

# **The Export Processing Zone and Pioneer Status Enterprises 4th Quarter and Year 1999**

## **Introduction**

The **Quarterly Survey of Employment** is a regular survey carried out among the EPZ and Pioneer Status enterprises and provides up to date data on the evolution of the workforce in the different industry sub-groups. This issue of the "Economic and Social Indicators" presents the results of the survey carried out at the end of December 1999. Provisional figures on EPZ imports and exports for 1999 as well as revised figures for previous years are also given.

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

### **2.1 Number of enterprises**

During the 4th quarter of 1999, 8 new enterprises started operation and 4 enterprises closed down, bringing the total number of EPZ enterprises at the end of the quarter to 512. The number of enterprises with fewer than 10 workers numbered 100 and represented nearly 20% of the total number of enterprises but employed less than 1% of the workforce. On the other hand, there were 21 enterprises with more than 1,000 employees, employing 47% of the total workforce (Table 1.9).

The number of enterprises in "Wearing apparel", the most important group in the EPZ, stood at 251 compared to 248 at the end of September 1999 and 241 at the end of 1998. There were 39 enterprises at the end of 1999 in the "Flowers" group which is the only non-manufacturing group in the EPZ. Other details on the number of enterprises by product group are given in Table 1.2.

### **2.2 Employment evolution, 4th quarter 1999**

As at December 1999, employment in the EPZ stood at 91,374 (61,506 females and 29,868 males), representing an increase of 922 when compared to the 3rd quarter of 1999. The number of male employees rose by 124 whilst female employment went up by 798. Foreign workers increased by 627 to reach 13,425 (3,988 males and 9,437 females) at the end of 1999 (Table 1.4).

As shown in Table 1.5, a total of 2,556 jobs were created during the 4th quarter 1999, of which 2,374 through expansion in 26 existing enterprises. The eight new enterprises started operation with a total workforce of 182 employees. On the other hand, a total of 1,634 jobs were lost, of which 64 following the closure of the four enterprises.

An analysis by product group shows that most of the increase (+739) was in "Wearing apparel". However, within this group, employment in "Pullovers" rose by 27 only whilst that of "Other garments" witnessed a significant increase of 712. Details of other changes in employment by product group are shown in Table 1.7.

### **2.3 Employment evolution, December 1998 - December 1999**

During the one-year period ending December 1999 employment in EPZ rose by 1,258 (1.4%) compared to 6,725 (8.1%) for the previous year. There was an increase of 523 among females whilst the number of male workers rose by 735. As shown in Table 1.4, during the same period the number of foreign workers rose by 1,466.

In the group "Wearing apparel", employment went up by 1,049 from 75,870 to 76,919. Within this group, there was a fall in employment of 278 in "Pullovers" but an increase of 1,327 in "Other garments". Increases were also registered in the following sectors: "Electronic watches and clocks" (+272), "Textile yarn and fabrics" (+271) and "Wood and paper products" (+107). On the other hand, employment in "Jewellery and related articles", "Leather products and footwear" and "Toys and carnival articles" fell by 266, 93 and 74, respectively. The other sectors witnessed minor changes as shown in Table 1.7.

### **2.4 Exports and imports**

Provisional figures show that EPZ exports during the 4th quarter of 1999 reached Rs 8,106 million against Rs 7,180 million for the previous quarter. The total for the whole year is estimated at Rs 28,952 million compared to Rs 26,075 million in 1998, i.e. an increase of Rs 2,877 million or about 11%.

Exports of manufactured articles of apparel and clothing, which represent nearly 80% of EPZ exports, went up by 8.6% from Rs 21,121 million in 1998 to 22,947 million in 1999. Exports of textiles yarn, fabrics and made up articles went up by over 65% to Rs 1,759 million from Rs 1,062 million.

An analysis by country of destination (Table 1.15) shows that 66% of the exports were directed to countries of the European Union. Exports to the Republic of Malagasy, which consist mainly of textiles yarn, fabrics and made up articles, increased by 63% from Rs 835 million to Rs 1,365 million. Exports to the U.S.A went up by 12.5% (+ Rs 755 million) whilst there was an increase of 8.1% (+ Rs 1,436 million) in exports towards the European Union.

Imports for 1999 fell by nearly 3% to Rs 15,725, from Rs 16,179 million in 1998, mainly due to a decrease (-5.5%) in the imports of raw materials. On the other hand, imports of machinery and equipment increased significantly by 24% from Rs 1,486 million to Rs 1,845 million.

