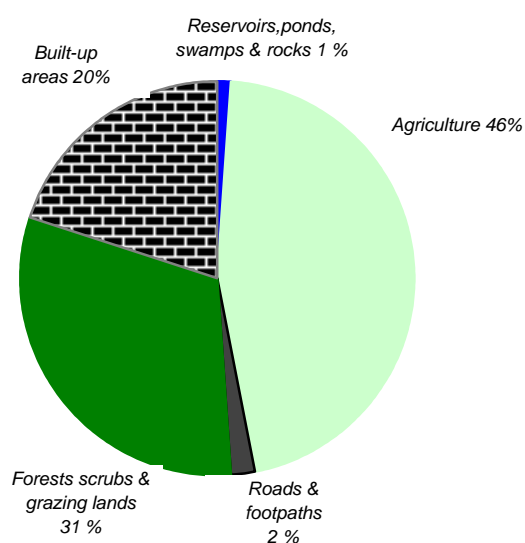
¹ Calls irrespective of duration

² Revised

11. LAND UTILIZATION

1995*

	Area (Hectares)
Whole island	186,500
Agriculture	86,500
Sugarcane	76,840
Other agricultural activities	9,660
Forests scrubs & grazing lands	57,000
Reservoirs, ponds, swamps & rocks	2,600
Roads & footpaths	4,000
Built-up areas	36,400



	2000	2004¹	2005²
Effective area cultivated	(Hectares)		
Sugar cane	76,962	72,957	71,583
Tea	670	674	670
Tobacco	397	352	276
Land under irrigation	19,506	21,417	20,658
Overhead	15,951	17,548	16,761
Surface	2,020	1,837	1,768
Drip	1,535	2,032	2,129

* Source: Initial National Communication under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, April 1999.

¹ revised

² Provisional

12. AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION

	2000	2004 ¹	2005 ²
PRODUCTION ('000 tonnes)			
Crop products			
Sugarcane	5,109.5	5,280.4	4984.0
Foodcrops	114.5	111.6	99.7
Tea leaf	6.4	7.2	6.8
Fruits	21.5	25.5	24.5
Tobacco leaf ³	0.5	0.4	0.4
Products from slaughtered			
and live animals	45.1	51.1	50.9
Poultry meat	25.6	30.9	31.5
Milk	4.0	4.0	4.0
Eggs	12.0	12.9	12.2
Fishing	7.8	9.4	9.0
(Million rupees)			
VALUE ADDED	7,144.0	9,663.2	9411.7
Crop products			
Sugarcane	3,741.0	5,094.0	4870.5
Foodcrops	1,130.5	1,364.9	1236.0
Tea leaf	52.3	63.6	58.9
Fruits	163.8	190.0	178.9
Tobacco leaf ³	30.2	24.5	20.9
Animals & animal products	815.6	1,136.2	1238.3
Fishing	292.9	400.0	409.8

¹ Revised

² Provisional

³ crop year

13. INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION

	2000	2004 ¹	2005 ²	
Quantity produced (selected commodities)				
Sugar	('000 tonnes)	569.3	572.3	519.8
Molasses	"	144.0	155.8	145.9
Tea	"	1.3	1.5	1.4
Iron bars & steel	"	46.0	59.0	60.5
Fertilizers		83.7	89.4	85.0
Denatured spirit	('000 H. Litres)	6.4	5.2	5.3
Beer and stout	"	374.9	363.7	339.0
Wine (country liq	"	41.2	45.2	52.8
Electricity genera	(GWh)	1,775.5	2,138.0	2,242.2
Manufacturing				
Growth rate				
Manufacturing	+7.9	+0.3	-5.0	
Manufacturing excluding sugar	+7.0	0.0	-4.8	
EPZ ³	+6.0	-6.8	-12.3	
Labour Productivity Index⁴ (2000=100)				
Manufacturing	100.0	119.0	114.6	
EPZ ³	100.0	113.4	102.9	
Capital Productivity Index (2000=100)				
Manufacturing	100.0	91.2	84.4	
EPZ ³	100.0	77.8	64.7	
Unit Labour Cost Index⁴ (2000=100)				
Manufacturing	100.0	116.2	125.3	
EPZ ³	100.0	128.5	145.5	

¹ Revised

² Provisional

³ EPZ (Export Processing Zone): This comprises enterprises operating mainly for export and benefiting from certain fiscal incentives (particularly tax). Around 90% of the output of the EPZ consists of textiles and wearing apparel.

