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FOREWORD

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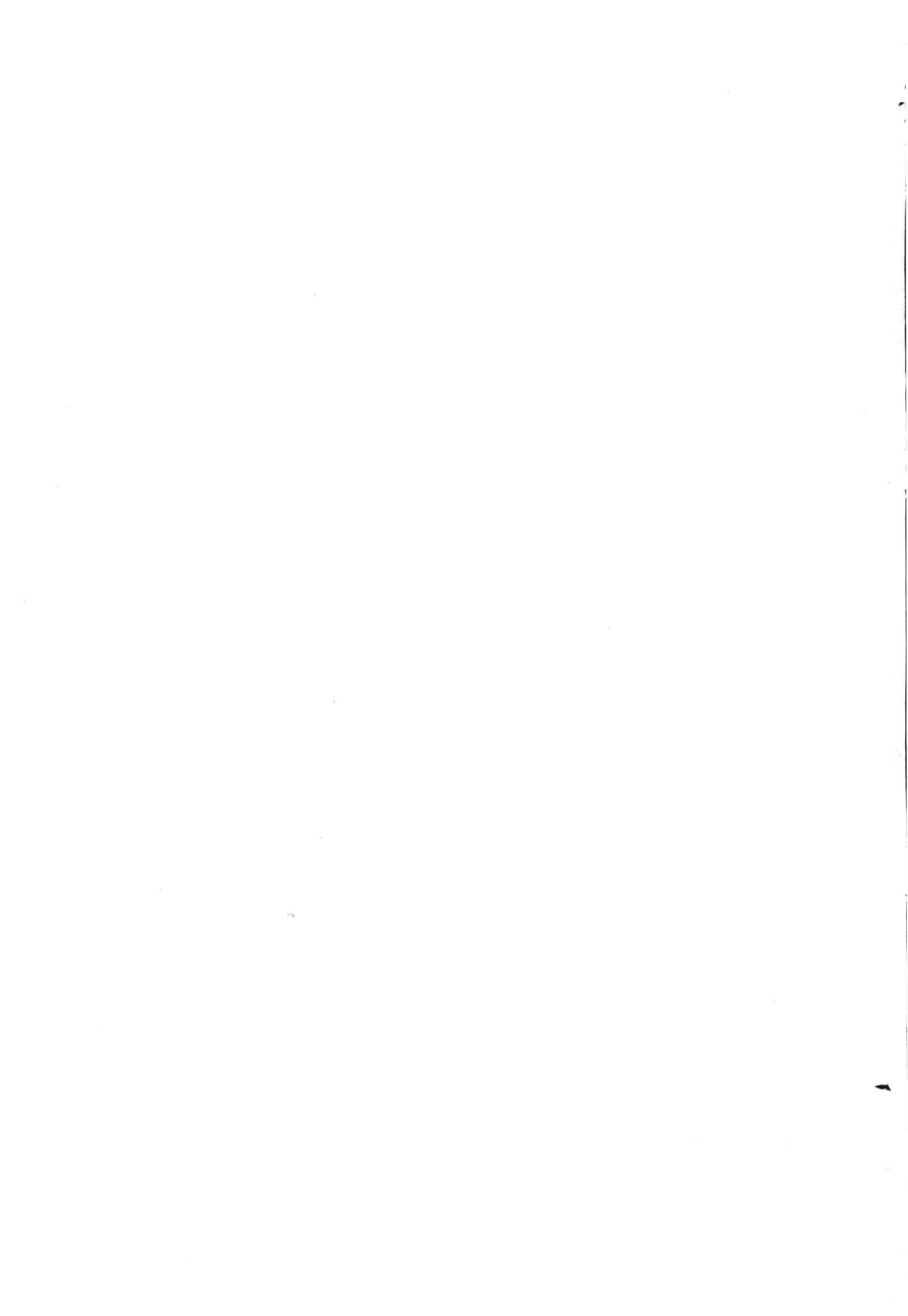
It is hoped that the data presented will prove useful to a wide range of users, policy makers and planners as well as the general public.

