

Table - 11
Departures for Foreign Employment through All Sources by Country and Gender 2009- 2013*

Country	2009		2010		2011		2012		2013*	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
Afghanistan	60	-	749	-	481	-	476	1	332	1
Algeria	102	2	111	2	125	2	2	2	5	4
Australia	6	11	6	9	6	10	5	17	1	5
Bahrain	1,761	4,164	1,684	5,368	1,724	3,699	1,532	3,004	1,782	2,758
Bangladesh	45	4	27	5	96	1	107	11	194	12
Botswana	18	1	12	1	5	1	10	2	11	1
Brunei	14	2	11	2	4	8	8	3	12	3
China	4	-	3	2	1	4	6	9	1	1
Cyprus	449	2,482	390	2,382	339	2,697	359	2,516	218	1,389
Djibouti	3	-	2	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Egypt	55	117	87	197	26	32	28	59	16	16
Greece	41	98	41	70	25	66	11	33	3	21
Hong Kong	31	321	30	276	44	322	46	405	51	461
India	56	8	69	21	63	22	66	31	96	15
Iraq	20	-	12	4	239	4	30	6	70	4
Ireland	2	-	1	3	2	-	1	-	1	-
Israel	139	801	537	1,339	292	1,189	287	1,481	410	1,534
Italy	14	8	13	2	9	6	2	3	2	3
Japan	165	19	101	23	92	7	102	29	97	21
Jordan	865	8,165	1,701	7,724	888	12,224	1,223	9,166	1,445	5,619
Kenya	13	1	4	1	12	-	4	-	14	1
Kurdistan	-	-	307	-	1	1	190	-	190	31
Kuwait	10,328	32,049	11,305	36,803	13,989	36,635	12,588	31,656	13,980	28,759
Lebanon	384	5,521	483	5,581	511	4,642	411	3,538	425	3,109
Libya	149	12	447	15	25	1	11	1	96	6
Lithuania	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	24	-	52
Malaysia	476	574	1,758	1,935	1,356	1,103	1,301	1,393	1,547	1,750
Maldives	3,423	479	3,680	498	3,724	470	3,564	480	3,090	374
Mauritius	265	380	96	233	163	198	116	157	179	203
Oman	2,226	3,103	2,829	3,538	2,626	2,753	2,537	2,349	2,940	2,376
Pakistan	27	32	17	27	21	36	10	25	11	24
Qatar	36,678	7,210	45,418	9,258	43,442	9,301	50,114	7,390	72,863	7,861
Saudi Arabia	33,107	44,681	33,953	36,877	34,010	34,542	38,395	59,569	39,381	41,455
Seychelles	620	2	173	1	177	1	288	7	295	20
Sierra Leone	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	38	-
Singapore	210	816	157	885	189	889	212	772	398	864
South Africa	13	-	25	1	58	1	13	-	4	1
South Korea	3,865	128	5,143	118	7,303	103	5,554	76	5,308	81
Syria	22	13	10	15	6	15	3	6	-	1
Thailand	6	-	3	3	1	1	2	-	1	1
U.A.E.	23,190	16,413	24,933	17,377	23,762	15,558	24,229	14,068	29,294	19,192
Uganda	68	-	91	1	15	-	12	-	3	-
United Kingdom	23	41	5	17	5	11	9	3	2	2
United States	7	4	2	2	4	6	2	4	2	3
Vietnam	8	1	3	-	2	-	3	-	1	-

Other	423	82	421	41	444	93	265	16	238	24
Total	119,381	127,745	136,850	130,657	136,307	126,654	144,135	138,312	175,047	118,058

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Source: SLBFE

Table - 12
Departures for Foreign Employment through Agency Sources by Country and Gender 2009-2013*

Country	2009		2010		2011		2012		2013*	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
Afghanistan	46	-	692	-	410	-	426	-	256	-
Algeria	91	-	29	-	108	-	-	-	-	-
Bahrain	461	2,764	315	3,721	321	2,055	325	1,606	394	1,782
Cyprus	364	1,606	263	1,509	213	1,764	220	1,667	131	695
Djibouti	-	-	2	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Egypt	5	82	30	160	1	15	11	45	-	-
Hong Kong	-	-	-	-	-	19	-	162	-	156
India	6	1	1	-	9	-	3	-	5	-
Iraq	-	-	-	-	196	-	5	-	13	-
Israel	73	608	426	816	183	598	138	647	263	701
Japan	17	-	18	6	38	1	74	23	68	7
Jordan	685	7,567	1,512	7,011	709	11,528	1,011	8,421	1,205	4,905
Kenya	3	1	2	1	3	-	1	-	6	-
Kurdistan	-	-	307	-	34	1	180	-	174	31
Kuwait	5,424	22,880	5,434	27,310	7,020	27,301	5,737	22,321	5,505	19,285
Lebanon	118	3,327	209	3,491	207	2,637	117	1,639	111	1,235
Libya	103	-	309	1	14	1	-	-	59	-
Lithuania	-	-	-	-	-	34	-	24	-	52
Malaysia	178	377	1,480	1,601	1,146	725	919	1,017	901	1,337
Maldives	641	19	663	15	720	10	820	15	337	14
Mauritius	249	369	83	230	139	192	103	156	163	198
Oman	482	1,726	635	2,146	551	1,707	449	1,295	506	1,224
Pakistan	-	-	-	-	4	-	5	3	-	4
Qatar	20,590	4,702	21,823	6,118	17,372	4,781	28,672	3,962	50,435	4,496
Rumania	80	1	52	1	134	3	64	4	-	-
Saudi Arabia	22,617	41,226	22,257	33,441	20,368	29,403	24,768	53,525	24,048	37,059
Seychelles	522	2	63	-	62	-	145	1	146	11
Singapore	12	234	11	337	26	349	14	317	113	393
South Africa	-	-	3	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
U.A.E.	7,434	8,817	6,336	9,463	5,960	7,108	7,581	6,514	10,918	11,192
Others	43	14	160	5	91	21	15	1	69	2
Total	60,244	96,323	63,115	97,383	56,040	90,253	71,804	103,365	95,826	84,779

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Source: SLBFE

Table - 13
Departures for Foreign Employment through Private Sources (Self Basis) by Country and Gender 2009 - 2013*

