

The Export Processing Zone and Pioneer Status Enterprises

1st Quarter 2002

Introduction

This issue of the “Economic and Social Indicators” presents the findings of the Quarterly Survey of Employment carried out at the end of March 2002. Figures are given separately for the Export Processing Zone and Pioneer Status Enterprises. The latter are “small and medium” enterprises engaged mainly in activities involving the application of high technology.

Provisional figures on EPZ imports and exports for the first quarter 2002 as well as revised figures for the previous years are also given. Table 1.1 shows the main economic indicators for the EPZ sector for the period 1991 to 2001.

2. The Export Processing Zone (EPZ)

2.1 Number of enterprises

During the 1st quarter of 2002, 10 enterprises closed down and two new ones started operation, bringing the total number of EPZ enterprises at the end of the quarter to 514. The number of enterprises with fewer than 10 workers numbered 134 and represented nearly 26% of the total number of enterprises and less than 1% of the workforce.

The number of enterprises in the “Wearing apparel” group, the most important one in the EPZ, stood at 234 compared to 239 at the end of December 2001 and 243 at the end of March 2001. The “Flowers” group was operating with 39 enterprises at the end of March 2002. Other details by product group are given in Table 1.2.

2.2 Employment evolution, 1st quarter 2002

At the end of March 2002, employment in the EPZ stood at 86,865, a decline of 742 compared to the previous quarter. The number of female employees fell by 634, from 58,162 to 57,528 and male employment decreased by 108, from 29,445 to 29,337. The ratio of male to female employment in the EPZ workforce remained at approximately 1 to 2.

During the 1st quarter of 2002, a total of 3,710 jobs were created, of which 2,343 through expansion in 26 existing enterprises. The number of jobs created by the two new enterprises was 1,367. On the other hand, 4,452 jobs were lost: 2,054 through reduction in 22 existing enterprises and 2,398 following the closure of 10 enterprises (Table 1.5).

Compared to the previous quarter, employment in the “Wearing apparel” product group declined by 759 during the first quarter, bringing the number of employees to 71,386. Within the group, employment in “Other garments” decreased by 542 and in “Pullovers” by 217. Details of other changes in employment by product group are shown in Table 1.7.

The number of foreign workers in the EPZ, which stood at 15,668 at the beginning of the quarter, rose by 93 to reach 15,761 at the end of March 2002. Female employment rose by 28 while among males, there was an increase of 65. Table 1.8 shows expatriate employment by product group and sex. It will be noted that the majority (92%) of foreign workers in the EPZ were employed in the “Wearing apparel” sector.

2.3 Employment evolution, March 2001- March 2002

Compared to March 2001, the number of EPZ enterprises fell by 13 while employment went down by 6,353.

In the group “Wearing apparel”, employment decreased by 5,983, from 77,369 to 71,386. Within this group, employment in "Other garments" fell by 5,013 while a decline of 970 was registered in "Pullovers". On the other hand, employment increased by 160 in the group “Jewellery and related articles”. Details of changes in employment by product group are given in Table 1.7.

2.4 Imports and exports

Provisional figures for EPZ exports indicated a drop of 5.7% from Rs 7,354 million in the first quarter of 2001 to Rs 6,935 in the first quarter of 2002.

EPZ Imports for the 1st quarter of 2002 reached Rs 3,844 million, which is the same level as that registered in the corresponding period of 2001. However, the import bill for raw materials went up by 1.1% while imports of machinery and equipment went down by 13.4%.

Net exports, i.e., exports minus imports, amounted to Rs 3,091 million, which is 45% of total exports (Table 1.9).

Exports of “Manufactured articles of apparel and clothing”, which represents nearly 78% of EPZ exports, went down by 5.5% from Rs 5,692 million in the first quarter of 2001 to Rs 5,380 million in 2002. An increase of 47.3% was noted in the exports of “Fish and fish preparations”, from Rs 298 million to Rs 439 million.

