

The Export Processing Zone and Pioneer Status Enterprises

4th Quarter and Year 2004

Introduction

The Central Statistics Office conducts a "Quarterly Survey of Employment" among the EPZ and Pioneer Status Enterprises to provide 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 2004. Figures are given separately for the Export Processing Zone and Pioneer Status Enterprises, the latter being "small and medium" enterprises engaged mainly in activities involving the application of high technology.

The Indicator also includes provisional figures on EPZ imports and exports for the 4th quarter and year 2004 as well as revised figures for previous years. Table 1.1 shows the main indicators of the EPZ sector for the period 1994 to 2004.

2. The Export Processing Zone (EPZ)

2.1 Number of enterprises

During the 4th quarter of 2004, 5 new enterprises started operation whilst 3 closed down bringing the number of EPZ enterprises at the end of the quarter to 501 compared to 506 enterprises, a year ago (Table 1.5).

During the whole year, 25 enterprises closed down but these were partly offset by 20 new enterprises. In "Wearing apparel", the most important group in the EPZ, 14 closures were reported and 9 new enterprises came into operation, bringing the total number of enterprises to 224. The distribution of enterprises by product group is given in Table 1.2.

2.2 Employment evolution, 4th quarter 2004

At the end of December 2004, employment in the EPZ stood at 68,022 showing an increase of 403 over the previous quarter. The number of male employees rose by 146 to 24,893 and female employment went up by 257 to 43,129 (Table 1.4).

As shown in Table 1.5, during the 4th quarter 2004, a total of 2,536 jobs were created: 2,229 through expansion in 11 existing enterprises and 307 by the 5 new enterprises. On the other hand, 2,133 jobs were lost: 1,481 through reduction in 11 existing enterprises and 652 following the closure of the 3 enterprises.

The "Wearing apparel" group registered a rise of 391 in its workforce, the effect of an increase of 852 in the sub-group "Other garments" partially offset by a decrease of 461 in "Pullovers". "Wearing apparel" still remains the most important group in the EPZ with 53,561 employees over a total of 68,022 (78.7%). Details of employment by product group are shown in Tables 1.6 and 1.7.

Foreign workers, who numbered 13,614 at the beginning of the quarter, increased by 178 during the 4th quarter to reach 13,792. Among males, employment went up by 234, whilst among females it declined by 56. Around 90% of foreign workers was engaged in the “Wearing apparel” sector. Table 1.8 shows expatriate employment by product group and sex.

2.3 Employment evolution, Year 2004

During 2004, employment in the EPZ fell by 9,601 from 77,623 at the end of 2003. Among males, employment went down by 1,767 as against 7,834 among females (Tables 1.6 and 1.7).

In the "Wearing apparel" group, employment declined by 8,953 from 62,514 to 53,561. Within the group, employment fell by 4,351 in “Pullovers” and by 4,602 in “Other garments”. A significant decrease was also registered in the “Textile yarn and fabrics” (-869). Details of changes in employment by product group are given in Table 1.7.

2.4 Exports and Imports, Year 2004

Statistics on imports and exports are compiled from declarations lodged at Customs by importers and exporters. Some of these declarations are, at times, revised at a later period and corrections made accordingly on the computerised database of the Customs Department. Thus while figures for 2002 and 2003 are final, those for the year 2004 are subject to revision as and when the Customs Department submits latest amendments to the Central Statistics Office.

Provisional figures show that EPZ exports for the 4th quarter of 2004 amounted to Rs. 8,473 million, bringing the total for the year to Rs. 32,370 million. Compared to the previous year this represents a nominal increase of 2.9%.

EPZ exports of manufactured articles of apparel and clothing declined by Rs. 951 million in 2004. As a percentage of total EPZ exports, a decline from 76.9% in 2003 to 71.7% in 2004 was noted. Increases were noted in almost all the other product groups, the significant ones being “Textile yarn, fabrics and made up articles” (+Rs. 435 million), Fish and fish preparations” (+Rs. 236 million) and “Jewellery, goldsmiths and silversmiths wares” (+Rs. 205 million). Other details of EPZ exports by section are shown in Table 1.13.

