

TABLE 9.17
Employment in Tea Plantation in West Bengal

Year	Number of Tea estates *	Number of Small growers *	Average daily number of workers ('000)
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
1980	305	..	243
1985	323	..	233
1990	347	..	249
1995	343	..	258
1996	453	..	252
1997	453	..	244
1998	306	809	247
1999	306	1145	245
2000	306	1232	253
2001	308	1246	255
2002	308	8398	256
2003	311	8398	260
2004	311	8398	260
2005	309	8708	263
2006	310	8708	262
2007	307	9990	262
2008	307	9990	265
2009	307	9990	265
2010	309	21390(E)	315(E)
2011	309	21390(E)	327(E)
2012	309	21390(E)	327(E)
2013	309	21390(E)	327(E)
2014	309	21390(E)	327(E)
2014-15	309	21390(E)	327(E)

Note: Since 1998 all small growers have been
taken into account for every district of West Bengal.

Source : Tea Board, Kolkata.

* As on 31st December.

E = Estimated.