Exports to the European Union (EU) countries (which accounted for 64% of total exports for the quarter) dropped by 4.4% from Rs 4,607 million in the first quarter of 2001 to Rs 4,412 million in the same period of 2002. Within the EU, exports to France dropped by 5.5% (from Rs 1,588 million to Rs 1,501 million) while those to United Kingdom increased by 11.4% (from Rs 1,519 million to Rs 1,692 million). Exports to USA, which accounted for

29% of total exports for the quarter, went up by 5.2% (from Rs 1,943 million to Rs 2,044 million).

3. The Pioneer Status Enterprises (PSE)

3.1 Number of enterprises

During the 1st quarter of 2002, four new enterprises started operation while one closed down, bringing the total number of PSE's to 248. Among these, 89 were operating with 10 or more workers. Further details of these enterprises are given in Table 2.1. The highest number of enterprises was in "Other support services" (61) followed by "Light engineering" (41) and "Informatics" (39).

3.2 Employment

The total workforce in the PSE sector at the end of March 2002 was 3,103 (2,270 males and 833 females), a shortfall of 118 over the previous quarter's figure of 3,221 (2,385 males and 836 females) (Table 2.3).

During the 1st quarter of 2002, 167 jobs were created: 20 by the four new enterprises and 147 following expansion in 42 existing enterprises. On the other hand, 285 jobs were lost due to reduction of 281 in existing enterprises and four following the closure of one enterprise (Table 2.4) The number of expatriates employed as at the end of the 1st quarter 2002 stood at 167 (156 males and 11 females).

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Table 1.1:- Main economic indicators: 1991 - 2001, EPZ Sector

	<u>1991</u>	<u>1992</u>	<u>1993</u>	<u>1994</u>	<u>1995</u>	<u>1996</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1999</u>	<u>2000</u> ¹	<u>2001</u> ²
1. No of enterprises as at December	586	558	536	494	481	481	480	495	512	518	522
- New	52	33	38	27	25	43	26	48	37	34	23
- Closures	34	61	60	69	38	43	27	33	20	28	19
2. Employment as at December	90,861	86,937	85,621	82,176	80,466	79,793	83,391	90,116	91,374	90,682	87,607
- Net change	+955	-3,924	-1,316	-3,445	-1,710	-673	+3,598	+6,725	+1,258	-692	-3,075
- Growth rate (%)	+1.1	-4.3	-1.5	-4.0	-2.1	-0.8	+4.5	+8.1	+1.4	-0.8	-3.4
3. Exports (f.o.b, Rs Million)	12,136	13,081	15,821	16,533	18,267	21,001	23,049	26,075	29,131	30,961	32,912
4. Imports (c.i.f, Rs Million) :	7,067	7,133	9,326	10,125	10,856	12,077	13,880	16,179	15,735	16,399	17,139
- Raw materials	(6,348)	(6,456)	(8,221)	(9,016)	(9,869)	(10,960)	(12,442)	(14,693)	(13,891)	(14,700)	(15,636)
- Machinery & spare parts	(719)	(677)	(1,105)	(1,109)	(987)	(1,117)	(1,438)	(1,486)	(1,844)	(1,699)	(1,503)
5. Net Exports (Rs Million)	5,069	5,948	6,495	6,408	7,411	8,924	9,169	9,896	13,396	14,562	15,773
6. Net Exports to Exports (%)	41.8	45.5	41.1	38.8	40.6	42.5	39.8	38.0	46.0	47.0	48.0
7. Value added at basic prices (Rs Million)	4,406	5,011	5,705	6,373	7,096	8,163	9,086	10,510	11,697	12,523	13,400
- Share in Manufacturing(%)	50.3	50.4	51.0	50.2	49.6	49.6	49.8	50.4	51.9	50.5	50.0
- Share in GDP(%)	12.2	11.8	11.9	11.7	11.7	12.0	12.1	11.9	12.3	11.8	11.6
8. Value added at constant '82 prices (Rs Million)	1,854	1,965	2,083	2,173	2,281	2,441	2,587	2,766	2,932	3,108	3,232
- Growth rate (%)	+5.0	+6.0	+6.0	+4.3	+5.0	+7.0	+6.0	+6.9	+6.0	+6.0	+4.0
9. Investment (Rs Million)	648	560	900	900	815	930	1,245	1,445	1,755	1,702	1,610
- Machinery	(610)	(540)	(875)	(880)	(805)	(915)	(1,200)	(1,355)	(1,635)	(1,557)	(1,410)

