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Table 1. Mauritius: GDP at Constant 1992 Prices by Industrial Origin, 1996-2000

(In millions of Mauritian rupees)

	1996	1997	1998	1999 Rev. Est.	2000 Prov.
Agriculture, forestry, hunting,					_
and fishing	4,522	4,677	4,585	3,296	4,234
Sugarcane growing	2,658	2,794	2,864	1,575	2,460
Other agriculture	1,864	1,883	1,721	1,721	1,774
Mining and quarrying	90	94	97	100	103
Manufacturing	12,286	13,042	13,909	14,328	15,513
Sugar milling	765	859	941.	635	994
Export processing zone	6,221	6,594	7,049	7,472	7,919
Other manufacturing	5,300	5,589	5,919	6,221	6,600
Electricity, gas, and water	1,321	1,431	1,520	1,520	1,641
Construction	3,527	3,492	3,702	3,998	4,317
Wholesale and retail trade, and					
restaurants and hotels	9,250	9,831	10,310	10,822	11,531
Wholesale and retail trade	6,993	7,344	7,674	8,028	8,429
Restaurants and hotels	2,257	2,487	2,636	2,794	3,102
Transport, storage, and					
communications	6,516	7,109	7,969	8,575	9,218
Finance, insurance, real estate,					
and business services	8,724	9,282	9,838	10,491	11,194
Ownership of dwellings	2,955	3,044	3,135	3,229	3,326
Banking	3,051	3,295	3,559	3,861	4,189
Insurance and other business services	2,718	2,943	3,144	3,401	3,679
Producers of government services	4,898	5,071	5,248	5,458	5,704
Other services	3,139	3,312	3,537	3,803	4,095
Imputed bank service charges	-1,752	-1,875	-2,025	-2,197	-2,384
GDP at factor cost	52,521	55,466	58,690	60,194	65,166
Sugar	3,423	3,653	3,805	2,210	3,454
Nonsugar	49,098	51,813	54,885	57,984	61,712
Net indirect taxes	7,812	8,374	8,890	9,601	10,225
GDP at market prices	60,333	63,840	67,580	69,795	75,391

Table 2. Mauritius: GDP at Current Prices by Industrial Origin, 1996-2000
(In millions of Mauritian rupees)

	1996	1997	1998	1999 Rev. Est.	2000 Prov.
		• • •			
Agriculture, forestry, hunting,	6 600	6.660	7 200	4.047	£ 000
and fishing	6,592 4,217	6,650 4,179	7,328 4,844	4,947	6,090 3,500
Sugarcane growing Other agriculture	2,375	2,471	4,8 <del>44</del> 2,484	2,490 2,457	3,300 2,590
Other agriculture	2,313	4,471	2,404	2,437	2,390
Mining and quarrying	110	119	127	135	145
Manufacturing	16,455	18,233	20,996	22,755	24,870
Sugar milling	1,207	1,247	1,543	1,000	1,530
Export processing zone	8,163	9,086	10,393	11,567	12,260
Other manufacturing	7,085	7,900	9,060	10,188	11,080
Electricity, gas, and water	1,535	1,553	1,352	1,120	1,375
Construction	4,433	4,564	5,030	5,650	6,285
Wholesale and retail trade, and					
restaurants and hotels	11,756	13,192	14,749	16,610	18,120
Wholesale and retail trade	8,702	9,769	10,607	11,550	12,500
Restaurants and hotels	3,054	3,423	4,142	5,060	5,620
Transport, storage, and					
communications	7,418	8,902	10,368	11,577	12,995
Finance, insurance, real estate,					
and business services	10,985	12,473	14,209	16,560	18,725
Ownership of dwellings	3,555	3,805	4,080	4,375	4,690
Banking	3,941	4,486	5,300	6,601	7,660
Insurance and other business services	3,489	4,182	4,829	5,584	6,375
Producers of government services	7,207	7,921	8,800	9,850	10,650
Other services	3,949	4,416	5,032	5,691	6,400
Imputed bank service charges	-2,460	-2,722	-2,985	-3,500	-4,000
GDP at factor cost	67,980	75,301	85,006	91,395	101,655
Sugar	5,424	5,426	6,387	3,490	5,030
Nonsugar	62,556	69,875	78,619	87,905	96,625
Net indirect taxes	9,330	11,127	12,836	15,100	16,500
GDP at market prices	77,310	86,428	97,842	106,495	118,155

Table 3. Mauritius: Expenditure on GDP at Constant 1992 Prices, 1996-2000

(In millions of Mauritian rupees)

	1996	1997	1998	1999 Rev. Est.	2000 Prov.
Consumption	44,079	46,133	48,710	50,995	53,435
Private	37,292	38,994	41,350	43,355	45,474
Government	6,787	7,139	7,360	7,640	7,961
Gross fixed capital formation	15,980	17,705	16,705	20,305	19,565
Private 1/	10,260	13,480	12,360	15,270	13,900
Government	5,720	4,225	4,345	5,035	5,665
Increase in stocks	-1,498	668	2,326	-1,797	-160
Net exports	1,772	-666	-161	292	2,551
Exports	39,637	41,219	44,834	46,696	49,259
Goods, f.o.b.	25,688	26,530	28,842	28,724	29,512
Nonfactor services	13,949	14,689	15,992	17,972	19,747
Imports	37,865	41,885	44,995	46,404	46,708
Goods, f.o.b.	28,737	31,593	33,188	35,178	34,762
Nonfactor services	9,128	10,292	11,807	11,226	11,946
GDP at market prices	60,333	63,840	67,580	69,795	75,391
Memorandum items:					
Domestic savings	16,254	17,707	18,870	18,800	21,956
Domestic investment	14,482	18,373	19,031	18,508	19,405
Resource gap	-1,772	666	161	-292	-2,551

<sup>1/</sup> Includes purchases of ships and/or aircraft in 1997 and 1999.

Table 4. Mauritius: Expenditure on GDP at Current Prices, 1996-2000

(In millions of Mauritian rupees)

	1996	1997	1998	1999 Rev. Est.	2000 Prov
Consumption	58,778	65,293	73,542	82,167	89,465
Private	49,325	54,865	62,104	69,527	75,845
Government	9,453	10,428	11,438	12,640	13,620
Gross fixed capital formation	20,125	23,430	23,075	29,665	29,715
Private 1/	12,925	17,840	17,085	22,310	21,115
Government	7,200	5,590	5,990	7,355	8,600
Increase in stocks	-915	1,888	2,057	-1,570	-140
Net exports	-678	-4,183	-832	-3,767	-885
Exports	50,281	54,357	65,711	69,094	76,015
Goods, f.o.b.	33,037	35,472	43,711	43,135	46,065
Nonfactor services	17,244	18,885	22,000	25,959	29,950
Imports	50,959	58,540	66,543	72,861	7 <b>6,9</b> 00
Goods, f.o.b.	38,878	44,373	49,316	55,498	57,500
Nonfactor services	12,081	14,167	17,227	17,363	19,400
GDP at market prices	77,310	86,428	97,842	106,495	118,155
Memorandum items:					
Gross domestic expenditure	77,988	90,611	98,674	110,262	119,040
Domestic savings	18,532	21,135	24,300	24,328	28,690
Domestic investment	19,210	25,318	25,132	28,095	29,575
Resource gap	678	4,183	832	3,767	885

<sup>1/</sup> Includes purchases of ships and/or aircraft in 1997 and 1999.

Table 5. Mauritius: Composition of Gross Domestic Fixed Capital Formation at Constant 1992 Prices, 1996-2000

	1996	1997	1998	1999 Rev. Est.	2000 Prov.
By type of capital goods	15,980	17,705	16,705	20,305	19,565
Residential building	3,935	3,580	3,760	3,885	4,145
Nonresidential building	3,010	2,765	2,775	3,495	3,855
Other construction and works	1,825	2,050	2,290	2,180	2,360
Transport equipment	1,470	3,895	1,835	3,635	1,810
Passenger cars	685	825	890	865	825
Other equipment 1/	785	3,070	945	2,770	985
Machinery and other equipment	5,740	5,415	6,045	7,110	7,395
By industrial sector	15,980	17,705	16,705	20,305	19,565
Agriculture, forestry, hunting,					
and fishing	480	490	545	570	445
Manufacturing	2,195	2,555	3,245	3,420	3,450
Of which: export processing zone	720	925	1,000	1,130	1,140
Electricity, gas, and water	1,510	750	1,065	1,240	1,240
Construction	335	370	380	370	480
Wholesale and retail trade, and					
restaurants and hotels	2,270	2,155	2,370	3,210	3,340
Transport, storage, and					
communications 1/	2,500	4,865	2,630	4,910	3,315
Finance, insurance, real estate,					
and business services	4,850	4,370	4,850	4,965	5,320
Of which: ownership of dwellings	3,935	3,580	3,700	3,885	4,145
Producers of government services	1,390	1,635	1,295	1,415	1,570
Other services	450	515	325	205	405

<sup>1/</sup> Includes purchases of ships and/or aircraft in 1997 and 1999.

Table 6. Mauritius: Composition of Gross Domestic Fixed Capital Formation at Current Prices, 1996-2000

	1996	1997	1998	1999 Rev. Est.	2000 Prov.		
		(In millions	of Mauritiar	rupees)			
By type of capital goods	20,125	23,430	23,075	29,665	29,715		
Residential building	4,915	4,650	5,080	5,460	6,000		
Nonresidential building	3,875	3,700	3,865	5,060	5,750		
Other construction and works	2,270	2,650	3,080	3,050	3,400		
Transport equipment	1,965	5,470	2,665	5,445	2,825		
Passenger cars	915	1,155	1,295	1,310	1,300		
Other equipment 1/	1,050	4,315	1,370	4,135	1,525		
Machinery and other equipment	7,100	6,960	8,385	10,650	11,740		
By industrial sector Agriculture, forestry, hunting,	20,125	23,430	23,075	29,665	29,715		
and fishing	630	675	790	865	705		
Manufacturing	2,745	3,345	4,530	5,105	5,390		
Of which: export processing zone	930	1,245	1,445	1,755	1,870		
Electricity, gas, and water	1,935	1,000	1,500	1,855	1,940		
Construction	425	495	535	545	745		
Wholesale and retail trade, and	,	1,74	200				
restaurants and hotels	2,925	2.895	3,325	4,720	5,075		
Transport, storage, and	-,	,	-,	-,	+,		
communications 1/	3,215	6,575	3,750	7,350	5,185		
Finance, insurance, real estate,	0,2.0	0,5,0	0,.00	1,000	2,102		
and business services	5,880	5,525	6.360	6,850	7,645		
Of which: ownership of dwellings	4,915	4,650	5,080	5,460	6,000		
Producers of government services	1,760	2,170	1,795	2,050	2,355		
Other services	610	750	490	325	675		
	(In percent of total)						
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By type of capital goods	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0		
Residential building	24.4	19.8	22.0	18.4	20.2		
Nonresidential building	19.3	15.8	16.7	17.1	19.4		
Other construction and works	11.3	11.3	13.3	10.3	11.4		
Transport equipment	9.8	23.3	11.5	18.4	9.5		
Passenger cars	4.5	4.9	5.6	4.4	4.4		
Other equipment 1/	5.2	18.4	5.9	13.9	5.1		
Machinery and other equipment	35.3	29.7	36.3	35.9	39.5		
By industrial sector	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0		
Agriculture, forestry, hunting,							
and fishing	3.1	2.9	3.4	2.9	2.4		
Manufacturing	13.6	14.3	19.6	17.2	18.1		
Of which: export processing zone	4.6	5.3	6.3	5.9	6.3		
Electricity, gas, and water	9.6	4.3	6.5	6.3	6.5		
Construction	2.1	2.1	2.3	1.8	2.5		
Wholesale and retail trade, and							
restaurants and hotels	14.5	12.4	14.4	15.9	17.1		
Transport, storage, and							
communications 1/	16.0	28.1	16.3	24.8	17.4		
			•	•			
Finance, insurance, real estate,					_		
	29,2	23.6	27.6	23.1	25.7		
Finance, insurance, real estate, and business services			27.6 22.0				
Finance, insurance, real estate,	29.2 24.4 8.7	23.6 19.8 9.3	27.6 22.0 7.8	23.1 18.4 6,9	25.7 20.2 7.9		

<sup>1/</sup> Includes purchases of ships and/or aircraft in 1997 and 1999.

Table 7. Mauritius: Sugar Cultivation, Yields, and Output, 1996-2000 (Area in thousands of arpents; yields in metric tons per arpent harvested;

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	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
				Rev. Est.	Prov.
Area under cultivation	182.0	185.6	184.8	187.2	,
Miller-planters 2/	95.8	102.2	96.9	86.6	
Planters	86.2	83.4	87.9	100.6	•••
Area harvested 3/	170.1	172,4	175.3	171.7	
Miller-planters 2/	86.2	91. <b>9</b>	88.4	78.7	
Planters	83.9	80.5	86.9	93.0	•••
Percent harvested	93.5	92.9	94.9	91.7	
Miller-planters 2/	90.0	89.9	91.2	91.0	•••
Planters	97.3	96.5	98.9	92,4	•••
Cane yield	30.9	33.6	33.0	22.6	
Miller-planters 2/	34.7	36.5	36.4	28.0	** )
Planters	27.1	30.1	29.0	18.1	
Cane production	5,260.0	5,787.0	5,781.0	3,882.0	
Miller-planters 2/	2,988.0	3,354.0	3,221.0	2,203.0	•••
Planters	2,272.0	2,433.0	2,560.0	1,679.0	•••
Commercial sugar recovered					
(percent of cane)	11.18	10.73	10.88	9.61	•••
Sugar yield	3.46	3.60	3.59	2.17	•••
Sugar production	588.0	621.0	629.0	373.0	570.0
White	7.0	5.0	4.0	2.0	
Raw	581.0	616.0	625.0	371.0	•••
Sugar accruais 4/	588.5	621.0	629.0	373.0	
Planters	176.8	194.0	195.0	***	•••
Miller-planters 5/	272.4	280.0	284.0		***
Millers	139.3	147.0	150.0	90.0	
Molasses production	151.5	165.8	168.5	124.7	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
Memorandum items:					
Sugar production by fiscal year 5/6/	530.0	590.0	620.0	619.1	373.3
Of which: local consumption 5/7/	3.0	3.0	4.0	4.0	4.0

Sources: Mauritius Chamber of Agriculture; and Central Statistical Office.

<sup>1/</sup> One arpent = 1.043 acres, or 0.4221 hectare.

