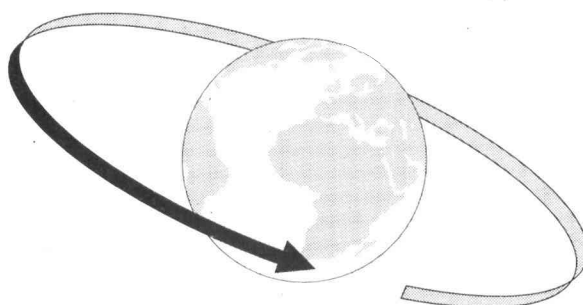


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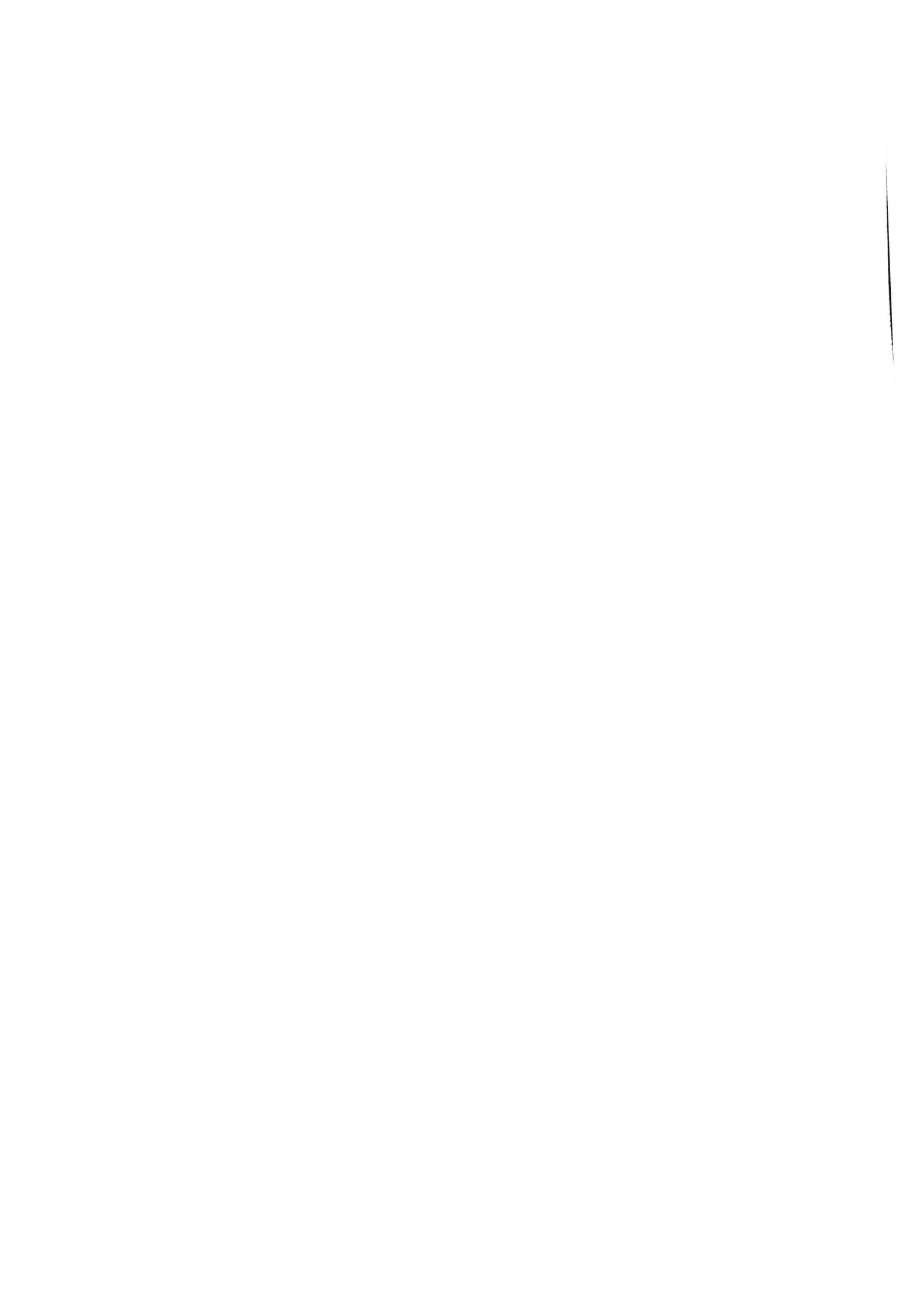
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## Foreword

This report on **Productivity and Competitiveness Indicators** is the first issue of a regular publication on productivity and related statistics published by the Central Statistical Office.

An attempt has been made to bring together in a single report all available statistics on productivity and competitiveness. Data series cover the period 1982 to 1997 and refer to the total Mauritian economy and to the Manufacturing/Export Processing Zone (EPZ) sub sector. All figures are the latest available as at the end of March 1998.

It is hoped that these statistics will assist decision makers, planners, the business community and the public in general to monitor and analyse the implications of productivity and competitiveness at the national and sectoral level.

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