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SURVEY OF EMPLOYMENT AND EARNINGS IN LARGE (employing 10 or more persons) ESTABLISHMENTS (SEE)

March 2026 (Preliminary results)

1. Introduction

Statistics Mauritius carries out the annual Survey of Employment and Earnings in ‘large’ establishments with March as reference period so as to obtain a continuous series of comparable data on the level of employment and earnings in these establishments. This issue of the Economic and Social Indicators presents the preliminary results for March 2026 with comparative figures for 2024 and 2025.

Concepts and definitions are provided at section 4.

2. Response

The preliminary results of the survey presented below are based on responses obtained from 64% of large establishments, representing 73% of total employment in this category of establishments. Estimates have been worked out for non-response on the basis of previous data, observed trend and employment figures from the statistics unit of the Ministry of Industry, SME and Cooperatives.

3. Main results

3.1 Employment Level, March 2025 - March 2026

A preliminary estimate of total employment in large establishments is 309,681 in March 2026 compared to 309,186 in March 2025, representing an increase of 495 (Table 1). This is the net result of employment increases in some industrial groups, partly offset by decreases in some other groups.

A sectorwise analysis shows that employment in the primary sector decreased by 409 from 9,056 in March 2025 to 8,647 in March 2026. During the same period, employment in the secondary sector showed decrease by 366 from 66,990 to 66,624 while the tertiary sector increased by 1,270 from 233,140 to 234,410.

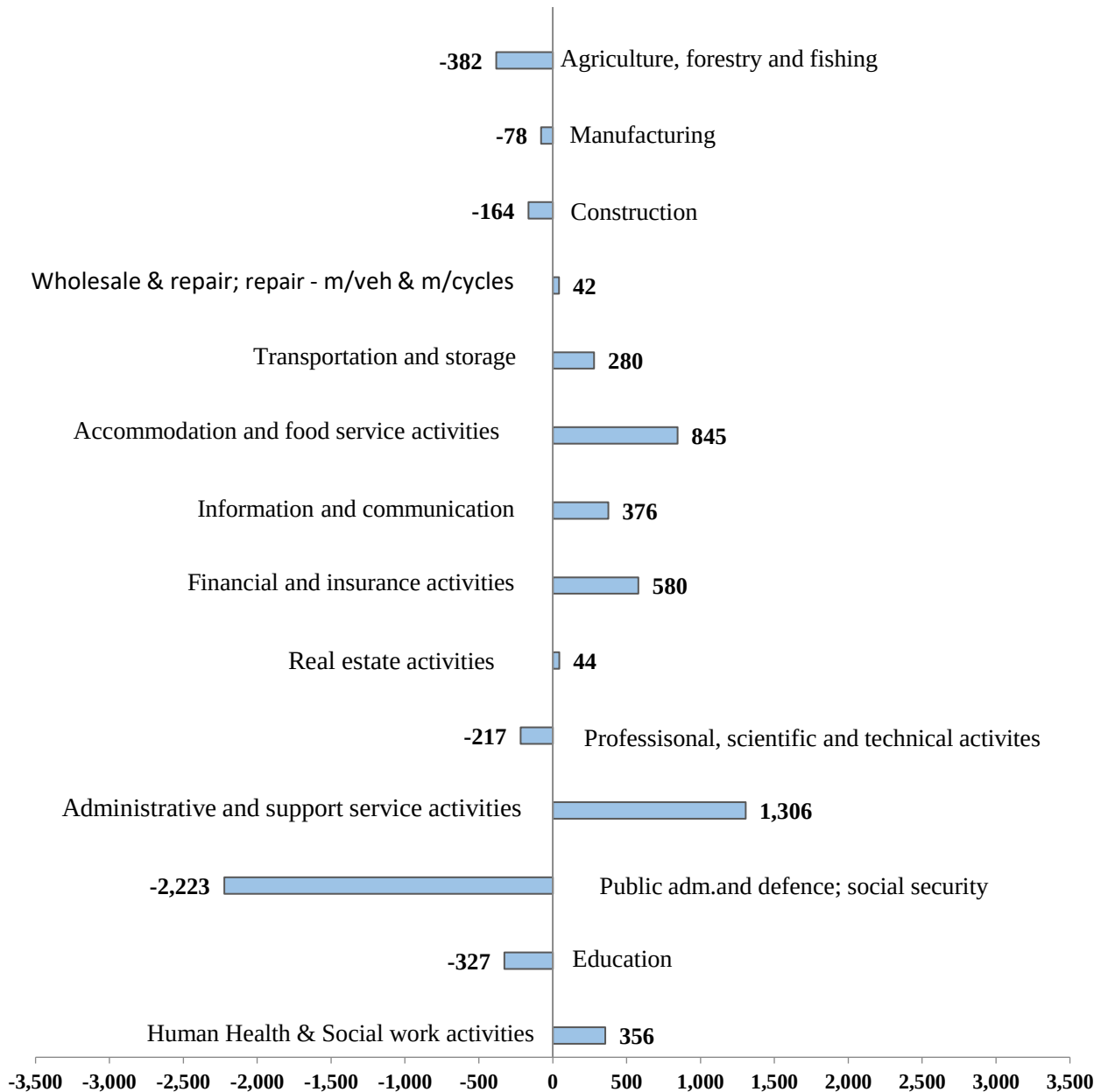
The total employment 4,665 figure includes persons working in large establishments in Rodrigues, compared to 5,025 in March 2025. They are mainly government employees of the Rodrigues Regional Assembly numbering 2,865 in March 2025.