⁴ The indices are for the whole manufacturing sector.

14. ENERGY

	2000	2004 ¹	2005 ²
Imports of energy sources ('000 tonnes)			
Gasolene	89.8	87.7	86.8
Diesel oil	339.7	319.7	329.9
Dual purpose kerosene	217.4	256.8	248.0
<i>-Aviation fuel</i>	<i>190.0</i>	<i>227.0</i>	<i>220.1</i>
Fuel oil	218.8	288.8	329.9
LPG	47.3	53.8	62.7
Coal	222.4	331.8	379.3
Re-export and Bunkering³ ('000 tonnes)			
Aviation fuel	87.5	88.4	96.9
Diesel oil	160.0	105.2	135.4
Fuel oil	57.6	40.1	54.7
Electricity generated⁴ (GWh)			
Hydro	95.7	122.3	114.9
Wind	...	0.4	0.4
Thermal	1681.9	2042.5	2156.8
Peak demand(MW), Mauritius			
	283.9	332.6	353.1
Rodrigues	3.8	5.6	6.0
Electricity sales (GWh)			
	1,374.0	1,703.9	1,776.6
Domestic	491.9	575.0	607.6
Commercial	374.8	516.2	556.3
Industrial (general)	458.6	554.1	550.2
Industrial (irrigation)	27.2	23.8	27.1
No. of electricity consumers ('000)			
	323.7	357.5	368.3
Domestic	288.5	319.4	328.7
Commercial	27.8	30.5	31.9
Industrial (general)	6.6	6.8	6.9
Industrial (irrigation)	0.4	0.4	0.4

¹ Revised. ² Provisional ³ Pertaining to sales of fuel to foreign vessels

⁴ Includes electricity generated for own use by Independent Power Producers

15. GOVERNMENT FINANCE

	00/01	03/04	04/05
Budgetary central government	(Million rupees)		
Total revenue & grants	22,796	33,594	36,019
Total revenue	22,597	32,976	35,575
Current revenue	22,597	32,906	35,192
Tax revenue	20,190	29,068	32,718
<i>-Tax on income, profits & capital gains</i>	3,039	4,669	5,829
<i>-Domestic taxes on goods & services</i>	9,466	15,531	17,465
<i>-Import duties</i>	6,349	7,385	7,731
Non tax revenue	2,407	3,838	2,474
<i>-Property income</i>	1,749	2,689	1,235
Capital revenue	...	70	383
Grants	199	618	444
Total expenditure & lending minus repayments	25,382	42,382	45,024
Total expenditure	31,582	41,963	44,387
General government services	5,363	7,187	7,398
Community & social services	15,494	21,540	23,166
<i>-Education</i>	4,357	6,133	6,743
<i>-Health</i>	2,547	3,765	3,948
<i>-Social Security</i>	6,160	7,887	8,725
Economic services	4,687	4,268	4,109
<i>-Agriculture, forestry, fishing & hunting</i>	1,329	1,571	1,550
<i>-Transportation & communication</i>	1,855	1,092	726
Other functions	6,038	8,968	9,714
<i>-Public debt interest</i>	5,177	6,586	7,184
Lending minus repayments	-6,200	419	637
Overall deficit	-2,586	-8,788	-9,005
Overall deficit excluding PF and NIDF¹	-5,469	-8,788	-9,005
Budgetary central government			
debt (end of period)	60,561	93,447	105,816
Domestic debt	53,745	85,002	96,584
Foreign debt	6,816	8,445	9,232

¹ Privatisation Fund and National Infrastructure Development Fund (lending minus repayments).