¹ revised

² provisional

Table 1.2: - Net change in number of enterprises by product group: March 2001 -December 2001 - March 2002, EPZ Sector

Product group	No. of enterprises			Net change from	
	Mar. 2001	Dec 2001	Mar. 2002	Dec. 01 to Mar. 02	Mar. 01 to Mar. 02
1. Food	11	9	9	0	-2
2. Flowers	39	39	39	0	0
3. Textile yarn and fabrics	47	47	45	-2	-2
4. Wearing apparel :	243	239	234	-5	-9
Pullovers	(37)	(38)	(37)	(-1)	(0)
Other garments	(206)	(201)	(197)	(-4)	(-9)
5. Leather products and footwear	8	9	9	0	1
6. Wood and paper products	32	32	32	0	0
7. Optical goods	6	6	6	0	0
8. Electronic watches and clocks	6	6	6	0	0
9. Electric and electronic products	7	7	7	0	0
10. Jewellery and related articles	29	29	29	0	0
11. Toys and carnival articles	7	7	7	0	0
12. Other	92	92	91	-1	-1
TOTAL	527	522	514	-8	-13

Table 1.3:- New enterprises and closures, EPZ Sector: 2001 - 2002

Product group	Year 2001				1st Quarter 2002			
	New projects		Closures		New projects		Closures	
	Enterprise	Employment	Enterprise	Employment	Enterprise	Employment	Enterprise	Employment
1. Food	-	-	2	32	-	-	-	-
2. Flowers	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3. Textile yarn and fabrics	1	97	-	-	-	-	2	165
4. Wearing apparel :	11	660	12	2,998	2	1,367	7	2,175
Pullovers	(1)	(141)	(-)	(-)	(1)	(1,364)	(2)	(1,657)
Other garments	(10)	(519)	(12)	(2,998)	(1)	(3)	(5)	(518)
5. Leather products and footwear	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
6. Wood and paper products	-	-	2	27	-	-	-	-
7. Optical goods	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
8. Electronic watches and clocks	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
9. Electric and electronic products	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
10. Jewellery and related articles	3	58	-	-	-	-	-	-
11. Toys and carnival articles	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
12. Other	8	131	4	19	-	-	1	58
TOTAL	24	948	20	3,076	2	1,367	10	2,398

Table 1.4:- Employment by size and sex: March 2001 - December 2001 - March 2002, EPZ Sector

Category	Enterprise			Employment								
	Number as at			March 2001			December 2001			March 2002		
	Mar. 01	Dec. 01	Mar. 02	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Enterprises with less than 10 employees	123	136	134	331	245	576	365	264	629	370	249	619
Enterprises with 10 or more employees	404	386	380	30,333	61,425	91,758	28,986	57,220	86,206	28,891	56,697	85,588
Outworkers	–	–	–	119	765	884	94	678	772	76	582	658
TOTAL	527	522	514	30,783	62,435	93,218	29,445	58,162	87,607	29,337	57,528	86,865
<i>of which, expatriates</i>	–	–	–	4,928	10,632	15,560	5,193	10,475	15,668	5,258	10,503	15,761