As at March 2026, the number of foreign workers stood at 29,370 (*24,444 males and 4,926 females*) of whom 16,597 were engaged in activities of the ‘Manufacturing’ sector, 5,873 in ‘Construction’, 2,323 in ‘Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles’ and 1,343 in ‘Accommodation and food service activities’ (Table 6).

3.2 Employment by Industry

Between March 2025 and March 2026, main increases occurred in the following industrial groups: Administrative and support service activities (+1,306), ‘Accommodation and food service activities’ (+845), ‘Financial and insurance activities’ (+580), and Information and communication (+376).

Decrease in employment was in ‘Public administration and defence’ (-2,223) (Chart 1).

Chart 1 - Main changes in employment, March 2025 to March 2026

3.3 Employment by Sex

As at March 2026, among the 309,681 employees in large establishments, 181,783 or 58.7% were males. Compared to March 2025, male employment decreased by 140 while female employment increased by 635.

Male employment decreased mainly in 'Public administration and defence; compulsory social security' (-1,772), 'Financial and insurance activities' (-401), 'Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles' (-471) and 'Construction' (-164) (Table 1).

Female employment increased mainly in ‘Financial and insurance activities’ (+981); ‘wholesale and retail trade; repairs of motor vehicles and motorcycles’ (+513) and ‘Transportation and storage’ (+224).

3.4 Employment in General Government Sector

Employment in the General Government Sector decreased by 2,513 from 82,150 in March 2025 to 79,637 in March 2026. Male employment decreased by 1,935 from 44,495 to 42,560 and female employment decreased by 578 from 37,655 to 37,077 (Tables 3, 3a & 3b).

3.5 Employment in large establishments of the Export Oriented Enterprises (EOE) sector

The number of persons employed by large establishments of the EOE sector decreased by 1,835 from 29,259 (*15,360 Mauritians and 13,899 foreigners*) in March 2025 to 27,424 (*14,131 Mauritians and 13,293 foreigners*) in March 2026 (Table 4). The main decreases were in the ‘Wearing apparel (except footwear)’ (-893) and ‘Food’ (-402).

From March 2025 to March 2026, the number of male employees decreased by 705 from 16,735 to 16,030 and the number of female employees by 1,130 from 12,524 to 11,394.

3.6 Employment of foreign workers

The number of foreign workers in large establishments in March 2026 stood at 29,370 (*24,444 males and 4,926 females*) compared to 28,157 (*23,317 males and 4,840 females*) in March 2025, showing a net increase of 1,213 (*+1,127 males and +86 females*) (Table 6).

Male employment increased mainly in ‘Accommodation and Food Service Activities’ (+319).

Female employment decreased mainly in ‘Manufacturing’ (-263).

3.7 Earnings

The level of average earnings is influenced mainly by changes in basic salaries and wages. However, fluctuations may also occur because of:

(a) Changes in the mix of employees of various categories or with various lengths of service. For example, a large intake of professionals by, say, an architectural firm can cause a sudden jump in the average monthly earnings. On the other hand, a large intake of employees at the lower end of a wage scale has the effect of lowering the average earnings.

