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**TABLE 1. SUMMARY INDICATORS OF WOMEN'S AND MEN'S PARTICIPATION  
IN THE LABOUR FORCE, 1996 - 2000**

Indicator	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
Number of Women in the Labour Force	204 700	205 200	214 100	215 400	219 800
Percent of the Labour Force	38.6	37.9	38.3	38.2	38.4
Number of Men in the Labour Force	325 700	335 800	344 600	348 000	353 100
Percent of the Labour Force	61.4	62.1	61.7	61.8	61.6
Female Labour Force participation rate	46.8	45.9	47.0	46.6	47.0
Male Labour Force participation rate	74.2	74.8	75.3	75.0	75.3
Number of Females employed	161 700	165 300	173 800	179 300	186 400
Number of Males employed	282 500	294 500	305 500	310 100	317 000
Female unemployment rate	21.0	19.4	18.9	16.8	15.2
Male unemployment rate	13.2	12.3	11.3	10.9	10.2
Number of Female wage earners	126 900	128 300	139 300	142 300	149 200
Percentage of all wage earners	38.0	36.9	37.8	38.1	38.7
Number of Female unpaid workers	7 000	7 100	7 100	6 200	5 400
Percentage of all unpaid workers	68.0	68.3	77.2	70.5	75.0
Number of Female own account workers	23 600	24 200	24 200	25 200	25 800
Percentage of all own account workers	29.3	30.3	30.1	30.9	31.5
Number of Female employers	3 800	4 600	4 000	4 200	4 800
Percentage of all employers	21.1	23.3	19.7	20.9	20.3

**Source:** Labour Force Reports 1996 - 2000