

CHAPTER 2

MAJOR FINDINGS

This chapter presents a summary of the results of the labor force survey conducted in the whole kingdom during the 1st-12th of January – March 2008, which is the fourth quarter of the year. The results obtained from this survey showed conditional of the number of employed, unemployed and interesting characteristics of labor force in January – March 2008.

The number of population which had been used in the estimation procedure from the survey round 1 in February, 1995 were changed in order to correspond with those used in the 8th National Economic and Social Development Plan such number were obtained from the new series of Population Projection for Thailand, 1990-2020 which was revised by Quality of life and social development office, National Economic and Social Development Board in May 2003.

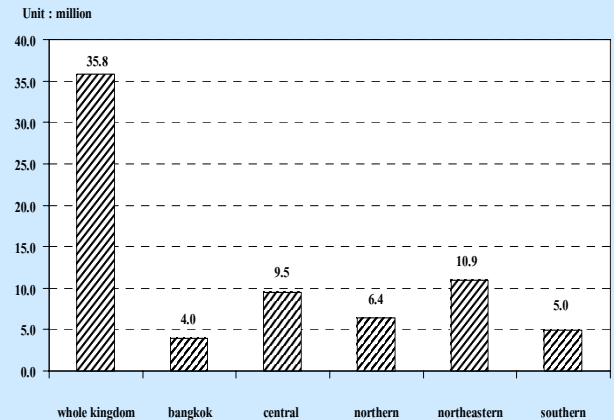
1. Structure of the labor force

The total population was estimated at 66.0 million, of which 51.4 million were population aged 15 years and over and 36.7 million were in the labor force. Of the total labor force, about 69.1 per cent were residing in the non-municipal areas and about 55.8 per cent were males.

The “current labor force”, that is the currently active part of the total labor force, which was either employed or was available for employment in January – March 2008, was of the order of 36.4 million. Since the survey period was

among the agricultural season, the number of the seasonally inactive labor force was about 262,800 persons. This number will be decreased when the survey is among agriculture season.

FIGURE 1 NUMBER OF EMPLOYED PERSONS BY REGION



The current labor force was largely employed, however 1.7 per cent of which or about 0.6 million were unemployed. Of these, 0.3 per cent were looking for works and the rest 1.4 per cent were not looking for works but available for works.

Persons not in the labor force could be divided into two major groups i.e. persons aged 15 years and over and those under 15 years of age. The first group comprised 22.3 per cent of the total population or 28.6 per cent of total population aged 15 years and over. About 5.0 million were housewives, 4.4 million were students and 4.3 million were young/old or incapable of work. The latter group comprised 14.6 million or 22.1 per cent of the total population.

TABLE A NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF POPULATION BY LABOR FORCE STATUS, AREA AND SEX

LABOR FORCE STATUS	Whole kingdom			Municipal areas			Non - municipal areas		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Number ('000)									
Total	66,022.0	32,389.7	33,632.3	20,142.8	9,625.3	10,517.5	45,879.2	22,764.4	23,114.8
Total labor force	36,688.3	20,056.7	16,631.7	11,336.1	5,917.0	5,419.1	25,352.2	14,139.6	11,212.5
1.Current labor force	36,425.5	19,934.5	16,491.1	11,322.6	5,910.6	5,412.0	25,102.9	14,023.8	11,079.1
1.1 Employed	35,820.1	19,591.0	16,229.1	11,148.9	5,808.6	5,340.3	24,671.2	13,782.4	10,888.8
1) At work	35,151.4	19,156.1	15,995.3	11,074.9	5,761.9	5,313.0	24,076.5	13,394.2	10,682.4
2) With job but not at work	668.7	434.9	233.8	74.0	46.7	27.3	594.7	388.2	206.4
1.2 Unemployed	605.5	343.4	262.0	173.8	102.0	71.7	431.7	241.4	190.3
1) Looking for a job	107.7	56.7	51.1	46.1	24.9	21.1	61.7	31.7	29.9
2) Not looking /Available for work	497.7	286.8	211.0	127.7	77.1	50.6	370.1	209.7	160.4
2.Seasonally inactive labor force	262.8	122.2	140.6	13.5	6.4	7.1	249.3	115.8	133.5
Not in labor force > 15 years of age	14,723.7	4,873.3	9,850.4	4,768.6	1,669.5	3,099.1	9,955.1	3,203.8	6,751.4
1. Household work	4,990.5	239.5	4,751.0	1,521.2	77.7	1,443.5	3,469.3	161.8	3,307.5
2. Studies	4,401.7	2,113.1	2,288.6	1,516.4	735.5	780.9	2,885.3	1,377.6	1,507.7
3. Too young/old or incapable to work	4,343.6	1,902.6	2,441.0	1,247.8	544.7	703.2	3,095.8	1,357.9	1,737.9
4. Others	988.0	618.1	369.9	483.1	311.6	171.5	504.8	306.5	198.4
Persons under 15 years of age	14,610.0	7,459.8	7,150.2	4,038.1	2,038.8	1,999.3	10,571.9	5,421.0	5,150.9
Percentage									
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Total labor force	55.6	61.9	49.5	56.3	61.5	51.5	55.3	62.1	48.5
1.Current labor force	55.2	61.6	49.0	56.2	61.4	51.5	54.7	61.6	47.9
1.1 Employed	54.3	60.5	48.3	55.4	60.4	50.8	53.8	60.5	47.1
1) At work	53.2	59.1	47.6	55.0	59.9	50.5	52.5	58.8	46.2
2) With job but not at work	1.0	1.3	0.7	0.4	0.5	0.3	1.3	1.7	0.9
1.2 Unemployed	0.9	1.1	0.8	0.9	1.1	0.7	0.9	1.1	0.8
1) Looking for a job	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1
2) Not looking /Available for work	0.8	0.9	0.6	0.6	0.8	0.5	0.8	0.9	0.7
2.Seasonally inactive labor force	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.5	0.5	0.6
Not in labor force > 15 years of age	22.3	15.1	29.3	23.7	17.4	29.5	21.7	14.1	29.2
1. Household work	7.6	0.7	14.1	7.6	0.8	13.7	7.6	0.7	14.3
2. Studies	6.7	6.5	6.8	7.5	7.6	7.4	6.3	6.1	6.5
3. Too young/old or incapable to work	6.6	5.9	7.3	6.2	5.7	6.7	6.8	6.0	7.5
4. Others	1.5	1.9	1.1	2.4	3.2	1.6	1.1	1.4	0.9
Persons under 15 years of age	22.1	23.0	21.3	20.1	21.2	19.0	23.0	23.8	22.3

TABLE B NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF POPULATION BY LABOR FORCE STATUS, SEX, REGION AND AREA

Labor Force Status and Sex	Whole Kingdom			Bangkok	Central Region			Northern Region			Northeastern Region			Southern Region		
	Total	M.A.	Non-M.A.		Total	M.A.	Non-M.A.	Total	M.A.	Non-M.A.	Total	M.A.	Non-M.A.	Total	M.A.	Non-M.A.
Number ('000)																
Total	66,022.0	20,142.8	45,879.2	6,947.5	16,190.8	5,343.4	10,847.4	11,678.3	2,267.9	9,410.4	22,152.3	3,453.7	18,698.6	9,053.2	2,130.3	6,922.9
In the labor force	36,688.3	11,336.1	25,352.2	4,047.6	9,649.9	3,159.3	6,490.5	6,602.4	1,233.7	5,368.7	11,375.4	1,751.4	9,624.1	5,013.0	1,144.1	3,868.9
Not in the labor force over 15 years	14,723.7	4,768.6	9,955.1	1,721.3	3,350.3	1,173.4	2,176.9	2,632.7	569.0	2,063.7	5,293.6	854.4	4,439.2	1,725.8	450.5	1,275.3
Not in the labor force under 15 years	14,610.0	4,038.1	10,571.9	1,178.5	3,190.6	1,010.7	2,179.9	2,443.2	465.2	1,978.0	5,483.3	847.9	4,635.3	2,314.4	535.7	1,778.7
Male	32,389.7	9,625.3	22,764.4	3,268.5	7,912.6	2,556.8	5,355.8	5,736.7	1,077.2	4,659.5	11,000.8	1,687.9	9,312.9	4,471.2	1,034.9	3,436.2
In the labor force	20,056.7	5,917.0	14,139.6	2,060.3	5,153.8	1,649.4	3,504.4	3,554.9	636.9	2,918.0	6,535.0	959.1	5,575.9	2,752.7	611.3	2,141.4
Not in the labor force over 15 years	4,873.3	1,669.5	3,203.8	599.8	1,129.3	401.6	727.8	942.1	211.4	730.7	1,664.0	302.6	1,361.4	538.0	154.2	383.8
Not in the labor force under 15 years	7,459.8	2,038.8	5,421.0	608.4	1,629.5	505.8	1,123.7	1,239.7	228.9	1,010.7	2,801.8	426.2	2,375.6	1,180.4	269.4	911.0
Female	33,632.3	10,517.5	23,114.8	3,679.0	8,278.2	2,786.7	5,491.5	5,941.6	1,190.7	4,750.9	11,151.5	1,765.8	9,385.8	4,582.0	1,095.3	3,486.7
In the labor force	16,631.7	5,419.1	11,212.5	1,987.3	4,496.1	1,510.0	2,986.2	3,047.5	596.8	2,450.6	4,840.4	792.3	4,048.2	2,260.3	532.8	1,727.5
Not in the labor force over 15 years	9,850.4	3,099.1	6,751.4	1,121.5	2,220.9	771.9	1,449.1	1,690.6	357.6	1,333.0	3,629.6	551.8	3,077.8	1,187.8	296.3	891.5
Not in the labor force under 15 years	7,150.2	1,999.3	5,150.9	570.2	1,561.1	504.9	1,056.2	1,203.6	236.3	967.3	2,681.5	421.7	2,259.8	1,133.9	266.3	867.7
Percentage																
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
In the labor force	55.6	56.3	55.3	58.3	59.6	59.1	59.8	56.5	54.4	57.1	51.4	50.7	51.5	55.4	53.7	55.9
Not in the labor force over 15 years	22.3	23.7	21.7	24.8	20.7	22.0	20.1	22.5	25.1	21.9	23.9	24.7	23.7	19.1	21.2	18.4
Not in the labor force under 15 years	24.0	20.1	23.0	17.0	19.7	18.9	20.1	20.9	20.5	21.0	24.8	24.6	24.8	30.1	25.2	25.7
Male	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
In the labor force	61.9	61.5	62.1	63.0	65.1	64.5	65.4	62.0	59.1	62.6	59.4	56.8	59.9	61.6	59.1	62.3
Not in the labor force over 15 years	15.1	17.4	14.1	18.4	14.3	15.7	13.6	16.4	19.6	15.7	15.1	17.9	14.6	12.0	14.9	11.2
Not in the labor force under 15 years	23.0	21.2	23.8	18.6	20.6	19.8	21.0	21.6	21.3	21.7	25.5	25.3	25.5	26.4	26.0	26.5
Female	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
In the labor force	49.5	51.5	48.5	54.0	54.3	54.2	54.4	51.3	50.1	51.6	43.4	44.9	43.1	49.3	48.6	49.6
Not in the labor force over 15 years	29.3	29.5	29.2	30.5	26.8	27.7	26.4	28.5	30.0	28.1	32.6	31.3	32.8	25.9	27.1	25.6
Not in the labor force under 15 years	21.3	19.0	22.3	15.5	18.9	18.1	19.2	20.3	19.8	20.4	24.1	23.9	24.1	24.8	24.3	24.9

