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Bi-annual Survey of Employment and Earnings, September 1983

Employment in large<sup>1/</sup> establishments covered by the September 1983 Survey of Employment and Earnings is estimated at 192,396.

The preliminary results which are based on the returns of 54% of establishments covered (representing about 70 % of employment) show a decrease of around 2,000 in total employment as compared to September 1982.

The changes in employment by industrial groups are shown in table I. The net decrease of about 2,000 is mainly the results of decreases of about 1,100 in "Construction", 500 in "Agriculture and Fishing", 200 in "Electricity and Water", 100 in "Manufacturing" and 100 in "Wholesale and Retail Trade".

<sup>1/</sup> large establishments are defined as:-

- (a) Agricultural establishments comprising
  - (i) Sugar cane plantations where 25 arpents or more were harvested;
  - (ii) Tea plantations of 5 arpents or more ;
  - (iii) All "flue-cured" tobacco establishments, irrespective of acreage;
  - (iv) Other agricultural establishments employing at least 10 persons on the day of the survey.
- (b) Non-agricultural establishments comprising
  - (i) All central and local government departments;
  - (ii) Those employing at least 10 persons on the day of the survey. It is to be noted that "outdoor" workers are excluded; these are piece-workers who although employed by an establishment are working in their own homes.

N.B.: It is to be stressed that the September 1983 figures are provisional. The results should therefore be treated with great care. In any case, the Bi-annual Survey of Employment and Earnings does not give a good indication of short-term fluctuations and should be used to study long term trends only.

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Table I - Employment<sup>1/</sup> in large establishments by major industrial group and sex - September 1982, September 1983

Industrial Group	September 1982			September 1983 <sup>2/</sup>			Difference : September 1983 - September 1982		
	Males	Females	Both sexes	Males	Females	Both sexes	Males	Females	Both sexes
<u>Agriculture and fishing</u>	<u>42,140</u>	<u>14,558</u>	<u>56,698</u>	<u>42,003</u>	<u>14,232</u>	<u>56,235</u>	- 137	- 326	- 463
<u>Sugar<sup>2/</sup></u>	36,705	13,159	49,864	36,715	12,933	49,648	10	- 226	216
<u>Tea<sup>3/</sup></u>	4,068	660	4,728	3,894	502	4,396	- 174	- 158	- 332
<u>Tobacco</u>	377	557	934	404	590	994	27	33	60
Other	990	182	1,172	990	207	1,197	-	25	25
<u>Mining and quarrying</u>	<u>71</u>	<u>81</u>	<u>152</u>	<u>82</u>	<u>83</u>	<u>165</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>13</u>
<u>Manufacturing</u>	<u>15,465</u>	<u>21,388</u>	<u>36,853</u>	<u>15,385</u>	<u>21,354</u>	<u>36,739</u>	- 80	- 34	- 114
<u>Electricity and water</u>	<u>4,251</u>	<u>152</u>	<u>4,403</u>	<u>4,079</u>	<u>137</u>	<u>4,216</u>	- 172	- 15	- 187
<u>Construction</u>	<u>5,417</u>	<u>142</u>	<u>5,559</u>	<u>4,314</u>	<u>134</u>	<u>4,448</u>	- 1,103	- 8	- 1,111
<u>Wholesale, retail trade, restaurants and hotels</u>	<u>7,065</u>	<u>1,848</u>	<u>8,913</u>	<u>6,966</u>	<u>1,838</u>	<u>8,804</u>	- 99	- 10	- 109
<u>Transport, storage and communication</u>	<u>7,090</u>	<u>508</u>	<u>7,598</u>	<u>7,123</u>	<u>502</u>	<u>7,625</u>	33	- 6	27
<u>Financing, insurance, real estate and business services</u>	<u>3,469</u>	<u>1,268</u>	<u>4,737</u>	<u>3,365</u>	<u>1,280</u>	<u>4,645</u>	- 104	12	92
<u>Community, social and personal services</u>	<u>50,491</u>	<u>12,868</u>	<u>63,359</u>	<u>50,459</u>	<u>12,836</u>	<u>63,295</u>	- 32	- 32	- 64
Government : (a) Central	40,177	9,294	49,471	40,421	9,390	49,811	244	96	340
(b) Local <sup>4/</sup>	5,073	504	5,577	4,757	508	5,265	- 316	4	- 312
Other	5,241	3,070	8,311	5,281	2,938	8,219	40	- 132	92
<u>Activities not elsewhere specified</u>	<u>6,202</u>	<u>37</u>	<u>6,239</u>	<u>6,186</u>	<u>38</u>	<u>6,224</u>	- 16	1	15
<u>Grand total</u>	<u>141,661</u>	<u>52,850</u>	<u>194,511</u>	<u>139,962</u>	<u>52,434</u>	<u>192,396</u>	- 1,699	- 416	- 2,115

1/ as on last Thursday of the month  
 2/ including factories provisional as at 14.11.83, response rate of about 54%  
 3/ including factories and Tea Development Authority  
 4/ municipalities and district councils

