

Table 5a: Persons employed in the informal sector: selected countries, urban vs. rural areas, time series

Country	Year	Urban / rural	Number in 1000			Women per 100 men	Percent of total employment (1)		
			Total	Men	Women		Total	Men	Women
Informal sector (national definition)									
Benin	1992	Urban	233.0	147.9	85.2	58	47.9	52.5	41.4
	1999	Urban	275.5	174.8	100.7	58	46.0	50.0	41.0
Mali	1989	Urban	218.5	144.1	58.7	41	59.4	67.1	78.4
		Rural	164.5	32.8	137.8	421	85.3	69.5	97.7
	1996	Urban	370.6	214.3	156.3	73	71.0		
		Rural	805.5	271.6	533.9	197			
Tanzania	1990	Urban	653.3	388.7	264.7	68	62.1	53.8	80.3
	1995	Urban	345.9	221.0	124.9	57	67.0	59.7	85.3
Zimbabwe	1987	Urban	67.0				8.8		
		Rural	164.0						
	1993	Urban	154.1						
Brazil	1994	Urban	560.0	334.7	225.3	67	25.0		
	1997	Urban	12 870.4	8 275.7	4 594.7	56	27.3	27.4	27.1
Mexico	1989	Urban	3 306.5				24.8		
	1992	Urban	3 801.2	2 480.1	1 321.0	53	25.4	25.4	25.2
	1994	Urban	3 926.4	2 493.2	1 433.3	57	25.7	25.3	26.3
	1996	Urban	4 418.3	2 907.4	1 511.0	52	27.4	28.1	26.2
	1998	Urban	4 960.2	3 100.1	1 860.0	60			
Mexico	1998	Urban	3 470.8	1 928.1	1 542.7	80	20.3	17.9	24.3
	2000	Urban	3 404.5	1 947.2	1 457.3	75	19.4	17.8	22.2
Kazakhstan	1994	Urban	268.3				4.7		
		Rural	272.8				7.6		
	1995	Urban	662.4				11.9		
		Rural	406.6				11.4		
	1996	Urban	962.7				17.3		
Kyrgyzstan	1994	Urban	75.8				11.9		
		Rural	64.0						
	1999	Urban	139.0	84.2	54.8	65	29.4	32.8	25.3
		Rural	55.1	34.6	20.5	59	18.0	21.6	14.1
Pakistan	1992	Urban	5 820.0	5 270.0	690.0	13	67.1	65.9	80.6
	1997	Urban					61.2		
		Rural					68.2		
Latvia	1996	Urban	122.3				17.2		
	1999	Urban	127.2				18.2		
		Rural	30.6				18.1		
Lithuania	1998	Urban	2.4	1.2	1.2	100	10.3	8.1	14.5
		Rural	151.8	84.9	66.9	79	51.5	50.4	53.1
	1999	Urban	6.4	4.7	1.7	36	25.0	28.0	19.3
		Rural	196.5	112.4	84.1	75	70.4	69.7	71.5
	2000	Urban	7.8	6.0	1.8	30	41.3	49.6	26.5
		Rural	193.8	110.6	83.2	75	74.2	73.7	75.0