Country	2009		2010		2011		2012		2013*	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
Afghanistan	14	-	57	-	71	-	50	1	76	1
Algeria	11	2	82	2	17	2	2	2	5	4
Australia	5	11	6	9	6	10	5	17	1	5
Bahrain	1,300	1,400	1,369	1,647	1,403	1,644	1,207	1,398	1,388	976
Bangladesh	43	4	24	5	95	7	101	10	194	12
Brunei	2	14	11	2	4	8	7	3	12	3
Canada	18	19	6	8	10	9	3	5	3	1
China	-	4	3	2	1	4	6	-	1	1
Cyprus	85	876	127	873	126	933	139	849	87	694
Egypt	50	35	57	37	25	17	17	14	16	16
Ethiopia	-	-	5	-	4	-	1	-	3	-
Greece	41	98	41	70	25	66	11	33	3	21
Hong Kong	31	321	30	276	44	303	46	243	51	305
India	50	7	68	21	54	22	63	31	91	15
Iraq	20	-	12	4	43	4	25	6	57	4
Ireland	2	-	1	2	2	-	1	-	1	-
Israel	66	193	111	523	109	591	149	834	147	833
Italy	14	8	13	2	9	6	2	3	2	3
Japan	148	19	83	17	54	6	28	6	29	14
Jordan	180	598	189	713	179	696	212	745	240	714
Kenya	10	-	2	-	9	-	3	-	8	1
Kurdistan	-	-	-	-	5	2	10	-	16	-
Kuwait	4,904	9,169	5,871	9,493	6,969	9,334	6,851	9,335	8,475	9,474
Lebanon	266	2,194	274	2,090	304	2,005	294	1,899	314	1,874
Libya	46	12	138	14	11	-	11	1	37	6
Malaysia	298	197	278	334	210	378	382	376	646	413
Maldives	2,782	460	3,017	483	3,004	460	2,744	465	2,753	360
Mauritius	16	11	13	3	24	6	13	1	16	5
New Zealand	27	9	8	1	10	2	13	2	5	2
Nigeria	7	-	12	4	8	2	4	-	3	3
Oman	1,744	1,377	2,194	1,392	2,075	1,046	2,088	1,054	2,434	1,152
Pakistan	27	32	17	27	17	36	5	22	11	20
Qatar	16,088	2,508	23,595	3,140	26,070	4,520	21,442	3,428	22,428	3,365
Rwanda	39	1	38	-	-	-	2	-	-	-
Saudi Arabia	10,490	3,455	11,696	3,436	13,642	5,139	13,627	6,044	15,333	4,396
Seychelles	98	-	110	1	115	1	143	6	149	9
Singapore	198	582	146	548	163	540	198	455	285	471
South Africa	13	-	22	1	57	1	13	-	4	1
South Korea	3,865	128	5,143	118	7,303	103	5,554	76	5,308	81
Syria	22	13	10	15	6	15	3	6	-	1
Thailand	6	-	3	3	1	1	2	-	1	1
U.A.E.	15,756	7,596	18,597	7,914	17,821	8,431	16,648	7,554	18,376	8,000

Uganda	68	-	91	1	15	-	12	-	3	-
United Kingdom	23	41	5	17	5	11	9	3	2	2
United States	7	4	2	2	4	6	2	4	2	3
Other	257	24	158	28	138	34	183	16	205	17
Total	59,137	31,422	73,735	33,274	80,267	36,401	72,331	34,947	79,221	33,279

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Source: SLBFE

Table - 14
Total Departures for Foreign Employment through Agency Sources by Country 2009 - 2013*

Country	2009		2010		2011		2012		2013*	
	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%
Afghanistan	46	0.03	692	0.43	410	0.28	426	0.24	256	0.14
Algeria	91	0.06	29	0.02	108	0.07	-	-	-	-
Bahrain	3,225	2.06	4,036	2.51	2,376	1.62	1,931	1.1	2,176	1.2
Cyprus	1,970	1.26	1,772	1.1	1,977	1.35	1,887	1.08	826	0.46
Djibouti	-	-	2	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Egypt	87	0.06	190	0.12	16	0.01	56	0.03	-	-
Hong Kong	-	-	-	-	19	0.01	162	0.09	156	0.09
India	7	-	1	-	9	0.01	3	-	5	-
Iraq	-	-	-	-	196	0.13	5	-	13	0.01
Israel	681	0.43	1,242	0.77	781	0.53	785	0.45	964	0.53
Japan	17	0.01	24	0.01	39	0.03	97	0.06	75	0.04
Jordan	8,252	5.27	8,523	5.31	12,237	8.36	9,432	5.38	6,110	3.38
Kingdom of Tonga	-	-	21	0.01	17	0.01	-	-	-	-
Kurdistan	-	-	307	0.19	35	0.02	180	0.1	205	0.11
Kuwait	28,304	18.08	32,744	20.4	34,321	23.46	28,058	16.02	24,790	13.73
Lebanon	3,445	2.2	3,700	2.31	2,844	1.94	1,756	1	1,346	0.75
Libya	103	0.07	310	0.19	15	0.01	-	-	59	0.03
Lithuania	-	-	-	-	34	0.02	24	0.01	52	0.03
Malaysia	555	0.35	3,081	1.92	1,871	1.28	1,936	1.11	2,238	1.24
Maldives	660	0.42	678	0.42	730	0.5	835	0.48	351	0.19
Mauritius	618	0.39	313	0.2	331	0.23	259	0.15	361	0.2
Mongolia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11	0.01
Oman	2,208	1.41	2,781	1.73	2,258	1.54	1,744	1	1,730	0.96
Pakistan	-	-	-	-	4	-	8	-	4	-
Qatar	25,292	16.15	27,941	17.41	22,153	15.14	32,634	18.63	54,931	30.41
Rumania	81	0.05	53	0.03	137	0.09	68	0.04	-	-
Saudi Arabia	63,843	40.78	55,698	34.7	49,771	34.02	78,293	44.7	61,107	33.83
Seychelles	524	0.33	63	0.04	62	0.04	146	0.08	157	0.09
Singapore	246	0.16	348	0.22	375	0.26	331	0.19	506	0.28
Solomon Island	-	-	52	0.03	27	0.02	-	-	-	-
South Africa	-	-	3	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Sudan	-	-	26	0.02	-	-	1	-	-	-

U.A.E.	16,251	10.38	15,799	9.84	13,068	8.93	14,095	8.05	22,110	12.24
Other	61	0.04	69	0.04	71	0.05	16	0.01	66	0.04
Total	156,567	100	160,498	100	146,293	100	175,169	100	180,605	100

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Source: SLBFE

Table - 15
Total Departures for Foreign Employment through Private Sources (Self Basis) by Country 2009 - 2013*

Country	2009		2010		2011		2012		2013*	
	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%
Afghanistan	14	0.02	57	0.05	71	0.06	51	0.05	77	0.07
Algeria	13	0.01	84	0.08	19	0.02	4	-	9	0.01
Australia	16	0.02	15	0.01	16	0.01	22	0.02	6	0.01
Bahrain	2,700	2.98	3,016	2.82	3,047	2.61	2,605	2.43	2,364	2.1
Bangladesh	47	0.05	29	0.03	102	0.09	111	0.1	206	0.18
Brunei	16	0.02	13	0.01	12	0.01	10	0.01	15	0.01
Canada	37	0.04	14	0.01	19	0.02	8	0.01	4	-
China	4	-	5	-	5	-	6	0.01	2	-
Cyprus	961	1.06	1,000	0.93	1,059	0.91	988	0.92	781	0.69
Egypt	85	0.09	94	0.09	42	0.04	31	0.03	32	0.03
Greece	139	0.15	111	0.1	91	0.08	44	0.04	24	0.02
Hong Kong	352	0.39	306	0.29	347	0.3	289	0.27	356	0.32
India	57	0.06	89	0.08	76	0.07	94	0.09	106	0.09
Iraq	20	0.02	16	0.01	47	0.04	31	0.03	61	0.05
Ireland	2	-	3	-	2	-	1	-	1	-
Israel	259	0.29	634	0.59	700	0.6	983	0.92	980	0.87
Italy	22	0.02	15	0.01	15	0.01	5	-	5	-
Japan	167	0.18	100	0.09	60	0.05	34	0.03	43	0.04
Jordan	778	0.86	902	0.84	875	0.75	957	0.89	954	0.85
Kenya	10	0.01	2	-	9	0.01	3	-	9	0.01
Kurdistan	-	-	-	-	7	0.01	10	0.01	16	0.01
Kuwait	14,073	15.54	15,364	14.36	16,303	13.97	16,186	15.09	17,949	15.95
Lebanon	2,460	2.72	2,364	2.21	2,309	1.98	2,193	2.04	2,188	1.94
Libya	58	0.06	152	0.14	11	0.01	12	0.01	43	0.04
Malaysia	495	0.55	612	0.57	588	0.5	758	0.71	1,059	0.94
Maldives	3,242	3.58	3,500	3.27	3,464	2.97	3,209	2.99	3,113	2.77
Mauritius	27	0.03	16	0.01	30	0.03	14	0.01	21	0.02
New Zealand	36	0.04	9	0.01	12	0.01	15	0.01	7	0.01
Nigeria	7	0.01	16	0.01	10	0.01	4	-	6	0.01
Oman	3,121	3.45	3,586	3.35	3,121	2.68	3,142	2.93	3,586	3.19
Pakistan	59	0.07	44	0.04	53	0.05	27	0.03	31	0.03
Qatar	18,596	20.53	26,735	24.98	30,590	26.22	24,870	23.18	25,793	22.93
Ruwanda	40	0.04	38	0.04	-	-	2	-	-	-
Saudi Arabia	13,945	15.4	15,132	14.14	18,781	16.1	19,671	18.34	19,729	17.54
Seychelles	98	0.11	111	0.1	116	0.1	149	0.14	158	0.14