The United Kingdom, the United States of America and France remain our principal EPZ markets, accounting for Rs. 23,344 million or around 72% of total exports. An analysis by country of destination (Table 1.15) shows an increase of Rs. 1,065 million (+13.6%) in exports to the United Kingdom whilst exports to the United States of America and France fell by Rs. 1,079 million (-12.7%) and Rs. 217 million (-3.0%) respectively. Exports to the Malagasy Republic increased from Rs. 560 million in 2003 to Rs. 700 million in 2004 while a drop of Rs. 112 million (-20.1%) towards the Republic of South Africa was noted.

EPZ imports for the 4th quarter amounted to Rs. 4,024 million bringing the total for year 2004 to Rs. 17,210 million compared to Rs. 15,579 million for 2003. The bill for raw materials increased by Rs. 670 million (+4.8%) to Rs. 14,749 million and that for machinery and equipment went up significantly by Rs. 961 million (+64.1%) to Rs. 2,461 million.

Net exports, i.e. exports minus imports, amounted to Rs. 15,160 million and its ratio to exports works out to around 47% compared to 50% in the previous year (Table 1.12).

It is to be noted that the above figures do not include transactions of the EPZ with the Freeport. EPZ sales to the Freeport are considered as local sales and amounted to Rs. 2,033 million in 2004 compared to Rs. 1,979 million in 2003, i.e. an increase of around 2.7%. These sales are included in exports of Freeport, as and when the goods leave the country.

3. The Pioneer Status Enterprises (PSE)

3.1 *Number of enterprises*

During the 4th quarter 2004, two new enterprises started operation while one existing enterprise closed down, bringing the total number of PSE's to 261. Among the enterprises 87 were "large", that is, having 10 or more employees. The highest number of enterprises was in "Other support services" (62), followed by "Light engineering" (44) and "Informatics" (41). Further details are given in Table 2.1.

3.2 *Employment*

The total workforce in the PSE sector at the end of December 2004 was 3,705 (2,731 males and 974 females) showing a decrease of 18 over the previous quarter but an increase of 352 when compared to December 2003. The "large" enterprises employed 3,165 as against 3,191 at the end of September 2004.

Table 2.4 shows that during the 4th quarter 2004, a total of 263 jobs were created: 214 by 40 existing enterprises and 49 by 2 new enterprises. On the other hand, 45 enterprises reported a total reduction of 249 in their workforce and job losses due to the closure of one enterprise numbered 32.

The number of expatriates employed in the PSE decreased by 7 during the 4th quarter to reach 190 at the end of 2004.

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Table 1.1:- Main economic indicators: 1994 - 2004, EPZ Sector.

	<u>1994</u>	<u>1995</u>	<u>1996</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1999</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>2001</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2003</u> ¹	<u>2004</u> ²
1. No of enterprises as at December	494	481	481	480	495	512	518	522	506	506	501
- New	27	25	43	26	48	37	34	24	9	23	20
- Closures	69	38	43	27	33	20	28	20	25	23	25
2. Employment as at December	82,176	80,466	79,793	83,391	90,116	91,374	90,682	87,607	87,204	77,623	68,022
- Net change	-3,445	-1,710	-673	+3,598	+6,725	+1,258	-692	-3,075	-403	-9,581	-9,601
- Growth rate (%)	-4.0	-2.1	-0.8	+4.5	+8.1	+1.4	-0.8	-3.4	-0.5	-11.0	-12.4
3. Exports (f.o.b, Rs Million)	16,533	18,267	21,001	23,049	26,075	29,131	30,961	33,695	32,683	31,444	32,370
4. Imports (c.i.f, Rs Million) :	10,125	10,856	12,077	13,880	16,179	15,735	16,399	17,140	16,909	15,579	17,210
- Raw materials	(9,016)	(9,869)	(10,960)	(12,442)	(14,693)	(13,891)	(14,700)	(15,637)	(15,251)	(14,079)	(14,749)
- Machinery & spare parts	(1,109)	(987)	(1,117)	(1,438)	(1,486)	(1,844)	(1,699)	(1,503)	(1,658)	(1,500)	(2,461)
5. Net Exports (Rs Million)	6,408	7,411	8,924	9,169	9,896	13,396	14,562	16,555	15,774	15,865	15,160
6. Net Exports to Exports (%)	38.8	40.6	42.5	39.8	38.0	46.0	47.0	49.1	48.3	50.4	46.8
7. Value added¹ at basic prices (Rs Million)	6,351	7,067	8,202	9,179	10,510	11,697	12,523	13,681	13,600	13,167	13,135
- Share in Manufacturing(%)	50.2	49.6	49.6	49.8	50.4	52.1	50.7	49.9	48.1	44.3	41.7
- Share in GDP(%)	11.7	11.7	12.0	12.1	11.9	12.5	12.0	11.6	10.9	9.6	8.7
8. Annual Growth rate of Value added (%)	+4.3	+5.0	+7.0	+6.0	+6.9	+6.0	+6.0	+4.4	-6.0	-6.0	-5.0
9. Investment (Rs Million)	900	815	930	1,245	1,445	1,755	1,702	1,758	1,475	1,400	2,090
- Machinery	(880)	(805)	(915)	(1,200)	(1,355)	(1,635)	(1,557)	(1,444)	(1,452)	(1,346)	(2,030)