Table 1.5 :- Analysis of net change in EPZ employment, 1st quarter 2002

	Evolution 1st quarter 2002	
	Enterprises	Employment
A. Total employment creation:	...	3,710
Expansion in existing enterprises ¹	26	2,343
New enterprises	2	1,367
B. Total employment lost:	...	4,452
Reduction in existing enterprises ¹	22	2,054
Closures	10	2,398
C. Net change (A-B)	...	- 742
Male	...	- 108
Female	...	- 634

¹ 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: March 2001 - March 2002, EPZ Sector

Product group	March 2001				March 2002			
	No of Enterprises	Employment			No of Enterprises	Employment		
		Male	Female	Total		Male	Female	Total
1. Food	11	602	1,334	1,936	9	624	1,309	1,933
2. Flowers	39	245	294	539	39	234	301	535
3. Textile yarn and fabrics	47	3,645	1,133	4,778	45	3,549	1,097	4,646
4. Wearing apparel :	243	22,798	54,571	77,369	234	21,705	49,681	71,386
Pullovers	(37)	(4,296)	(14,904)	(19,200)	(37)	(4,751)	(13,479)	(18,230)
Other garments	(206)	(18,502)	(39,667)	(58,169)	(197)	(16,954)	(36,202)	(53,156)
5. Leather products and footwear	8	184	634	818	9	184	541	725
6. Wood and paper products	32	593	202	795	32	579	201	780
7. Optical goods	6	267	250	517	6	210	213	423
8. Electronic watches and clocks	6	287	599	886	6	268	517	785
9. Electric and electronic products	7	226	425	651	7	135	373	508
10. Jewellery and related articles	29	631	846	1,477	29	678	959	1,637
11. Toys and carnival articles	7	106	854	960	7	102	817	919
12. Other	92	1,199	1,293	2,492	91	1,069	1,519	2,588
TOTAL	527	30,783	62,435	93,218	514	29,337	57,528	86,865

Table 1.7:- Net change in employment by product group: March 2001 - December 2001 - March 2002, EPZ Sector

Product group	Employment			Net change from	
	Mar. 01	Dec. 01	Mar. 02	Dec. 01 to Mar. 02	Mar. 01 to Mar. 02
1. Food	1,936	1,857	1,933	76	-3
2. Flowers	539	540	535	-5	-4
3. Textile yarn and fabrics	4,778	4,858	4,646	-212	-132
4. Wearing apparel :	77,369	72,145	71,386	-759	-5,983
Pullovers	(19,200)	(18,447)	(18,230)	(-217)	(-970)
Other garments	(58,169)	(53,698)	(53,156)	(-542)	(-5,013)
5. Leather products and footwear	818	767	725	-42	-93
6. Wood and paper products	795	798	780	-18	-15
7. Optical goods	517	423	423	0	-94
8. Electronic watches and clocks	886	787	785	-2	-101
9. Electric and electronic products	651	477	508	31	-143
10. Jewellery and related articles	1,477	1,516	1,637	121	160
11. Toys and carnival articles	960	920	919	-1	-41
12. Other	2,492	2,519	2,588	69	96
TOTAL	93,218	87,607	86,865	-742	-6,353

Table 1.8 :- Expatriate employment by product group and sex: March 2001 - March 2002, EPZ Sector

Product group	March 2001			March 2002		
	Employment			Employment		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
1. Food	84	262	346	86	258	344
2. Flowers	0	0	0	0	0	0
3. Textile yarn and fabrics	428	292	720	411	301	712
4. Wearing apparel :	4,249	10,028	14,277	4,563	9,903	14,466
Pullovers	(518)	(1,844)	(2,362)	(614)	(1,935)	(2,549)
Other garments	(3,731)	(8,184)	(11,915)	(3,949)	(7,968)	(11,917)
5. Leather products and footwear	3	2	5	13	2	15
6. Wood and paper products	8	0	8	8	0	8
7. Optical goods	1	0	1	1	1	2
8. Electronic watches and clocks	10	1	11	5	1	6
9. Electric and electronic products	9	1	10	6	0	6
10. Jewellery and related articles	39	3	42	41	2	43
11. Toys and carnival articles	19	38	57	14	30	44
12. Other	78	5	83	110	5	115
TOTAL	4,928	10,632	15,560	5,258	10,503	15,761