Singapore	780	0.86	694	0.65	703	0.6	653	0.61	756	0.67
South Africa	13	0.01	23	0.02	58	0.05	13	0.01	5	-
South Korea	3,993	4.41	5,261	4.92	7,406	6.35	5,630	5.25	5,389	4.79
Syria	35	0.04	25	0.02	21	0.02	9	0.01	1	-
Thailand	6	0.01	6	0.01	2	-	2	-	2	-
U.A.E.	23,352	25.79	26,511	24.77	26,252	22.5	24,202	22.56	26,376	23.45
Uganda	68	0.08	92	0.09	15	0.01	12	0.01	3	-
United Kingdom	64	0.07	22	0.02	16	0.01	12	0.01	4	-
United States	11	0.01	4	-	10	0.01	6	0.01	5	-
Other	281	0.30	187	0.16	176	0.15	200	0.18	225	0.20
Total	90,559	100	107,009	100	116,668	100	107,278	100	112,500	100

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Source: SLBFE

The following facts are disclosed in observing tables from 11 to 15.

- In each year from 2009 up to 2013, the highest number of migrants has been sent by foreign employment agencies to Saudi Arabia. For Kuwait and Qatar too, a greater percentage of migrants has gone through foreign employment agencies.
- In examining statistics relating to migration through private sources (self basis), the highest number was sent to the United Arab Emirates in 2009 and 2013, from 2010 to 2012 the largest number of migrants sent through private sources (self basis) was to Qatar.
- Migration through foreign employment agencies reveals that during the period from 2009 to 2012, women have represented the larger number which has always been over 90,000.

This can be attributed to the free offering of employment opportunities for domestic work in the Middle Eastern countries, incentives being offered by employment agencies such as the settlement of basic cost for migration, regular awareness programmes conducted by the Bureau highlighting the need for labour migration through licensed agencies and a more convenient handling of potential problematic issues after the migration. Another factor that has discouraged labor migration through private sources is the absence of agencies either in the labour receiving country or the labour sending country to deal with problems of persons who migrate.

- However, a reversal in the trend of people migrating through employment agencies was witnessed in 2013. This is the outnumbering of female migrants by male migrants who went abroad through foreign employment agencies for the first time in the country's labour migration history. The number of male migrants in 2013 was 95,826 while the number of women migrate was 84,779. This can be ascribed to a number of important policy decisions taken by the Bureau as regards female migrants in the year 2013 such as the increase of minimum age limit of women migrating for domestic work in Saudi Arabia from 21 to 25 years, the increase of the minimum age limit for domestic employment in other Middle Eastern countries from 21 to 23 years, making it mandatory the National Vocational Qualification Level III certificate for female

Sri Lankan migrant workers to Saudi Arabia and non Middle Eastern Countries and other Middle Eastern countries to sit the National Vocational Qualification Level III test and making it mandatory for potential women migrants to submit a family background report.

- In examining the number of people migrating through private sources during the period 2009 to 2013, the majority of migrants have been males. The number of women who sought employment through private sources was at a low level.

Table -16
Male Departures for Professional Jobs by Country 2009 - 2013*

Country	2009		2010		2011		2012		2013*	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Australia	2	0.07	-	-	1	0.03	5	0.12	-	-
Bahrain	130	4.82	108	3.69	127	3.51	112	2.78	147	3.17
Bangladesh	18	0.67	-	-	29	0.8	47	1.17	92	1.99
Botswana	11	0.41	9	0.31	3	0.08	2	0.05	3	0.06
China	2	0.07	1	0.03	-	-	3	0.07	1	0.02
Cyprus	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	0.07	1	0.02
Egypt	2	0.07	3	0.1	7	0.19	2	0.05	5	0.11
Hong Kong	2	0.07	4	0.14	2	0.06	8	0.20	8	0.17
India	10	0.37	8	0.27	10	0.28	21	0.52	27	0.58
Ireland	1	0.04	1	0.03	1	0.03	-	0	1	0.02
Israel	3	0.11	-	-	1	0.03	4	0.10	2	0.04
Japan	50	1.85	29	0.99	8	0.22	10	0.25	10	0.22
Jordan	7	0.26	9	0.31	7	0.19	9	0.22	17	0.37
Kenya	4	0.15	1	0.03	2	0.06	1	0.02	4	0.09
Kuwait	68	2.52	65	2.22	82	2.27	75	1.86	118	2.55
Lebanon	-	-	-	-	2	0.06	2	0.05	1	0.02
Libya	7	0.26	23	0.79	-	-	-	-	8	0.17
Madagascar	1	0.04	1	0.03	-	-	-	-	-	-
Malaysia	5	0.19	11	0.38	16	0.44	38	0.94	65	1.40
Maldives	162	6	266	9.1	275	7.6	315	7.82	356	7.69
Oman	201	7.45	237	8.11	268	7.41	305	7.57	404	8.72
Pakistan	6	0.22	-	-	6	0.17	5	0.12	3	0.06
Qatar	617	22.87	794	27.16	1,353	37.41	1307	32.43	1294	27.94
Saudi Arabia	442	16.38	491	16.8	511	14.13	659	16.35	657	14.18

Seychelles	10	0.37	19	0.65	17	0.47	24	0.60	47	1.01
Singapore	55	2.04	47	1.61	46	1.27	81	2.01	114	2.46
South Africa	1	0.04	2	0.07	8	0.22	3	0.07	3	0.06
South Korea	2	0.07	1	0.03	-	-	5	0.12	25	0.54
U.A.E.	716	26.54	714	24.43	754	20.85	935	23.20	1178	25.43
United Kingdom	11	0.41	2	0.07	-	-	3	0.07	1	0.02
United States	1	0.04	-	-	1	0.03	2	0.05	-	-
Others	151	5.6	77	2.63	80	2.21	44	1.09	40	0.86
Total	2,698	100	2,923	100	3,617	100	4030	100.00	4632	100.00

*Provisional

Source: SLBFE

Table 16 shows the number of male departures for professional level jobs during the period from 2009 – 2013. In the year 2009, only 2,698 persons migrated for professional level employment but this number rose gradually and reached 4,632 by the end of 2013. The highest number of professionals during the period from 2010 to 2013 migrated to Qatar. In the year 2013, that number stood at 1,294 which is 28% of the total number of departures for Professional male manpower level. However in comparison to the years 2011 and 2012, there has been a slight decrease in the number of professionals who migrated to Qatar in the year 2013. (1,353 in 2011, 1,307 in 2012 and 1,294 in 2013)

There has also been a gradual increase in the number of professionals migrating to the United Arab Emirates the most number of 1178 is reported in 2013.