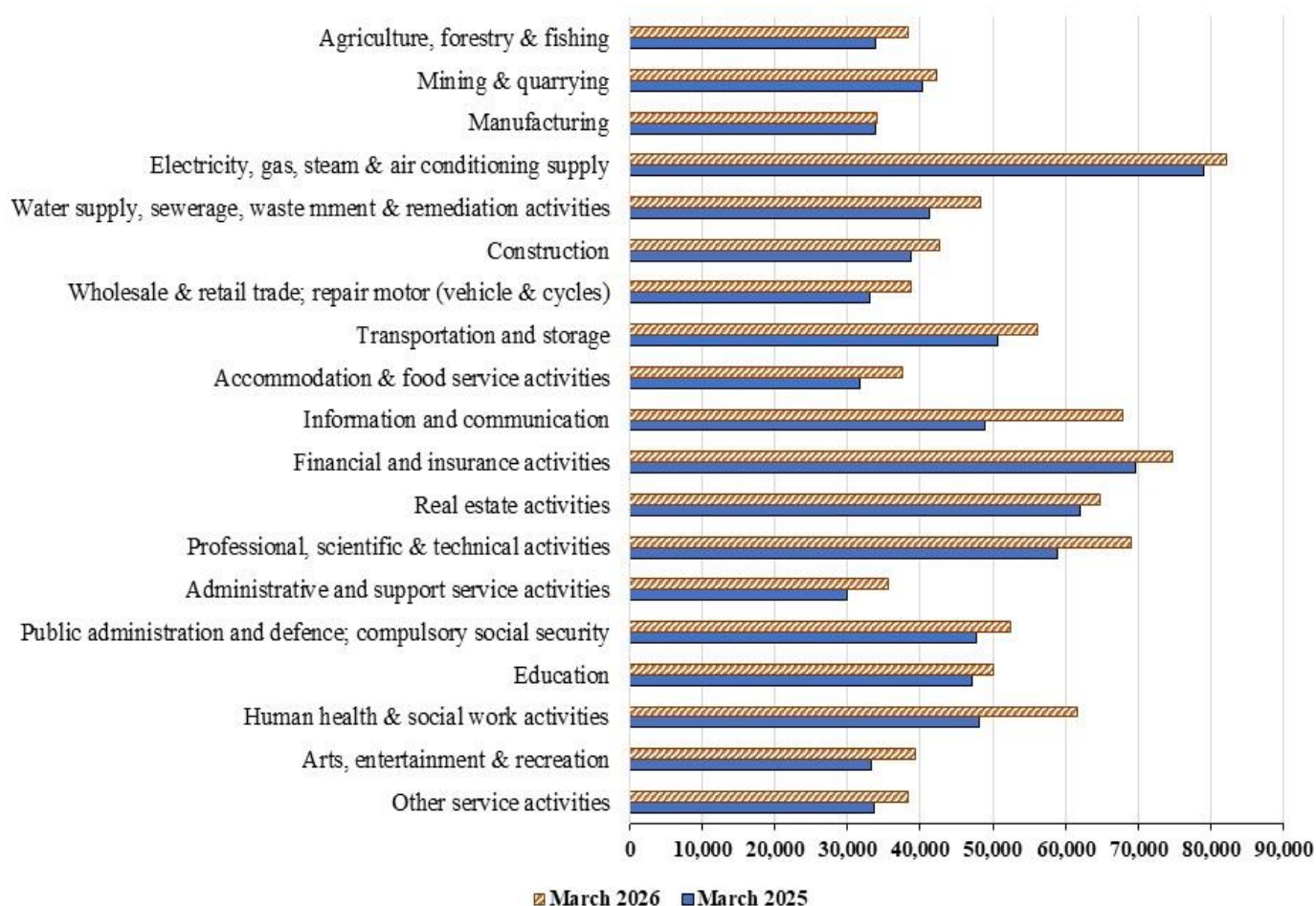
(b) Changes in overtime, regular bonuses and commissions.

3.7.1 Earnings in large establishments

The industrial group with the highest average monthly earnings was ‘Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply’ (Rs 82,230) followed by ‘Financial and insurance activities’ (Rs 74,676), ‘Professional, scientific and technical activities’ (69,155) and ‘Information and communication’ (Rs 67,815). Lowest averages were registered in ‘Manufacturing’ (Rs 34,062), and in ‘Administrative and support service activities’ (Rs 35,526). Within the ‘Manufacturing’ group, ‘Textiles and wearing apparel’ registered average monthly earnings of Rs 31,177.

Overall average monthly earnings in large establishments increased by 6.2% from Rs 43,511 in March 2025 to Rs 46,229 in March 2026. Highest increases were registered in: 'Information and communication' (+38.4%) and 'Human health and social work activities' (+28.2%) (Chart 2).

Chart 2 - Average monthly earnings (Rs), March 2025 & March 2026



3.7.2 Earnings in large establishments of the EOE sector

The average monthly earnings in this sector stood at Rs 33,990 in March 2026, showing an increase of 13.1% over the March 2025 figure of Rs 30,052 (Table 7). The average monthly earnings in the manufacturing establishments were Rs 30,345 compared to Rs 48,756 in the non-manufacturing establishments. The corresponding figures for 2025 were Rs 26,104 and Rs 44,416 respectively (Table 8).

4. Concepts and definitions

4.1 Large establishments include:

(a) Agricultural establishments comprising:

- (i) sugar cane plantations of 10 hectares or more;
- (ii) tea plantations of 2 hectares or more;
- (iii) Other agricultural establishments employing at least 10 persons during the reference period (March 2026).

(b) Non-agricultural establishments employing at least 10 persons during the reference month. It is to be noted that “outworkers”, that is, piece rate workers who are working in their own homes on materials provided by the establishment, are excluded although they are remunerated by the establishment.

(c) All central, regional and local government departments.

