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Press Release on Labour Force Survey Results (January- March, 2008) Round

Labour force Participation rate decreased by 4.0% in the West Bank While increased in Gaza Strip by 2.5% during 1st quarter 2008

Hebron governorate registered the highest unemployment rate among the West Bank governorates (28.0%), while in Gaza Strip, Khan Younis governorate registered the highest percentage of unemployment (38.8%)

This report is based on the Labour Force quarterly Survey. Data was collected during 6/01/2008 to 3/4/2008, representing the 1st quarter 2008.

The survey sample of this round is based on the 1997 census (Updated on 2003), 7,552 households were selected to represent the Palestinian society of which 5,953 questionnaires were completed.

Economically Active:

- According to the ILO standards, the percentage of participants in labour force decreased by 1.9% between the 4th quarter 2007 and the 1st quarter 2008, where it decreased from 41.4% in the 4th quarter 2007 to 40.6% in the 1st quarter 2008, compared with 41.2% in the 1st quarter 2007. The participation rate of women decreased from 15.5% in the 4th quarter 2007 to 14.7% in the 1st quarter 2008, the change rate is 5.2%.

Unemployed Persons

- According to the relaxed definition of unemployment, The percentage of persons who don't work nevertheless seeking or not seeking job, stood at 28.8% in the 4th quarter 2007 compared with 28.9% in the 1st quarter 2008, compared with 27.9% in the 1st quarter 2007.
- According to the ILO standards, The percentage of persons who don't work, but seeking job increased slightly from 22.2% in the 4th quarter 2007 to 22.6% in the 1st quarter 2008, compared with 21.6% in the 1st quarter 2007. The results showed that unemployment rate in the West Bank decreased from 19.2% in the 4th quarter 2007 to 19.0% in the 1st quarter 2008, while it increased in Gaza Strip from 29.0% in the 4th quarter 2007 to 29.8% in the 1st quarter 2008, despite of that unemployment rate in Gaza Strip still high.
- Hebron governorate registered the highest unemployment rate among the West Bank governorates the percentage reached 28.0% followed by Jenin 25.7% then Tubas governorate 23.6% while Jericho and AL Aghwar the lowest percentage of unemployed (4.9%). While in Gaza Strip, Khan Younis governorate registered the highest percentage of unemployment (38.8%) followed by Deir Albalah governorate (33.1%).
- The results showed that the highest percentage of unemployment concentrated among the youth at age group 15-29. The highest percentage registered for the age group 15-19; it reached 37.3%, there of 36.3% in the West Bank and 39.9% in Gaza Strip, followed by 20-24 age group it reached 36.8%, there of 30.8% in the West Bank and 47.1% in Gaza Strip, then 25-29 group, it reached 26.5%, there of 20.7% in the West Bank and 36.9% in Gaza Strip.
- The results showed that the lowest percentage of unemployment appeared among females who not complete any years of schooling. Whereas the percentage reached 33.8% for those whom finished 13 years of schooling and above. While the lowest percentage among males registered for whom finished 13 years of schooling and above it reached 15.7% whereas the highest percentage registered for those who finished 1-6 years of schooling it reached 26.3%.

Employed Persons

- At economic activity¹ level the results showed that the percentage of those who are working in Agriculture sector in the West Bank decreased from 17.0% to 14.4% between 4th quarter 2007 and 1st quarter 2008, and those who are working in construction sector from 9.2% to 7.9%, while the percentage of those who are working in commerce, restaurants and hotels sector increased from 19.9% to 21.4% and the percentage of those who are working in services and other branches from 33.6% to 36.6% at the same period. While in Gaza Strip the results showed that there was an increase of those who are working in commerce, restaurants and hotels sector from 19.0% in 4th quarter 2007 to 22.2% in the 1st quarter 2008, and a decrease in the percentage of those who worked at transportation, storage and communication sector from 7.9% to 6.2% at the same period.
- On the other hand the results showed that the percentage of employed persons at services and other branches sector reached 36.6% in the West Bank and 52.0% in Gaza Strip in the 1st quarter 2008.
- On the other hand, the results in the West Bank showed increase of the percentage of wage employees, it increased from 59.7 in the 4th quarter 2007 to 64.2% in the 1st quarter 2008, while the percentage of self employed decreased from 23.5% to 22.9% and unpaid family members decreased from 11.8% to 8.7% at the same period.
- While in Gaza Strip the percentage of wage employees decreased from 62.5% to 58.5%, and the percentage of unpaid family members decreased from 12.4% to 11.3.4%, while the percentage of unpaid family workers increased from 22.7% to 27.3% at the same period.
- The employment from the West Bank in Israel and Israeli settlements increased from 14.0% in the 4th quarter 2007 to 16.0% in the 1st quarter 2008, whereas in Gaza Strip there was no access the workers to enter Israeli settlements.
- The results showed that the public sector employed one fifth (22.9%) of total employment, 16.3% in the West Bank and 38.7% in Gaza Strip.

Wages and Work Hours

- The average value of the nominal daily net wage of the employees in the West Bank increased from 78.9 NIS in 4th quarter 2007 to 84.8 NIS in the 1st quarter 2008, compared with 79.4 NIS in the 1st quarter 2007. while in Gaza Strip the nominal daily net wage of the employees decreased from 64.1 NIS in the 4th quarter 2007 and 63.6 NIS in 1st quarter 2008, compared with 66.9 NIS in the 1st quarter 2007. Also the nominal daily net wage for those working in Israel and Israeli settlements increased from 131.1 NIS in the 4th quarter 2007 to 139.9 NIS in the 1st quarter 2008, compared with 128.5 NIS in the 1st quarter 2007.
- The average weekly work hours in the West Bank increased from 39.9 work hour in 4th quarter 2007 to 41.2 work hour in the 1st quarter 2008, and it increased in Gaza Strip from 38.2 work hour to 40.2 work hour, also it increased for those working in Israel and Israeli settlements from 40.3 work hour to 43.0 work hour at the same period.

¹Employed persons in Israel and Israeli settlements are excluded

Concepts and Definitions

Man power

All persons in the West Bank and Gaza Strip aged 15 years and over.

Reference week:

The week ending on Friday preceding the interviewer's visit to the household.

Employed:

All persons are 15 years and over who were working at a paid job or business for at least one hour during the reference week, or who did not work, but held a job or owned business from which they were temporarily absent (because of illness, vacation, temporarily stoppage, or any other reason) during the reference week. Employed persons are classified according to employment status as follows:

1. Employer
2. Self-employed
3. Employee
4. Unpaid family member

Unemployed (According to the ILO Standards):

Unemployed persons are those individuals 15 years and over who did not work at all during the reference week, who were not absent from a job and were available for work and actively seeking a job during the reference week. Persons who work in Israel and were absent from work due to closure are considered unemployed, and also those persons never work and not looking for work but waiting to return back to their works in Israel and Settlements.

Unemployed (According to the Relaxed Definition):

The Number Of Unemployed Persons was calculated under the definition by adding to unemployed Persons according to the ILO Standards, those Persons outside labour force because they were frustrated

Labour force:

The economically active population (Labour Force) consists of all persons 15 years and over who are either employed or unemployed as defined above at the time of survey.

Underemployment:

Underemployment exists when a person's employment is inadequate in relation to alternative employment, account being taken of his/her occupational skills.

Persons outside labour force:

The population not economically active comprises all persons 15 years and over, who were neither employed nor unemployed accordingly to the definitions above.

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Table 1: Percentage Distribution of Persons Aged 15 Years and Above in the Palestinian Territory by Labour Force Status and Region (Relaxed Definition), January-March, 2008

Region	Labour Force Status			
	Total	Outside Labour Force	In Labour Force	
Palestinian Territory	100	55.8	44.2	
West Bank	100	53.9	46.1	
Gaza Strip	100	59.2	40.8	

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Table 2: Percentage Distribution of Persons Aged 15 Years and Above in the Palestinian Territory by Labour Force Components and Region (Relaxed Definition), January-March, 2008

Region	Labour Force Components			
	Total	Unemployment	Employment	
Palestinian Territory	100	28.9	71.1	
West Bank	100	25.7	74.3	
Gaza Strip	100	35.5	64.5	

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Table 3: Percentage Distribution of Persons Aged 15 Years and Above in the Palestinian Territory by Labour Force Status, Region and Sex(ILO Standards), January-March, 2008

Region	Labour Force Status			
	Total	Outside Labour Force	In Labour Force	
Palestinian Territory				
Males	100	34.0	66.0	
Females	100	85.3	14.7	
Total	100	59.4	40.6	
West Bank				
Males	100	32.5	67.5	
Females	100	83.5	16.5	
Total	100	57.7	42.3	
Gaza Strip				
Males	100	36.7	63.3	
Females	100	88.7	11.3	
Total	100	62.5	37.5	

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Table 4: Percentage Distribution of Persons Aged 15 Years and Above in the Palestinian Territory by Labour Force Components, Region and Sex(ILO Standards), January-March, 2008

