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Table 7			
Indicator			Legal status (19
		Joint stock	
	Limited	company	Corporation
Senior			
management	109,294	448	18,272
Junior and			
casual workers	47,789	3,346	18,766
Estimated			
indirect			
employment	38,511	74	10
Total new			
investment (N)	598,629,454,347	602,029,714	52,491,709
Total capital			
stock (N)	534,964,448,819	602,339,645	51,000,000
Capacity			
utilization (% of			
installed			
capacity)	21.96	1.59	1.87
Total annual	544 704 000 445	04 700 000 440	050 007 400
turnover (N)	514,791,006,415	31,766,200,448	259,937,190
Value of share			
on the stock			
exchange (if	0 000 040 500	040 070 000	0
applicable)(N) Branch network	8,990,843,569	818,272,000	0
(No)	838	26	150
(140)	030	26	150
% of raw			
materials			
sourced locally	22.27	0.37	0.42
Total exports (N)	4,103,346,672	0.37	827,684
Amount spent	4,100,040,072	U	021,004
on charitable			
causes (N)	18,955,160,362	1,122,000	6,055,000
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1999	2003
1000	2000

Total new			
investment (N)	624,969,525,770	1,684,330,695,245	
Total capital			
stock	737,400,484,505	1,458,418,628,291	
Total annual			
turnover	893,550,654,224	3,579,130,201,173	
Stock exchange			
share value	24,150,910,189	130,081,277,623	
Total exports	10,573,674,356	19,002,713,999	
Amount spent			
on charity	29,006,566,392	75,491,621,679	

Table 54	Medium term business establishments' planned inve			
Legal Status	2004 2005 2006			
Limited liability co	358,366,000,014	669,971,620,000	1,325,836,600,000	
Joint Stock Comp	2,342,250,000	1,420,300,003	1,242,400,000	
Corporation	77,850,013	112,561,850,000	40,960,250,000	
Others (Specify)	156,117,359,000	375,001,600,000	690,018,000,000	
Total	516,903,459,027	1,158,955,370,003	2,058,057,250,000	

Table 55	Medium term business establishments' planned inv			
Activity Sector	2004 2005 2006			
Manufacturing	24,995,959,000	26,854,900,000	41,767,400,000	
Mining &				
Quarrying	0	0	0	
Agriculture	540,000,000	380,000,000	250,000,000	
Transport	618,850,000	618,850,000	825,250,000	
Communication	5,000,000	50,000,000	0	
Trading	371,000,000	64,920,000	24,600,000	
Other Services	490,372,650,027	1,130,986,700,003	2,015,190,000,000	
Total	516,903,459,027	1,158,955,370,003	2,058,057,250,000	

Table 56	Medium term business establishments' planne		
Zone	2004	2005	2006
North East	144,000,027	113,105,000,000	42,030,000,000
North West	242,850,000	148,850,000	15,250,000

North Central	906,359,000	415,000,000	489,500,000
South East	141,500,000	82,800,000	154,000,000
South South	488,919,650,000	1,018,286,000,003	1,972,546,000,000
South West	26,549,100,000	26,917,720,000	42,822,500,000
Total	516,903,459,027	1,158,955,370,003	2,058,057,250,000

Growth & contribution factors by legal status of business establishment (1999 - 2003)

99)				
Otherma	T. (.)		Limited	Joint stock
Others	Total		Limited	company
		Senior		
7,467	135,481	management	612,213	421
		Junior and		
		casual		
15,788	85,689	workers	350,698	3,415
		Estimated		
		indirect		
4,434	43,029	employment	115,205	111
		Total new		
25,685,550,000	624,969,525,770	investment (N)	1,200,241,973,503	712,075,288
		Total capital		
201,782,696,041	737,400,484,505	stock (N)	1,078,114,673,569	941,887,862
		Capacity		
		utilization (% of		
		installed		
2.99	7.10	capacity)	24.66	1.72
		Total annual		
346,733,510,171	893,550,654,224	turnover (N)	2,514,591,158,440	39,639,780,646
		Value of share		
		on the stock		
		exchange (if		
14,341,794,620	24,150,910,189	applicable)(N)	49,112,059,446	270,000,000
, , ,	· · ·	Branch	, , ,	, ,
388	1,402	network (No)	965	35
	,	, ,		
		% of raw		
		materials		
2.63	6.42	sourced locally	22.78	0.42
6,469,500,000	10,573,674,356		10,734,835,992	0
3, 133,333,000	10,010,011,000	Amount spent	10,101,000,002	
		on charitable		
10,044,229,030	29,006,566,392		25,386,290,458	2,100,000
10,011,220,000		\ /	20,000,200,100	2,100,000

	1999	2003
Senior management	135481	636720
Junior and casual		
workers	85689	387489

Estimated indirect			
employment	43029	123109	
	Total new		
	investment (N)	1,200,241,973,503	712,075,288
	Total capital		
	stock (N)	1,078,114,673,569	941,887,862
	Total annual		
	turnover (N)	2,514,591,158,440	39,639,780,646
	Value of share on the stock exchange (if		
	applicable)(N)	49,112,059,446	270,000,000
	(N)	10,734,835,992	0
	Amount spent on charitable		
	causes (N)	25,386,290,458	2,100,000

stment by legal status (2004-2007)		
2007	Total	
2,356,461,595,016	4,710,635,815,030	
1,002,043,750	6,006,993,753	
154,171,793,763	307,771,743,776	
1,222,280,646,501	2,443,417,605,501	
3,733,916,079,030	7,467,832,158,060	

reatment by eathyite			
estment by activity	y sector (2004-2007)		
2007	Total		
93,645,759,000	187,264,018,000		
0	0		
1,183,750,000	2,353,750,000		
2,062,950,000	4,125,900,000		
0	55,000,000		
474,270,000	934,790,000		
3,636,549,350,030	7,273,098,700,060		
3,733,916,079,030	7,467,832,158,060		

d investment by zone (2004-2007)			
2007	Total		
155,279,000,027	310,558,000,054		
406,950,000	813,900,000		

3,733,916,079,030	7,467,832,158,060
96,289,320,000	192,578,640,000
3,479,751,650,003	6,959,503,300,006
378,300,000	756,600,000
1,810,859,000	3,621,718,000

Legal status (2003)					
Corporation	Others	Total			
15 400	0 507	626 720			
15,489	8,597	636,720			
16,006	17,370	387,489			
2,122	,				
56	7,737	123,109			
1,546,916,454	481,829,730,000	1,684,330,695,245			
475 000 000	070 407 000 000	4 450 440 600 004			
175,000,000	379,187,066,860	1,458,418,628,291			
1.63	2.99	7.75			
628,076,575	#######################################	3,579,130,201,173			
	00 000 040 477	420 004 077 022			
0	80,699,218,177	130,081,277,623			
156	460	1,616			
130	400	1,010			
0.49	2.98	6.67			
4,923,007	8,262,955,000	19,002,713,999			
		TF 464 664 67			
8,115,000	50,095,116,221	75,491,621,679			

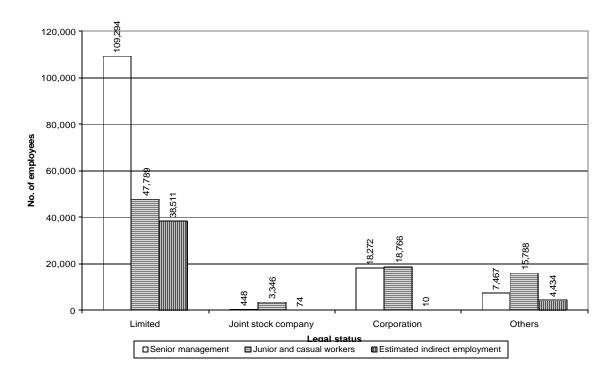
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Distribution of growth & contribution factors by legal status of business establishment (2003)