4.2 Primary, Secondary and Tertiary sector

Primary sector comprises activities classified in the industrial groups:

- (i) Agriculture, forestry and fishing
- (ii) Mining and quarrying

Secondary sector comprises activities classified in the industrial groups:

- (i) Manufacturing
- (ii) Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply
- (iii) Water supply; sewerage, waste management and remediation activities
- (iv) Construction

Tertiary sector comprises activities classified in the industrial groups:

- (i) Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles
- (ii) Transportation and storage
- (iii) Accommodation and food service activities
- (iv) Information and communication
- (v) Financial and insurance activities
- (vi) Real estate activities
- (vii) Professional, scientific and technical activities
- (viii) Administrative and support service activities
- (ix) Public administration and defence; compulsory social security
- (x) Education
- (xi) Human health and social work activities
- (xii) Arts, entertainment and recreation
- (xiii) Other service activities

4.3 The General Government sector is made up of (i) Central Government (ii) Regional Government and (iii) Local Government.

4.3.1 Central Government covers all units that are agencies of the country’s central authority. It consists of Budgetary Central Government and Extra Budgetary Units.

Budgetary Central Government includes all ministries and departments.

Extra Budgetary Units are agencies responsible for the performance of specialized governmental functions in such fields as health, education, social welfare, construction and so on, under the authority of Central Government

4.3.2 Regional Government consists of the administration of Rodrigues.

4.3.3 Local Government consists of municipalities and district councils / village councils exercising an independent competence as government units.

4.4 Export Oriented Enterprises (EOE) comprise enterprises formerly operating with an export certificate and those export manufacturing enterprises holding a registration certificate issued by the Board of Investment.

4.5 Employment in Large establishments covers all persons in regular or casual employment and includes:

- (a) Persons temporarily absent on paid sick or vacation leave; and
- (b) Persons holding managerial posts, family workers receiving wages or salaries, and paid apprentices.

4.6 Earnings of employees in large establishments comprise all payments in cash made to employees in connection with work done. Amounts reported include overtime, productivity bonuses, commissions, travelling allowances, attendance bonuses, housing and rent allowances and other regular cash payments before any deductions such as taxes, insurance and pension contributions paid by the employees. They exclude pension payments, family allowances and other similar special benefits paid by the employers. Also excluded are arrears payments made at the end of March in respect of previous pay periods.

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Table 1 - Change in employment in large establishments by industry and sex, March 2025 - March 2026

Industry	March 2025 ¹			March 2026 ²			Change between March 2025 and March 2026		
	Male	Female	Both Sexes	Male	Female	Both Sexes	Male	Female	Both Sexes
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	6,515	1,666	8,181	6,160	1,639	7,799	-355	-27	-382
<i>of which sugarcane</i>	2,862	491	3,353	2,720	498	3,218	-142	7	-135
Mining and quarrying	763	112	875	731	117	848	-32	5	-27
Manufacturing	31,143	16,776	47,919	32,016	15,825	47,841	873	-951	-78
<i>of which sugar</i>	624	20	644	680	35	715	56	15	71
<i>food (excluding sugar)</i>	5,316	3,889	9,205	5,138	4,025	9,163	-178	136	-42
<i>textiles and wearing apparel</i>	11,651	6,531	18,182	11,280	5,899	17,179	-371	-632	-1,003
Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	2,268	302	2,570	2,165	292	2,457	-103	-10	-113
Water supply, sewerage, waste management and remediation activities	1,990	451	2,441	1,951	479	2,430	-39	28	-11
Construction	13,127	933	14,060	12,973	923	13,896	-154	-10	-164
Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	18,148	13,536	31,684	17,677	14,049	31,726	-471	513	42
<i>of which wholesale and retail trade</i>	17,870	13,476	31,346	16,983	13,803	30,786	-887	327	-560
Transportation and storage	11,847	3,338	15,185	11,903	3,562	15,465	56	224	280
Accommodation and food service activities	16,520	9,963	26,483	17,224	10,104	27,328	704	141	845
Information and communication	7,195	6,324	13,519	7,451	6,444	13,895	256	120	376
Financial and insurance activities	7,527	9,433	16,960	7,126	10,414	17,540	-401	981	580
<i>of which monetary intermediation</i>	4,896	5,173	10,069	4,510	5,974	10,484	-386	801	415
<i>financial leasing and other credit granting</i>	543	1,118	1,661	531	1,156	1,687	-12	38	26
<i>insurance, reinsurance and pension funding</i>	1,054	1,768	2,822	1,089	1,900	2,989	35	132	167
Real estate activities	676	442	1,118	727	435	1,162	51	-7	44
Professional, scientific and technical activities	5,695	6,364	12,059	5,646	6,196	11,842	-49	-168	-217
Administrative and support service activities	9,607	9,793	19,400	10,727	9,979	20,706	1,120	186	1,306
Public administration and defence; compulsory social security	29,890	17,184	47,074	28,118	16,733	44,851	-1,772	-451	-2,223
Education	8,396	17,299	25,695	8,311	17,057	25,368	-85	-242	-327
Human health and social work activities	7,248	11,157	18,405	7,415	11,346	18,761	167	189	356
Arts, entertainment and recreation	2,563	1,447	4,010	2,518	1,488	4,006	-45	41	-4
Other service activities	805	743	1,548	944	816	1,760	139	73	212
Total	181,923	127,263	309,186	181,783	127,898	309,681	-140	635	495
<i>Export oriented enterprises</i>	<i>16,735</i>	<i>12,524</i>	<i>29,259</i>	<i>16,030</i>	<i>11,394</i>	<i>27,424</i>	<i>-705</i>	<i>-1,130</i>	<i>-1,835</i>