Region	Labour Force Components				
	Total	Unemployment	Underemployment	Full Employment	
Palestinian Territory					
Males	100	22.7	7.0	70.3	
Females	100	21.7	2.1	76.2	
Total	100	22.6	6.1	71.3	
West Bank					
Males	100	19.9	8.3	71.8	
Females	100	15.0	1.3	83.7	
Total	100	19.0	6.9	74.1	
Gaza Strip					
Males	100	28.2	4.5	67.3	
Females	100	39.3	4.3	56.4	
Total	100	29.8	4.4	65.8	

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Table 5: Percentage Distribution of Persons Aged 15 Years and Above in the Palestinian Territory by Labour Force Status, Region and sex (ILO Standards), January-March, 2008

Region and Sex	Total	Outside Labour Force	In Labour Force	Total	Unemployment	() Employment (Full Employment, Underemployment)	
Both Sexes							
West Bank without Jerusalem governorate	100	56.9	43.1	100	20.9	79.1	
Jerusalem governorate	100	60.8	39.2	100	10.9	89.1	
Jerusalem (J1)	100	61.1	38.9	100	8.4	91.6	
Gaza Strip	100	62.5	37.5	100	29.8	70.2	
Males							
West Bank without Jerusalem governorate	100	32.0	68.0	100	22.1	77.9	
Jerusalem governorate	100	34.2	65.8	100	11.3	88.7	
Jerusalem (J1)	100	34.5	65.5	100	8.1	91.9	
Gaza Strip	100	36.7	63.3	100	28.2	71.8	
Females							
West Bank without Jerusalem governorate	100	82.5	17.5	100	16.1	83.9	
Jerusalem governorate	100	87.3	12.7	100	9.3	90.7	
Jerusalem (J1)	100	87.5	12.5	100	10.1	89.9	
Gaza Strip	100	88.7	11.3	100	39.3	60.7	

Jerusalem (J1): that part of Jerusalem which was annexed forcefully by Israeli following its occupation of the Palestinian Territory in 1967

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Table 6: Labour Force Participation Rate of Persons Aged 15 Years and Above in the Palestinian Territory by Age Group and Sex (ILO Standards), January-March, 2008

Age Group	Total	Sex		
		Females	Males	
15-19	12.8	1.5	23.7	19-15
20-24	41.4	17.1	64.5	24-20
25-29	53.4	21.8	83.6	29-25
30-34	56.1	21.4	89.6	34-30
35-39	56.8	19.5	92.5	39-35
40-44	57.4	19.8	92.3	44-40
45-49	54.7	21.1	86.2	49-45
50+	28.6	10.2	49.6	+50
Total	40.6	14.7	66.0	

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Table 7: Labour Force Participation Rate of Persons Aged 15 Years and Above in the Palestinian Territory by Age and Region (ILO Standards), January-March, 2008

Age Group	Region			
	Gaza Strip	West Bank	Palestinian Territory	
15-19	9.0	15.2	12.8	19-15
20-24	40.6	41.8	41.4	24-20
25-29	53.2	53.6	53.4	29-25
30-34	52.6	57.8	56.1	34-30
35-39	52.5	58.8	56.8	39-35
40-44	54.1	59.1	57.4	44-40
45-49	53.2	55.5	54.7	49-45
50+	27.0	29.4	28.6	+50
Total	37.5	42.3	40.6	

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Table 8: Labour Force Participation Rate of Persons Aged 15 Years and Above in the Palestinian Territory by Years of Schooling and Sex (ILO Standards), January-March, 2008

Years of Schooling	Total	Sex		
		Females	Males	
0	12.7	9.3	23.1	0
1-6	42.4	12.9	69.9	6-1
7-9	39.7	6.9	68.0	9-7
10-12	36.2	6.7	65.8	12-10
13+	55.6	41.6	67.5	+13
Total	40.6	14.7	66.0	

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Table 9: Labour Force Participation Rate of Persons Aged 15 Years and Above in the Palestinian Territory by Years of Schooling and Region (ILO Standards), January-March, 2008

Years of Schooling	Region			
	Gaza Strip	West Bank	Palestinian Territory	
0	11.3	13.4	12.7	0
1-6	46.0	40.9	42.4	6-1
7-9	33.9	42.7	39.7	9-7
10-12	30.6	39.6	36.2	12-10
13+	55.2	55.9	55.6	+13
Total	37.5	42.3	40.6	

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Table 10: Labour Force Participation Rate and Unemployment Rate of Persons Aged 15 Years and Above in the Palestinian Territory by Region, Sex and Refugee Status (ILO Standards), January-March, 2008

Refugee Status and Region	Unemployment Rate			Labour Force Participation			
	Total	Females	Males	Total	Females	Males	
Palestinian Territory							
Refugee	26.1	27.2	25.8	38.5	14.2	63.2	
Non-Refugee	20.0	17.4	20.5	42.2	15.1	68.2	
Total	22.6	21.7	22.7	40.6	14.7	66.0	
West Bank							
Refugee	20.5	14.9	21.9	41.0	15.9	66.0	
Non-Refugee	18.3	15.1	19.1	42.8	16.8	68.3	
Total	19.0	15.0	19.9	42.3	16.5	67.5	
Gaza Strip							
Refugee	31.4	40.2	29.5	36.4	12.7	60.8	
Non-Refugee	26.9	35.9	25.9	39.9	8.2	68.1	
Total	29.8	39.3	28.2	37.5	11.3	63.3	

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Table 11: Labour Force Participation Rate and Unemployment Rate of Persons Aged 15 Years and Above in the Palestinian Territory by Region, Sex and Marital Status (ILO Standards), January-March, 2008

Marital Status	Unemployment Rate			Labour Force Participation			
	Total	Females	Males	Total	Females	Males	
Palestinian Territory							
Never Married	33.5	34.8	33.2	32.8	15.9	46.1	
Currently Married	17.6	14.4	18.1	48.3	14.6	82.4	
Other	13.6	7.7	30.1	11.6	9.7	25.0	
Total	22.6	21.7	22.7	40.6	14.7	66.0	
West Bank							
Never Married	27.9	24.2	29.0	36.0	18.5	49.6	
Currently Married	14.7	9.6	15.7	49.1	16.2	82.5	
Other	10.1	5.8	23.4	12.0	10.3	23.4	
Total	19.0	15.0	19.9	42.3	16.5	67.5	
Gaza Strip							
Never Married	47.0	65.2	42.8	27.0	11.2	39.7	
Currently Married	23.1	26.4	22.6	46.9	11.8	82.1	
Other	21.2	12.2	42.0	10.8	8.5	28.5	
Total	29.8	39.3	28.2	37.5	11.3	63.3	

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Table 12: Labour Force Participation Rate and Unemployment Rate for Persons Aged 15 Years and Above in the Palestinian Territory by Region and Type of locality (ILO Standards), January-March, 2008

Type of locality and Region	Unemployment Rate			Labour Force Participation			
	Total	Females	Males	Total	Females	Males	
Palestinian Territory							
Urban	23.1	23.1	23.2	40.6	13.9	66.4	
Rural	20.6	14.4	22.4	43.4	18.7	68.0	
Camps	23.9	34.6	21.9	36.6	11.2	62.0	
Total	22.6	21.7	22.7	40.6	14.7	66.0	
West Bank							
Urban	18.6	16.0	19.2	42.6	16.4	67.8	
Rural	19.9	13.8	21.5	43.5	18.5	68.6	
Camps	17.1	16.2	17.2	35.9	9.8	62.7	
Total	19.0	15.0	19.9	42.3	16.5	67.5	
Gaza Strip							
Urban	30.6	39.1	29.2	37.6	10.3	64.4	
Rural	33.3	21.8	37.5	40.5	21.7	59.4	
Camps	27.9	43.9	24.8	37.0	12.0	61.5	
Total	29.8	39.3	28.2	37.5	11.3	63.3	

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Table 13: Percentage Distribution of Persons Aged (15-29) Years in the Palestinian Territory by Labour Force Status, Region and Sex (ILO Standards), January-March, 2008

Region										
In Labour Force	30.7	10.4	50.2	34.6	13.1	55.2	33.1	12.1	53.3	
Outside Labour Force	69.3	89.6	49.8	65.4	86.9	44.8	66.9	87.9	46.7	
Total	100									
Full Employment	53.2	27.7	58.2	66.2	71.2	65.1	61.6	56.9	62.6	
Underemployment	5.2	5.9	5.1	6.4	1.4	7.5	6.0	2.9	6.7	
Unemployment	41.6	66.4	36.7	27.4	27.4	27.4	32.4	40.2	30.7	
Total	100									

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Table 14: Unemployment Rate of Persons Aged 15 Years and Above in the Palestinian Territory by Age Group and Sex (ILO Standards), January-March, 2008

Age Group	Total	Sex		
		Females	Males	
15-19	37.3	7.8	39.1	19-15
20-24	36.8	51.6	33.1	24-20
25-29	26.5	32.8	24.9	29-25
30-34	16.8	13.7	17.5	34-30
35-39	18.0	14.2	18.8	39-35
40-44	14.8	7.5	16.3	44-40
45-49	15.7	3.7	18.4	49-45
50+	13.2	3.4	15.5	+50
Total	22.6	21.7	22.7	

