## 2. LABOUR FORCE PARTICIPATION RATE

Year	Rural			Urban		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
1993-94	521	282	411	554	190	367
1999-00	587	294	443	574	181	368
2004-05	861	442	639	766	238	496

Source :- National Sample Survey Organisation.

50th Round (July1993-June1994) 55th round (July1999-June2000) and 61st round (July2004-June2005)

Labour force participation rate is an important indicator for measuring the economic situation in the country. As per the statistics of National Sample Survey Organisation (July-June 2004-05) there is higher labour force participation of females in rural areas (442). In the urban sector, female labour force participation rate is 238. whereas, the labour force participation of males in rural and urban areas is 861 and 766 respectively.