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# **The Export Processing Zone and Pioneer Status Enterprises**

## **4th Quarter and Year 1996**

### **Introduction**

The **Quarterly Survey of Employment** is a regular survey carried out among the EPZ and Pioneer Status enterprises and provides, among other details, up to date data on the evolution of the workforce in the different industry sub-groups. This issue of the "Economic Indicators" presents the results of the survey carried out at the end of December 1996. Provisional figures on EPZ imports and exports for 1996 as well as revised figures for previous years are also given.

### **I. The Export Processing Zone (EPZ)**

#### **(i) Number of enterprises**

During the 4th quarter 1996, 8 enterprises closed down whilst 12 new enterprises started operation bringing the total number of enterprises in the EPZ to 481 at the end of 1996. The number of enterprises with fewer than 10 workers stood at 95 and represented 19% of the total number of enterprises but employed less than 1% of the workforce. On the other hand, there were 14 enterprises with more than 1,000 employees employing around 35% of the total workforce (Table 1.8).

The number of enterprises in "Wearing apparel", the most important group in the EPZ, stood at 234 compared to 237 at the end of the 3rd quarter 1996 and 242 at the end of 1995. The "Flowers" group which is the only non-manufacturing group in the EPZ was operating with 46 enterprises at the end of 1996. The number of enterprises by product group is given in Table 1.5.

#### **(ii) Employment evolution, 4th quarter 1996**

Employment in the EPZ stood at 79,793 representing a slight increase of 346 when compared to the 3rd quarter of 1996. The number of male employees rose by 342 to 24,598 and female employment remained around the previous quarter's level.

An analysis by product group shows increases of 353 and 171 in "Wearing apparel" and "Textile yarn and fabrics" respectively. Within the "Wearing apparel" group, employment in "Pullovers" fell by 191 whilst the "Other garments" sub-group witnessed an increase of 544. Details of other changes in employment by product group are shown in Table 1.6.

During the 4th quarter, a total of 1961 jobs were created in existing enterprises and only 227 by the 12 new enterprises. On the other hand, 1,842 jobs were lost, 318 of which following the closure of 8 enterprises (Table 1.4).

The number of outworkers rose by 124 to 1,023. Foreign workers, who numbered 6,267 at the beginning of the quarter, increased by 504 to reach 6,771 at the end of 1996 (2,113 males and 4,658 females).

### **(iii) Employment evolution, December 1995 - December 1996**

During the one-year period ending December 1996 employment fell by 673. This decrease was the net result of a drop of 1,365 in the number of female workers and an increase of 692 among male workers.

In the "Wearing apparel" group, employment went down by 449 from 66,258 to 65,809. Within this group, there was a decrease of 643 in "Pullovers" but an increase of 194 in "Other garments". Moderate decreases were also registered in the following sectors: "Leather products and footwear" (-183), "Optical goods" (-122) and "Food" (-92). The other sectors witnessed minor changes as shown in Table 1.6.

### **(iv) Exports and imports**

Provisional figures show that EPZ exports, for the 4th quarter of 1996, reached Rs 5,668 million against Rs 5,678 million for the previous quarter. The total for the whole year is valued at Rs 21,001 million as compared to Rs 18,267 million in 1995. The nominal increase of 15% is explained by a 5% increase in volume and another 10% in price.

Imports for 1996 increased by around 11.5% to reach Rs 12,106 million from Rs 10,856 million in the previous year. Raw materials accounted for Rs 10,988 million whilst imports of machinery and equipment represent an increase of around 13% (Rs 1,118 million against Rs 987 million)

Net exports, i.e., exports minus imports, totalled Rs 8,895 million and its ratio to exports works out to 42% against 41% as in 1995 (Table 1.11).

### **(v) Value added and labour productivity**

On the basis of figures now available, value added generated by EPZ enterprises in 1996 is estimated at Rs 8,197 million at current prices. In real terms, this represents a growth of around 7%. This volume growth coupled with a slight decrease in employment results in a favourable increase in labour productivity of nearly 8% (Table 1.1 and Fig. 3).

## **II. The Pioneer Status Enterprises (PSE)**

### **(i) Number of enterprises**

During the 4th quarter of 1996, 8 new enterprises started operation bringing the total to 132 at the end of December. Compared to the same period a year ago this represents an increase of 28 enterprises of which 7 were in "Informatics". The activities in which the enterprises are engaged in are given in Table 2.2