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Table 15: Unemployment Rate of Persons Aged 15 Years and Above in the Palestinian Territory by Age and Region (ILO Standards), January-March, 2008

Age Group	Region			
	Gaza Strip	West Bank	Palestinian Territory	
15-19	39.9	36.3	37.3	19-15
20-24	47.1	30.8	36.8	24-20
25-29	36.9	20.7	26.5	29-25
30-34	19.7	15.4	16.8	34-30
35-39	24.2	15.4	18.0	39-35
40-44	19.6	12.6	14.8	44-40
45-49	24.5	11.5	15.7	49-45
50+	17.4	11.3	13.2	+50
Total	29.8	19.0	22.6	

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Table 16: Unemployment Rate of Persons Aged 15 Years and Above in the Palestinian Territory by Years of Schooling and Sex (ILO Standards), January-March, 2008

Years of Schooling	Total	Sex		
		Females	Males	
0	7.8	1.2	16.0	0
1-6	23.7	8.5	26.3	6-1
7-9	22.4	5.5	23.8	9-7
10-12	23.8	7.3	25.4	12-10
13+	21.9	33.8	15.7	+13
Total	22.6	21.7	22.7	

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Table 17: Unemployment Rate of Persons Aged 15 Years and Above in the Palestinian Territory by Years of Schooling and Region (ILO Standards), January-March, 2008

Years of Schooling	Region			
	Gaza Strip	West Bank	Palestinian Territory	
0	15.0	4.6	7.8	0
1-6	31.3	20.0	23.7	6-1
7-9	27.5	20.3	22.4	9-7
10-12	29.8	21.0	23.8	12-10
13+	31.5	16.0	21.9	+13
Total	29.8	19.0	22.6	المجموع

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Table 18: Labour Force Participation Rate, Unemployment Rate and Average Daily Wage in NIS for Wage Employees in the Palestinian Territory by Governorate (ILO Standards), January-March, 2008

Governorate	Average Daily Wage in NIS for Wage Employees	Unemployment Rate	Labour Force Participation Rate	
Jenin	75.4	25.7	43.3	
Tubas	74.1	23.6	42.4	
Tulkarem	93.3	17.2	38.3	
Nablus	79.2	15.6	39.9	
Qalqilia	98.9	18.6	41.6	
Salfeet	92.3	18.7	47.2	
Ramallah & Al-Bireh	90.2	17.5	42.9	
Jericho & AL- Aghwar	69.6	4.9	48.6	
Jerusalem	134.3	10.9	39.2	
Bethlahem	95.3	16.6	49.0	
Hebron	80.4	28.0	44.0	
West Bank	98.3	19.0	42.3	
GS-North	77.3	26.7	36.1	
Gaza City	62.6	24.9	35.7	
Deir ALBalah	64.8	33.1	39.4	
Khan Younis	53.8	38.8	38.6	
Rafah	64.0	28.8	40.7	
Gaza Strip	63.6	29.8	37.5	
Palestinian Territory	91.5	22.6	40.6	

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Table 19: The Average of Unemployment Duration (Months) in the Palestinian Territory by Region and Sex (ILO Standards), January-March, 2008

Region	Total	Sex		
		Females	Males	
Palestinian Territory	11.2	12.6	10.9	
West Bank	7.3	11.0	6.7	
Gaza Strip	16.2	14.2	1.67	

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Table 20: Percentage Distribution of Employed Persons Aged 15 Years and Above in the Palestinian Territory by Governorate and Place of work (ILO Standards), January-March, 2008

Governorate	Percentage of Employed	Place of work				
		Total	Israel and Settlements	Other Governorate	Same Governorate	
Jenin	74.3	100	7.7	8.5	83.8	جنين
Tubas	76.4	100	8.2	25.3	66.5	طوباس
Tulkarem	82.8	100	13.4	8.8	77.8	طولكرم
Nablus	84.4	100	10.0	11.0	79.0	نابلس
Qalqilia	81.4	100	11.8	7.3	80.9	قلقيلية
Salfeet	81.3	100	18.9	13.4	67.7	سلفيت
Ramallah & Al-Bireh	82.5	100	6.9	0.8	92.3	رام الله والبيرة
Jericho & AL-Aghwar	95.1	100	15.1	0.7	84.2	أريحا والأغوار
Jerusalem	89.1	100	37.8	7.4	54.8	القدس
Bethlahem	83.4	100	10.7	3.4	85.9	بيت لحم
Hebron	72.0	100	10.2	5.7	84.1	الخليل
West Bank	81.0	100	15.9	7.0	77.1	الضفة الغربية
GS-North	73.3	100	0	36.8	63.2	شمال غزة
Gaza City	75.1	100	0	2.2	97.8	غزة
Deir ALBalah	66.9	100	0	30.9	69.1	دير البلح
Khan Younis	61.2	100	0	14.8	85.2	خان يونس
Rafah	71.2	100	0	13.3	86.7	رفح
Gaza Strip	70.2	100	0	15.5	83.5	قطاع غزة
Palestinian Territory	77.4	100	11.2	9.8	79.0	الأراضي الفلسطينية

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Table 21: Percentage Distribution of Employed Persons Aged 15 Years and Above in the Palestinian Territory by Economic Activity and Place of work (ILO Standards), January-March, 2008

Economic Activity	Total	Place of work			
		Israel and Settlements	Gaza Strip	West Bank	
Agriculture, fishing and forestry	12.9	5.9	12.5	14.4	
Mining, quarrying and manufacturing	13.0	22.4	5.5	15.0	
Construction	9.4	37.9	1.6	7.9	
Commerce, restaurants and hotels	21.4	19.0	22.2	21.4	
Transportation, storage and communication	4.8	1.7	6.2	4.7	
Services and other branches	38.5	13.1	52.0	36.6	
Total	100	100	100	100	

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Table 22: Percentage Distribution of Employed Persons Aged 15 Years and Above in the Palestinian Territory by Place of work and Region (ILO Standards), January-March, 2008

Place of work	Region			
	Gaza Strip	West Bank	Palestinian Territory	
West Bank	0	84.1	59.0	
Gaza Strip	100.0	-	29.8	
Israel and Settlements	0	15.9	11.2	
Total	100	100	100	

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Table 23: Percentage Distribution of Employed Persons Aged 15 Years and Above in the Palestinian Territory by Economic Activity, Sex and Region (ILO Standards), January-March, 2008

Economic Activity and Sex	Region			
	Gaza Strip	West Bank	Palestinian Territory	
Both Sexes				
Agriculture, fishing and forestry	12.5	13.0	12.9	
Mining, quarrying and manufacturing	5.5	16.2	13.0	
Construction	1.6	12.7	9.4	
Commerce, restaurants and hotels	22.2	21.0	21.4	
Transportation, storage and communication	6.2	4.3	4.8	
Services and other branches	52.0	32.8	38.5	
Total	100	100	100	
Males				ذكور
Agriculture, fishing and forestry	9.0	10.2	9.8	
Mining, quarrying and manufacturing	5.2	17.7	13.7	
Construction	1.9	15.9	11.4	
Commerce, restaurants and hotels	24.6	24.3	24.4	
Transportation, storage and communication	7.1	5.2	5.8	
Services and other branches	52.2	26.7	34.9	
Total	100	100	100	
Females				
Agriculture, fishing and forestry	36.0	24.3	26.8	
Mining, quarrying and manufacturing	7.5	10.2	9.6	
Construction	-	0.1	0.1	
Commerce, restaurants and hotels	5.5	8.2	7.6	
Transportation, storage and communication	-	0.6	0.5	
Services and other branches	51.0	56.6	55.4	
Total	100	100	100	

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Table 24: Percentage Distribution of Employed Persons Aged 15 Years and Above in the Palestinian Territory by Governorate and Economic Activity (ILO Standards), January-March, 2008

Governorate	Economic Activity									
	Total	Services and other branches	Health	Education	Transportation, storage and communication	Commerce, restaurants and hotels	Construction	Mining, quarrying and manufacturing	Agriculture, fishing and forestry	
Jenin	100	20.5	1.5	12.6	5.6	19.7	7.0	11.7	21.4	
Tubas	100	24.2	2.4	9.0	5.3	14.7	6.3	6.3	31.8	
Tulkarem	100	18.6	3.3	14.1	3.3	23.7	7.6	17.8	11.6	
Nablus	100	20.9	2.3	9.1	6.0	25.9	9.1	15.7	11.0	
Qalqilia	100	20.7	2.9	11.5	4.2	23.1	8.4	8.7	20.5	
Salfeet	100	18.9	5.7	15.8	3.6	14.7	7.7	18.1	15.5	
Ramallah & Al-Bireh	100	27.1	2.2	13.5	6.4	18.0	11.0	15.3	6.5	
Jericho & AL-Aghwar	100	26.3	1.3	4.0	3.7	13.8	4.5	4.8	41.6	
Jerusalem	100	22.3	9.0	17.8	6.3	26.9	5.6	11.1	1.0	
Bethlahem	100	16.2	4.7	12.7	2.3	16.9	8.3	16.5	22.4	
Hebron	100	12.3	4.0	13.0	3.1	20.3	7.8	20.1	19.4	
West Bank	100	19.6	4.0	13.0	4.7	21.4	7.9	15.0	14.4	
GS-North	100	37.8	5.3	6.4	6.8	22.4	1.7	5.8	13.8	
Gaza City	100	36.6	3.3	8.2	6.6	27.6	2.3	5.5	9.9	
Deir ALBalah	100	44.1	3.8	9.6	7.3	18.3	0.4	6.1	10.4	
Khan Younis	100	35.0	3.5	12.2	5.7	19.4	1.6	4.8	17.8	
Rafah	100	42.7	6.0	13.5	3.8	15.0	1.1	5.2	12.7	
Gaza Strip	100	38.4	4.1	9.5	6.2	22.2	1.6	5.5	12.5	
Palestinian Territory	100	26.0	4.0	11.8	5.2	21.6	5.8	11.8	13.8	