2. Labor force participation

Table C shows the labor force participation rates which was defined as the percentage of the population in the total labor force to the population 15 years of age and

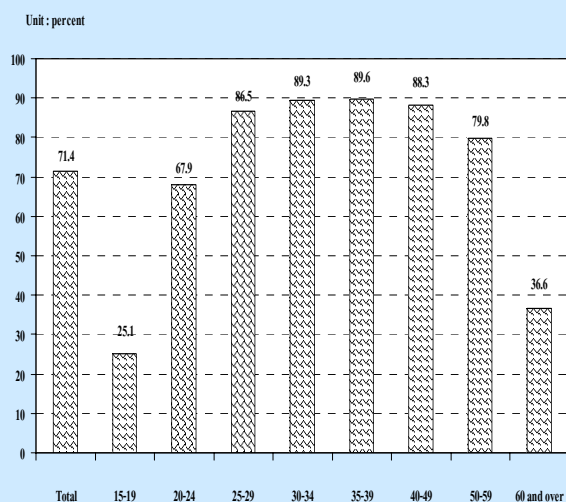
over was 71.4 per cent, and it shows that persons in non-municipal areas had higher participation rates than the municipal areas (71.8 per cent compared with 70.4 per cent).

TABLE C LABOR FORCE PARTICIPATION RATES BY AGE GROUP, SEX, REGION AND AREA

(Percentage)																
Age group (Years) and sex	Whole kingdom			Bangkok	Central region			Northern region			Northeastern region			Southern region		
	Total	M.A.	Non-M.A.		Total	M.A.	Non-M.A.	Total	M.A.	Non-M.A.	Total	M.A.	Non-M.A.	Total	M.A.	Non-M.A.
Total	71.4	70.4	71.8	70.2	74.2	72.9	74.9	71.5	68.4	72.2	68.2	67.2	68.4	74.4	71.8	75.2
15-19	25.1	20.6	26.9	16.8	30.2	26.0	32.2	22.4	16.2	23.9	21.0	17.1	21.7	34.9	28.2	37.0
20-24	67.9	63.0	70.1	56.8	74.8	72.3	76.0	67.9	57.1	70.5	63.8	58.4	64.8	72.4	68.8	73.5
25-29	86.5	89.0	85.1	89.2	89.2	90.3	88.6	85.5	89.0	84.7	82.7	87.2	81.9	87.1	87.2	87.1
30-34	89.3	90.1	88.9	91.5	91.1	89.4	92.0	89.2	88.7	89.3	86.3	88.0	86.0	89.8	89.5	89.9
35-39	89.6	89.3	89.7	89.2	90.6	88.9	91.4	92.1	91.6	92.2	87.1	88.6	86.8	91.2	90.1	91.6
40-49	88.3	87.6	88.6	86.6	88.7	87.7	89.2	90.8	88.6	91.3	86.4	87.6	86.2	90.0	89.5	90.1
50-59	79.8	75.5	81.6	70.4	79.3	76.5	80.6	83.7	80.4	84.5	78.6	77.9	78.8	85.9	81.2	87.3
60and over	36.6	28.1	40.0	19.3	35.3	29.4	37.9	37.7	33.8	38.7	38.8	32.1	40.0	43.7	37.7	45.5
Male	80.5	78.0	81.5	77.5	82.0	80.4	82.8	79.1	75.1	80.0	79.7	76.0	80.4	83.7	79.9	84.8
15-19	32.5	25.1	35.3	22.2	37.7	30.0	41.2	28.3	20.3	30.2	28.5	20.4	30.0	44.4	33.3	47.7
20-24	76.3	67.3	80.0	59.5	81.4	77.8	83.3	73.1	59.8	76.1	75.2	63.7	77.3	83.3	73.8	86.2
25-29	94.1	93.9	94.1	92.7	94.9	95.0	94.8	93.5	95.4	93.1	92.8	94.4	92.5	97.1	93.5	98.2
30-34	96.4	96.2	96.5	96.2	97.4	96.9	97.7	96.1	94.7	96.4	94.9	93.6	95.1	97.8	98.6	97.5
35-39	96.7	96.9	96.6	96.6	97.2	97.1	97.2	97.9	96.3	98.2	95.3	97.0	95.0	97.7	97.9	97.6
40-49	96.4	95.9	96.6	94.8	95.7	96.4	95.3	96.5	96.1	96.6	96.8	96.8	96.8	97.8	97.0	98.0
50-59	92.1	88.7	93.5	86.1	89.0	87.4	89.7	94.3	90.0	95.2	93.6	92.3	93.9	95.1	93.5	95.6
60and over	49.2	36.1	54.2	24.7	45.9	36.0	50.2	48.4	42.0	50.0	56.0	44.2	58.2	54.9	48.5	56.9
Female	62.8	63.6	62.4	63.9	66.9	66.2	67.3	64.3	62.5	64.8	57.2	58.9	56.8	65.6	64.3	66.0
15-19	17.5	16.2	18.0	11.4	22.4	22.0	22.5	16.3	12.2	17.3	13.1	13.6	13.0	25.1	23.0	25.7
20-24	59.3	58.8	59.5	54.3	67.8	66.9	68.2	62.7	54.5	64.8	51.5	53.0	51.2	61.1	63.8	60.3
25-29	78.7	84.4	75.5	86.1	83.4	85.8	82.1	77.3	82.8	75.9	71.8	79.6	70.3	76.9	81.0	75.6
30-34	82.4	84.5	81.2	87.4	84.8	82.5	86.1	82.2	83.0	82.0	77.6	82.5	76.7	81.9	80.8	82.2
35-39	83.0	82.6	83.2	82.6	84.4	81.5	86.0	86.7	87.5	86.5	79.3	81.0	79.0	85.1	83.0	85.8
40-49	80.9	80.3	81.1	79.6	82.5	80.3	83.6	85.5	82.2	86.4	76.5	79.0	76.0	82.6	82.6	82.6
50-59	68.6	64.0	70.6	57.1	70.7	67.2	72.4	73.8	72.0	74.3	64.6	64.8	64.6	77.4	70.1	79.6
60and over	26.4	22.0	28.3	15.3	27.1	24.5	28.3	28.4	27.1	28.8	25.0	22.6	25.4	34.5	29.2	36.2

The participation rates were relatively high in almost every age-group, even in the age-group 15-19 at which the rates in non-municipal areas were higher than municipal areas. This was partly because in the agricultural households, the members who were students could help their families during the busy season. Whereas, this aged group in the municipal areas were mostly students.

FIGURE 2 LABOR FORCE PARTICIPATION RATES BY AGE GROUP



Considering sex differentials, it is found that males participated in the labor force more than females (80.5 and 62.8 per cent respectively) . It was true in both areas and every region.

Table D shows that the married participated the highest in the labor force (80.1 per cent) and males participation rates were the highest among the married about 89.9 per cent and females, the highest rate was among the divorced about 76.4 per cent. The results also show that in municipal area, the divorced participated the highest in the labor force, about 80.1 per cent, 87.2 per cent for married males and 77.9 per cent for divorced females. In non-municipal area, the married participated the highest in the labor force about 80.8 per cent, 91.0 per cent for married males and 75.4 per cent for divorced females (excluded the unknown status who ever married were in the labor force only 0.01 per cent of the total labor force).