Net exports, i.e., exports minus imports, totalled Rs 13,227 million in 1999, compared to Rs 9,896 million in the previous year, resulting in a significant improvement in its ratio to exports from 38% to 46% (Table 1.12).

## **2.5 Value added**

On the basis of data now available, value added by EPZ enterprises in 1999 is estimated at Rs 11,633 million at current prices. This represents a real growth of 6%.

## **3 The Pioneer Status Enterprises (PSE)**

### **3.1 Number of enterprises**

During the 4th quarter of 1999, five new enterprises started operation whilst one enterprise closed down. The total number of enterprises reached 209 at the end of December. Compared to the same period a year ago this represents an increase of 14 enterprises of which 7 were in "Light engineering" and 4 in "Informatics". The distribution of P.S.E's by product group is given in Table 2.1.

### **3.2 Employment**

The total workforce in the PSE sector at the end of the 4th quarter 1999 was 2,567, an increase of 44 over the previous quarter. During the 4th quarter 1999, a total of 115 jobs were created: 87 following expansion in 30 existing enterprises and 28 by the 5 new enterprises. On the other hand, 71 jobs were lost of which 69 following reduction in existing 2 enterprises (Table 2.4).

Compared to the 4th quarter of 1998, employment went up by 86. Details of changes in employment by product group is given in Table 2.2.

The number of expatriates employed as at December 1999 stood at 125 (110 males and 15 females).

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**Table 1.1:- Main economic indicators: 1988 - 1998, EPZ Sector**

	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998 <sup>1</sup>	1999 <sup>2</sup>
<b>1. No of enterprises as at December</b>	563	568	586	558	536	494	481	481	480	495	512
- New	79	62	52	33	38	27	25	43	26	48	37
- Closures	107	57	34	61	60	69	38	43	27	33	20
<b>2. Employment as at December</b>	88,658	89,906	90,861	86,937	85,621	82,176	80,466	79,793	83,391	90,116	91,374
- Net change	-422	+1,248	+955	-3,924	-1,316	-3,445	-1,710	-673	+3,598	+6,725	+1,258
- Growth rate (%)	-0.5	+1.4	+1.1	-4.3	-1.5	-4.0	-2.1	-0.8	+4.5	+8.1	+1.4
<b>3. Exports (f.o.b, Rs Million)</b>	9,057	11,474	12,136	13,081	15,821	16,533	18,267	21,001	23,049	26,075	28,952
<b>4. Imports (c.i.f, Rs Million) :</b>	7,502	7,348	7,067	7,133	9,326	10,125	10,856	12,077	13,880	16,179	15,725
- Raw materials	(6,539)	(6,554)	(6,348)	(6,456)	(8,221)	(9,016)	(9,869)	(10,960)	(12,442)	(14,693)	(13,880)
- Machinery & spare parts	(963)	(794)	(719)	(677)	(1105)	(1109)	(987)	(1,117)	(1,438)	(1,486)	(1,845)
<b>5. Net Exports (Rs Million)</b>	1,555	4,126	5,069	5,948	6,495	6,408	7,411	8,893	9,169	9,896	13,227
<b>6. Net Exports to Exports (%)</b>	17.2	36.0	41.8	45.5	41.1	38.8	40.6	42.3	39.8	38.0	45.7
<b>7. Value added at current prices (Rs Million)</b>	3,400	3,975	4,406	5,011	5,702	6,373	7,097	8,164	9,138	10,452	11,633
- Share in Manufacturing(%)	51.1	51.1	50.3	50.4	51.0	50.2	49.6	49.6	49.8	49.7	51.2
- Share in GDP(%)	12.7	12.5	12.2	11.8	11.9	11.7	11.7	12.0	12.2	12.4	12.9
<b>8. Value added at constant '82 prices (Rs Million)</b>	1,650	1,766	1,854	1,965	2,083	2,173	2,281	2,441	2,587	2,766	2,932
- Growth rate (%)	+6.0	+7.0	+5.0	+6.0	+6.0	+4.3	+5.0	+7.0	+6.0	+6.9	+6.0
<b>9. Investment (Rs Million)</b>	900	690	648	560	900	900	815	930	1,245	1,445	1,615
- Machinery	(840)	(640)	(610)	(540)	(875)	(880)	(805)	(915)	(1200)	(1355)	(1485)

<sup>1</sup> revised

<sup>2</sup> provisional

Table 1.2: - Net change in number of enterprises by product group: Dec. 1998 - Dec. 1999, EPZ Sector