Note: Workers in Israel and Settlements are excluded

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Table 25: Percentage Distribution of Employed Persons Aged 15 Years and Above in the Palestinian Territory by Economic Activity, Employment Status and Region (ILO Standards), January-March, 2008

Economic Activity and Region	Employment Status					
	Total	Unpaid Family Member	Wage Employee	Self Employed	Employer	
Palestinian Territory						
Agriculture, fishing and forestry	12.9	65.2	2.9	18.6	10.6	
Mining, quarrying and manufacturing	13.0	5.8	13.1	13.4	25.4	
Construction	9.4	1.0	11.9	5.7	13.2	
Commerce, restaurants and hotels	21.4	26.5	12.2	40.5	37.7	
Transportation, storage and communication	4.8	0.4	2.3	13.5	1.4	
Services and other branches	38.5	1.1	57.6	8.3	11.7	
Total	100	100	100	100	100	
West Bank						
Agriculture, fishing and forestry	13.0	70.0	2.9	20.4	9.2	
Mining, quarrying and manufacturing	16.2	5.2	17.1	16.1	24.9	
Construction	12.7	0.9	16.2	6.9	14.5	
Commerce, restaurants and hotels	21.0	22.0	14.4	36.1	37.3	
Transportation, storage and communication	4.3	0.3	2.4	11.5	1.4	
Services and other branches	32.8	1.6	47.0	9.0	12.7	
Total	100	100	100	100	100	
Gaza Strip						
Agriculture, fishing and forestry	12.5	56.3	2.7	15.0	15.7	
Mining, quarrying and manufacturing	5.5	7.0	2.9	8.1	27.1	
Construction	1.6	1.2	0.6	3.3	8.6	
Commerce, restaurants and hotels	22.2	34.6	6.3	49.1	39.0	
Transportation, storage and communication	6.2	0.5	2.3	17.4	1.8	
Services and other branches	52.0	0.4	85.2	7.1	7.8	
Total	100	100	100	100	100	

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Table 26: Percentage Distribution of Employed Persons From the Palestinian Territory by Economic Activity and Weekly Work Hours (ILO Standards), January-March, 2008

Economic Activity	Total	Weekly Work Hours			
		+35	34-15	14-1	
Agriculture, Hunting & Fishing	13.9	7.6	20.8	65.4	
Mining, Quarrying & Manufacturing	13.5	13.9	14.0	7.7	
Construction	10.0	8.3	19.3	6.5	
Commerce, Hotels & Restaurants	23.2	26.6	13.3	10.9	
Transportation, Storage & Communication	5.3	6.2	2.7	1.2	
Services & Other Branches	34.1	37.4	29.9	8.3	
Total	100	100	100	100	

Note: Employed persons excluding absent persons

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Table 27: Percentage Distribution of Employed Persons Aged 15 Years and Above in the Palestinian Territory by Occupation and Region (ILO Standards), January-March, 2008

Occupation	Region			
	Gaza Strip	West Bank	Palestinian Territory	
Legislators, Senior Officials & Managers	2.1	4.7	3.9	
Professionals, Technicians, Associates and Clerks	26.0	22.4	23.4	
Service, Shop & Market Workers	33.4	17.4	22.2	
Skilled Agricultural & Fishery Workers	11.3	10.6	10.8	
Craft and Related Trade Workers	11.1	18.5	16.3	
Plant & Machine Operators & Assemblers	6.1	9.5	8.5	
Elementary Occupations	10.0	16.9	14.9	
Total	100	100	100	

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Table 28: Percentage Distribution of Employed Persons Aged 15 Years and Above in the Palestinian Territory by Occupation, Educational Qualification and Region (ILO Standards), January-March, 2008

Occupation and Region	Educational Qualification					
	Total	Bachelor and above	Associate diploma	Secondary certificate	Preparatory & less	
Palestinian Territory						
Legislators, Senior Officials & Managers	100	37.0	10.9	15.4	36.7	
Professionals, Technicians, Associates and Clerks	100	57.3	21.9	12.0	8.8	
Service, Shop & Market Workers	100	5.8	6.8	24.9	62.5	
Skilled Agricultural & Fishery Workers	100	2.9	1.7	11.6	83.8	
Craft and Related Trade Workers	100	1.9	4.8	14.8	78.5	
Plant & Machine Operators & Assemblers	100	1.6	3.7	18.6	76.1	
Elementary Occupations	100	1.2	3.0	12.5	83.3	
Total	100	17.2	8.8	16.0	58.0	
West Bank						
Legislators, Senior Officials & Managers	100	31.8	11.7	15.0	41.5	
Professionals, Technicians, Associates and Clerks	100	56.6	23.2	10.2	10.0	
Service, Shop & Market Workers	100	4.9	7.5	21.2	66.4	
Skilled Agricultural & Fishery Workers	100	2.2	2.2	9.3	86.3	
Craft and Related Trade Workers	100	1.7	4.3	14.5	79.5	
Plant & Machine Operators & Assemblers	100	0.8	3.2	17.4	78.6	
Elementary Occupations	100	1.1	3.4	12.2	83.3	
Total	100	15.8	8.9	14.1	61.2	
Gaza Strip						
Legislators, Senior Officials & Managers	100	63.7	7.1	17.4	11.8	
Professionals, Technicians, Associates and Clerks	100	58.9	19.3	15.6	6.2	
Service, Shop & Market Workers	100	6.7	6.1	29.5	57.7	
Skilled Agricultural & Fishery Workers	100	4.4	0.7	16.7	78.2	
Craft and Related Trade Workers	100	2.9	6.6	16.0	74.5	
Plant & Machine Operators & Assemblers	100	4.7	5.6	22.9	66.8	
Elementary Occupations	100	1.9	1.5	13.5	83.1	
Total	100	20.2	8.5	20.7	50.6	

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Table 29: Percentage Distribution of Employed Persons Aged 15 Years and Above in the Palestinian Territory by Employment Status, Sex and Region (ILO Standards), January-March, 2008

Employment Status and Sex	Region			
	Gaza Strip	West Bank	Palestinian Territory	
Both Sexes				
Employer	2.9	4.2	3.8	
Self Employed	27.3	22.9	24.3	
Wage Employee	58.5	64.2	62.5	
Unpaid Family Member	11.3	8.7	9.4	
Total	100	100	100	
Males				
Employer	3.1	5.0	4.4	ذكور
Self Employed	30.2	25.8	27.2	
Wage Employee	59.6	64.4	62.9	
Unpaid Family Member	7.1	4.8	5.5	
Total	100	100	100	
Females				
Employer	1.1	0.9	0.9	
Self Employed	8.0	11.6	10.8	
Wage Employee	51.3	63.4	60.8	
Unpaid Family Member	39.6	24.1	27.5	
Total	100	100	100	

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Table 30: Employed Persons Aged 15 Years and Above in the Palestinian Territory by Place of Work and Region (ILO Standards), January-March, 2008

Region	Region			
	Gaza Strip	West Bank	Palestinian Territory	
Palestinian Territory	100.0	84.0	88.8	
Israel and Settlements (Persons who have Palestinian Identity)	0	8.3	5.8) ()
Israel and Settlements (Persons who have Israeli Identity or foreign passport)	0	7.7	5.4	/
Total	100	100	100	(

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Table 31: Percentage Distribution of Employed Persons Aged 15 Years and Above in the Palestinian Territory by Governorate/ District and Employment Status (ILO Standards), January-March, 2008