Table -17
Female Departures for Professional Jobs by Country 2009 - 2013*

Country	2009		2010		2011		2012		2013*	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Afghanistan	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0.24	-	-
Australia	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	1.21	2	0.40
Bahrain	10	7.46	4	2.99	7	3.08	8	1.94	18	3.61
Bangladesh	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	0.48	1	0.20
Bhutan	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0.24	-	-
Botswana	1	0.75	-	-	1	0.44	-	-	1	0.20
Brunei	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0.24	2	0.40
Canada	3	2.24	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0.20
Cyprus	1	0.75	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	0.40
Egypt	-	-	3	-	-	-	1	0.24	1	0.20
Hong Kong	-	-	-	-	1	0.44	2	0.48	1	0.20
India	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	0.73	3	0.60
Israel	-	-	-	-	3	1.32	10	2.42	21	4.21
Japan	1	0.75	3	2.24	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jordan	-	-	-	-	2	0.88	-	-	1	0.20
Kuwait	1	0.75	1	0.75	10	4.41	46	11.14	34	6.81
Lebanon	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0.24	-	-
Malaysia	-	-	1	0.75	1	0.44	2	0.48	8	1.60
Maldives	11	8.21	14	10.45	19	8.37	22	5.33	31	6.21
Oman	19	14.18	17	12.69	16	7.05	32	7.75	33	6.61

Pakistan	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	0.24	2	0.40
Qatar	22	16.42	34	25.37	26	11.45	71	17.19	63	12.63
Saudi Arabia	4	2.99	3	2.24	17	7.49	14	3.39	12	2.40
Seychelles	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	0.73	10	2.00
Singapore	1	0.75	3	2.24	5	2.2	5	1.21	11	2.20
U.A.E.	50	37.31	46	34.33	112	49.34	182	44.07	237	47.49
United Kingdom	4	2.99	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0.20
Others	5	3.73	4	2.99	7	3.08	-	-	3	0.60
Total	134	100	134	100	227	100	413	100	499	100

*Provisional

Source: SLBFE

The figures relevant to female migrants for professional level employment during the period from 2009 to 2013 are tabulated in Table 17. There have only been 134 female professional migrants in 2009 but it has shown a steady increase over the years and by 2013 has risen to 499. During the period from 2009- 2013, the most number of females have migrated to the United Arab Emirates for white collar employment. This number too has registered a measured upward trend with the number rising from 50 in 2009 to 237 in 2013 recording a growth of 47.49%.

Table - 18
Male Departures for Middle Level Jobs by Country 2009 - 2013*

Country	2009		2010		2011		2012		2013*	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Afghanistan	1	0.02	23	0.38	17	0.31	24	0.27	9	0.06
Bahrain	132	2.44	158	2.64	74	1.36	145	1.66	97	0.61
Bangladesh	-	-	-	-	-	-	19	0.22	22	0.14
Cyprus	7	0.13	5	0.08	3	0.05	2	0.02	-	-
Djibouti	1	0.02	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Egypt	17	0.31	19	0.32	3	0.05	2	0.02	2	0.01
Greece	6	0.11	9	0.15	-	-	1	0.01	-	-
Hong Kong	7	0.13	2	0.03	2	0.04	1	0.01	-	-
India	17	0.31	24	0.4	22	0.4	9	0.1	12	0.08
Israel	15	0.28	11	0.18	3	0.05	2	0.02	2	0.01
Italy	-	-	-	-	1	0.02	-	-	1	0.01
Japan	31	0.57	14	0.23	6	0.11	1	0.01	3	0.02
Jordan	44	0.81	46	0.77	33	0.6	19	0.22	18	0.11
Kenya	5	0.09	2	0.03	4	0.07	3	0.03	3	0.02
Kuwait	178	3.29	212	3.54	219	4.01	147	1.68	94	0.59
Lebanon	6	0.11	9	0.15	-	-	-	-	1	0.01
Libya	18	0.33	36	0.6	-	-	1	0.01	2	0.01

Madagascar	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Malaysia	35	0.65	33	0.55	8	0.15	29	0.33	19	0.12
Maldives	270	5	267	4.46	234	4.29	218	2.5	187	1.17
Mauritius	8	0.15	2	0.03	2	0.04	1	0.01	2	0.01
Oman	370	6.85	428	7.16	299	5.48	306	3.5	302	1.89
Pakistan	6	0.11	5	0.08	5	0.09	1	0.01	4	0.03
Qatar	1,053	19.49	1,491	24.93	2,477	45.4	5289	60.58	12,835	80.41
Saudi Arabia	796	14.73	798	13.34	515	9.44	642	7.35	578	3.62
Seychelles	36	0.67	10	0.17	10	0.18	19	0.22	24	0.15
Sierra Leone	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	0.04
Singapore	57	1.05	28	0.47	35	0.64	23	0.26	47	0.29
South Africa	10	0.19	3	0.05	3	0.05	1	0.01	-	-
South Korea	50	0.93	17	0.28	-	-	3	0.03	19	0.12
Thailand	5	0.09	1	0.02	-	-	-	-	-	-
U.A.E.	2,121	39.25	2,234	37.35	1,401	25.68	1793	20.54	1,641	10.28
United Kingdom	6	0.11	1	0.02	1	0.02	-	-	-	-
United States	2	0.04	-	-	1	0.02	-	-	1	0.01
Others	94	1.74	93	1.56	78	1.43	30	0.34	29	0.18
Total	5,404	100	5,981	100	5,456	100	8,731	100	15,961	100

*Provisional

Source: SLBFE

Table 18 presents statistics pertaining to male migrants for the Middle Level employment category during the period from 2009- 2013. This category too indicates a progressive growth with numbers increasing from 5,404 in 2009 to 15,961 in 2013. The higher number of middle employment level migration has been to the United Arab Emirates in 2009. However, the number of males migrating to the UAE for middle level employment dropped to 1,641 in 2013 from 2,121 in 2009. On the contrary, the number of males migrating to Qatar for middle level jobs jumped to 12,835 in 2013 from a modest 1,053 in 2009. In the year 2012, the number of males moved to Qatar for middle level employment was 5,289. The percentage of migrants for middle level jobs in 2013 was 80.41% to Qatar, and 10.28% to the UAE.