Product group	No. of enterprises			Net change from	
	Dec. 98	Sept. 99	Dec. 99	Sept. 99 to Dec. 99	Dec. 98 to Dec. 99
1. Food	12	12	11	-1	-1
2. Flowers	42	40	39	-1	-3
3. Textile yarn and fabrics	34	34	34	0	0
4. Wearing apparel :	241	248	251	3	10
Pullovers	(30)	(32)	(32)	(0)	(2)
Other garments	(211)	(216)	(219)	(3)	(8)
5. Leather products and footwear	8	8	8	0	0
6. Wood and paper products	33	33	33	0	0
7. Optical goods	6	6	6	0	0
8. Electronic watches and clocks	4	5	5	0	1
9. Electric and electronic products	10	10	10	0	0
10. Jewellery and related articles	22	22	23	1	1
11. Toys and carnival articles	7	7	7	0	0
12. Other	76	83	85	2	9
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>495</b>	<b>508</b>	<b>512</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>17</b>

Table 1.3:- New enterprises and closures, EPZ Sector: 1998, 1999.

Product group	Year 1998						Year 1999			
	New projects		Closures		New projects		Closures			
	Enterprise	Employment	Enterprise	Employment	Enterprise	Employment	Enterprise	Employment	Enterprise	Employment
1. Food	2	50	1	11	4	1,368	5	1,273		
2. Flowers	-	-	2	11	-	-	3	10		
3. Textile yarn and fabrics	3	95	3	60	2	16	2	24		
4. Wearing apparel :										
Pullovers	19	1,384	14	834	17	586	7	671		
Other garments	(3)	(360)	(1)	(109)	(3)	(155)	(1)	(313)		
	(16)	(1,024)	(13)	(725)	(14)	(431)	(6)	(358)		
5. Leather products and footwear	1	4	3	300	-	-	-	-		
6. Wood and paper products	3	41	2	25	-	-	-	-		
7. Optical goods	1	9	-	-	-	-	-	-		
8. Electronic watches and clocks	1	76	-	-	-	-	-	-		
9. Electric and electronic products	1	11	1	13	-	-	-	-		
10. Jewellery and related articles	1	3	-	-	3	45	1	25		
11. Toys and carnival articles	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
12. Other	16	485	7	430	11	56	2	12		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>2158</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>1684</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>2,071</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>2,015</b>		

Table 1.4:- Employment by size and sex: December 1998 - September 1999 - December 1999, EPZ Sector

Category	Enterprise			Employment								
	Number as at			December 98			September 99			December 99		
	Dec. 98	Sept. 99	Dec. 99	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Enterprises with 10 or more employees	392	409	412	28,771	59,869	88,640	29,377	59,555	88,932	29,489	60,251	89,740
Enterprises with less than 10 employees	103	99	100	279	228	507	262	191	453	261	197	458
Outworkers	-	-	-	83	886	969	105	962	1,067	118	1,058	1,176
<b>T O T A L</b>	<b>495</b>	<b>508</b>	<b>512</b>	<b>29,133</b>	<b>60,983</b>	<b>90,116</b>	<b>29,744</b>	<b>60,708</b>	<b>90,452</b>	<b>29,868</b>	<b>61,506</b>	<b>91,374</b>
<i>of which, expatriates</i>	-	-	-	3,545	8,414	11,959	3,980	8,818	12,798	3,988	9,437	13,425

**Table 1.5:- Analysis of net change in EPZ employment, 4th Quarter and Year 1999**

	Evolution 4th qr 1999		Evolution year 1999	
	Enterprises	Employment	Enterprises	Employment
<b>A. Total employment creation :</b>				
Expansion in existing enterprises*	26	2,374	40	5,437
New enterprises	8	182	37	2,071
<b>B. Total employment lost :</b>				
Reduction in existing enterprises*	15	1,570	30	- 4,235
Closures	4	64	20	- 2,015
<b>C. Net change (A-B)</b>				
Male	...	922	...	1,258
Female	...	124	...	735
	...	798	...	523