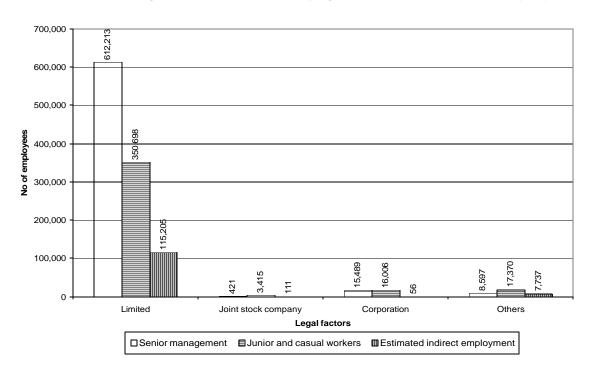


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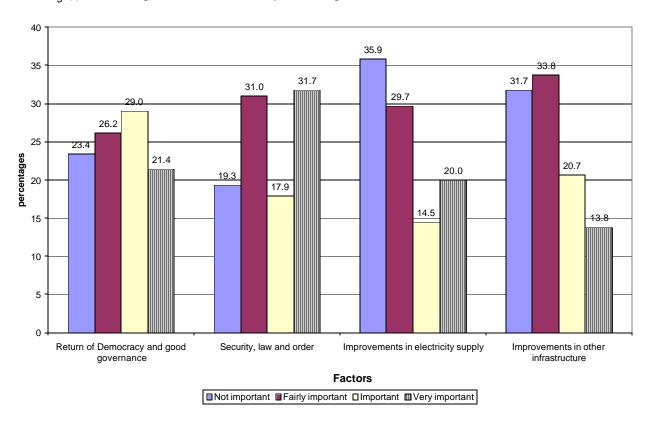


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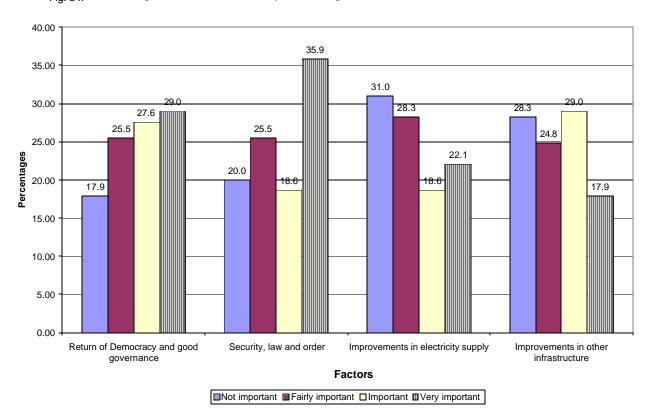


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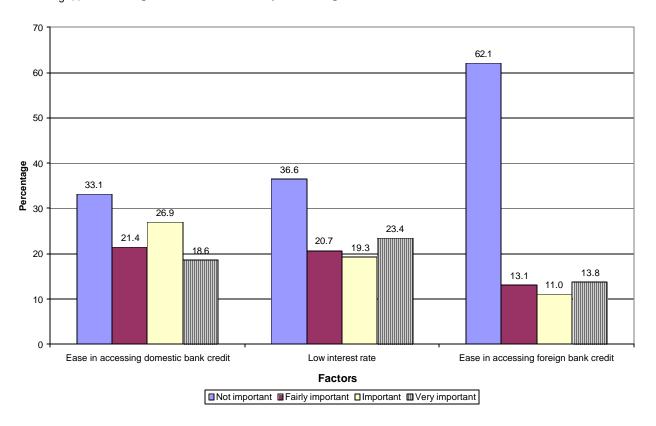


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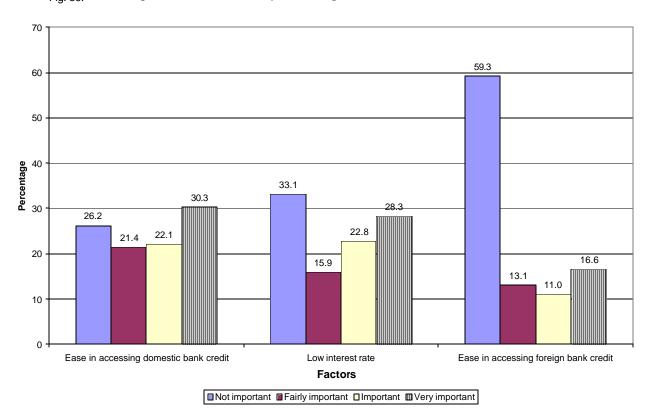


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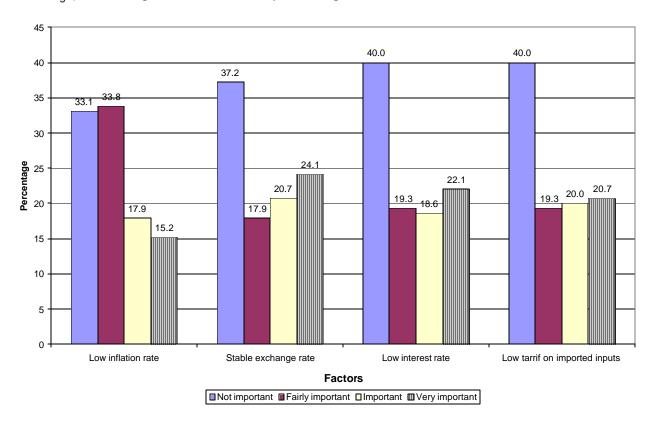


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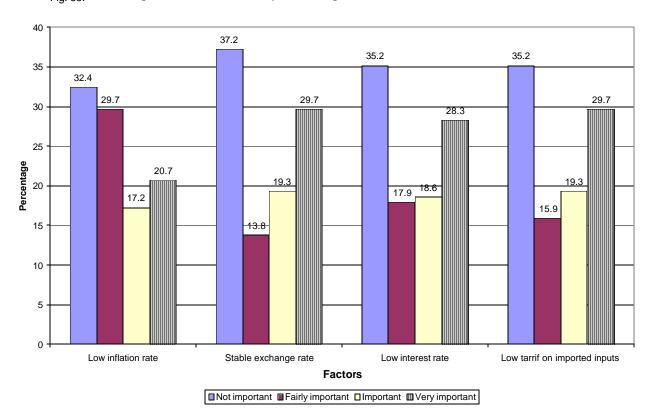
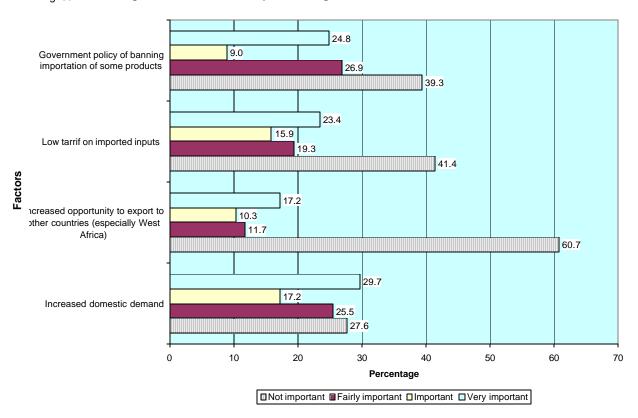