Governorate	Total	Employment Status				
		Unpaid Family Member	Wage Employee	Self Employed	Employer	
Jenin	100	11.7	55.0	30.3	3.0	
Tubas	100	10.7	56.4	25.0	7.9	
Tulkarem	100	2.9	67.3	24.1	5.7	
Nablus	100	6.4	61.1	26.7	5.8	
Qalqilia	100	13.5	51.6	31.5	3.4	
Salfeet	100	8.9	63.4	24.3	3.4	
Ramallah & Al-Bireh	100	3.8	68.3	23.3	4.6	
Jericho & AL- Aghwar	100	19.0	59.9	13.6	7.5	
Jerusalem	100	1.0	83.6	14.6	0.8	
Bethlahem	100	18.6	50.2	25.6	5.6	
Hebron	100	15.4	56.3	23.0	5.3	
West Bank	100	8.7	64.2	22.9	4.2	
GS-North	100	10.1	55.4	33.5	1.0	
Gaza City	100	10.4	55.0	30.9	3.7	
Deir ALBalah	100	11.3	60.6	25.9	2.2	
Khan Younis	100	14.2	61.4	21.2	3.2	
Rafah	100	11.4	66.2	19.0	3.4	
Gaza Strip	100	11.3	58.5	27.3	2.9	
Palestinian Territory	100	9.4	62.5	24.3	3.8	

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Table 32: Percentage Distribution of Employed Persons Aged 15 Years and Above in the Palestinian Territory by Governorate and Sector (ILO Standards), January-March, 2008

Governorate	Total	Sector				
		Israel and Settlements	Other Sectors	Private Sector	Public Sector	
Jenin	100	7.8	1.3	66.9	24.0	
Tubas	100	8.1	1.4	66.8	23.7	
Tulkarem	100	13.5	0.6	62.4	23.5	
Nablus	100	10.0	1.9	67.8	20.3	
Qalqilia	100	11.7	2.7	61.9	23.7	
Salfeet	100	18.8	2.1	54.5	24.6	
Ramallah & Al-Bireh	100	6.8	4.1	68.6	20.5	
Jericho & AL-Aghwar	100	15.1	1.0	67.9	16.0	
Jerusalem	100	37.8	14.2	43.3	4.7	
Bethlahem	100	10.7	1.0	75.6	12.7	
Hebron	100	10.4	1.5	73.1	15.0	
West Bank	100	15.9	4.4	63.4	16.3	
GS-North	100	0	4.7	53.4	41.9	
Gaza City	100	0	4.2	60.5	35.3	
Deir ALBalah	100	0	10.0	49.3	40.7	
Khan Younis	100	0	6.2	57.6	36.2	
Rafah	100	0	9.0	46.6	44.4	
Gaza Strip	100	0	6.1	55.2	38.7	
Palestinian Territory	100	11.2	4.9	61.0	22.9	

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Table 33: Average Weekly Work Hours, Monthly Work Days and Daily Wage in NIS for Wage Employees Aged 15 Years and Above by Place of Work (ILO Standards), January-March, 2008

Indicator	Total	Place of work			:
		Israel and Settlements	Gaza Strip	West Bank	
Average weekly work hours	41.4	43.0	40.2	41.2	
Average monthly work days*	22.3	20.4	24.7	22.1	*
Median daily net wage in NIS	76.9	134.6	57.7	76.9	
Average daily net wage in NIS	91.5	139.9	63.6	84.8	

*: Including paid days that have been not worked

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Table 34: Average Daily Wage in NIS for Wage Employees in the Palestinian Territory by Region and Sector (ILO Standards), January-March, 2008

Region	Total	Sector				:
		Israel and Settlements	Other Sector	Private Sector	Public Sector	
Palestinian Territory	91.5	139.9	104.9	74.0	80.3	
West Bank	98.3	139.9	122.1	80.3	82.5	
Gaza Strip	63.6	-	74.6	42.6	75.6	

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Table 35: Average Daily Wage in NIS for Wage Employees in the Palestinian Territory by Region and Sex (ILO Standards), January-March, 2008

Region	Total	Sex		:
		Females	Males	
Palestinian Territory	79.0	73.8	81.3	
West Bank	84.8	76.6	87.5	
Gaza Strip	63.6	60.8	64.1	

Note: Workers in Israel and Settlements are excluded

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Table 36: Average Daily Wage in NIS for Wage Employees in the Palestinian Territory by Economic Activity and Place of work (ILO Standards), January-March, 2008

Economic Activity	Total	Place of work			
		Israel and Settlements	Gaza Strip	West Bank	
Agriculture, fishing and forestry	59.4	96.1	-	50.1	
Mining, quarrying and manufacturing	87.7	125.8	-	73.0	
Construction	117.9	149.2	-	77.9	
Commerce, restaurants and hotels	90.3	144.0	31.0	78.9	
Transportation, storage and communication	90.1	-	-	88.0	
Services and other branches	88.3	145.8	71.1	91.4	
Total	91.5	139.9	63.6	84.8	

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Table 37: Average Monthly Wage in NIS for Wage Employees in the Palestinian Territory by Occupation, and Educational Qualification (ILO Standards), January-March, 2008

Occupation	Educational Qualification					
	Total	Bachelor and above	Associate diploma	Secondary certificate	Preparatory & less	
Legislators, Senior Officials & Managers	3989	3984	-	-	-	
Professionals, Technicians, Associates and Clerks	2329	2599	2101	1818	1673	
Service, Shop & Market Workers	1971	2249	2596	1948	1873	
Skilled Agricultural & Fishery Workers	-	-	-	-	-	
Craft and Related Trade Workers	2738	-	-	2748	2738	
Plant & Machine Operators & Assemblers	2259	-	-	2147	2294	
Elementary Occupations	2314	-	-	2383	2292	
Total	2380	2701	2271	2165	2313	

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Table 38: Average Monthly Wage in NIS for Wage Employees in the Palestinian Territory by Length of Services, Educational Qualification and Region (ILO Standards), January-March, 2008

Length of Services and Region	Educational Qualification					
	Total	Bachelor and above	Associate diploma	Secondary certificate	Preparatory & less	
Palestinian Territory						
0-1	1978	2052	1756	1625	2075	1-0
2-3	2235	2702	2192	2005	2114	3-2
4-6	2390	2713	2078	2225	2347	6-4
7-9	2549	2642	2410	2971	2463	9-7
10+	2779	3243	2598	2604	2640	+10
Total	2380	2701	2271	2165	2313	
West Bank						
0-1	2255	2342	2004	1924	2334	1-0
2-3	2408	2923	2414	2183	2286	3-2
4-6	2510	2750	2201	2400	2503	6-4
7-9	2697	2851	2470	3560	2577	9-7
10+	2880	3306	2704	2821	2755	+10
Total	2556	2873	2418	2429	2493	
Gaza Strip						
0-1	1216	1659	1148	1054	952	1-0
2-3	1336	2053	-	-	915	3-2
4-6	1806	2607	-	-	1100	6-4
7-9	-	-	-	-	-	9-7
10+	2294	3055	2217	-	1596	+10
Total	1653	2285	1711	1345	1139	

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Table 39: Percentage Distribution of Persons Aged 15 Years and Above Outside the Labour Force in the Palestinian Territory by Reason, Sex and Region (ILO Standards), January-March, 2008

Reason	Region			
	Gaza Strip	West Bank	Palestinian Territory	
Both Sexes				
Old/illness	9.9	12.1	11.2	/
Housekeeping	46.8	47.4	47.2	
Studying or training	38.0	33.9	35.5	/
Others	5.3	6.6	6.1	
Total	100	100	100	
Males				
Old/illness	23.8	27.5	26.1	/
Housekeeping	1.0	0.8	0.9	
Studying or training	61.3	52.5	55.9	/
Others	13.9	19.2	17.1	
Total	100	100	100	
Females				
Old/illness	4.0	5.9	5.2	/
Housekeeping	66.1	65.8	65.9	
Studying or training	28.2	26.6	27.2	/
Others	1.7	1.7	1.7	
Total	100	100	100	

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Basic Changes in the Labour Force Indicators in Palestinian Territory During 1995 - 2008 (ILO Standards)