¹ revised

² provisional

Table 1.2: - Net change in number of enterprises by product group: December 2003 - December 2004, EPZ Sector.

Product group	No. of enterprises			Net change from	
	Dec. 2003	Sept. 2004	Dec. 2004	Sept. 04 to Dec. 04	Dec. 03 to Dec. 04
1. Food	10	11	12	1	2
2. Flowers	37	37	37	0	0
3. Textile yarn and fabrics	43	42	41	-1	-2
4. Wearing apparel :	229	223	224	1	-5
Pullovers	(34)	(32)	(31)	(-1)	(-3)
Other garments	(195)	(191)	(193)	(2)	(-2)
5. Leather products and footwear	9	9	9	0	0
6. Wood and paper products	30	29	29	0	-1
7. Optical goods	6	6	6	0	0
8. Electronic watches and clocks	6	6	6	0	0
9. Electric and electronic products	6	6	6	0	0
10. Jewellery and related articles	32	32	33	1	1
11. Toys and carnival articles	7	6	6	0	-1
12. Other	91	92	92	0	1
TOTAL	506	499	501	2	-5

Table 1.3:- New enterprises and closures, 2003 - 2004, EPZ Sector.

Product group	Year 2003				Year 2004			
	New projects		Closures		New projects		Closures	
	Enterprise	Employment	Enterprise	Employment	Enterprise	Employment	Enterprise	Employment
1. Food	1	14	-	-	2	23	-	-
2. Flowers	-	-	1	15	-	-	-	-
3. Textile yarn and fabrics	1	245	2	101	2	191	4	1,222
4. Wearing apparel :	12	614	13	7,493	9	1,536	14	8,192
Pullovers	(1)	(57)	(3)	(3,205)	(1)	(63)	(4)	(1,855)
Other garments	(11)	(557)	(10)	(4,288)	(8)	(1,473)	(10)	(6,337)
5. Leather products and footwear	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
6. Wood and paper products	1	17	1	1	-	-	1	8
7. Optical goods	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
8. Electronic watches and clocks	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
9. Electric and electronic products	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
10. Jewellery and related articles	3	52	1	3	1	32	-	-
11. Toys and carnival articles	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	49
12. Other	5	105	5	339	6	117	5	50
TOTAL	23	1,047	23	7,952	20	1,899	25	9,521

Table 1.4:- Employment by size and sex: December 2003 - December 2004, EPZ Sector.

Category	Enterprise			Employment (end of period)								
	Number as at			December 03			September 04			December 04		
	Dec. 03	Sept. 04	Dec. 04	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Enterprises with less than 10 employees	134	140	141	337	228	565	331	211	542	326	212	538
Enterprises with 10 or more employees	372	359	360	26,264	50,443	76,707	24,355	42,360	66,715	24,519	42,626	67,145
Outworkers	-	-	-	59	292	351	61	301	362	48	291	339
TOTAL	506	499	501	26,660	50,963	77,623	24,747	42,872	67,619	24,893	43,129	68,022
<i>of which, expatriates</i>	-	-	-	5,871	9,521	15,392	6,392	7,222	13,614	6,626	7,166	13,792

Table 1.5:- Analysis of net change in EPZ employment, 4th Quarter and Year 2004.