Table - 19
Female Departures for Middle Level Jobs by Country 2009 - 2013*

Country	2009		2010		2011		2012		2013*	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Australia	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	1.64	1	0.18
Bahrain	20	2.03	31	3.43	15	2.21	10	1.82	15	2.74
Bangladesh	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	1.28	2	0.37
Canada	6	0.61	3	0.33	1	0.15	4	0.73	-	-
Cyprus	5	0.51	4	0.44	2	0.29	-	-	-	-
Egypt	2	0.2	9	1	2	0.29	2	0.36	-	-
Greece	19	1.93	14	1.55	9	1.33	1	0.18	1	0.18
Hong Kong	7	0.71	3	0.33	2	0.29	-	-	1	0.18
Ireland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Israel	23	2.34	25	2.77	10	1.47	6	1.09	16	2.93
Italy	-	-	1	0.11	-	-	1	0.18	-	-
Jordan	10	1.02	19	2.1	6	0.88	7	1.28	3	0.55

Kuwait	92	9.35	102	11.3	48	7.08	18	3.28	36	6.58
Lebanon	9	0.91	13	1.44	2	0.29	2	0.36	-	-
Malaysia	4	0.41	7	0.78	3	0.44	1	0.18	6	1.1
Maldives	56	5.69	39	4.32	27	3.98	22	4.01	17	3.11
Oman	58	5.89	89	9.86	65	9.59	53	9.65	52	9.51
Pakistan	2	0.2	3	0.33	1	-	2	0.36	-	-
Qatar	80	8.13	105	11.63	110	16.22	84	15.3	121	22.12
Saudi Arabia	36	3.66	36	3.99	17	2.51	16	2.91	9	1.65
Seychelles	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	0.18	1	0.18
Singapore	63	6.4	36	3.99	22	3.24	14	2.55	16	2.93
South Korea	7	0.71	3	0.33	-	-	-	-	-	-
Syria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
U.A.E.	451	45.83	330	36.54	322	47.49	282	51.37	242	44.24
United Kingdom	10	1.02	6	0.66	1	0.15	-	-	-	-
United States	2	0.2	1	0.11	2	0.29	2	0.36	1	0.18
Others	21	2.13	24	2.66	11	1.62	5	0.91	7	1.28
Total	984	100	903	100	678	100	549	100	547	100

*Provisional

Source: SLBFE

Table 19 is a tabular presentation of the number of female departures for Middle Level Jobs during the period from 2009 – 2013.

This number which stood at 984 in 2009 dropped to 547 by 2013. Every year, the most number of women migrated for middle level jobs to the United Arab Emirates and in 2013 it was 242. In addition, 121 women have migrated to Qatar for middle level employment.

Table -20
Male Departures for Clerical & Related Jobs by Country 2009 - 2013*

Country	2009		2010		2011		2012		2013*	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Afghanistan	4	0.07	57	0.81	41	0.47	34	0.23	20	0.08
Algeria	1	0.02	3	0.04	10	0.11	-	-	2	0.01
Bahrain	135	2.3	132	1.89	144	1.64	171	1.14	248	0.99
Canada	2	0.03	1	0.01	2	0.02	-	-	-	-
Cyprus	1	0.02	3	0.04	-	-	1	0.01	2	0.01
Greece	3	0.05	5	0.07	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hong Kong	-	-	2	0.03	3	0.03	-	-	3	0.01
India	10	0.17	-	-	-	-	9	0.06	7	0.03

Iraq	1	0.02	-	-	19	0.22	2	0.01	-	-
Israel	1	0.02	4	0.06	2	0.02	1	0.01	1	0
Italy	1	0.02	1	0.01	-	-	-	-	-	-
Japan	2	0.03	4	0.06	2	0.02	8	0.05	3	0.01
Jordan	81	1.38	57	0.81	69	0.78	47	0.31	38	0.15
Kuwait	170	2.89	196	2.8	290	3.3	275	1.83	318	1.27
Lebanon	3	0.05	4	0.06	5	0.06	3	0.02	2	0.01
Libya	25	0.43	22	0.31	1	0.01	-	-	3	0.01
Malaysia	12	0.2	9	0.13	13	0.15	23	0.15	23	0.09
Maldives	268	4.56	314	4.49	249	2.83	267	1.78	257	1.03
Mauritius	20	0.34	3	0.04	2	0.02	3	0.02	1	0
Oman	208	3.54	310	4.43	286	3.25	196	1.31	300	1.2
Pakistan	1	0.02	-	-	2	0.02	-	-	-	-
Qatar	1,680	28.59	2,371	33.89	4,206	47.83	10074	67.08	18516	73.89
Saudi Arabia	810	13.78	882	12.61	801	9.11	684	4.55	711	2.84
Seychelles	27	0.46	20	0.29	9	0.1	9	0.06	22	0.09
Singapore	9	0.15	7	0.1	15	0.17	8	0.05	26	0.1
South Africa	-	-	9	0.13	11	0.13	4	0.03	-	-
South Korea	10	0.17	4	0.06	-	-	3	0.02	12	0.05
U.A.E.	2,347	39.94	2,491	35.61	2,566	29.18	3174	21.14	4518	18.03
United Kingdom	-	-	-	-	3	0.03	-	-	-	-
Others	45	0.77	85	1.21	42	0.47	21	0.14	27	0.11
Total	5,877	100	6,996	100	8,793	100	15,017	100	25,060	100

*Provisional

Source: SLBFE

Migratory trends among men for clerical and related level employment category during the period 2009-2013 are presented in Table 20. This sector has registered a phenomenal growth with the number increasing from 5,877 in 2009 to 25,060 in 2013. In the year 2012, this number was 15,017 and climbed to 25,060 in 2013 recording a growth of 67%. The increase of male migrants in this category to Qatar as in other job categories has had an impact on the overall labor migration of males in 2013. 74% of all migrations for the clerical and related field were to Qatar in 2013.

Table -21
Female Departures for Clerical & Related Jobs by Country 2009 - 2013*

Country	2009		2010		2011		2012		2013*	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Bahrain	45	5.34	47	5.07	78	7.01	33	2.83	56	3.76
China	0	0	1	0.11	1	0.09	-	-	-	-
Cyprus	1	0.12	2	0.22	1	0.09	-	-	-	-
Egypt	1	0.12	2	0.22	1	0.09	4	0.34	3	0.2

Greece	1	0.12	1	0.11	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hong Kong	1	0.12	0	0.00	2	0.18	-	-	1	0.07
India	3	0.36	12	1.29	-	-	12	1.03	2	0.13
Israel	2	0.24	3	0.32	3	0.27	1	0.09	5	0.34
Jordan	53	6.29	69	7.44	39	3.5	24	2.06	14	0.94
Kuwait	89	10.57	89	9.60	122	10.96	146	12.51	185	12.42
Lebanon	2	0.24	0	0.00	-	-	2	0.17	1	0.07
Malaysia	2	0.24	2	0.22	-	-	11	0.94	5	0.34
Maldives	18	2.14	21	2.27	26	2.34	30	2.57	31	2.08
Mauritius	2	0.24	1	0.11	1	0.09	-	-	-	-
New Zealand	4	0.48	0	0.00	-	-	1	0.09	2	0.13
Oman	31	3.68	32	3.45	28	2.52	29	2.49	31	2.08
Qatar	133	15.80	167	18.02	226	20.31	232	19.88	298	20
Saudi Arabia	12	1.43	12	1.29	13	1.17	22	1.89	10	0.67
Seychelles	1	0.12	0	0.00	-	-	-	-	2	0.13
Singapore	0	0.00	0	0.00	2	0.18	2	0.17	3	0.2
U.A.E.	425	50.48	458	49.41	544	48.88	611	52.36	832	55.84
United Kingdom	2	0.24	1	0.11	1	0.09	-	-	1	0.07
Others	14	1.66	7	0.76	25	2.25	7	0.6	8	0.54
Total	842	100	927	100	1,113	100	1,167	100	1,490	100

*Provisional

Source: SLBFE

Migratory trends among women for clerical and related level employment category during the period from 2009-2013 are presented in Table 21.

In 2009, 842 women went abroad for this category of employment and the number increased gradually over the years and reached 1490 in 2013. During this period, the highest number of women migrants for this level of employment was to the United Arab Emirates. In the year 2013, 832 women had migrated to the UAE. This was 56% of the total women migrants for clerical and parallel level jobs.