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Explanation of symbols & abbreviations

-	Nil
...	Data not available
No.	Number
000	Thousand
t	Ton
m ²	Square metre
m ³	Cubic metre
km ²	Square kilometre
hL	Hectolitre
c.i.f.	Cost, insurance and freight
f.o.b.	Free on board
kW	Kilowatt
kWh	Kilowatt hour
MW	Megawatt
MWh	Megawatt hour
GWh	Million kilowatt hour

SECTION 1 - POPULATION AND VITAL STATISTICS

Table 1.1 - Estimated resident population¹ of Mauritius as at 31st December 2000 & 2001

Year	Island	Both sexes	Male	Female	Area (km ²)	Density (persons per km ²)
2000	Island of Mauritius	1,157,789	577,958	579,831	1,864.8	621
	Island of Rodrigues	35,776	17,734	18,042	104.0	344
	Other islands	170	90	80	71.2	2
	Republic of Mauritius	1,193,735	595,782	597,953	2,040.0	585
2001	Island of Mauritius	1,169,303	579,215	590,088	1,864.8	627
	Island of Rodrigues	36,085	17,853	18,232	104.0	347
	Other islands	289	193	96	71.2	4
	Republic of Mauritius	1,205,677	597,261	608,416	2,040.0	591

Table 1.2 - Evolution of the resident population of the Republic of Mauritius² as from the 2000 census to 1st July 2001

	Both sexes	Male	Female
Resident population enumerated at 2000 census	1,178,848	583,756	595,092
Plus adjustment for underenumeration of young children	+ 8,025	+ 4,456	+ 3,569
Plus live births July 00 - June 01	+ 20,341	+ 10,410	+ 9,931
Minus deaths July 00 - June 01	-7,955	-4,443	- 3,512
Plus arrival of residents July 00 - June 01	+ 161,759	+ 88,895	+ 72,864
Minus departure of residents July 00 - June 01	- 161,137	-88,584	- 72,553
Estimated resident population as at 1st July 2001	1,199,881	594,490	605,391

¹ Based on the 1990 population census data adjusted for underenumeration of young children.

² Excluding other islands (Agalega & St. Brandon).

Table 1.3 - Population growth in intercensal periods - Republic of Mauritius¹, 1851 - 2000

Census date	Republic of Mauritius			Island of Mauritius			Island of Rodrigues		
	Population enumerated at census	Density per km ²	Average annual rate of increase(%)	Population enumerated at census	Density per km ²	Average annual rate of increase(%)	Population enumerated at census	Density per km ²	Average annual rate of increase(%)
20th November 1851	181.318	92	...	180.823	97	2.55	495	5	...
8th April 1861	310.743	158	5.91	310.050	166	5.91	693	7	3.65
11th April 1871	317.150	161	0.20	316.042	169	0.19	1.108	11	4.80
4th April 1881	361.305	184	1.31	359.874	193	1.31	1.431	14	2.59
6th March 1891	372.656	189	0.31	370.588	199	0.29	2.068	20	3.75
1st April 1901	374.185	190	0.04	371.023	199	0.01	3.162	30	4.34
31st March 1911	373.620	190	-0.02	368.791	198	-0.06	4.829	46	4.33
21st May 1921	383.069	195	0.25	376.485	202	0.21	6.584	63	3.15
26th April 1931	401.440	204	0.47	393.238	211	0.44	8.202	79	2.22
11th June 1944	431.070	219	0.55	419.185	225	0.49	11.885	114	2.89
30th June 1952	514.748	261	2.24	501.415	269	2.26	13.333	128	1.45
30th June 1962 ²	699.954	356	3.12	681.619	366	3.12	18.335	176	3.24
30th June 1972 ²	850.968	432	1.97	826.199	443	1.94	24.769	238	3.05
2nd July 1983 ²	999.945	508	1.48	966.863	518	1.44	33.082	318	2.67
1st July 1990 ³	1.056.660	537	0.79	1.022.456	548	0.80	34.204	329	0.48
1st July 2000 ³	1.178.848	599	1.10	1.143.069	613	1.12	35.779	344	0.45

¹ excluding Agalega and St Brandon² "de facto" population³ "de jure" population

Table 1.4(a) - Population enumerated at each census by population group and sex - Island of Mauritius, 1846 - 1952

Year of Census	General population			Indo-Mauritian population			Chinese population		
	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female
1846	102,217	55,663	46,554	56,245	48,935	7,310	-	-	-
1851	102,827	55,059	47,768	77,996	64,282	13,714	-	-	-
1861	115,864	59,796	56,068	192,634	141,615	51,019	1,552	1,550	2
1871	97,497	49,487	48,010	216,258	141,804	74,454	2,287	2,284	3
1881	107,323	53,754	53,569	248,993	151,352	97,641	3,558	3,549	9
1891	111,517	55,397	56,120	255,920	147,499	108,421	3,151	3,142	9
1901	108,422	52,995	55,427	259,086	143,100	115,986	3,515	3,457	58
1911	107,432	51,808	55,624	257,697	138,974	118,723	3,662	3,313	349
1921	104,216	49,725	54,491	265,524	139,150	126,374	6,745	5,233	1,512
1931	115,666	54,733	60,933	268,649	139,533	129,116	8,923	6,343	2,580
1944	143,056	67,136	75,920	265,247	136,382	128,865	10,882	6,808	4,074
1952	148,238	70,370	77,868	335,327	171,241	164,086	17,850	10,421	7,429

Note: At the 1962 census each householder was asked for the first time, to state the population group to which each member of his household claimed to belong.