<sup>2/</sup> Mills and estates, including legally separate companies under same ownership.

<sup>3/</sup> Difference from area cultivated is attributable mainly to replanting and rotational/fallow periods.

<sup>4/</sup> Reflects millers' 26 percent share of sugar produced as compensation for milling, as adjusted for mill efficiency.

<sup>5/</sup> Fiscal year data relate to 12-month period ending in June of current year.

<sup>6/</sup> Total crop from harvest beginning approximately one month before the start of the fiscal year indicated, less the output in June immediately before the indicated fiscal year, plus the June output of the next crop, most of which is produced in the next fiscal year.

<sup>7/</sup> During 1995/96, 36,000 tons of sugar were imported for local consumption; similarly, during 1996/97, 38,000 tons of sugar were imported. Imports for the 1997/98 period are estimated at 33,000 tons.

Table 8. Mauritius: Sugar Exports, 1995/96-1999/2000 1/

	1995/96	1996/97	1997/98	1998/99 Rev. Est.	1999/00 Prov.		
	(In thousands of metric tons)						
Volume shipped	518.8	586.4	606.0	628.5	378.5		
European Union	498.3	511.5	511.8	524.8	368.8		
United States	2.9	24.5	22.9	18.5	6.0		
World market	4.1	5.2	5.4	4,5	3.7		
Special Preferential Sugar Agreement 2/	13.5	45.2	65.9	80.7	0.0		
	(Mauritian rupees per metric ton)						
Unit value	12,916	13,665	13,348	14,691	14,267		
European Union	13,028	14,082	13,875	15,166	14,284		
United States	12,069	10,163	10,480	12,703	16,167		
World market	7,561	7,885	8,704	9,111	9,459		
Special Preferential Sugar Agreement 2/	10,593	11,504	10,637	12,367	0.0		
	(In millions of Mauritian rupees)						
Value, f.o.b.	6,701	8,013	8,089	9,233	5,400		
European Union	6,492	7,203	7,101	7,959	5,268		
United States	35	249	240	235	97		
World market	31	41	47	41	35		
Special Preferential Sugar Agreement 2/	143	520	701	998	0.0		
	(U.S. dollars per metric ton)						
Unit value	728.0	715.5	590.8	591.9	559.2		
European Union	734.4	737.4	614.1	611.1	559.9		
United States	680.3	532.2	463.8	511.8	633.7		
World market	426.2	412.8	385.2	367.1	370.8		
Special Preferential Sugar Agreement 2/	597.1	602.4	470.8	498.3			
	(In millions of U.S. dollars)						
Value, f.o.b.	377.7	419.6	358.0	372.0	211.7		
European Union	365.9	377.2	314.3	320.7	206.5		
United States	2.0	13.0	10.6	9.5	3.8		
World market	1.7	2.1	2.1	1.7	1.4		
Special Preferential Sugar Agreement 2/	8.1	27.2	31.0	40.2	•••		
		(Mauritian ru	ipees per U.S.	dollars)			
Conversion factor	18.708	20.417	22.635	23.993	25.186		

Sources: Mauritius Sugar Syndicate (MSS); and Bank of Mauritius.

<sup>1/</sup> Fiscal year from July to June. Data differ somewhat from those presented by the MSS on a crop-year basis, which refer to disposal of a given year's crop (from June when harvest starts to the following June).

<sup>2/</sup> The Special Preferential Sugar Agreement was signed on June 1, 1995 between Atlantic, Caribbean, and Pacific (ACP) sugar-supplying countries and the European Union to compensate for the European cane-refiners' deficit for a period of six years, to 2001. It provides Mauritius with the right to export a variable tonnage of approximately 80,000 tons of sugar.

Table 9. Mauritius: Ex-Syndicate Sugar Prices, 1995/96-1999/2000 1/

#### (Mauritian rupees per ton)

	1995/96	1996/97	1997/98	1998/99	1999/00
Average sugar prices (ex millers) 2/	11,463	12,319	11,907	13,250	12,374
Average price, after taxes and crop insurance premiums 2/	10,321	11,124	10,846	12,064	12,374
Memorandum items: Average insurance premiums Bagasse proceeds 3/	1,142 48	1,195 59	1,061 64	1,166 66	1,797 120

Source: Mauritius Sugar Syndicate.

<sup>1/</sup> Marketing years.

<sup>2/</sup> Beginning with the 1994/95 crop season, export duty is no longer applicable.

<sup>3/</sup> Paid to planters but not to millers.

Table 10. Mauritius: Revenue and Expenditure of Sugar Estates with Factories, 1/1996-2000 2/

(In millions of Mauritian rupees, unless otherwise indicated)

	1996	1997	1998	1999 Rev. Est.	2000 Prov.
Production and prices 3/			<del> </del>		
Sugar output (at 98.5 polarization)					
National total	588	621	629	373	569
Estates with factories	412	427	431	268	399
Sugar price, ex-syndicate 4/	12,352	11,944	13,254	12,460	11,400
Molasses output					
National total	152	167	169	132	150
Estates with factories	89	99	99	77	90
Molasses price	881	597	230	110	350
Revenue	5,586	5,550	6,227	5,036	5,287
Sugar 4/	5,084	5,096	5,709	3,333	4,554
Molasses	79	59	16	8	32
Electricity, white sugar,					
and by-products	149	195	266	218	367
Crop insurance compensation	274	200	236	1,477	334
Operating expenditure	4,770	5,035	5,384	5,265	5,912
Wages and salaries	2,514	2,639	2,853	2,799	3,125
Agricultural workers	1,337	1,383	1,484	1,455	1,625
Nonagricultural workers	702	744	799	784	875
Administrative staff	475	512	571	560	625
Supplies and other charges	1,788	1,958	2,048	1,991	2,283
Supplies	810	864	922	8 <del>9</del> 6	1,027
Interest	219	254	246	239	274
Other charges	759	840	881	856	982
Crop insurance premium and levy	468	438	483	475	504
Operating surplus/deficit (-)	816	515	850	-229	-625
Depreciation per accounts (-)	-405	-449	-488	-512	-538
Profit/loss (-) on sugar	411	66	362	-741	-1,163
Net nonsugar income 5/	466	587	934	1,290	1,757
Receipts	777	948	1,300	1,690	2,200
Payments (-)	-311	-361	-366	-400	-443

Table 10. Mauritius: Revenue and Expenditure of Sugar Estates with Factories, 1/1996-2000 2/(concluded)

(In millions of Mauritian rupees, unless otherwise indicated)

	1996	1997	1998	1999 Rev. Est.	2000 Prov
Transfer to modernization and		· "			
agricultural diversification reserve 6/	-71	-3	-175	•••	• •
Special levy 7/	-150	0	0	•••	
Memorandum items:					
Income taxes	134	47	0	***	
Depreciation 8/	688	709	712		• • •
Excess over accounts	283	260	252	***	***
Additions to fixed assets 9/	778	1,038	•••	•••	

Sources: Mauritius Chamber of Agriculture; Mauritius Sugar Authority; and IMF staff estimates.

<sup>1/</sup> Based on companies' audited accounts, in which accounting practices vary somewhat, supplemented by questionnaire returns.

<sup>2/</sup> Accounting-year basis. Mainly calendar years, except Illovo and Mon Tresor (April-March) and St. Antoine (July -June). Revenues include receipts (partly estimated) from current year's crop through following June 30.

<sup>3/</sup> Production in thousands of metric tons; and prices in Mauritian rupees per metric ton.

<sup>4/</sup> Less Mauritius Sugar Syndicate marketing expenses and cesses; before export taxes and insurance premiums. Reflects actual final price, whereas company accounts are closed using an estimate.

<sup>5/</sup> Income on other crops and nonagricultural activities.

<sup>6/</sup> Producers are requested to credit an aggregate amount of MUR 175 million to a modernization and agricultural diversification reserve for each of the years 1994-2003. Transfers from this reserve are allowed on approved investments.

<sup>7/</sup> The Finance Act of 1996 placed a special levy on the 1996 sugar companies' accounts. The Finance Act of 1997 replaced this by a special contribution.

<sup>8/</sup> At estimated "full-replacement value" (estimated current cost of completely new factory of average capacity times the number of factories operating over life of 24 years).

<sup>9/</sup> Excluding power station at the Flacq United Estates, Ltd. (FUEL) sugar mill.

Table 11. Mauritius: Nonsugar Agricultural Production, 1996-2000

(In thousands of metric tons, unless otherwise indicated)

	1996	1997	1998	1999 Rev. Est.	2000 Prov.
Геа					
Area harvested (in thousands of arpents) 1/	2.6	1.8	1.6	1.6	1.6
Production	15.4	10.7	8.8	8.5	8.2
Green leaf processed	12.9	8.9	7.3	7.0	6.8
Manufactured tea	2,5	1.8	1.5	1.5	1.4
Green leaf yields (tons per hectare)	11.2	11.8	10.8	10.6	10.5
Food crops					
Area harvested (in thousands of arpents) 1/	15.4	16.4	16.6	14,3	17.5
Production	89.6	101.3	91.6	85.7	112.4
Potatoes	11.4	18.2	15.1	15.7	15.2
Irish	10.6	17.6	14.6	15.3	14.2
Sweet	0.8	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.4
Tomatoes	10.9	12.2	10.7	8.0	11.3
Eggplant (Brinjal)	2.5	2.1	2.2	1.7	2.1
Bananas	9.4	9.6	9.3	7.6	6.6
Pineapples	3.0	1.6	1.5	1.0	3.4
Groundnuts	0.8	0.9	0.6	0.3	0.6
Maize 2/	0.4	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.6
Manioc	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1
Ginger	0.8	0.3	0.4	0.1	0.5
Other 3/	50.3	56.1	51.3	51.0	72.6

Sources: Mauritius Chamber of Agriculture; and Ministry of Agriculture, Food Technology, and Natural Resources.

<sup>1/</sup> One arpent = 1.043 acres, or 0.4221 hectare.

<sup>2/</sup> Includes maize that is sent to drying stations; does not include fodder.

<sup>3/</sup> Includes beans and peas, eddoes (arouille), creepers (cucumber and squash), and mixed vegetables (beets, cabbage, carrots, cauliflower, chilies, garlic, onions, and lettuce).

Table 12. Mauritius: Export Processing Zone (EPZ) Activity, 1996-2000

	1996	1997	1998	1999 Rev. Est.	2000 Prov.				
		(	Numbers)		, <del>,</del>				
Total firms 1/	481	480	495	512	523				
Textiles	267	269	275	285	283				
Other	214	211	220	227	240				
Total employees 1/	79,793	83,391	90,116	91,374	89,869				
Textiles	69,710	73,364	79,640	80,960	79,094				
Other	10,083	10,027	10,476	10,414	10,775				
	(In millions of Mauritian rupees)								
EPZ investments	930	1,245	1,445	1,755	1,870				
Plant and machinery	915	1,200	1,355	1,635	1,750				
Buildings	15	45	90	120	120				
EPZ value added									
Current factor cost	8,163	9,086	10,393	11,567	12,260				
Factor cost at constant 1992 prices	6,222	6,594	7,049	7,472	7,919				

Source: Central Statistical Office, Digest of Industrial Statistics.

<sup>1/</sup> As at December.

Table 13. Mauritius: Electricity Production and Consumption, 1996-2000

	1996	1997	1998	1999 Rev. Est.	2000 Prov.			
		(In	megawatts)					
Plant effective capacity	331.9	370.0	396,7	425.7	497.9			
. ,		(In pe	ercent of total)					
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Hydroelectric effective capacity	16.4	14.7	13.7	12.8	10.9			
Of which: purchases 1/	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1			
Thermal effective capacity	83.6	85.3	86.3	87.2	89.1			
Of which: purchases 1/	12.9	14.3	22.7	21.2	27.2			
	(In millions of kilowatt-hours)							
Energy generated	1,021.9	1,103.5	1,108.1	1,096.9	963.4			
Hydroelectric	103.6	92.2	104.2	29.5	95.2			
Thermal	918.3	1,011.3	1,003.9	1,067.4	868.2			
Energy purchased from sugar and other factories	129.0	148.3	256.0	343.8	599.0			
inergy sold	985.0	1,075.1	1,176.4	1,232.5	1,350.0			
	(Annual growth in percent, unless otherwise indicated)							
Energy generated	10.8	8.0	0.4	-1.0	-12.2			
Energy purchased from sugar and other factories	3.0	15.0	72.6	34.3	74.2			
Energy sold	9.0	9.1	9.4	4.8	9.5			
Consumers at year's end (numbers)	276,178	284,576	293,887	304,029	311,612			
Of which: domestic (percent of total)	89.0	89.1	89.1	89.2	89.6			
Annual percentage increase of consumers	3.5	3.0	3.3	3.5	2.5			
Average selling prices (Mauritian cents								
per kilowatt-hour)	217.0	220.0	213.9	218.9	223.4			
	(In millions of Mauritian rupees, unless otherwise indicated)							
Central Electricity Board indicators								
Revenue	2,181.7	2,414.3	2,564.1	2,659.0	3,185.7			
Current expenditure	2,180.6	2,418.4	3,533.2	2,839.5	3,469.6			
Persons employed (number)	1,870	1,828	1,816	1,854	1,836			

Sources: Central Statistical Office; and Central Electricity Board (CEB).

<sup>1/</sup> From sugar mills and other factories generating electricity.

Table 14. Mauritius: Building Permits Issued, 1995-99 1/

	1995	1996	1997	1998 Rev. Est.	1999 Prov.
Permits issued		(	Numbers)		
Total	8,971	8,337	7,608	8,771	8,817
By building type	,	•	·	ŕ	
Residential	8,350	7,802	7,097	8,302	8,280
New buildings	4,956	4,689	4,011	4,667	4,657
Additions	3,394	3,113	3,086	3,635	3,623
Nonresidential	621	535	511	469	537
By location					
Urban	4,959	4,365	4,071	4,516	4,437
Rural	4,012	3,972	3,537	4,255	4,380
Floor area		(Thousand	is of square n	neters)	
Total	1,309	1,447	1,217	1,480	1,546
By building type					-
Residential	1,098	1,108	997	1,204	1,244
New buildings	786	804	714	839	865
Additions	312	304	283	365	379
Nonresidential	<b>2</b> 11	339	220	276	302
By location					
Urban	712	812	671	716	731
Rural	597	635	546	764	815

Source: Central Statistical Office.

<sup>1/</sup> Includes new buildings and additions for which permits have been issued by municipalities and the the central government.

