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#### Abstract

This paper analyzes interactions between producer concentration and research and development (R\&D) activities of Taiwanese firms at the industry level. The paper first documents how producer concentration has varied across manufacturing industries over the last 2 decades or so. Then, it provides the analysis of correlation between firm concentration ratios and R\&D-sales ratios. Although in Schumpeter's discussion, it is hypothesized that innovation increases with market concentration, a review of the empirical studies on this issue reveals that there are weak correlations between markets structure and innovative activities. The analysis of this paper also supports it, namely, clarifying that industrial concentration is not an independent and significant determinant of R\&D intensity. In order to have a better understanding, it will be suggested that we might have to focus on the other factors such as the type of market demand, technological opportunity, and business model, the examination of which needs more accumulation of field researches as well as numerical analyses.


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## 1. Introduction

The effect of market structure on firm behavior is one of the central issues in the field of industrial organization. In Schumpeter's discussion, a hypothesis is that innovation increases with market concentration. In detail, there are two distinct logics. First, it is recognized that firms need the expectation of keeping market power for a while to have the incentive to invest in research and development (R\&D). Second, an oligopolistic market structure makes rivalry more predictable and thereby reduces the uncertainty that eventually leads to undermining the incentive to R\&D investment. The empirical studies have focused on the effects of concentration on R\&D investment, and a review of these studies concluded that industrial concentration is not an independent and significant determinant of innovative behavior and performance (Cohen, 1989).
This paper will analyze interactions between producer concentration and R\&D activities of Taiwanese firms at the industry level. The paper will first make a review of literature in this topic in the next section, then, in section 3, it will be documented how producer concentration has varied across manufacturing industries over the last 2 decades or so. Second, in section 4, the trends in R\&D intensity will be examined and I will clarify the variation in R\&D intensities across industries, again for the last two decades or so. Third, causal relationships among producer concentration and R\&D intensity will be analyzed. In section 5 , we will focus on relationships between concentration and R\&D-sales ratios. For example, R\&D intensity may be closely related to the cost structures of industries and thus can be viewed as a determinant of producer concentration. On the other hand, producer concentration may also be argued to affect the level of R\&D in an industry. These possibilities may be analyzed with some statistical methods, as well as a descriptive manner. In the final section, the concluding remark will be provided.

## 2. Review of Literature

The empirical literature has focused on the relationship between market concentration and R\&D intensity. There are three main views on this topic. First, many studies that examine the relationship between market concentration and R\&D intensity have found a positive connection (e.g. Mansfield, 1968; Scherer, 1967a). These studies predict that if competition intensifies and the expectation of monopoly rents is cut down, the incentive to innovate will decrease. Second, in contrast to this, some have found evidence that concentration has a negative effect on R\&D, that is to say, market competition may stimulate innovation (e.g. Vickers, 1997; Boone, 2000). Third, in more recent work, the effect of concentration on R\&D intensity is described as non-monotone, that is to say, it
depends on other industry-level variables. These variables, for example, include the degree of product differentiation (Comanor, 1967), the nature of the final product market (Shrieves, 1978), the degree of technological uncertainty (Angelmar, 1985), and the industry's stage in the technology life cycle (Mueller and Tilton, 1969). These results describe that market concentration is not an independent, significant determinant of innovative behavior.

In order to understand the difference among industries in the degree of innovation intensity, empirical researchers focus on three main variables: (a) market demand, (b) technological opportunity, and (c) appropriability conditions (Cohen, 1989).
(a) Market demand. Although the proposition that demand almost alone determines R\&D intensity is not supported by empirical researchers, inter-industry differences in demand might be expected to affect intensity of innovative activity in two respects, namely, the size of the market, and price elasticity of demand.
(b) Technological opportunity. Although it is widely accepted that opportunities for innovation differ between industries and/or sub-sectors, there is no clear understanding on how to define the concept of technological opportunity and how to measure it. In some sectors, it seems that the development of technology may follow a natural trajectory that is relatively independent of market influence. In addition, knowledge sources external to the industry affect an industry's technological opportunity, for example, suppliers, customers, research institutes, government, and so on. Finally, acquiring knowledge from both intra- and extra-industry source is not costless. As Cohen and Levinthal (1989) formulated, firms must invest in R\&D to develop "absorptive capacity"-the ability to recognize, assimilate, and exploit outside knowledge.
(c) Appropriability conditions. The most representative mechanism for appropriating the returns from R\&D investment is patent, but the effectiveness of patent protection differs among industries. In many industries, other mechanisms are regarded as quite effective, for example, investment in complementary sales and services efforts, ability to move quickly down the learning curve, the relative complexity of the products, and so on. However, the relationship between innovative activity and appropriability may not be monotonously proportional. Increase in spillovers (fall in appropriability) may enhance the technological capability of the receiving firms. It may also facilitate investment in "absorptive capacity" to take advantage of spillover effect.
There is another approach that tries to understand the differences in innovation along industrial sectors, namely, "a sectoral system framework" (Malerba, 2005). This framework focuses on three main dimensions of sectors: (a) knowledge and
technological domain, (b) actors and networks, and (c) institutions. In this framework, an industrial sector is characterized by a specific knowledge base, technologies and inputs. A sector is composed of various actors (organizations and/or individuals, firms and/or non-firms, subunits of organizations, groups of organizations), and innovation is considered to be generated through systematic interactions among the various actors. In other words, a sectoral system is composed of networks of relationships among heterogeneous actors with different competencies, beliefs, objectives, and behaviors. And actors' cognition, behaviors, and interactions are institutions, which include norms, routines, rules, established practices, standards, and so on. Considering the co evolution of these various elements, a sectoral system is not fixed, but changes over time.

## 3. Trends in Concentration: Level and Changes

Table 1 shows large firms sales as ratios to gross output in the national accounts in 1991, 1996, 2001 and 2006. You can find a trend toward concentration in the data of manufacturing average. There was a steady growth in 4-firm concentration ratios (CRs) from 13.2 percent in 1991, to 16.4 percent in 1996, 20.7 percent in 2001 and 33.6 percent in 2006. Likely, 8-firm concentration ratios had increased from 19.1 percent in 1991, to 23.5 percent in 1996, 28.4 percent in 2001 and 44.1 percent in 2006. Among the industrial sectors listed in the table, high concentration ratios (more than 30 percent in 4 -firm CRs and 50 percent in 8 -firm CRs in 2006) can be seen in 4 sectors including textiles, apparel, petrochemical products, and computer and peripheral. On the other hand, low CRs (less than 10 percent in 4 -firm CRs and less than 15 percent in 8 -firm CRs in 2001) are observed in 5 sectors including food and beverage, printing, chemicals, fabricated metal products, and machinery.

## [Place Table 1 here]

Table 2 shows large firms sales as ratios to total revenue in the commercial censuses in 1991, 1996, 2001. On average, there was a steady, but not very rapid growth in 4-firm CRs from 12.5 percent in 1991, to 15.1 percent in 1996, and 17.7 percent in 2001. Likely, 8-firm CRs had increased from 18.2 percent in 1991 to 21.7 percent in 1996, and 23.9 percent in 2001. Among the industrial sectors listed in the table, high concentration ratios (more than 20 percent in 4 -firm CRs and 30 percent in 8 -firm CRs in 2001) can be seen in 6 sectors including textiles, paper and pulp, petrochemical products, rubber products, iron and steel, and motor vehicles and equipment. On the other hand, low CRs (less than 10 percent in 4 -firm CRs and less than 15 percent in 8 -firm CRs in 2001) are
observed in 5 sectors including tannery and leather goods, "plywood, wooden, bamboo, rattan products", printing, chemicals, and machinery.

## [Place Table 2 here]

Table 3 provides large firms sales as ratios to operating revenue in the commercial censuses in 1991, 1996, and 2001. Like in above-mentioned two kinds of ratios, on manufacturing average, you can see an increasing trend in both 4-firm CRs (12.8 percent in 1991, 15.6 percent in 1996, and 18.3 percent in 2001) and 8 -firm CRs (18.6 percent in 1991, 22.3 percent in 1996, and 24.7 percent in 2001). Among the industrial sectors, high concentration ratios (more than 20 percent in 4 -firm CRs and 30 percent in 8 -firm CRs in 2001) can be seen in 6 sectors including textiles, paper and pulp, petrochemical products, rubber products, iron and steel, and motor vehicles and equipment. On the other hand, low CRs (less than 10 percent in 4 -firm CRs and less than 15 percent in 8 -firm CRs in 2001) are observed in 5 sectors including tannery and leather goods, "plywood, wooden, bamboo, rattan products", printing, chemicals, and machinery.