Prior to 1962, it is probable that from one census to another, different criteria have been used in classifying the population by population groups.

Figures are therefore not strictly comparable from one census to another, before 1962.

Table 1.4(b) - Population enumerated at each census by community and sex - Republic of Mauritius¹, 1962 - 2000

Year of census	Community	Republic of Mauritius			Island of Mauritius			Island of Rodrigues		
		Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female
1962 ²	Total Population	699,954	351,368	348,586	681,619	342,306	339,313	10,335	9,062	9,273
	Hindu	344,622	174,713	169,909	344,587	174,698	169,889	35	15	20
	Muslim	110,404	56,018	54,386	110,322	55,971	54,351	82	47	35
	Sino-Mauritian	23,436	12,864	10,572	23,058	12,654	10,404	378	210	168
	General Population	221,492	107,773	113,719	203,652	98,983	104,669	17,840	8,790	9,050
1972 ²	Total Population	850,968	425,850	425,118	826,199	413,580	412,619	24,769	12,270	12,499
	Hindu	428,345	215,752	212,593	428,167	215,654	212,513	178	98	80
	Muslim	137,171	68,834	68,337	137,081	68,789	68,292	90	45	45
	Sino-Mauritian	24,373	13,018	11,355	24,084	12,849	11,235	289	169	120
	General Population	261,079	128,246	132,833	236,867	116,288	120,579	24,212	11,958	12,254
1983 ²	Total Population	999,945	497,920	502,025	966,863	481,368	485,495	33,082	16,552	16,530
	Total Population	1,056,660	527,760	528,900	1,022,456	510,676	511,780	34,204	17,084	17,120
	Total Population	1,178,848	583,756	595,092	1,143,069	566,056	577,013	35,779	17,700	18,079

¹ excluding Agalega and St Brandon

² "de facto" population

³ "de jure" population

Note: No data on community was collected in 1983 . 1990 and 2000

Table 1.5 - Population by geographical district and sex at 1990 & 2000 censuses, and the intercensal increase - Republic of Mauritius¹

Geographical district	1990 census ²			2000 census ²			Intercensal increase	
	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female	Number	Annual average (%)
Port Louis	133,073	66,179	66,894	127,855	63,458	64,397	-5,218	-0.40
Pamplemousses	101,666	51,212	50,454	122,252	60,533	61,719	20,586	1.86
Riviere du Rempart	86,779	43,362	43,417	98,854	49,116	49,738	12,075	1.31
Flacq	112,773	56,452	56,321	126,839	63,549	63,290	14,066	1.18
Grand Port	96,667	48,425	48,242	106,665	53,011	53,654	9,998	0.99
Savanne	60,841	30,444	30,397	66,356	32,787	33,569	5,515	0.87
Plaines Wilhems	321,713	160,252	161,461	358,182	175,852	182,330	36,469	1.08
Moka	65,176	32,378	32,798	75,479	37,275	38,204	10,303	1.48
Black River	43,768	21,972	21,796	60,587	30,475	30,112	16,819	3.31
Island of Mauritius	1,022,456	510,676	511,780	1,143,069	566,056	577,013	120,613	1.12
Island of Rodrigues	34,204	17,084	17,120	35,779	17,700	18,079	1,575	0.45
Republic of Mauritius	1,056,660	527,760	528,900	1,178,848	583,756	595,092	122,188	1.10

¹ excluding Agalega and St. Brandon² "de jure" population: not adjusted for underenumeration of young children

**Table 1.6(a) - Estimated resident population¹ by geographical district, sex and density - Republic of Mauritius², 2000 & 2001
(Mid - year estimates)**