Variable	48	47	46	45	44	43	42	41	40	39	38	37	36	35	34	33	32	31	30	29	28	27	26	25	19	18	
	Q1-2008	Q4-2007	Q3-2007	Q2-2007	Q1-2007	Q4-2006	Q3-2006	Q2-2006	Q1-2006	Q4-2005	Q3-2005	Q2-2005	Q1-2005	Q4-2004	Q3-2004	Q2-2004	Q1-2004	Q4-2003	Q3-2003	Q2-2003	Q1-2003	Q4-2002	Q3-2002	Q2-2002	Q1-2000	Q4-2000	Q3-2000
Labour Force Participation Rate	40.6	41.4	42.7	42.4	41.2	43.0	41.3	40.9	40.0	40.3	41.7	41.2	39.7	41.0	40.3	40.3	40.0	40.5	41.2	40.7	38.8	39.2	37.6	36.9	39.2	43.5	
Full Employment Rate	71.3	72.1	68.2	70.1	71.5	69.8	67.9	68.7	67.5	69.1	70.2	72.7	67.9	69.0	67.2	63.9	67.3	69.4	69.1	68.7	65.4	67.1	59.8	62.9	66.9	83.6	
Underemployment Rate	6.1	5.7	8.6	10.7	6.9	8.2	7.9	8.4	7.2	7.1	7.1	6.1	5.8	5.4	6.1	7.5	6.5	6.3	7.3	7.0	4.3	5.6	4.6	3.5	4.8	6.4	
Unemployment Rate	22.6	22.2	23.2	19.2	21.6	22.0	24.2	22.9	25.3	23.8	22.7	21.2	26.3	25.6	26.7	28.6	26.2	24.3	23.6	24.3	30.3	27.3	35.6	33.6	28.3	10.0	
Employed in Agriculture	12.9	15.3	15.1	17.3	14.7	21.5	13.7	15.2	13.2	14.4	14.9	15.6	13.3	19.3	14.4	15.2	14.6	15.4	14.8	17.7	14.7	17.6	11.3	16.7	16.9	12.7	
Employed in Construction	9.4	10.4	11.6	11.1	10.7	9.5	11.4	11.5	12.2	12.3	13.0	13.0	13.4	11.6	12.3	10.5	12.2	14.1	14.4	12.1	11.6	12.7	11.0	8.5	10.8	21.7	
Employed in Manufacturing	13.0	12.3	12.8	12.6	12.5	12.2	13.5	12.3	11.6	13.2	13.0	13.2	12.5	11.5	12.7	13.1	13.5	12.6	12.6	12.2	12.8	12.5	12.7	12.1	12.8	15.0	
Employed in Services	38.5	36.4	35.3	34.8	36.7	34.4	35.1	36.1	36.4	34.9	33.7	33.4	35.8	34.2	34.8	35.9	34.8	32.0	32.3	32.5	34.9	33.1	37.3	37.9	35.2	28.6	
Elementary Occupation Workers	14.9	14.3	14.8	13.1	13.8	13.2	15.1	16.0	16.0	16.6	14.6	15.2	15.6	14.0	15.3	13.8	13.9	14.2	14.9	14.1	13.5	15.2	13.0	13.2	13.7	19.8	
Craft and Related Trade Workers	16.3	14.7	17.8	17.2	16.5	15.1	17.2	15.8	16.5	16.8	18.6	17.4	17.3	8.9	17.5	17.1	18.2	18.6	19.5	18.0	18.5	17.8	18.6	15.6	16.2	24.5	
Employed in Israel & Settlements	11.2	10.0	9.3	8.5	9.8	9.5	10.5	8.7	9.8	9.6	9.9	10.2	10.2	8.1	9.3	8.1	9.2	9.4	10.8	8.9	9.6	10.4	11.8	7.3	9.1	22.1	
Employers	3.8	4.3	4.2	4.0	3.6	5.2	4.7	4.3	4.2	4.1	4.6	4.6	4.0	3.9	4.2	4.4	4.0	4.1	3.8	3.0	3.2	3.7	4.2	3.3	4.6	4.4	
Self - Employed	24.3	23.3	23.5	25.0	24.9	22.2	25.0	26.6	26.6	26.0	25.4	26.3	26.8	26.2	25.9	26.9	27.0	27.1	26.7	28.7	28.8	27.0	25.0	27.3	23.1	18.1	
Wage Employees	62.5	60.5	59.6	58.1	61.0	57.2	59.6	59.6	61.1	60.6	58.3	58.1	61.0	57.3	58.9	57.7	59.2	57.4	58.1	55.5	58.0	57.9	61.9	58.0	59.3	67.6	
Unpaid Family Members	9.4	11.9	12.7	12.9	10.5	15.4	10.7	9.5	8.1	9.3	11.7	11.0	8.2	12.6	11.0	11.0	9.8	11.4	11.4	12.8	10.0	11.4	8.9	11.4	13.0	9.9	
Average Monthly Work Days *	22.7	22.6	22.1	22.7	22.7	22.6	23.9	24.0	23.3	23.6	23.9	23.9	23.6	23.8	23.7	24.3	23.2	23.8	23.2	23.5	22.4	23.4	23.1	23.3	23.3	22.8	*
Average Weekly Work Hours *	41.0	39.5	41.8	41.7	41.4	40.0	42.4	41.8	41.1	40.5	43.3	42.8	41.6	41.7	43.0	42.9	42.4	41.1	43.5	41.7	40.3	40.2	40.5	40.8	40.7	45.0	*
Median Daily Net Wage (NIS) *	70.0	69.2	67.3	65.4	69.2	65.4	69.2	69.2	65.4	60.0	60.0	57.7	59.8	57.7	60.0	57.7	57.7	53.8	55.6	57.7	53.8	56.6	57.7	53.8	61.5	70.0	*

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(ILO) 2008-1995

Basic Changes in the Labour Force Indicators in West Bank During 1995 - 2008 (ILO Standards)

Variable	48	47	46	45	44	43	42	41	40	39	38	37	36	35	34	33	32	31	30	29	28	27	26	25	19	18	
	Q1-2008	Q4-2007	Q3-2007	Q2-2007	Q1-2007	Q4-2006	Q3-2006	Q2-2006	Q1-2006	Q4-2005	Q3-2005	Q2-2005	Q1-2005	Q4-2004	Q3-2004	Q2-2004	Q1-2004	Q4-2003	Q3-2003	Q2-2003	Q1-2003	Q4-2002	Q3-2002	Q2-2002	Q1-2000	Q4-2000	Q3-2000
Labour Force Participation Rate	42.3	44.0	44.8	44.8	42.7	45.7	44.6	43.7	42.5	42.4	44.1	43.7	41.4	43.4	42.6	42.4	41.6	42.2	42.9	42.5	39.6	42.1	40.0	37.3	42.9	45.3	
Full Employment Rate	74.1	73.4	70.5	72.0	75.2	75.3	71.1	71.6	69.6	68.9	70.9	74.9	69.7	72.0	69.8	66.3	67.1	71.4	69.5	69.6	63.9	65.6	62.5	66.6	68.1	84.8	
Underemployment Rate	6.9	7.4	10.9	12.2	7.5	8.5	9.8	10.4	9.0	9.3	9.2	7.9	7.7	6.7	8.0	10.1	8.3	7.9	8.9	8.0	4.9	7.4	6.5	3.7	5.6	7.7	
Unemployment Rate	19.0	19.2	18.6	15.8	17.3	16.2	19.1	18.0	21.4	21.8	19.9	17.2	22.6	21.3	22.2	23.6	24.6	20.7	21.6	22.4	31.2	27.0	31.0	29.7	26.3	7.5	
Employed in Agriculture	13.0	15.9	16.1	19.2	15.3	24.0	15.1	16.8	14.3	15.7	16.6	17.0	13.4	21.2	15.1	16.3	14.6	15.2	13.7	17.9	12.4	18.6	11.8	14.6	17.1	11.3	
Employed in Construction	12.7	13.9	14.8	13.1	12.8	11.1	13.7	13.4	13.6	13.3	14.7	14.4	15.0	13.0	14.3	11.9	12.8	15.7	15.8	13.0	12.4	13.5	12.9	10.7	13.3	24.2	
Employed in Manufacturing	16.2	15.0	15.4	14.5	14.8	14.2	16.1	14.7	13.2	15.0	15.0	14.7	14.6	13.1	14.1	14.7	14.4	14.1	14.3	13.5	14.2	13.7	13.4	14.6	14.6	16.1	
Employed in Services	32.8	30.2	28.6	29.1	30.9	27.7	28.2	29.6	30.9	28.9	27.2	27.8	30.1	28.4	29.0	30.0	30.6	27.7	28.6	28.7	32.7	28.7	31.9	32.7	29.0	24.6	
Elementary Occupation Workers	16.9	16.3	10.4	14.1	15.5	14.1	16.5	16.1	16.2	16.4	15.3	15.8	16.3	14.2	16.0	14.6	14.2	13.6	14.1	12.9	13.1	13.7	13.9	13.1	15.2	20.5	
Craft and Related Trade Workers	18.5	17.2	17.8	18.2	18.1	16.9	19.6	17.7	18.3	18.2	19.8	18.4	19.3	16.8	18.3	18.2	18.6	19.9	21.0	19.1	19.4	18.8	19.6	18.5	18.2	25.7	
Employed in Israel & Settlements	15.9	14.0	12.9	11.9	13.7	12.8	14.0	11.8	13.2	13.6	13.6	13.6	14.2	10.9	12.5	11.0	11.8	12.3	13.5	11.7	12.6	12.8	15.0	9.6	11.3	24.8	
Employers	4.2	5.0	4.7	4.2	3.4	4.4	5.0	4.7	4.8	4.8	5.3	5.2	4.7	4.7	5.1	5.4	4.8	4.9	4.5	3.2	3.8	4.4	4.6	3.6	4.8	4.6	
Self - Employed	22.9	23.5	24.7	26.3	26.9	24.5	26.7	28.6	28.5	27.9	26.7	27.6	28.3	27.6	27.4	28.3	29.3	21.8	28.2	30.8	30.2	27.8	25.6	29.1	24.6	19.9	
Wage Employees	64.2	59.7	57.6	55.6	59.0	53.7	55.9	56.0	57.4	56.9	55.0	55.3	58.6	53.8	55.8	55.1	55.9	55.2	56.0	52.7	57.6	54.8	60.0	56.4	57.0	66.2	
Unpaid Family Members	8.7	11.8	13.0	13.9	10.7	17.4	12.4	10.7	9.3	10.4	13.0	11.9	8.4	13.9	11.7	11.2	10.0	11.8	11.3	13.3	8.4	13.0	9.8	10.9	13.6	9.3	
Average Monthly Work Days *	22.1	22.2	22.0	22.3	22.2	22.1	23.5	23.8	23.2	23.4	23.7	23.8	23.5	23.6	23.4	24.7	24.5	24.4	23.5	23.9	22.8	23.2	22.2	22.5	23.2	24.3	*
Average Weekly Work Hours *	41.2	39.9	42.5	42.4	41.9	41.5	42.9	42.7	41.6	40.8	43.7	43.3	42.2	42.5	42.6	43.6	43.4	42.0	44.4	42.4	40.5	41.1	39.5	41.7	40.6	46.2	*
Median Daily Net Wage (NIS) *	76.9	70.0	70.0	69.2	70.0	67.3	69.2	69.2	70.0	69.2	65.4	65.4	60.0	62.2	61.1	64.6	62.8	61.6	61.5	57.7	60.0	60.0	67.3	57.7	61.5	63.2	*

