

## 6.1 The General Results

The I-O results must be recognized as providing only a snapshot of the industrial structure and inter-industry relationships in the production of exports. There is no means for the model to account for changes in output over time in terms of inter-industry dependencies. As a result, it is not possible to state unequivocally that an increase in a particular industry's exports will cause the same employment, GDP, or import effects as revealed in the model.

At the risk of over-generalizing, the Industry Export Performance Table (available in Annex 2) reveals the following:

- resource industries, transportation and communications services industries and other service industries use relatively less imported inputs in their contribution to exports, as compared to manufacturing industries;
- manufacturing industries and transportation services industries export directly more than half of their output, indicating that they are not supplying their output to other domestic industries as intermediate inputs;
- resource industries are roughly split between exporting most of their output and supplying it to other domestic industries, while almost all service industries ship the largest share of their output to domestic customers;
- the highest concentration of direct jobs per dollar of value-added is in the services industries (although it is recognized that this is due to the denominator, i.e., the service industries export very little directly, and thus have a low value-added in the production of exports), with most manufacturing and only a few resource industries having better than average employment effects;
- with the exception of the agriculture and fishing industries, in which the return to labour is not listed as wages in the national accounts, average wages in the resource industries are by far the highest;
- most of the manufacturing industries' and transportation and communications industries' average wages are relatively high, while other services' wages are by far the lowest.