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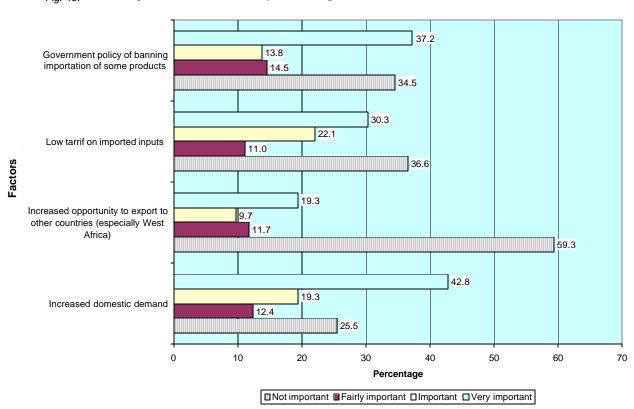


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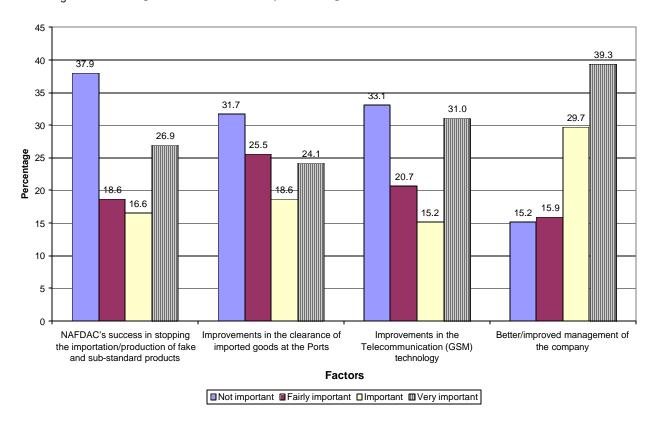


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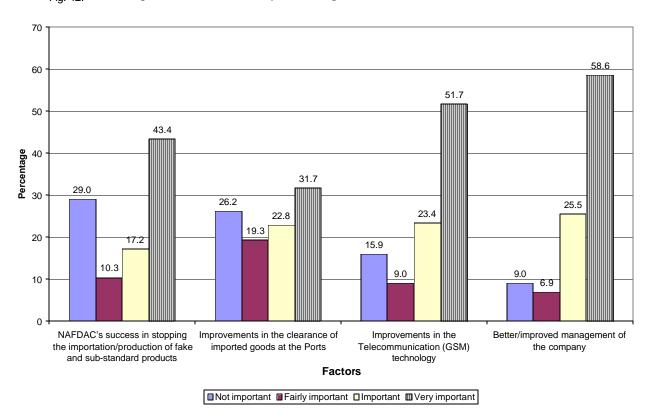


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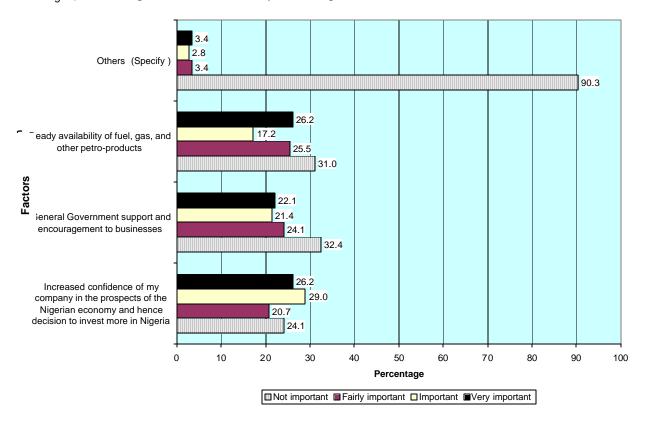


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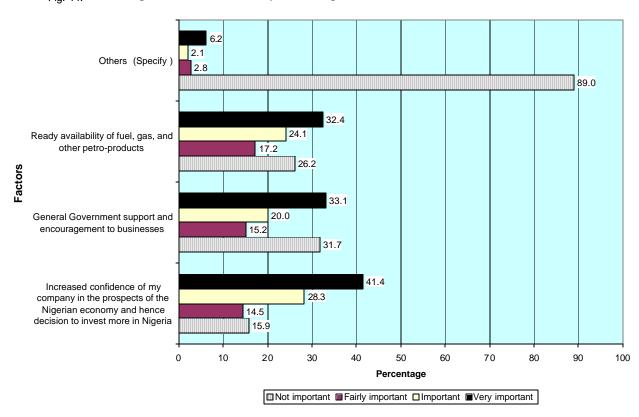


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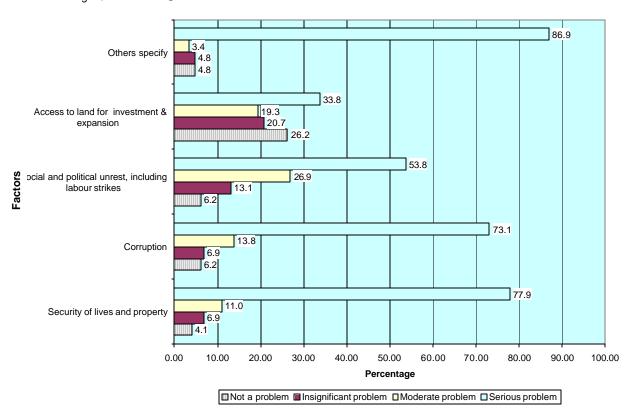


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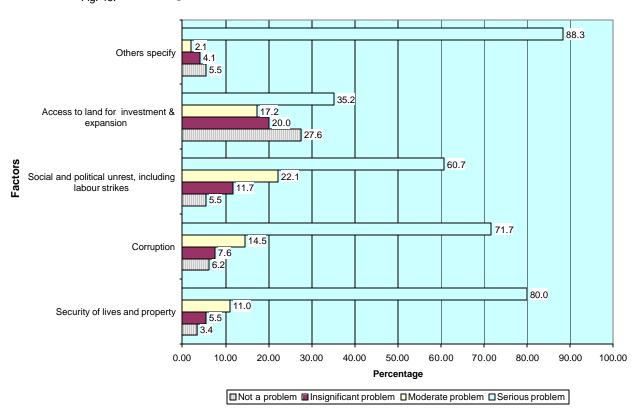


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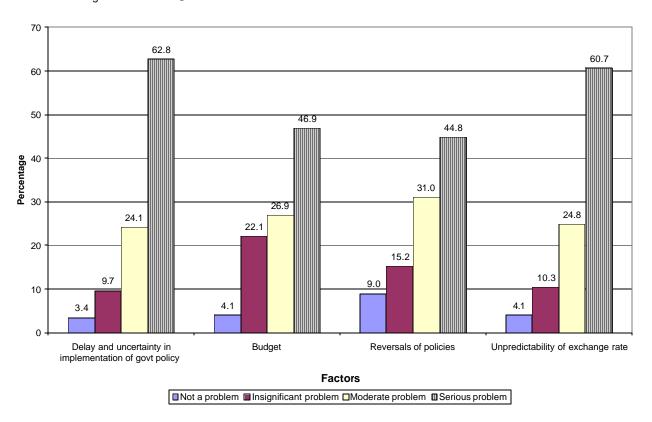


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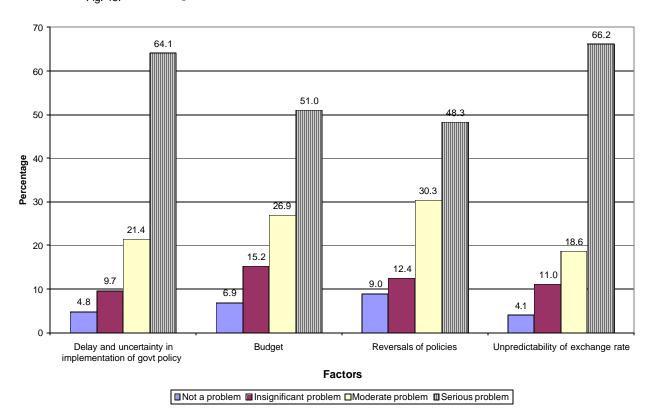