Table 15. Mauritius: Tourist Arrivals, Capacity, and Earnings, 1996-2000

	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000 Prov.
Arrivals by country of residence			(Persons)		
Africa	158,322	158,930	157,287	150,687	157,150
Kenya	1,170	1,230	1,684	1,655	1,801
Madagascar	11,401	10,143	9,213	7,880	7,057
Reunion (France)	82,272	82,628	83,966	83,749	86,945
Seychelles	9,325	8,995	8,529	7,893	9,229
South Africa	50,361	51,249	49,676	46,583	48,683
Zimbabwe	3,402	4,248	3,796	2,606	3,435
Europe	256,384	294,710	320,057	341,862	396,251
Belgium	8,060	8,162	8,365	9,586	10,998
France	130,292	145,173	162,775	175,431	198,423
Germany	45,221	43,993	43,826	45,206	52,869
Italy	21,848	35,255	36,614	36,675	39,000
Switzerland	15,692	16,105	16,178	16,281	20,473
United Kingdom	35,271	46,022	52,299	58,683	74,488
Other	72,161	82,485	80,851	85,536	103,052
Australia	7,762	9,460	8,913	8,076	8,771
India	13,075	13,220	12,629	13,583	17,241
Japan	3,192	3,140	2,505	2,324	2,389
Singapore	3,153	3,404	3,515	3,661	4,104
United States	2,362	2,879	3,158	3,345	3,704
Other	42,617	50,382	50,131	54,547	66,843
All countries	486,867	536,125	558,195	578,085	656,453
Tourism capacity, activity, and earnings		(Numbers, unl	ess otherwise i	ndicated)	
Hotels	90	87	90	92	95
Rooms	6,668	6,809	7,267	8,255	8,657
Beds	13,833	14,126	14,995	16,947	17,776
Nights spent (thousands)	4,958	5,451	5,568	5,729	6,500
Average stay (nights)	10	10	10	10	10
Gross earnings					
In millions of Mauritian rupees	9,048	10,070	11,890	13,668	14,234
In millions of U.S. dollars	504	478	496	543	542
Average earnings per tourist	10.004	10 500	21 221	22 544	A1 (CA
In Mauritian rupees	18,584	18,783	21,301	23,644	21,683
In U.S. dollars	1,035	892	888	939	826

Source: Central Statistical Office.

Table 16. Mauritius: Estimated Labor Force and Employment, 1996-2000 1/

	1996	1997	1998	1999 Rev. Est.	2000 Prov				
<u></u>	(In thousands of persons)								
Population aged 12+ years	889	901	912	925	937				
Female	446	452	458	465	471				
Male	443	449	454	460	466				
Labor force	485	496	507	517.8	527.4				
Female	159	164	170	175.7	180				
Male	326	332	337	342.1	347.4				
Employment by gender	457	467	477	482.9	485.2				
Female	144	148	153	155.6	157.4				
Male	313	319	324	327.3	327.8				
Employment by firm size	457	467	477	483	485				
Larger establishments 2/	279	279	284	285	282				
Other firms and self	178	188	193	198	203				
Employment in large establishments									
by economic activity 3/4/	287.3	286.2	292.8	297.7	297.0				
Of which: export processing zone (EPZ)	80.1	80.3	84.8	90.0	89.2				
Agriculture and fishing	32.5	31.4	30.4	28.8	27.6				
Sugar 5/	29.0	28.2	27.5	26.1	24.8				
Tea 5/	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2				
Other	3.1	2.9	2.6	2.5	2.6				
Mining and quarrying	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2				
Manufacturing 6/	107.4	105.8	111.2	115.3	114.5				
Of which: EPZ 7/	79.5	79.6	84.0	88.9	88.2				
Electricity and water	3.4	3.3	3.2	3.2	3.1				
Construction Wholesple and retail trade restaurants	10.2	9.5	8.9	9.2	9.0				
Wholesale and retail trade, restaurants, and hotels	25.0	26.3	27.8	28.5	30.3				
Transport, storage, and	23.0	20.5	27.0	26.3	30.3				
communications	14.6	15.0	15.1	15.1	14.9				
Financing, insurance, real estate,	14.0	13.0	13.1	13.1	17.7				
and business services	12.5	13.2	13.7	14.0	14.6				
Government services	62.3	62.0	61.8	62.6	61.7				
Central government	56.8	56.1	56.1	56.8	55.6				
Local government	5.5	5.9	5.7	5.8	6.1				
Other community, social, and		•	<b>21</b> ,	2.0	J.1				
personal services	16.1	17.1	17.9	18.9	19.0				
Activities not elsewhere specified 8/	3.1	2.4	2.6	1.9	2.1				
Unemployment	27	29	29	35	42				
Female	14	16	17	20	23				
Male	13	13	12	15	20				

Table 16. Mauritius: Estimated Labor Force and Employment, 1996-2000 1/ (concluded)

	1996	1997	1998	1999 Rev.Est.	2000 Prov				
	(In percent)								
Labor force participation rate	54.6	55.0	55.6	56.0	56.3				
Female	35.7	36.3	37.1	37.8	38.2				
Male	73.6	73.9	74.2	74.3	74.6				
Unemployment rate	5.6	5.8	5.7	6.7	8.0				
Female	8.8	9.8	10.0	11.4	12.6				
Male	4.0	3.9	3.6	4.3	5,6				
Employment growth rate	1.3	2.2	2.1	1.2	0.5				
Female	1.4	2.8	3.4	1.7	1,2				
Male	1.3	1.9	1.6	1.0	0.2				

Source: Central Statistical Office, Survey of Employment and Earnings.

<sup>1/</sup> Revised data based on the 1995 Labor Force Sample Survey; includes the islands of Mauritius and Rodrigues.

<sup>2/</sup> Excludes foreigners.

<sup>3/</sup> Covers large establishments, i.e., nonagricultural establishments with ten or more employees, all government, sugar plantations of ten hectares or more, tea plantations of two hectares or more, all flue-cured tobacco, and other agricultural units with ten or more employees; excludes self-employed, piece-rate employees working at home, and and unpaid family workers. Includes Rodrigues. Because of variations in response rates and coverage, some short-term fluctuations are not significant.

<sup>4/</sup> At March of each year.

<sup>5/</sup> Covers plantations only.

<sup>6/</sup> Includes sugar and tea factories.

<sup>7/</sup> Excludes nonmanufacturing EPZ establishments.

<sup>8/</sup> Mainly Development Works Corporation.

Table 17. Mauritius: Average Earnings by Sector — Monthly Paid Employees, 1996-2000 1/

(Mauritian rupees per employee per month)

	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
	·		March		
Agriculture and fishing	4,396	5,116	5,289	5,792	6,443
Sugar 2/	4,294	5,004	5,147	5,625	6,268
Tea 2/	<b>6,</b> 976	7,795	8,569	10,052	11,523
Other	6,180	6,941	7,703	8,496	9,111
Mining and quarrying	8,207	8,524	10,060	10,617	10,968
Manufacturing 3/	5,972	6,282	6,912	7,034	7,638
Of which: export processing zone (EPZ)	5,493	5,777	6,376	6,371	6,904
Electricity and water	9,707	10,112	12,448	12,067	13,471
Construction	9,096	10,038	11,479	12,368	13,151
Wholesale and retail trade, and					•
restaurants and hotels	6,735	7,042	7,510	8,221	8,650
Transport, storage, and					
communications	8,122	8,766	10,647	10,938	12,480
Financing, insurance, real estate,					
and business services	10,096	11,010	11,550	12,300	12,749
Government services					
Central government	7,176	8,612	8,643	9,864	10,749
Local government 4/	5,612	6,023	6,375	6,997	7,608
Other community, social, and					
personal services	7,224	8,042	8,760	9,646	10,252
Activities not eisewhere specified	4,704	5,623	6,313	6,875	7,518
Total, large establishments	6,731	7,572	8,080	8,820	9,585
Of which: EPZ	5,497	5,787	6,395	6,368	6,892
Memorandum items:					
Daily paid employees 5/	3,926	4,316	4,628	4,784	5,122
Of which: EPZ	3,250	3,562	3,770	3,926	4,082

Source: Central Statistical Office, Survey of Employment and Earnings.

<sup>1/</sup> Covers large establishments.

<sup>2/</sup> Excludes factories.

<sup>3/</sup> Includes sugar and tea factories.

<sup>4/</sup> Municipalities and district councils.

<sup>5/</sup> Average for all sectors. Daily earnings converted to a monthly basis by assuming 26 working days in a month. Daily rates appear to be more indicative of average than do monthly rates.

Table 18. Mauritius: Labor Costs and Productivity in Manufacturing, 1995-99 1/

	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999						
	(In millions of Mauritian rupees)										
Labor costs (1982 prices)	6,384	6,845	7,452	7,755	8,337						
	(Indices, 1982=100)										
Labor cost (1)	924.7	988.0	1,088.0	1,248.0	1,341.7						
Manufacturing production (2)	283.0	302.0	320.0	341.0	351.9						
Unit labor cost (3)=(1)/(2)	326.7	327.2	340.0	366.0	381.3						
Employment (4) 2/	243.0	228.6	237.1	246.9	250.5						
Average wage 3/ (5)=(1)/(4)	380.5	432.2	458.9	505.5	535.6						
Labor productivity (6)=(2)/(4)	116.5	132.1	135.0	138.1	140.5						

Source: Central Statistical Office, Digest of Industrial Statistics.

<sup>1/</sup> Includes sugar milling.

<sup>2/</sup> Includes foreign workers.

<sup>3/</sup> Covers the overall compensation of employees, including wages, salaries, overtime, bonuses, and contributions to pension funds.

Table 19. Mauritius: Cost Structure and Prices of Petroleum Products, 1995/96-1999/2000 1/

(In percent of the sales price, unless otherwise specified)

	1995/96	1996/97	1997/98	1998/99 Rev.	1999/00 Prov.
**************************************				·	
Premium gasoline					
Import cost, c.i.f.	32.8	31.3	27.6	25.1	49.4
Distribution costs and overheads	2.7	2.1	1.9	1.9	3.6
Taxes	68.8	67.4	58.7	55.2	109.5
Profits (loss -)	-4,2	-0.8	11.8	11.1	-62.5
STC sales price (Mauritian rupees per liter)	8.3	10.6	11.8	16.6	10.52
Retail price (Mauritian rupees per liter)	9.50 2/	14.15 3/	14.15 3/	14.15 3/	12.80 4/
Imports for inland trade (in metric tons)	87,165	88,899	87,024	93,754	90,101.0
Diesel					
Import cost, c.i.f.	63.5	68.5	53.0	43.4	85.7
Distribution costs and overheads	4.9	4.1	3.9	3.6	5.6
Taxes	41.6	46.0	34.9	32.4	64.5
Profits (loss -)	-10.0	-18.6	8.2	20.6	-55.8
STC sales price (Mauritian rupees per liter)	4,5	5.4	6.0	5.8	4.99
Retail price (Mauritian rupees per liter)	5.50 2/	7.65 3/	7.65 3/	7.65 3/	6.65 4/
Imports for inland trade (in metric tons)	141,176	155,025	139,393	166,377	178,503
Kerosene					
Import cost, c.i.f.	115.7	92.2	68.1	62,1	135.8
Distribution costs and overheads	0.7	0.5	0.7	0.4	5.2
Taxes	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Profits (loss -)	-16.4	7.3	31.3	37.4	-41.0
STC sales price (Mauritian rupees per liter)	2.9	4.2	4.6	4.6	3.5
Retail price (Mauritian rupees per liter)	3.80 2/	5.65 3/	5.65 3/	5.65 3/	4.55 4/
Imports for inland trade (in metric tons)	57,591	88,195	56,728	54,119	29,186
Fuel oil					
Import cost, c.i.f.	68.0	68.6	60.2	55.4	103.4
Distribution costs and overheads	0.7	0.9	0.8	0.5	1.1
Taxes	45.5	48.8	37.5	42.9	74.3
Profits (loss -)	-14.1	-18.3	1.4	1.2	-78.7
STC sales price (Mauritian rupees per liter)	2.97	3.34	3.70	3.70	3.70
Imports for inland trade (in metric tons)	107,528	123,949	125,410	119,042	121,185

Source: State Trading Corporation.

<sup>1/</sup> Fiscal year from July to June. Cost structure relates to that of the State Trading Corporation (STC).

<sup>2/</sup> Effective April 1991.

<sup>3/</sup> Effective December 21, 1996. From early June 1996 to December 21, 1996 the retail price per liter was MUR 11.30 for premium gasoline, MUR 6.10 for diesel, and MUR 4.50 for kerosene.

<sup>4/</sup> Effective June 15, 1999.