### **(ii) Employment**

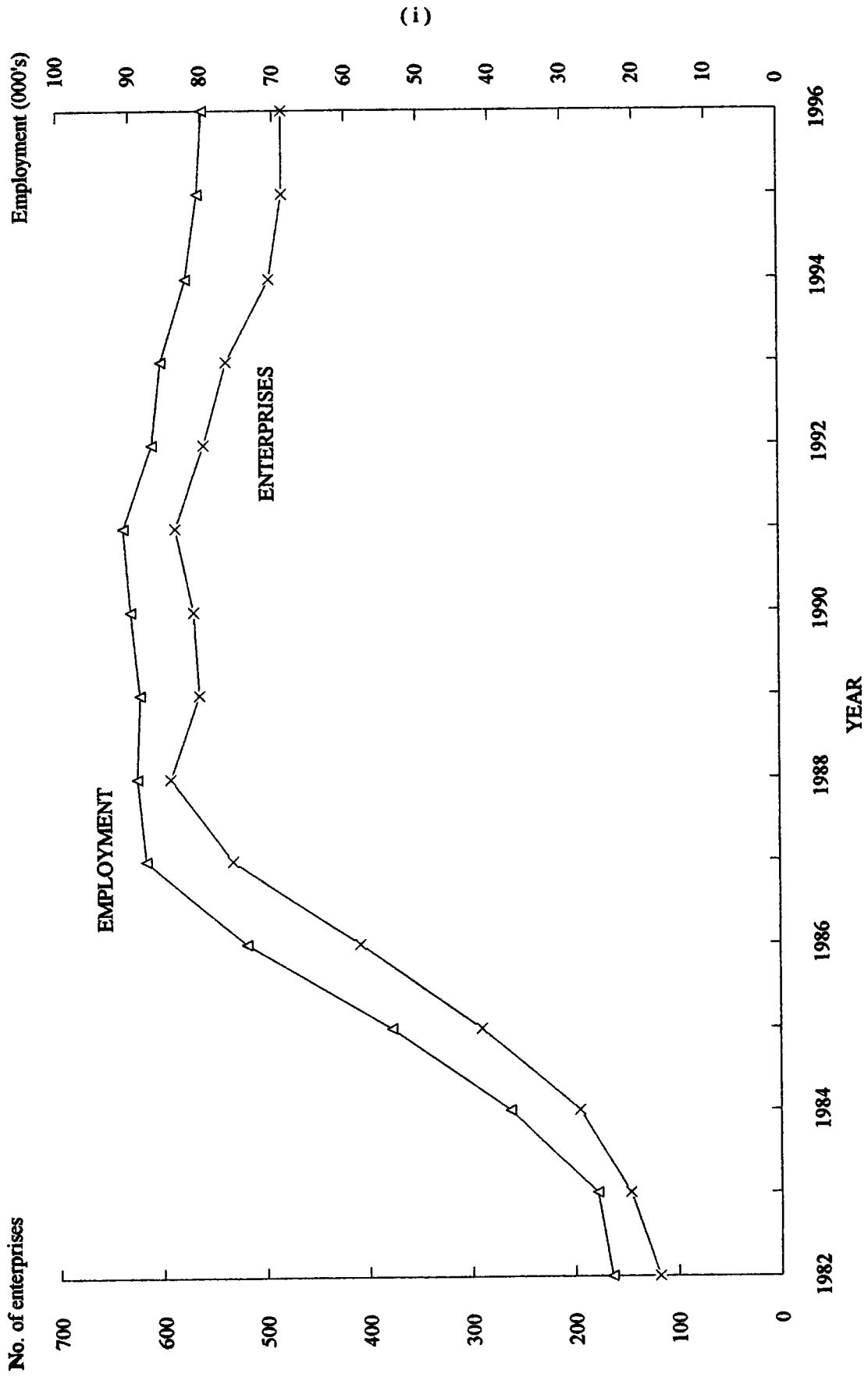
The total workforce in the PSE sector at the end of the 1996 was 1,981 (1,193 males and 788 females), an increase of 89 over the previous quarter. During the 4th quarter 1996, a total of 155 jobs were created: 30 by the 8 new enterprises and 125 following expansion in 29 existing enterprises. On the other hand, 20 enterprises reported a total reduction of 66 in their workforce (Table 2.3).

When compared to the 4th quarter of 1995, employment in the PSE increased by 636 of whom 391 in the group "Informatics". Details of other changes in employment by product group is given in Table 2.5.

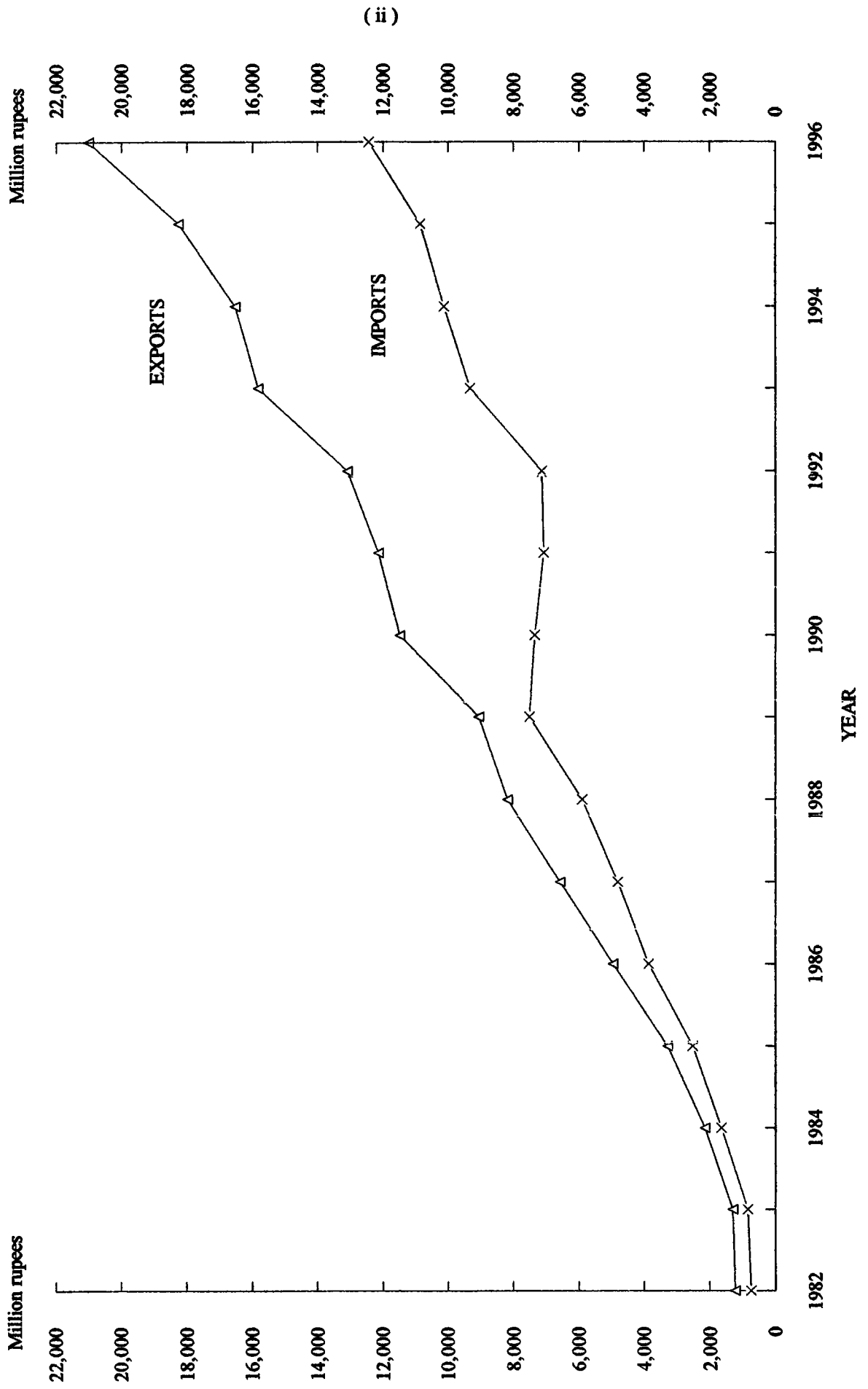
The number of expatriates employed as at December 1996 stood at 65 (55 males and 10 females).