¹ Revised

² Provisional

Table 2 - Employment in large establishments by industry and sex, March 2024 - March 2026

Industry	March 2024 ¹			March 2025 ¹			March 2026 ²		
	Male	Female	Both Sexes	Male	Female	Both Sexes	Male	Female	Both Sexes
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	6,536	1,612	8,148	6,515	1,666	8,181	6,160	1,639	7,799
<i>of which sugarcane</i>	2,960	542	3,502	2,862	491	3,353	2,720	498	3,218
Mining and quarrying	764	118	882	763	112	875	731	117	848
Manufacturing	31,458	18,833	50,291	31,143	16,776	47,919	32,016	15,825	47,841
<i>of which sugar</i>	604	16	620	624	20	644	680	35	715
<i>food (excluding sugar)</i>	5,373	4,424	9,797	5,316	3,889	9,205	5,138	4,025	9,163
<i>textiles and wearing apparel</i>	12,371	7,608	19,979	11,651	6,531	18,182	11,280	5,899	17,179
Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	2,304	298	2,602	2,268	302	2,570	2,165	292	2,457
Water supply, sewerage, waste management and remediation activities	1,927	458	2,385	1,990	451	2,441	1,951	479	2,430
Construction	13,207	908	14,115	13,127	933	14,060	12,973	923	13,896
Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	17,579	13,459	31,038	18,148	13,536	31,684	17,677	14,049	31,726
<i>of which wholesale and retail trade</i>	17,288	13,401	30,689	17,870	13,476	31,346	16,983	13,803	30,786
Transportation and storage	11,700	3,213	14,913	11,847	3,338	15,185	11,903	3,562	15,465
Accommodation and food service activities	16,426	9,536	25,962	16,520	9,963	26,483	17,224	10,104	27,328
Information and communication	7,150	6,220	13,370	7,195	6,324	13,519	7,451	6,444	13,895
Financial and insurance activities	6,728	9,208	15,936	7,527	9,433	16,960	7,126	10,414	17,540
<i>of which monetary Intermediation</i>	4,182	5,183	9,365	4,896	5,173	10,069	4,510	5,974	10,484
<i>financial leasing and other credit granting</i>	448	989	1,437	543	1,118	1,661	531	1,156	1,687
<i>insurance, reinsurance and pension funding</i>	1,055	1,695	2,750	1,054	1,768	2,822	1,089	1,900	2,989
Real estate activities	692	445	1,137	676	442	1,118	727	435	1,162
Professional, scientific and technical activities	5,587	6,059	11,646	5,695	6,364	12,059	5,646	6,196	11,842
Administrative and support service activities	9,599	9,795	19,394	9,607	9,793	19,400	10,727	9,979	20,706
Public administration and defence; compulsory social security	28,845	14,848	43,693	29,890	17,184	47,074	28,118	16,733	44,851
Education	8,455	17,297	25,752	8,396	17,299	25,695	8,311	17,057	25,368
Human health and social work activities	7,234	10,763	17,997	7,248	11,157	18,405	7,415	11,346	18,761
Arts, entertainment and recreation	2,477	1,462	3,939	2,563	1,447	4,010	2,518	1,488	4,006
Other service activities	771	750	1,521	805	743	1,548	944	816	1,760
Total	179,439	125,282	304,721	181,923	127,263	309,186	181,783	127,898	309,681
<i>Export oriented enterprises</i>	<i>17,652</i>	<i>14,374</i>	<i>32,026</i>	<i>16,735</i>	<i>12,524</i>	<i>29,259</i>	<i>16,030</i>	<i>11,394</i>	<i>27,424</i>

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Table 3 - Employment in the General Government sector by industry and sex, March 2024 - March 2026