16. MONEY & BANKING

	(December)		
	2000	2004	2005
	(Million rupees)		
Aggregate monetary resources	94,887	148,632	169,719
Money supply	13,299	23,617	25,959
Currency with the public	6,648	10,731	11,744
Demand deposits	6,651	12,886	14,215
<i>Bank of Mauritius</i>	<i>87</i>	<i>203</i>	<i>418</i>
<i>Commercial banks</i>	<i>6,564</i>	<i>12,683</i>	<i>13,797</i>
Quasi-money	81,588	125,014	143,760
Domestic credit	84,843	136,707	157,090
Claims on public sector	13,631	38,047	41,076
Claims on private sector & financial Institutions	71,212	98,660	116,014
Net International reserves	33,554	52,824	56,397
Bank of Mauritius	24,840	44,948	41,116
Commercial banks	8,188	6,917	14,513
Reserves position with the IMF and Government Foreign Assets	526	959	768
Foreign exchange rates (selling - June)			
Euro	25.02	34.42	35.95
France (FR F 1)	3.82	...	...
Germany (DE M 1)	12.79	...	...
India (IN R 100)	60.00	63.00	69.00
Japan (JP Y 100)	24.97	26.24	27.21
South Africa, Rep. of (SA R 1)	3.90	4.63	4.47
United States (US D 1)	26.26	28.46	29.55
United Kingdom (GB P 1)	39.83	51.55	53.77

Source: Bank of Mauritius

17. NATIONAL ACCOUNTS

	2000 ¹	2004 ¹	2005 ¹
Gross Domestic Product (GDP)			
at current prices			
(i) Value added by sector (million rupees)			
Primary	7,491	9,751	9,536
<i>Agriculture, hunting, forestry & fishing</i>	7,328	9,664	9,448
<i>Mining & quarrying</i>	163	87	88
Secondary	32,420	44,297	44,402
<i>Manufacturing</i>	24,701	31,799	31,987
<i>Electricity, gas & water supply</i>	1,820	3,663	3,377
<i>Construction</i>	5,899	8,835	9,038
Tertiary	71,250	106,320	118,159
<i>Wholesale & retail trade; repair of motor vehicles motorcycles, personal & household goods</i>	12,810	17,327	19,417
<i>Hotels and restaurants</i>	6,872	11,302	12,426
<i>Transport, storage & communication</i>	13,663	19,983	22,097
<i>Financial intermediation</i>	10,156	14,875	16,756
<i>Real estate, renting & business activities</i>	9,341	14,669	16,589
<i>Public administration & defence; compulsory social security</i>	7,043	10,580	11,460
<i>Education</i>	4,761	7,087	7,780
<i>Health and social work</i>	3,106	5,107	5,584
<i>Other services</i>	3,498	5,390	6,050
FISIM	-5,955	-7,818	-8,866
GDP at basic prices	105,206	152,550	163,231
Taxes on products (net of subsidies)	15,085	23,172	23,177
GDP at market prices	120,290	175,722	186,408

	2000 ¹	2004 ¹	2005 ¹
Per capita GDP at market prices (rupees)	101,326	142,438	149,901
Sectoral contribution to GDP at basic prices (%)			
Primary	7.1	6.4	5.8
Secondary	30.8	29.0	27.2
Tertiary	67.8	69.7	72.4
FISIM	-5.7	-5.1	-5.4
(ii) By expenditure component			
Final consumption expenditure on goods and services (million rupees)	89,522	136,863	156,336
<i>Households</i>	<i>72,536</i>	<i>111,820</i>	<i>128,968</i>
<i>General government :</i>	<i>16,986</i>	<i>25,043</i>	<i>27,368</i>
<i>Individual</i>	<i>7,106</i>	<i>10,343</i>	<i>11,145</i>
<i>Collective</i>	<i>9,880</i>	<i>14,700</i>	<i>16,223</i>
Gross Domestic Fixed Capital			
Formation (GDFCF)	27,595	38,003	39,574
<i>Private sector</i>	<i>19,866</i>	<i>26,345</i>	<i>27,662</i>
<i>Public sector</i>	<i>7,729</i>	<i>11,658</i>	<i>11,912</i>
Increase in inventories ²	3,846	5,021	2,074
Exports of goods & services	73,841	94,859	111,097
Less imports of goods & services	74,513	99,024	122,673
GDP at market prices	120,290	175,722	186,408