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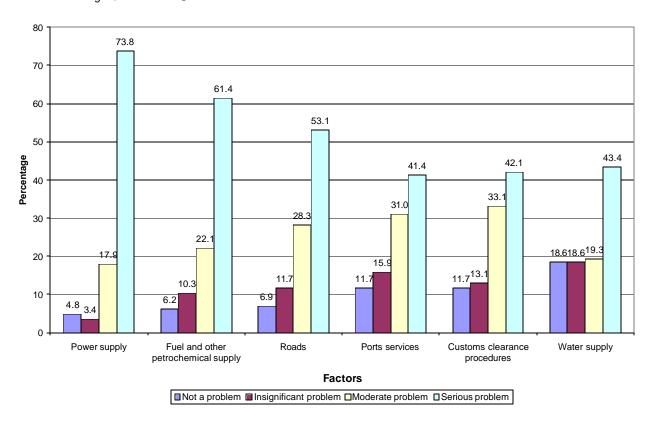


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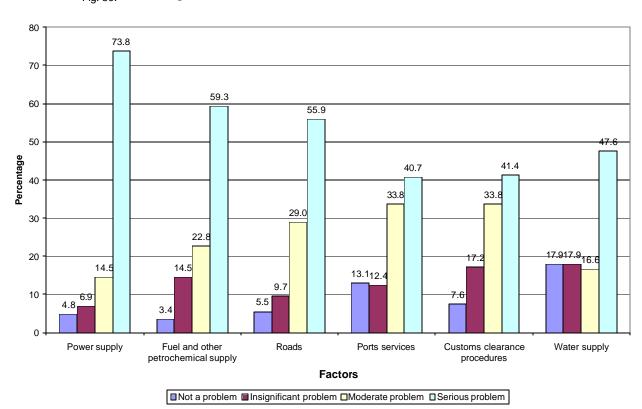


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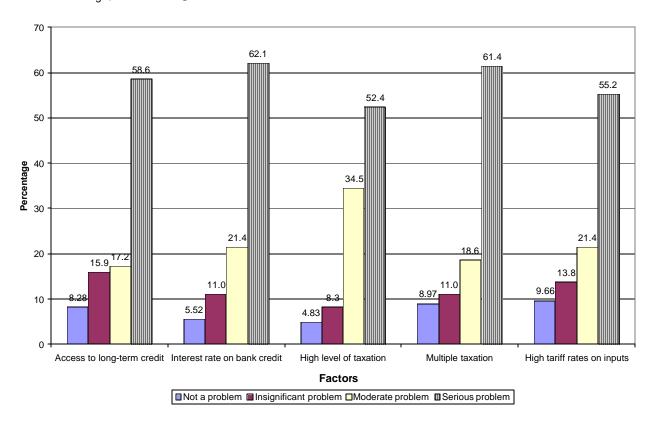
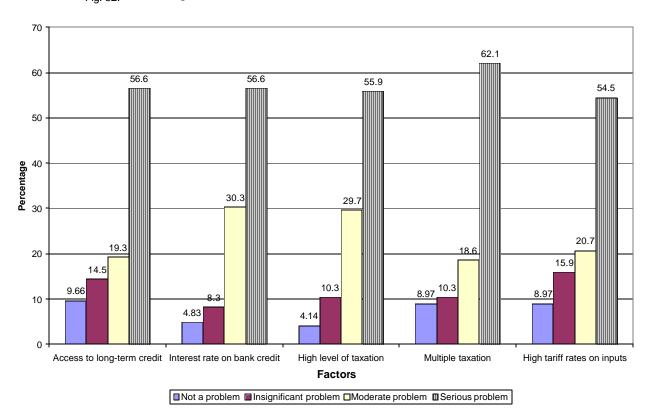


Fig. 52: Percentage distribution of constraint factors in business activities 2003



FOREWORD

The "Nigeria Statistical Facts Sheets on Economic and Social Development, 1999 – 2003" is the maiden edition and indeed, an effort at quantifying the key economic and social sectors of the country in the past five years. Major areas covered in this edition include Macro-economic aggregates, Manufacturing, Transportation, Agriculture, Trade, Health, Education among others. In most instances, time series data sets spanning 1999 to 2003 are presented but in few occasions, only 1999 and 2003 data sets are used.

A National Quick Survey of Business Establishments in Nigeria was conducted and information of historical, current and future origin in support of the Statistical Fact Sheets was captured. A sample of 200 large business establishments was drawn across the country from a frame of top 500 businesses in Nigeria. Statistics generated provides insight about business performances in 1999 and 2003. Indication of planned business investment between 2004 and 2007 on annual basis was provided. Other key areas of information generated include development indicators on employment generation, capital stock, annual turn-over, sources of raw material, capacity utilization, expenditure on charity, value of shares at stock exchange and magnitude of anticipated value of new investments. Some other areas of information provided are on the perception of business establishments for both enhancing and constraining factors to business development and growth.

Explanatory notes are provided to highlight major developments and in some instances provide probable reasons for observed trends. The areas covered are contained in the Annex.

The publication is hereby recommended for policy makers, researchers, students, business community, development partners and the general public. The Federal Office of Statistics will welcome comments and observations on how to improve on the content and quality of the publication in future.

Alhaji Ahmadu Umaru Director-General Federal Office of Statistics Abuja. April, 2004

Data for the chart (1999-2003) TRACKING MOVEMENMT OF SELECTED KEY SOCIO- ECONOMIC INDICATORS

Real GDP Growth Rate %:

riodi ODI Oromii ridio ///	1999	2000	2001	2002
Real GDP growth rate %:	0.40	5.40	4.60	3.50
Oil Sector growth rate %:	-7.50	11.10	5.20	-5.70
Non-Oil sector growth rate %:	4.40	2.90	4.30	3.60
Agric Sector growth rate %:		2.90	3.90	4.30
National Disposable Income growth rate %:	0.20	4.30	4.60	3.90
Real Gross Fixed Capital formation Growth rate %	-2.90	17.00	15.20	11.20
Inflation Rate (%)				
	1999	2000	2001	2002
All items (% Change)	6.60	6.00	18.90	12.90
All items less farm produce (%) Change	15.70	13.30	6.00	12.50
Food (%Change)	1.00	-4.20	28.00	13.10
Interest Rate (%)	1999	2000	2001	2002
Miniumun rediscount rate (%)	20.7	14	20.5	16.5
Time deposite (over 12 month)	15.3	11.2	16.4	12.6
Lending rate (Prime)	22.5	21.3	26	20.6
Nominal Exchange Rate N/\$				
	1999	2000	2001	2002
IFEM/DAS	96.1	101.7	111.7	120.5
Buereau de change	92.2	111.1	132.6	136.8
Oil Sector (Growth rate %)	1999	2000	2001	2002
Contribution to GDP (%)	30.8	32.8	32.7	30.6
Crude oil production (%)	-3.9	6.9	3.8	-15.6
Gas production (%)	17.8	-2.1	22.7	-8.1
Oil production ratios to reserve (%)	36	34	37.5	44.4
Transport Sector (% growth rate)	1999	2000	2001	2002
Unloaded ship cargo	12.3	14.4	32.3	3.2
No. of Arriving ship	0.7	2.2	-8.4	-2.2
Railway passenger Traffic	-12.5	-14.7	-15.9	-17.1
Railway Goods traffic	-7.5	-84.2	13.6	-26
Communication (Growth rate %)	1999	2000	2001	2002
Telphone & Cell Pone	5.5	10.4	67	176.6
Number of Teleephone booths	6.5	2.2	0	-5.1