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(ILO) 2008-1995

Basic Changes in the Labour Force Indicators in Gaza Strip During 1995 - 2008 (ILO Standards)

Variable	48	47	46	45	44	43	42	41	40	39	38	37	36	35	34	33	32	31	30	29	28	27	26	25	19	18	
	Q1-2008	Q4-2007	Q3-2007	Q2-2007	Q1-2007	Q4-2006	Q3-2006	Q2-2006	Q1-2006	Q3-2005	Q2-2005	Q1-2005	Q4-2004	Q3-2004	Q2-2004	Q1-2004	Q4-2003	Q3-2003	Q2-2003	Q1-2003	Q4-2002	Q3-2002	Q2-2000	Q4-2000	Q3-2000		
Labour Force Participation Rate	37.5	36.6	38.9	38.0	38.3	38.0	35.3	35.7	35.3	36.4	37.1	36.5	36.6	36.6	36.0	36.1	37.0	37.4	38.1	37.2	37.1	33.5	32.8	36.1	32.0	40.1	
Full Employment Rate	65.8	69.3	63.4	66.2	63.8	57.6	60.3	62.0	62.8	69.3	68.4	67.6	64.0	62.2	61.4	58.8	67.6	65.0	68.3	66.6	68.7	70.8	53.4	55.4	63.7	81.0	
Underemployment Rate	4.4	1.7	3.7	7.4	5.8	7.6	3.4	4.0	3.1	2.5	2.6	2.2	2.0	2.6	1.8	1.5	2.6	2.9	3.8	5.0	2.8	1.1	0.1	3.2	2.8	3.5	
Unemployment Rate	29.8	29.0	32.9	26.4	30.4	34.8	36.3	34.0	34.1	28.2	29.0	30.2	34.0	35.2	36.8	39.7	29.8	32.1	27.9	28.4	28.5	28.1	46.5	41.4	33.5	15.5	
Employed in Agriculture	12.5	13.9	12.7	12.7	13.3	14.1	9.2	10.7	10.1	11.4	10.5	12.0	13.1	14.3	12.3	12.3	14.6	15.9	17.4	17.2	19.4	15.3	9.7	21.9	16.1	16.2	
Employed in Construction	1.6	1.5	3.7	6.2	5.6	4.9	4.6	6.1	8.3	9.8	8.7	9.3	9.2	8.0	7.0	6.4	11.0	10.2	11.3	10.1	10.1	10.9	5.2	3.4	3.5	15.9	
Employed in Manufacturing	5.5	5.5	5.8	8.0	7.1	6.3	5.7	5.7	7.3	8.7	8.0	9.2	7.3	7.2	8.8	8.7	11.5	9.0	8.7	9.1	10.1	9.6	10.3	6.2	7.5	12.3	
Employed in Services	52	52.2	52.2	48.9	50.5	53.4	56.3	54.1	51.7	49.2	50.0	48.1	50.3	49.5	50.7	52.5	44.1	42.2	40.7	41.4	38.7	43.2	53.8	49.8	53.7	38.0	
Elementary Occupation Workers	10.0	9.1	14.8	10.5	9.8	10.5	11.2	15.5	15.5	17.1	12.9	13.6	14.1	13.4	13.4	11.3	13.9	15.2	16.8	16.7	14.1	18.9	10.3	13.0	9.9	18.0	
Craft and Related Trade Workers	11.1	8.4	15.8	14.8	12.7	10.1	9.9	10.4	11.7	13.4	15.5	14.8	12.3	12.5	15.2	14.0	17.0	15.4	16.1	15.4	16.7	15.2	15.6	8.7	10.5	21.7	
Employed in Israel & Settlements	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.5	-	0.5	1.0	-	0.4	0.4	0.1	3.3	2.2	4.4	2.1	3.7	4.6	2.1	1.7	2.7	15.4	
Employers	2.9	2.4	3.0	3.4	4.1	7.2	3.7	3.0	2.5	2.4	2.9	2.9	2.0	1.8	1.9	1.8	2.1	2.2	2.1	2.5	2.0	2.0	3.2	2.6	4.0	4.0	
Self - Employed	27.3	22.7	20.5	21.5	19.9	15.6	19.9	21.0	21.5	21.7	22.0	23.1	23.1	22.5	21.7	22.9	21.6	24.8	23.1	23.8	26.1	25.2	23.4	23.1	18.7	13.6	
Wage Employees	58.5	62.5	64.8	64.3	65.8	67.3	70.6	69.8	71.0	69.4	66.6	65.3	67.2	66.7	67.5	65.2	66.6	62.9	63.1	62.1	58.7	65.5	67.4	61.8	65.9	71.0	
Unpaid Family Members	11.3	12.4	11.7	10.8	10.2	9.9	5.8	6.2	5.0	6.5	8.5	8.7	7.7	9.0	8.9	10.1	9.7	10.1	11.7	11.6	13.2	7.3	6.0	12.5	11.4	11.4	
Average Monthly Work Days *	20.4	23.8	22.4	23.5	23.5	23.5	24.5	24.3	23.5	23.9	24.3	24.2	23.7	24.1	24.3	23.5	21.2	22.9	22.8	22.8	21.9	23.8	24.8	24.4	24.8	23.7	
Average Weekly Work Hours *	40.2	38.2	39.7	40.4	40.6	37.7	41.5	40.4	40.4	40.0	42.5	42.0	40.5	40.5	43.6	41.7	40.9	39.8	42.2	40.6	40.0	38.9	42.3	39.6	40.6	42.8	
Median Daily Net Wage (NIS) *	57.7	60.7	57.7	61.5	61.5	65.4	67.3	65.4	61.5	53.8	55.8	55.8	53.8	50.0	53.8	50.0	50.0	50.0	50.0	50.0	50.0	53.8	50.0	53.8	46.2		

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(ILO) 2007-1995

Basic Changes in the Labour Force Indicators in Palestinian Territory During 1995 - 2006 (ILO Standards)

Variable	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999	1998	1997	1996	1995	
Labour Force Participation Rate	41.9	41.3	40.7	40.4	40.3	38.1	38.7	41.5	41.6	41.4	40.5	40.0	39.0	
Full Employment Rate	70.5	68.5	69.9	66.8	68.1	64.4	70.9	80.9	82.8	79.1	70.4	64.3	60.7	
Underemployment Rate	8.0	7.9	6.6	6.4	6.3	4.3	3.9	5.0	5.4	6.5	9.3	11.9	21.1	
Unemployment Rate	21.5	23.6	23.5	26.8	25.6	31.3	25.2	14.1	11.8	14.4	20.3	23.8	18.2	
Employed in Agriculture	15.6	16.1	14.6	15.9	15.7	14.9	11.7	13.7	12.6	12.1	13.1	14.2	12.7	
Employed in Construction	11.0	11.1	12.9	11.7	13.1	10.9	14.5	19.7	22.1	22.0	18.4	16.8	19.2	
Employed in Manufacturing	12.5	12.4	13.0	12.7	12.5	12.9	13.9	14.3	15.5	15.9	16.4	16.8	18.0	
Employed in Services	35.8	35.5	34.4	34.9	32.8	35.7	34.6	29.9	28.1	27.1	28.2	29.2	25.6	
Elementary Occupation Workers	14.0	14.9	15.5	14.3	14.1	14.1	15.9	21.1	29.7	31.0	28.9	28.7	18.3	
Craft and Related Trade Workers	16.1	16.1	17.5	17.1	18.7	17.5	19.0	22.0	22.7	24.7	24.6	24.0	27.5	
Employed in Israel & Settlements	9.4	9.6	9.9	8.7	9.7	10.3	13.8	19.6	23.0	21.7	17.1	14.1	16.2	
Employers	4.0	4.6	4.3	4.1	3.5	3.7	4.7	4.6	5.5	5.8	5.3	5.5	6.9	
Self - Employed	24.2	25.0	26.1	26.5	27.8	26.8	24.0	19.6	18.7	21.0	22.9	22.3	21.2	
Wage Employees	59.8	59.3	59.5	58.3	57.2	59.2	62.1	66.1	67.8	65.3	62.0	61.4	61.7	
Unpaid Family Members	12.0	11.1	10.1	11.1	11.5	10.3	9.2	9.7	8.0	7.9	9.8	10.8	10.2	
Average Monthly Work Days *	22.6	23.4	23.8	23.7	23.2	23.3	23.9	23.2	22.6	23.0	22.0	22.0	21.0	*
Average Weekly Work Hours *	41.1	41.3	42.0	42.5	41.7	40.6	42.1	43.1	44.2	45.0	44.0	43.5	42.1	*
Median Daily Net Wage (NIS) *	69.2	69.2	60.0	57.7	55.8	57.7	57.7	69.2	69.2	57.7	50.0	46.2	46.3	*