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**Fig 1: EPZ enterprises and employment (1982-1996)**

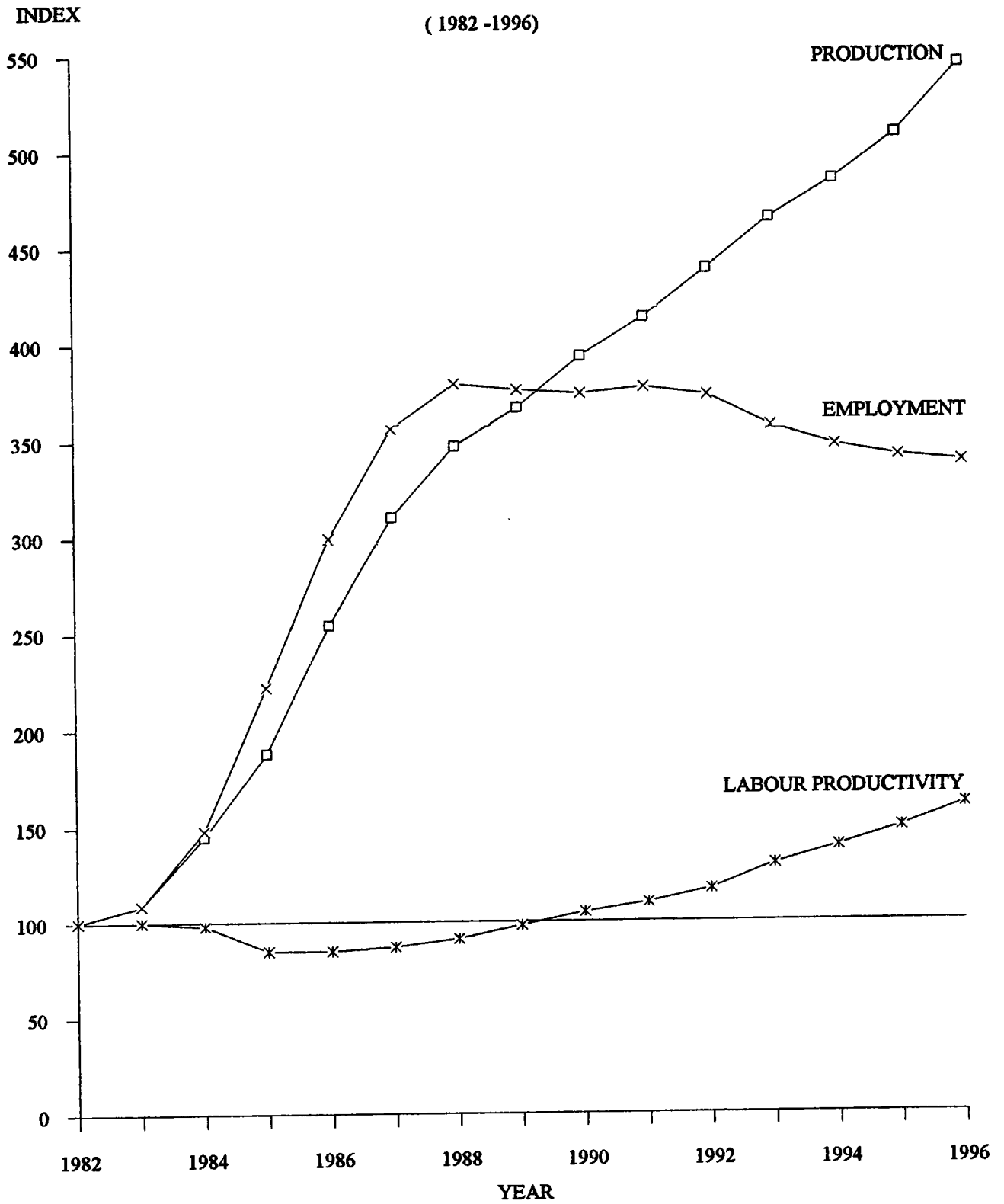


**Fig 2: EPZ imports and exports**



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**Fig 3: LABOUR PRODUCTIVITY INDEX**  
EPZ SECTOR  
(1982 -1996)