	Evolution 4th quarter 2004		Evolution year 2004	
	Enterprises	Employment	Enterprises	Employment
A. Total employment creation :	...	2,536	...	6,499
Expansion in existing enterprises ¹	11	2,229	32	4,600
New enterprises	5	307	20	1,899
B. Total employment loss :	...	2,133	...	16,100
Reduction in existing enterprises ¹	11	1,481	48	6,579
Closures	3	652	25	9,521
C. Net change (A-B)	...	403	...	-9,601
Male	...	146	...	-1,767
Female	...	257	...	-7,834

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: December 2003 - December 2004, EPZ Sector.

Product group	December 2003				December 2004			
	No of Enterprises	Employment			No of Enterprises	Employment		
		Male	Female	Total		Male	Female	Total
1. Food	10	712	1,510	2,222	12	778	1,751	2,529
2. Flowers	37	195	259	454	37	192	275	467
3. Textile yarn and fabrics	43	3,255	1,482	4,737	41	2,628	1,240	3,868
4. Wearing apparel :	229	19,480	43,034	62,514	224	18,293	35,268	53,561
Pullovers	(34)	(3,620)	(9,355)	(12,975)	(31)	(2,913)	(5,711)	(8,624)
Other garments	(195)	(15,860)	(33,679)	(49,539)	(193)	(15,380)	(29,557)	(44,937)
5. Leather products and footwear	9	161	610	771	9	164	587	751
6. Wood and paper products	30	597	194	791	29	587	210	797
7. Optical goods	6	176	188	364	6	204	220	424
8. Electronic watches and clocks	6	241	411	652	6	269	456	725
9. Electric and electronic products	6	156	330	486	6	118	307	425
10. Jewellery and related articles	32	646	1,005	1,651	33	628	956	1,584
11. Toys and carnival articles	7	78	709	787	6	70	641	711
12. Other	91	963	1,231	2,194	92	962	1,218	2,180
TOTAL	506	26,660	50,963	77,623	501	24,893	43,129	68,022

Table 1.7:- Net change in employment by product group: December 2003 - December 2004, EPZ Sector.

Product group	Employment			Net change from	
	Dec. 03	Sept. 04	Dec. 04	Sept. 04 to Dec. 04	Dec. 03 to Dec. 04
1. Food	2,222	2,599	2,529	-70	307
2. Flowers	454	469	467	-2	13
3. Textile yarn and fabrics	4,737	3,771	3,868	97	-869
4. Wearing apparel :	62,514	53,170	53,561	391	-8,953
Pullovers	(12,975)	(9,085)	(8,624)	(-461)	(-4,351)
Other garments	(49,539)	(44,085)	(44,937)	(852)	(-4,602)
5. Leather products and footwear	771	739	751	12	-20
6. Wood and paper products	791	786	797	11	6
7. Optical goods	364	436	424	-12	60
8. Electronic watches and clocks	652	713	725	12	73
9. Electric and electronic products	486	438	425	-13	-61
10. Jewellery and related articles	1,651	1,556	1,584	28	-67
11. Toys and carnival articles	787	730	711	-19	-76
12. Other	2,194	2,212	2,180	-32	-14
TOTAL	77,623	67,619	68,022	403	-9,601

Table 1.8 :- Expatriate employment by product group and sex: December 2003 - December 2004, EPZ Sector.

Product group	December 2003			December 2004		
	Employment			Employment		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
1. Food	84	264	348	73	261	334
2. Flowers	0	0	0	0	0	0
3. Textile yarn and fabrics	456	347	803	620	201	821
4. Wearing apparel :	5,169	8,899	14,068	5,775	6,691	12,466
Pullovers	(607)	(1,234)	(1,841)	(612)	(758)	(1,370)
Other garments	(4,562)	(7,665)	(12,227)	(5,163)	(5,933)	(11,096)
5. Leather products and footwear	4	2	6	2	2	4
6. Wood and paper products	10	0	10	10	0	10
7. Optical goods	1	1	2	1	1	2
8. Electronic watches and clocks	2	0	2	1	0	1
9. Electric and electronic products	3	1	4	4	1	5
10. Jewellery and related articles	37	1	38	50	1	51
11. Toys and carnival articles	2	0	2	2	1	3
12. Other	103	6	109	88	7	95
TOTAL	5,871	9,521	15,392	6,626	7,166	13,792

Table 1.9:- Distribution of EPZ enterprises and employment by employment size as at December 2004.