TABLE D LABOR FORCE PARTICIPATION RATES BY MARITAL STATUS, SEX AND AREA

Area and sex	Total	Marital status					
		Single	Married	Widowed	Divorced	Separated	Married do not know status
Total	71.4	58.0	80.1	37.3	80.1	78.4	58.1
Male	80.5	63.6	89.9	41.1	86.8	85.7	96.5
Female	62.8	50.7	70.7	36.3	76.4	73.9	23.2
Municipal areas	70.4	62.0	78.2	35.7	80.1	79.6	79.8
Male	78.0	63.9	87.2	35.5	84.6	85.1	95.8
Female	63.6	59.9	69.5	35.8	77.9	76.5	52.2
Non-municipal areas	71.8	55.6	80.8	37.9	80.1	77.7	21.2
Male	81.5	63.4	91.0	42.9	87.8	86.1	100.0
Female	62.4	43.8	71.2	36.6	75.4	72.3	-

Table E illustrates the participation rates by educational attainment, area and sex. It shows that levels of education at which people seem to get more interested in working than at other levels were the higher level, elementary and upper secondary level. Those who completed less than elementary level and lower secondary level.

The participation rates in non-municipal areas are mostly higher than in municipal areas, except these of level of education; upper secondary level especially vocational and teacher training.

FIGURE 3 LABOR FORCE PARTICIPATION RATES BY LEVEL OF EDUCATIONAL

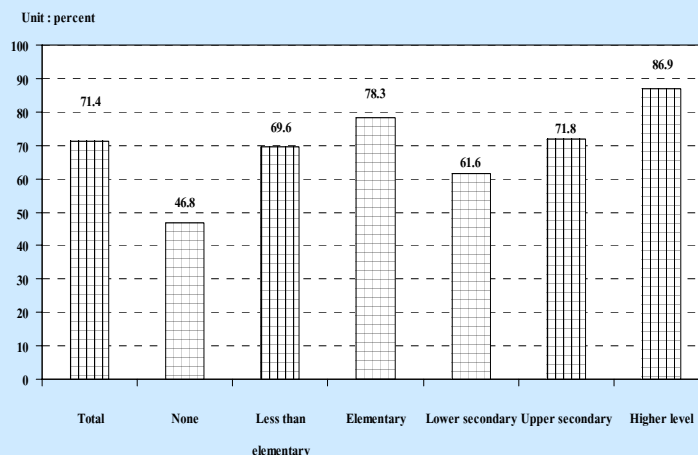


TABLE E LABOR FORCE PARTICIPATION RATES BY LEVEL OF EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT, AREA AND SEX

(Percentage)

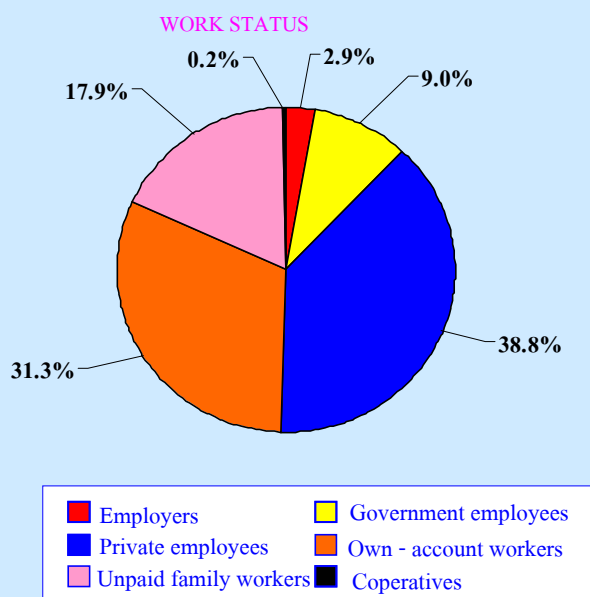
Area and sex	Level of educational attainment											Others ^{1/}	Unknown
	Total	None	Less than elementary	Elementary	Lower secondary	Upper secondary level			Higher level				
						General/academic	Vocational	Teacher training	Academic	Higher technical education	Teacher training		
Total	71.4	46.8	69.6	78.3	61.6	72.2	70.6	65.6	89.0	85.2	85.8	82.5	76.9
Male	80.5	60.5	81.2	85.6	70.9	81.2	77.4	71.8	91.9	91.3	84.5	90.2	82.6
Female	62.8	40.4	60.3	70.3	50.9	62.3	61.3	57.8	86.7	79.1	86.7	75.7	71.5
M.A.	70.4	38.7	63.1	76.6	61.2	66.1	72.9	65.9	88.2	85.2	82.1	82.1	72.5
Male	78.0	52.3	75.4	82.7	68.9	73.6	79.5	71.6	90.6	90.0	81.9	89.9	76.5
Female	63.6	33.1	54.6	70.5	52.6	58.4	64.6	60.4	86.3	80.4	82.2	74.7	69.1
Non-M.A.	71.8	49.2	71.4	78.8	61.8	76.1	68.4	65.3	90.6	85.2	89.1	82.8	86.3
Male	81.5	62.7	82.6	86.4	71.8	85.8	75.5	71.9	95.2	92.5	86.4	90.4	94.2
Female	62.4	42.7	62.0	70.2	50.2	64.9	57.9	53.8	87.4	77.9	91.2	76.3	77.4

^{1/} Including short course vocational

3. Employed labor force

Work status : (Table F) The highest proportion of the total employed person was employees or about 47.8 per cent and of these 4 in 5 were employed in private sector, followed by own account workers (31.3 per cent). The unpaid family workers and employer which accounted for 17.9 and 2.9 per cent of the total employed. While the percentage of members of producers' cooperatives was very less about 0.2 per cent of the total employed persons.

FIGURE 4 PERCENTAGE OF EMPLOYED PERSONS BY WORK STATUS



The majority of employed persons in both areas were employees, followed by own account workers. In municipal area, about 60.0 per cent were employees, among these, mostly working in private sector (46.7 per cent) while only 13.3 per cent were government employees. In non-municipal areas, about 42.2 per cent were employees, among these, 35.2 per cent working in private sector, followed by own account workers (23.6 per cent). For the proportion of unpaid family workers in municipal areas was rather low

compared with the non-municipal areas (12.0 per cent and 20.6 per cent respectively).

When work status was considered by regions, it was found that the percentages of those employed in all regions include Bangkok were largely worked as employees, follower by own account workers except the Northeast region, large percentages of employed persons were worked as own account workers about 39.6 per cent followed by employees and unpaid family worker (37.6 percent and 20.7 percent respectively .

3.2 Industry : (Table G) About 33.7 per cent of the total employed persons worked in agricultural sector and about 64.3 per cent in non-agricultural sector. The highest proportions of the employed persons was in the wholesale and retail trade 16.4 percent, followed by manufacturing 16.2 per cent. The next was construction 6.9 per cent, hotel and restaurants 6.7 per cent, public administration 3.6 per cent , transport storage, 3.2 per cent and education 3.0 per cent. The rest shared in the other industries.

Most employed persons in municipal area worked in non-agriculture sector (92.6 per cent), the principal activities were wholesale and retail trade (24.1 per cent), followed by manufacturing (19.3 per cent), hotel and restaurants (12.3 per cent), While most of those in the non-municipal areas worked in agricultural sector (51.5 per cent).

Considering regional differentials, it was found that the majority of employed persons in the

TABLE F NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF EMPLOYED PERSONS BY WORK STATUS, REGION AND AREA

WORK STATUS	Whole Kingdom			Bangkok	Central Region			Northern Region			Northeastern Region			Southern Region		
	Total	M.A.	Non-	Total	M.A.	Non-	Total	M.A.	Non-	Total	M.A.	Non-	Total	M.A.	Non-	
			M.A.													
Number ('000)																
Total	35,820.1	11,148.9	24,671.2	3,984.6	9,514.3	3,123.6	6,390.7	6,437.6	1,209.0	5,228.5	10,939.7	1,710.9	9,228.9	4,943.9	1,120.7	3,823.1
Employers	1,037.1	485.1	552.1	220.5	251.0	93.8	157.2	180.6	51.7	128.9	177.9	50.9	127.0	207.2	68.2	139.0
Government employees	3,205.4	1,481.8	1,723.7	404.4	754.5	346.0	408.5	600.5	203.4	397.0	1,042.8	371.2	671.6	403.3	156.8	246.6
Private employees	13,896.9	5,205.9	8,691.0	2,303.7	4,787.6	1,650.7	3,136.9	2,046.8	384.9	1,661.8	3,072.8	462.1	2,610.7	1,686.0	404.4	1,281.5
Own - account workers	11,196.7	2,627.2	8,569.5	755.8	2,286.8	661.2	1,625.6	2,205.3	364.3	1,841.0	4,335.8	526.9	3,809.0	1,613.0	319.0	1,294.0
Unpaid family workers	6,413.9	1,338.9	5,075.0	300.2	1,425.1	370.4	1,054.7	1,392.5	202.7	1,189.8	2,263.3	293.5	1,969.8	1,032.7	172.1	860.6
Members of Producers Cooperatives	70.1	10.0	60.1	-	9.3	1.6	7.7	11.9	1.7	10.2	47.2	6.4	40.8	1.7	0.3	1.4
Percentage																
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Employers	2.9	4.4	2.2	5.5	2.6	3.0	2.5	2.8	4.2	2.5	1.6	3.0	1.4	4.2	6.1	3.6
Government employees	9.0	13.3	7.0	10.2	7.9	11.1	6.4	9.3	16.8	7.6	9.5	21.7	7.3	8.2	14.0	6.5
Private employees	38.8	46.7	35.2	57.8	50.3	52.8	49.1	31.8	31.8	31.8	28.1	27.0	28.3	34.1	36.1	33.5
Own - account workers	31.3	23.6	34.7	19.0	24.0	21.2	25.4	34.3	30.1	35.2	39.6	30.8	41.3	32.6	28.5	33.9
Unpaid family workers	17.9	12.0	20.6	7.5	15.0	11.9	16.5	21.6	16.7	22.8	20.7	17.2	21.3	20.9	15.4	22.5
Members of Producers Cooperatives	0.2	0.1	0.2	-	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0