## [Place Table 3 here]

## 4. Trends in R\&D Intensity: Level and Changes

Table 4 shows data on R\&D expenditures as a percentage of sales by industry in 1991, 1996, 2001 and 2005. In the manufacturing industry as a whole, it has gradually increased from 0.94 percent in 1991 to 1.33 percent in 2005. Among the industrial sectors in the table, R\&D-sales ratios are very high, around 3 percent, in 3 sectors including "precision, optical, medical equipment, watches and clocks" (precision, hereafter), "computer, communication, and video and radio electronics products" (computer, hereafter), and "electronic parts and components" (electronic parts, hereafter) in 2005. In 4 sectors, namely, "electrical machinery, suppliers and equipment and repairing" (electrical machinery, hereafter), "transport equipment and repairing" (transport equipment, hereafter), "leather, fur and allied products" (leather, hereafter), and chemical products, the ratios are relatively high, between 1 and 2 percents in the same year. The other sectors show low ratios, less than 1 percent.

Among the sectors in the Table 4, in 5 sectors including leather, "printing and related support activities" (printing, hereafter), rubber products, computer and precision, R\&D-sales ratios show upward tendencies after 2001. On the other hand, in 9 sectors,
namely, food and beverages, tobacco, furniture and fixtures, chemical materials, petroleum and coal products (petroleum, hereafter), plastic products, fabricated metal products, electronic parts, and electrical machinery, the ratios display downward tendencies after 2001. In the remaining sectors, we can find relatively small changes during the same period.

## [Place Table 4 here]

Table 5 provides data on R\&D expenditures as a percentage of total revenue and of operating revenue in 2001 by industry. Among the industrial sectors in the table, both R\&D-total revenue and R\&D-operating revenue ratios are very high, more than 2 percent, in 4 sectors including computer, transport equipment, precision, and electronic parts. In 6 sectors, namely, other industrial products, "machinery and equipment and repairing" (machinery, hereafter), rubber products, leather, electronic machinery, and chemical products, the ratios are relatively high, between 1 and 2 percents. The remaining sectors show low ratios, less than 1 percents.

## [Place Table 5 here]

In Table 6, you can see data on the number of science and technology (S\&T) staff as a percentage of total employment in 1991, 1996, 2001 and 2005. In the latest data of 2005, in 3 sectors, that is, electronic parts, precision, and computer, S\&T staff-total employment ratios are high, more than 8 percent. In 10 industrial sectors including machinery, other industrial products, rubber products, tobacco, chemical material, electric machinery, petroleum, transport equipment, chemical products, and leather, the ratios are between 1 and 5 percents. The other sectors record low ratios, less than 1 percent.

In the manufacturing industry as a whole, it has gradually increased from 2.1 percent in 1991 to 3.5 percent in 2005. However, in terms of individual sectors, only two sectors, namely, leather and precision, have clearly developed a tendency to increase since 1991. On the other hand, in 4 sectors including textile, furniture and fixtures, chemical material, and plastic products, the S\&T staff-total employment ratios have decreased since 1991. Regarding the other sectors, at least by reading the data on the Table 6, we can not find any straightforward upward or downward tendencies.
[Place Table 6 here]

## 5. Relationships between Concentration and R\&D-Sales Ratios

Table 7 shows correlation between 4-firm concentration ratios and R\&D-sales ratios and between 8 -firm concentration ratios and R\&D-sales ratios in 1991, 1996, 2001 and 2006. In all the years in the table, a correlation coefficient lies between -0.15 and 0.32 , which means that there are very weak correlations. As mentioned in section 2, a literature review concluded that there is little evidence for the view that industrial concentration is an independent and significant determinant of innovative behavior. This is supported by our analysis on R\&D activities of Taiwanese firms at the industry level.

## [Place Table 7 here]

As mentioned in section 4, according to Table 4, in 2005, R\&D-sales ratios were very high, around 3 percent, in 3 sectors including precision, computer, and electronic parts. In 4 industrial sectors, namely, electrical machinery, transport equipment, leather, and chemical products, the ratios were relatively high, between 1 and 2 percents. Because it seems that market concentration is not an important determinant of R\&D intensity, other factors should be considered. The chemical products industry is a typical science-based sector, in which a large part of technological advancement is derived from investment in basic research. In regard to electronic parts, computers, and transport equipment, it is relatively easy to understand their high R\&D-sales ratios considering ceaseless model changes, and accelerated introduction of new materials and process technologies in these sectors. The situation may be similar to a certain extent in sectors such as precision and electrical machinery. But in these sectors, high R\&D-sales ratios may be related more to the fact that not a few machineries and equipment are developed and designed as customized products. In the leather industry which is usually seen as a "conventional, low-technology industry", a large part of high ratio is considered as a result of many artistic design activities for a brand product market. To sum up, based on the technical terms by Cohen (1989) mentioned in section 2, it seems that the type of market demand and technological opportunity are important as a factor to influence the degree of R\&D intensity.

In addition, in order to understand the nature of innovative activities, it may be quite important to examine what kind of business model is dominant in a specific sector of a specific country (or region). A business model consists of several important elements including the target of technological development (e.g. focusing on forefront technologies or relatively mature ones), the type of actors undertaking innovation and
relationship between them (e.g. networks between small innovative firms or in-house R\&D by large vertical integrated manufacturers), and institutional factors such as tacit norms and business cultures as well as formal rules and standards. In this respect, the concept of "sectoral systems" (Malerba, 2005) mentioned in section 2 may provide a meaningful perspective.

## 6. Conclusion

This paper began by introducing the concern of empirical researchers on the relationship between markets structure and innovative activities. Although in Schumpeter's discussion, it is hypothesized that innovation increases with market concentration, a review of the empirical studies on this issue revealed that industrial concentration was not an independent and significant determinant of R\&D intensity. In order to make sure of this, I dealt with the same issue by using data of Taiwan. First, in section 3, I examined how producer concentration varied across manufacturing industries. As the result, high concentration ratios were observed in 4 sectors including textiles, apparel, petrochemical products, computer and peripheral, motor vehicles and equipment, paper and pulp, rubber products, and iron and steel in at least one of three indexes (namely, large firms sales as ratios to gross output, large firm sales as ratios to total revenue, and large firm sales as ratios to operating revenue). Second, in section 4, the trends in R\&D intensity were examined and it was clarified that, as of 2005, R\&D-sales ratios were very high in 3 sectors including precision, computer, and electronic parts. And in 4 industrial sectors, namely, electrical machinery, transport equipment, leather, and chemical products, the ratios were relatively high.

Based on the examination in the previous sections, section 5 provided the analysis of correlation between firm concentration ratios and R\&D-sales ratios. As the result, it was revealed that there were very weak correlations. This result is considered to support a conclusion by a review of empirical studies that industrial concentration is not an independent and significant determinant of innovative behavior. In order to have a better understanding, it was suggested that we might have to focus on the other factors such as the type of market demand, technological opportunity, and business model, the examination of which needs more accumulation of field researches as well as numerical analyses.