	2000 ¹	2004 ¹	2005 ¹
Gross National Income (GNI),			
disposable income and savings			
Net primary income from the rest of the world (R.o.w)	-783	-390	-229
GNI at market prices	119,507	175,332	186,179
Net transfer from r.o.w	1,662	1,374	1,776
Gross National Disposable Income	121,169	176,706	187,955
Less final consumption expenditure	89,522	136,863	156,336
Gross national savings	31,647	39,843	31,619
Per capita GNI at market prices (rupees)	100,666	142,122	149,717
Annual real growth rate (%)			
GDP at basic prices	9.7	4.7	2.5
Final consumption expenditure	4.2	7.2	7.1
<i>Households</i>	<i>3.7</i>	<i>7.8</i>	<i>7.3</i>
<i>General government</i>	<i>6.6</i>	<i>4.6</i>	<i>6.1</i>
GDFCF(including aircraft & vessels)	-8.3	2.2	-2.3
GDFCF(excluding aircraft & vessels)	1.0	4.8	-2.0

¹ Revised estimates

² Includes all statistical discrepancies

18. CONSTRUCTION

	2000	Jan. to Sept. 04	2005
Building permits			
Number issued	8,867	6,583	7,990
<i>of which:</i> -Residential	8,331	6,287	7,538
Floor area covered ('000 m²)	1,510	1,175	1,417
<i>of which:</i> -Residential	1,170	895	1,127
	2000	2004	2005
Employment¹ in construction sector ('000)	45.1	49.1	49.7
Investment in construction			
Value (million rupees)	15,341	23,042	23,509
as a % of GDP at market prices	12.8	13.1	12.6
Investment in the construction of residential buildings			
Value (million rupees)	6,368	7,911	7,678
as a % of GDP at market prices	5.3	4.5	4.1
Share of construction in GDFCF (%)	55.6	60.6	59.0
All construction works			
Residential buildings	23.1	20.8	19.4
Non residential buildings	20.4	26.8	24.3
Other construction works	12.1	13.0	15.2

¹ Revised

² Estimates are based on different data sources; they refer to population aged 12 years and over and include foreign workers.

19. EXTERNAL TRADE

	2000	2004 ¹	2005 ²
Total value of trade (Million rupees)	95,810	131,292	156,741
Total Exports (f.o.b. value)	40,882	54,905	63,370
Domestic exports	37,609	43,676	42,017
Re-exports	1,463	9,028	17,230
Ship's stores & bunkers	1,810	2,201	4,123
Total Imports (c.i.f. value)	54,928	76,387	93,371
Balance of visible trade	-14,046	-21,482	-30,001
Export Processing Zone exports	30,961	32,046	29,187
Export Processing Zone imports	16,399	17,195	15,514
Trade Indices (base: 2003=100)			
Export index (domestic)	100	107	112
Import index	100	111	129
Terms of trade	100	97	87
(ratio of export to import index)			

	(Million rupees)		
Domestic Exports (f.o.b.)	37,609	43,676	42,017
By commodity			
Food and live animals	7,154	13,277	15,141
<i>of which: - Sugar</i>	<i>5,544</i>	<i>9,631</i>	<i>10,181</i>
Beverages & tobacco	34	35	48
Crude materials, inedible except fuels	263	299	389
<i>of which: -Cut flowers and foliage</i>	<i>133</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>100</i>
Animal & vegetable oils & fats	-	1	-
Chemicals	311	387	306
Manufactured goods classified by materials	3,046	3,371	3,450
<i>of which: -Textile yarns, fabrics, made up articles</i>	<i>1,823</i>	<i>1,453</i>	<i>1,334</i>
Machinery & transport equipment	79	152	170
Miscellaneous manufactured goods	26,718	26,136	22,494
<i>of which: -Articles of apparel & clothing</i>	<i>24,755</i>	<i>23,386</i>	<i>19,677</i>
Other	4	18	19