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



**Table 1.6:- Employment by product group and sex: September 1998 - September 1999, EPZ Sector**

Product group	December 1998			December 1999				
	No of Enterprises	Employment		No of Enterprises	Employment			
		Male	Female		Total	Male	Female	Total
1. Food	12	606	894	1,500	11	572	995	1,567
2. Flowers	42	243	294	537	39	235	287	522
3. Textile yarn and fabrics	34	2,899	871	3,770	34	3,063	978	4,041
4. Wearing apparel :	241	22,052	53,818	75,870	251	22,597	54,322	76,919
Pullovers	(30)	(4,132)	(14,710)	(18,842)	(32)	(3,992)	(14,572)	(18,564)
Other garments	(211)	(17,920)	(39,108)	(57,028)	(219)	(18,605)	(39,750)	(58,355)
5. Leather products and footwear	8	209	759	968	8	219	656	875
6. Wood and paper products	33	591	206	797	33	674	230	904
7. Optical goods	6	260	233	493	6	247	251	498
8. Electronic watches and clocks	4	169	337	506	5	268	510	778
9. Electric and electronic products	10	217	373	590	10	196	368	564
10. Jewellery and related articles	22	661	913	1,574	23	595	713	1,308
11. Toys and carnival articles	7	112	1,011	1,123	7	102	947	1,049
12. Other	76	1,114	1,274	2,388	85	1,100	1,249	2,349
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>495</b>	<b>29,133</b>	<b>60,983</b>	<b>90,116</b>	<b>512</b>	<b>29,868</b>	<b>61,506</b>	<b>91,374</b>

Table 1.7:- Net change in employment by product group: Dec. 1998 - Dec. 1999, EPZ Sector

Product group	Employment			Net change from	
	Dec. 98	Sept. 99	Dec. 99	Sept. 99 to Dec. 99	Dec. 98 to Dec. 99
1. Food	1,500	1,557	1,567	10	67
2. Flowers	537	531	522	-9	-15
3. Textile yarn and fabrics	3,770	3,938	4,041	103	271
4. Wearing apparel :					
Pullovers	75,870	76,180	76,919	739	1,049
Other garments	(18,842)	(18,537)	(18,564)	(27)	(-278)
5. Leather products and footwear	(57,028)	(57,643)	(58,355)	(712)	(1,327)
6. Wood and paper products	968	879	875	-4	-93
7. Optical goods	797	843	904	61	107
8. Electronic watches and clocks	493	453	498	45	5
9. Electric and electronic products	506	876	778	-98	272
10. Jewellery and related articles	590	538	564	26	-26
11. Toys and carnival articles	1,574	1,283	1,308	25	-266
12. Other	1,123	1,038	1,049	11	-74
	2,388	2,336	2,349	13	-39
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>90,116</b>	<b>90,452</b>	<b>91,374</b>	<b>922</b>	<b>1,258</b>

Table 1.8 :- Expatriate employment by product group and sex: December 1998 - December 1999, EPZ Sector

Product group	December 1998			December 1999		
	Employment			Employment		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
1. Food	131	154	285	95	157	252
2. Flowers	0	0	0	0	0	0
3. Textile yarn and fabrics	282	237	519	290	317	607
4. Wearing apparel :	3,010	7,970	10,980	3,472	8,913	12,385
Pullovers	(137)	(986)	(1,123)	(218)	(1,285)	(1,503)
Other garments	(2,873)	(6,984)	(9,857)	(3,254)	(7,628)	(10,882)
5. Leather products and footwear	6	4	10	6	2	8
6. Wood and paper products	5	0	5	4	0	4
7. Optical goods	2	0	2	5	0	5
8. Electronic watches and clocks	3	1	4	6	1	7
9. Electric and electronic products	4	0	4	2	0	2
10. Jewellery and related articles	42	1	43	46	2	48
11. Toys and carnival articles	15	45	60	11	42	53
12. Other	45	2	47	51	3	54
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,545</b>	<b>8,414</b>	<b>11,959</b>	<b>3,988</b>	<b>9,437</b>	<b>13,425</b>

**Table 1.9:- Distribution of EPZ enterprises by employment size as at December 1999**

Employment size (including outworkers)	Enterprise			Employment		
	Number	Percentage	Cum. %	Number	Percentage	Cum. %
Under 10	100	19	19	475	1	1
10 - 50	206	40	59	5,014	5	6
51 - 100	65	13	72	4,719	5	11
101 - 300	76	15	87	13,279	15	26
301 - 500	20	4	91	7,571	8	34
501 - 1000	24	5	95	17,468	19	53
More than 1000	21	4	100	42,848	47	100
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>512</b>	<b>100</b>		<b>91,374</b>	<b>100</b>	