**Table 1.1: Main economic indicators: 1986 - 1996, EPZ Sector**

	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995 <sup>1</sup>	1996 <sup>2</sup>
<b>1. No of enterprises as at December</b>	408	531	591	563	568	586	558	536	494	481	481
- New	139	141	95	79	62	52	33	38	27	25	43
- Closures	21	18	35	107	57	34	61	60	69	38	43
<b>2. Employment as at December</b>	74,015	87,905	89,080	88,658	89,906	90,861	86,937	85,621	82,176	80,466	79,793
- Net change	+20,064	+13,890	+1,175	-422	+1,248	+955	-3,924	-1,316	-3,445	-1,710	-673
- Growth rate (%)	+37.2	+18.8	+1.3	-0.5	+1.4	+1.1	-4.3	-1.5	-4.0	-2.1	-0.8
<b>3. Exports (f.o.b, Rs Million)</b>	4,951	6,567	8,176	9,057	11,474	12,136	13,081	15,821	16,533	18,267	21,001
<b>4. Imports (c.i.f, Rs Million) :</b>	3,863	4,801	5,890	7,502	7,348	7,067	7,133	9,326	10,125	10,856	12,106
- Raw materials	(3,427)	(4,296)	(5,056)	(6,539)	(6,554)	(6,348)	(6,456)	(8,221)	(9,016)	(9,869)	(10,988)
- Machinery & spare parts	(436)	(505)	(834)	(963)	(794)	(719)	(677)	(1,105)	(1,109)	(987)	(1,118)
<b>5. Net Exports (Rs Million)</b>	1,088	1,766	2,286	1,555	4,126	5,069	5,948	6,495	6,408	7,411	8,895
<b>6. Net Exports to Exports (%)</b>	22.0	26.9	28.0	17.2	36.0	41.8	45.5	41.1	38.8	40.6	42.4
<b>7. Value added at current prices (Rs Million)</b>	1,860	2,585	3,125	3,400	3,975	4,406	5,011	5,702	6,373	7,093	8,197
- Share in Manufacturing(%)	48.6	51.9	53.4	51.1	51.1	50.3	50.4	51.0	50.2	49.6	50.1
- Share in GDP(%)	11.3	13.1	13.5	12.7	12.5	12.2	11.8	11.9	11.7	11.7	12.1
<b>8. Value added at constant '82 prices (Rs Million)</b>	1,139	1,390	1,557	1,650	1,766	1,854	1,965	2,083	2,173	2,281	2,441
- Growth rate (%)	+34.9	+22.0	+12.0	+6.0	+7.0	+5.0	+6.0	+6.0	+4.3	+5.0	+7.0
<b>9. Partial labour productivity Index<sup>3</sup> (1982 = 100)</b>	85	87	91	98	105	110	117	129	140	149	161
<b>10. Investment (Rs Million)</b>	560	655	870	900	690	648	560	900	900	815	975
- Machinery	(450)	(530)	(730)	(840)	(640)	(610)	(540)	(875)	(880)	(805)	(960)

<sup>1</sup> revised

<sup>2</sup> provisional

<sup>3</sup> Partial labour productivity index is the variation of value added per worker in constant 1982 prices



**Table 1.2:- EPZ employment , December 1995 - December 1996**

Category	Enterprise			Employment <sup>1</sup>											
	Number as at			December 95				September 96				December 96			
	Dec. 95	Sep. 96	Dec. 96	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
<b>Large</b>	393	382	386	23,601	55,812	79,413	23,886	54,174	78,060	24,226	54,056	78,282			
<b>Small (&lt;10)</b>	88	95	95	249	201	450	284	204	488	293	195	488			
<b>Outworkers</b>	-	-	-	56	547	603	86	813	899	79	944	1,023			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>481</b>	<b>477</b>	<b>481</b>	<b>23,906</b>	<b>56,560</b>	<b>80,466</b>	<b>24,256</b>	<b>55,191</b>	<b>79,447</b>	<b>24,598</b>	<b>55,195</b>	<b>79,793</b>			

<sup>1</sup> includes expatriates: No. as at - Dec. 95 : 6,097 (1,781 males ; 4,316 females)

- Sep. 96 : 6,267 (2,068 males ; 4,199 females)

- Dec. 96 : 6,771 (2,113 males ; 4,658 females)

Table 1.3:- EPZ employment by product group and sex : 1995 , 1996

Product group	December 1995			December 1996				
	No of Enterprises	Employment		No of Enterprises	Employment			
		Male	Female		Total	Male	Female	Total
1. Food	12	685	968	1,653	12	656	905	1,561
2. Flowers	48	287	315	602	46	274	296	570
3. Textile yarn and fabrics	33	2,778	1,105	3,883	33	2,866	1,035	3,901
4. Wearing apparel :	242	17,254	49,004	66,258	234	17,673	48,136	65,809
Pullovers	(32)	(3,629)	(15,422)	(19,051)	(30)	(3,542)	(14,866)	(18,408)
Other garments	(210)	(13,625)	(33,582)	(47,207)	(203)	(14,131)	(33,270)	(47,401)
5. Leather products and footwear	9	278	1,209	1,487	10	276	1,028	1,304
6. Wood and paper products	26	397	174	571	30	454	172	626
7. Optical goods	6	276	295	571	5	230	219	449
8. Electronic watches and clocks	3	145	355	500	3	166	325	491
9. Electric and electronic products	9	185	288	473	11	232	318	550
10. Jewellery and related articles	19	668	710	1,378	19	684	759	1,443
11. Toys and carnival articles	8	114	1,038	1,152	8	121	1,039	1,160
12. Other	66	839	1,099	1,938	70	966	963	1,929
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>481</b>	<b>23,906</b>	<b>56,560</b>	<b>80,466</b>	<b>481</b>	<b>24,598</b>	<b>55,195</b>	<b>79,793</b>

**Table 1.4 :- Analysis of net change in EPZ employment, 4th Quarter and Year 1996**

	Evolution 4th qr 1996		Evolution year 1996	
	Enterprises	Employment	Enterprises	Employment
<b>A. Total employment creation :</b>				
Expansion in existing enterprises*	20	1,961	51	6,065
New enterprises	12	227	43	1,544
<b>B. Total employment lost :</b>				
Reduction in existing enterprises*	18	1,524	42	4,402
Closures	8	318	43	3,880
<b>C. Net change (A-B)</b>				
Male	...	346	...	- 673
Female	...	342	...	692
	...	4	...	- 1,365