Table 1.9 - Net EPZ exports, 2000 - 2002

	Value :Million Rupees						
	2000 ¹	2001 ²	2001 ²				2002 ²
			1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr ¹	1st Qr
A. Total exports (f.o.b)	30,961	33,695	7,354	8,731	8,526	9,084	6,935
B. Total imports (c.i.f)	16,399	17,139	3,844	4,701	4,517	4,077	3,844
<i>Raw materials</i>	(14,700)	(15,636)	(3,545)	(4,367)	(4,051)	(3,673)	(3,585)
<i>Machinery</i>	(1,699)	(1,503)	(299)	(334)	(466)	(404)	(259)
Net Exports (A - B)	14,562	16,556	3,510	4,030	4,009	5,007	3,091
Net Exports as % of total exports	47	49	48	46	47	55	45

¹ Revised

² Provisional

Table 1.10 - EPZ exports of selected commodities by section, 2000 - 2002

SITC section/description	2000 ¹	2001 ²	Value (f.o.b) : Million Rupees				2002 ²
			2001 ²				
			1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr ¹	
Total EPZ Exports	30,961	33,695	7,354	8,731	8,526	9,084	6,935
0 - Food and live animals of which :	1,190	2,087	339	522	595	631	510
Fish & fish preparations	945	1,800	298	449	513	540	439
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	83	111	20	25	40	26	14
5 - Chemicals and related products, n.e.s	76	63	17	19	15	12	11
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material of which :	3,064	3,701	841	998	961	901	528
Textile yarn, fabrics, made up articles	1,914	2,473	535	615	648	675	256
Pearls, precious & semi-precious stones	822	853	211	280	216	146	187
7 - Machinery and transport equipment	149	96	26	22	24	24	35
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles of which :	26,390	27,628	6,108	7,142	6,888	7,490	5,837
Articles of apparel and clothing	24,590	25,627	5,692	6,626	6,350	6,959	5,380
Optical goods	178	187	52	53	38	44	52
Watches and clocks	498	407	93	97	114	103	77
Toys, games and sporting goods	179	177	38	46	50	43	36
Jewellery, goldsmiths & silversmiths wares	443	579	108	159	142	170	155
Other sections	9	9	3	3	3	-	-

¹Revised

² Provisional

Table 1.11 - EPZ imports of selected commodities by section, 2000 - 2002

Value (c.i.f) : Million Rupees

SITC section/description	2000 ¹	2001 ²	2001 ²				2002 ²
			1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr	1st Qr
Total EPZ Imports	16,399	17,139	3,844	4,701	4,517	4,077	3,844
0 - Food and live animals	482	1,099	174	302	358	265	286
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	1,035	1,149	218	327	283	321	285
of which :							
Cotton	518	580	68	180	128	204	108
Synthetic fibres suitable for spinning	23	37	6	21	7	3	4
Wool and other animal hair	260	284	62	81	73	68	117
3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related products	43	24	3	-	11	10	5
5 - Chemicals and related products, n.e.s	634	710	151	168	194	197	133
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	10,887	10,994	2,598	3,146	2,807	2,443	2,328
of which :							
Leather	114	129	38	34	37	20	18
Textile yarn and fabrics	9,313	9,318	2,144	2,632	2,455	2,087	1,912
Pearls, precious and semi-precious stones	778	761	173	273	148	167	220
7 - Machinery & transport equipment	1,699	1,503	299	334	466	404	259
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles	1,567	1,586	378	404	387	417	535
of which :							
Optical goods, watches & clocks	326	254	61	67	58	68	51
Jewellery, goldsmiths & silversmiths wares	267	351	91	88	87	85	285
Other sections	52	74	23	20	11	20	13