**Table 1.10:- Geographical distribution of EPZ establishments\* and employment - December 1999**

District / Locality	Establishments			Total Employment
	Textile	Non-Textile	Total	
<b>Port Louis</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>11,237</b>
Plaine Lauzun	22	7	29	3,892
Port Louis city	19	29	48	3,553
<b>Pamplemousses</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>11,289</b>
Terre Rouge & Riche Terre	9	10	19	1,707
Tombeau Bay	11	0	11	1,871
Triolet	13	4	17	4,385
<b>Rivière du Rempart</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>10,502</b>
St. Antoine & Goodlands	12	18	30	4,492
Rivière du Rempart & Ile d'Ambre	13	1	14	5,177
<b>Flacq</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>8,424</b>
Central Flacq	19	6	25	3,587
Bel Air	4	0	4	1,098
<b>Grand Port</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>5,050</b>
Rose Belle & New Grove	13	0	13	1,477
Mahebourg	6	0	6	1,181
<b>Savanne</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>6,484</b>
Surinam	5	0	5	1,459
Rivière des Anguilles	6	12	18	1,193
<b>Plaine Wilhems</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>201</b>	<b>29,785</b>
Coromandel	22	13	35	3,534
Beau Bassin & Rose Hill	31	10	41	8,814
Vacoas & Phoenix	38	14	52	8,436
Quatre Bornes	16	11	27	561
Curepipe, Floreal & Forest Side	22	20	42	8,417
<b>Moka</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>5,387</b>
Pailles	9	10	19	632
St. Pierre & Moka	14	14	28	3,434
<b>Black River</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>3,216</b>
Medine & Bambous	5	2	7	351
<b>T O T A L</b>	<b>411</b>	<b>233</b>	<b>644</b>	<b>91,374</b>

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

Table 1.11: - EPZ enterprises and employment, quarterly series (1989 - 1999)

Y E A R	Enterprise				Employment			
	1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr	1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr
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
1997	483	478	480	480	81,572	81,915	82,083	83,391
1998	485	485	480	495	86,069	87,057	87,902	90,116
1999	500	505	508	512	91,559	90,812	90,452	91,374

Table 1.12: Net EPZ exports, 1998 - 1999

Value : Million Rupees

	1998	1999	1998				1999 <sup>1</sup>			
			1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr	1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr
A. Total exports ( f.o.b )	26,075	28,952	5,042	6,676	6,704	7,653	5,888	7,778	7,180	8,106
B. Total imports ( c.i.f )	16,179	15,725	3,698	4,378	4,121	3,982	3,711	4,361	3,858	3,795
<i>Raw materials</i>	14,693	13,880	3,306	3,896	3,765	3,726	3,283	3,706	3,436	3,455
<i>Machinery</i>	1,486	1,845	392	482	356	256	428	655	422	340
Net Exports ( A - B )	9,896	13,227	1,344	2,298	2,583	3,671	2,177	3,417	3,322	4,311
Net Exports as % of total exports	38	46	27	34	39	48	37	44	46	53

<sup>1</sup> Provisional

Table 1.13: EPZ exports of selected commodities by section, 1998 - 1999

Value (f.o.b): Million Rupees

SITC section/description	1998	1999	1998				1999 <sup>1</sup>						
			1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr	1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr			
			<u>26,075</u>	<u>28,952</u>	<u>5,042</u>	<u>6,676</u>	<u>6,704</u>	<u>7,653</u>	<u>5,888</u>	<u>7,778</u>	<u>7,180</u>	<u>8,106</u>	
<b>Total EPZ Exports</b>													
<b>0 - Food and live animals</b> of which :	1,315	1,228	295	319	362	339	277	330	323	298			
Fish & fish preparations	939	952	204	205	288	242	212	257	254	229			
<b>2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels</b>	145	132	13	33	38	61	51	51	13	17			
<b>5 - Chemicals and related products, n.e.s</b>	56	75	18	7	12	19	11	16	25	23			
<b>6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material</b> of which :	1,783	2,687	537	507	226	513	534	668	746	739			
Textile yarn, fabrics, made up articles	1,062	1,759	391	284	72	315	370	432	467	490			
Pearls, precious & semi-precious stones	446	625	97	144	92	113	108	150	195	172			
<b>7 - Machinery and transport equipment</b>	99	109	22	38	22	17	23	35	33	18			
<b>8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles</b> of which :	22,674	24,696	4,157	5,772	6,043	6,702	4,989	6,665	6,034	7,008			
Articles of apparel and clothing	21,121	22,947	3,845	5,442	5,605	6,229	4,637	6,206	5,578	6,526			
Optical goods	206	203	46	28	62	70	51	61	47	44			
Watches and clocks	508	585	91	105	158	154	123	129	158	175			
Toys, games and sporting goods	78	165	4	22	35	17	18	53	59	35			
Jewellery, goldsmiths & silversmiths wares	327	358	62	72	88	105	70	96	84	108			