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Table 1: Top 4- and 8-Firm Concentration Ratios: Large Firms Sales as Ratios to Gross Output (at current prices) in the National Accounts

|  | 4-Firm Concentration Ratios (\%) |  |  |  | 8-Firm Concentration Ratios (\%) |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1991 | 1996 | 2001 | 2006 | 1991 | 1996 | 2001 | 2006 |
| Manufacturing Average | 13.2 | 16.4 | 20.7 | 33.6 | 19.1 | 23.5 | 28.4 | 44.1 |
| Food and Beverage | 5.1 | 5.9 | 9.4 | 7.4 | 9.0 | 10.2 | 14.8 | 12.9 |
| Textiles | 22.9 | 29.4 | 35.0 | 80.5 | 32.1 | 40.5 | 47.2 | 88.1 |
| Apparel | 5.2 | 8.7 | 17.6 | 46.2 | 8.0 | 14.8 | 25.2 | 62.7 |
| Footwear | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Tannery and Leather Goods | 2.8 | 9.3 | 15.2 | 18.2 | 5.1 | 15.2 | 25.5 | 27.8 |
| Plywood, Wooden, Bamboo, Ratan Products | 7.5 | 13.9 | 11.6 | 10.4 | 13.0 | 23.3 | 20.3 | 13.1 |
| Paper and Pulp | 24.8 | 25.7 | 27.0 | 29.9 | 33.0 | 33.8 | 33.6 | 37.2 |
| Printing | - | - | 6.4 | 5.7 | - | - | 8.4 | 7.8 |
| Chemicals | 6.9 | 3.9 | 5.6 | 6.6 | 9.7 | 6.6 | 8.7 | 9.8 |
| Petrochemical Products | 17.2 | 23.2 | 44.0 | 63.1 | 22.9 | 29.5 | 50.5 | 69.3 |
| Rubber Products | 25.2 | 22.4 | 25.4 | 34.6 | 36.6 | 32.7 | 34.6 | 44.0 |
| Plastics Processing | 20.1 | 14.7 | 15.4 | 21.5 | 23.4 | 17.6 | 19.4 | 25.1 |
| Non-Metallic Mineral Products | 20.0 | 17.7 | 24.1 | 24.4 | 27.1 | 23.3 | 30.8 | 32.2 |
| Iron and Steel | 5.5 | 22.9 | 25.4 | 23.5 | 8.1 | 27.7 | 31.9 | 32.0 |
| Fabricated Metal Products | 9.7 | 9.2 | 10.6 | 9.4 | 16.1 | 16.0 | 18.1 | 13.7 |
| Machinery | 3.2 | 5.2 | 4.8 | 3.9 | 5.1 | 7.4 | 7.0 | 6.0 |
| Precision Machinery | - | - | 31.6 | 11.5 | - | - | 41.0 | 18.6 |
| Computer and Peripheral | 7.4 | 19.5 | 27.9 | 186.9 | 11.8 | 29.8 | 42.4 | 258.9 |
| Electronic and Electrical | 15.4 | 16.6 | 25.9 | 27.2 | 24.3 | 26.5 | 39.2 | 39.4 |
| Motor Vehicles and Equipment | 26.0 | 30.8 | 31.0 | 27.5 | 38.9 | 45.5 | 41.1 | 39.4 |

Source) Appendix Table 1, Appendix Table 2

Table 2: Top 4- and 8-Firm Concentration Ratios: Large Firm Sales as Ratios to Total Revenue in the Commercial Censuses

|  | 4-Firm Concentration Ratios (\%) |  |  | 8-Firm Concentration Ratios (\%) |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1991 | 1996 | 2001 | 1991 | 1996 | 2001 |
| Manufacturing Average | 12.5 | 15.1 | 17.7 | 18.2 | 21.7 | 23.9 |
| Food and Beverage | 6.6 | 6.8 | 9.9 | 11.6 | 11.8 | 15.4 |
| Textiles | 21.1 | 28.6 | 33.4 | 29.6 | 39.5 | 45.1 |
| Apparel | 9.7 | 6.9 | 12.1 | 15.0 | 11.8 | 17.4 |
| Footwear | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Tannery and Leather Goods | 5.4 | 9.9 | 8.0 | 9.7 | 16.1 | 13.5 |
| Plywood, Wooden, Bamboo, Ratan Products | 7.3 | 10.5 | 8.1 | 12.7 | 17.5 | 14.1 |
| Paper and Pulp | 24.3 | 23.1 | 24.3 | 32.3 | 30.4 | 30.2 |
| Printing | - | - | 5.3 | - | - | 6.9 |
| Chemicals | 7.0 | 4.0 | 5.0 | 9.8 | 6.8 | 7.9 |
| Petrochemical Products | 15.8 | 21.8 | 52.4 | 21.1 | 27.6 | 60.3 |
| Rubber Products | 18.1 | 20.2 | 22.1 | 26.2 | 29.4 | 30.2 |
| Plastics Processing | 15.8 | 12.8 | 12.9 | 18.3 | 15.3 | 16.1 |
| Non-Metallic Mineral Products | 18.4 | 15.5 | 19.7 | 25.0 | 20.4 | 25.1 |
| Iron and Steel | 5.6 | 22.9 | 28.9 | 8.1 | 27.8 | 36.3 |
| Fabricated Metal Products | 8.6 | 7.7 | 8.9 | 14.2 | 13.3 | 15.0 |
| Machinery | 3.3 | 5.3 | 3.7 | 5.3 | 7.5 | 5.4 |
| Precision Machinery | - | - | 18.3 | - | - | 23.8 |
| Computer and Peripheral | 6.9 | 17.1 | 17.5 | 10.9 | 26.2 | 26.6 |
| Electronic and Electrical | 14.7 | 14.2 | 18.9 | 23.3 | 22.6 | 28.7 |
| Motor Vehicles and Equipment | 24.1 | 30.2 | 27.0 | 35.9 | 44.6 | 35.8 |

Source) Appendix Table 1, Appendix Table 3

Table 3: Top 4- and 8-Firm Concentration Ratios: Large Firm Sales as Ratios to Operating Revenue in the Commercial Censuses

|  | 4-Firm Concentration Ratios (\%) |  |  | 8-Firms Concentration Ratios (\%) |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1991 | 1996 | 2001 | 1991 | 1996 | 2001 |
| Manufacturing Average | 12.8 | 15.6 | 18.3 | 18.6 | 22.3 | 24.7 |
| Food and Beverage | 6.9 | 7.2 | 10.5 | 12.1 | 12.4 | 16.4 |
| Textiles | 21.7 | 29.6 | 34.6 | 30.4 | 40.8 | 46.7 |
| Apparel | 9.8 | 7.0 | 12.4 | 15.2 | 12.0 | 17.8 |
| Footwear | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Tannery and Leather Goods | 5.4 | 10.2 | 8.6 | 9.8 | 16.6 | 14.5 |
| Plywood, Wooden, Bamboo, Ratan Products | 7.3 | 10.6 | 8.2 | 12.8 | 17.7 | 14.3 |
| Paper and Pulp | 24.9 | 23.8 | 24.8 | 33.1 | 31.2 | 30.9 |
| Printing | - | - | 5.3 | - | - | 7.0 |
| Chemicals | 7.3 | 4.2 | 5.2 | 10.2 | 7.1 | 8.2 |
| Petrochemical Products | 16.2 | 22.5 | 53.0 | 21.5 | 28.5 | 60.9 |
| Rubber Products | 18.5 | 20.6 | 22.7 | 26.8 | 30.0 | 31.0 |
| Plastics Processing | 16.0 | 13.1 | 13.2 | 18.6 | 15.6 | 16.6 |
| Non-Metallic Mineral Products | 19.1 | 16.1 | 20.9 | 25.9 | 21.1 | 26.7 |
| Iron and Steel | 5.7 | 23.3 | 29.7 | 8.3 | 28.3 | 37.3 |
| Fabricated Metal Products | 8.6 | 7.7 | 9.0 | 14.3 | 13.5 | 15.3 |
| Machinery | 3.3 | 5.3 | 3.7 | 5.4 | 7.6 | 5.5 |
| Precision Machinery | - | - | 19.1 | - | - | 24.8 |
| Computer and Peripheral | 7.1 | 17.7 | 18.4 | 11.2 | 27.0 | 28.0 |
| Electronic and Electrical | 15.1 | 14.7 | 19.9 | 23.9 | 23.3 | 30.2 |
| Motor Vehicles and Equipment | 24.6 | 31.1 | 27.9 | 36.7 | 45.8 | 37.1 |