\* No. of enterprises relates to those reporting expansion/reduction in their workforce by more than 25 while employment is total expansion/reduction

**Table 1.5: - Net change in number of EPZ enterprises by product group, 1995 - 1996**

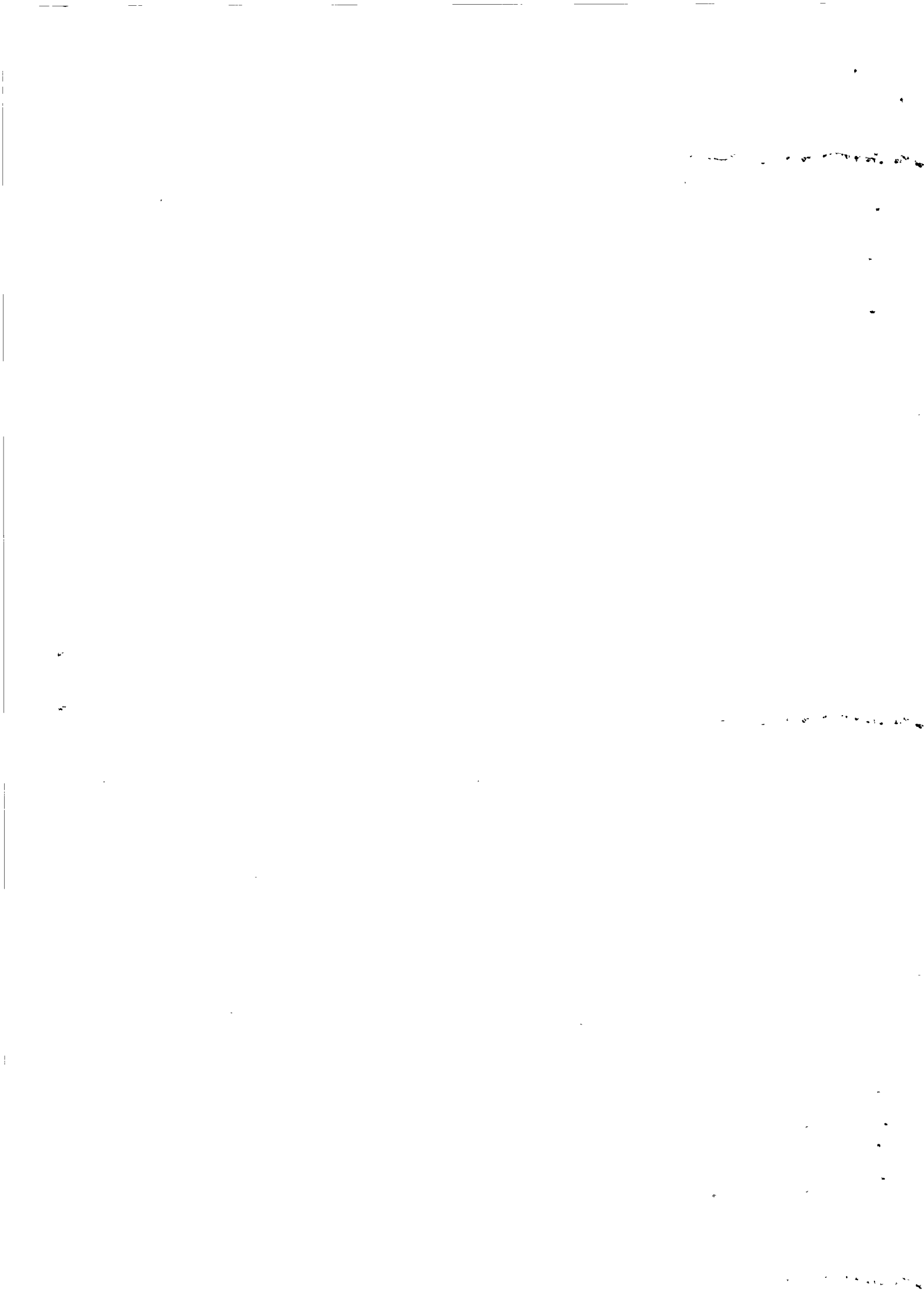
Product group	No. of enterprises			Net change	
	Dec. 95	Sept. 96	Dec. 96	4th quarter	Year
1. Food	12	11	12	1	0
2. Flowers	48	48	46	-2	-2
3. Textile yarn and fabrics	33	31	33	2	0
4. Wearing apparel :	242	237	234	-3	-8
Pullovers	(32)	(33)	(31)	(-2)	(-1)
Other garments	(210)	(204)	(203)	(-1)	(-7)
5. Leather products and footwear	9	9	10	1	1
6. Wood and paper products	26	29	30	1	4
7. Optical goods	6	5	5	0	-1
8. Electronic watches and clocks	3	3	3	0	0
9. Electric and electronic products	9	9	11	2	2
10. Jewellery and related articles	19	17	19	2	0
11. Toys and carnival articles	8	8	8	0	0
12. Other	66	70	70	0	4
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>481</b>	<b>477</b>	<b>481</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>