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Table 1.14: EPZ imports of selected commodities by section, 1998 - 1999

SITC section/description	1998	1999	1998				1999 <sup>1</sup>			
			Value (c.i.f.) : Million Rupees				Value (c.i.f.) : Million Rupees			
			1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr	1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr
<b>Total EPZ Imports</b>	<b>16,179</b>	<b>15,725</b>	<b>3,698</b>	<b>4,378</b>	<b>4,121</b>	<b>3,982</b>	<b>3,711</b>	<b>4,361</b>	<b>3,858</b>	<b>3,795</b>
<b>0 - Food and live animals</b>	721	407	113	210	224	174	81	187	60	79
<b>2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels</b>	1,363	1,024	318	292	379	374	279	271	242	232
of which :										
Cotton	679	439	164	124	202	189	117	109	121	92
Synthetic fibres suitable for spinning	15	23	4	3	3	5	5	6	7	5
Wool and other animal hair	380	241	79	101	93	107	78	61	29	73
<b>3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related products</b>	21	9	16	3	2	-	-	3	2	4
<b>5 - Chemicals and related products, n.e.s</b>	742	586	153	199	211	179	134	157	131	164
<b>6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material</b>	10,186	10,207	2,341	2,763	2,542	2,540	2,430	2,687	2,539	2,551
of which :										
Leather	144	76	35	38	33	38	19	18	17	22
Textile yarn and fabrics	8,888	8,931	2,032	2,424	2,237	2,195	2,145	2,386	2,235	2,165
Pearls, precious and semi-precious stones	433	577	87	104	107	135	144	127	126	180
<b>7 - Machinery &amp; transport equipment</b>	1,486	1,845	392	482	356	256	428	655	422	340
<b>8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles</b>	1,619	1,574	357	414	394	454	343	377	443	411
of which :										
Optical goods, watches & clocks	511	434	134	148	105	124	108	100	126	100
Jewellery, goldsmiths & silversmiths wares	313	259	60	67	85	101	68	52	59	80
<b>9 - Other commodities &amp; transactions, n.e.s</b>	40	72	8	15	12	5	16	24	19	13

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Table 1.15: EPZ exports by countries of destination, 1998 - 1999

Country of destination	1998				1999				1999 <sup>1</sup>			
	1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr	1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr	1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr
<b>Total EPZ Exports</b>	<b>26,075</b>	<b>28,952</b>	<b>28,088</b>	<b>(17,690)</b>	<b>5,042</b>	<b>6,676</b>	<b>6,704</b>	<b>7,653</b>	<b>5,888</b>	<b>7,778</b>	<b>7,180</b>	<b>8,106</b>
<b>1. Preferential Tariff Countries</b>	<b>25,322</b>	<b>28,088</b>	<b>(17,690)</b>	<b>647</b>	<b>4,890</b>	<b>6,538</b>	<b>6,485</b>	<b>7,409</b>	<b>5,698</b>	<b>7,583</b>	<b>6,966</b>	<b>7,841</b>
<b>(a) European Union Countries</b>	<b>647</b>	<b>831</b>	<b>(19,126)</b>	<b>6,259</b>	<b>(3,398)</b>	<b>(4,445)</b>	<b>(4,496)</b>	<b>(5,351)</b>	<b>(3,860)</b>	<b>(5,148)</b>	<b>(4,667)</b>	<b>(5,451)</b>
Belgium				127	191	152	177	177	217	201	236	177
France				1,023	1,673	1,393	2,170	2,170	1,276	1,938	1,425	2,220
Germany				339	445	657	481	481	277	404	491	393
Italy				259	264	244	396	396	289	243	234	390
Netherlands				129	213	203	239	239	196	238	240	204
Reunion				38	81	75	83	83	54	85	86	84
Spain				120	196	274	206	206	125	222	278	289
Sweden				34	35	33	32	32	23	26	28	31
United Kingdom				1,254	1,318	1,406	1,510	1,510	1,342	1,747	1,600	1,595
Other				75	29	59	57	57	61	44	49	68
<b>(b) Other Preferential Tariff Countries</b>	<b>(7,632)</b>	<b>(8,962)</b>	<b>(8,962)</b>	<b>(1,492)</b>	<b>(2,093)</b>	<b>(1,989)</b>	<b>(2,058)</b>	<b>(2,058)</b>	<b>(1,838)</b>	<b>(2,435)</b>	<b>(2,299)</b>	<b>(2,390)</b>
Australia				12	19	20	16	16	15	17	22	17
Canada				46	90	77	40	40	46	87	75	39
Hong kong				44	19	8	16	16	24	29	16	30
Malagasy, Republic of				262	238	77	258	258	324	329	364	348
Singapore				5	4	3	8	8	2	5	4	3
South Africa, Republic of				24	28	14	33	33	4	16	41	34
U.S.A				1,010	1,635	1,766	1,642	1,642	1,383	1,905	1,687	1,833
Zimbabwe				31	35	12	10	10	12	13	31	28
Other				58	25	12	35	35	28	34	59	58
<b>2. General Tariff Countries</b>	<b>753</b>	<b>864</b>	<b>864</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>138</b>	<b>219</b>	<b>244</b>	<b>244</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>214</b>	<b>265</b>
Japan				31	38	40	37	37	28	36	59	37
Switzerland				62	71	109	125	125	96	91	97	130
Other				240	29	70	82	82	66	68	58	98

