

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3736  
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WORK FORCE IN ORGANISED AND UNORGANISED SECTOR  
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**Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) the number of the work force employed at present in the retail sector;
- (b) the number of workers engaged by type of enterprises in the organised and unorganised retail sector separately, State-wise;
- (c) whether the self-employment in this sector is increasing; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES)

(a) Reliable estimates of employment and unemployment are obtained through quinquennial labour force surveys conducted by National Sample Survey Organisation. Last such survey, for which results are available, was conducted during 2004-05. Estimated number of the work force employed in the retail trade (except of motor vehicles and motor cycles, repair of personal and house hold goods) as per usual status basis was estimated to be in the order of 33.51 million during 2004-05.

(b) State-wise percentage of work force employed in trade, hotels & restaurant (industry division 50 to 55) as per usual status basis during 2004-05 is given in annexure.

(c & d) Estimated number of workers engaged in self-employment for the economy as a whole has gone up from 21.0 crore in 1999-2000 to 26.1 crore in 2004-05.

**ANNEXURE**

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (b) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3736 FOR REPLY ON 18-12-2006.

Percentage of workers employed in Trade, Hotel & Restaurant (industry division 50 to 55 in organised and unorganised sector combined) as per usual status basis during 2004-05

Sl.No. State/Union Territory Percentage of workers employed  
in Retail Trade  
Rural Urban

1. Andhra Pradesh	6.6	24.7
2. Arunachal Pradesh	2.3	23.2
3. Assam	9.0	27.6
4. Bihar	7.5	32.9
5. Chhattisgarh	2.9	26.2
6. Delhi	35.4	26.8
7. Goa	20.7	23.1
8. Gujarat	4.7	23.4
9. Haryana	7.5	25.3
10. Himachal Pradesh	4.3	24.9
11. Jammu & Kashmir	5.0	21.5
12. Jharkhund	4.8	24.1
13. Karnataka	4.5	26.9
14. Kerala	12.2	22.5
15. Madhya Pradesh	4.0	25.4
16. Maharashtra	4.7	23.1
17. Manipur	6.6	20.0
18. Meghalaya	5.5	15.2
19. Mizoram	3.5	17.2
20. Nagaland	4.9	40.4

21. Orissa	6.7	24.0
22. Punjab	6.4	28.0
23. Rajasthan	4.1	22.5
24. Sikkim	8.6	33.6
25. Tamilnadu	6.4	22.3
26. Tripura	10.9	27.2
27. Uttranchal	4.4	26.9
28. Uttar Pradesh	6.2	26.6
29. West Bengal	9.5	23.2
30. Andaman & Nicobar Islands	11.9	18.2
31. Chandigarh	19.8	17.0
32. Dadra & Nagar Haveli	6.7	28.2
33. Daman & Diu	11.6	24.3
34. Lakshadweep	2.1	6.0
35. Pondicherry	10.6	20.3
All India	6.1	24.6

# As per usual status approach.

Unemployment rate is the percentage of unemployed with reference to Labour Force.