Note: As from 2002, data include transactions of the freeport

¹ Revised

² Provisional

	2000	2004 ¹	2005 ²
Domestic Exports (f.o.b.) (contd.)			
By country of destination		(Million rupees)	
-United Kingdom	11,276	17,185	18,521
-France	7,743	7,400	6,456
-U.S.A.	7,873	7,678	5,592
-Germany	1,414	1,179	823
-Italy	1,515	1,576	1,349
-Netherlands	652	882	670
-Malagasy Republic	1,580	1,018	1,206
-Belgium	897	1,098	1,358
-Reunion	509	774	767
-Spain	869	505	1,032
-Portugal	381	731	524
Re-Exports (f.o.b.)	1,463	9,028	17,230
By commodity			
Food and live animals	47	1,273	1,812
Beverages & tobacco	5	124	157
Crude materials, inedible except fuels	21	150	174
Chemicals	50	552	555
Manufactured goods classified by materials	509	1,211	1,564
Machinery & transport equipment	424	2,338	9,412
Miscellaneous manufactured goods	386	3,296	3,448
Other	21	84	108
By country of destination			
U.A.E		756	5,076
-Malagasy Republic	422	1,671	2,175
-France	193	1,684	1,990
-Reunion	80	711	799
-Italy	21	580	1,999
-India	27	393	144
-Spain	12	355	619
-South Africa	75	283	254
-United Kingdom	86	171	412
-China	14	162	173

Note: As from 2002, data include transactions of the freeport

¹ Revised

² Provisional

	2000	2004 ¹	2005 ²
	(Million rupees)		
Total Imports (c.i.f.)	54,928	76,387	93,371
By commodity			
Food and live animals	6,948	11,947	13,828
<i>-Dairy products & birds' eggs</i>	1,072	1,531	1,815
<i>-Fish & fish preparations</i>	1,058	3,170	4,261
Beverages & tobacco	369	698	839
Crude materials, inedible except fuels	1,654	2,061	2,097
Mineral fuels, lubricants, etc.	6,450	10,020	15,327
<i>-Refined petroleum products</i>	5,634	8,791	13,403
Animal & vegetable oils & fats	455	712	845
Chemicals	4,260	6,412	7,389
<i>-Medical & pharmaceutical products</i>	795	1,476	1,519
Manufactured goods classified by materials	17,570	19,806	19,300
<i>-Paper, paperboard & articles thereof</i>	1,056	1,293	1,435
<i>-Textile yarns, fabrics, made up articles</i>	10,843	9,219	7,427
<i>-Iron & steel</i>	1,041	1,886	2,237
<i>-Manufactures of metals, n.e.s.</i>	1,193	1,952	2,247
Machinery & transport equipment	12,427	17,916	26,250
<i>-Specialised & gen. industrial machinery</i>	4,023	5,819	5,846
<i>-Road vehicles</i>	2,916	4,028	4,217
<i>-Aircraft, marine vessels & parts</i>	135	463	534
Miscellaneous manufactured goods	4,710	6,624	7,260
<i>-Articles of apparel & clothing</i>	507	889	1,194
<i>-Watches, clocks & opticals goods</i>	451	504	587
Other	85	191	236