Hotel & Resaurants Sector (Growth rate %)	1999	2000	2001	2002
No. of Hotel beds	4.5	112.9	0.7	10.9
Room Occupancy rate (%)	71.2	73.5	75.4	79.3
Number of visiting foreign national	2.8	4.8	51	40.7
Monetary Indicators (Growth %)	1999	2000	2001	2002
Money Supply (M1)	18	62.2	28.1	15.9
Currency (M2)	31.7	48.1	27.00	21.6
Net Domestic Credit	30	-5.3	79.90	64.6
External Resserves(US\$)	48	81.8	5.1	-26.3
	4000	0000	0004	0000
Oil Sector (Volume of Domestic) Sates (mmtn)	1999	2000	2001	2002
Premium motor spirit (PMS)	3.2 1.2	4.5 1.3	5.9	6.5
Dual purpose kerosene (DPK) Automotive gas oil (AGO)	2.1	1.3 2.2	1.7 2.7	1.5 2.4
Automotive gas oii (AGO)	2.1	2.2	2.1	2.4
Electricity:	1999	2003		
Installed Capacity (M.watts)	5,845	6,472		
Production (Gega Watt)	16,291	20,595		
Manufacturing Sector	1999	2000	2001	2002
% Contribution to GDP	4.32	4.24	4.34	4.75
% Growth rate	3.44	3.44	6.99	10.07
Sugar	0.3	0.5	-15.2	10.7
Cement	-0.7	-0.4	2.1	7.5
Beer	0	0	0.2	6.1
Cotton Fabric	0.2	0.5	1.4	7.1
Transport Sector	1999	2000	2001	2002
Growth rate (%)	20 E	E1 /	25.6	40
newly registered motor veh. Aircraft arriving	28.5 11.1	51.4 8.6	25.6 0.2	48 -1.1
unloaded freight	-4.6	84.2	-0.2	36
unioaded neight	-4.0	04.2	-0.2	50

* 2003 Figures are provisional

Unemployment Rates

1999 March 2003 March 19.9 10.8

National (Composite)

Urban Rural	12.4 23.2		
Unemployment Rate by Education Level			
No Schooling Primary Secondary	1999 Composite 15.3 8.1 13.7	Composite 12.5 7.4 12.7	
Tertiary	12.3	10.8	
Age Group: 15 - 24 25 - 44 45 - 59 60 - 64 65 - 70	1999 Composite 16.7 12.4 8.2 9.1 11.3	Composite 14.1 10.8 7.8 8.2	
Sex:	1999	2003	
Male Female All Groups	Composite 18.2 19.9	Composite 10.6 11.2	
1998 1999 2000 2001 2002 2003	Savings 59.29 89.43 78.36 63.15 74.07 87.43	36.39 35.33 41.34 47.61 52.93	54.1 37.02 15.54
Period 4000 4000	Average Yearly Rate of Depreciation Naira/US\$ (Percent) at the parallel market	Average Yearly Rate of Depreciation (Percent)	

114.3

29.4

9.7

1986--1993

1994--1998

1999--2003

2003

4.30

9.50

6.30

4.10

4.40

3.50

2003

14.00

27.20

6.00

2003

15

12.3

19.6

2003

129.3

141.4

2003

31.2

23.9

10.5

35.9

2003

6.2

14.4

6.2 20

2003

74.2

-1.3

2003

22.2

82.5

225.9

2003

29.5

24.1

32.7

-2.8

2003

8.5

1.2

2.5

2003

4.68

5.66

8.9

11.7 5.8

5.4

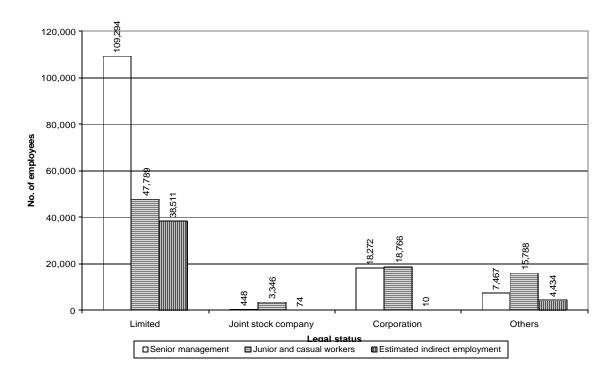
2003

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Distribution of growth & contribution factors by legal status of business establishment (1999)



Distribution of growth & contribution factors by legal status of business establishment (2003)

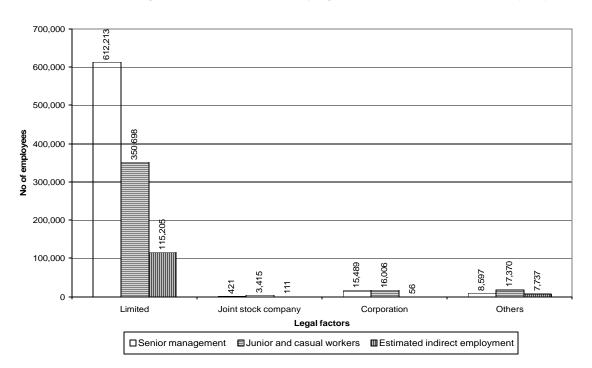


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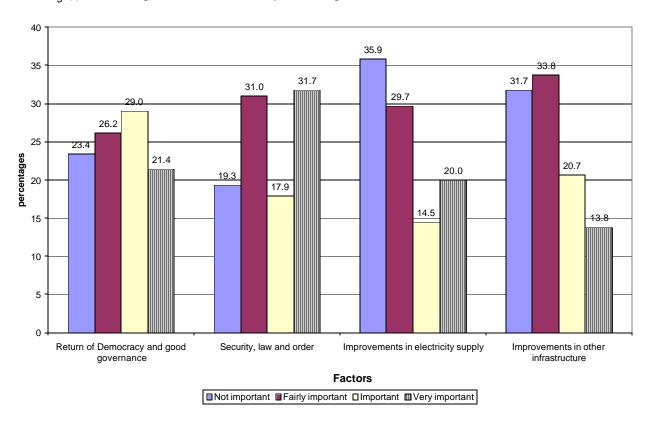


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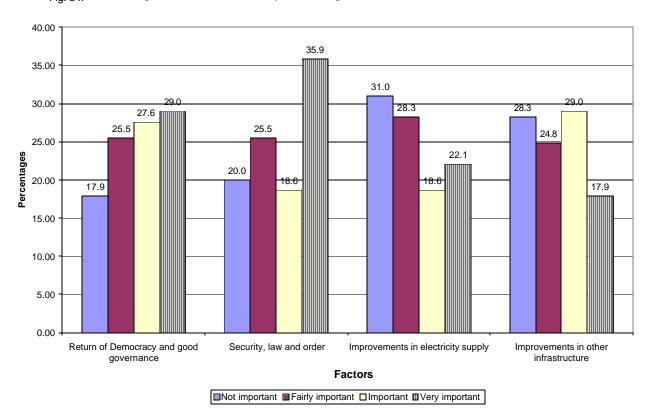


Fig. 35: Percentage distribution of development and growth factors in business activities 1999