Employment size (including outworkers)	Enterprise			Employment		
	Number	Percentage	Cum. %	Number	Percentage	Cum. %
Under 10	141	28	28	565	1	1
10 - 50	187	37	65	4,573	7	8
51 - 100	61	12	77	4,505	7	15
101 - 300	67	13	90	11,333	16	31
301 - 500	17	4	94	6,938	10	41
501 - 1000	12	3	97	8,179	12	53
More than 1000	16	3	100	31,929	47	100
TOTAL	501	100		68,022	100	

Table 1.10:- Geographical distribution of EPZ establishments* and employment - December 2004.

District / Locality	Establishments			Total Employment
	Textile	Non-Textile	Total	
Port Louis	38	50	88	7,895
Plaine Lauzun	13	6	19	1,935
Port Louis city	16	30	46	3,541
Pamplemousses	40	29	69	8,030
Terre Rouge & Riche Terre	8	11	19	1,607
Tombeau Bay	11	1	12	1,491
Triolet	8	5	13	2,515
Rivière du Rempart	21	22	43	8,523
St. Antoine & Goodlands	10	15	25	4,497
Rivière du Rempart & Ile d'Ambre	7	1	8	3,534
Flacq	40	14	54	7,191
Central Flacq	20	5	25	3,637
Bel Air	4	1	5	582
Grand Port	20	4	24	2,324
Rose Belle & New Grove	10	0	10	428
Mahebourg	1	0	1	11
Savanne	13	5	18	2,660
Surinam	5	1	6	1,069
Rivière des Anguilles	2	2	4	833
Plaine Wilhems	119	69	188	23,157
Coromandel	17	15	32	1,705
Beau Bassin & Rose Hill	28	11	39	6,691
Vacoas & Phoenix	30	14	44	8,852
Quatre Bornes	12	9	21	1,398
Curepipe, Floreal & Forest Side	28	18	46	4,126
Moka	27	30	57	4,991
Pailles	7	9	16	351
St. Pierre & Moka	9	17	26	2,471
Black River	9	12	21	3,251
Medine & Bambous	2	2	4	178
T O T A L	327	235	562	68,022

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

Table 1.11: - EPZ enterprises and employment, quarterly series (1993 - 2004).

Y E A R	Enterprise				Employment			
	1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr	1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr
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
2000	517	519	523	518	90,861	90,765	89,869	90,682
2001	527	524	522	522	93,218	92,966	90,894	87,607
2002	514	509	506	506	86,865	86,987	86,949	87,204
2003	508	513	507	506	84,638	83,609	77,038	77,263
2004	497	497	499	501	76,496	70,097	67,619	68,022

Table 1.12 - Net EPZ exports, 2003 - 2004.

Value :Million Rupees

	2003	2004 ¹	2003				2004 ¹			
			1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr	1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr
A. Total exports (f.o.b)	31,444	32,370	6,716	8,005	8,363	8,360	7,410	8,465	8,022	8,473
B. Total imports (c.i.f)	15,579	17,210	3,779	3,726	4,005	4,069	3,952	4,784	4,450	4,024
<i>Raw materials</i>	<i>(14,079)</i>	<i>(14,749)</i>	<i>(3,411)</i>	<i>(3,316)</i>	<i>(3,693)</i>	<i>(3,659)</i>	<i>(3,110)</i>	<i>(4,096)</i>	<i>(3,997)</i>	<i>(3,546)</i>
<i>Machinery</i>	<i>(1,500)</i>	<i>(2,461)</i>	<i>(368)</i>	<i>(410)</i>	<i>(312)</i>	<i>(410)</i>	<i>(842)</i>	<i>(688)</i>	<i>(453)</i>	<i>(478)</i>
Net Exports (A - B)	15,865	15,160	2,937	4,279	4,358	4,291	3,458	3,681	3,572	4,449
Net Exports as % of total exports	50	47	44	53	52	51	47	43	45	53

¹ Provisional

Table 1.13 - EPZ exports of selected commodities by section, 2003 - 2004.