Note: As from 2002, data include transactions of the freeport

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² Provisional

	2000	2004 ¹	2005 ²
Total Imports (c.i.f.) (contd.)			
By country of origin	(Million rupees)		
-France	5,248	6,818	7,017
-Republic of South Africa	8,198	8,562	8,001
-India	4,821	6,989	6,461
-United Kingdom	2,378	2,377	2,593
-Japan	2,255	3,083	3,341
-Hong Kong	1,881	771	652
-Germany	2,113	2,852	3,799
-Malaysia	1,681	2,285	2,670
-Australia	1,897	2,845	2,698
-Italy	1,815	2,431	2,403
-Taiwan	1,060	1,246	1,718
-China	4,152	7,068	9,167
-Singapore	1,080	1,175	1,586
-U.S.A.	1,601	1,651	2,037
-Switzerland	875	1,444	1,121
-Kuwait	-	218	25
-Belgium	965	1,368	1,487
Regional trade			
COMESA			
Exports to member states ³	2,521	3,623	4,287
Imports from member states	1,535	2,350	2,196
SADC			
Exports to member states ³	701	1,551	1,440
Imports from member states	8,690	9,706	9,400

Note: As from 2002, data include transactions of the freeport

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² Provisional

³ Excluding ship's stores and bunkers

20. BALANCE OF PAYMENTS

	2000	2004	2005 ¹
	(Million rupees)		
CURRENT ACCOUNT	-899	-3,182	-10,082
Goods and services	-2,122	-4,054	-11,576
Goods	-10,201	-15,875	-23,452
Merchandise	-10,117	-15,684	-23,816
Non-monetary gold	-84	-191	364
Services	8,079	11,821	11,876
Transportation	-997	-2,697	-4,103
Travel	9,471	16,447	17,665
Other services	-395	-1,929	-1,686
<i>Private</i>	-129	-1,618	-1,957
<i>Government</i>	-266	-311	271
Income	-437	-378	-272
Direct investment income	-188	-256	-849
Other investment income	-249	267	1,237
Portfolio investment income*	...	-155	-405
Compensation of employees*	...	-234	-255
Current transfers	1,660	1,250	1,766
Private	1,473	717	1,306
Government	187	533	460
CAPITAL AND FINANCIAL ACCOUNT	737	-1,513	5,742
Capital account	-16	-44	-52
Capital transfers	-16	-44	-52
Financial account	753	-1,469	5,794
Financial account (excluding			
reserve assets)	7,168	-2,326	906
Direct investment	6,932	-564	-695
Portfolio investment	-3,695	-1,041	-594
Other investment	4,964	-721	2,195
Reserve assets	-6,415	857	4,888
NET ERRORS AND OMISSIONS	162	4,696	4,340

Source: Bank of Mauritius * Figures available as from year 2001

¹ Preliminary estimates

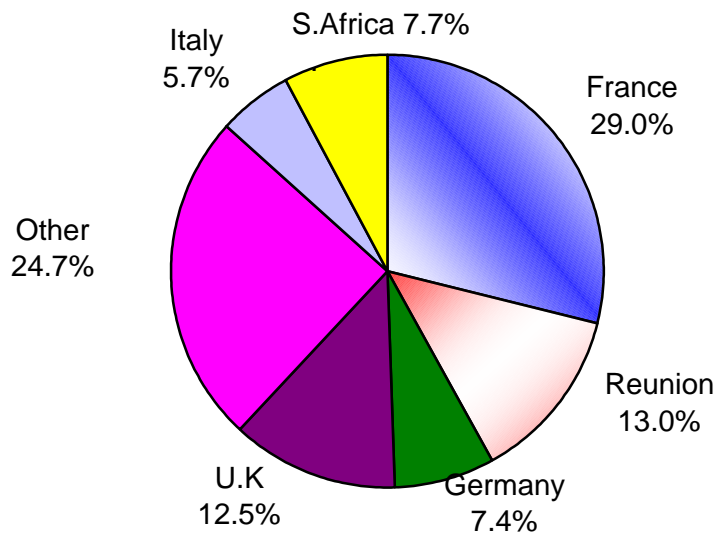
21. INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL & TOURISM