Source) Appendix Table 1, Appendix Table 4

Table 4: R\&D-Sales Ratios from Science and Technology Indicators (R\&D Expenditures/Sales Ratios, \%)

|  | 1991 | 1996 | 2001 | 2005 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Food and Beverages | $0.43^{*}$ | 0.42 | 0.39 | 0.28 |
| Tobacco | $0.13^{* *}$ | 0.45 | 0.74 | 0.32 |
| Textiles Mills | 0.55 | 0.28 | 0.29 | 0.30 |
| Apparel, Clothing Accessories and Other Textile Products | 0.24 | 0.25 | 0.18 | 0.12 |
| Leather, Fur and Allied Products | 0.45 | 0.43 | 0.94 | 1.49 |
| Wood, Bamboo Products and Non-metal Furniture | 0.03 | - | - | - |
| Wood and Bamboo Products | - | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.01 |
| Furniture and Fixtures | - | 0.36 | 0.32 | 0.21 |
| Paper, Pulp and Print | 0.21 | - | - | - |
| Pulp, Paper and Paper Products | - | 0.18 | 0.18 | 0.13 |
| Printing and Related Support Activities | - | 0.07 | 0.08 | 0.22 |
| Chemical Material | 0.84 | 0.57 | 0.63 | 0.36 |
| Chemical Products | 0.89 | 1.42 | 1.56 | 1.57 |
| Petroleum and Coal Products | 0.86 | 0.77 | 0.48 | 0.19 |
| Rubber Products | 0.52 | 0.70 | 0.52 | 0.75 |
| Plastic Products | 1.12 | 0.57 | 0.60 | 0.37 |
| Non-Metallic Mineral Products | 0.11 | 0.25 | 0.23 | 0.21 |
| Basic Metal | 0.32 | 0.35 | 0.20 | 0.16 |
| Fabricated Metal Products | 0.25 | 0.27 | 0.27 | 0.16 |
| Machinery and Equipment and Repairing | 0.55 | 0.83 | 0.67 | 0.59 |
| Electric and Electronic Machinery | 2.41 | 2.39 | - | - |
| Computer, Communication, and Video and Radio Electronic Products | - | - | 1.76 | 2.91 |
| Electronic Parts and Components | - | - | 3.05 | 2.83 |
| Electrical Machinery, Supplies and Equipment and Repairing | - | - | 1.35 | 1.03 |
| Transport Equipment and Repairing | 1.01 | 1.30 | 1.14 | 1.20 |
| Precision, Optical, Medical Equipment, Watches and Clocks | 0.68 | 1.41 | 2.40 | 3.22 |
| Other Industrial Products | 0.35 | 0.53 | 0.72 | 0.68 |
| Manufacturing Industry Total | 0.94 | 1.06 | 1.26 | 1.33 |

Notes) *This figure is of the food industry.
**This figure is of the beverage and tobacco industry.
Source) Appendix Table 5

Table 5: R\&D-Total Revenue and -Operating Revenue Ratios from Commercial Census Data 2001 (\%)

|  | to Total Revenue | to Operating Revenue |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Food and Beverages | 0.47 | 0.50 |
| Tobacco | 0.40 | 0.42 |
| Textiles Mills | 0.65 | 0.67 |
| Apparel, Clothing Accessories and Other Textile Products | 0.32 | 0.32 |
| Leather, Fur and Allied Products | 1.27 | 1.36 |
| Wood and Bamboo Products | 0.05 | 0.05 |
| Furniture and Fixtures | 0.30 | 0.31 |
| Pulp, Paper and Paper Products | 0.29 | 0.30 |
| Printing and Related Support Activities | 0.30 | 0.30 |
| Chemical Material | 0.79 | 0.82 |
| Chemical Products | 1.73 | 1.77 |
| Petroleum and Coal Products | 0.59 | 0.60 |
| Rubber Products | 1.23 | 1.27 |
| Plastic Products | 0.74 | 0.76 |
| Non-Metallic Mineral Products | 0.52 | 0.56 |
| Basic Metal | 0.33 | 0.34 |
| Fabricated Metal Products | 0.25 | 0.25 |
| Machinery and Equipment and Repairing | 1.10 | 1.12 |
| Computer, Communication, and Video and Radio Electronic Products | 2.35 | 2.48 |
| Electronic Parts and Components | 4.79 | 5.04 |
| Electrical Machinery, Supplies and Equipment and Repairing | 1.32 | 1.38 |
| Transport Equipment and Repairing | 2.62 | 2.71 |
| Precision, Optical, Medical Equipment, Watches and Clocks | 3.52 | 3.67 |
| Other Industrial Products | 1.02 | 1.06 |
| Manufacturing Industry Total | 1.82 | 1.89 |

Source) DGBAS, The Report on Industry, Commerce and Service Census, Taiwan-Fuchien Area, ROC (2001)

Table 6: S\&T Staff as Ratios of Total Employment (\%)

|  | 1991 | 1996 | 2001 | 2005 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Food and Beverages | - | - | 1.6 | 0.9 |
| Tobacco | - | 3.6 | 4.9 | 2.6 |
| Textiles Mills | 1.7 | 1.2 | 0.9 | 0.6 |
| Apparel, Clothing Accessories and Other Textile Products | 0.1 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.3 |
| Leather, Fur and Allied Products | 0.7 | 0.7 | 2.2 | 4.2 |
| Wood and Bamboo Products | - | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 |
| Furniture and Fixtures | - | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.5 |
| Pulp, Paper and Paper Products | - | 0.5 | 0.6 | 0.2 |
| Printing and Related Support Activities | - | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| Chemical Material | 3.8 | 3.4 | 2.8 | 2.7 |
| Chemical Products | 3.4 | 4.7 | 4.2 | 3.8 |
| Petroleum and Coal Products | 4.1 | 2.9 | 2.2 | 3.2 |
| Rubber Products | 2.4 | 2.2 | 1.2 | 1.6 |
| Plastic Products | 1.4 | 1.3 | 0.7 | 0.6 |
| Non-Metallic Mineral Products | 0.6 | 1.0 | 0.6 | 0.5 |
| Basic Metal | 0.5 | 2.3 | 0.8 | 0.6 |
| Fabricated Metal Products | 0.8 | 0.9 | 0.6 | 0.3 |
| Machinery and Equipment and Repairing | 1.2 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 1.4 |
| Computer, Communication, and Video and Radio Electronic Products | - | - | 11.3 | 12.8 |
| Electronic Parts and Components | - | - | 7.1 | 8.2 |
| Electrical Machinery, Supplies and Equipment and Repairing | - | - | 5.2 | 2.7 |
| Transport Equipment and Repairing | 2.9 | 3.8 | 3.7 | 3.5 |
| Precision, Optical, Medical Equipment, Watches and Clocks | 1.5 | 4.3 | 8.3 | 9.9 |
| Other Industrial Products | 0.9 | 1.4 | 1.7 | 1.4 |
| Manufacturing Industry Total | 2.1 | 2.9 | 3.4 | 3.5 |