Table - 22
Male Departures for Skilled Level Jobs by Country 2009 - 2013*

Country	2009		2010		2011		2012		2013*	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Afghanistan	35	0.06	486	0.75	279	0.46	260	0.43	171	0.26

Algeria	92	-	96	0.15	113	0.18	2	0.00	3	0.00
Bahrain	671	1.2	659	1.01	729	1.19	605	1.01	766	1.17
Bangladesh	-	-	11	0.02	36	0.06	30	0.05	52	0.08
Canada	10	0.02	3	-	2	-	3	0.01	2	0.00
Cyprus	78	0.14	44	0.07	33	0.05	54	0.09	27	0.04
Egypt	30	0.05	53	0.08	7	0.01	20	0.03	4	0.01
Equatorial	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	0.01	20	0.03
Greece	16	0.03	9	-	11	-	4	0.01	2	0.00
Hong Kong	11	0.02	6	0.01	10	0.02	6	0.01	9	0.01
India	-	0	20	0.03	26	0.04	19	0.03	30	0.05
Iraq	-	-	3	-	139	0.23	18	0.03	30	0.05
Israel	8	0.01	316	0.49	10	0.02	16	0.03	27	0.04
Italy	4	0.01	6	0.01	2	-	1	0.00	-	-
Japan	39	0.07	33	0.05	45	0.07	68	0.11	60	0.09
Jordan	589	1.05	1,488	2.29	724	1.18	1071	1.79	1306	2.00
Kenya	1	-	-	-	5	0.01		0.00	4	0.01
Kurdistan	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	0.01	24	0.04
Kuwait	6,742	12.05	7,301	11.21	8,303	13.58	7908	13.20	9250	14.15
Lebanon	45	0.08	77	0.12	75	0.12	70	0.12	39	0.06
Libya	89	0.16	200	0.31	14	0.02	3	0.01	69	0.11
Malaysia	172	0.31	1,359	2.09	789	1.29	667	1.11	858	1.31
Maldives	1,517	2.71	1,444	2.22	1,580	2.58	1473	2.46	1399	2.14
Mauritius	196	0.35	66	0.1	146	0.24	105	0.18	167	0.26
Oman	887	1.59	1,174	1.8	1,059	1.73	1140	1.90	1182	1.81
Pakistan	12	0.02	7	0.01	4	0.01	4	0.01	4	0.01
Qatar	20,253	36.2	24,666	37.88	19,622	32.09	15954	26.63	18235	27.90
Rumania	110	0.2	50	0.08	126	0.21	63	0.11	-	-
Saudi Arabia	15,455	27.63	16,788	25.78	18,066	29.54	21607	36.06	20539	31.42
Senegal	-	-	-	-	-	-	19	0.03	20	0.03
Seychelles	386	0.69	92	0.14	94	0.15	204	0.34	174	0.27
Sierra Leone	-	-	-	-	-	-		0.00	24	0.04
Singapore	35	0.06	27	0.04	50	0.08	58	0.10	169	0.26
Solomon Island	-	-	50	0.08	11	0.02		0.00	-	-
South Africa	3	0.01	11	0.02	3	-	2	0.00	-	-
South Korea	71	-	41	-	-	-	67	0.11	144	0.22
Sudan	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	0.01	32	0.05
Syria	8	-	2	-	1	-	2	0.00	-	0.00
U.A.E.	8,146	14.56	8,299	12.74	8,874	14.51	8282	13.82	10430	15.96
Uganda	-	-	73	0.11	6	0.01	5	0.01	2	0.00
United Kingdom	3	0.01	2	-	1	-	5	0.01	1	0.00
United States	4	0.01	1	-	2	-		0.00	-	-
Others	223	0.40	157	0.24	151	0.25	89	0.15	87	0.13
Total	55,941	100	65,120	100	61,148	100	59,920	100	65,362	100

*Provisional

Source: SLBFE

The migration of men under Skilled Level category from 2009 to 2013 is shown in Table 22. The number of migrants under this category, which was 55,941 in 2009 had increased to 65,362 in 2013. However some variations could be observed in the intermediate years.

The highest number of male migrants for the Skilled Level category was to Saudi Arabia. Though the higher number of males in many other categories has migrated to Qatar, the most preferred destination of Sri Lankans for the Skilled Level category has been Saudi Arabia. Though the most number of males have migrated to Qatar from 2009 to 2011 for Skilled Level jobs, the trend started to change after 2012, with the more people migrating to Saudi Arabia for this category of employment.

Table - 23
Female Departures for Skilled Level Jobs by Country 2009 - 2013*

Country	2009		2010		2011		2012		2013*	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Australia	-	-	5	0.08	1	0.02	1	0.014	0	0
Bahrain	491	9.13	464	7.23	557	8.47	551	7.62	831	10.08
Cyprus	3	0.06	4	0.06	32	0.49	43	0.59	57	0.69
Egypt	96	1.78	161	2.51	19	0.29	46	0.64	3	0.04
Greece	1	0.02	2	0.03	5	0.08	3	0.04	3	0.04
Hong Kong	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	0.04	11	0.13
India	-	-	3	0.05	10	0.15	7	0.10	5	0.06
Israel	2	0.04	5	0.08	18	0.27	26	0.36	32	0.39
Japan	-	-	2	0.03	3	0.05	17	0.23	17	0.21
Jordan	2,660	49.44	2,664	41.51	2,690	40.89	3,148	43.51	3257	39.49
Kuwait	138	2.57	226	3.52	402	6.11	531	7.34	518	6.28
Lebanon	9	0.17	4	0.06	13	0.2	7	0.10	5	0.06
Libya	1	0.02	3	0.05	-	-	0	0.00	3	0.04
Lithuania	-	-	-	-	55	0.84	24	0.33	52	0.63
Malaysia	111	2.06	958	14.93	289	4.39	357	4.93	528	6.40
Maldives	23	0.43	20	0.31	32	0.49	76	1.05	41	0.50
Mauritius	361	6.71	220	3.43	191	2.9	155	2.14	203	2.46
Oman	138	2.57	127	1.98	66	1	101	1.40	150	1.82
Qatar	147	2.73	390	6.08	729	11.08	671	9.27	557	6.75
Saudi Arabia	69	1.28	71	1.11	203	3.09	294	4.06	190	2.30
Seychelles	-	-	1	0.02	1	0.02	3	0.04	3	0.04
Singapore	16	0.3	6	0.09	48	0.73	38	0.53	92	1.12
South Korea	2	0.04	3	0.05	-	-	2	0.03	0	0.00
Thailand	-	-	-	-	1	0.02	0	0.00	0	0.00
U.A.E.	1,080	20.07	1,063	16.57	1,197	18.2	1,121	15.49	1676	20.32
Others	32	0.59	15	0.23	16	0.24	10	0.14	13	0.16
Total	5,380	100	6,417	100	6,578	100	7,235	100	8247	100

*Provisional

Source: SLBFE

The migration of women under Skilled Level category from 2009 to 2013 is shown in Table 23.

The number of migrants under this category which was 5,380 in 2009 has gradually increased to 8,247 in 2013. The highest number of female migration for the Skilled Level category has been to Jordan.