Both sexes Number

Industry	March 2024 ¹						March 2025 ¹						March 2026 ²					
	Central Government			Regional Govt.	Local Govt.	Total General Govt.	Central Government			Regional Govt.	Local Govt.	Total General Govt.	Central Government			Regional Govt.	Local Govt.	Total General Govt.
	Ministries Depts.	EBUs ³	Total Central Govt.				Ministries Depts.	EBUs ³	Total Central Govt.				Ministries Depts.	EBUs ³	Total Central Govt.			
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	1,505	191	1,696	0	0	1,696	1,645	214	1,859	0	0	1,859	1,357	194	1,551	0	0	1,551
Manufacturing	286	149	435	0	0	435	326	139	465	0	0	465	221	142	363	0	0	363
Construction	862	476	1,338	0	0	1,338	854	458	1,312	0	0	1,312	876	462	1,338	0	0	1,338
Transportation and storage	238	0	238	0	0	238	239	0	239	0	0	239	225	0	225	0	0	225
Information and communication	279	0	279	0	0	279	322	0	322	0	0	322	272	0	272	0	0	272
Financial and insurance activities	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	2	2	0	0	2	0	2	2	0	0	2
Real estate activities	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	97	97	0	0	97	0	65	65	0	0	65
Professional, scientific and technical activities	0	639	639	0	0	639	0	643	643	0	0	643	0	640	640	0	0	640
Administrative and support service activities	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,448	2,448	0	0	2,448	0	2,331	2,331	0	0	2,331
Public administration and defence; compulsory social security	29,826	4,932	34,758	2,845	6,090	43,693	31,148	5,838	36,986	2,904	7,184	47,074	30,508	5,760	36,268	2,865	5,718	44,851
Education	9,838	3,425	13,263	0	0	13,263	9,943	3,436	13,379	0	0	13,379	9,605	4,109	13,714	0	0	13,714
Human health and social work activities	12,605	1,160	13,765	0	0	13,765	12,777	1,176	13,953	0	0	13,953	12,712	1,243	13,955	0	0	13,955
Arts, entertainment and recreation	33	161	194	0	0	194	36	288	324	0	0	324	34	264	298	0	0	298
Other service activities	0	35	35	0	0	35	0	33	33	0	0	33	0	32	32	0	0	32
Total	55,472	11,169	66,641	2,845	6,090	75,576	57,290	14,772	72,062	2,904	7,184	82,150	55,810	15,244	71,054	2,865	5,718	79,637

¹ Revised
² Provisional
³ Extra Budgetary Units

Table 3a - Employment in the General Government sector by industry and sex, March 2024 - March 2026

Male

Number

Industry	March 2024 ¹						March 2025 ¹						March 2026 ²					
	Central Government			Regional Govt.	Local Govt.	Total General Govt.	Central Government			Regional Govt.	Local Govt.	Total General Govt.	Central Government			Regional Govt.	Local Govt.	Total General Govt.
	Ministries Depts.	EBUs ³	Total Central Govt.				Ministries Depts.	EBUs ³	Total Central Govt.				Ministries Depts.	EBUs ³	Total Central Govt.			
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	1,155	169	1,324	0	0	1,324	1,200	187	1,387	0	0	1,387	951	167	1,118	0	0	1,118
Manufacturing	210	141	351	0	0	351	229	132	361	0	0	361	153	136	289	0	0	289
Construction	697	405	1,102	0	0	1,102	683	385	1,068	0	0	1,068	709	390	1,099	0	0	1,099
Transportation and storage	162	0	162	0	0	162	157	0	157	0	0	157	145	0	145	0	0	145
Information and communication	86	0	86	0	0	86	108	0	108	0	0	108	88	0	88	0	0	88
Financial and insurance activities	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1
Real estate activities	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	63	63	0	0	63	0	48	48	0	0	48
Professional, scientific and technical activities	0	417	417	0	0	417	0	415	415	0	0	415	0	409	409	0	0	409
Administrative and support service activities	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	679	679	0	0	679	0	623	623	0	0	623
Public administration and defence; compulsory social security	20,086	2,325	22,411	1,647	4,787	28,845	20,230	2,314	22,544	1,657	5,689	29,890	19,769	2,304	22,073	1,633	4,412	28,118
Education	2,738	1,226	3,964	0	0	3,964	2,758	1,251	4,009	0	0	4,009	2,594	1,661	4,255	0	0	4,255
Human health and social work activities	5,479	647	6,126	0	0	6,126	5,492	645	6,137	0	0	6,137	5,500	662	6,162	0	0	6,162
Arts, entertainment and recreation	15	101	116	0	0	116	15	187	202	0	0	202	15	172	187	0	0	187
Other service activities	0	19	19	0	0	19	0	18	18	0	0	18	0	18	18	0	0	18
Total	30,628	5,450	36,078	1,647	4,787	42,512	30,872	6,277	37,149	1,657	5,689	44,495	29,924	6,591	36,515	1,633	4,412	42,560

Table 3b - Employment in the General Government sector by industry and sex, March 2024 - March 2026