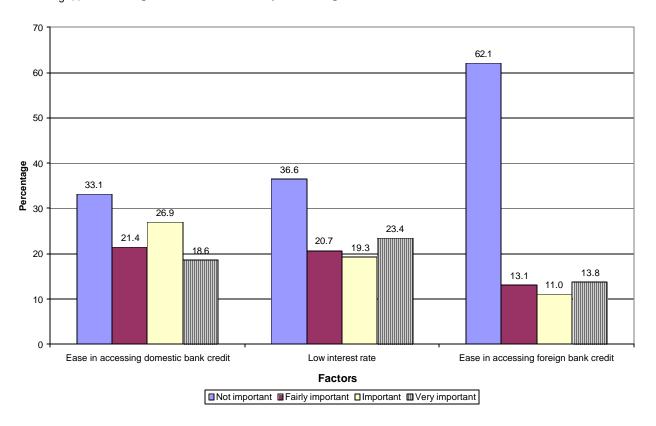


Fig. 36: Percentage distribution of development and growth factors in business activities 2003

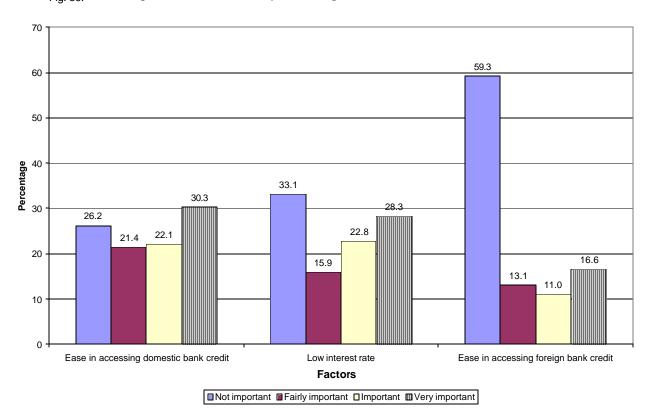


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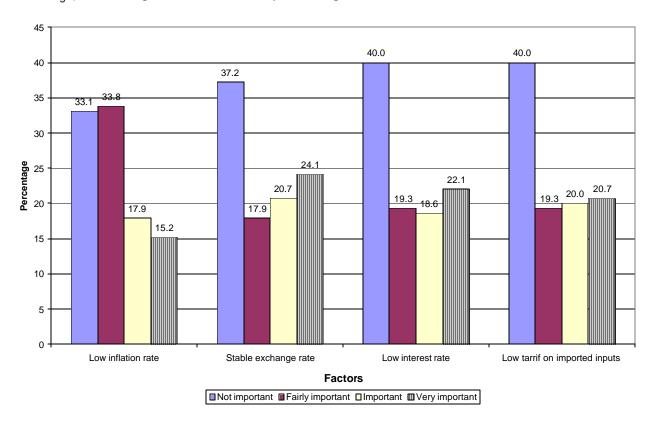


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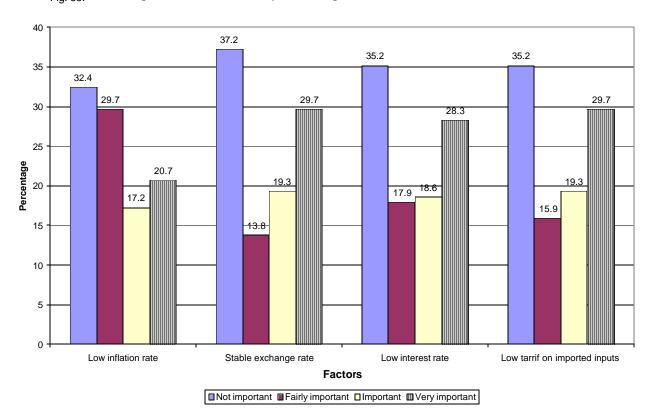
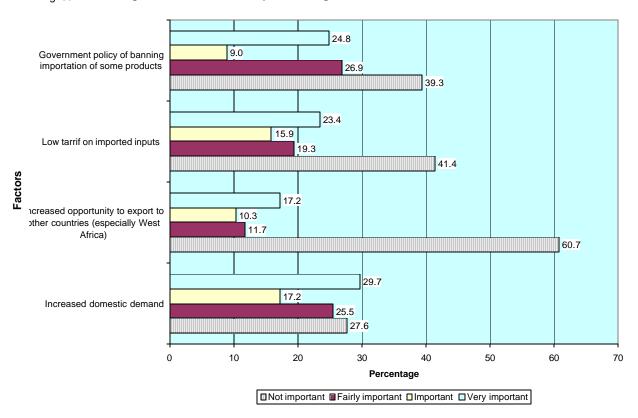


Fig. 39: Percentage distribution of development and growth factors in business activities 1999



 $_{\mbox{Fig. }40:}$ Percentage distribution of development and growth factors in business activities 2003

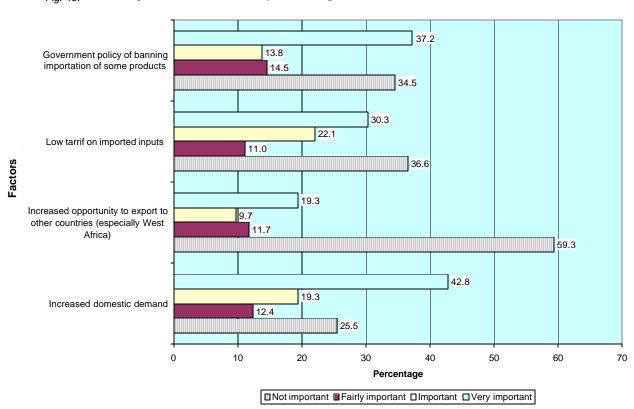


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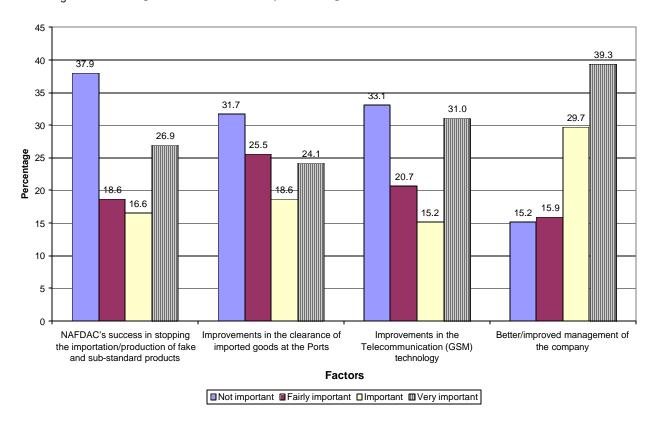


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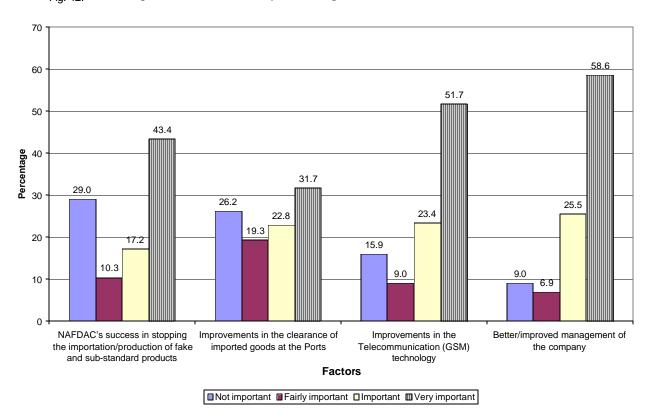