Table 20. Mauritius: Consumer Price Indices by Major Commodity Group, January 1998-December 2000

(July 1996-June 1997=100)

1998 Food and nonalcoholic beverages Alcoholic beverages and tobacco Clothing and footwear Fuel and light Housing and household operations Medical care and health expenses Fransport and communication	8.7 7.9 4.4 13.2	113.0 101.9	113.0		100.1									
Alcoholic beverages and tobacco Clothing and footwear Fuel and light Housing and household operations Medical care and health expenses Fransport and communication	8.7 7.9 4.4 13.2	113.0 101.9	113.0		100.1									
Clothing and footwear Fuel and light Housing and household operations Medical care and health expenses Fransport and communication	7.9 4.4 13.2	101.9			102.1	110.1	110.6	110.1	110.9	112.2	112.9	113.3	113.7	110.
Fuel and light Housing and household operations Medical care and health expenses Fransport and communication	4.4 13.2			113.2	113.5	113.5	127.1	127,3	127.2	129.3	129.5	129.4	129.3	122.
Housing and household operations  Medical care and health expenses  Fransport and communication	13.2	100.3	103.2	103.3	103.1	104.0	104.0	103.8	104.0	107.2	108.6	109.5	109.6	105
Medical care and health expenses Fransport and communication			100.3	100.3	100.3	100.3	100.3	100.3	100.3	100.3	100.3	100.3	100.3	100
Fransport and communication	3.8	103.1	103.3	103.4	103.7	103.8	104.0	105.1	105.4	106.5	107.3	107.6	108.3	105
								105.9						
	14.2	106.0	106.3	106.0	106.2	106.6	107.3	107.5	107.7	111.4	111.8	112.8	113.2	108
Recreation, entertainment, education,														
and cultural services								115.2						
Aiscellaneous goods and services	5.4	104.1	104.9	104.5	104.6	105.4	107,3	107.8	107.8	109.3	109.6	109.9	109.8	10
Total	100.0	105.5	106.0	106.7	107.4	108.0	109.6	109.7	110.0	112.1	112.7	113.1	113.4	10
Average for calendar year														109
Average for fiscal year ended June 30							105.4							
1999														
ood and nonalcoholic beverages								117.0						
Alcoholic beverages and tobacco								152.5						
lothing and footwear								112.6						
uel and light								99.8						
fousing and household operations								111.2						
Medical care and health expenses								119.2			•			
Fransport and communication	14.4	117.5	113.2	115.5	113.5	113.2	111.1	111.1	111.5	112.8	113.2	113.9	117.5	11
Recreation, entertainment, education,	۲۸	122.5	122.6	122.5	100.0	122.0	111 0	122.0	122.0	122.0	122.0	122.8	144.0	12
and cultural services								122.9 115.5						
Miscellaneous goods and services	3.4	110.8	111.1	LiZ.V	115.6	114.1	115.5	113.3	116.0	115.8	115.8	110.2	110.3	11
Total	100.0	114.6	114.9	115.1	115.6	115.8	117.4	117.7	118.3	118.5	118.5	118.9	119.6	11
Average for fiscal year ended June 30							113.7							
2000														
food and nonalcoholic beverages	36.4	118.6	117.7	118.2	117.7	118.2	118.1	118.1	118.4	118.9	119.4	119.8	120.7	11
Alcoholic beverages and tobacco								155.9						
Hothing and footwear								114.8						
uel and light	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·							101.0					-	
lousing and household operations								120.0						
Medical care and health expenses								123.2						
ransport and communication	14.2	117.7	117.5	117.4	117.3	116.9	117.3	117.3	117.3	117.3	129.0	129.3	129.7	12
Recreation, entertainment, education,		10: -	1044	104 -	1016		157.5	1046	10.0	1045	10/5	10.	1011	
and cultural services								124.9						
Miscellaneous goods and services	5.4	117.0	118.5	119.3	119.7	120.0	120.0	121.1	121.1	121.6	121.9	122.0	122.1	12
Total	100.0	120.0	120.6	121.0	120.9	121.0	120.9	121.3	121.7	121.9	124.6	124.8	125.2	12

Source: Central Statistical Office.

Table 21. Mauritius: Summary of Government Finances, 1995/96-1999/2000 1/

	1995/96	1996/97	1997/98	1998/99	1999/00 Rev. Est.		
		(In millions o	of Mauritian 1	upces)			
Total revenue and grants	12,833	16,474	18,501	21,329	23,500		
Tax revenue	11,488	14,001	15,686	17,900	20,373		
Nontax revenue	1,124	2,410	2,599	3,294	2,966		
External grants	221	63	217	135	161		
Total expenditure and net lending	18,168	22,634	22,125	24,851	27,702		
Current expenditure	14,774	17,632	19,264	21,847	23,277		
Wages and salaries	5,293	5,897	6,508	7,457	7,762		
Other goods and services	1,719	2,132	1,920	2,180	2,354		
Interest payments	2,332	2,875	3,503	3,626	3,748		
External interest	301	473	512	501	453		
Domestic interest	2,031	2,402	2,992	3,125	3,295		
Current transfers and subsidies	5,430	6,729	7,333	8,584	9,414		
Capital expenditure and net lending 2/	3,394	5,001	2,761	2,129	3,542		
Expenditure by the Privatization Fund	0	0	100	875	883		
Overall balance after grants	-5,336	-6,160	-3,623	-3,522	-4,202		
Financing	5,336	6,160	3,623	3,522	4,202		
External (net)	2,374	198	-275	-1,170	-510		
Disbursements	3,041	916	531	464	410		
Amortization	-666	-718	-805	-1,634	-920		
Domestic	2,964	5,204	4,005	4,150	4,712		
Banking system (net)	1,256	988	1, <del>6</del> 31	-1,571	2,579		
Nonbank	1,708	4,216	2,374	5,721	2,133		
Residual 3/	-3	758	-107	543	0		
	(Annual change in percent)						
Total revenue and grants	-2.2	28.4	12.3	15.3	10.2		
Total expenditure and net lending	16.8	24.6	-2.2	12.3	11.5		
	(In percent of GDP)						
Total revenue and grants	17.6	20.2	20.2	20.6	21.4		
Of which: tax revenue	15.8	17.1	17.2	17.3	18.6		
Total expenditure and net lending	25.0	27.7	24.2	24.0	25.3		
Current expenditure	20,3	21.6	21.1	21.1	21.2		
Capital expenditure and net lending 2/	4.7	6.1	3.0	2.1	3.2		
Overall balance after grants	-7.3	-7.5	-4.0	-3.4	-3.8		
Overall balance, excluding exceptional factors 4/	-6.2	-5.4	-3.8	-4.7	-4.3		
External financing	3.3	0.2	-0.3	-1.1	-0.5		
Domestic financing	4.1	6.4	4.4	4.0	4.3		
Of which: banking system	1.7	1.2	1.8	-1.5	2.4		

Sources: Ministry of Finance; and Bank of Mauritius.

<sup>1/</sup> Budgetary central government, Government Finance Statistics basis; fiscal year from July to June.

<sup>2/</sup> From 1995/96 to 1997/98, net lending includes the on-lending of the proceeds from an international floating-rate note (FRN) issue of US\$150 million. In 1998/99, it includes the repayment of the FRN on-lending equivalent to 0.8 percent of GDP,

<sup>3/</sup> Includes proceeds from the sale of government equity in state-owned enterprises equivalent to 0.9 percent of GDP in 1996/97.

<sup>4/</sup> Exceptional factors include the on-lending of the proceeds from the FRN equivalent to 1.1 percent of GDP in 1995/96; to 2.2 percent of GDP in 1996/97; and to 0.1 percent of GDP in 1997/98. They also include the repayment of the FRN on-lending equivalent to 0.8 percent of GDP in 1998/99, as well as the proceeds from the sale of fixed assets equivalent to 0.5 percent of GDP in 1998/99 and 0.4 percent of GDP in 1999/2000.

Table 22. Mauritius: Revenue and Grants, Budgetary Central Government, 1995/96-1999/2000 1/

	1995/96	1996/97	1997/98	1998/99	1999/00 Rev. Est.
Tax revenue	11,488	14,001	15,686	17,900	20,373
Taxes on net income and profits	1,973	2,287	2,409	2,700	2,881
Individuals	991	1,220	1,238	1,363	1,540
Corporate	982	1,067	1,171	1,337	1,341
Taxes on property	895	976	1,102	1,209	1,206
Land and real estate	236	190	182	213	218
Financial transactions	659	787	919	996	988
Registration fees	648	776	908	982	960
Incorporation and lodging fees	9	9	10	10	19
Mortgages	1	1	1	5	9
Taxes on domestic goods and services	3,710	5,157	6,007	8,005	9,339
Selective excises	1,163	1,276	1,529	1,776	2,160
Alcoholic beverages	628	645	682	769	946
Tobacco	520	617	832	1,006	1,213
Other	15	14	16	1	,
Taxes on services	848	1,062	1,326	1,136	1,099
Gambling and lottery profits	457	548	705	765	892
Tourism	391	513	620	371	200
Taxes on use of goods	343	377	428	455	470
Business licenses	104	107	135	141	143
Motor vehicles	239	270	292	314	334
Sales tax on goods/value-added tax	1,357	2,442	2,724	4,639	5,604
Taxes on international trade	4,899	5,570	6,157	5,973	6,935
Import duties	4,898	5,570	6,157	5,973	6,93
Customs duties	4,896	5,568	6,156	5,972	6,924
Stamp duties	3	2	2	1	1
Export duties	0	Õ	0	Ô	(
Other tax revenue (stamp duty)	11	11	12	13	12
Nontax revenue	1,124	2,411	2,599	3,294	2,966
Property income	646	1,954	2,074	2,246	1,862
Bank of Mauritius	100	1,200	800	825	800
Interest and royalties	210	518	537	585	44
Dividends	242	181	441	592	543
Operating surpluses	53	14	252	194	:
Rent and other	41	41	44	50	66
Other nontax revenue	478	457	525	548	604
Fees, charges, and sales	287	318	369	385	409
Fines and forfeits	39	44	54	46	65
Government pension fund	81	92	101	114	120
Miscellaneous	71	4	l	4	10
Total revenue	12,612	16,412	18,285	21,194	23,339
Foreign grants	221	63	217	135	161
Total revenue and grants	12,832	16,475	18,501	21,329	23,500

Source: Ministry of Finance.

<sup>1/</sup> Fiscal year from July to June.

Table 23. Mauritius: Functional Classification of Expenditure and Net Lending, Consolidated Central Government, 1995/96-1999/2000 1/

	1995/96	1996/97	1997/98	1998/99	1999/00 Rev. Est.
Total expenditure	17,208	20,351	21,873	25,556	27,535
Public administration and security	3,611	3,953	4,115	4,572	4,767
General public services	1,800	2,032	2,260	2,348	2,524
Defense	242	224	189	216	239
Public order and safety	1,569	1,697	1,666	2,008	2,004
Social services	8,362	10,268	11,096	12,860	13,951
Education	2,724	3,378	3,507	3,866	3,987
Health and sanitation	1,431	1,567	1,768	2,132	2,256
Social security and welfare	2,984	3,787	4,237	5,140	5,563
Housing and community amenities 2/	921	1,208	1,251	1,298	1,704
Recreational, cultural, and religious	302	328	334	424	441
Economic services	2,272	2,561	2,492	3,685	4,192
Fuel and energy	7	9	11	23	25
Agriculture, forestry, and fishing	977	902	1,052	1,389	1,260
Mining, manufacturing, and construction	125	161	140	155	174
Transport and communications	621	596	366	1,051	1,102
Other economic services	542	893	923	1,067	1,631
Other purposes	2,963	3,569	4,169	4,439	4,625
Public debt interest	2,332	2,875	3,503	3,626	3,748
Transfers to local governments	631	694	666	813	877
Other	0	0	0	0	0
Lending minus repayments 3/	960	2,284	252	-705	167
Total expenditure and net lending	18,168	22,634	22,125	24,851	27,702

Sources: Ministry of Finance; and Central Statistical Office.

<sup>1/</sup> Budgetary central government, Government Finance Statistics basis; fiscal year from July to June.

<sup>2/</sup> Includes water supply.

<sup>3/</sup> From 1995/96 to 1997/98, net lending includes the on-lending of the proceeds from an international floating-rate note (FRN) issue of US\$150 million. In 1998/99, it includes the repayment of the FRN on-lending equivalent to 0.8 percent of GDP.

Table 24. Mauritius: Transfers and Subsidies by Budgetary Central Government, 1995/96-1999/2000 1/

	1995/96	1996/97	1997/98	1998/99	1999/00 Rev. Est,
Subsidies and other current transfers	5,430	6,729	7,333	8,584	9,414
Local governments	559	622	666	<b>74</b> 1	762
Education	1,251	1,409	1,521	1,887	1,971
Secondary schools	656	747	851	1,004	1,048
University of Mauritius	112	330	360	430	439
Education Institute	57	0	0	0	0
Gandhi Institute	75	0	0	0	0
College of the Air	30	0	0	0	0
Block grant	91	115	127	148	156
Examination Syndicate	43	48	54	69	69
Other	187	169	129	236	259
Public service pensions	924	1,066	1,208	1,384	1,619
National Pension Fund	1,612	2,235	2,508	2,932	3,260
Rice and wheat flour 2/	220	454	371	369	443
Domestic crops	59	78	55	99	53
Unemployment fund	0	0	0	0	0
Outdoor relief	91	21	26	41	41
Development Works Corporation (DWC) 3/	0	0	103	90	122
Other current transfers	714	843	876	1,041	1,143
Capital transfers	585	627	799	1,092	1,400
Local governments	72	72	1	1	0
Public financial institutions	70	120	72	222	191
Nonfinancial public enterprises	416	<b>41</b> I	706	861	1,201
Aviation, PTT, 4/ and sewerage	41	46	277	294	612
Other	375	365	429	567	589
International organizations	27	15	13	2	2
Other	0	9	7	7	7
Total subsidies and transfers	6,015	7,356	8,132	9,677	10,814

Source: Ministry of Finance.

<sup>1/</sup> Fiscal year from July to June.

<sup>2/</sup> The 1996/97 amount includes the liquidation of MUR 97 million in balances remaining from past subsidies.

<sup>3/</sup> Includes mainly wages and salaries for government employees transferred to the DWC.

<sup>4/</sup> PTT is the postal and telecommunications enterprise.

Table 25. Mauritius: Income and Expenditure of the National Pension Fund, 1995/96-1999/2000 1/

	1995/96	1996/97	1997/98	1998/99	1999/00 Rev. Est.
Income	3,382	4,137	5,245	5,455	6,107
Government grant	1,622	2,243	2,514	2,941	3,267
Contributions from employers and employees	723	774	846	893	984
Investment income	911	1,024	1,045	1,405	1,718
Other income	126	96	840	216	138
Expenditure	1,851	2,506	2,821	3,271	3,662
Noncontributory (basic) pensions	1,611	2,234	2,506	2,929	3,262
Food aid allowance	11	, 9	8	11	6
Contributory and industrial injury pensions	145	174	211	242	280
Administration and other costs	84	89	96	89	114
Excess of income over expenditure	1,531	1,631	2,424	2,184	2,445
Balance in fund at end of year 2/	10,203	11,834	14,258	16,442	18,887

Source: National Pension Fund.

<sup>1/</sup> Fiscal year from July to June.

<sup>2/</sup> Change in balance at end of year may differ from excess of income over expenditure owing to valuation adjustments.