| Table 7: Correlation between 4- \& 8-Firm Concentration Ratios and R\&D-Sales Ratios |
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|  | 1991 |  | 1996 |  | 2001 |  | 2006 |  | 1991 |  | 1996 |  | 2001 |  | 2006 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | CR4 R\&D-Sales |  | CR4 R\&D-Sales |  | CR4 R\&D-Sales |  | CR4 R\&D-Sales* |  | CR8 R\&D-Sales |  | CR8 R\&D-Sales |  | CR8 R\&D-Sales |  | CR8 R\&D-Sales* |  |
| Food and Beverage | 5.10 |  | 5.86 | 0.42 | 9.43 | 0.39 | 7.43 | 0.28 | 9.01 |  | 10.17 | 0.42 | 14.76 | 0.39 | 12.94 | 0.28 |
| Textiles | 22.85 | 0.55 | 29.37 | 0.28 | 35.00 | 0.29 | 80.52 | 0.30 | 32.11 | 0.55 | 40.54 | 0.28 | 47.25 | 0.29 | 88.12 | 0.30 |
| Apparel | 5.15 | 0.24 | 8.66 | 0.25 | 17.57 | 0.18 | 46.18 | 0.12 | 8.01 | 0.24 | 14.82 | 0.25 | 25.24 | 0.18 | 62.69 | 0.12 |
| Tannery and Leather Goods | 2.82 | 0.45 | 9.33 | 0.43 | 15.20 | 0.94 | 18.19 | 1.49 | 5.08 | 0.45 | 15.16 | 0.43 | 25.55 | 0.94 | 27.85 | 1.49 |
| Plywood, Wooden, Bamboo, Ratan Products | 7.46 | 0.03 | 13.94 | 0.37 | 11.64 | 0.34 | 10.39 | 0.22 | 13.03 | 0.03 | 23.28 | 0.37 | 20.32 | 0.34 | 13.12 | 0.22 |
| Paper and Pulp | 24.78 |  | 25.73 | 0.18 | 26.98 | 0.18 | 29.87 | 0.13 | 33.00 |  | 33.80 | 0.18 | 33.61 | 0.18 | 37.18 | 0.13 |
| Printing | - | - | - | 0.07 | 6.38 | 0.08 | 5.66 | 0.22 | - |  | - | 0.07 | 8.39 | 0.08 | 7.79 | 0.22 |
| Chemicals | 6.91 | 1.73 | 3.87 | 1.99 | 5.59 | 2.19 | 6.56 | 1.94 | 9.67 | 1.73 | 6.64 | 1.99 | 8.69 | 2.19 | 9.84 | 1.94 |
| Petrochemical Products | 17.18 | 0.86 | 23.20 | 0.77 | 43.96 | 0.48 | 63.07 | 0.19 | 22.87 | 0.86 | 29.45 | 0.77 | 50.52 | 0.48 | 69.33 | 0.19 |
| Rubber Products | 25.21 | 0.52 | 22.44 | 0.70 | 25.36 | 0.52 | 34.59 | 0.75 | 36.57 | 0.52 | 32.66 | 0.70 | 34.57 | 0.52 | 43.99 | 0.75 |
| Plastics Processing | 20.13 | 1.12 | 14.71 | 0.57 | 15.44 | 0.60 | 21.55 | 0.37 | 23.39 | 1.12 | 17.61 | 0.57 | 19.36 | 0.60 | 25.11 | 0.37 |
| Non-Metallic Mineral Products | 19.97 | 0.11 | 17.71 | 0.25 | 24.13 | 0.23 | 24.39 | 0.21 | 27.12 | 0.11 | 23.26 | 0.25 | 30.80 | 0.23 | 32.17 | 0.21 |
| Iron and Steel | 5.55 | 0.32 | 22.86 | 0.35 | 25.44 | 0.20 | 23.52 | 0.16 | 8.06 | 0.32 | 27.74 | 0.35 | 31.89 | 0.20 | 32.02 | 0.16 |
| Fabricated Metal Products | 9.68 | 0.25 | 9.18 | 0.27 | 10.63 | 0.27 | 9.36 | 0.16 | 16.08 | 0.25 | 15.98 | 0.27 | 18.07 | 0.27 | 13.73 | 0.16 |
| Machinery | 3.18 | 0.55 | 5.22 | 0.83 | 4.75 | 0.67 | 3.86 | 0.59 | 5.13 | 0.55 | 7.39 | 0.83 | 7.03 | 0.67 | 6.04 | 0.59 |
| Precision Machinery | - | 0.68 | - | 1.41 | 31.56 | 2.40 | 11.48 | 3.22 | - | 0.68 | - | 1.41 | 41.00 | 2.40 | 18.65 | 3.22 |
| Computer and Peripheral | 7.42 |  | 19.52 |  | 27.87 | 1.76 | 186.90 | 2.91 | 11.79 |  | 29.80 |  | 42.36 | 1.76 | 258.86 | 2.91 |
| Electronic and Electrical | 15.38 | - | 16.64 | - | 25.85 | 4.40 | 27.22 | 3.86 | 24.30 | - | 26.47 | - | 39.25 | 4.40 | 39.39 | 3.86 |
| Motor Vehicles and Equipment | 26.05 | 1.01 | 30.84 | 1.30 | 30.98 | 1.14 | 27.54 | 1.20 | 38.86 | 1.01 | 45.46 | 1.30 | 41.07 | 1.14 | 39.39 | 1.20 |
| Correlation Coefficient | 0.19 |  | -0.15 |  | 0.13 |  | 0.27 |  | 0.13 |  | -0.14 |  | 0.23 |  | 0.32 |  |
| Standard Deviation | 8.28 | 0.44 | 8.27 | 0.50 | 10.78 | 1.06 | 41.10 | 1.15 | 11.14 | 0.44 | 10.91 | 0.50 | 13.10 | 1.06 | 55.01 | 1.15 |

[^0]Note) *The figures of R\&D-Sales in 2006 are taken from 2005 data in Table 4.

Appendix Table 1: Sales of Top 4 and Top 8 Firms

|  | Sales (million NT\$) |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1991 Top 4 | 1996 Top 4 | 2001 Top 4 | 2006 Top4 |
| Food and Beverage | 23,632 | 34,781 | 44,583 | 36,454 |
| Textiles | 81,078 | 115,183 | 137,142 | 261,214 |
| Apparel | 9,431 | 10,649 | 18,823 | 32,856 |
| Footwear | 13,078 | 24,354 | 20,374 | 14,156 |
| Tannery and Leather Goods | 4,070 | 7,353 | 7,932 | 7,987 |
| Plywood, Wooden, Bamboo, Ratan Products | 4,814 | 6,031 | 3,157 | 2,316 |
| Paper and Pulp | 34,204 | 41,927 | 42,897 | 57,955 |
| Printing | - | - | 4,796 | 4,844 |
| Chemicals | 32,046 | 28,340 | 50,559 | 118,055 |
| Petrochemical Products | 43,793 | 78,837 | 237,357 | 788,870 |
| Rubber Products | 12,628 | 16,057 | 17,720 | 29,858 |
| Plastics Processing | 53,302 | 55,038 | 52,640 | 74,742 |
| Non-Metallic Mineral Products | 34,861 | 41,906 | 48,391 | 63,563 |
| Iron and Steel | 20,217 | 126,719 | 152,785 | 353,452 |
| Fabricated Metal Products | 27,681 | 37,388 | 43,913 | 54,096 |
| Machinery | 8,690 | 22,327 | 22,595 | 29,158 |
| Precision Machinery | - | - | 23,136 | 12,893 |
| Computer and Peripheral | 28,971 | 156,230 | 333,042 | 1,907,943 |
| Electronic and Electrical | 84,058 | 173,671 | 415,345 | 909,329 |
| Motor Vehicles and Equipment | 95,572 | 150,938 | 138,522 | 155,802 |
|  | 1991 Top 8 | 1996 Top 8 | 2001 Top 8 | 2006 Top 8 |
| Food and Beverage | 41,777 | 60,304 | 69,767 | 63,517 |
| Textiles | 113,911 | 159,011 | 185,130 | 285,877 |
| Apparel | 14,659 | 18,214 | 27,046 | 44,603 |
| Footwear | 16,987 | 27,300 | 22,171 | 15,642 |
| Tannery and Leather Goods | 7,345 | 11,949 | 13,333 | 12,228 |
| Plywood, Wooden, Bamboo, Ratan Products | 8,407 | 10,073 | 5,513 | 2,925 |
| Paper and Pulp | 45,550 | 55,091 | 53,438 | 72,144 |
| Printing | - | - | 6,306 | 6,669 |
| Chemicals | 44,885 | 48,555 | 78,626 | 177,065 |
| Petrochemical Products | 58,300 | 100,062 | 272,744 | 867,131 |
| Rubber Products | 18,320 | 23,365 | 24,150 | 37,966 |
| Plastics Processing | 61,946 | 65,896 | 66,006 | 87,094 |
| Non-Metallic Mineral Products | 47,358 | 55,047 | 61,772 | 83,829 |
| Iron and Steel | 29,394 | 153,814 | 191,521 | 481,209 |
| Fabricated Metal Products | 45,974 | 65,095 | 74,637 | 79,354 |
| Machinery | 14,015 | 31,582 | 33,419 | 45,644 |
| Precision Machinery | - | - | 30,053 | 20,950 |
| Computer and Peripheral | 46,073 | 238,536 | 506,145 | 2,642,592 |
| Electronic and Electrical | 132,846 | 276,196 | 630,550 | 1,315,886 |
| Motor Vehicles and Equipment | 142,600 | 222,465 | 183,649 | 222,886 |

[^1]Appendix Table 2: Gross Output

|  | Gross Output at Current Prices (million NT\$) |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | 1991 | 1996 | 2001 | 2005 | 2006 |
| Food and Beverage | 463,586 | 593,036 | 472,793 | 487,749 | 490,922 |
| Textiles | 354,767 | 392,229 | 391,845 | 325,406 | 324,417 |
| Apparel | 183,028 | 122,921 | 107,138 | 79,882 | 71,154 |
| Footwear | - | - | - | - | - |
| Tannery and Leather Goods | 144,551 | 78,807 | 52,187 | 46,979 | 43,913 |
| Plywood, Wooden, Bamboo, Ratan Products | 64,525 | 43,268 | 27,131 | 22,283 | 22,297 |
| Paper and Pulp | 138,044 | 162,980 | 158,980 | 196,089 | 194,015 |
| Printing | 54,650 | 71,166 | 75,174 | 88,468 | 85,654 |
| Chemicals | 464,026 | 731,455 | 904,786 | $1,634,453$ | $1,799,930$ |
| Petrochemical Products | 254,957 | 339,752 | 539,917 | $1,059,483$ | $1,250,811$ |
| Rubber Products | 50,096 | 71,548 | 69,864 | 83,659 | 86,311 |
| Plastics Processing | 264,801 | 374,098 | 340,888 | 360,796 | 346,873 |
| Non-Metallic Mineral Products | 174,594 | 236,635 | 200,530 | 253,020 | 260,621 |
| Iron and Steel | 364,590 | 554,423 | 600,645 | $1,230,487$ | $1,502,650$ |
| Fabricated Metal Products | 285,846 | 407,401 | 413,015 | 541,770 | 577,973 |
| Machinery | 273,090 | 427,466 | 475,292 | 716,570 | 755,228 |
| Precision Machinery | 53,788 | 56,371 | 73,297 | 104,316 | 112,356 |
| Computer and Peripheral | 390,673 | 800,447 | $1,194,834$ | $1,015,379$ | $1,020,848$ |
| Electronic and Electrical | 546,684 | $1,043,384$ | $1,606,559$ | $2,866,920$ | $3,340,380$ |
| Motor Vehicles and Equipment | 366,944 | 489,390 | 447,156 | 676,858 | 565,805 |