Female																		Number
Industry	March 2024 ¹						March 2025 ¹						March 2026 ²					
	Central Government			Regional Govt.	Local Govt.	Total General Govt.	Central Government			Regional Govt.	Local Govt.	Total General Govt.	Central Government			Regional Govt.	Local Govt.	Total General Govt.
	Ministries Depts.	EBUs ³	Total Central Govt.				Ministries Depts.	EBUs ³	Total Central Govt.				Ministries Depts.	EBUs ³	Total Central Govt.			
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	350	22	372	0	0	372	445	27	472	0	0	472	406	27	433	0	0	433
Manufacturing	76	8	84	0	0	84	97	7	104	0	0	104	68	6	74	0	0	74
Construction	165	71	236	0	0	236	171	73	244	0	0	244	167	72	239	0	0	239
Transportation and storage	76	0	76	0	0	76	82	0	82	0	0	82	80	0	80	0	0	80
Information and communication	193	0	193	0	0	193	214	0	214	0	0	214	184	0	184	0	0	184
Financial and insurance activities	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1
Real estate activities	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	34	34	0	0	34	0	17	17	0	0	17
Professional, scientific and technical activities	0	222	222	0	0	222	0	228	228	0	0	228	0	231	231	0	0	231
Administrative and support service activities	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,769	1,769	0	0	1,769	0	1,708	1,708	0	0	1,708
Public administration and defence; compulsory social security	9,740	2,607	12,347	1,198	1,303	14,848	10,918	3,524	14,442	1,247	1,495	17,184	10,739	3,456	14,195	1,232	1,306	16,733
Education	7,100	2,199	9,299	0	0	9,299	7,185	2,185	9,370	0	0	9,370	7,011	2,448	9,459	0	0	9,459
Human health and social work activities	7,126	513	7,639	0	0	7,639	7,285	531	7,816	0	0	7,816	7,212	581	7,793	0	0	7,793
Arts, entertainment and recreation	18	60	78	0	0	78	21	101	122	0	0	122	19	92	111	0	0	111
Other service activities	0	16	16	0	0	16	0	15	15	0	0	15	0	14	14	0	0	14
Total	24,844	5,719	30,563	1,198	1,303	33,064	26,418	8,495	34,913	1,247	1,495	37,655	25,886	8,653	34,539	1,232	1,306	37,077

Table 4 - Change in employment in large establishments of EOE ¹ sector by industry and sex, March 2025 - March 2026

Industry	March 2025 ²			March 2026 ³			Change between March 2025 and March 2026		
	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes
Manufacturing	14,753	11,728	26,481	14,105	10,629	24,734	-648	-1,099	-1,747
Food	1,582	2,386	3,968	1,389	2,177	3,566	-193	-209	-402
Textiles	2,976	441	3,417	2,920	431	3,351	-56	-10	-66
Wearing apparel (except footwear)	8,087	5,453	13,540	7,817	4,830	12,647	-270	-623	-893
Footwear and leather products	175	649	824	121	475	596	-54	-174	-228
Wood and furniture	90	36	126	108	33	141	18	-3	15
Medical, optical and photographic equipment	371	950	1,321	343	922	1,265	-28	-28	-56
Watches and clocks	231	241	472	241	246	487	10	5	15
Jewellery & related articles	259	321	580	173	214	387	-86	-107	-193
Paper products and printing	198	79	277	32	26	58	-166	-53	-219
Chemical and plastic products	289	87	376	268	90	358	-21	3	-18
Other	495	1,085	1,580	693	1,185	1,878	198	100	298
Non-manufacturing	1,982	796	2,778	1,925	765	2,690	-57	-31	-88
Total	16,735	12,524	29,259	16,030	11,394	27,424	-705	-1,130	-1,835
<i>of which foreign workers</i>	<i>10,206</i>	<i>3,693</i>	<i>13,899</i>	<i>9,944</i>	<i>3,349</i>	<i>13,293</i>	<i>-262</i>	<i>-344</i>	<i>-606</i>

¹ Export Oriented Enterprises ² Revised ³ Provisional

Table 5 - Employment in large establishments of EOE ¹ sector by industry and sex, March 2024 - March 2026

Industry	March 2024 ²			March 2025 ²			March 2026 ³		
	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes
Manufacturing	15,619	13,571	29,190	14,753	11,728	26,481	14,105	10,629	24,734
Food	1,755	2,905	4,660	1,582	2,386	3,968	1,389	2,177	3,566
Textiles	2,925	478	3,403	2,976	441	3,417	2,920	431	3,351
Wearing apparel (except footwear)	8,847	6,429	15,276	8,087	5,453	13,540	7,817	4,830	12,647
Footwear and leather products	188	696	884	175	649	824	121	475	596
Wood and furniture	95	36	131	90	36	126	108	33	141
Medical, optical and photographic equipment	385	1,039	1,424	371	950	1,321	343	922	1,265
Watches and clocks	244	285	529	231	241	472	241	246	487
Jewellery & related articles	227	350	577	259	321	580	173	214	387
Paper products and printing	204	81	285	198	79	277	32	26	58
Chemical and plastic products	239	95	334	289	87	376	268	90	358
Other	510	1,177	1,687	495	1,085	1,580	693	1,185	1,878
Non-manufacturing	2,033	803	2,836	1,982	796	2,778	1,925	765	2,690
Total	17,652	14,374	32,026	16,735	12,524	29,259	16,030	11,394	27,424
<i>of which foreign workers</i>	<i>10,378</i>	<i>3,949</i>	<i>14,327</i>	<i>10,206</i>	<i>3,693</i>	<i>13,899</i>	<i>9,944</i>	<i>3,349</i>	<i>13,293</i>