TABLE G NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF EMPLOYED PERSONS BY INDUSTRY, REGION AND AREA

INDUSTRY	Whole Kingdom			Bangkok	Central Region			Northern Region			Northeastern Region			Southern Region		
	Total	M.A.	Non-M.A.	Total	M.A.	Non-M.A.	Total	M.A.	Non-M.A.	Total	M.A.	Non-M.A.	Total	M.A.	Non-M.A.	
	Number ('000)															
Total	35,820.1	11,148.9	24,671.2	3,984.6	9,514.3	3,123.6	6,390.7	6,437.6	1,209.1	5,228.5	10,939.7	1,710.9	9,228.9	4,943.9	1,120.8	3,823.1
Agricultural	12,795.9	819.8	11,976.1	40.4	2,307.2	182.5	2,124.7	2,953.9	194.1	2,759.8	5,206.1	270.5	4,935.6	2,288.3	132.3	2,156.0
1. Agriculture, hunting and forestry	12,389.1	743.1	11,646.0	39.6	2,157.4	153.5	2,003.9	2,931.1	190.1	2,741.0	5,123.1	262.9	4,860.2	2,137.9	96.9	2,040.9
2. Fishing	406.8	76.7	330.1	0.8	149.8	29.0	120.9	22.8	4.0	18.8	82.9	7.6	75.3	150.5	35.4	115.1
Non-Agricultural	23,024.2	10,329.1	12,695.1	3,944.2	7,207.0	2,941.1	4,265.9	3,483.7	1,015.0	2,468.8	5,733.7	1,440.4	4,293.3	2,655.6	988.5	1,667.1
1. Mining and quarrying	63.7	12.1	51.5	2.6	14.9	3.6	11.3	21.3	1.8	19.5	16.2	2.4	13.8	8.8	1.8	7.0
2. Manufacturing	5,800.7	2,155.5	3,645.2	824.1	2,602.8	933.9	1,668.9	695.8	142.3	553.5	1,291.8	161.2	1,130.7	386.3	94.1	292.2
3. Electricity, gas and water supply	92.8	50.6	42.3	7.7	34.8	17.6	17.3	17.5	8.4	9.1	20.5	11.6	8.9	12.3	5.4	6.9
4. Construction	2,454.5	622.7	1,831.8	227.2	579.8	152.3	427.5	469.1	77.1	392.0	912.8	108.7	804.2	265.5	57.4	208.2
5. Wholesale and retail trade, repair of motor vehicles motorcycles and personal and household goods	5,855.2	2,688.3	3,166.8	968.8	1,599.7	676.4	923.3	954.9	294.5	660.4	1,484.7	418.7	1,066.0	847.1	329.9	517.2
6. Hotel and restaurants	2,403.6	1,369.7	1,033.9	449.7	704.6	371.8	332.8	358.3	154.9	203.4	497.2	204.4	292.8	393.8	188.9	205.0
7. Transport, storage and communication	1,152.8	633.1	519.7	329.2	374.4	170.7	203.8	121.0	35.2	85.8	199.6	48.5	151.2	128.5	49.6	78.9
8. Financial intermediation	347.8	253.1	94.7	140.9	92.9	50.2	42.6	39.7	16.9	22.8	45.3	26.6	18.7	29.0	18.4	10.6
9. Real estate, renting and business activities	734.7	508.5	226.2	318.8	208.4	104.4	104.0	75.2	29.4	45.8	71.2	31.0	40.3	61.1	25.0	36.1
10. Public administration and defence, compulsory social security	1,272.1	599.1	673.0	173.9	300.5	155.1	145.5	210.1	71.3	138.9	431.0	141.3	289.7	156.5	57.6	98.9
11. Education	1,066.7	483.6	583.2	117.7	223.7	96.3	127.4	213.2	73.4	139.8	358.2	134.6	223.6	153.9	61.5	92.3
12. Health and social work	641.9	291.5	350.4	84.2	162.6	67.1	95.5	132.9	44.6	88.3	181.2	61.5	119.6	81.1	34.1	47.0
13. Other community, social and personal service activity	839.7	457.3	382.4	166.8	235.3	106.9	128.4	129.1	50.1	78.9	190.5	76.4	114.2	118.1	57.1	61.0
14. Private households with employed persons	247.2	161.2	86.0	97.4	57.5	27.7	29.8	45.6	15.0	30.6	33.1	13.3	19.8	13.5	7.7	5.8
15. Extra-territorial organizations and bodies	1.3	1.3	-	-	0.9	0.9	-	0.1	0.1	-	0.2	0.2	-	-	-	-
16. Unknown	49.7	41.6	8.1	35.3	14.3	6.2	8.1	-	-	-	0.1	0.1	-	-	-	-

region were non-agricultural sector, especially the Central Region 75.8 per cent, the next was the North region 54.1 per cent, South 53.7 per cent and Northeast 52.4 per cent the highest employed. For Bangkok the majority of employed person were considerably high in non-agricultural sector (99.0 per cent).

3.3 Occupation : From the distribution of employed persons by occupation (table H), skilled agricultural and fishery workers constituted the bulk of the employed labor force (30.4 per cent). The occupation group with the next largest number of workers was service workers and shop and market sales workers which accounted for 15.3 per cent, elementary occupations workers about 13.9 per cent, craftsmen and related trades workers about 12.8 per cent, and the rest were other occupations.

Again the pattern of occupation in the municipal areas was quite different from that of the non-municipal areas and the whole kingdom. In the municipal areas, about 24.6 per cent of the total employed were service workers and shop and market sales workers, 12.6 per cent were craft and same related trades workers 12.4 per cent were elementary occupation, and plant and machine operators and assemblers for 11.2 per cent. The occupational patterns in non-municipal areas were similar to the whole kingdom, which the largest number of workers was skilled agricultural and fishery workers (41.3 per cent), followed by elementary occupations workers about 14.6

per cent and craftsman and related trade workers about 12.8 per cent.

In every region, the occupational patterns were not quite different. That was the principal occupation was agricultural occupation especially in the South, comprised 43.2 per cent, the next was the Northeast 41.0 per cent. The next was the North 37.1 per cent and central 19.5 percent. But in the Bangkok, service workers and shop and market sales workers constituted about 21.8 per cent of the total employed. Around 13.2 per cent were elementary occupation, craftsmen and related trade workers and legislator senior officials and managers which show equally the same rate 12.3 per cent and plant and machine operators and assemblers 12.1 per cent 10.4 per cent were technicians, and associate professions and the rest were other occupations.

3.4 Education : The distribution of employed persons by level of educational attainment (Table I) illustrated that of the employed people, vast majority had low level of education, 56.6 per cent only held some elementary level or none at all, while 28.0 per cent in secondary level, 15.0 per cent in higher level and the rest were others.

Among people residing in municipal areas who were employed and completed more than elementary level (secondary and higher level) was higher than those live in non-municipal areas (60.1 per cent and 35.2 per cent respectively). In municipal areas, 39.2 per cent of employed person had some elementary level or none at all, 31.9