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(ILO) 2007-1995

Basic Changes in the Labour Force Indicators in West Bank During 1995 - 2006 (ILO Standards)

Variable	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999	1998	1997	1996	1995	
Labour Force Participation Rate	44.1	44.1	42.9	42.5	41.8	40.0	41.5	43.6	43.4	44.2	43.2	42.0	40.6	
Full Employment Rate	72.8	72.0	71.2	68.8	68.7	66.4	73.8	81.7	83.5	80.1	71.1	67.6	65.3	
Underemployment Rate	9.5	9.4	8.5	8.3	7.5	5.4	4.7	6.2	7.0	8.4	11.6	12.8	20.7	
Unemployment Rate	17.7	18.6	20.3	22.9	23.8	28.2	21.5	12.1	9.5	11.5	17.3	19.6	13.9	
Employed in Agriculture	16.6	17.8	15.7	16.9	14.9	14.1	11.8	12.5	11.5	13.8	15.1	16.2	13.3	
Employed in Construction	13.6	12.9	14.4	13.0	14.3	12.7	18.0	22.2	23.9	22.7	19.1	18.3	20.3	
Employed in Manufacturing	14.9	14.6	14.8	14.0	14.0	14.5	15.4	15.4	16.5	16.8	17.2	17.6	18.8	
Employed in Services	29.8	29.0	28.5	29.5	29.4	31.1	28.0	25.5	24.7	23.0	23.8	24.2	22.6	
Elementary Occupation Workers	15.8	15.6	16.0	14.8	13.3	14.1	17.6	21.9	31.1	30.5	28.7	28.7	18.2	
Craft and Related Trade Workers	17.8	18.1	18.9	18.0	19.9	19.1	20.7	23.3	22.9	25.0	25.0	25.1	28.7	
Employed in Israel & Settlements	13.1	13.0	13.8	11.6	12.5	13.3	18.0	22.4	25.9	24.0	19.5	16.6	20.2	
Employers	4.4	4.4	5.0	5.0	4.1	4.1	4.6	5.1	6.6	6.5	5.9	6.0	7.1	
Self - Employed	25.4	27.0	27.6	28.1	29.3	27.8	25.6	20.6	18.6	21.5	23.6	23.5	21.3	
Wage Employees	57.9	55.7	56.4	55.1	55.3	57.5	60.1	64.7	66.5	63.0	59.3	59.0	61.3	
Unpaid Family Members	12.3	12.6	11.0	11.8	11.3	10.6	9.7	9.6	8.3	9.0	11.2	11.5	9.9	
Average Monthly Work Days *	22.2	23.1	23.6	24.0	23.7	22.8	23.6	24.4	23.5	23.0	23.0	22.6	22.0	*
Average Weekly Work Hours *	41.7	42.2	42.5	43.0	42.3	40.9	43.2	43.6	44.6	45.0	43.0	43.5	43.0	*
Median Daily Net Wage (NIS) *	70.0	69.2	65.4	61.5	60.0	60.0	60.0	61.5	60.0	50.0	46.3	44.7	42.3	*

Note:

Revised table according to the Revised population projection in 2005.

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*: Workers in Israel and Settlements are excluded

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(ILO) 2007-1995

Basic Changes in the Labour Force Indicators in Gaza Strip During 1995 - 2006 (ILO Standards)

Variable	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999	1998	1997	1996	1995	
Labour Force Participation Rate	38.0	36.1	36.7	36.4	37.5	34.4	33.3	37.5	38.0	36.4	35.7	36.4	35.4	
Full Employment Rate	65.6	60.6	67.4	62.5	67.2	60.1	63.9	79.0	81.2	76.8	68.8	57.5	48.6	
Underemployment Rate	4.7	4.6	2.3	2.1	3.6	1.8	1.9	2.3	1.9	2.3	4.4	10.0	22.0	
Unemployment Rate	29.7	34.8	30.3	35.4	29.2	38.1	34.2	18.7	16.9	20.9	26.8	32.5	29.4	
Employed in Agriculture	13.1	11.1	11.7	13.4	17.5	16.7	11.4	16.5	15.2	8.0	8.0	9.1	10.8	
Employed in Construction	4.3	6.0	9.3	8.2	10.4	6.3	4.4	13.5	17.8	20.5	16.5	13.1	15.4	
Employed in Manufacturing	6.6	6.3	8.3	9.1	9.2	8.9	9.7	11.5	13.1	13.6	14.5	14.9	15.2	
Employed in Services	50.9	53.7	49.4	49.1	40.8	47.5	53.3	41.0	36.5	37.0	38.9	41.4	35.2	
Elementary Occupation Workers	10	13.2	14.4	13.0	15.8	14.3	11.0	18.7	26.4	30.9	29.5	29.3	18.4	
Craft and Related Trade Workers	11.7	10.5	14.0	14.7	15.9	13.4	14.2	18.9	22.2	23.8	23.6	21.2	23.5	
Employed in Israel & Settlements	-	-	0.4	1.1	3.1	2.5	1.9	12.9	15.7	16.2	11.0	8.1	3.3	
Employers	3.2	4.2	2.6	1.9	2.2	2.6	5.0	3.3	2.8	4.0	3.7	4.4	6.1	
Self - Employed	21.2	19.4	22.4	22.2	24.5	24.3	19.5	17.2	19.1	19.7	21.0	19.4	20.4	
Wage Employees	64.4	69.6	67.1	66.5	61.7	63.6	67.7	69.5	71.1	71.0	68.4	67.3	62.6	
Unpaid Family Members	11.2	6.8	7.9	9.4	11.6	9.5	7.8	10.0	7.0	5.3	6.9	8.9	10.8	
Average Monthly Work Days *	23.3	24.0	24.0	23.2	22.6	24.1	24.6	24.5	24.0	24.0	24.0	23.3	21.7	*
Average Weekly Work Hours *	39.9	39.9	41.2	41.6	40.6	40.0	40.1	41.7	43.2	43.0	43.0	44.0	43.2	*
Median Daily Net Wage (NIS) *	57.7	65.4	57.7	52.5	50.0	50.0	50.0	50.0	46.2	40.0	38.5	34.6	34.6	*

Note:

Revised table according to the Revised population projection in 2005. .2005

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(-) means there are no enough observations in this section.

The date of field work for every round

Round Number	The Round			
Round (16)	January - March, 2000	2000	-	(16)
Round (17)	April - June, 2000	2000	-	(17)
Round (18)	July - September, 2000	2000	-	(18)
Round (19)	October - December, 2000	2000	-	(19)
Round (20)	January - March, 2001	2001	-	(20)
Round (21)	April - June, 2001	2001	-	(21)
Round (22)	July - September, 2001	2001	-	(22)
Round (23)	October December, 2001	2001	-	(23)
Round (24)	January - March, 2002	2002	-	(24)
Round (25)	April - June, 2002	2002	-	(25)
Round (26)	July - September, 2002	2002	-	(26)
Round (27)	October -December, 2002	2002	-	(27)
Round (28)	January - March, 2003	2003	-	(28)
Round (29)	April - June, 2003	2003	-	(29)
Round (30)	July - September, 2003	2003	-	(30)
Round (31)	October -December, 2003	2003	-	(31)
Round (32)	January - March, 2004	2004	-	(32)
Round (33)	April - June, 2004	2004	-	(33)
Round (34)	July - September, 2004	2004	-	(34)
Round (35)	October -December, 2004	2004	-	(35)
Round (36)	January - March, 2005	2005	-	(36)
Round (37)	April - June, 2005	2005	-	(37)
Round (38)	July - September, 2005	2005	-	(38)
Round (39)	October -December, 2005	2005	-	(39)
Round (40)	January - March, 2006	2006	-	(40)
Round (41)	April - June, 2006	2006	-	(41)
Round (42)	July - September, 2006	2006	-	(42)
Round (43)	October -December, 2006	2006	-	(43)
Round (44)	January - March, 2007	2007	-	(44)
Round (45)	April - June, 2007	2007	-	(45)
Round (46)	July - September, 2007	2007	-	(46)
Round (47)	October -December, 2007	2007	-	(47)
Round (48)	January - March, 2008	2008	-	(48)