	2000	2004	2005 ¹
Passenger traffic ('000)			
Arrivals	915.2	1,000.5	1,043.9
(i) By gender			
Male	480.9	523.9	544.5
Female	434.3	476.6	499.4
(ii) By type of passenger			
Visitors	678.5	738.5	781.6
<i>of which: -on holiday</i>	<i>602.6</i>	<i>653.8</i>	<i>692.1</i>
<i>-on business</i>	<i>27.0</i>	<i>30.4</i>	<i>30.2</i>
Residents	216.7	239.9	239.4
Other	20.0	22.1	22.9
Departures	895.6	979.3	1,029.7
(i) By gender			
Male	469.9	511.7	538.1
Female	425.7	467.6	491.6
(ii) By type of passenger			
Visitors	667.2	718.8	773.9
Residents	212.9	240.8	236.5
Other	15.5	19.7	19.3
Inter-island passenger traffic			
From Mauritius to Rodrigues	49,530	60,862	53,534
<i>Male</i>	<i>28,280</i>	<i>34,467</i>	<i>29,805</i>
<i>Female</i>	<i>21,250</i>	<i>26,395</i>	<i>23,729</i>
From Rodrigues to Mauritius	49,981	60,830	53,987
<i>Male</i>	<i>29,436</i>	<i>34,314</i>	<i>29,447</i>
<i>Female</i>	<i>20,545</i>	<i>26,516</i>	<i>24,540</i>

¹ Provisional

	2000	2004	2005 ²
Tourist arrivals ('000)	656.5	718.9	761.1
France	198.4	210.4	220.4
Germany	52.9	52.3	56.0
Italy	39.0	41.3	43.5
Reunion	86.9	96.5	99.0
Republic of South Africa	48.7	52.6	58.4
United Kingdom	74.5	92.7	95.4
Other countries	156.1	173.1	188.4

Tourist arrivals by country of residence (2005)



	2000	2004	2005 ²
Number of licensed hotels	95	103	99
Number of rooms	8,657	10,640	10,497
Number of bed places	17,776	21,355	21,072
Room occupancy rate (%)	70	63	63
Bed occupancy rate (%)	62	56	57
Tourist nights ('000)	6,413	7,119	7,537
Tourist receipts (Million rupees)	14,234	23,448	25,704
Average length of stay (nights)	10.4	10.6 ^{1/}	10.7
Average expend. per tourist (rupees)	21,683	32,618	33,774

¹ Revised.

² Provisional

22. SOCIAL SECURITY

	99/00	03/04 ¹	04/05 ²
Non-contributory benefits			
No. of beneficiaries ('000) ³	166.5	184.0	187.1
Total amount paid (million rupees)	3,331.4	4,882.2	5,324.1
Contributory benefits⁴			
(National Pensions Fund)			
No. of employees paying contribution ¹ ('000)	277.5	288.6	286.8
Contributions collected ⁵ (million rupees)	979.0	1,256.1	1,312.9
Surcharge collected (million rupees)	6.9	9.8	1.0
No. of beneficiaries ('000) ³	45.7	55.8	58.6
Total amount paid (million rupees)	288.9	467.0	517.5
Public expenditure on social security and welfare as a % of			
Total public expenditure	21.7	20.8	22.1
GDP at market prices	5.3	5.3	5.3

Benefits by type⁶, 2004/05

Beneficiaries (000) as at June 2005	Amount Paid 04/05 (R Mn)
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Non-contributory benefits	187.1	5,324.2
-Old age pension	120.8	3,486.2
-Widows pension	22.7	639.4
-Invalids pension	25.6	867.2
-Orphans pension	0.4	14.1
-Social Aid	17.6	317.3
Contributory benefits	58.6	517.5
-Retirement pension	37.9	375.9
-Widows pension (All ages)	14.1	91.5
-Invalids pension	5.6	22.7
-Orphans pension	0.1	0.2
-Industrial injury benefits	0.9	27.2

¹ Revised. ² Provisional. ³ As at June. ⁴ Excludes public and parastatal sectors.

⁵ Ratio of contribution is 2/3 from employers & 1/3 from employees. Excludes surcharge paid by employers. ⁶ A person receiving several benefits is counted several times.

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