**Table 1.6:- Net change in EPZ employment by product group, 1995 - 1996**

Product group	Employment			Net change	
	Dec. 95	Sept. 96	Dec. 96	4th quarter	Year
1. Food	1,653	1,597	1,561	-36	-92
2. Flowers	602	596	570	-26	-32
3. Textile yarn and fabrics	3,883	3,730	3,901	171	18
4. Wearing apparel :	66,258	65,456	65,809	353	-449
Pullovers	(19,051)	(18,599)	(18,408)	(-191)	(-643)
Other garments	(47,207)	(46,857)	(47,401)	(544)	(194)
5. Leather products and footwear	1,487	1,348	1,304	-44	-183
6. Wood and paper products	571	585	626	41	55
7. Optical goods	571	470	449	-21	-122
8. Electronic watches and clocks	500	575	491	-84	-9
9. Electric and electronic products	473	543	550	7	77
10. Jewellery and related articles	1,378	1,373	1,443	70	65
11. Toys and carnival articles	1,152	1,141	1,160	19	8
12. Other	1,938	2,033	1,929	-104	-9
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>80,466</b>	<b>79,447</b>	<b>79,793</b>	<b>346</b>	<b>-673</b>

Table 1.7:- New and Closures in EPZ sector:1995 , 1996

Product group	Year 1995				Year 1996			
	New projects		Closures		New projects		Closures	
	Enterprise	Employment	Enterprise	Employment	Enterprise	Employment	Enterprise	Employment
1. Food	1	46	-	-	2	179	2	247
2. Flowers	1	19	2	20	-	-	2	14
3. Textile yarn and fabrics	2	66	1	8	3	92	3	246
4. Wearing apparel :	13	1,596	28	3,141	17	651	25	2,940
Pullovers	(2)	(189)	(3)	(326)	(2)	(166)	(3)	(366)
Other garments	(11)	(1,407)	(25)	(2,815)	(15)	(485)	(22)	(2,574)
5. Leather products and footwear	1	3	-	-	2	128	1	17
6. Wood and paper products	1	4	1	7	4	49	-	-
7. Optical goods	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	16
8. Electronic watches and clocks	-	-	1	73	-	-	-	-
9. Electric and electronic products	1	5	-	-	3	28	1	15
10. Jewellery and related articles	1	22	2	13	3	155	3	86
11. Toys and carnival articles	1	98	-	-	-	-	-	-
12. Other	3	122	3	44	9	262	5	299
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>1,981</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>3,306</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>1,544</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>3,880</b>



**Table 1.8 : - Distribution of EPZ enterprises by employment size as at December 1996**

Employment size (including outworkers)	Enterprise			Employment		
	Number	Percentage	Cum. %	Number	Percentage	Cum. %
Under 10	95	20	20	495	1	1
10 - 50	173	36	56	3,933	5	6
51 - 100	65	14	70	4,644	6	12
101 - 300	83	17	87	13,716	17	29
301 - 500	25	5	92	9,910	12	41
501 - 1000	26	5	97	19,055	24	65
More than 1000	14	3	100	28,040	35	100
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>481</b>	<b>100</b>		<b>79,793</b>	<b>100</b>	

**Table 1.9 - Geographical distribution of EPZ establishments\* and employment - Dec. 1996**

District / Locality	Establishments			Total Employment
	Textile	Non-Textile	Total	
<b>Port Louis</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>12,965</b>
Plaine Lauzun	22	6	28	4,987
Port Louis city	19	25	44	4,910
<b>Pamplemousses</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>10,793</b>
Terre Rouge & Riche Terre	11	12	23	2,621
Tombeau Bay	9	0	9	1,347
Triolet	14	5	19	3,792
<b>Rivière du Rempart</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>7,403</b>
St. Antoine & Goodlands	16	13	29	4,273
Rivière du Rempart & Ile d'Ambre	10	1	11	3,289
<b>Flacq</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>5,747</b>
Central Flacq	11	4	15	2,427
Bel Air	6	0	6	971
<b>Grand Port</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>5,596</b>
Rose Belle & New Grove	13	1	14	2,023
Mahebourg	6	1	7	1,049
<b>Savanne</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>3,349</b>
Surinam	3	0	3	255
Rivière des Anguilles	4	7	11	588
<b>Plaine Wilhems</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>188</b>	<b>26,317</b>
Coromandel	17	11	28	319
Beau Bassin & Rose Hill	26	9	35	6,849
Vacoas & Phoenix	33	15	48	7,587
Quatre Bornes	16	7	23	2,036
Curepipe ,Floreal & Forest Side	27	20	47	8,576
<b>Moka</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>5,977</b>
Pailles	10	10	20	1,900
St. Pierre & Moka	13	12	25	3,357
<b>Black River</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>1,646</b>
Medine & Bambous	2	1	3	357
<b>T O T A L</b>	<b>382</b>	<b>213</b>	<b>595</b>	<b>79,793</b>

\* The number of establishments is greater than number of enterprises as it includes branches.



**Table 1.10 : - EPZ enterprises and employment , quarterly series (1986 - 1996)**

YEAR	Enterprise				Employment			
	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.	4th Qr.	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.	4th Qr.
1986	321	343	377	408	63,010	66,000	70,704	74,015
1987	437	472	500	531	78,007	82,740	85,685	87,905
1988	554	579	586	591	90,590	91,617	90,738	89,080
1989	573	575	564	563	89,286	89,265	89,669	88,650
1990	548	566	574	568	89,755	90,211	88,258	89,906
1991	578	578	585	586	89,908	89,306	90,330	90,861
1992	576	568	564	558	91,399	89,949	87,313	86,937
1993	554	550	543	536	87,804	86,028	85,254	85,621
1994	520	509	502	494	83,882	83,862	83,382	82,176
1995	490	477	477	481	83,160	81,823	80,698	80,466
1996	480	475	477	481	81,048	79,269	79,447	79,793