Table - 24
Male Departures for Semi Skilled Level Jobs by Country 2009-2013*

Country	2009		2010		2011		2012		2013*	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Afghanistan	1	0.02	62	1.42	32	0.86	45	1.49	39	1.31
Bahrain	111	1.96	86	1.97	85	2.27	48	1.59	55	1.85
Cyprus	1	0.02	2	0.05	1	0.03	1	0.03	-	-
Egypt	1	0.02	-	-	1	0.03	-	-	-	-
Greece	-	-	2	0.05	1	0.03	1	0.03	-	-
Hong Kong	1	0.02	1	0.02	-	-	-	-	1	0.03
Israel	-	-	4	0.09	2	0.05	2	0.07	1	0.03
Jordan	19	0.34	24	0.55	3	0.08	11	0.36	2	0.07
Kenya	1	0.02	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kuwait	545	9.64	177	4.05	147	3.93	210	6.96	200	6.74
Lebanon	11	0.19	9	0.21	5	0.13	3	0.1	1	0.03
Libya	-	-	13	0.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Malaysia	9	0.16	27	0.62	8	0.21	15	0.5	90	3.03
Maldives	37	0.65	44	1.01	31	0.83	31	1.03	34	1.15
Mauritius	24	0.42	7	0.16	1	0.03	-	-	-	-
Oman	62	1.1	87	1.99	73	1.95	46	1.52	58	1.95
Qatar	2,477	43.81	1,230	28.15	1,007	26.93	841	27.86	661	22.27
Saudi Arabia	712	12.59	714	16.34	675	18.05	424	14.04	426	14.35
Seychelles	11	0.19	7	0.16	13	0.35	9	0.3	4	0.13
Singapore	18	0.32	8	0.18	28	0.75	11	0.36	6	0.2
South Korea	3	0.05	1	0.02	-	-	-	-	2	0.07
Syria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Thailand	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
U.A.E.	1,598	28.26	1,853	42.4	1,595	42.65	1,304	43.19	1,376	46.36
Others	12	0.21	12	0.27	32	0.86	17	0.56	12	0.4
Total	5,654	100	4,370	100	3,740	100	3,019	100	2,968	100

*Provisional

Source: SLBFE

In examining details of the migration of men for Semi Skilled Level during 2009 to 2013 presented in Table 24, it was observed that the number of migrants which was 5654 in 2009 has dropped to 2968 in 2013. This category has witnessed a gradual decline in every passing year.

Even in Qatar, which registered a significant increase in all other categories, there has been a considerable downward trend in the number of male migrants in this category. This is evident from the fact that only 661 have migrated under this category in 2013 as against 2,477 in 2009. The higher number of departures for Semi Skilled category is to the United Arab Emirates which is 1,376 and it represents nearly 46% of the total number migrated under this category.

Table - 25
Female Departures for Semi Skilled Level Jobs by Country 2009-2013*

Country	2009		2010		2011		2012		2013	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Afghanistan	1	0.28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bahrain	18	4.99	14	2.49	20	4.55	16	3.57	12	2.7
Cyprus	2	0.55	2	0.36	1	0.23	4	0.89	1	0.23
Egypt	-	-	-	-	1	0.23	-	-	-	-
Greece	-	-	2	0.36	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hong Kong	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	0.45
Israel	2	0.55	4	0.71	2	0.45	1	0.22	2	0.45
Japan	3	0.83	1	0.18	-	-	1	0.22	-	-
Jordan	23	6.37	3	0.53	5	1.14	2	0.45	1	0.23
Kenya	2	0.55	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kuwait	44	12.19	53	9.43	66	15	112	25	122	27.48
Lebanon	-	-	-	-	2	0.45	1	0.22	-	-
Malaysia	1	0.28	206	36.65	18	4.09	35	7.81	13	2.93
Maldives	6	1.66	6	1.07	1	0.23	7	1.56	2	0.45
Mauritius	3	0.83	8	1.42	1	0.23	-	-	-	-
Oman	6	1.66	3	0.53	8	1.82	5	1.12	8	1.8
Qatar	38	10.53	47	8.36	64	14.55	53	11.83	34	7.66
Saudi Arabia	3	0.83	8	1.42	5	1.14	7	1.56	17	3.83
Singapore	6	1.66	4	0.71	9	2.05	4	0.89	2	0.45
South Korea	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0.23
Syria	2	0.55	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
U.A.E.	199	55.12	198	35.23	232	52.73	200	44.64	226	50.9
Others	2	0.55	3	0.53	5	1.14	-	-	1	0.23
Total	361	100	562	100	440	100	448	100	444	100

*Provisional

Source: SLBFE

Table 25 gives data pertaining to the number of women who went overseas for jobs in the Semi Skilled category during the period 2009 to 2013. In the year 2009, the number of women who migrated for semi skilled jobs was 361. In the year 2013, the female migration in this category was 444.

In the year 2013, out of the total number of women who have migrated for semi skilled jobs, nearly 51% have migrated to the United Arab Emirates. The percentage of Sri Lankan women who went to Kuwait under this category has been 27%.

Table - 26
Male Departures for Unskilled Level Jobs by Country 2009 - 2013*

Country	2009		2010		2011		2012		2013*	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Afghanistan	18	0.04	121	0.24	105	0.2	111	0.21	90	0.15
Bahrain	582	1.33	541	1.05	565	1.06	451	0.84	469	0.77
Bangladesh	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	0.02	19	0.03
Canada	4	0.01	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-
Cyprus	362	0.83	336	0.65	302	0.56	298	0.56	188	0.31
Egypt	2	-	6	0.01	3	0.01	1	-	2	-
Greece	14	0.03	16	0.03	13	0.02	5	0.01	1	-
Hong Kong	10	0.02	15	0.03	27	0.05	31	0.06	30	0.05
India	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	0.01	19	0.03
Iraq	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	0.01	30	0.05
Israel	112	0.26	202	0.39	274	0.51	262	0.49	377	0.62
Italy	9	0.02	5	0.01	6	0.01	1	-	1	-
Japan	42	0.1	19	0.04	30	0.06	15	0.03	19	0.03
Jordan	125	0.29	77	0.15	52	0.1	66	0.12	64	0.1
Kurdistan	-	-	269	0.52	28	0.05	183	0.34	157	0.26
Kuwait	2,625	5.99	3,354	6.52	4,948	9.24	3,973	7.44	4,000	6.55
Lebanon	319	0.73	384	0.75	424	0.79	333	0.62	381	0.62
Libya	10	0.02	153	0.3	10	0.02	7	0.01	14	0.02
Malaysia	243	0.55	319	0.62	522	0.97	529	0.99	492	0.81
Maldives	1,069	2.44	1,345	2.61	1,355	2.53	1,260	2.36	857	1.4
Mauritius	16	0.04	18	0.03	12	0.02	7	0.01	9	0.01
Oman	498	1.14	593	1.15	641	1.2	544	1.02	694	1.14
Pakistan	2	-	3	0.01	3	0.01	-	-	-	-
Qatar	10,598	24.19	14,867	28.89	14,777	27.59	16,649	31.17	21,322	34.92
Saudi Arabia	14,892	33.99	14,280	27.75	13,442	25.1	14,379	26.92	16,470	26.97
Seychelles	150	0.34	25	0.05	34	0.06	23	0.04	24	0.04
Singapore	36	0.08	40	0.08	15	0.03	31	0.06	36	0.06
Solomon Island	-	-	-	-	21	0.04	-	-	-	-
South Africa	2	-	-	-	9	0.02	1	-	1	-
South Korea	3,729	8.51	5,079	9.87	7,303	13.64	5,476	10.25	5,106	8.36
Sudan	13	0.03	1	-	-	-	1	-	9	0.01
Syria	5	0.01	6	0.01	4	0.01	1	-	-	-

U.A.E.	8,262	18.86	9,342	18.15	8,547	15.96	8,741	16.36	10,151	16.62
Others	58	0.13	44	0.08	80	0.15	16	0.03	31	0.05
Total	43,807	100	51,460	100	53,553	100	53,418	100	61,064	100

*Provisional

Source: SLBFE

The data of men who migrated under unskilled level category from 2009 to 2013 is shown in Table 26. The migration of men for unskilled category jobs which stood at 43,807 in 2009 increased to 61,064 by 2013. The highest percentage of male migrants (34.92%) for unskilled level jobs in 2013 was to Qatar.