TABLE H NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF EMPLOYED PERSONS BY OCCUPATION, REGION AND AREA

OCCUPATION	Whole Kingdom			Bangkok	Central Region			Northern Region			Northeastern Region			Southern Region		
	Total	M.A.	Non-M.A.	Total	M.A.	Non-M.A.	Total	M.A.	Non-M.A.	Total	M.A.	Non-M.A.	Total	M.A.	Non-M.A.	
	Number ('000)															
Total	35,820.1	11,148.9	24,671.2	3,984.6	9,514.3	3,123.6	6,390.7	6,437.6	1,209.1	5,228.5	10,939.7	1,710.9	9,228.9	4,943.9	1,120.7	3,823.1
1. Legislator, senior officials and manage	2,418.8	1,144.9	1,273.9	489.6	594.1	251.3	342.8	382.3	112.7	269.6	582.6	152.8	429.7	370.3	138.4	231.8
2. Professionals	1,436.8	832.6	604.2	321.2	349.6	176.9	172.8	235.6	96.7	138.9	361.5	158.9	202.6	168.9	79.0	89.8
3. Technicians and associate professionals	1,497.5	878.7	618.8	413.9	559.4	250.2	309.2	164.5	59.7	104.9	227.7	95.3	132.4	132.0	59.7	72.4
4. Clerks	1,349.6	763.8	585.8	319.4	468.8	225.7	243.2	184.8	64.7	120.2	216.5	93.3	123.2	160.0	60.7	99.3
5. Service workers and shop and market sales workers	5,486.7	2,736.6	2,750.1	868.5	1,581.9	742.0	839.9	879.6	310.3	569.3	1,328.6	472.0	856.6	828.1	343.7	484.3
6. Skilled agricultural and fishery workers	10,905.2	713.7	10,191.5	44.6	1,852.6	153.3	1,699.3	2,387.9	167.3	2,220.6	4,483.9	232.0	4,252.0	2,136.2	116.5	2,019.7
7. Craftsmen and related trades workers	4,573.3	1,408.6	3,164.8	491.3	1,254.0	396.2	857.8	819.9	171.3	648.6	1,526.5	211.0	1,315.4	481.7	138.7	342.9
8. Plant and machine operators and assemblers	3,114.1	1,248.9	1,865.3	481.5	1,515.3	549.0	966.3	332.9	69.2	263.7	570.7	88.1	482.7	213.7	61.1	152.6
9. Elementary occupations	4,992.4	1,384.3	3,608.1	523.9	1,323.6	373.0	950.6	1,050.2	157.3	892.9	1,641.6	207.3	1,434.3	453.2	122.9	330.3
10. Workers not classifiable by occupation	45.8	36.9	8.9	30.7	15.0	6.1	8.9	-	-	-	0.1	0.1	-	-	-	-
	Percentage															
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1. Legislator, senior officials and manage	6.8	10.3	5.2	12.3	6.2	8.1	5.4	5.9	9.3	5.2	5.3	8.9	4.7	7.5	12.4	6.1
2. Professionals	4.0	7.5	2.5	8.1	3.7	5.7	2.7	3.7	8.0	2.7	3.3	9.3	2.2	3.4	7.1	2.4
3. Technicians and associate professionals	4.2	7.9	2.5	10.4	5.9	8.0	4.8	2.6	4.9	2.0	2.1	5.6	1.4	2.7	5.3	1.9
4. Clerks	3.8	6.9	2.4	8.0	4.9	7.2	3.8	2.9	5.4	2.3	2.0	5.5	1.3	3.2	5.4	2.6
5. Service workers and shop and market sales workers	15.3	24.6	11.2	21.8	16.6	23.8	13.1	13.7	25.7	10.9	12.1	27.6	9.3	16.8	30.7	12.7
6. Skilled agricultural and fishery workers	30.4	6.4	41.3	1.1	19.5	4.9	26.6	37.1	13.8	42.5	41.0	13.6	46.1	43.2	10.4	52.8
7. Craftsmen and related trades workers	12.8	12.6	12.8	12.3	13.2	12.7	13.4	12.7	14.2	12.4	14.0	12.3	14.3	9.7	12.4	9.0
8. Plant and machine operators and assemblers	8.7	11.2	7.6	12.1	15.9	17.6	15.1	5.2	5.7	5.0	5.2	5.2	5.2	4.3	5.5	4.0
9. Elementary occupations	13.9	12.4	14.6	13.2	13.9	11.9	14.9	16.3	13.0	17.1	15.0	12.1	15.5	9.2	11.0	8.6
10. Workers not classifiable by occupation	0.1	0.3	0.0	0.8	0.2	0.2	0.1	-	-	-	0.0	0.0	-	-	-	-

TABLE I NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF EMPLOYED PERSON BY LEVEL OF EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT, REGION AND AREA

LEVEL OF EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT	Whole Kingdom			Bangkok	Central Region			Northern Region			Northeastern Region			Southern Region		
	Total	M.A.	Non- M.A.	Total	M.A.	Non- M.A.	Total	M.A.	Non- M.A.	Total	M.A.	Non- M.A.	Total	M.A.	Non- M.A.	
	Number ('000)															
Total	35,820.1	11,148.9	24,671.2	3,984.6	9,514.3	3,123.6	6,390.7	6,437.6	1,209.0	5,228.5	10,939.7	1,710.9	9,228.9	4,943.9	1,120.7	3,823.1
None	1,123.8	221.4	902.4	61.6	269.1	64.6	204.5	458.9	48.3	410.6	145.4	17.9	127.5	188.8	29.0	159.8
Less than Elementary	11,117.7	2,209.8	8,907.9	571.8	2,597.3	634.2	1,963.1	2,479.8	362.7	2,117.0	4,088.5	416.7	3,671.8	1,380.3	224.3	1,156.0
Elementary	8,074.3	1,943.8	6,130.5	714.0	1,976.7	548.6	1,428.1	1,228.9	171.9	1,056.9	3,001.4	317.9	2,683.5	1,153.3	191.4	961.9
Lower Secondary	5,431.1	1,735.5	3,695.6	582.2	1,687.8	570.9	1,116.9	852.4	159.7	692.6	1,506.4	236.3	1,270.2	802.3	186.4	615.9
Upper Secondary Level	4,576.1	1,812.9	2,763.2	616.4	1,398.7	554.9	843.8	702.0	180.0	522.0	1,181.1	276.1	904.9	677.9	185.4	492.5
General/Academic	3,413.8	1,231.9	2,181.9	405.2	984.0	380.0	604.0	550.1	129.8	420.2	965.5	201.3	764.2	509.1	115.6	393.5
Vocational	1,149.4	574.1	575.3	210.8	411.1	173.0	238.1	147.2	48.9	98.2	213.2	72.8	140.4	167.2	68.7	98.5
Teacher Training	12.9	6.9	6.0	0.5	3.6	2.0	1.6	4.7	1.1	3.6	2.4	2.0	0.3	1.7	1.2	0.5
Higher Level	5,360.0	3,143.7	2,216.3	1,398.5	1,528.1	723.7	804.3	708.2	279.8	428.3	1,015.5	445.4	570.1	709.8	296.2	413.6
Academic	2,910.3	1,984.4	925.9	1,053.7	808.1	417.9	390.1	330.9	146.7	184.1	399.4	213.2	186.2	318.3	152.9	165.4
Higher Technical Education	1,689.2	815.5	873.6	282.0	554.0	228.5	325.6	228.8	81.6	147.1	335.3	123.9	211.4	289.1	99.6	189.5
Teacher Training	760.6	343.7	416.8	62.8	166.0	77.3	88.6	148.5	51.4	97.0	280.8	108.3	172.5	102.5	43.8	58.7
Others ^{1/}	24.1	9.1	15.0	-	7.9	2.5	5.4	7.4	6.2	1.2	-	-	-	8.8	0.4	8.4
Unknown	113.0	72.7	40.3	40.1	48.8	24.3	24.4	-	-	-	1.4	0.6	0.9	22.6	7.6	15.0
	Percentage															
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
None	3.1	2.0	3.7	1.6	2.8	2.1	3.2	7.1	4.0	7.9	1.3	1.0	1.4	3.8	2.6	4.2
Less than Elementary	31.0	19.8	36.1	14.4	27.3	20.3	30.7	38.5	30.0	40.5	37.4	24.4	39.8	27.9	20.0	30.2
Elementary	22.5	17.4	24.9	17.9	20.8	17.6	22.4	19.1	14.2	20.2	27.4	18.6	29.1	23.3	17.1	25.2
Lower Secondary	15.2	15.6	15.0	14.6	17.7	18.3	17.5	13.2	13.2	13.3	13.8	13.8	13.8	16.2	16.6	16.1
Upper Secondary Level	12.8	16.3	11.2	15.5	14.7	17.8	13.2	10.9	14.8	10.0	10.8	16.1	9.8	13.7	16.5	12.9
General/Academic	9.5	11.1	8.8	10.2	10.3	12.2	9.5	8.5	10.7	8.0	8.8	11.8	8.3	10.3	10.3	10.3
Vocational	3.2	5.2	2.3	5.3	4.3	5.5	3.7	2.3	4.0	1.9	2.0	4.3	1.5	3.4	6.1	2.6
Teacher Training	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0
Higher Level	15.0	28.2	9.0	35.1	16.1	23.2	12.6	11.0	23.1	8.2	9.3	26.0	6.2	14.4	26.4	10.8
Academic	8.1	17.8	3.8	26.4	8.5	13.4	6.1	5.1	12.1	3.5	3.7	12.5	2.0	6.4	13.6	4.3
Higher Technical Education	4.7	7.3	3.5	7.1	5.8	7.3	5.1	3.6	6.7	2.8	3.1	7.2	2.3	5.9	8.9	5.0
Teacher Training	2.1	3.1	1.7	1.6	1.7	2.5	1.4	2.3	4.2	1.9	2.6	6.3	1.9	2.1	3.9	1.5
Others ^{1/}	0.1	0.1	0.1	-	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.5	0.0	-	-	-	0.2	0.0	0.2
Unknown	0.3	0.7	0.2	1.0	0.5	0.8	0.4	-	-	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.7	0.4

^{1/} Including short course vocational

per cent had secondary level and 28.2 per cent had higher level, whereas the corresponding educational level for employed persons in non-municipal areas were 64.7, 26.2 and 9.0 per cent respectively.

On the region level, the majority of employed persons in every region had some elementary level of education or none at all, especially the highest percentage in the Northeast (66.1 per cent). The North shows the second highest in such level with 64.7 per cent, followed by the South with 55.0 per cent and the Central with 50.9 per cent. With regards to the secondary level of those employed persons, the Central shows the highest percentage with 32.4 per cent; followed by the South, the Northeast and the North with 29.9, 24.6 and 24.1 respectively. It is also noted that at higher level of education, the Central also shows the highest percentage with 16.1 per cent, followed by the South with 14.4 per cent, the North with 11.0 per cent and the Northeast with 9.3 per cent.

For Bangkok, most of employed person completed more than elementary level (65.2

per cent), especially the high rate in the higher level (35.1 per cent).

4. Unemployment

The unemployment rate is the ratio of the number of unemployed persons to the labor force expressed as a percentage. It depends therefore on the definition of unemployment as well as of the labor force adopted in the survey. Beginning from the survey in August 1982, unemployment has been measured, for a better understanding of the situation, in terms of persons available for works, including not only those actively looking for work but also those not looking for but available for works. As well, the classification of the labor force status or activity has been revised to include, besides the current labor force, the seasonally inactive labor force, to constitute what is described as the total labor force. Different unemployment rates can be computed for purposed of comparative analysis, using different measures of unemployment and labor force as given in Table J.