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Table 1.16: EPZ imports by main countries of origin, 1998 - 1999

Country of origin	1998				1999				1999 <sup>1</sup>			
	1998				1999				1999 <sup>1</sup>			
	1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr	1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr	1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr
<b>1. Preferential Tariff Countries</b>	<b>16,179</b>	<b>11,862</b>	<b>15,725</b>	<b>11,176</b>	<b>15,725</b>	<b>4,378</b>	<b>4,121</b>	<b>3,982</b>	<b>3,711</b>	<b>4,361</b>	<b>3,858</b>	<b>3,795</b>
(a) European Union Countries	(5,218)	(5,005)	(5,005)	(5,005)	(5,005)	(1,500)	(1,256)	(1,305)	(1,114)	(1,528)	(1,098)	(1,265)
Belgium	437	714	714	714	714	115	97	136	120	276	155	163
France	2,040	1,482	1,482	1,482	1,482	591	456	515	357	397	328	400
Germany	755	674	674	674	674	228	199	153	173	183	168	150
Italy	1,029	1,072	1,072	1,072	1,072	226	258	252	241	329	231	271
Netherlands	32	27	27	27	27	5	11	8	7	4	8	8
Sweden	48	72	72	72	72	23	12	6	11	24	9	28
Spain	352	401	401	401	401	48	98	102	95	182	49	75
United Kingdom	416	451	451	451	451	84	99	103	88	106	114	143
Other	109	112	112	112	112	29	26	30	22	27	36	27
<b>(b) Other Preferential Tariff Countries</b>	<b>(6,644)</b>	<b>(6,171)</b>	<b>(6,171)</b>	<b>(6,171)</b>	<b>(6,171)</b>	<b>(1,501)</b>	<b>(1,765)</b>	<b>(1,650)</b>	<b>(1,526)</b>	<b>(1,489)</b>	<b>(1,570)</b>	<b>(1,586)</b>
Australia	219	176	176	176	176	32	61	54	67	43	25	41
Bahamas	13	-	-	-	-	13	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hong kong	2,173	1,737	1,737	1,737	1,737	447	562	562	481	396	439	421
India	2,441	2,579	2,579	2,579	2,579	571	606	602	601	589	664	725
Malagasy, Republic of	201	135	135	135	135	43	58	39	31	43	39	22
Malaysia	272	188	188	188	188	72	48	74	39	71	47	31
New Zealand	161	32	32	32	32	30	59	54	22	2	5	3
Pakistan	216	357	357	357	357	51	61	54	69	94	102	92
Singapore	204	179	179	179	179	57	47	31	44	40	44	51
South Africa, Republic of	423	458	458	458	458	117	90	126	89	128	120	121
U.S.A	199	283	283	283	283	44	56	49	74	68	73	68
Other	122	47	47	47	47	24	32	5	9	15	12	11
<b>2. General Tariff Countries</b>	<b>4,317</b>	<b>4,549</b>	<b>4,549</b>	<b>4,549</b>	<b>4,549</b>	<b>1,040</b>	<b>1,100</b>	<b>1,027</b>	<b>1,071</b>	<b>1,344</b>	<b>1,190</b>	<b>944</b>
Burkina Faso	179	154	154	154	154	22	88	41	20	82	40	12
Cameroon	47	67	67	67	67	27	-	20	29	9	29	-
China	1,677	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	421	468	346	455	563	575	407
Indonesia	217	184	184	184	184	46	70	49	39	40	44	61
Japan	314	452	452	452	452	80	55	64	140	147	81	84
Korea, Republic of	95	150	150	150	150	19	28	17	49	45	31	25
Macau	30	15	15	15	15	10	5	-	6	1	1	7
Mali	200	172	172	172	172	97	80	-	64	22	43	43
Mexico	25	7	7	7	7	10	15	-	6	-	1	-
Switzerland	472	461	461	461	461	98	130	124	107	147	102	105
Taiwan	658	640	640	640	640	161	196	153	114	216	176	134
Thailand	104	127	127	127	127	22	22	39	22	37	33	35
Other	299	120	120	120	120	27	73	174	20	35	34	31