¹Revised

²Provisional

Table 1.12 - EPZ exports by countries of destination, 2000 - 2002

Value (f.o.b): Million Rupees

Country of destination	2000 ¹	2001 ²	2001 ²				2002 ²
			1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr ¹	
Total EPZ Exports	30,961	33,695	7,354	8,731	8,526	9,084	6,935
Europe	20,109	21,292	4,607	5,704	5,111	5,870	4,412
Belgium	809	643	176	174	153	140	141
France	7,510	7,873	1,588	2,187	1,705	2,393	1,501
Germany	1,339	1,463	381	355	423	304	269
Italy	1,434	1,627	408	400	281	538	317
Netherlands	602	744	131	198	154	261	187
Spain	815	656	120	224	165	147	83
Sweden	155	173	45	62	35	31	17
Switzerland	407	421	110	103	112	96	93
United Kingdom	6,622	7,169	1,519	1,885	1,941	1,824	1,692
Other	416	523	129	116	142	136	112
Asia	428	453	118	130	113	92	100
Hong Kong (S.A.R) ³	124	85	20	26	23	16	13
Japan	120	158	38	39	37	44	47
Singapore	12	11	2	3	2	4	6
Other	172	199	58	62	51	28	34
Africa	2,197	2,742	573	693	775	701	293
Malagasy, Republic of	1,470	1,812	408	436	489	479	121
Reunion	302	282	51	82	78	71	42
South Africa, Republic of	151	232	21	73	87	51	61
Zimbabwe	126	153	45	33	39	36	27
Other	148	263	48	69	82	64	42
America	8,131	9,110	2,015	2,179	2,506	2,410	2,116
Canada	274	223	44	81	47	51	55
U.S.A	7,715	8,804	1,943	2,087	2,439	2,335	2,044
Other	142	83	28	11	20	24	17
Oceania	96	98	41	25	21	11	14
Australia	90	96	41	23	21	11	14
New Zealand	6	2	-	2	-	-	-

¹ Revised

² Provisional

³ Special Administrative Region of China

Table 1.13 - EPZ imports by main countries of origin, 2000 - 2002

Value (c.i.f): Million Rupees

Country of origin	2000 ¹	2001 ²	2001 ²				2002 ²
			1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr	1st Qr
Total EPZ Imports	16,399	17,139	3,844	4,701	4,517	4,077	3,844
Europe	5,221	5,645	1,330	1,447	1,463	1,405	1,468
Belgium	588	406	108	116	108	74	122
France	1,354	1,594	442	399	393	360	535
Germany	689	712	106	169	194	243	118
Italy	1,011	976	236	287	238	215	232
Netherlands	26	161	5	7	70	79	91
Spain	451	675	106	199	177	193	124
Sweden	48	28	17	6	2	3	1
Switzerland	480	501	137	124	130	110	111
United Kingdom	433	435	118	116	106	95	93
Other	141	157	55	24	45	33	41
Asia	9,256	8,591	1,990	2,380	2,356	1,865	1,703
China	2,608	2,604	655	765	668	516	598
Hong Kong (S.A.R.) ⁵	1,529	1,066	276	290	267	233	177
India	2,687	2,636	594	580	847	615	556
Indonesia	289	297	64	93	73	67	76
Japan	314	190	34	64	45	47	32
Korea, Republic of	327	195	53	60	47	35	37
Macau	5	3	-	-	1	2	1
Malaysia	214	269	52	96	65	56	51
Pakistan	342	420	99	132	77	112	44
Singapore	152	131	27	35	29	40	22
Taiwan	553	526	83	197	159	87	54
Thailand	160	166	42	38	56	30	34
Other	76	88	11	30	22	25	21
Africa	1,327	1,995	346	643	424	582	468
Burkina Faso	116	121	16	74	-	31	-
Cameroon	-	54	-	25	-	29	-
Mali	242	92	-	71	17	4	62
Malagasy, Republic of	116	209	40	73	62	34	17
South Africa, Republic of	718	1,091	198	325	256	312	270
Other	135	428	92	75	89	172	119
America	367	604	131	165	134	174	122
U.S.A	329	505	106	163	105	131	96
Other	37	99	25	2	29	43	26
Oceania	228	304	47	66	140	51	83
Australia	202	274	38	55	134	47	79
New Zealand	26	30	9	11	6	4	4