¹ Export Oriented Enterprises ² Revised ³ Provisional

Table 6 - Foreign workers employed in large establishments by industry and sex, March 2024 - March 2026

Industry	2024 ¹			2025 ¹			2026 ²		
	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	94	9	103	160	10	170	193	8	201
Mining and quarrying	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Manufacturing	12,386	4,062	16,448	12,863	3,807	16,670	13,053	3,544	16,597
<i>of which food (excluding sugar)</i>	1,192	1,298	2,490	1,321	1,196	2,517	1,413	1,212	2,625
<i>textiles and wearing apparel</i>	9,375	2,686	12,061	9,155	2,531	11,686	8,959	2,248	11,207
Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	2	1	3	3	1	4	2	1	3
Water Supply, sewerage, waste management and remediation activities	18	2	20	24	1	25	20	1	21
Construction	5,639	13	5,652	5,787	12	5,799	5,852	21	5,873
Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	1,392	71	1,463	1,865	75	1,940	2,168	155	2,323
Transportation and storage	147	4	151	185	4	189	262	28	290
Accommodation and food service activities	587	161	748	772	183	955	1,091	252	1,343
Information and communication	323	112	435	352	113	465	359	107	466
Financial and insurance activities	191	45	236	194	58	252	204	81	285
Real estate activities	6	1	7	11	7	18	15	7	22
Professional, scientific and technical activities	168	65	233	196	81	277	181	91	272
Administrative and support service activities	248	147	395	466	157	623	518	179	697
Public administration and defence; compulsory social security	35	41	76	40	43	83	6	1	7
Education	88	120	208	82	128	210	107	189	296
Human health and social work activities	164	119	283	158	149	307	223	247	470
Arts, entertainment and recreation	18	6	24	20	4	24	28	5	33
Other service activities	101	7	108	139	7	146	161	9	170
Total	21,607	4,986	26,593	23,317	4,840	28,157	24,444	4,926	29,370
<i>Export oriented enterprises</i>	<i>10,378</i>	<i>3,949</i>	<i>14,327</i>	<i>10,206</i>	<i>3,693</i>	<i>13,899</i>	<i>9,944</i>	<i>3,349</i>	<i>13,293</i>

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Table 7 - Average monthly earnings in large establishments by industry, March 2024 - March 2026

Rupees			
Industry	March 2024 ¹	March 2025 ¹	March 2026 ²
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	32,075	33,796	38,288
<i>of which sugarcane</i>	33,334	40,379	40,644
Mining and quarrying	37,537	40,379	42,235
Manufacturing	26,751	33,783	34,062
<i>of which sugar</i>	35,829	39,318	42,122
<i>food (excluding sugar)</i>	31,666	35,155	37,073
<i>textiles and wearing apparel</i>	26,493	31,084	31,177
Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	75,905	79,103	82,230
Water supply, sewerage, waste management and remediation activities	36,572	41,369	48,421
Construction	35,507	38,664	42,615
Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	30,178	33,013	38,750
<i>of which wholesale and retail trade</i>	34,252	36,207	35,225
Transportation and storage	48,943	50,633	56,155
Accommodation and food service activities	28,889	31,685	37,557
Information and communication	49,057	49,001	67,815
Financial and insurance activities	65,668	69,701	74,676
<i>of which monetary intermediation</i>	66,649	77,172	81,128
<i>financial leasing and other credit granting</i>	46,300	46,431	52,243
<i>insurance, reinsurance and pension funding</i>	57,055	60,651	60,696
Real estate activities	61,416	62,002	64,814
Professional, scientific and technical activities	55,807	58,844	69,155
Administrative and support service activities	26,582	29,910	35,526
Public administration and defence; compulsory social security	45,963	47,698	52,415
Education	44,727	47,138	50,010
Human health and social work activities	47,203	48,067	61,628
Arts, entertainment and recreation	29,244	33,251	39,297
Other service activities	30,778	33,686	38,321
Total	39,211	43,511	46,229
<i>Export oriented enterprises</i>	25,598	30,052	33,990

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Table 8 - Average monthly earnings in large establishments of EOE sector, March 2024 - March 2026

Rupees			
Industrial group	March 2024 ¹	March 2025 ¹	March 2026 ²
Manufacturing	23,950	26,104	30,345
Food	33,591	28,743	30,292
Textiles	30,483	33,591	36,697
Wearing apparel (except footwear)	21,939	28,223	30,339
Footwear and leather products	28,274	21,939	25,029
Wood and furniture	29,680	28,983	30,126
Medical, optical and photographic equipment	34,028	29,680	30,199
Watches and clocks	30,261	34,028	37,171
Jewellery & related articles	25,362	23,422	23,471
Paper products and printing	34,973	35,231	43,483
Chemical and plastic products	26,194	34,973	37,262
Other	20,729	26,194	27,333
Non-manufacturing	45,279	44,416	48,756
Total	25,598	30,052	33,990

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