Table 26. Mauritius: State Trading Corporation — Ration Rice and Flour Transactions, 1995/96-1999/2000 1/

	1995/96	1996/97	1997/98	1998/99	1999/0 Rev. Es
		(In millions o	of Mauritian i	upces)	
Sales revenue	513.9	546.4	516.9	527.9	544.
Ration rice 2/	200.5	222.5	189.2	187.2	194.
Flour	313.4	323.9	327.7	340.7	349.
Total cost	841.0	995.7	849.6	874.8	872.
Ration rice	318.4	407.2	324.3	339.7	368.
Flour	522.6	588.5	525.3	535.2	503.
Purchasing cost	773.3	910.9	759.2	828.4	787.
Ration rice	272.7	362.5	272.3	309.8	320.
Flour	500.6	548.4	486.9	518.6	467.
Other charges	67.7	84.8	90.4	46.4	84.
Ration rice	45.7	44.7	52.0	29.8	48.
Flour	22.0	40.1	38.4	16.6	36.
Balance (deficit = -)	-327.1	-449.3	-332.7	-346.9	-328
Ration rice	-117.9	-184.7	-135.1	-152.5	-173
Flour	-209.2	-264.6	-197.6	-194.5	-154
Financing	327.1	449.3	332.7	346.9	328
Budgetary transfers	197.0	432.4	350.0	346.9	328
Other financing 3/	130.1	16.9	-17.3	0.0	0
Memorandum items;		(In n	actric tons)		
Sales volume	40.000	** ***	40.00	40.004	
Ration rice	45,136	52,343	42,589	40,854	43,77
Flour	76,365	78,715	79,716	83,029	85,27
Rice unit values	(I	n Mauritian r	upees per me	etric ton)	
Fixed price, initial	4,420.0	4,420.0	4,420.0	4,420.0	4,420
Fixed price, final	4,420.0	4,420.0	4,420.0	4,420.0	4,420
Revenue	4,442.1	4,250.8	4,442.5	4,581.7	4,449
Cost	7,054.2	7,779.5	7,614.6	8,313.8	8,420
Subsidy	2,612.1	3,528.6	3,172.2	3,732.1	3,970
Flour unit values					
Fixed price, initial	4,100.0	4,100.0	4,100.0	4,100.0	4,100
Fixed price, final	4,100.0	4,100.0	4,100.0	4,100.0	4,100
Revenue	4,104.0	4,114.8	4,110.8	4,103.3	4,100
Cost	6,843.4	7,476.3	6,589.6	6,445.3	5,908
Subsidy	2,739.5	3,361.5	2,478.8	2,342,1	1,808
		(Annual ch	ange in perc	ent)	
Sales volume	10.0	1/1	10.0	4.	_
Ration rice 2/	-12.6	16.0	-18.6	-4.1	7.
Flour	7.7	3.1	1.3	4.2	2.
Revenue/total cost ratio	£1 1	(In 54.9	percent)	ZN 1	<b>20</b>
Ration rice revenue/cost 2/	61.1 63.0		60.8	60.3	62 52
Flour revenue/cost 2/	60.0	54.6 55.0	58.3 62.4	55.1 63.7	52 6 <del>9</del>

Source: State Trading Corporation.

<sup>1/</sup> Fiscal year from July to June.

<sup>2/</sup> Ration rice is a variety of rice.

<sup>3/</sup> Residual; reflects extrabudgetary financing (overdrafts and acceptances, net of deposits) and timing discrepancies.

Table 27. Mauritius: Financing of Central Government Deficit, 1995/96-1999/2000 1/

	1995/96	1996/97	1997/98	1998/99	1999/00 Rev. Est.
External financing (net)	2,375	198	-274	-1,170	-510
Eurocurrency (net)	0	0	0	0	0
Other external (net)	2,375	198	-274	-1,170	-509
Disbursements by purpose	3,041	916	531	464	411
Nonproject loans	0	0	0	0	0
Project loans	3,041	916	531	464	411
Mixed project and suppliers' credits	42	50	0	0	5
Electric power	118	382	2	3	13
Water and irrigation	13	40	100	80	74
Other agriculture	8	28	25	18	0
Roads, highways, and bridges	21	0	21	0	0
Telecommunications	0	0	0	0	0
Housing projects	3	8	31	<del>69</del>	0
Urban development	0	0	0	0	0
Education	68	183	100	94	0
Environment	41	177	183	95	295
Other projects 2/	2,727	47	68	105	25
Disbursements by source	3,041	916	531	464	411
Bilateral lenders	67	358	227	180	61
Multilateral agencies	297	5 <i>5</i> 8	304	284	350
Miscellaneous 2/	2,677	0	0	0	0
Repayments (-)	-666	-718	-805	-1,634	-920
Eurocurrency	0	0	0	0	0
Other loans 3/	-666	-718	-805	-1,634	-920
Domestic financing (net)	2,964	5,204	4,005	4,150	4,712
Banking system	1,256	988	1,631	-1,571	2,579
Bank of Mauritius	-893	-957	1,669	1,893	-1,496
Commercial banks	2,149	1,945	-38	-3,464	4,075
Nonbank	1,708	4,216	2,374	5,721	2,133
Short-term instruments	-96	3,467	858	6,286	2,772
Long-term instruments	1,804	749	1,516	-565	-638
Residual 4/	-3	758	-107	543	0
Total financing	5,336	6,160	3,623	3,522	4,202

Sources: Ministry of Finance; Bank of Mauritius; and IMF staff estimates.

<sup>1/</sup> Fiscal year from July to June.

<sup>2/</sup> The amount for 1995/96 includes the international floating-rate note (FRN) issue of US\$150 million.

<sup>3/</sup> Includes the partial repayment of US\$33 million of the FRN in 1998/99.

<sup>4/</sup> Reflects differences of coverage and valuation, as well as timing; includes proceeds from the sale of government equity in state-owned enterprises equivalent to 0.9 percent of GDP in 1996/97.

Table 28. Mauritius: Government Domestic Nonbank Debt Outstanding by Holder, 1995/96-1999/2000 1/

(In millions of Mauritian rupees; end of period)

	1995/96	1996/97	1997/98	1998/99 Rev. Est.	1999/00 Est
National Pension Fund	3,155	4,508	5,896	8,385	8,535
Short term	213	693	1,421	4,166	4,418
Long term	2,942	3,814	4,474	4,219	4,117
Post Office Savings Bank	212	198	180	173	160
Short term	0	0	14	36	24
Long term	212	198	166	137	137
State Insurance Corporation					
of Mauritius (SICOM)	568	1,338	1,282	1,355	2,081
Short term	23	716	231	629	1,391
Long term	545	622	1,051	726	690
Insurance companies	. 211	810	904	940	679
Short term	8	615	626	695	494
Long term	203	195	278	245	185
Sugar Insurance Fund Board (SIFB) 2/	35	101	131	400	385
Short term	0	101	131	400	385
Long term	35	0	0	0	0
National Savings Fund (NSF) 3/	0	358	621	969	989
Short term	0	358	494	842	862
Long term	0	0	127	127	127
Employees' Welfare Fund (EWF) 3/	0	192	127	379	372
Short term	0	192	104	356	349
Long term	0	0	23	23	23
Other public enterprises	50	617	131	62	125
Short term	0	617	131	62	125
Long term	50	0	0	0	0
independence and Republic bonds 4/	2,375	2,375	2,375	2,375	2,079
Short term	0	0	0	0	0
Long term	2,375	2,375	2,375	2,375	2,079
Consolidated Sinking Fund (CSF) 5/	1,157	1,214	1,441	2,018	2,074
Short term	19	0	0	500	700
Long term	1,139	1,214	1,441	1,518	1,375
Others	450	718	1,716	3,468	5,177
Short term	233	670	1,668	3,419	5,129
Long term	217	48	48	48	48
Total	8,212	12,428	14,802	20,523	22,656
Short term	494	3,961	4,819	11,105	13,877
Long term	7,718	8,467	9,983	9,418	8,779
Memorandum items:					
Changes during year (total)	1,708	4,216	2,374	5,721	2,133
Short term	- <del>9</del> 6	3,467	858	6,286	2,772
Long term	1,804	749	1,516	-565	-638

Sources: Ministry of Finance; and IMF staff estimates.

<sup>1/</sup> Includes tax treasury bills and tax reserve certificates (short term) and government stocks, treasury certificates, and anonymous bearer bonds (long term). Fiscal year from July to June.

<sup>2/</sup> The SIFB collects premiums from planters and insures sugar crops against natural disasters, such as cyclones and drought.

3/ The NSF and the EWF make deductions from salaries and accumulate funds to contribute to

government employees.

<sup>4/</sup> Only individuals and nonbank institutions, including the African Development Bank and petroleum companies, subscribed to the Independence and Republic bonds.

<sup>5/</sup> Fund for payment of government debt.

Table 29. Mauritius: External Debt of Central Government — Disbursements, 1995/96-1999/2000 1/

	1995/96	1996/97	1997/98	1998/99	1999/00 Rev. Est.
All bilateral lenders	67.1	357.5	226.9	179.7	60.6
Governments	67,1	123.2	221.9	176.9	34.5
People's Republic of China	16.9	8.0	50.6	2.4	0.0
Flacq hospital	14,3	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0
Housing	2,6	7.8	30.8	2.4	0.0
Recreation center	0.0	0.0	19.8	0.0	0.0
France	30.4	54.9	69.4	107.0	18.0
Small-scale irrigation project	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Goodlands district water supply	12.8	35.1	51.6	49.8	0.0
Hotel catering school	17.1	17.7	9.3	0.0	0.0
Lycee Polytechnique, Rose Hill	0.0	0.4	7.0	30.0	0.0
Northern Plain irrigation project	0.0	1.7	1.4	22.2	15.5
Grand Baei sewerage project	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.0	2.5
India (lines of credit for development projects and supplies)	4.6	37.0	0.5	0.0	5.1
Japan	15.2	23.3	101.6	67.5	11.4
Telecommunications	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
La Butte drainage and soil consolidation project	15.2	23.3	101.6	67.5	11.4
Other bilateral agencies	0.0	234.3	4.9	2.8	26.1
Kuwait Fund	0.0	234.3	4.9	2.8	26.1
Water project	0.0	2.9	2.5	0.0	13.6
Fort George power station	0.0	231.4	2.4	2.8	12.5

Table 29. Mauritius: External Debt of Central Government — Disbursements, 1995/96-1999/2000 1/ (concluded)

	1995/96	1996/97	1997/98	1998/99	1999/00 Rev. Est.
Multilateral agencies	296.9	558.4	303.8	284.2	349.9
Arab Bank for Economic Development in Africa	0.0	9.9	0.0	66.8	177.9
Industrial credit	0.0	9.9	0.0	0.0	0.0
Housing rehabilitation	0.0	0.0	0.0	66.8	133.4
Water works	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	44.5
Midlands dam	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
African Development Bank/Fund	13.4	23.1	34.0	0.0	0.0
Bridge project	8.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Rose Belle rehabilitation	0.0	15.0	12.7	0.0	0.0
Third highway project	0.0	8.1	21.3	0.0	0.0
Education project	4.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Mauritius and Rodrigues sewerage	0.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
European Development Fund	52.5	14.5	44.8	8.7	118.2
Prime Minister's rock removal scheme	2.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Agricultural and industrial credits	37.1	3.2	0.0	0.0	0.0
Water projects	0.0	0.0	44.4	8.3	0.0
Regional meteorological project	12.9	11.3	0.5	0.4	0.5
Baei du Tombeau sewerage project	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	117.7
International Bank for Reconstruction and Development	189.2	274.2	169.2	202.7	53.8
Second highway project	12.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Environmental program	18.9	67.9	24.6	5.3	0.0
Agricultural management services	6.0	13.2	12.4	18.0	0.0
Sugar (bagasse) energy development project	81.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Third education project	31.2	113.3	50.8	46.0	0.0
Vocational training	12.0	19.5	10.4	1.4	0.0
Technology development project	23.3	35. <del>9</del>	27.0	23.3	9.8
Higher- and technical education project	3.6	24.5	22.1	16.5	0.0
Freeport project	0.0	0.0	21.2	80.8	14.4
Sewerage and sanitation	0.0	0.0	8.0	11.4	29.6
Nordic Investment Bank/Development Fund	41.8	236.7	55.9	6.0	0.0
Environmental program	5.7	85.7	55. <del>9</del>	6.0	0.0
Fort George power station	36.1	150.9	0.0	0.0	0.0
Miscellaneous sources (international floating-rate note)	2,676.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total disbursements	3,040.6	915.9	530.7	463.9	410.5

Source: Ministry of Finance,

<sup>1/</sup> Fiscal year from July to June.

Table 30. Mauritius: Consolidated Monetary Survey, June 1996-December 2000

	1996 1997 1998 1999						
		June		June	Dec.	June	Dec.
			(In millions	of Mauritian	rupees)		
Net foreign assets	19,281	21,433	21,359	22,556	26,045	25,204	33,53
Monetary authorities	15,732	17,365	15,109	15,784	18,925	17,950	25,34
Commercial banks	3,548	4,068	6,249	6,772	7,120	7,254	8,18
Domestic credit	47,069	53,225	68,280	77,541	82,002	88,128	85,97
Claims on government (net)	14,876	15,864	17,495	15,924	17,715	18,503	13,58
Monetary authorities	1,871	914	2,583	4,476	2,220	2,980	-1,22
Commercial banks	13,005	14,950	14,912	11,448	15,495	15,522	14,81
Claims on private sector 1/	32,193	37,361	50,785	61,618	64,287	69,626	72,38
Broad money (M2)	55,450	60,343	70,836	80,172	86,853	88,910	94,87
Money (M1)	8,233	8,873	10,150	10,905	12,002	11,065	13,29
Quasi money	47,218	51,471	60,686	69,267	74,852	77,846	81,57
Money market instruments	0	215	0	0	0	0	
Other items (net)	10,8 <del>99</del>	14,100	18,802	19,925	21,193	24,421	24,63
		(Annua	al change in m	illions of Ma	auritian rupe	es)	
Net foreign assets	4,287	2,153	-75	1,197	6,131	2,648	7,48
Monetary authorities	3,828	1,633	-2,256	674	4,790	2,166	6,42
Commercial banks	459	520	2,181	523	1,342	482	1,06
Domestic credit	2,842	6,156	15,055	9,262	6,756	10,587	3,97
Claims on government (net)	1,256	988	1,631	-1,571	-453	2,579	-4,12
Claims on private sector 1/	1,586	5,168	13,424	10,832	7,209	8,008	8,10
Broad money (M2)	7,619	4,893	10,493	9,335	11,444	8,739	8,01
Money (M1)	101	640	1,278	755	412	160	1,29
Quasi money	7,518	4,253	9,216	8,581	11,032	8,579	6,72
			(Annual c	hange in per	cent)		
Domestic credit	6,4	13.1	28.3	13.6	9.0	13.7	4
Claims on government (net)	9.2	6.6	10.3	-9.0	-2.5	16.2	-23
Claims on private sector 1/	5.2	16.1	35.9	21.3	12.6	13.0	12
Broad money (M2)	15.9	8.8	17.4	13.2	15.2	10.9	9
Money (M1)	1.2	7.8	14.4	7.4	3.6	1.5	10
Quasi money	18.9	9.0	17.9	14.1	17.3	12.4	9
	(	Annual chang	e in percent o	f beginning-	of-period bro	ad money)	
Net foreign assets	9.0	3.9	-0,1	1.7	8.1	3.3	8
Domestic credit	5.9	11.1	24.9	13.1	9.0	13.2	4
Claims on government (net)	2.6	1.8	2.7	-2.2	-0.6	3.2	-4
Claims on private sector 1/	3.3	9.3	22.2	15.3	9.6	10.0	9
Broad money (M2)	15.9	8.8	17.4	13.2	15.2	10.9	9

Sources: Bank of Mauritius; and IMF staff estimates.

