

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA**

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UNORGANISED RETAIL
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

- (a) the number and percentage of population dependent on retail trade in the country; and
- (b) the number of persons involved in organised and unorganised retail sectors separately?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI RAOSAHEB PATIL DANVE)

(a): As per the Economic Survey 2013-14, based on a study conducted by Indian Council for Research on International Economic Relations (ICIER), employment in domestic retail trade is estimated at 35.1 million constituting 7.3 per cent of the workforce in the country.

(b): As retail trade is a State Subject, no such data is being centrally maintained.