Value (f.o.b) : Million Rupees

SITC section/description	2003	2004 ¹	2003				2004 ¹			
			1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr	1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr
Total EPZ Exports	31,444	32,370	6,716	8,005	8,363	8,360	7,410	8,465	8,022	8,473
0 - Food and live animals of which :	2,301	2,690	497	530	600	674	512	672	778	728
Fish & fish preparations	1,995	2,231	431	470	529	565	445	542	689	555
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	72	103	17	22	11	22	11	10	42	40
5 - Chemicals and related products, n.e.s	174	205	31	46	37	60	54	49	50	52
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material of which :	2,514	3,240	577	628	658	651	627	938	836	839
Textile yarn, fabrics, made up articles	1,100	1,535	276	284	284	256	298	522	353	362
Pearls, precious & semi-precious stones	1,127	1,250	247	273	303	304	241	296	354	359
7 - Machinery and transport equipment	178	421	38	31	61	48	56	38	128	199
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles of which :	26,199	25,688	5,556	6,743	6,996	6,904	6,146	6,753	6,179	6,610
Articles of apparel and clothing	24,168	23,217	5,127	6,255	6,476	6,310	5,612	6,120	5,543	5,942
Optical goods	118	145	28	34	27	29	26	52	36	31
Watches and clocks	393	410	90	104	95	104	93	103	101	113
Toys, games and sporting goods	176	174	37	42	50	47	39	47	52	36
Jewellery, goldsmiths & silversmiths wares	629	834	141	140	161	187	161	191	226	256
Other sections	6	23	-	5	-	1	4	5	9	5

¹ Provisional

Table 1.14 - EPZ imports of selected commodities by section, 2003 - 2004.

Value (c.i.f) : Million Rupees

SITC section/description	2003	2004 ¹	2003				2004 ¹			
			1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr	1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr
Total EPZ Imports	15,579	17,210	3,779	3,726	4,005	4,069	3,952	4,784	4,450	4,024
0 - Food and live animals	918	1,474	266	47	317	288	192	323	578	381
2 - Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	813	1,158	211	191	203	208	196	432	400	130
of which :										
Cotton	516	818	103	138	164	111	124	321	303	70
Synthetic fibres suitable for spinning	19	24	4	5	5	5	2	9	4	9
Wool and other animal hair	216	247	84	33	22	77	57	87	69	34
3 - Mineral fuels, lubricants and related products	12	-	6	4	-	2	-	-	-	-
5 - Chemicals and related products, n.e.s	613	571	161	143	164	145	131	131	150	159
6 - Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	10,147	9,898	2,384	2,575	2,598	2,590	2,218	2,795	2,476	2,409
of which :										
Leather	151	171	28	42	43	38	48	39	36	48
Textile yarn and fabrics	7,848	7,321	1,861	2,025	1,961	2,001	1,662	2,153	1,814	1,692
Pearls, precious and semi-precious stones	1,264	1,417	298	302	376	288	259	343	430	385
7 - Machinery & transport equipment	1,500	2,461	368	410	312	410	842	688	453	478
8 - Miscellaneous manufactured articles	1,522	1,564	363	347	398	414	358	394	375	437
of which :										
Optical goods, watches & clocks	207	220	55	56	45	51	51	51	53	65
Jewellery, goldsmiths & silversmiths wares	302	401	76	55	84	87	77	89	86	149
Other sections	54	84	20	9	13	12	15	21	18	30

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Table 1.15 - EPZ exports by country of destination, 2003 - 2004.