<sup>1/</sup> Including claims on public enterprises.

Table 31. Mauritius: Summary Accounts of the Bank of Mauritius, June 1996-December 2000

(In millions of Mauritian rupees; end of period)

	1996	1997	1998	199	9	200	0
		June		June	Dec.	June	Dec.
Net foreign assets	15,540	17,151	14,871	15,296	18,419	17,445	24,821
Foreign assets	15,562	17,168	14,897	15,314	18,425	17,455	24,840
Foreign liabilities	-22	-16	-26	-19	-6	-11	-19
Claims on government (net)	1,792	810	2,451	4,576	2,319	3,079	-1,128
Treasury bills	16	0	745	1,320	2,052	1,852	1,441
Government securities	602	429	161	3	56	47	46
Advances	1,097	326	1,458	3,162	81	1,089	671
Other 1/	134	134	134	134	134	134	134
Government deposits	-57	-79	<del>-4</del> 7	-42	-3	-43	-3,421
Claims on commercial banks	0	250	250	250	250	623	250
Reserve money	11,723	11,208	8,580	10,344	10,522	9,765	11,764
Currency outside banks	4,162	4,307	4,651	4,876	6,127	5,172	6,648
Currency with banks	832	1,168	1,384	2,000	3,010	1,557	2,506
Bankers' deposits	5,574	4,243	2,536	3,448	1,356	3,024	2,524
Of which: non-interest-bearing deposits	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Banks' holdings of Bank of Mauritius bills	1,142	1,487	0	0	0	0	0
Private sector demand deposits	14	4	9	21	30	12	86
Money market instruments	0	215	0	0	0	0	0
Other items (net)	5,609	6,789	8,992	9,777	10,466	11,382	12,180
Memorandum items: Monetary authorities							
Reserve position with the Fund	192	214	238	488	506	505	526
Claims on government (net) 2/	1,871	914	2,583	4,476	2,220	2,980	-1,225

<sup>1/</sup> Use of SDRs (as shown in the accounts of the Bank of Mauritius) and Trust Fund borrowing.

<sup>2/</sup> Including transactions with the Fund (based on Fund records).

Table 32. Mauritius: Summary Accounts of Commercial Banks, June 1996-December 2000

(In millions of Mauritian rupees; end of period)

	1996	1997	1998	199	9	200	0
		June		June	Dec.	June	Dec.
Net foreign assets	3,548	4,068	6,249	6,772	7,120	7,254	8,188
Reserves	7,547	6,897	3,920	5,448	4,365	4,582	5,030
Of which: holdings of Bank of Mauritius bills	1,142	1,487	0	0	0	0	0
Claims on government (net)	13,005	14,950	14,912	11,448	15,495	15,522	14,810
Government securities	2,937	3,057	3,835	3,883	3,591	3,422	3,034
Treasury bills	10,685	12,495	11,368	7,959	11,939	12,706	11,967
Loans and advances	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
State Trading Corporation rice and flour credit	0	142	153	83	229	1	0
Government deposits	-617	-743	-444	-477	-264	-606	-191
Claims on private sector	32,055	37,208	49,941	60,106	62,521	67,272	70,570
Sugar industry	1,870	2,286	3,077	3,437	2,985	4,035	4,536
Export processing zone	4,792	5,422	5,859	5,958	5,588	6,037	6,292
Other industries	6,008	6,117	7,157	7,433	7,461	7,902	8,577
Personal, professional, and housing	7,008	7,973	10,726	12,955	13,360	13,413	13,993
Traders	5,812	6,636	8,490	9,815	9,542	8,990	9,285
Others	6,565	8,774	14,633	20,508	23,585	26,894	27,888
Claims on other banklike institutions	139	154	844	1,511	1,766	2,354	1,817
Demand deposits	4,057	4,562	5,490	5,293	5,845	5,881	6,564
Time and savings deposits	47,218	51,471	60,686	69,267	74,852	77,846	81,574
Credit from the Bank of Mauritius	0	250	250	250	250	623	250
Other items (net)	5,020	6,994	9,441	9,760	10,320	12,633	12,027

Table 33. Mauritius: Summary Accounts of Offshore Banks, 1996-2000

(In millions of U.S. dollars; end of period)

	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000		
	December						
Assets	867.6	913.8	1,780.7	3,121.1	4,024.8		
Amounts due from banks	685.1	654.2	1,249.7	2,127.1	2,242.3		
Loans and advances	142.2	218.1	462.5	883.5	1,538.4		
Fixed assets	0.6	0.8	1.0	1.4	1.4		
Other assets	39.7	40.6	67.5	109.1	242.7		
Liabilities	867.6	913.8	1,780.7	3,121.1	4,024.8		
Capital/paid-up capital	27.7	32.0	98.5	140.0	156.8		
Nonbank deposits	516.7	669.4	882.9	1,334.3	1,693.0		
Deposits and balances of other banks	300.8	190.3	568.8	1,287.7	1,687.6		
Other liabilities	22.4	22.1	230.4	359.0	487.4		
Contingent liabilities	120.1	110.4	155.9	282.9	399.3		

Table 34. Mauritius: Principal Interest Rates, 1996-2000

(In percent per annum)

	June	1996	June	1997	June :	1998	June 1	999.	June 2	2000
	Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.
Lending rates										
Bank of Mauritius										
Bank rate	9.07	9,33	8.34	9.93	9.02	9.18	12,55	12.66	9.41	10.65
Rediscount facilities	10.57	10.83	9.84	11.43		•••	•	***	•••	•••
Lombard rate	447	***			•••	•••	***	•••		11.50
Commercial banks										
Mauritius Sugar Syndicate	11.00	16.75	11.00	13.00	11.00	13.00	12.00	13.50	9.50	12.50
Sugar industry	11.25	19.50	11.25	19.00	11.25	18.00	10.00	18.00	9.63	17.50
Other agriculture	11.00	19.50	11.50	19.50	11.50	19.50	11.25	19.50	10.00	18.50
Export processing zone	10.00	19.50	10.00	19.50	11.50	18.50	10.00	20.00	10.00	18.50
Development certificates	11.00	18.50	11.50	18.50	11.50	17.50	11.75	17,00	10.00	17.00
Small-scale industries	11.00	20.00	11.50	20.00	11.50	19.50	12.50	20.00	10.00	20.00
Transport	14,00	21.50	13.50	21.50	12.25	19.50	11.00	19,50	11.00	19.50
Hotels	14,00	20.50	14.00	18.50	12.50	18.00	12.50	18.50	11.00	18.00
Other industries and manufacturers	11.50	20,50	13.00	20.00	12.50	19.50	10.75	20.50	10.00	19.50
Statutory and parastatal bodies	15.00	20.50	15.00	18.50	13.00	16.50	12.50	16.50	11.25	15.50
Housing	14.00	20.50	13.50	20.50	11.50	19.50	12.00	20.50	10.00	20.50
Traders	14.00	22.75	10.00	21.00	14.00	21.00	10.00	20.50	10.00	20.50
Stockbrokers	17.00	22.00	17.50	19.00	16.00	17.50	11.00	18.50	13.75	16.50
Financial institutions	16.00	22.00	17.50	19.00	16.00	17.50	12.00	18.50	12.00	17.00
Personal and professional	12.00	24.50	13.50	21.75	13.50	19.50	10.00	24.00	10.00	20.50
Other customers	14.50	22.00	12.00	19.50	14.50	19.50	10.00	20.50	10.00	20.50
Deposit rates	-									
Savings	8,00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	9.00	9.00	6.50	8.50
Seven days' notice	8.00	10.00	8.00	10.00	8.00	9,00	8.25	10.00	5.75	9.25
Fixed deposits										
Up to 3 months	8.00	9.50	8.00	9.50	8.00	10.00	9.00	11,50	6.50	9.87
Exceeding 3 and up to 6 months	8.13	11.25	8.13	11.25	8.00	10.00	9.00	11.25	6.50	9.75
Exceeding 6 and up to 12 months	8,25	11.33	8.25	12.50	8.25	10.00	9.00	12.00	6.88	10.75
Exceeding 12 and up to 18 months	8.37	12.50	8.25	12.50	8.37	10.00	9.50	12.00	7.50	10.00
Exceeding 18 and up to 24 months	8.50	12.50	8.25	12.00	8.50	10.00	9.38	11.50	7.50	10.50
Exceeding 24 and up to 36 months	8.50	12.50	8.25	12.00	8.25	10.00	9.63	12.00	8.00	11.00
Exceeding 36 and up to 48 months	8.50	13.00	8.25	13.00	9.00	11.00	9.63	12.00	8.00	11.25
Over 48 months	8.50	14.50	8.25	14.50	9.00	14.00	9.75	11.25	8.75	10.00
Treasury bill rate 1/										
3 month	8.97		8.74		9.15		12.77		8.93	
6 month	8.98		8.85		9.04		12.98		10.25	
12 month	8.92		9.02		9.02		13.10		10.55	

<sup>1/</sup> Rates quoted are the monthly weighted-average yields on treasury and/or Bank of Mauritius bills auctioned.

Table 35. Mauritius: Balance of Payments, 1995/96-1999/2000 1/

(In millions of Mauritian rupees)

	1995/96	1996/97	1997/98	1998/99	1999/00 Est
Current account	-428	349	-2,617	-1,620	582
Goods	-5,653	-5,419	-9,274	-9,071	-11,530
Exports, f.o.b.	29,253	33,131	36,277	41,702	38,917
Sugar	6,701	8,013	8,089	9,226	5,479
Export processing zone (EPZ)	19,581	21,992	24,121	28,179	29,980
Other	2,971	3,126	4,067	4,297	3,458
Imports, f.o.b	-34,906	-38,550	-45,551	-50,773	-50,447
Imports, c.i.f	-37,704	-41,878	-49,322	-54,076	-54,966
Rice and flour	-975	-1,163	-1,187	-1,106	-1,245
Petroleum	-2,373	-3,081	-2,833	-2,700	-4,528
EPZ	-11,552	-12,632	-15,563	-16,175	-15,790
Other	-22,804	-25,002	-29,739	-34,095	-33,403
Of which: aircraft and ships	-789	-800	-2,473	-2,700	0
Services (net)	3,804	3,912	4,364	5,771	10,798
Transportation	-1,148	-1.533	1 002	1.007	1 220
Credit	3,630	4,021	-1,893 4,688	-1,006 5,060	-1,539
Debit	-4,778	-5,554	-6,581	5,060 -6,066	5,789 -7,328
Travel	5,345	5,892	6,956	8,127	9,605
Credit	8,094	9,408	11,026	12,764	
Debit	-2,749	-3,516	-4,070	-4,637	14,344 -4,739
Other services	-393	-447	-699	-1,350	2,732
Credit	3,202	3,605	4,682	6,211	8,796
Debit	-3,595	-4,052	-5,381	-7,561	-6,064
Income	-611	-398	41.6		
Credit	644	921	-416	-589	-895
Debit	-1,255	-1,319	1,127 -1,543	967 -1,556	776 -1,671
Current transfers (net)	2,032	2,254	2,709	2,269	2,209
	5,000	2,40	2,102	2,209	2,209
Capital and financial account	-1,355	-850	1,667	584	-4,482
Capital account	-11	-11	-15	-16	-12
Financial account	-1,344	-839	1,682	600	-4,470
Direct investment	557	87	1,012	758	311
Abroad	-70	-41	-22 i	0	-312
In Mauritius	627	128	1,233	758	623
Portfolio investment (net)	3,195	-5	-636	714	-309
Other investment	-1,268	712	-950	-198	-2,306
Assets	-67	228	-2,530	-2,7 <del>9</del> 9	-2,500 -609
Liabilities	-1,201	484	1,580	2,601	-1,697
Long-term liabilities	-1,018	746	1,314	552	-1,824
Government (net)	-303	198	-275	-372	-510
Other public sector (net)	-417	785	1,851	1,354	-1,081
Other long-term liabilities	-298	-237	-262	-430	-233
Short-term liabilities	-183	-262	266	2,049	127
Reserve assets (increase -)	-3,828	-1,633	2,256	-674	-2,166
Net errors and omissions	1,783	501	950	1,036	3,900

Sources: Bank of Mauritius; Ministry of Finance; and IMF staff estimates.

<sup>1/</sup> Fiscal year from July to June.

Table 36. Mauritius: Principal Merchandise Trade, Price Indices, and Terms of Trade, 1996-2000

	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000 Prov.
		(In millions	of Mauritian	rupees)	
Total exports, f.o.b.	31,676	33,018	39,329	39,160	39,290
Sugar	8,347	7,495	8,907	7,602	5,539
Export processing zone (EPZ)	21,000	23,049	26,075	29,131	31,174
Cut flowers (non-EPZ)	127	123	136	124	133
Chemicals (non-EPZ)	146	157	203	242	312
Other	1,156	1,064	2,441	606	668
Reexports	900	1,130	1,567	1,455	1,464
Total imports, c.i.f.	41,082	46,093	49,742	53,929	54,729
Food and live animals	5,845	6,091	6,826	6,761	6,924
Beverages and tobacco	212	262	312	527	366
Crude materials, except fuels	1,598	1,567	1,931	1,667	1,653
Mineral fuels, lubricants, etc.	3,211	3,471	3,145	4,046	6,415
Animal and vegetable oils and fats	464	484	594	569	454
Chemicals	3,164	3,340	3,890	3,882	4,241
Manufactured goods	13,708	14,947	17,251	17,036	17,541
Machinery and transport equipment	9,195	11,702	11,369	14,445	12,368
Miscellaneous manufactures	3,271	3,804	4,233	4,842	4,682
Other	414	425	191	154	85
	(Inc	lex, 1992=10	00; in Mauri	tian rupees)	
Price indices					
Unit value of exports	134	140	160	158	157
Unit value of imports	135	138	146	156	161
Terms of trade	99	101	109	101	97
Memorandum items:	(	(In millions	of Mauritian	rupees)	
Ships' stores and bunkers					
Exports, f.o.b.	636	600	722	865	1,774
Imports, c.i.f.	0	0	0	0	0

Source: Central Statistical Office.