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**Table 2.1: -Net change in number of enterprises by product group, 1998 - 1999  
Pioneer Status Enterprises**

Product group	No of enterprises			Net change	
	Dec. 98	Sept. 99	Dec. 99	Dec.99 - Sept. 99	Year
1. Watches and clocks	1	1	1	0	0
2. Informatics	39	43	43	0	4
3. Electric and electronic products	31	31	32	1	1
4. Light engineering	29	35	36	1	7
5. Support to jewellery	4	4	4	0	0
6. Support to printing and publishing	16	16	16	0	0
7. Other support services	32	33	34	1	2
8. Plastic and rubber product	22	22	22	0	0
9. Other	21	20	21	1	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>209</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>14</b>

**Table 2.2:- Net change in employment by product group, 1998 - 1999  
Pioneer Status Enterprises**

Product group	Employment			Net change	
	Dec. 98	Sept. 99	Dec. 99	Dec.99- Sept. 99	Year
1. Watches and clocks	196	177	167	- 10	- 29
2. Informatics	470	507	517	10	47
3. Electronic and electronic products	349	372	387	15	38
4. Light engineering	358	336	353	17	-5
5. Support to jewellery	47	42	40	-2	-7
6. Support to printing and publishing	247	215	212	-3	-35
7. Other support services	262	270	277	7	15
8. Plastic and rubber products	339	369	388	19	49
9. Other	213	235	226	-9	13
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,481</b>	<b>2,523</b>	<b>2,567</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>86</b>

**Table 2.3:- Employment by size and sex: December 1998 - September 99 - December 99, Pioneer Status Enterprises**

Employment size	No. of enterprises			Employment								
				December 1998			September 1999			December 1999		
	Dec. 98	Sept. 99	Dec. 99	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
25 and above	23	22	24	830	413	1,243	801	378	1,179	837	392	1,229
10 to < 25	47	53	50	487	199	686	564	211	775	555	190	745
less than 10	125	130	135	425	127	552	420	149	569	440	153	593
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>209</b>	<b>1,742</b>	<b>739</b>	<b>2,481</b>	<b>1,785</b>	<b>738</b>	<b>2,523</b>	<b>1,832</b>	<b>735</b>	<b>2,567</b>
<i>Of which, expatriates</i>	-	-	-	86	12	98	107	14	121	110	15	125





**Table 2.5:- Employment by product group and sex: December 1998 - December 1999, Pioneer Status Enterprises**

Product group	December 1998			December 1999				
	No. of enterprises	Employment		No. of enterprises	Employment			
		Male	Female		Total	Male	Female	Total
1. Watches and clocks	1	38	158	196	1	40	127	167
2. Informatics	39	307	163	470	43	327	190	517
3. Electric and Electronic products	31	242	107	349	32	261	126	387
4. Light engineering	29	322	36	358	36	310	43	353
5. Support to jewellery	4	16	31	47	4	16	24	40
6. Support to printing and publishing	16	157	90	247	16	148	64	212
7. Other support services	32	191	71	262	34	198	79	277
8. Plastic and rubber products	22	309	30	339	22	355	33	388
9. Other	21	160	53	213	21	177	49	226
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>1,742</b>	<b>739</b>	<b>2,481</b>	<b>209</b>	<b>1,832</b>	<b>735</b>	<b>2,567</b>



Table 2.6: - Pioneer enterprises and employment, quarterly series (1995 - 1999)

Y E A R	Enterprise				Employment			
	1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr	1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr
1995	77	80	96	104	1159	1223	1318	1345
1996	112	117	124	132	1448	1838	1892	1981
1997	138	147	153	156	2074	2102	2199	2252
1998	164	176	185	195	2304	2428	2635	2481
1999	199	204	205	209	2467	2489	2523	2567