Value (f.o.b): Million Rupees

Country of destination	2003	2004 ¹	2003				2004 ¹			
			1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr	1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr
Total EPZ Exports	31,444	32,370	6,716	8,005	8,363	8,360	7,410	8,465	8,022	8,473
Europe	20,507	21,886	4,290	5,023	5,441	5,753	5,149	5,811	5,186	5,740
Belgium	646	1,015	119	126	220	181	193	218	269	335
France	7,253	7,036	1,462	1,965	1,705	2,121	1,587	1,958	1,456	2,035
Germany	1,176	1,014	191	268	428	289	277	276	256	205
Italy	1,196	1,449	204	334	285	373	318	445	305	381
Netherlands	749	730	164	152	213	220	217	167	183	163
Spain	448	489	99	111	116	122	72	104	103	210
Sweden	67	17	22	11	17	17	4	8	3	2
Switzerland	473	534	117	125	122	109	116	147	138	133
United Kingdom	7,848	8,913	1,780	1,810	2,120	2,138	2,223	2,337	2,272	2,081
Other	651	689	132	121	215	183	142	151	201	195
Asia	399	810	92	83	107	117	146	172	212	280
China	49	55	10	4	11	24	21	2	20	12
Hong Kong (S.A.R) ²	66	113	8	22	18	18	25	59	12	17
India	24	300	6	5	6	7	14	13	95	178
Japan	152	121	45	29	37	41	37	30	26	28
Singapore	18	7	9	4	4	1	2	3	1	1
Other	90	214	14	19	31	26	47	65	58	44
Africa	1,733	1,939	365	447	459	462	398	541	491	509
Malagasy, Republic of	560	700	103	146	133	178	133	225	180	162
Reunion	290	345	44	83	97	66	74	98	76	97
South Africa, Republic of	557	445	153	132	143	129	111	110	133	91
Zimbabwe	46	21	7	15	12	12	7	10	2	2
Other	280	428	58	71	74	77	73	98	100	157
America	8,722	7,632	1,949	2,436	2,334	2,003	1,693	1,911	2,108	1,920
Canada	167	134	47	35	40	45	37	35	32	30
U.S.A	8,474	7,395	1,877	2,377	2,275	1,945	1,632	1,851	2,047	1,865
Other	81	103	25	24	19	13	24	25	29	25
Oceania	83	103	20	16	22	25	24	30	25	24
Australia	81	103	20	16	21	24	24	30	25	24
New Zealand	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other	2	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-

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Table 1.16 - EPZ imports by country of origin, 2003 - 2004.

Value (c.i.f): Million Rupees

Country of origin	2003	2004 ¹	2003				2004 ¹			
			1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr	1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr
Total EPZ Imports	15,579	17,210	3,779	3,726	4,005	4,069	3,952	4,784	4,450	4,024
Europe	5,177	6,723	1,199	1,283	1,212	1,483	1,612	1,718	1,627	1,766
Belgium	514	816	124	121	142	127	134	163	247	272
France	1,584	1,829	343	384	388	469	359	433	503	534
Germany	574	702	142	157	127	148	213	163	167	159
Italy	1,054	1,209	226	321	222	285	303	339	254	313
Netherlands	19	23	4	4	6	5	4	2	10	7
Spain	380	575	86	27	97	170	180	96	197	102
Sweden	19	34	11	2	4	2	7	12	14	1
Switzerland	441	942	125	115	89	112	287	364	105	186
United Kingdom	375	385	96	89	89	101	82	87	93	123
Other	217	208	42	63	48	64	43	59	37	69
Asia	7,316	7,978	1,728	1,775	1,957	1,856	1,737	2,474	2,008	1,759
China	2,264	2,359	586	616	482	580	491	602	639	627
Hong Kong (S.A.R.) ²	662	491	168	149	159	186	112	155	136	88
India	2,382	2,918	518	545	723	596	612	1,054	708	544
Indonesia	280	352	77	68	84	51	74	158	50	70
Japan	142	228	43	40	34	25	137	21	31	39
Korea, Republic of	140	158	20	39	45	36	27	44	56	31
Macau	1	2	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
Malaysia	387	435	74	106	104	103	79	130	132	94
Pakistan	335	326	54	82	105	94	66	70	74	116
Singapore	60	96	15	16	10	19	25	23	30	18
Taiwan	307	278	80	59	97	71	35	115	68	60
Thailand	175	206	32	34	41	68	35	67	49	55
Other	181	129	61	20	73	27	44	35	34	16
Africa	2,093	1,477	555	504	521	513	422	282	407	366
Burkina Faso	115	60	21	40	16	38	32	5	23	-
Cameroon	29	35	18	10	-	1	20	15	-	-
Malagasy, Republic of	183	89	47	58	52	26	22	18	14	35
Mali	80	50	3	31	29	17	30	17	-	3
South Africa, Republic of	1,271	771	311	272	353	335	259	151	232	129
Other	415	472	155	93	71	96	59	76	138	199
America	684	612	156	121	267	140	133	150	238	91
U.S.A	465	430	128	100	124	113	70	146	144	70
Mexico	3	2	1	1	-	1	-	1	1	-
Other	216	180	27	20	143	26	63	3	93	21
Oceania	309	420	141	43	48	77	48	160	170	42
Australia	261	235	107	40	38	76	44	76	75	40
Micronesia	40	66	33	-	7	-	-	66	-	-
Other	8	119	1	3	3	1	4	18	95	2