Table 1.11 :- Net EPZ exports, 1995 - 1996

	Value: Million rupees											
	Year		1995				1996 <sup>1</sup>					
	1995	1996 <sup>1</sup>	1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr	1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr		
<b>A. Total exports (f.o.b. value)</b>	18,267	21,001	3,498	4,843	4,950	4,976	4,210	5,445	5,678	5,668		
<b>B. Total imports (c.i.f. value)</b>	10,856	12,106	2,482	2,676	2,887	2,811	2,671	3,183	3,301	2,951		
- Raw Materials	(9,869)	(10,988)	(2,292)	(2,391)	(2,632)	(2,554)	(2,393)	(2,890)	(3,006)	(2,699)		
- Machinery	(987)	(1,118)	(190)	(285)	(255)	(257)	(278)	(293)	(295)	(252)		
<b>Net Exports (A - B)</b>	7,411	8,895	1,016	2,167	2,063	2,165	1,539	2,262	2,377	2,717		
<b>Net Exports as % of Total Exports</b>	41	42	29	45	42	44	37	42	42	48		

<sup>1</sup> Provisional

Table 1.12 - EPZ exports by section / commodity, 1995 - 1996

Value (f.o.b.): Million rupees

Description	Year		1995				1996 <sup>1</sup>			
	1995	1996 <sup>1</sup>	1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr	1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr
	<b>Total exports</b>	<b>18,265</b>	<b>20,997</b>	<b>3,498</b>	<b>4,843</b>	<b>4,948</b>	<b>4,976</b>	<b>4,210</b>	<b>5,444</b>	<b>5,678</b>
Food and live animals of which:	993	979	218	255	295	225	228	244	263	244
Fish & fish preparations	(638)	(719)	(128)	(170)	(191)	(149)	(164)	(202)	(190)	(163)
Crude mats, inedible exc., fuels	23	20	5	9	4	5	4	6	4	6
Chemicals	53	16	9	15	17	12	8	3	3	2
Manufactured goods classified chiefly by materials of which:	1,657	1,447	351	406	423	477	465	558	565	547
Text, yarn, fabrics, made up articles	(1,034)	(0)	(218)	(243)	(264)	(309)	338	380	372	357
Pearls & precious stones	(484)	(509)	(119)	(126)	(116)	(123)	(89)	(134)	(148)	(138)
Machinery and transport equipment	79	99	13	10	27	29	11	6	54	28
Miscellaneous manufactured articles of which:	15,460	17,748	2,902	4,148	4,182	4,228	3,494	4,627	4,789	4,838
Articles of apparel and clothing	(13,779)	(16,187)	(2,529)	(3,695)	(3,755)	(3,800)	(3,131)	(4,192)	(4,400)	(4,464)
Optical goods	(235)	(211)	(56)	(56)	(60)	(63)	(54)	(59)	(42)	(56)
Watches and clocks	(453)	(406)	(108)	(135)	(99)	(111)	(101)	(105)	(86)	(114)
Toys, games and sporting goods	(207)	(193)	(37)	(54)	(63)	(53)	(40)	(54)	(54)	(45)
Jewellery, gold, & silvermiths wares	(228)	(286)	(46)	(60)	(58)	(64)	(56)	(77)	(80)	(73)

<sup>1</sup> provisional

Table 1.13 - EPZ imports by section / commodity, 1994 - 1996

Value (c.i.f): Million rupees

Description	1994	1995 <sup>1</sup>	1995 <sup>1</sup>				1996 <sup>2</sup>			
			1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.	4th Qr.	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.	4th Qr.
			<b>Total imports</b>	<b>10,125</b>	<b>10,855</b>	<b>2,481</b>	<b>2,676</b>	<b>2,887</b>	<b>2,811</b>	<b>2,670</b>
Food and live animals	268	368	82	38	106	142	93	102	88	140
Crude mats, inedible exc fuels	548	750	173	160	223	194	263	234	397	194
- cotton	(175)	(347)	(50)	(70)	(113)	(114)	(153)	(66)	(233)	(39)
- synt. fibres suit. for spinning	(15)	(22)	(4)	(6)	(8)	(4)	(4)	(3)	(50)	(9)
- wool and other animal hair	(307)	(307)	(109)	(77)	(73)	(48)	(64)	(104)	(91)	(81)
Mineral fuel, lubricants and related p	3	25	6	4	1	14	1	12	1	2
Chemicals	325	426	82	95	136	113	95	122	135	132
Man. goods classified										
chiefly by material	6,682	7,071	1,651	1,774	1,885	1,761	1,640	2,067	2,045	1,926
- leather	(115)	(160)	(38)	(44)	(45)	(33)	(39)	(32)	(34)	(33)
- textile yarn and fabrics	(5,754)	(5,984)	(1,399)	(1,499)	(1,608)	(1,478)	(1,365)	(1,829)	(1,777)	(1,669)
- pearls and precious stones	(456)	(470)	(124)	(128)	(102)	(116)	(96)	(82)	(86)	(103)
Machinery & transport equip.	1,109	987	190	285	255	257	278	293	295	252
Misc. manufactured goods	1,048	1,079	268	268	246	297	250	273	264	268
- optical goods, watches etc.	(400)	(398)	(102)	(102)	(81)	(113)	(93)	(86)	(62)	(80)
Other comm. and transactions	142	149	29	52	35	33	50	80	76	37