TABLE J DIFFERENT RATES OF UNEMPLOYMENT, QUARTER 1: JANUARY-MARCH 2008

(Percentage)

Labor force	Actively looking for work	Total available for work
Current labor force	0.3	1.7
Total labor force	0.3	1.7

In general, during the agricultural season, the unemployment rate calculated from the total labor force is very close to that obtained from the current labor force but in the slack season the rates are quite different.

At this quarter of the survey, the rate of total unemployment or percentage of the total labor force who did not work but were available for work (total available for work) was about 1.7 per cent while the open unemployment which measured from those who were actively looking for work was 0.3 per cent.

Generally, any measurement of unemployment shows that the number of unemployed persons was among the off-season of

agriculture are more than the numbers among agriculture season of the same year.

Table K reveals that the rate of unemployment was rather high among the young population aged 15–29 years or those who just entered in the labor force. Of these the population aged 15–24 years (include males and females) had very high rates of unemployment, especially the population age 15–19 years had the highest rates (8.3 per cent). This reflects an increasingly widespread problem of unemployment among the young population with middle and high level of educational attainment since the young with secondary level, higher level or equivalent educational levels begin to enter the labor market at around this age-group.

FIGURE 5 UNEMPLOYMENT RATES BY AGE GROUP

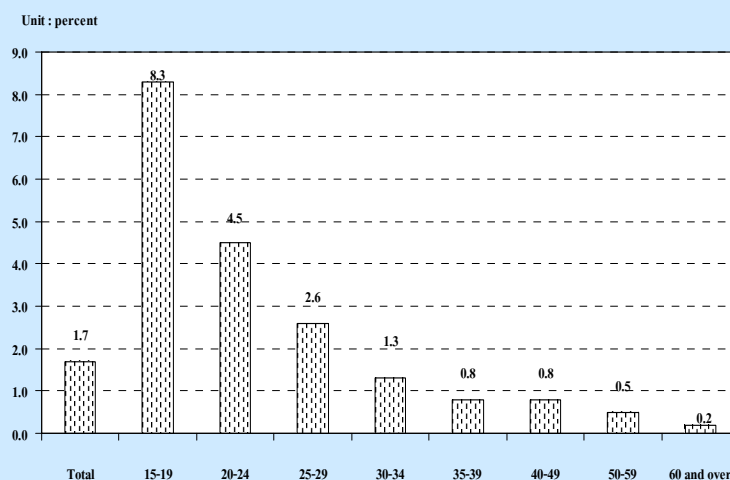


TABLE K UNEMPLOYMENT RATES BY AGE GROUP, SEX, REGION AND AREA

(Percentage)

Sex and age group (years)	Whole kingdom			Bangkok	Central region			Northern region			Northeastern region			Southern region		
	Total	M.A.	Non-M.A.		Total	M.A.	Non-M.A.	Total	M.A.	Non-M.A.	Total	M.A.	Non-M.A.	Total	M.A.	Non-M.A.
Total	1.7	1.5	1.7	1.5	1.3	1.1	1.3	1.6	1.8	1.6	2.2	1.8	2.3	1.3	2.0	1.1
15-19	8.3	8.1	8.3	11.0	4.5	4.5	4.5	9.1	9.4	9.1	13.1	9.5	13.6	5.1	9.3	4.1
20-24	4.5	5.3	4.2	5.3	3.4	3.3	3.5	3.4	6.8	2.8	6.4	6.4	6.4	3.8	7.9	2.6
25-29	2.6	2.1	2.9	2.4	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.6	3.1	1.2	4.3	2.0	4.7	2.3	1.6	2.5
30-34	1.3	1.1	1.4	1.2	1.1	0.5	1.3	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.7	2.2	1.6	0.9	0.7	0.9
35-39	0.8	0.8	0.8	1.0	0.8	0.8	0.8	1.0	1.0	1.1	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.4	0.3	0.4
40-49	0.8	0.6	0.9	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.6	1.5	0.8	1.6	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.5	1.0	0.4
50-59	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.2	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.5	0.8	0.4	0.3	0.7	0.2
60 and over	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	-	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Male	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.6	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.5	2.0	1.4	2.4	2.1	2.4	1.2	2.2	1.0
15-19	8.1	8.8	7.9	13.9	4.1	4.4	4.0	7.6	7.0	7.6	13.4	10.9	13.7	3.9	8.5	3.0
20-24	4.1	5.1	3.7	3.9	3.2	4.0	2.8	3.1	7.0	2.4	6.0	5.9	6.0	2.8	7.9	1.5
25-29	2.6	2.4	2.7	2.2	2.0	2.6	1.7	1.6	3.5	1.1	4.4	2.9	4.7	1.5	1.3	1.5
30-34	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.6	1.2	0.6	1.5	1.4	2.8	1.1	1.5	2.1	1.4	1.3	1.0	1.4
35-39	0.9	1.1	0.8	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.0	1.2	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.1	0.2	0.1
40-49	0.9	0.7	0.9	0.3	0.5	0.5	0.5	1.4	1.0	1.4	1.0	1.3	1.0	0.8	1.3	0.6
50-59	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.3	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.9	0.7	0.3	1.2	-
60 and over	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.8	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.3	0.1	-	0.1	0.4	0.4	0.4
Female	1.6	1.3	1.7	1.4	1.2	0.8	1.3	1.7	1.5	1.8	2.0	1.5	2.1	1.5	1.9	1.4
15-19	8.7	7.1	9.2	5.5	5.1	4.7	5.3	11.9	13.3	11.7	12.4	7.3	13.4	7.3	10.5	6.4
20-24	5.1	5.5	5.0	6.7	3.7	2.5	4.4	3.8	6.6	3.2	6.9	7.0	6.9	5.1	7.9	4.2
25-29	2.6	1.8	3.2	2.4	1.8	1.1	2.2	1.5	2.5	1.2	4.1	0.9	4.8	3.3	2.0	3.7
30-34	1.3	0.9	1.5	0.9	1.0	0.5	1.2	2.2	0.7	2.5	1.8	2.3	1.7	0.4	0.4	0.3
35-39	0.7	0.6	0.8	0.8	0.4	0.3	0.5	1.1	0.7	1.2	0.8	0.7	0.8	0.6	0.5	0.7
40-49	0.8	0.5	0.9	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.6	1.6	0.6	1.9	0.8	0.4	0.9	0.2	0.7	0.1
50-59	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.6	0.3	0.1	0.5	0.6	0.4	0.6	0.2	0.6	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.3
60 and over	0.1	0.0	0.2	-	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	-	0.2	0.3	-	0.3	-	-	-

Considered unemployment rate by sex, it was found that, unemployment rate of male was higher than female (1.7 per cent and 1.6 per cent respectively). The unemployment rate non municipal and higher than in-municipal area (1.7 per cent and 1.5 percent respectively). If the regions were taken into account, the rate of unemployment in the Northeast showed the highest rate (2.2 0per cent). Followed by the North (1.6 per cent) Bangkok (1.5 per cent), South and the Central showed the lowest (1.3 per cent).

Considering on levels of educational attainment of the unemployed person (Table L), it was found that the unemployment rate of persons attained lower secondary level, upper secondary level (general/academic) and higher level (academic technical) were rather high.

FIGURE 6 UNEMPLOYMENT RATES BY LEVEL OF EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT

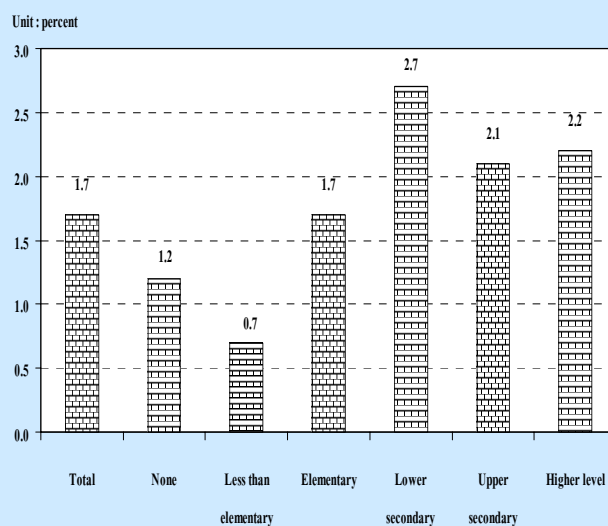


TABLE L UNEMPLOYMENT RATES BY LEVEL OF EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT, SEX AND AREA

(Percentage)

Area and sex	Level of educational attainment											
	Total	None	Less than elementary	Elementary	Lower secondary	Upper secondary level			Higher level		Others ^{1/}	
						General/academic	Vocational	Teacher training	Academic	Higher technical education	Teacher training	and unknown
Total	1.7	1.1	0.7	1.7	2.7	2.2	2.0	-	2.6	2.1	1.1	-
Male	1.7	0.9	0.7	2.0	2.9	1.9	1.6	-	2.3	2.1	2.0	-
Female	1.6	1.1	0.7	1.4	2.3	2.6	2.7	-	3.0	2.2	0.4	-
M.A.	1.5	0.3	0.6	1.3	2.0	1.5	1.9	-	2.4	2.0	0.8	-
Male	1.7	0.4	0.8	1.7	2.6	1.5	1.9	-	2.3	1.6	1.2	-
Female	1.3	0.3	0.5	0.9	1.2	1.4	1.8	-	2.5	2.4	0.6	-
Non-M.A.	1.7	1.2	0.7	1.9	2.9	2.6	2.2	-	3.1	2.2	1.3	-
Male	1.7	1.1	0.6	2.0	3.0	2.1	1.4	-	2.2	2.5	2.6	-
Female	1.7	1.4	0.8	1.6	2.9	3.3	3.9	-	3.8	2.0	0.3	-