Geographical district	Area (km ²)	1st July 2000				1st July 2001			
		Both sexes	Male	Female	Density P/km ²	Both sexes	Male	Female	Density P/km ²
Port Louis	42.7	128,764	63,964	64,800	3,016	129,437	64,242	65,195	3,031
Pamplemousses	178.7	123,142	61,028	62,114	689	124,867	61,898	62,969	699
Riviere du Rempart	147.6	99,568	49,515	50,053	675	100,785	50,085	50,700	683
Flacq	297.9	127,804	64,087	63,717	429	129,554	64,954	64,600	435
Grand Port	260.3	107,458	53,450	54,008	413	108,664	54,032	54,632	417
Savanne	244.8	66,832	33,052	33,780	273	67,351	33,322	34,029	275
Plaines Wilhems	203.3	360,474	177,116	183,358	1,773	363,952	178,724	185,228	1,790
Moka	230.5	76,009	37,569	38,440	330	76,692	37,911	38,781	333
Black River	259.0	61,043	30,731	30,312	236	62,573	31,504	31,069	242
Island of Mauritius	1,864.8	1,151,094	570,512	580,582	617	1,163,875	576,672	587,203	624
Island of Rodrigues	104.0	35,779	17,700	18,079	344	36,006	17,818	18,188	346
Republic of Mauritius	1,968.8	1,186,873	588,212	598,661	603	1,199,881	594,490	605,391	609

¹ based on the 2000 population census data adjusted for underenumeration of young children. Internal migration within districts is assumed to be the same as the net annual internal migration during 1995 - 2000 (obtained from the 2000 census).

² excluding Agalega and St Brandon

Table 1.6(b) - Estimated resident population¹ by geographical district, sex and density - Republic of Mauritius², 2000 & 2001
(End of year estimates)

Geographical district	Area (km ²)	31st December 2000				31st December 2001			
		Both sexes	Male	Female	Density P/km ²	Both sexes	Male	Female	Density P/km ²
Port Louis	42.7	129,100	64,112	64,988	3,023	129,551	64,274	65,277	3,034
Pamplemousses	178.7	123,972	61,457	62,515	694	125,668	62,261	63,407	703
Riviere du Rempart	147.6	100,151	49,798	50,353	679	101,361	50,355	51,006	687
Flacq	297.9	128,681	64,535	64,146	432	130,270	65,280	64,990	437
Grand Port	260.3	108,052	53,716	54,336	415	109,115	54,196	54,919	419
Savanne	244.8	67,083	33,182	33,901	274	67,584	33,457	34,127	276
Plaines Wilhems	203.3	362,110	177,879	184,231	1,781	365,441	179,441	186,000	1,798
Moka	230.5	76,349	37,731	38,618	331	76,975	38,054	38,921	334
Black River	259.0	61,792	31,101	30,691	239	63,338	31,897	31,441	245
Island of Mauritius	1,864.8	1,157,290	573,511	583,779	621	1,169,303	579,215	590,088	627
Island of Rodrigues	104.0	35,885	17,758	18,127	345	36,085	17,853	18,232	347
Republic of Mauritius	1,968.8	1,193,175	591,269	601,906	606	1,205,388	597,068	608,320	612

¹ based on the 2000 population census data adjusted for underenumeration of young children.

² Internal migration within districts is assumed to be the same as the net annual internal migration during 1995 - 2000 (obtained from the 2000 census).

³ excluding Agalega and St. Brandon

Table 1.7- Population¹ by urban/rural residence and sex at 1990 and 2000 censuses and the intercensal increase - Republic of Mauritius²

Country/Municipal Council Area (MCA) ³	1990 census ⁴			2000 census ⁴			Intercensal increase	
	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female	Number	Annual average(%)
Island of Mauritius	1,022,456	510,676	511,780	1,143,069	566,056	577,013	120,613	1.12
Urban population	414,242	206,104	208,138	503,045	247,844	255,201	88,803	1.96
- <i>Port Louis</i>	(132,460)	(65,873)	(66,587)	(144,303)	(71,720)	(72,583)	(11,843)	(0.86)
- <i>Beau Bassin/Rose Hill</i>	(91,518)	(45,497)	(46,021)	(103,872)	(50,730)	(53,142)	(12,354)	(1.27)
- <i>Quatre Bornes</i>	(68,398)	(33,875)	(34,523)	(75,884)	(37,306)	(38,578)	(7,486)	(1.04)
- <i>Vacoas/Phoenix</i>	(56,452)	(28,235)	(28,217)	(100,066)	(49,452)	(50,614)	(43,614)	(5.89)
- <i>Curepipe</i>	(65,414)	(32,624)	(32,790)	(78,920)	(38,636)	(40,284)	(13,506)	(1.89)
Rural population	608,214	304,572	303,642	640,024	318,212	321,812	31,810	0.51
Island of Rodrigues	34,204	17,084	17,120	35,779	17,700	18,079	1,575	0.45
Urban population	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rural population	34,204	17,084	17,120	35,779	17,700	18,079	1,575	0.45
Republic of Mauritius	1,056,660	527,760	528,900	1,178,848	583,756	595,092	122,188	1.10
Urban population	414,242	206,104	208,138	503,045	247,844	255,201	88,803	1.96
Rural population	642,418	321,656	320,762	675,803	335,912	339,891	33,385	0.51

¹ not adjusted for underenumeration of young children

² excluding Agalega and St Brandon

³ according to proclaimed boundaries, altered in 1963 (Proclamation No. 12 and 13) and subsequently enlarged in 1965 - (Proclamation No. 23) and in 1967 (Proclamation No. 2). Urban population refers to the population in Municipal Council Areas.