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**Table 2.1:- Net change in number of enterprises by product group, Dec. 2003 - Dec. 2004
Pioneer Status Enterprises.**

Product group	No. of enterprises			Net change	
	Dec.03	Sep.04	Dec.04	Sept.04 to Dec.04	Dec.03 to Dec.04
Informatics	41	41	41	0	0
Electric and electronic products	36	38	37	-1	1
Light engineering	42	44	44	0	2
Support to jewellery	4	4	4	0	0
Support to printing and publishing	15	15	16	1	1
Other support services	63	61	62	1	-1
Plastic and rubber product	26	26	26	0	0
Other	32	31	31	0	-1
TOTAL	259	260	261	1	2

**Table 2.2:- Net change in employment by product group, Dec. 2003 - Dec. 2004
Pioneer Status Enterprises.**

Product group	Employment			Net change	
	Dec.03	Sep.04	Dec.04	Sept.04 to Dec.04	Dec.03 to Dec.04
Informatics	257	303	321	18	64
Electric and electronic products	319	346	381	35	62
Light engineering	749	857	858	1	109
Support to jewellery	71	72	75	3	4
Support to printing and publishing	209	216	198	-18	-11
Other support services	726	701	667	-34	-59
Plastic and rubber products	522	523	517	-6	-5
Other	500	705	688	-17	188
TOTAL	3,353	3,723	3,705	-18	352

Table 2.3:- Employment by size and sex: December 2003 - December 2004, Pioneer Status Enterprises.

Employment size	No. of enterprises			Employment								
				December 2003			September 2004			December 2004		
	Dec.03	Sept.04	Dec.04	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
25 and above	36	46	46	1,451	511	1,962	1,876	669	2,545	1,858	643	2,501
10 to < 25	51	41	41	610	247	857	462	184	646	469	195	664
Less than 10	172	173	174	400	134	534	408	124	532	404	136	540
TOTAL	259	260	261	2,461	892	3,353	2,746	977	3,723	2,731	974	3,705
<i>Of which, expatriates</i>	-	-	-	192	17	209	180	17	197	171	19	190

Table 2.4:- Analysis of net change in employment, 4th quarter 2004 and Year 2004, Pioneer Status Enterprises.

	Evolution 4th quarter 2004		Evolution year 2004	
	Enterprises	Employment	Enterprises	Employment
A. Total employment creation :	...	263	...	815
Expansion in existing enterprises	40	214	78	710
New enterprises	2	49	8	105
B. Total employment loss :	...	-281	...	-463
Reduction in existing enterprises	45	-249	62	-356
Closures	1	-32	6	-107
C. Net change (A-B)	...	-18	...	352
Male	...	-15	...	270
Female	...	-3	...	82

Table 2.5:- Employment by product group and sex: December 2003 - December 2004, Pioneer Status Enterprises.

Product group	December 2003				December 2004			
	No. of enterprises	Employment			No. of enterprises	Employment		
		Male	Female	Total		Male	Female	Total
Informatics	41	181	76	257	41	228	93	321
Electric and Electronic products	36	207	112	319	37	254	127	381
Light engineering	42	652	97	749	44	748	110	858
Support to jewellery	4	20	51	71	4	20	55	75
Support to printing and publishing	15	150	59	209	16	148	50	198
Other support services	63	416	310	726	62	410	257	667
Plastic and rubber products	26	469	53	522	26	458	59	517
Other	32	366	134	500	31	465	223	688
TOTAL	259	2,461	892	3,353	261	2,731	974	3,705

Table 2.6: - Pioneer Status Enterprises and employment, quarterly series (1998 - 2004).

Y E A R	Enterprise				Employment			
	1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr	1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr
1998	164	176	185	195	2,304	2,428	2,635	2,481
1999	199	204	205	209	2,467	2,489	2,523	2,567
2000	216	222	232	236	2,546	2,556	2,723	2,839
2001	240	233	244	245	2,930	2,858	3,130	3,221
2002	248	252	256	256	3,103	3,236	3,326	3,303
2003	256	257	262	259	3,386	3,429	3,436	3,353
2004	258	258	260	261	3,457	3,586	3,723	3,705