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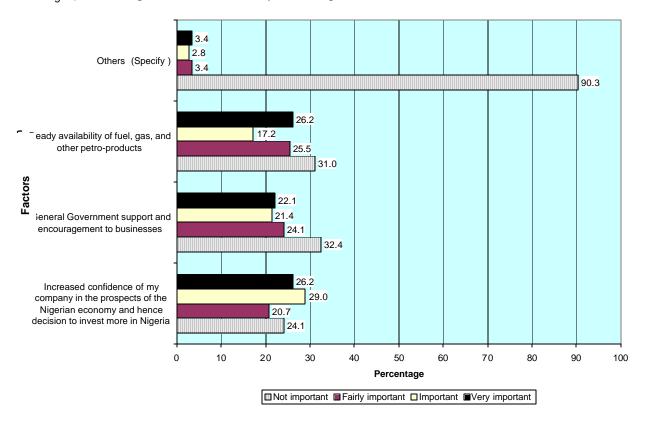


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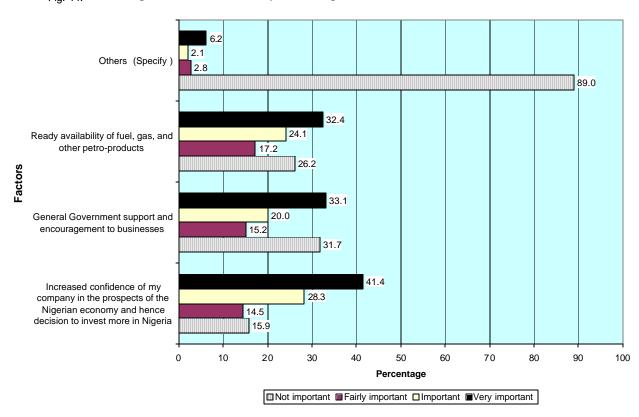


Fig. 45: Percentage distribution of constraint factors in business activities 1999

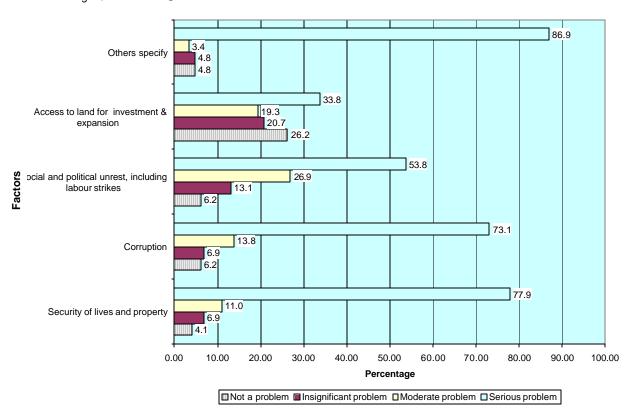


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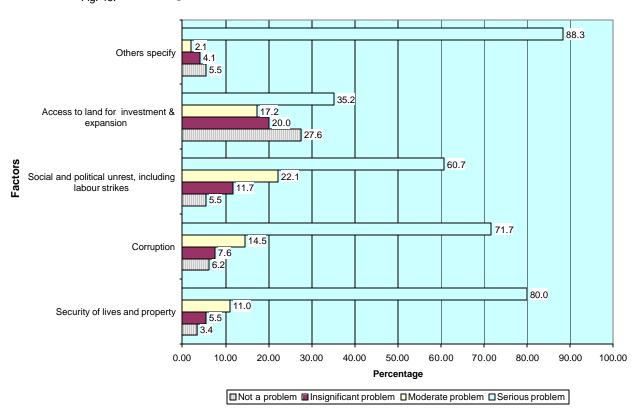


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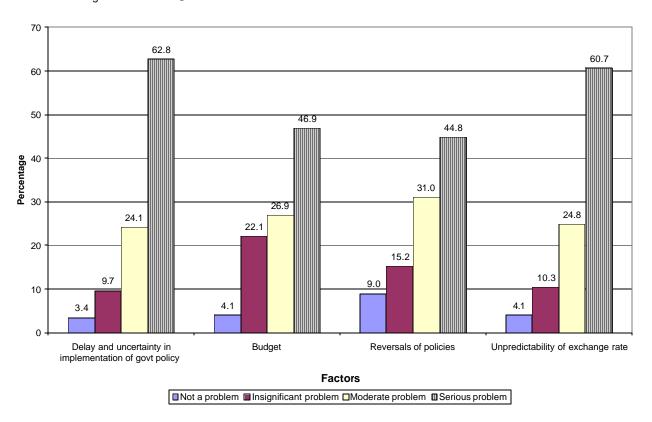


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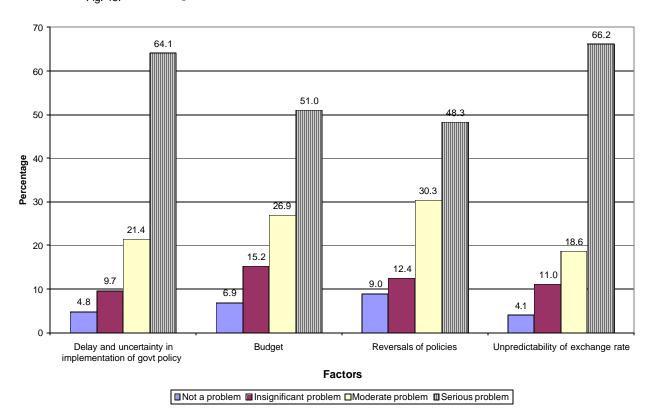


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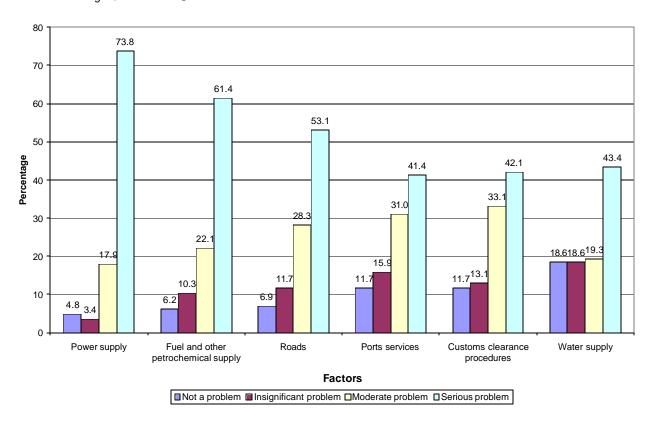


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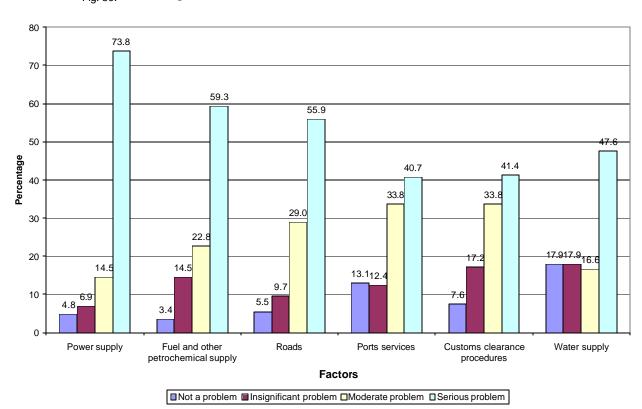