Source) National Statistics, ROC (Taiwan), Gross Output by Kind of Activity (93SNA)
(http://eng.stat.gov.tw/ct.asp?xItem=14621andctNode=3567)

Appendix Table 3: Total Revenue

|  | Total Revenue (million NT\$) |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | 1991 | 1996 | 2001 |
| Food and Beverage | 358,717 | 510,896 | 451,801 |
| Textiles | 384,445 | 402,929 | 410,942 |
| Apparel | 97,604 | 154,433 | 155,316 |
| Footwear | - | - | - |
| Tannery and Leather Goods | 75,677 | 74,064 | 98,540 |
| Plywood, Wooden, Bamboo, Ratan Products | 66,397 | 57,626 | 38,967 |
| Paper and Pulp | 140,915 | 181,518 | 176,699 |
| Printing | 55,588 | 86,320 | 91,237 |
| Chemicals | 460,042 | 714,097 | $1,001,571$ |
| Petrochemical Products | 276,818 | 362,457 | 452,669 |
| Rubber Products | 69,819 | 79,566 | 80,038 |
| Plastics Processing | 338,158 | 429,616 | 409,646 |
| Non-Metallic Mineral Products | 189,482 | 270,147 | 246,199 |
| Iron and Steel | 362,751 | 553,398 | 527,999 |
| Fabricated Metal Products | 323,452 | 488,303 | 496,156 |
| Machinery | 264,048 | 422,594 | 616,058 |
| Precision Machinery | 55,706 | 67,410 | 126,110 |
| Computer and Peripheral | 421,509 | 911,095 | $1,902,836$ |
| Electronic and Electrical | 571,180 | $1,223,633$ | $2,195,501$ |
| Motor Vehicles and Equipment | 397,341 | 499,243 | 513,081 |

Source) DGBAS, The Report on Industry, Commerce and Service Census, Taiwan-Fuchien Area, ROC (1991, 1996, 2001)

## Appendix Table 4: Operating Revenue

|  | Operating Revenue (million NT\$) |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | 1991 | 1996 | 2001 |
| Food and Beverage | 344,969 | 484,452 | 425,870 |
| Textiles | 374,189 | 389,269 | 396,089 |
| Apparel | 96,133 | 152,269 | 151,704 |
| Footwear | - | - | - |
| Tannery and Leather Goods | 74,691 | 72,004 | 92,195 |
| Plywood, Wooden, Bamboo, Ratan Products | 65,610 | 56,862 | 38,467 |
| Paper and Pulp | 137,582 | 176,435 | 172,937 |
| Printing | 55,020 | 85,463 | 90,257 |
| Chemicals | 438,787 | 682,301 | 964,357 |
| Petrochemical Products | 271,050 | 350,806 | 447,660 |
| Rubber Products | 68,358 | 77,866 | 77,950 |
| Plastics Processing | 333,198 | 421,434 | 397,646 |
| Non-Metallic Mineral Products | 182,787 | 260,893 | 231,326 |
| Iron and Steel | 354,569 | 542,959 | 514,013 |
| Fabricated Metal Products | 320,730 | 483,032 | 488,872 |
| Machinery | 260,709 | 417,568 | 603,182 |
| Precision Machinery | 54,872 | 65,959 | 121,009 |
| Computer and Peripheral | 409,686 | 882,369 | $1,808,050$ |
| Electronic and Electrical | 557,000 | $1,184,471$ | $2,087,431$ |
| Motor Vehicles and Equipment | 388,429 | 485,627 | 495,664 |

Source) DGBAS, The Report on Industry, Commerce and Service Census, Taiwan-Fuchien Area, ROC (1991, 1996, 2001)

|  | 1986 | 1991 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Food and Beverages | 0.48* | 0.43* | 0.42 | 0.43 | 0.45 | 0.42 | 0.39 | 0.39 | 0.38 | 0.35 | 0.33 | 0.28 |
| Tobacco | 0.23** | 0.13** | 0.45 | 0.38 | 0.40 | 0.54 | 0.51 | 0.74 | 0.52 | 0.43 | 0.36 | 0.32 |
| Textiles Mills | 0.16 | 0.55 | 0.28 | 0.32 | 0.39 | 0.39 | 0.35 | 0.29 | 0.27 | 0.29 | 0.36 | 0.30 |
| Apparel, Clothing Accessories and Other Textile Products | 0.12 | 0.24 | 0.25 | 0.30 | 0.17 | 0.15 | 0.15 | 0.18 | 0.17 | 0.13 | 0.11 | 0.12 |
| Leather, Fur and Allied Products | 0.24 | 0.45 | 0.43 | 0.61 | 0.79 | 0.93 | 1.11 | 0.94 | 1.30 | 1.34 | 1.45 | 1.49 |
| Wood, Bamboo Products and Non-metal Furniture | 0.11 | 0.03 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Wood and Bamboo Products | - | - | 0.01 | 0.08 | 0.16 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.08 | 0.01 | 0.01 |
| Furniture and Fixtures | - | - | 0.36 | 0.58 | 0.50 | 0.68 | 0.30 | 0.32 | 0.30 | 0.26 | 0.20 | 0.21 |
| Paper, Pulp and Print | 0.16 | 0.21 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Pulp, Paper and Paper Products | - | - | 0.18 | 0.29 | 0.24 | 0.40 | 0.14 | 0.18 | 0.18 | 0.11 | 0.14 | 0.13 |
| Printing and Related Support Activities | - | - | 0.07 | 0.10 | 0.24 | 0.23 | 0.18 | 0.08 | 0.09 | 0.14 | 0.14 | 0.22 |
| Chemical Material | 1.07 | 0.84 | 0.57 | 0.75 | 0.64 | 0.92 | 0.56 | 0.63 | 0.47 | 0.37 | 0.28 | 0.36 |
| Chemical Products | 0.80 | 0.89 | 1.42 | 1.47 | 1.45 | 1.67 | 1.55 | 1.56 | 1.51 | 1.42 | 1.62 | 1.57 |
| Petroleum and Coal Products | 0.41 | 0.86 | 0.77 | 1.11 | 1.17 | 0.01 | 0.44 | 0.48 | 0.43 | 0.31 | 0.28 | 0.19 |
| Rubber Products | 0.51 | 0.52 | 0.70 | 0.94 | 1.24 | 0.91 | 0.58 | 0.52 | 0.70 | 0.64 | 0.75 | 0.75 |
| Plastic Products | 0.72 | 1.12 | 0.57 | 0.78 | 1.00 | 0.91 | 0.59 | 0.60 | 0.57 | 0.54 | 0.41 | 0.37 |
| Non-Metallic Mineral Products | 0.27 | 0.11 | 0.25 | 0.44 | 0.29 | 0.32 | 0.28 | 0.23 | 0.34 | 0.23 | 0.20 | 0.21 |
| Basic Metal | 0.29 | 0.32 | 0.35 | 0.26 | 0.21 | 0.19 | 0.17 | 0.20 | 0.21 | 0.16 | 0.16 | 0.16 |
| Fabricated Metal Products | 0.36 | 0.25 | 0.27 | 0.43 | 0.45 | 0.39 | 0.24 | 0.27 | 0.20 | 0.14 | 0.15 | 0.16 |
| Machinery and Equipment and Repairing | 0.86 | 0.55 | 0.83 | 0.79 | 0.70 | 0.69 | 0.62 | 0.67 | 0.77 | 0.73 | 0.61 | 0.59 |
| Electric and Electronic Machinery | 0.65 | 2.41 | 2.39 | 2.39 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Computer, Communication, and Video and Radio Electronic Products | - | - | - | - | 2.20 | 2.06 | 1.69 | 1.76 | 2.03 | 2.37 | 2.85 | 2.91 |
| Electronic Parts and Components | - | - | - | - | 3.21 | 2.95 | 2.42 | 3.05 | 2.98 | 2.64 | 2.47 | 2.83 |
| Electrical Machinery, Supplies and Equipment and Repairing | - | - | - | - | 1.18 | 1.19 | 1.36 | 1.35 | 1.19 | 1.21 | 0.98 | 1.03 |
| Transport Equipment and Repairing | 0.48 | 1.01 | 1.30 | 1.82 | 1.66 | 1.79 | 1.43 | 1.14 | 1.14 | 1.21 | 1.27 | 1.20 |
| Precision, Optical, Medical Equipment, Watches and Clocks | 0.48 | 0.68 | 1.41 | 1.75 | 1.85 | 1.31 | 1.54 | 2.40 | 2.68 | 2.97 | 2.64 | 3.22 |
| Other Industrial Products | 0.74 | 0.35 | 0.53 | 0.73 | 0.80 | 0.67 | 0.52 | 0.72 | 0.74 | 0.69 | 0.69 | 0.68 |
| Manufacturing Industry Total | 0.47 | 0.94 | 1.06 | 1.16 | 1.26 | 1.26 | 1.14 | 1.26 | 1.30 | 1.28 | 1.24 | 1.33 |