Table 37. Mauritius: Pattern of Trade and Direction of Exports of the Export Processing Zone (EPZ), 1996-2000

(In millions of Mauritian rupees)

	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000 Prov.
Total EPZ exports by commodities, f.o.b.	21,000	23,049	26,075	29,131	31,174
Clothing	16,187	18,142	21,121	23,003	24,797
Other textiles	1,447	1,310	1,062	1,829	1,916
Pearls and precious stones	509	476	446	624	822
Watches and clocks	405	409	508	585	498
Optical goods	211	213	206	204	179
Toys, games, and sporting goods	194	104	78	165	179
Jewelry, gold, and silver goods	286	291	327	361	444
Fish and fish preparations	719	894	939	952	944
Other	1,042	1,210	1,388	1,408	1,395
Total EPZ exports by direction of exports,	21,000	23,049	26,075	29,131	31,174
European Union (EU) countries	15,114	16,304	17,690	19,214	19,912
Belgium	651	599	647	833	808
France	5,762	5,669	6,259	6,911	7,544
Germany	1,607	1,630	1,922	1,567	1,341
Netherlands	685	644	784	886	604
Sweden	117	146	134	108	155
United Kingdom	4,233	5,341	5,488	6,289	6,648
Other	2,059	2,275	2,456	2,620	2,812
Non-EU countries	5,886	6,745	8,385	9,917	11,262
Hong Kong S.A.R.	160	98	87	98	125
United States	3,787	4,354	6,053	6,824	7,857
Other	1,939	2,293	2,245	2,995	3,280
Total EPZ imports by commodities, c.i.f.	12,077	13,880	16,179	15,735	16,331
Materials	10,960	12,442	14,693	13,891	14,635
Yarn and fabrics	6,643	7,520	8,888	8,931	9,290
Other	4,317	4,922	5,805	4,960	5,345
Machinery	1,117	1,438	1,486	1,844	1,696

Source: Central Statistical Office.

Table 38. Mauritius: Medium- and Long-Term External Debt, June 1996-December 2000 1/

(In millions of Mauritian rupees; end of period)

	1996	1997	1998	199	9	200	0
		June		June	Dec.	June	Dec. Prov.
<b>Fotal</b>	23,856	25,503	29,694	30,454	29,907	28,767	27,989
Public sector	19,411	21,295	25,748	26,938	26,440	25,483	24,687
Central government	9,207	9,666	10,751	10,037	10,006	9,891	6,795
International agencies	3,775	3,981	4,332	4,284	4,226	4,197	4,176
IMF credit	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	3,775	3,981	4,332	4,284	4,226	4,197	4,176
Governments	2,323	2,461	2,673	2,701	2,701	2,541	2,538
Other lenders	3,109	3,224	3,746	3,052	3,079	3,153	81
Parastatal bodies	10,204	11,629	14,997	16,901	16,434	15,592	17,892
International agencies	897	1,267	1,629	1,953	2,007	1,899	1,940
Governments	5,538	5,393	5,889	5,846	5,377	5,159	5,234
Other lenders	3,769	4,969	7,479	9,102	9,050	8,534	10,718
Private sector	4,445	4,208	3,946	3,516	3,467	3,284	3,302

Source: Ministry of Finance.

<sup>1/</sup> Disbursed debt outstanding with a maturity exceeding one year.

Table 39. Mauritius: External Debt-Service Payments, 1995/96-1999/2000 1/

	1995/96	1996/97	1997/98	1998/99	1999/00 Prov.
	(Ir	millions of	Mauritian r	upees)	
Government loans (1)	1,088	1,213	1,334	2,147	1,385
Principal	666	718	805	1,634	920
Interest and other charges	422	495	529	513	465
Parastatal bodies (2)	1,711	1,509	2,169	2,318	3,574
Principal	1,122	937	1,452	1,500	2,670
Interest and other charges	589	572	717	818	904
Total public debt (1+2)	2,799	2,722	3,503	4,465	4,959
Principal	1,788	1,655	2,257	3,134	3,590
Interest and other charges	1,011	1,067	1,246	1,331	1,369
Private sector debt (3)	1,162	670	470	505	264
Principal	1,030	580	422	469	256
Interest and other charges	132	90	48	36	8
Debt service, excluding IMF (1+2+3)	3,961	3,392	3,973	4,970	5,223
Principal	2,818	2,235	2,679	3,603	3,846
Interest and other charges	1,143	1,157	1,294	1,367	1,377
International Monetary Fund (4)	0	0	0	0	0
Principal	0	0	0	0	0
Interest and other charges	0	0	0	0	0
Total debt service (1+2+3+4)	3,961	3,392	3,973	4,970	5,223
Principal	2,818	2,235	2,679	3,603	3,846
Interest and other charges	1,143	1,157	1,294	1,367	1,377
	(In perce	ent of export	s of goods a	nd services	)
Debt-service ratios					
Total debt service (including IMF)	9.0	6.8	7.0	7.6	7.7
Principal	6.4	4.5	4.7	5.5	5.7
Interest and other charges	2.6	2.3	2.3	2.1	2.0
	(In	millions of	Mauritian r	upees)	
Memorandum item: Exports of goods and services	44,179	50,165	56,673	65,737	67,846

Sources: Ministry of Finance; and Bank of Mauritius.

<sup>1/</sup> Service payments on medium- and long-term external debt; fiscal year from July to June.

Table 40. Mauritius: Effective Exchange Rate Indices, 1990-2000

(1990=100; period averages)

	Nominal Effective Exchange Rate Index	Real Effective Exchange Rate Index	Consumer Price Index	Relative Price Index
1990	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1991	96.7	98.7	107.0	102.0
1992	94.9	97.0	112.0	102.2
993	89.6	97.6	123.8	109.0
994	87.2	98.6	132.8	113.1
995	83.3	96.7	140.8	116.1
996	77.3	93.1	150.1	120.4
997	79.0	99.2	160.3	125.5
998	72.7	95.6	171.2	131.5
999	70.3	97.8	183.0	139.1
2000	73.2	104.0	190.7	142.0
998 I	77.1	98.8	165.7	128.1
998 II	73.3	95.7	169.5	130.5
998 III	72.4	95.8	172.5	132.2
998 IV	68.0	92.0	177.1	135.3
999 I	69.3	94.9	179.4	137.0
999 II	71.1	98.5	182.0	138.5
.999 III	70.7	99.1	184.5	140.1
999 IV	70.2	98.9	186.3	140.9
2000 I	71.6	101.3	188.2	141.4
2000 II	73.6	104.1	189.3	141.4
2000 III	74.2	104.5	189.9	140.9
2000 IV	73.4	105.9	195.5	144.2
2000 January	70.5	99.5	187.3	141.1
2000 February	71.8	101.7	188.2	141.5
2000 March	72.5	102.8	189.2	141.7
2000 April	73.1	103.7	189.4	141.7
000 May	75.1	106.6	189.9	141.9
2000 June	72.7	102.1	188.6	140.5
000 July	72.8	102.7	189.7	141.0
000 August	74.1	104.7	190.1	141.2
000 September	75.6	106.3	190.1	140.6
2000 October	75.6	108.8	194.8	144.0
2000 November	73.8	106.2	195.3	143.9
2000 December	71.0	102.6	196.3	144.6

Source: IMF, Information Notice System.

	Nature of Tax	Deductions and Exemptions	Tax Rate	
1. Taxes on income and profits (The Income Tax Act)	Income tax for companies and individuals is payable on income derived during the preceding year. A nonresident is liable only on income derived from Mauritius.	Income accruing to charitable institutions, various sugar industry funds, local authorities, trade unions, and benevolent associations is exempted.		
1.1 Companies	Corporate tax is applicable to companies, unit trust schemes, trusts, and nonresident sociétés.  Chargeable income includes distributed dividends that are not subject to income tax in the hands of the recipient.  Nonresident sociétés are liable to income tax as if they were companies.  Resident sociétés are not liable to income tax, but the associates are taxable on their share of income from the société, whether the income is distributed or not.	For companies, capital expenditure for agricultural improvement is deductible in full. Companies are also entitled to generous capital allowances: 5-100 percent annual allowance on straight-line method. In addition, there is an investment allowance of 25 percent. Previous year's losses; expenditure on repair of premises or plant; donations to approved charitable institutions up to a certain maximum; contributions to the National Pension Fund and Employee Share Scheme; and 100 percent investment allowance on the acquisition of new plant and machinery for investments in Rodrigues are all deductible.  Additional investment allowance of 25 percent is granted on capital expenditure incurred by manufacturing companies on the acquisition of state-of-the-art technological equipment up to June 30, 2002.  The following deductions are also available in respect of:  (a) investment in start-up companies	Item General rate Incentive rate (under the Development Incentives Act, the Industrial Expansion Act 1993, etc.), as well as authorized mutual fund investment trust companies, trustees of unit trust and companies engaged in agricultural manufacturing, and tourism sectors, which do not hold an incentive certificate. Unit trusts Offshore companies (incorporated prior to July 1, 1998) Offshore companies (incorporated on or after July 1, 1998)	Rate 25 percent 15 percent 0-25 percent (at taxpayer's option) 15 percent
		for a period of three years;		

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Tax	Nature of Tax	Deductions and Exemptions	Tax Rate	
444		(b) expenditure incurred by companies in the setting up of approved social infrastructure for the benefit of the community; and	Less: investment tax credit at 10 percent of the amount subscribed to share capital of tax incentive or Stock Exchange companies for three	
1.2 Kadiwidando		(c)- contributions made by companies towards the provision of national ambulance services.  Exemptions are granted for (a) royalties payable to nonresidents by offshore corporations; and (b) for dividends from resident companies.	years (maximum credit of 300,000 per annum). The credit is limited to such an extent that the tax payable after the credit should not be less than 15 percent of the chargeable income.	
1.2 Individuals	Income tax is payable on income derived from any source. In general, a resident domiciled in Mauritius is liable on income derived domestically or from abroad except for earned income, where only the amounts remitted to the taxpayer enter the tax base. A taxpayer having	Exempt income includes death gratuities; gains from sale of units or securities quoted on the stock exchange; the first 75,000 of bank interest; dividends paid by resident companies; and income from the first 60 tons of sugar produced (i.e., by small planters).	Chargeable income First 25,000 Remainder	Rate 15 percent 25 percent
	a foreign domicile but resident in Mauritius is liable to tax in Mauritius in respect of his foreign income, but will be entitled to credit for foreign tax.	Deductions from income include interest paid on mortgage or secured loans; previous year's losses; pension contributions; life insurance premiums; premiums on personal pension schemes; and investment relief, which is a deduction of 40 percent (maximum 75,000) of the amount subscribed to share capital of tax incentive or stock exchange companies.		

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Tax	Nature of Tax	Deductions and Exemptions	Tax Rate
		Personal and family deductions are the following:	
		for personal, 65,000; for dependent spouse, 50,000; and for children (maximum of three)	
		(a) 20,000 per child under 18,	
		(b) 30,000 per child attending vocational training (local),	
		(c) maximum 8,000 per dependent child for education,	
		(d) 50,000 per child at university (local), and	
		(e) 100,000 per child at university (abroad), plus	
		(f) an additional 50,000 per dependent handicapped child.	
		Additional deductions include 25,000 for self, part of medical expenses; premiums on personal pension schemes; on retirement	
		annuity and contribution to medical schemes up to 20% of net income;	
		interest relief on secured loans for purchase of land for construction or	
		for purchase, construction, or improvement of residence, and relief	
		for investment in savings plan up to 50,000. Investment relief up to	
		50,000 plus full amount of net new purchases of any shares listed on the	
		stock exchange up to 10,000; donations to charitable institutions up	

to 20,000.

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residential property, registration duty

is reduced by 100,000;

_	(An amounts in	n Mauritian rupees, unless otherwise indica
Tax	Nature of Tax	Deductions and Exemptions
Taxes on property     Registration duty	The duty is levied upon registration or transfer of immovable property based on value of property transferred.	Under the Sugar Sector Package Deal Act—Act 2 of 1985 as amended by Act 6 of 1990 and Act 23 of 1992— certain conditions are specified:
		<ul> <li>(a) where land under cane cultivation is transferred, registration duty at 6 percent and no surcharge is payable;</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>(b) where land transferred is within or will be included in a land area management unit, registration duty at 2 percent and no surcharge is payable; and</li> </ul>
1		(c) where land is transferred by a planter to a tenant, registration duty at 2 percent and no surcharge is payable.
		Under Act 25 of 1993 as amended by Act 18 of 1999, certain conditions are specified:
		(a) where bare land in a residential area is acquired for the construction of a building by an individual not already owner of a residential property, registration duty is reduced by 100,000;
		(b) where a right to construct a building on top on an existing building (droit de surelevation) together with a fraction of the ownership of the ground, is acquired by an individual not already owner of

Where value of immovable property transferred does not exceed 100,000, 10 percent plus 10 percent surcharge on value of immovable property

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transferred is charged.

Where value of immovable property transferred exceeds 100,000, 12 percent plus 10 percent surcharge on value of immovable property transferred is charged.

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Tax Nature of Tax **Deductions and Exemptions** Tax Rate (c) where a residential lot in a building that has been subject to a duly registered and transcribed deed witnessing a "règlement de copropriété" in accordance with Article 664 and 664-1 to 664-94 of the Code Napoleon is acquired by an individual not already owner of a residential building, registration duty is reduced by 110,000; and (d) where a portion of land, whether freehold or leasehold with a residential building thereon, is acquired by an individual not already owner of a residential building, registration is reduced by 110,000. 50 Under Act 25 of 1994, where immovable property is transferred to a company holding a housing development certificate, duty is

reduced by 75 percent.

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Гах	Nature of Tax	Deductions and Exemptions	Tax Rate	
		Where property is transferred without consideration between parties other than ascendants and descendants.	Property value Not exceeding 15,000 Exceeding	Rate 10 percent
		Under Act 25 of 1994, no tax is applied where a property is transferred	15,000 but not exceeding 20,000 20,000 but not exceeding 50,000 50,000 but not exceeding 150,000 150,000 but not exceeding 250,000 250,000 but not exceeding 500,000 500,000 but not exceeding 700,000 700,000 but not exceeding 1,000,000 1,000,000 but not exceeding 2,000,000 2,000,000 but not exceeding 5,000,000 5,000,000 Plus surcharge on value of immovable property transferred	12½ percent 15 percent 18 percent 21 percent 24 percent 27 percent 30 percent 40 percent 45 percent
		(a) between ascendant and descendant or the latter's spouse or surviving spouse;		
		<ul> <li>(b) between the heirs of a deceased person when that property was acquired by inheritance from that person;</li> <li>(c) between spouses;</li> </ul>		
		(d) to a charitable trust under the Trust Act 1989;		
		(e) to a religious body under the Registration Duty Act; and (f) by the Sugar Industry Labor Welfare Fund to a worker who is duly certified as such in the deed of transfer.		