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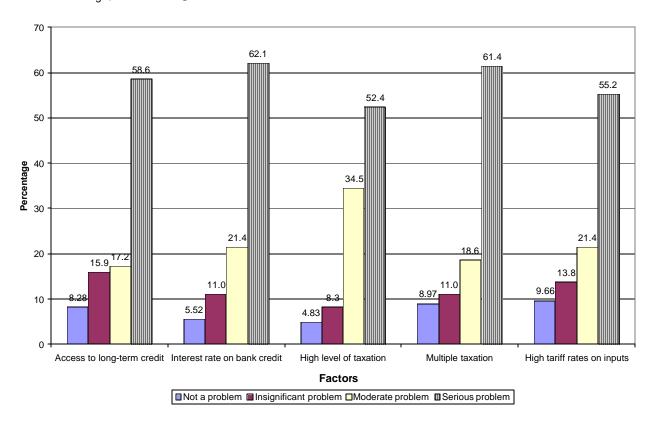
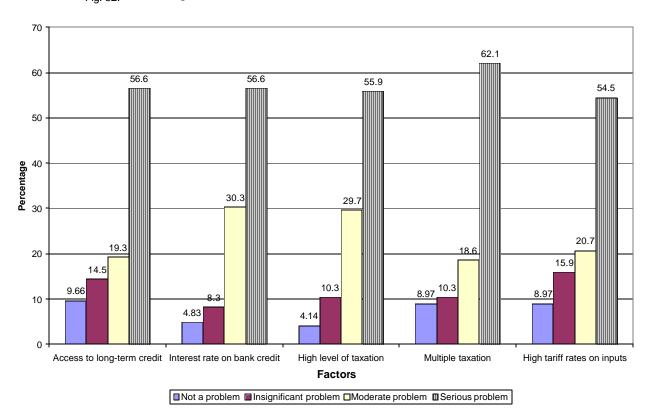


Fig. 52: Percentage distribution of constraint factors in business activities 2003



ANNEX

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Generally, THE STATISTICAL FACT SHEET data sets on most Economic and Social indicators infer that the Nigeria economy has grown out of recession to the path of recovery. A double digit real growth rate of 10.23% in 2003 compared to continuous decline since 2000 from 5.44% to 3.49% in 2002 needs some explanation. Similar trend was observed for the nominal GDP growth rate which dropped significantly from 42.1% in 2000 to 5.3% by 2002 before the 2003 leap to 31.7%. Performance of Oil & Gas sector is the most influential single force that propelled the economic growth to double digit in 2003 at 23.9% from sustained decline to 11.13% in 2000, 5.23% in 2001 and -5.71% by 2002. The Oil Sector performance shows output of 899.3 million barrels of crude oil in 2003 compared to 725.9 million barrels in 2002. Although Non-oil sector overall performance, in real terms dropped in 2003 to less than 5% from about 8% in 2002 it remained better than observed growth rate in 2000 and 2001 with some interesting sectoral developments and implications.

Specifically, the Non- oil sector components that performed well and influenced the 2003 impressive growth include Telecommunication (43%), Building and Construction (8.8%), Agriculture (6.5%) and Distributive Trade (5.8%) while Other Services which dropped substantially in 2002 to about -21% rose by 25% in 2003, the opposite situation subsisted for the Financial Sector with a negative growth of -9.2% in 2003 from impressive 29.4% in 2002.

OIL AND GAS:

For the oil & gas sector, output of crude oil and export rose considerably due to improved quota allocation by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries OPEC, increase in average daily world demand for oil and enhanced capacity utilization of the oil companies.

AGRICULTURE

In the Agricultural Sector, there are evidence of increasing farmer's access to credit and improvement in fertilizer supply, distribution and utilization in 2003. The Community Banks through which Micro Credit to farmers are channeled reported an increase of 114.8% on loans and advances to Agriculture and Forestry in 2003 at № 625 million from № 391 million in 2002 and № 77.6 million in 2001. In addition, the Stock Market reported sustained increase in agricultural sector Market Capitalization in 2002 and 2003. Total Market Capitalization for agricultural sector quoted companies rose by 289.1% and 101.6% to № 4.805 billion and № 9.686 billion respectively in 2002 and 2003. Coupled with substantial rainfall throughout the country since 2000 and the implementation of Presidential Initiative on selected crop production since 2002, agriculture sector performance sustained steady encouraging performance.

BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION

Building and construction activities picked up considerably in 2003 resulting in nearly 9% growth rate as a result of government implementation of projects under newly created Road Maintenance Agency for rehabilitating federal roads all over the country. There is also, in 2003, observed increase in housing start all over the country.

BANKING AND FINANCE

Financial sector Gross Savings which rose dramatically from \$9.7 billion in 2000 to \$64.4 billion and \$74.1 billion in 2001 and 2002 respectively dropped to \$70.5 billion in 2003. It is also due to decline in net financing of Gross Capital Investment from \$30.1 billion in 2002 to \$17.1 billion in 2003, that negative growth rate in the Banking and Finance sector at -9.24% in 2003 is recorded.

COMMUNICATION:

Performance of the Communication Sector is the best in 2002 and 2003 among other activity sectors with real growth rate of 47% and 43% respectively. This is mainly due to increasing telephone lines occasioned by increasing number of independent private operators since liberalization and privatization of the communication sector and introduction of the Global System of Mobile (GSM) telecommunication services in Nigeria. There is evidence of astronomical rise in number of available mobile phone lines from zero in 2002 to 230 thousand in 2001, 1.59 million in 2002 and 3.15 million by 2003. On the other hand telephone fixed land lines rose by nearly 20% on the average between 2001 and 2003 from 600 thousand lines in 2000 to 850 thousand lines respectively by 2003.

PRICES:

Sustained double digits inflation rate since 2001 to 2003 carried along interesting under current between observed trends from Food and Non-Food expenditure outlets. Since the end of 2002, evidence of non-farm produce outlets assume responsibility for increasing rate of inflation. The pressure from increasing demand for non-food items such as kerosene, cooking gas, motor cars, furniture & fittings, clothing, telephone services,

education and leisure etc reflect observed higher inflation rate associated with all items less farm produce rather than food items that used to be the driving force on inflation. Given the tight Fiscal Policy of government; outright ban or placement of high tariff wall on various commodities and the fact that our domestic industries and businesses were unable to address inherent supply gaps in the system, demand push inflation rate at double digit subsists.

FOREIGN TRADE

Structure of Nigeria Foreign Trade remains unchanged with crude oil export constituting over 95% total exports while imports concentrate more on consumer goods and machinery & equipment. Intermediate goods imports such as raw materials average up to 26% between 1999 and 2003. Trade balance, which is Export value less import bills, is favourable all through the period under review.

UNEMPLOYMENT:

Estimation procedure for unemployment rate adopted Nigeria definition which is based on at least 39 hours of work in a week instead of United Nations – International Labour Organization UN – ILO definition which is based on One hour of work in a week.

Observed declining unemployment rate in 2003 compared to 1999 shows that rural area associated unemployment rate remains higher than the Urban area for both periods. It is also observed that female unemployment is higher than male while by age, higher unemployment is recorded among those within the age cohort 15-24 years. Education wise, higher unemployment rate is recorded among those without education and primary school holders. Decline in unemployment is supported by increased job

creation recorded in the Quick Survey of Business establishments and a reflection of new job being generated by the rapid expansion in telephone service delivery

REAL TAKE – HOME MONTHLY WAGES:

Real take- home monthly wages is use to determine impact of inflation on nominal wages. It is also a good indication of the level of erosion of the purchasing power of local currency. The lower, middle and upper income wage earners, especially in the public sector are represented by grade levels GL01, GL08 and GL15 respectively. Real take- home wages declined all through the period 1979 – 1983 up to 1994 – 1998 before it rebound substantially in the period 1999 -2003 for all categorizes of wage earners. This is due to upward review of minimum wage and introduction of Enhanced Salary Scale for civil servants. It is anticipated that real take – home wages will further improve if the monetization policy is properly implemented.