Table II - Employment in large establishments by major industrial group - (March 81 - September 83)

Industrial Group	E m p l o y m e n t					
	March 81	September 81	March 82	September 82	March 83	September 83
<u>Agriculture and fishing</u>	<u>53,456</u>	<u>56,955</u>	<u>52,457</u>	<u>56,698</u>	<u>52,363</u>	<u>56,235</u>
<u>Sugar</u> <sup>1/</sup>	47,271	50,066	46,457	49,864	46,163	49,648
<u>Tea</u> <sup>2/</sup>	4,582	4,611	4,747	4,728	4,790	4,396
Tobacco	729	1,253	275	934	239	994
Other	874	1,025	978	1,172	1,171	1,197
<u>Mining and quarrying</u>	<u>147</u>	<u>147</u>	<u>147</u>	<u>152</u>	<u>160</u>	<u>165</u>
<u>Manufacturing</u>	<u>36,889</u>	<u>37,178</u>	<u>38,329</u>	<u>36,853</u>	<u>36,827</u>	<u>36,739</u>
<u>Electricity and water</u>	<u>4,430</u>	<u>4,363</u>	<u>4,451</u>	<u>4,403</u>	<u>4,231</u>	<u>4,216</u>
<u>Construction</u>	<u>7,257</u>	<u>6,300</u>	<u>5,659</u>	<u>5,559</u>	<u>4,482</u>	<u>4,448</u>
<u>Wholesale, retail trade, restaurants and hotels</u>	<u>9,122</u>	<u>8,999</u>	<u>9,129</u>	<u>8,913</u>	<u>8,847</u>	<u>8,804</u>
<u>Transport, storage and communication</u>	<u>7,842</u>	<u>7,937</u>	<u>7,842</u>	<u>7,598</u>	<u>7,634</u>	<u>7,625</u>
<u>Financing, insurance, real estate and business services</u>	<u>4,576</u>	<u>4,634</u>	<u>4,669</u>	<u>4,737</u>	<u>4,689</u>	<u>4,645</u>
<u>Community, social and personal services</u>	<u>62,822</u>	<u>63,176</u>	<u>64,008</u>	<u>63,359</u>	<u>63,321</u>	<u>63,295</u>
Government :						
(a) Central	49,029	49,358	50,163	49,471	49,811	49,811
(b) Local <sup>3/</sup>	5,522	5,547	5,536	5,577	5,265	5,265
Other	8,271	8,271	8,309	8,311	8,245	8,219
<u>Activities not elsewhere specified</u>	<u>6,913</u>	<u>6,355</u>	<u>6,376</u>	<u>6,239</u>	<u>6,151</u>	<u>6,224</u>
Grand Total	193,454	196,044	193,067	194,511	188,705	192,396

<sup>1/</sup> including factories

<sup>2/</sup> including factories and Tea Development Authority

<sup>3/</sup> municipalities and district councils

<sup>4/</sup> provisional as at 14.11.83, response rate of about 54%

Table III - Average earnings in large establishments by major industrial group - (March 81 - September 83)

Industrial group	Average earnings					
	March 81	September 81	March 82	September 82	March 83	September 83 <sup>1/</sup>
<u>Agriculture and fishing</u>	889	1,197	1,031	1,348	1,132	1,439
<u>Sugar<sup>2/</sup></u>	890	1,231	1,030	1,387	1,122	1,470
<u>Tea<sup>3/</sup></u>	847	942	971	1,054	1,157	1,197
Tobacco	527	587	621	658	642	660
Other	1,349	1,485	1,552	1,500	1,521	1,625
<u>Mining and quarrying</u>	579	658	668	692	702	775
<u>Manufacturing</u>	843	924	920	977	998	1,062
<u>Electricity and water</u>	1,754	2,136	1,959	2,277	2,296	2,480
<u>Construction</u>	1,293	1,436	1,440	1,485	1,535	1,574
<u>Wholesale, retail trade, restaurants and hotels</u>	1,513	1,639	1,712	1,849	1,788	1,893
<u>Transport, storage and communication</u>	2,163	2,382	2,319	2,486	2,580	2,646
<u>Financing, insurance, real estate and business services</u>	2,389	2,598	2,664	2,806	2,860	2,971
<u>Community, social and personal services</u>	1,507	1,706	1,745	1,875	1,923	1,999
Government : (a) Central	1,492	1,705	1,749	1,895	1,936	2,011
(b) Local <sup>4/</sup>	1,346	1,428	1,433	1,522	1,550	1,625
Other	1,703	1,900	1,935	2,043	2,078	2,162
<u>Activities not elsewhere specified</u>	736	938	904	1,084	1,162	1,229
Grand Total	1,227	1,430	1,400	1,574	1,541	1,676

<sup>1/</sup> provisional as at 14.11.83, response rate of about 54%

<sup>2/</sup> including factories

<sup>3/</sup> including factories and Tea Development Authority

<sup>4/</sup> municipalities and district councils