Small or micro-enterprises (national definition)									
Argentina	1996	Urban	2 757.4	1 947.4	810.0	42	40.9	43.3	36.2
	1997	Urban	2 896.4	2 044.0	852.4	42	40.4	42.7	35.8
	1998	Urban	2 951.3	2 059.7	891.6	43	39.2	41.9	34.2
	1999	Urban	3 004.9	2 053.7	951.2	46	39.6	42.1	35.1
	2000	Urban	3 067.5	2 111.0	956.5	45	40.6	43.5	35.5
Bolivia	1996	Urban	795.3	401.7	393.6	98	56.9	52.3	62.5
	1999	Urban	1 296.3	669.6	626.7	94	64.3	59.2	70.7
Colombia	1984	Urban	1 959.0				55.0		
	1986	Urban	2 149.6	1 282.0	867.6	68	56.0		
	1988	Urban	2 494.8	1 466.4	1 028.4	70	57.0		
	1990	Urban	2 268.0				50.0		
	1992	Urban	2 825.8	1 637.1	1 188.7	73	55.0		
	1994	Urban	2 801.6	1 634.3	1 167.3	71	53.4	52.3	54.9
	1996	Urban	3 196.7	1 893.8	1 302.9	69	53.4	53.5	53.4
2000	Urban	3 913.0	2 156.0	1 757.0	81	60.9	60.4	61.6	
Ecuador	1990	Urban	977.7	622.4	355.2	57	42.0	41.5	42.8
	1991	Urban	1 132.5	703.9	428.6	61	44.2	43.8	44.9
	1992	Urban	1 220.9	734.5	486.3	66	45.3	44.4	46.7
	1993	Urban	1 174.2	702.1	472.1	67	44.3	42.9	46.5
	1994	Urban	1 149.0	700.0	449.0	64	42.6	42.0	43.5
	1995	Urban	1 287.6	781.7	505.9	65	44.5	44.1	45.3
	1996	Urban	1 268.6	776.9	491.6	63	43.9	43.3	44.9
	1997	Urban	1 223.6	744.6	479.0	64	40.0	39.0	41.6
Paraguay	1996	Urban	552.9	322.0	230.9	72	46.4	47.0	46.0
	1999	Urban	554.7	314.0	240.8	77	45.9	44.8	47.3
Peru	1984	Urban	710.9	458.8	252.0	55	37.9	38.2	37.4
	1986	Urban	904.9	493.0	411.9	84	41.8	38.6	46.3
	1987	Urban	912.2	517.2	395.0	76	40.9	38.7	44.1
	1989	Urban	960.6	533.3	427.3	80	42.2	38.6	47.7
	1990	Urban	1 065.8	610.7	455.0	75	45.7	43.3	49.3
	1991	Urban	1 078.6	631.9	446.7	71	46.3	44.2	49.7
	1992	Urban	1 141.2	681.4	459.7	67	48.9	46.9	52.2
	1993	Urban	1 236.8	736.8	500.0	68	48.8	46.8	51.9
	1994	Urban	1 264.2	746.6	517.6	69	48.4	46.7	51.2
	1995	Urban	1 402.1	807.4	594.7	74	49.3	47.6	51.7
	1996	Urban	1 409.7	821.4	588.4	72	50.7	49.7	52.1
1997	Urban	1 543.4	836.7	706.7	84	50.8	48.3	54.1	
Peru	1996	Urban	3 116.5	1 730.3	1 386.3	80	50.8	47.8	55.3
	1997	Urban	3 502.1	1 824.1	1 678.0	92	51.9	47.7	57.5
Uruguay	1996	Urban					30.0		
	1997	Urban					30.1	32.8	26.8
	1998	Urban					29.1	32.5	24.4
	1999	Urban					29.8	33.5	24.8
	2000	Urban					29.7	33.6	24.5
Thailand	1994	Urban	2 659.5	1 396.6	1 262.8	90	47.6	46.1	49.4
		Rural	21 997.0	11 674.0	10 323.0	88	82.9		
	2000	Urban	3 272.3	1 737.2	1 535.1	88	47.1	46.9	47.4
		Rural	20 159.7	11 151.6	9 008.1	81	77.4	77.1	77.7

Related other concepts									
Kenya	1992	Urban	817.1						
		Rural	420.4						
	1993	Urban	960.8						
		Rural	505.7						
	1994	Urban	1 165.0						
		Rural	627.3						
1995	Urban	1 470.3							
	Rural	770.2							
Indonesia	1985	Urban	4 911.0				37.0		
		Rural	8 867.0				18.0		
	1995	Urban	8 729.0				34.0		
		Rural	11 289.0				21.0		
	1999	Urban	12 728.3	7 470.4	5 257.9	70	39.4	36.5	44.4
		Rural	42 966.7	25 101.0	17 865.7	71	76.1	72.9	81.0
Poland	1995	Urban	1 147.0	691.0	457.0	66	12.8	14.3	11.0
		Rural	1 052.0	722.0	330.0	46	14.8		
	1998	Urban	720.0	462.0	258.0	56	7.6	9.0	5.9
		Rural	711.0	539.0	172.0	32	11.6	15.4	6.6

Source: ILO Bureau of Statistics on the basis of official national data.

(1) In the same geographic areas, branches of economic activity, age limits, etc.