<sup>1</sup> Revised

<sup>2</sup> Provisional

Table 1.14 - EPZ exports by main countries of destination, 1995 - 1996

Country of Destination	Year		1995				1996 <sup>1</sup>			
	1995	1996 <sup>1</sup>	1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr	1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr
	Value (f.o.b): Million Rupees									
<b>Total EPZ Exports</b>	18,267	21,001	3,498	4,843	4,950	4,976	4,210	5,445	5,678	5,668
<b>1 Preferential Tariff Countries</b>	17,730	20,310	3,395	4,720	4,791	4,824	4,065	5,286	5,476	5,483
<b>(a) European Union Countries</b>	12,663	14,964	2,390	3,394	3,447	3,432	2,921	3,930	3,974	4,139
Belgium	435	651	99	117	114	105	98	193	186	174
France	5,208	5,762	930	1,451	1,323	1,504	1,231	1,620	1,360	1,551
Germany	1,445	1,606	253	430	396	366	272	440	467	427
Italy	1,015	1,140	252	252	209	302	303	249	265	323
Netherlands	491	685	82	149	137	123	143	168	233	141
Reunion	246	222	42	65	72	67	33	59	61	69
Spain	308	553	36	113	62	97	83	201	106	163
United Kingdom	3,412	4,234	680	800	1,081	851	737	979	1,265	1,253
Other countries	90	111	16	17	53	17	21	21	31	38
<b>(b) Other Preferential Tariff Countries</b>	5,067	5,346	1,005	1,326	1,344	1,392	1,144	1,356	1,502	1,344
Australia	56	67	5	15	9	12	5	14	25	23
Canada	246	204	43	83	51	69	53	57	46	48
Hong kong	152	159	27	29	34	62	44	50	42	23
Malagasy, Republic of	410	526	93	94	108	115	127	140	127	132
Singapore	31	29	5	11	8	7	8	6	6	9
South Africa, Republic of	59	179	12	24	5	18	33	48	49	49
Sweden	104	116	9	15	16	26	15	24	39	38
U.S.A.	3,860	3,787	774	1,012	1,050	1,024	799	959	1,088	941
Zimbabwe	106	139	17	27	36	26	28	29	36	46
Other countries	138	140	20	16	27	33	32	29	44	35
<b>2 General Tariff Countries</b>	537	691	103	123	159	152	145	159	202	185
Japan	120	131	26	20	24	28	30	32	30	39
Switzerland	322	344	62	80	89	91	73	93	87	91
Other countries	127	216	15	23	46	33	42	34	85	55

<sup>1</sup> Provisional

**Table 2.1 :- Employment by size and sex , December 95 - December 96, Pioneer Status Enterprises**

Employment size	No. of enterprises			Employment <sup>1</sup>								
				Dec. 95			Sept. 96			Dec. 96		
	Dec. 95	Sep. 96	Dec. 96	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
25 and above	12	17	20	439	262	701	576	579	1,155	657	597	1,254
10 to < 25	27	31	28	263	102	365	319	107	426	298	93	391
less than 10	65	76	84	214	65	279	216	95	311	238	98	336
<b>T O T A L</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>916</b>	<b>429</b>	<b>1,345</b>	<b>1,111</b>	<b>781</b>	<b>1,892</b>	<b>1,193</b>	<b>788</b>	<b>1,981</b>

<sup>1</sup> includes expatriates: No. as at - Dec. 95 : 54 (48 males, 6 females)

- Sep. 96 : 58 (50 males, 8 females)

- Dec. 96 : 65 (55 males, 10 females)

**Table 2.2:- Employment by product group and sex : 1995 , 1996 , Pioneer Status Enterprises**

Product group	December 1995			December 1996				
	No of enterprises	Employment		No of enterprises	Employment			
		Male	Female		Total	Male	Female	Total
1. Watches and clocks	2	47	174	221	2	37	146	183
2. Informatics	16	148	68	216	23	234	373	607
3. Electric and Electronic products	26	135	58	193	30	182	76	258
4. Light engineering	17	203	27	230	17	222	21	243
5. Support to jewellery	4	21	20	41	4	18	26	44
6. Support to printing and publishing	7	49	38	87	11	131	70	201
7. Services	15	145	26	171	18	120	35	155
8. Plastic and rubber products	12	125	9	134	16	162	21	183
9. Other	5	43	9	52	11	87	20	107
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>916</b>	<b>429</b>	<b>1,345</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>1,193</b>	<b>788</b>	<b>1,981</b>

**Table 2.3:- Analysis of net change in employment, 4th quarter 1996 , Pioneer Status Enterprises**

	Evolution 4th qr 1996		Evolution year 1996	
	Enterprises	Employment	Enterprises	Employment
<b>A. Total employment creation :</b>				
Expansion in existing enterprises	29	125	42	202
New enterprises	8	30	28	583
<b>B. Total employment lost :</b>				
Reduction in existing enterprises	20	66	28	149
Closures	0	0	0	0
<b>C. Net change (A-B)</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>636</b>
Male	...	82	...	277
Female	...	7	...	359



**Table 2.4 : -Net change in number of enterprises by product group, 1995 - 1996:  
Pioneer Status Enterprises**

Product group	No of enterprises			Net change	
	Dec. 95	Sept. 96	Dec. 96	Dec.96 - Sept. 96	Year
1. Watches and clocks	2	2	2	0	0
2. Informatics	16	22	23	1	7
3. Electric and electronic products	26	29	30	1	4
4. Light engineering	17	17	17	0	0
5. Support to jewellery	4	4	4	0	0
6. Support to printing and publishing	7	10	11	1	4
7. Services	15	17	18	1	3
8. Plastic and rubber product	12	15	16	1	4
9. Other	5	8	11	3	6
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>28</b>

**Table 2.5 :- Net change in employment by product group, 1995 - 1996:  
Pioneer Status Enterprises**

Product group	Employment			Net change	
	Dec. 95	Sept. 96	Dec. 96	Dec.96 - Sept. 96	Year
1. Watches and clocks	221	188	183	- 5	- 38
2. Informatics	216	605	607	2	391
3. Electronic and electronic products	193	224	258	34	65
4. Light engineering	230	230	243	13	13
5. Support to jewellery	41	39	44	5	3
6. Support to printing and publishing	87	194	201	7	114
7. Services	171	150	155	5	- 16
8. Plastic and rubber products	134	185	183	- 2	49
9. Other	52	77	107	30	55
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,345</b>	<b>1,892</b>	<b>1,981</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>636</b>