Table - 27
Female Departures for Unskilled Level Jobs by Country 2009 - 2013*

Country	2009		2010		2011		2012		2013*	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Bahrain	76	1.19	126	1.41	205	2.02	136	1.43	165	1.67
Canada	4	0.06	1	0.01	3	0.03	-	-	-	-
Cyprus	45	0.71	89	0.99	235	2.32	755	7.96	534	5.4
Egypt	1	0.02	1	0.01	-	-	1	0.01	1	0.01
Greece	6	0.09	4	0.04	4	0.04	4	0.04	2	0.02
Hong Kong	41	0.64	65	0.73	89	0.88	86	0.91	113	1.14
India	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	0.06	2	0.02
Israel	636	9.99	1,094	12.21	950	9.38	1,205	12.7	1,210	12.23
Japan	2	0.03	1	0.01	2	0.02	10	0.11	3	0.03
Jordan	74	1.16	53	0.59	22	0.22	30	0.32	30	0.3
Kurdistan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	29	0.29
Kuwait	324	5.09	392	4.37	931	9.19	1,345	14.17	834	8.43
Lebanon	29	0.46	36	0.4	27	0.27	23	0.24	46	0.47
Malaysia	18	0.28	107	1.19	41	0.4	46	0.48	136	1.37
Maldives	95	1.49	94	1.05	175	1.73	170	1.79	126	1.27
Mauritius	9	0.14	2	0.02	3	0.03	1	0.01	-	-
Oman	46	0.72	109	1.22	204	2.01	109	1.15	131	1.32
Pakistan	2	0.03	1	0.01	2	0.02	-	-	-	-
Qatar	585	9.19	773	8.63	1,141	11.27	978	10.31	884	8.94
Saudi Arabia	1,705	26.78	1,670	18.63	1,592	15.72	964	10.16	1,308	13.22
Seychelles	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-
Singapore	137	2.15	230	2.57	184	1.82	174	1.83	370	3.74
South Korea	112	1.76	103	1.15	103	1.02	67	0.71	73	0.74
U.A.E.	2,407	37.81	3,996	44.59	4,204	41.51	3,372	35.54	3,889	39.31
Others	12	0.19	15	0.17	10	0.1	7	0.07	8	0.08
Total	6,366	100	8,962	100	10,127	100	9,489	100	9,897	100

*Provisional

Source: SLBFE

The data of women who migrated under unskilled level Non-Housemaid category during the period from 2009 to 2013 is shown in Table 27. The migration of women for unskilled category jobs

which stood at 6366 in 2009 increased to 9897 by 2013. The highest percentage of female migrants (39% of) for unskilled level jobs in 2013 was to the UAE.

During the five years under consideration, the highest number of females has migrated for unskilled jobs in the year 2011.

Tables from 16 to 27, show under the different manpower levels.

- The most number of men have migrated to Qatar.
- The majority of women have migrated to the UAE. However under semi skilled category, the highest number of females had migrated to Jordan.
- Migration of men in respect of Semi Skilled Level has witnessed a steady decline while in all other manpower employment levels, the migration of male migrants is on the rise.

Table - 28
Female Departures as Housemaids (Domestic Housekeeping Assistants) by Country 2009 - 2013*

Country	2009		2010		2011		2012		2013*	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Bahrain	3,504	3.08	4,682	4.15	2,817	2.62	2,250	1.89	1,661	1.71
China	-	-	1	-	3	-	-	-	1	-
Cyprus	2,425	2.13	2,281	2.02	2,426	2.26	1,714	1.44	795	0.82
Egypt	17	0.01	21	0.02	9	0.01	5	-	8	0.01
Greece	71	0.06	47	0.04	47	0.04	25	0.02	15	0.02
Hong Kong	272	0.24	208	0.18	228	0.21	314	0.26	332	0.34
India	1	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-
Israel	136	0.12	208	0.18	203	0.19	232	0.19	248	0.26
Italy	6	0.01	1	-	2	-	1	-	-	-
Japan	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jordan	5,345	4.7	4,916	4.36	9,460	8.8	5,955	5	2,313	2.39
Kuwait	31,361	27.59	35,940	31.88	35,056	32.61	29,458	24.75	27,030	27.88
Lebanon	5,472	4.81	5,528	4.9	4,598	4.28	3,502	2.94	3,057	3.15
Libya	11	0.01	9	0.01	-	-	1	-	1	-
Malaysia	438	0.39	654	0.58	751	0.7	941	0.79	1,054	1.09
Maldives	270	0.24	304	0.27	190	0.18	153	0.13	126	0.13
Mauritius	1	-	1	-	2	-	1	-	-	-
Nigeria	-	-	3	-	2	-	-	-	2	-
Oman	2,805	2.47	3,161	2.8	2,366	2.2	2,020	1.7	1,971	2.03
Pakistan	27	0.02	22	0.02	33	0.03	21	0.02	22	0.02
Qatar	6,205	5.46	7,742	6.87	7,005	6.52	5,301	4.45	5,904	6.09
Saudi Arabia	42,852	37.7	35,077	31.11	32,695	30.42	58,252	48.95	39,909	41.17
Singapore	593	0.52	606	0.54	619	0.58	535	0.45	370	0.38
South Africa	-	-	1	-	3	-	-	-	-	-
South Korea	7	0.01	9	0.01	-	-	7	0.01	6	0.01
Sudan	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Syria	13	0.01	14	-	14	-	5	-	1	-
U.A.E.	11,801	10.38	11,286	10.01	8,927	8.3	8,300	6.97	12,090	12.47
United Kingdom	21	0.02	8	0.01	3	-	2	-	-	-

United States	1	-	-	-	4	-	1	-	-	-
Others	22	0.02	20	0.02	25	0.02	14	0.01	18	0.02
Total	113,678	100	112,752	100	107,491	100	119,011	100	96,934	100

*Provisional

Source: SLBFE

The Housemaid (Domestic Housekeeping Assistant) employment category is the 7th manpower level. Though initially termed as Housemaids, from 2013 they are known as Domestic Housekeeping Assistants. This is the only employment category which is exclusively for women.

Table 28 shows the female departures as Housemaids by country for each year from 2009 to 2013. In analyzing figures from 2009 onwards, a sharp spike in migration for this category is seen in the year 2012 and a sudden plunge in the year 2013.

The highest number of migrants under the Housemaid (Domestic Housekeeping Assistant) category has been to Saudi Arabia in the year 2013. However on account of the reasons outlined in the analysis under 8th paragraph of the Table 1 of this report, a sharp drop is indicated in the migration for housemaid category in the year 2013 and the key factors that can be ascribed to the rapid increase in the migration as Housekeeping Assistants was the action taken by Saudi Arabian employers to recruit directly through Sri Lankan employment agencies bypassing recruitment agencies in their own country. In the following year, there has been a decline in such recruitment resulting in a downward trend.