¹ Revised

² Provisional

³ Special Administrative Region of China

**Table 2.1:- Net change in number of enterprises by product group, 2001 - 2002
Pioneer Status Enterprises.**

Product group	No. of enterprises			Net change	
	Mar.01	Dec.01	Mar.02	Dec.01 - Mar.02	Mar.01-Mar.02
Informatics	41	38	39	1	-2
Electric and electronic products	33	33	33	0	0
Light engineering	42	40	41	1	-1
Support to jewellery	4	4	4	0	0
Support to printing and publishing	14	14	14	0	0
Other support services	49	60	61	1	12
Plastic and rubber product	27	27	27	0	0
Other	30	29	29	0	-1
TOTAL	240	245	248	3	8

**Table 2.2:- Net change in employment by product group, 2001 - 2002
Pioneer Status Enterprises.**

Product group	Employment			Net change	
	Mar.01	Dec.01	Mar.02	Dec.01 - Mar.02	Mar.01 - Mar.02
Informatics	440	440	416	-24	-24
Electric and electronic products	383	395	377	-18	-6
Light engineering	515	603	550	-53	35
Support to jewellery	62	52	48	-4	-14
Support to printing and publishing	167	181	188	7	21
Other support services	504	652	589	-63	85
Plastic and rubber products	458	487	471	-16	13
Other	401	411	464	53	63
TOTAL	2,930	3,221	3,103	-118	173

Table 2.3:- Employment by size and sex: Mar 01 - Dec 01 - Mar 02, Pioneer Status Enterprises.

Employment size	No. of enterprises			Employment								
				Mar-01			Dec-01			Mar-02		
	Mar.01	Dec.01	Mar.02	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
25 and above	29	34	36	984	385	1,369	1,287	455	1,742	1,227	454	1,681
10 to < 25	55	54	53	671	202	873	631	222	853	602	218	820
less than 10	156	157	159	524	164	688	467	159	626	441	161	602
TOTAL	240	245	248	2,179	751	2,930	2,385	836	3,221	2,270	833	3,103
<i>Of which, expatriates</i>	-	-	-	129	8	137	149	12	161	156	11	167

Table 2.4:- Analysis of net change in employment, 1st quarter 2002, Pioneer Status Enterprises.

	Evolution 1st qr 2002	
	Enterprises	Employment
A. Total employment creation :	...	167
Expansion in existing enterprises	42	147
New enterprises	4	20
B. Total employment lost :	...	285
Reduction in existing enterprises	53	281
Closures	1	4
C. Net change (A-B)	...	-118
Male	...	-115
Female	...	-3

Table 2.5:- Employment by product group and sex: March 2001 - March 2002, Pioneer Status Enterprises.

Product group	March 2001				March 2002			
	No. of enterprises	Employment			No. of enterprises	Employment		
		Male	Female	Total		Male	Female	Total
Informatics	41	292	148	440	39	275	141	416
Electric and Electronic products	33	242	141	383	33	222	155	377
Light engineering	42	438	77	515	41	485	65	550
Support to jewellery	4	29	33	62	4	21	27	48
Support to printing and publishing	14	121	46	167	14	147	41	188
Other support services	49	318	186	504	61	359	230	589
Plastic and rubber products	27	413	45	458	27	423	48	471
Other	30	326	75	401	29	338	126	464
TOTAL	240	2,179	751	2,930	248	2,270	833	3,103