^{1/} Including short course vocational

5. Characteristics of the unemployed labor force

Table M illustrates that the unemployed persons were largely males, 56.7 per cent whereas the corresponding percentage for females was 43.3 per cent. The percentage of unemployed male

were about 58.7 and 41.3 per cent of the total unemployed in the municipal area and non-municipal area respectively which was higher than the female (55.9 percent and 44.1 percent)

TABLE M NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF UNEMPLOYED PERSONS BY LEVEL OF EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT, SEX AND AREA

Area and sex	Level of educational attainment											
	Total	None	Less than elementary	Elementary	Lower secondary	Upper secondary level			Higher level			Others ^{1/} and unknown
						General/academic	Vocational	Teacher training	Academic	Higher technical education	Teacher training	
Number ('000)												
Total	605.5	12.0	77.3	143.4	148.4	76.7	24.0	-	79.0	36.2	8.2	-
Male	343.4	4.3	38.9	93.0	99.1	39.7	12.2	-	31.0	18.9	6.2	-
Female	262.0	7.7	38.4	50.4	49.3	37.0	11.8	-	48.0	17.3	2.1	-
Municipal areas	173.8	0.7	14.1	26.2	35.5	18.2	10.9	-	49.1	16.2	2.8	-
Male	102.0	0.3	9.0	17.9	27.1	10.5	6.8	-	21.8	6.9	1.5	-
Female	71.7	0.3	5.1	8.4	8.3	7.7	4.0	-	27.2	9.3	1.3	-
Non-municipal areas	431.7	11.4	63.2	117.2	112.9	58.5	13.1	-	29.9	20.0	5.4	-
Male	241.4	4.0	29.9	75.1	71.9	29.2	5.3	-	9.2	12.0	4.6	-
Female	190.3	7.3	33.3	42.0	41.0	29.3	7.7	-	20.8	8.0	0.8	-
% of total												
Total	100.0	2.0	12.8	23.7	24.5	12.7	4.0	-	13.1	6.0	1.4	-
Male	100.0	1.3	11.3	27.1	28.8	11.6	3.6	-	9.0	5.5	1.8	-
Female	100.0	2.9	14.7	19.2	18.8	14.1	4.5	-	18.3	6.6	0.8	-
Municipal areas	100.0	0.4	8.1	15.1	20.4	10.5	6.3	-	28.2	9.3	1.6	-
Male	100.0	0.3	8.8	17.5	26.6	10.3	6.7	-	21.4	6.8	1.5	-
Female	100.0	0.5	7.1	11.7	11.6	10.8	5.6	-	38.0	13.0	1.8	-
Non-municipal areas	100.0	2.6	14.6	27.2	26.2	13.6	3.0	-	6.9	4.6	1.3	-
Male	100.0	1.7	12.4	31.1	29.8	12.1	2.2	-	3.8	5.0	1.9	-
Female	100.0	3.9	17.5	22.1	21.6	15.4	4.1	-	10.9	4.2	0.4	-

^{1/} Including short course vocational

The majority of the unemployed persons (71.3 per cent) were in the non-municipal areas because these areas constituted a larger part of the total labor force. About 70.2 per cent of the total unemployed males were in the non-municipal

areas while it was 72.6 per cent for females. However, the percentage of unemployed males and females were lower in busy season than the slack season.

The unemployed persons completed in some elementary education and none constituted the highest proportion (38.5 per cent) of the total unemployed, the secondary level (41.2 per cent) and higher level (20.5 per cent). In the non-municipal areas they accounted higher than the municipal areas for elementary and none (44.4 per cent compared with 23.6 per cent). While in the municipal areas, they accounted higher than non-municipal area for higher level (39.1 per cent compared with 12.8 per cent).

6. Hours worked

Data on hours worked and additional hours available for work have been obtained in respect of all the employed persons. In the case of persons who had job but did not work at all during

the survey week, the question on hours worked was interpreted as the zero hours per week. The data on hours worked included hours worked on all occupations, principal as well as others.

The data summarized in Table N show that about 32.8 per cent of the employed persons worked 50 hours or more per week. About 46.5 per cent of employed persons worked 35-49 hours per week. On the other word, about 79.3 per cent of employed person worked 35 hours or more per week and they might be classified as fully employed. About 18.9 per cent, for worked less than 35 hours per week and may be regarded as under-employed. For employed persons who did not work during the survey week (0 hours) but had regular job, which accounted only 1.9 per cent.

TABLE N NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF EMPLOYED PERSONS BY HOURS WORKED PER WEEK

Hours work per week	Employed persons		Persons available for additional work	
	Number	Percentage	Number	Percentage
	(in thousands)		(in thousands)	(as compared to employed)
Total	35,820.1	100.0	778.2	2.2
0 hours	668.7	1.9	116.9	17.5
1 - 9 hours	322.6	0.9	39.9	12.4
10 - 19 hours	1,302.7	3.6	164.9	12.7
20 - 29 hours	3,284.5	9.2	180.8	5.5
30 - 34 hours	1,866.4	5.2	72.3	3.9
35 - 39 hours	3,581.3	10.0	52.9	1.5
40 - 49 hours	13,060.6	36.5	102.8	0.8
50 hours and over	11,733.3	32.8	47.7	0.4

The percentage of employed persons who were available for additional work, which is also an indicator for under-employment, accounted for about 2.2 per cent. Of the employed persons who worked less than 35 hours per week, 8.5 per cent desired and were available for additional work. The details of hours worked by occupation, industry and work status are illustrated in the Statistical Tables (Table 8-10).

7. Wages and salaries

Data on wages and salaries have been collected in respect of all employees in accordance with the system applicable to each case and converted into the equivalent monthly wages and salaries. The data have been tabulated by industry, sex and area separately for government and private employees (see Table 15 and 16 in the statistical tables). In this chapter, data on the number of male and female employees by wage level or salary (not including supplementary earnings) and area are presented in Table O.

On the whole, about 40.8 per cent of 17.1 million employees had monthly wage or salary of Baht 2,501-5,500, around 29.2 per cent had monthly wage or salary of Baht 5,501-10,000, about 19.2 percent had over Baht 10,000 per month and about 10.2 per cent received less than Baht 2,501 per month.

The majority of employees in the municipal areas had higher level of wage or salary than their counterpart in the other area. For instance, only about 30.4 per cent of employees in the municipal areas received monthly wage or salary of below Baht 5,501 whereas the corresponding figure in the non-municipal areas was 64.2 per cent. Around 68.7 per cent of employees in the municipal areas earned more than Baht 5,500 compared with 35.4 per cent in the non-municipal areas. Moreover, about 31.9 per cent of employees in the municipal areas earned more than Baht 10,000 per month while the percentages in the non-municipal areas was only 11.0 per cent.