Notes) *This figure is of the food industry.
**This figure is of the beverage and tobacco industry.
Source) NSC, Indicators of Science and Technology, Taiwan (every year)

|  | 1991 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Food and Beverages | - | - | 1.7 | 1.8 | 2.3 | 1.9 | 1.6 | 1.7 | 1.4 | 0.9 | 0.9 |
| Tobacco | - | 3.6 | 3.3 | 4.0 | 4.9 | 2.3 | 4.9 | 4.9 | 4.2 | 2.7 | 2.6 |
| Textiles Mills | 1.7 | 1.2 | 1.3 | 1.4 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 0.9 | 0.8 | 0.9 | 0.6 | 0.6 |
| Apparel, Clothing Accessories and Other Textile Products | 0.1 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.3 |
| Leather, Fur and Allied Products | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.5 | 1.3 | 1.9 | 2.4 | 2.2 | 2.6 | 3.6 | 3.2 | 4.2 |
| Wood and Bamboo Products | - | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Furniture and Fixtures | - | 0.7 | 1.1 | 0.8 | 1.0 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 0.5 |
| Pulp, Paper and Paper Products | - | 0.5 | 0.8 | 2.1 | 1.5 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.2 |
| Printing and Related Support Activities | - | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| Chemical Material | 3.8 | 3.4 | 3.7 | 3.5 | 3.2 | 3.1 | 2.8 | 2.8 | 2.5 | 2.6 | 2.7 |
| Chemical Products | 3.4 | 4.7 | 5.2 | 4.9 | 4.8 | 4.4 | 4.2 | 4.4 | 4.2 | 3.7 | 3.8 |
| Petroleum and Coal Products | 4.1 | 2.9 | 2.4 | 1.5 | 3.5 | 2.6 | 2.2 | 2.3 | 2.6 | 2.8 | 3.2 |
| Rubber Products | 2.4 | 2.2 | 2.1 | 2.0 | 2.7 | 1.6 | 1.2 | 1.7 | 1.6 | 1.4 | 1.6 |
| Plastic Products | 1.4 | 1.3 | 1.5 | 1.4 | 1.3 | 1.1 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.6 |
| Non-Metallic Mineral Products | 0.6 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 0.8 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 0.6 | 0.9 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 0.5 |
| Basic Metal | 0.5 | 2.3 | 1.3 | 1.2 | 0.9 | 0.7 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.6 |
| Fabricated Metal Products | 0.8 | 0.9 | 1.4 | 1.0 | 1.3 | 0.8 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.3 |
| Machinery and Equipment and Repairing | 1.2 | 1.9 | 2.1 | 2.0 | 1.8 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 2.1 | 1.8 | 1.4 | 1.4 |
| Computer, Communication, and Video and Radio Electronic Products | - | - | - | - | - | - | 11.3 | 13.0 | 13.2 | 12.1 | 12.8 |
| Electronic Parts and Components | - | - | - | - | - | - | 7.1 | 7.8 | 9.3 | 7.4 | 8.2 |
| Electrical Machinery, Supplies and Equipment and Repairing | - | - | - | - | - | - | 5.2 | 4.2 | 3.4 | 2.8 | 2.7 |
| Transport Equipment and Repairing | 2.9 | 3.8 | 5.5 | 3.9 | 4.6 | 3.7 | 3.7 | 3.8 | 3.8 | 3.3 | 3.5 |
| Precision, Optical, Medical Equipment, Watches and Clocks | 1.5 | 4.3 | 7.4 | 4.8 | 4.4 | 5.8 | 8.3 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 8.9 | 9.9 |
| Other Industrial Products | 0.9 | 1.4 | 2.1 | 2.5 | 1.7 | 1.4 | 1.7 | 1.8 | 1.7 | 1.5 | 1.4 |
| Manufacturing Industry Total | 2.1 | 2.9 | 3.3 | 3.1 | 3.3 | 3.4 | 3.4 | 3.7 | 3.8 | 3.3 | 3.5 |

Source) Appendix Table 6a, Appendix Table 6b

| Appendix Table 6a: S\&T Staff/Employment Ratios |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1991 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 |
| Food and Beverages | 1816* | 1950* | 1,969 | 2,045 | 2,548 | 2,022 | 1,713 | 1,815 | 1,551 | 1,002 | 981 |
| Tobacco | 173** | 95 | 81 | 79 | 87 | 41 | 85 | 75 | 61 | 40 | 38 |
| Textiles Mills | 2,814 | 1,864 | 1,974 | 2,122 | 2,073 | 1,937 | 1,343 | 1,128 | 1,208 | 808 | 733 |
| Apparel, Clothing Accessories and Other Textile Products | 175 | 432 | 516 | 501 | 390 | 386 | 327 | 228 | 286 | 173 | 204 |
| Leather, Fur and Allied Products | 795 | 405 | 294 | 650 | 921 | 1,150 | 906 | 990 | 1,350 | 1,178 | 1,484 |
| Wood, Bamboo Products and Non-metal Furniture | 95 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |  |
| Wood and Bamboo Products | - | 4 | 51 | 84 | 63 | 73 | 39 | 16 | 29 | 5 | 2 |
| Furniture and Fixtures | - | 334 | 513 | 379 | 438 | 296 | 237 | 214 | 191 | 104 | 136 |
| Paper, Pulp and Print | 724 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |  |
| Pulp, Paper and Paper Products | - | 321 | 502 | 1,231 | 871 | 409 | 325 | 256 | 151 | 180 | 135 |
| Printing and Related Support Activities | - | 102 | 120 | 232 | 183 | 134 | 125 | 121 | 131 | 90 | 135 |
| Chemical Material | 2,414 | 2,258 | 2,393 | 2,343 | 2,398 | 2,359 | 2,094 | 2,030 | 1,763 | 1,853 | 1,942 |
| Chemical Products | 1,892 | 2,995 | 3,173 | 2,981 | 3,061 | 2,890 | 2,671 | 2,781 | 2,655 | 2,438 | 2,472 |
| Petroleum and Coal Products | 664 | 506 | 414 | 247 | 558 | 428 | 355 | 347 | 388 | 426 | 493 |
| Rubber Products | 758 | 730 | 697 | 706 | 924 | 553 | 414 | 549 | 522 | 491 | 547 |
| Plastic Products | 2,261 | 2,199 | 2,548 | 2,198 | 2,154 | 1,786 | 1,074 | 901 | 1,083 | 981 | 955 |
| Non-Metallic Mineral Products | 588 | 995 | 940 | 699 | 827 | 887 | 468 | 720 | 448 | 379 | 364 |
| Basic Metal | 457 | 2,333 | 1,371 | 1,281 | 931 | 743 | 754 | 812 | 625 | 606 | 606 |
| Fabricated Metal Products | 1,486 | 1,819 | 2,932 | 2,182 | 2,802 | 1,653 | 1,184 | 982 | 785 | 726 | 752 |
| Machinery and Equipment and Repairing | 2,135 | 3,870 | 4,624 | 4,362 | 4,090 | 4,288 | 4,075 | 4,529 | 4,041 | 3,383 | 3,638 |
| Electric and Electronic Machinery | 24,760 | 38,441 | 40,628 | 41,107 | 45,316 | 52,431 | - | - | - | - |  |
| Computer, Communication, and Video and Radio Electronic Products | - | - | - | - | - | - | 24,294 | 29,082 | 29,863 | 27,748 | 28,836 |
| Electronic Parts and Components | - | - | - | - | - | - | 20,930 | 22,813 | 28,157 | 25,267 | 29,297 |
| Electrical Machinery, Supplies and Equipment and Repairing | - | - | - | - | - | - | 7,042 | 5,404 | 4,308 | 3,620 | 3,493 |
| Transport Equipment and Repairing | 3,829 | 5,361 | 7,944 | 5,554 | 6,426 | 5,074 | 4,787 | 4,592 | 4,746 | 4,300 | 4,609 |
| Precision, Optical, Medical Equipment, Watches and Clocks | 618 | 1,419 | 2,499 | 1,700 | 1,503 | 1,969 | 2,763 | 3,307 | 3,529 | 3,182 | 3,471 |
| Other Industrial Products | 1,053 | 1,187 | 1,655 | 1,877 | 1,275 | 993 | 1,167 | 1,143 | 1,080 | 1,007 | 932 |
| Manufacturing Industry Total | 49,505 | 69,618 | 77,838 | 74,560 | 79,836 | 82,501 | 79,170 | 84,836 | 88,951 | 79,988 | 86,257 |
| Notes) *This figure is of the food industry. <br> **This figure is of the beverage and tobacco industry. <br> Source) NSC, Indicators of Science and Technology, Taiwan(every year) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |


|  | Employment (persons) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1981 | 1986 | 1991 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 |
| Food and Beverages | 117,165 | 131,626 | 122,366 | 120,498 | 115,889 | 110,667 | 109,114 | 107,477 | 104,193 | 105,092 | 107,604 | 107,591 | 108,322 | 109,734 |
| Tobacco | 4,418 | 3,864 | 4,574 | 2,655 | 2,424 | 1,980 | 1,760 | 1,811 | 1,722 | 1,525 | 1,465 | 1,468 | 1,466 | 1,440 |
| Textiles Mills | 221,604 | 214,253 | 168,395 | 154,798 | 154,489 | 154,010 | 154,242 | 154,214 | 141,893 | 135,076 | 130,486 | 128,983 | 121,853 | 116,588 |
| Apparel, Clothing Accessories and Other Textile Products | 190,069 | 233,956 | 144,627 | 106,405 | 101,141 | 96,257 | 89,784 | 84,271 | 76,136 | 70,253 | 67,565 | 64,421 | 59,508 | 56,260 |
| Leather, Fur and Allied Products | 157,805 | 222,319 | 120,926 | 58,341 | 54,162 | 50,049 | 48,617 | 47,345 | 41,681 | 38,419 | 37,387 | 37,184 | 35,347 | 33,972 |
| Wood and Bamboo Products | 71,683 | 78,180 | 55,024 | 31,226 | 29,734 | 27,549 | 26,791 | 25,640 | 24,161 | 22,055 | 21,921 | 22,161 | 22,101 | 20,259 |
| Furniture and Fixtures | 54,471 | 72,357 | 58,981 | 48,763 | 47,793 | 45,053 | 43,993 | 42,455 | 36,921 | 34,071 | 32,375 | 31,010 | 29,434 | 28,886 |
| Pulp, Paper and Paper Products | 48,679 | 59,750 | 60,440 | 63,770 | 61,385 | 59,660 | 59,037 | 57,818 | 55,044 | 53,821 | 55,740 | 57,124 | 57,723 | 59,453 |
| Printing and Related Support Activities | 26,777 | 42,457 | 51,347 | 53,751 | 54,448 | 55,456 | 58,968 | 59,661 | 58,800 | 58,602 | 59,311 | 59,368 | 59,125 | 61,648 |
| Chemical Material | 52,715 | 59,500 | 63,351 | 65,929 | 65,554 | 66,558 | 75,211 | 75,991 | 73,532 | 71,634 | 71,767 | 72,633 | 72,404 | 73,509 |
| Chemical Products | 41,516 | 50,543 | 55,110 | 63,364 | 61,609 | 60,812 | 63,798 | 65,245 | 63,643 | 63,218 | 63,876 | 65,394 | 65,737 | 66,053 |
| Petroleum and Coal Products | 10,643 | 14,807 | 16,379 | 17,484 | 16,924 | 16,160 | 16,159 | 16,188 | 15,874 | 15,275 | 14,720 | 15,105 | 15,409 | 15,258 |
| Rubber Products | 22,897 | 28,310 | 31,449 | 32,987 | 33,646 | 34,638 | 34,341 | 34,169 | 33,135 | 32,497 | 33,157 | 34,200 | 33,698 | 33,553 |
| Plastic Products | 125,490 | 166,476 | 160,259 | 164,853 | 165,595 | 161,879 | 162,014 | 161,305 | 151,734 | 150,213 | 152,236 | 157,364 | 155,494 | 154,582 |
| Non-Metallic Mineral Products | 103,080 | 109,818 | 99,022 | 96,372 | 93,365 | 88,713 | 85,750 | 85,382 | 78,875 | 77,431 | 77,592 | 77,764 | 78,105 | 79,074 |
| Basic Metal | 70,299 | 81,270 | 89,677 | 103,490 | 105,824 | 105,083 | 102,421 | 104,022 | 99,966 | 97,471 | 98,969 | 100,735 | 102,762 | 105,401 |
| Fabricated Metal Products | 101,255 | 155,896 | 178,879 | 204,683 | 212,710 | 215,194 | 215,445 | 212,965 | 199,876 | 198,272 | 208,288 | 217,701 | 217,481 | 218,977 |
| Machinery and Equipment and Repairing | 114,184 | 137,353 | 174,344 | 207,767 | 216,593 | 221,779 | 222,381 | 224,417 | 219,466 | 219,679 | 228,206 | 241,465 | 252,814 | 260,699 |
| Computer, Communication, and Video and Radio Electronic Products | 109,095 | 143,525 | 150,663 | 163,586 | 175,759 | 190,095 | 198,544 | 217,863 | 214,224 | 223,370 | 226,320 | 228,977 | 225,045 | 228,449 |
| Electronic Parts and Components | 67,214 | 148,682 | 152,825 | 197,305 | 218,197 | 238,095 | 252,258 | 292,241 | 293,879 | 292,727 | 304,102 | 340,262 | 356,318 | 377,685 |
| Electrical Machinery, Supplies and Equipment and Repairing | 138,175 | 144,537 | 150,294 | 148,101 | 148,546 | 143,552 | 142,363 | 146,517 | 134,617 | 127,830 | 128,374 | 128,720 | 128,027 | 126,806 |
| Transport Equipment and Repairing | 108,001 | 127,758 | 132,281 | 141,202 | 143,476 | 143,895 | 140,841 | 137,785 | 128,348 | 120,374 | 124,652 | 129,442 | 132,110 | 130,353 |
| Precision, Optical, Medical Equipment, Watches and Clocks | 25,303 | 36,284 | 40,603 | 33,335 | 33,770 | 35,219 | 33,874 | 33,949 | 33,465 | 33,066 | 35,383 | 35,765 | 35,126 | 34,911 |
| Other Industrial Products | 95,259 | 150,536 | 117,285 | 82,962 | 78,985 | 74,801 | 73,176 | 72,343 | 67,116 | 65,058 | 64,104 | 65,269 | 64,493 | 64,141 |
| Manufacturing Industry Total | 2,077,797 | 2,614,057 | 2,399,101 | 2,363,627 | 2,392,018 | 2,397,154 | 2,410,882 | 2,461,074 | 2,348,301 | 2,307,029 | 2,345,600 | 2,420,106 | 2,429,902 | 2,457,691 |

Source) DGBAS, Macro Economics Database, National Statistics website (http://61.60.106.82/pxweb/Dialog/statfile1L.asp)


[^0]:    Source) Table 1, Table 4

[^1]:    Source) CCIS, The Largest Corporations in Taiwan (1992, 1997, 2002, 2007)