⁴ "de jure" population

**Table 1.8(a) - Estimated resident population¹ by urban/rural residence and sex - Republic of Mauritius², 2000 & 2001
(Mid - year estimates)**

Country/Municipal Council Area (MCA) ³	1st July 2000			1st July 2001		
	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female
Island of Mauritius	1,151,094	570,512	580,582	1,163,875	576,672	587,203
Urban population	506.357	249.678	256.679	510,822	251.721	259.101
- <i>Port Louis</i>	(145.325)	(72.290)	(73.035)	(146.319)	(72.726)	(73.593)
- <i>Beau Bassin/Rose Hill</i>	(104.526)	(51.091)	(53.435)	(105.377)	(51.492)	(53.885)
- <i>Quatre Bornes</i>	(76.361)	(37.571)	(38.790)	(77.145)	(37.942)	(39.203)
- <i>Facoas/Phoenix</i>	(100.738)	(49.822)	(50.916)	(101.799)	(50.327)	(51.472)
- <i>Curepipe</i>	(79.407)	(38.904)	(40.503)	(80.182)	(39.234)	(40.948)
Rural population	644.737	320.834	323.903	653.053	324.951	328.102
Island of Rodrigues	35,779	17,700	18,079	36,006	17,818	18,188
Urban population	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rural population	35.779	17.700	18.079	36.006	17.818	18.188
Republic of Mauritius	1,186,873	588,212	598,661	1,199,881	594,490	605,391
Urban population	506.357	249.678	256.679	510,822	251.721	259.101
Rural population	680.516	338.534	341.982	689.059	342.769	346.290

¹ based on 2000 population census data adjusted for underenumeration of young children. Internal migration within towns is assumed to be the same as the net annual migration during 1995 - 2000 (obtained from the 2000 census).

² excluding Agalega and St Brandon

³ according to proclaimed boundaries altered in 1963 (Procl. No. 12.13), 1965 (Procl. No. 23), 1967 (Procl. No. 2), 1990 (Procl. No. 8).

Table 1.8(b) - Estimated resident population¹ by urban/rural residence and sex - Republic of Mauritius², 2000 & 2001
(End of year estimates)

Country/Municipal Council Area (MCA) ³	31st December 2000			31st December 2001		
	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female
Island of Mauritius	1,157,290	573,511	583,779	1,169,303	579,215	590,088
Urban population	508.484	250.660	257.824	512.602	252.550	260.052
- <i>Port Louis</i>	(145.825)	(72.513)	(73.312)	(146.604)	(72.842)	(73.762)
- <i>Beau Bassin/Rose Hill</i>	(104.947)	(51.304)	(53.643)	(105.758)	(51.669)	(54.089)
- <i>Quatre Bornes</i>	(76.740)	(37.739)	(39.001)	(77.474)	(38.087)	(39.387)
- <i>Vacoas/Phoenix</i>	(101.183)	(50.028)	(51.155)	(102.206)	(50.532)	(51.674)
- <i>Curepipe</i>	(79.789)	(39.076)	(40.713)	(80.560)	(39.420)	(41.140)
Rural population	648.806	322.851	325.955	656.701	326.665	330.036
Island of Rodrigues	35,885	17,758	18,127	36,085	17,853	18,232
Urban population	-	--	-	-	-	-
Rural population	35.885	17.758	18.127	36.085	17.853	18.232
Republic of Mauritius	1,193,175	591,269	601,906	1,205,388	597,068	608,320
Urban population	508.484	250.660	257.824	512.602	252.550	260.052
Rural population	684.691	340.609	344.082	692.786	344.518	348.268

¹ based on 2000 census data adjusted for underenumeration of young children. Internal migration within towns is assumed to be the same as the net annual internal migration during 1995 - 2000 (obtained from the 2000 census).

² excluding Agalega and St. Brandon

³ according to proclaimed boundaries altered in 1963 (Procl. No. 12.13), 1965 (Procl. No. 23), 1967 (Procl. No. 2), 1990 (Procl. No. 8).