FIGURE 7 PERCENTAGE OF EMPLOYEES BY WAGE / SALARY

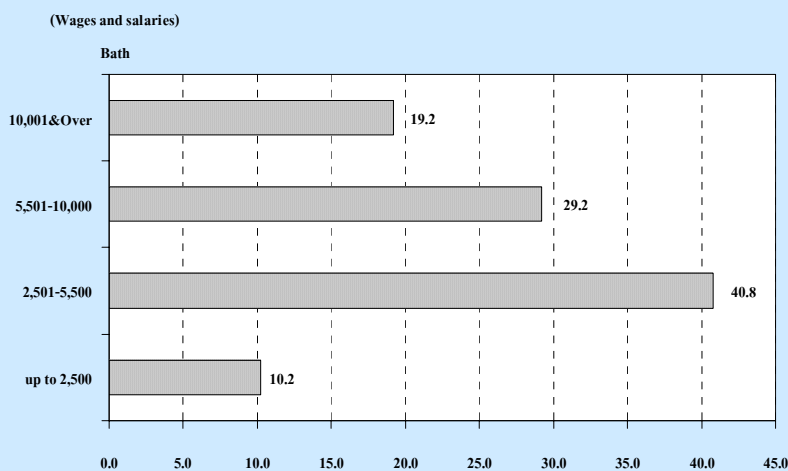


TABLE O NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF EMPLOYEES BY WAGE/SALARY, SEX AND AREA

Monthly wage/ Salary level (Baht)	Whole kingdom			Municipal areas			Non- municipal areas		
	Total	Government sector	Private sector	Total	Government sector	Private sector	Total	Government sector	Private sector
Number ('000)									
Total	17,102.3	3,205.4	13,896.9	6,687.7	1,481.8	5,205.9	10,414.7	1,723.7	8,691.0
Up to 2,500	1,743.1	86.8	1,656.3	208.0	9.4	198.7	1,535.1	77.5	1,457.6
2,501-5,500	6,980.9	528.2	6,452.8	1,827.0	131.8	1,695.3	5,153.9	396.4	4,757.5
5,501-10,000	5,000.7	942.1	4,058.6	2,461.3	400.2	2,061.0	2,539.5	541.9	1,997.6
10,001 & Over	3,275.7	1,617.7	1,657.9	2,132.7	926.3	1,206.5	1,142.9	691.5	451.5
Unknown	101.9	30.6	71.3	58.6	14.2	44.4	43.3	16.4	26.9
Male	9,569.6	1,764.4	7,805.2	3,535.8	784.6	2,751.2	6,033.8	979.8	5,054.0
Up to 2,500	840.1	59.4	780.7	94.6	5.4	89.2	745.5	53.9	691.6
2,501-5,500	3,901.3	335.3	3,566.0	895.2	70.2	825.0	3,006.0	265.1	2,741.0
5,501-10,000	2,937.6	461.7	2,475.9	1,362.3	212.9	1,149.4	1,575.3	248.8	1,326.6
10,001 & Over	1,829.7	885.4	944.4	1,152.1	488.1	664.0	677.6	397.3	280.3
Unknown	60.9	22.7	38.2	31.6	8.0	23.6	29.3	14.7	14.6
Female	7,532.7	1,441.1	6,091.7	3,151.9	697.1	2,454.7	4,380.9	743.9	3,637.0
Up to 2,500	903.0	27.5	875.6	113.4	3.9	109.5	789.6	23.5	766.1
2,501-5,500	3,079.7	192.9	2,886.8	931.8	61.5	870.3	2,147.9	131.4	2,016.5
5,501-10,000	2,063.2	480.5	1,582.7	1,099.0	187.3	911.7	964.1	293.2	671.0
10,001 & Over	1,446.0	732.4	713.6	980.7	438.2	542.5	465.3	294.2	171.1
Unknown	40.9	7.9	33.1	27.0	6.2	20.8	14.0	1.7	12.3
Percentage									
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Up to 2,500	10.2	2.7	11.9	3.1	0.6	3.8	14.7	4.5	16.8
2,501-5,500	40.8	16.5	46.4	27.3	8.9	32.6	49.5	23.0	54.7
5,501-10,000	29.2	29.4	29.2	36.8	27.0	39.6	24.4	31.4	23.0
10,001 & Over	19.2	50.5	11.9	31.9	62.5	23.2	11.0	40.1	5.2
Unknown	0.6	1.0	0.5	0.9	1.0	0.9	0.4	1.0	0.3
Male	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Up to 2,500	8.8	3.4	10.0	2.7	0.7	3.2	12.4	5.5	13.7
2,501-5,500	40.8	19.0	45.7	25.3	9.0	30.0	49.8	27.1	54.2
5,501-10,000	30.7	26.2	31.7	38.5	27.1	41.8	26.1	25.4	26.3
10,001 & Over	19.1	50.2	12.1	32.6	62.2	24.1	11.2	40.6	5.6
Unknown	0.6	1.3	0.5	0.9	1.0	0.9	0.5	1.5	0.3
Female	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Up to 2,500	12.0	1.9	14.4	3.6	0.6	4.5	18.0	3.2	21.1
2,501-5,500	40.9	13.4	47.4	29.6	8.8	35.5	49.0	17.7	55.5
5,501-10,000	27.4	33.3	26.0	34.9	26.9	37.1	22.0	39.4	18.5
10,001 & Over	19.2	50.8	11.7	31.1	62.9	22.1	10.6	39.5	4.7
Unknown	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.3	0.2	0.3

It was observed that, on the whole, government employees got higher level of monthly wage or salary than the private ones. This partly because, in this survey, the private employee also included those daily wage employees and laborers who usually earn rather low income. About 58.3 per cent of the private employees earned less than Baht 5,501 a month as compared with 19.2 per cent of the government employees. On the other hand, the government employees who received over Baht 5,500 per month accounted for about 79.9 per cent of the

total government employees while the private employees only accounted for 41.1 per cent.

8. Supplementary benefits

Apart from data on basic wages and salaries, information was also collected on receipt of supplementary benefits in cash such as bonuses and overtime payments, and in kind such as food, clothing, housing, and others; the amount received have not however been ascertained. The data on number of employees receiving benefits are summarized in Table P.

TABLE P NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF PRIVATE EMPLOYEES AND GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES BY RECEIVING SUPPLEMENTARY BENEFITS, AREA AND SEX

		(In thousands)						
Sector, area and sex	Total employees	Number of employees receiving supplementary benefits						
		Bonus	Overtime	Other Cash	Food	Clothing	Housing	Others
Total	6,003.9	1,019.4	1,827.1	2,625.1	1,605.8	376.2	898.1	618.9
		(17.0)	(30.4)	(43.7)	(26.7)	(6.3)	(15.0)	(10.3)
Male	3,182.9	526.9	897.1	1,419.4	771.9	188.2	577.8	295.3
		(16.6)	(28.2)	(44.6)	(24.3)	(5.9)	(18.2)	(9.3)
Female	2,821.0	492.5	930.0	1,205.6	834.0	188.0	320.3	323.6
		(17.5)	(33.0)	(42.7)	(29.6)	(6.7)	(11.4)	(11.5)
Private sector	4,655.5	902.7	1,607.5	1,640.7	1,561.1	336.8	670.6	590.3
		(19.4)	(34.5)	(35.2)	(33.5)	(7.2)	(14.4)	(12.7)
Male	2,443.1	461.0	796.1	857.0	761.0	162.1	416.1	281.6
		(18.9)	(32.6)	(35.1)	(31.1)	(6.6)	(17.0)	(11.5)
Female	2,212.4	441.8	811.4	783.8	800.1	174.8	254.5	308.7
		(20.0)	(36.7)	(35.4)	(36.2)	(7.9)	(11.5)	(14.0)
Government sector	1,348.4	116.6	219.5	984.3	44.7	39.4	227.5	28.6
		(8.7)	(16.3)	(73.0)	(3.3)	(2.9)	(16.9)	(2.1)
Male	739.8	65.9	100.9	562.5	10.8	26.2	161.7	13.7
		(8.9)	(13.6)	(76.0)	(1.5)	(3.5)	(21.9)	(1.9)
Female	608.6	50.7	118.6	421.9	33.8	13.3	65.8	14.9
		(8.3)	(19.5)	(69.3)	(5.6)	(2.2)	(10.8)	(2.4)

TABLE P NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF PRIVATE EMPLOYEES AND GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES BY RECEIVING SUPPLEMENTARY BENEFITS, AREA AND SEX (Contd.)

(In thousands)								
Sector, area and sex	Total employees	Number of employees receiving supplementary benefits						
		Bonus	Overtime	Other cash	Food	Clothing	Housing	Others
Private sector								
Municipal areas	2,109.1	528.3	713.0	696.7	669.0	199.6	369.7	184.8
		(25.0)	(33.8)	(33.0)	(31.7)	(9.5)	(17.5)	(8.8)
Male	1,057.2	266.0	364.2	362.9	294.3	96.3	193.8	85.9
		(25.2)	(34.4)	(34.3)	(27.8)	(9.1)	(18.3)	(8.1)
Female	1,051.9	262.3	348.8	333.8	374.8	103.3	175.9	99.0
		(24.9)	(33.2)	(31.7)	(35.6)	(9.8)	(16.7)	(9.4)
Non-municipal areas	2,546.4	374.5	894.5	944.1	892.1	137.2	300.9	405.5
		(14.7)	(35.1)	(37.1)	(35.0)	(5.4)	(11.8)	(15.9)
Male	1,385.8	195.0	432.0	494.0	466.7	65.8	222.3	195.7
		(14.1)	(31.2)	(35.6)	(33.7)	(4.7)	(16.0)	(14.1)
Female	1,160.5	179.5	462.6	450.0	425.4	71.5	78.6	209.8
		(15.5)	(39.9)	(38.8)	(36.7)	(6.2)	(6.8)	(18.1)
Government sector								
Municipal areas	649.9	66.2	125.5	447.9	11.5	27.3	152.0	12.4
		(10.2)	(19.3)	(68.9)	(1.8)	(4.2)	(23.4)	(1.9)
Male	370.6	34.4	61.8	262.3	4.5	19.9	112.2	6.2
		(9.3)	(16.7)	(70.8)	(1.2)	(5.4)	(30.3)	(1.7)
Female	279.3	31.8	63.7	185.6	7.0	7.5	39.8	6.2
		(11.4)	(22.8)	(66.4)	(2.5)	(2.7)	(14.3)	(2.2)
Non-municipal areas	698.5	50.5	94.0	536.4	33.1	12.1	75.5	16.2
		(7.2)	(13.5)	(76.8)	(4.7)	(1.7)	(10.8)	(2.3)
Male	369.3	31.5	39.1	300.2	6.3	6.3	49.5	7.5
		(8.5)	(10.6)	(81.3)	(1.7)	(1.7)	(13.4)	(2.0)
Female	329.3	19.0	54.9	236.3	26.8	5.8	26.0	8.7
		(5.8)	(16.7)	(71.8)	(8.1)	(1.8)	(7.9)	(2.6)

1/ One employee can receive more than 1 type of supplementary benefits.

Certain types of supplementary benefits such as bonus overtime, food supplies, clothing and other seem to be more common in the private sector than in the government sector. Other cash and housing, however, seem to be more common in the government sector than in the private sector. The private employees in the municipal area received more supplementary benefits such as bonus, clothing and housing than those in the non-municipal areas, for instance, about 25.0 per cent for bonus, 9.5 per cent for clothing and 17.5 per cent for housing. The private employees in non-municipal area received more supplementary benefits such as overtime, food supplies and other

cash than those in the municipal area or about 35.1 per cent for overtime, 35.0 per cent for food supplies and 37.1 per cent for other cash. The government employees in the municipal area received more supplementary benefits such as bonus, overtime, housing and clothing than those in the non-municipal area. For instance about 10.2, 19.3, 23.4 and 4.2 per cent respectively. The government employees in the non-municipal area received more supplementary benefits, such as other cash and food supplies than those in the municipal area or about 76.8 per cent and 4.7 per cent respectively.