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Nature of Tax	Deductions and Exemptions	Tax Rate	
This tax is payable on the transfer of inmovable property based on the	Where the last transfer was affected	On value of immovable property	Rate
value of the property transferred.	75,000 is exempted.	If held five years or more If held less than five years	5 percent 10 percent
	Under the Sugar Sector Package Deal Act 2 of 1985, as amended by Act 6 of 1990 and Act 23 of 1992, on certain conditions specified under the act, the land transfer tax is totally exempted.	• •	10 portoun
	Under Act 19 of 1986, on certain conditions specified under the act, transfer of a lot excised from a larger portion of land by a partnership or company registered with the Sugar Insurance Fund to a worker is totally exempt from land transfer tax.		
	Total exemption of land transfer tax is also granted where property is transferred		
	(a) between ascendant and descendant or the latter's spouse or surviving spouse;		
	(b) to a charitable trust under the Trust Act of 1989;		
	(c) to a religious body under the Registration Duty Act;		
	Welfare Fund to a worker who is duly certified as such in the deed of		
	development certificate under		
	This tax is payable on the transfer of inmovable property based on the value of the property transferred.	This tax is payable on the transfer of inmovable property based on the value of the property transferred.  Where the last transfer was affected prior to July 16, 1984, the value of 75,000 is exempted.  Under the Sugar Sector Package Deal Act 2 of 1985, as amended by Act 6 of 1990 and Act 23 of 1992, on certain conditions specified under the act, the land transfer tax is totally exempted.  Under Act 19 of 1986, on certain conditions specified under the act, transfer of a lot excised from a larger portion of land by a partnership or company registered with the Sugar Insurance Fund to a worker is totally exempt from land transfer tax.  Total exemption of land transfer tax is also granted where property is transferred  (a) between ascendant and descendant or the latter's spouse or surviving spouse;  (b) to a charitable trust under the Trust Act of 1989;  (c) to a religious body under the Registration Duty Act;  (d) by the Sugar Industry Labor	This tax is payable on the transfer of inmovable property based on the value of the property transferred.  Where the last transfer was affected prior to July 16, 1984, the value of 75,000 is exempted.  Under the Sugar Sector Package Deal Act 2 of 1985, as amended by Act 6 of 1990 and Act 23 of 1992, on certain conditions specified under the act, the land transfer tax is totally exempted.  Under Act 19 of 1986, on certain conditions specified under the act, transfer of a lot excised from a larger portion of land by a partnership or company registered with the Sugar Insurance Fund to a worker is totally exempt from land transfer tax is also granted where property is transferred  (a) between ascendant and descendant or the latter's spouse or surviving spouse;  (b) to a charitable trust under the Trust Act of 1989;  (c) to a religious body under the Registration Duty Act;  (d) by the Sugar Industry Labor Welfare Fund to a worker who is duly certified as such in the deed of transfer;  (e) by a company holding a housing development certificate under

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		(f) in respect of a right to construct a building on top of an existing building (droit de surélévation), together with a fraction of the ownership of the ground, and where certain conditions under Section 45 A (2) are fulfilled; and		
		(g) by a transferor who has acquired the property to be transferred through inheritance from his spouse, an ascendant, a descendant, a brother, or a sister.		
2.3 Morcellement fee	This fee is levied on any lot of land parceled out.	Exemptions include land under sugar cane cultivation (up to 25 acres).	For residential, commercial, or industrial purposes Per sq. meter	6.00
			For agricultural purposes Per sq. meter	2.50
2.4 Land conversion tax	A tax is levied on conversion of agricultural land to other uses.	Exemptions are granted for approved housing schemes, agro-industry, and community benefit. A housing development company pays half the rate.	Depending on area converted and category of conversion Per hectare	0-3.5 million
2.5 Camping (campement site) tax	This tax is levied on the use of land as a camping site.	Under the Campement Site Tax (Exemption) Regulations of 1985, certain conditions are specified:	Annual tax according to zone Per sq. meter	2.00-6.00
		(a) exemption is granted from payment of tax where the site is occupied as a sole residence or used exclusively for agricultural or grazing purposes; and		
		(b) part of camping site is exempted from tax where the site is crossed by a public road.		

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Tax	Nature of Tax	Deductions and Exemptions	Tax R	ate
2.6 Capital gains (morcellement) tax	This tax is imposed on the transfer of any lot in land parceled out.	The following are exempted:	Surcharge	Rate
(moreucinem) tax	any for in fairt parceied out.	(a) immovable property within 500 meters from the high-water mark of the seacoast up to 1,000 sq. meters;	Between the selling price and the purchase price	20-30 percent plus 20 percent surcharge
		(b) immovable property within the limits of a town, up to 2,000 sq. meters; and		
	•	(c) other immovable property, up to 4,000 sq. meters.		
		Under the Sugar Sector Package Deal Act – Act 2 of 1985 as amended by Act 6 of 1990 and Act 23 of 1992—		
		certain conditions are specified for total exemption of capital gains tax.		
•		Under Act 19 of 1986, certain conditions specify that the transfer of a lot excised from a larger portion of land by a partnership or company registered with the Sugar Insurance Fund Board to a worker is totally exempt from the capital gains tax.		
		Total exemption from capital gains tax is also granted where property is transferred		
		(a) between ascendant and descendant;		
		(b) by the Sugar Industry Labor Welfare Fund to a worker who is duly certified as such in the deed of transfer; and		

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(c) by a transferror who has acquired the property to be transferred through inheritance from his spouse, an ascendant, a descendant, a brother or a sister.  2.7 Taxes on transfer of lease contracts for state land from one lessee to another.  Under Act 9 of 1997 (Tax on Transfer of Leasehold Rights in State Land), no tax is applied where a property is transferred  (a) between ascendant and descendant or the latter's spouse or surviving spouse;  (b) between the heirs of a deceased person, when that property was acquired by inheritance from that person;  (c) to a charitable trust under the	ax	Nature of Tax	Deductions and Exemptions	Tax Rate	
lease contracts for state land from state  lease contracts for state land from one lessee to another.  Ceneral rate on the value of the leasehold Rights in State Land), no tax is applied where a property is transferred  (a) between ascendant and descendant or the latter's spouse or surviving spouse;  (b) between the heirs of a deceased person, when that property was acquired by inheritance from that person;  (c) to a charitable trust under the			the property to be transferred through inheritance from his spouse, an ascendant, a descendant, a brother or		
descendant or the latter's spouse or surviving spouse;  (b) between the heirs of a deceased person, when that property was acquired by inheritance from that person;  (c) to a charitable trust under the	leasehold rights in	lease contracts for state land from	Transfer of Leasehold Rights in State Land), no tax is applied where a		20 percent
person, when that property was acquired by inheritance from that person; (c) to a charitable trust under the			descendant or the latter's spouse or		
			person, when that property was acquired by inheritance from that		
			(c) to a charitable trust under the Trusts Act 1989; or		
(d) to a religious body under the Registration Duty Act.					

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Tax	Nature of Tax	Deductions and Exemptions	Tax Rate	
3. Taxes on domestic goods and services	Who have been seen as a second		1ax Rate	
3.1 Value-added tax (VAT)	VAT was introduced in Mauritius as from September 7, 1998 in replacement of the sales tax on goods. A broadly based ad valorem tax is chargeable on the supply of goods and services in Mauritius, including the island of Rodrigues, and on the importation of goods and services into Mauritius. Exports are zero rated.	VAT borne on inputs is generally allowed to be set off against VAT on outputs, but there are some exceptions, like tax on motor cars, gas oil and fuel oil, and entertainment expenses. Goods and services exempted from VAT include basic foodstuffs, unprocessed agricultural products, milk, books, medicines, medical and dental services, fishing vessels and aircrafts, fertilizers, animal feed, transport of passengers and goods by sea or air, educational and training services, financial services, the sale of land, and the sale or transfer of buildings for residential purposes. Companies with annual turnover of taxable supplies below 3 million are exempt. Input VAT allowable is apportioned between taxable and exempt supplies.  Since October 2000, electricity and water for household, and for agricultural irrigation are zero rated.	Single rate of 10 percent.	
3.2 Excise taxes 3.2.1 Tobacco & cigarettes 3.2.2 Alcohol and alcoholic beverages	Cigarettes are taxed ad valorem.  Locally produced alcohol and alcoholic beverages are taxed at different rates, both on a volume basis and ad valorem. Coverage includes products blended and bottled from imported stock.	Liquor (final product) imported in bottles is not excisable. Vinegar, nonbrewed condiments, alcohol for heating, and power alcohol are duty free.	<u>Item</u> Cigarettes	Rate 225 percent

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Тах	Nature of Tax	Deductions and Exemptions	Tax Rate	
			Item Alcohol compounded, spirits, and	Rate
			rum Per volume percentage per liter Wine and country liquor,	1.22
			whichever is higher Per liter Ad valorem Other liquors admixed Spirits, gin, etc.	4.00 30 percent
			Per volume percentage per liter Aperitif, liquor	2.73
			Per volume percentage per liter Spirits (whiskies) per liter Beer and stout per liter Shandy per liter	1.72 4.68 11.00 9.00
			Alcohol for perfumes and cosmetics per liter	5.50
3.2.3 Automobiles	This tax is chargeable on any car manufactured locally, depending on engine capacity.	•		17-157 percent
3.3 Taxes on betting and gambling	Betting in casinos and gambling		<u>Item</u>	Rate
Famound	houses and on horse races, association football matches, and winnings from betting and sweepstakes is taxed.		Casinos and gambling houses, gross takings	Up to 50 percent
			Horse racing sweepstakes	
			Amount collected  Amount payable as winnings	15 percent 2 percent

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Тах	Nature of Tax	Deductions and Exemptions	Tax Rate	
			Bookmaker Per race meeting	Fixed duty of 9,000-18,000
			Amount payable on winnings Amount payable on winnings	10 percent 2 percent
			Totalizator	
			Amount collected on win and place bets	12 percent
			Amount collected on other bets	14 percent
			Pool betting	
			Pool promoter	
			Stake money collected	30 percent
,			Amount payable as winnings	10 percent
·			Agent of foreign pool promoter	
			Amount of stake money	10 percent
3.4 Company and com- mercial partnership	Annual fees charged for business and professional licenses.	Offshore companies are exempt.	4,000-9,000; aircraft refuelers 121	,000.

licenses

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Tax	Nature of Tax	Deductions and Exemptions	Tax Rate	
3.5 Gaming and betting licenses	Annual or seasonal fees charged for gaming and betting licenses for casinos, bookmakers, and gaming		<u>Operator</u> Bookmaker If inside stand:	Fee per season
	houses.		For first season (January 1—August 15);	150,000
			For second season (August 16-December 31);	150,000
			- For additional race, meeting - Per meeting	15,000
			If outside stand: For first season For second season	120,000 120,000
			For additional race meeting, Per meeting	12,000
			Gaming house	Annual fee
			For casino license and license A	400,000
			For license B	100,000
			For license C	8,000
			Per coin-operated gaming machine	20,000
			Totalizator	2,000
			Pari-mutuel organizer (half- yearly)	1,000
			Local pool promoter	3,630
			Agent for foreign pool promoter	
			Collector	3,630 151

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Гах	Nature of Tax	Deductions and Exemptions	Tax I	late
3.6 Motor vehicle taxes	Motor vehicles are subject to annual	Motor vehicles used within the	Item	Rate
	road license fees, and special trading license fees are applied to contract	owner's premises and by embassies are exempt.	Private automobiles	2,500–5,000
	cars and buses.	шо елетрі.	Taxis	1,250-2,500
			Contract cars	4,500-7,500
			Contract buses	2,200-3,300
	_		Lorries	1,800-13,200
	•		Motorcycles	400
			Autocycles	100

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Tax	Nature of Tax	Deductions and Exemptions	Tax Rate	_
4. Taxes on international trade 4.1 Taxes on imports				_
4.1.1 Customs tariff	Mauritius maintains a one-column tariff schedule based on the Harmonized System (HS) Nomenclature. Since July 1994, import customs duties, which account for the bulk of customs duty revenue, vary by HS classification. An additional 10 percent of import duties are leviable on all imports from nonpreferential countries and which attract import customs duties at the rate of 55 percent or over, i.c., generally other than from the Commonwealth, the European Union, and the United States. Import customs duties are in general ad valorem on c.i.f. values.	Exemptions include most food items, agricultural capital goods and specialized spare parts, fertilizers, sporting goods, machinery for the textile, leather, furniture, jewelry and printing industries; most primary and crude products used as raw materials (such as sheets, sections, and profiles of plastics, rubber, or metal) essential oils, plywood and particle boards; medical and laboratory equipment; energy-saving equipment, protective masks, burglar alarm and surveillance systems, fire-fighting equipment, lifts and escalators, vending machines, generators, electric drills, automatic data processing machines and their peripheral units, etc. Imports by factories operating under the EPZ, ESZ, or Industrial Expansion Acts are exempt. For non-EPZ firms, duty drawbacks are permitted on raw materials and intermediate goods used to produce goods for export.	Import customs duties consist of nine tax rates: 0, 5, 10, 15, 20, 30, 40, 55, and 80 percent, respectively.	
4.1.2 Import excise duty	Excise is levied on alcoholic beverages, spirits, tobacco products, petroleum products, motor cars, and furniture, and payable on customs clearance.	Exemptions are granted for returning residents and manufacturers of motor cars; exemptions or concessions are also granted for taxis, tour operators, and civil servants, as well as vegetable growers and religious bodies.	On c.i.f. value 15-400 percent	

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Гах	Nature of Tax  Documents presented for registration with the Registrar-General or deposited with the Conservator of Mortgages for transcription, inscription, or erasure of inscription are taxed.	Deductions and Exemptions	Tax Rate	
5. Other taxes				
5.1 Stamp duty			15 per sheet.	
6. Environment protection fee	Tax is levied on the monthly turnover of hotels and boarding houses.		On monthly turnover	0.75 percent