

Shaping Bel Ombre for a sustainable future

Sustainable Entrepreneurship Programme

2022 Statistics on the region of Bel Ombre

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Bel Ombre is found in the south of Mauritius and forms part of the only UNESCO Man and Biosphere Reserve of the island. The businesses of the region want to conduct their operations in a responsible, sustainable and inclusive manner.

Demographics

Population & Age

There is a resident population of 2,351 aged 2 years and above.

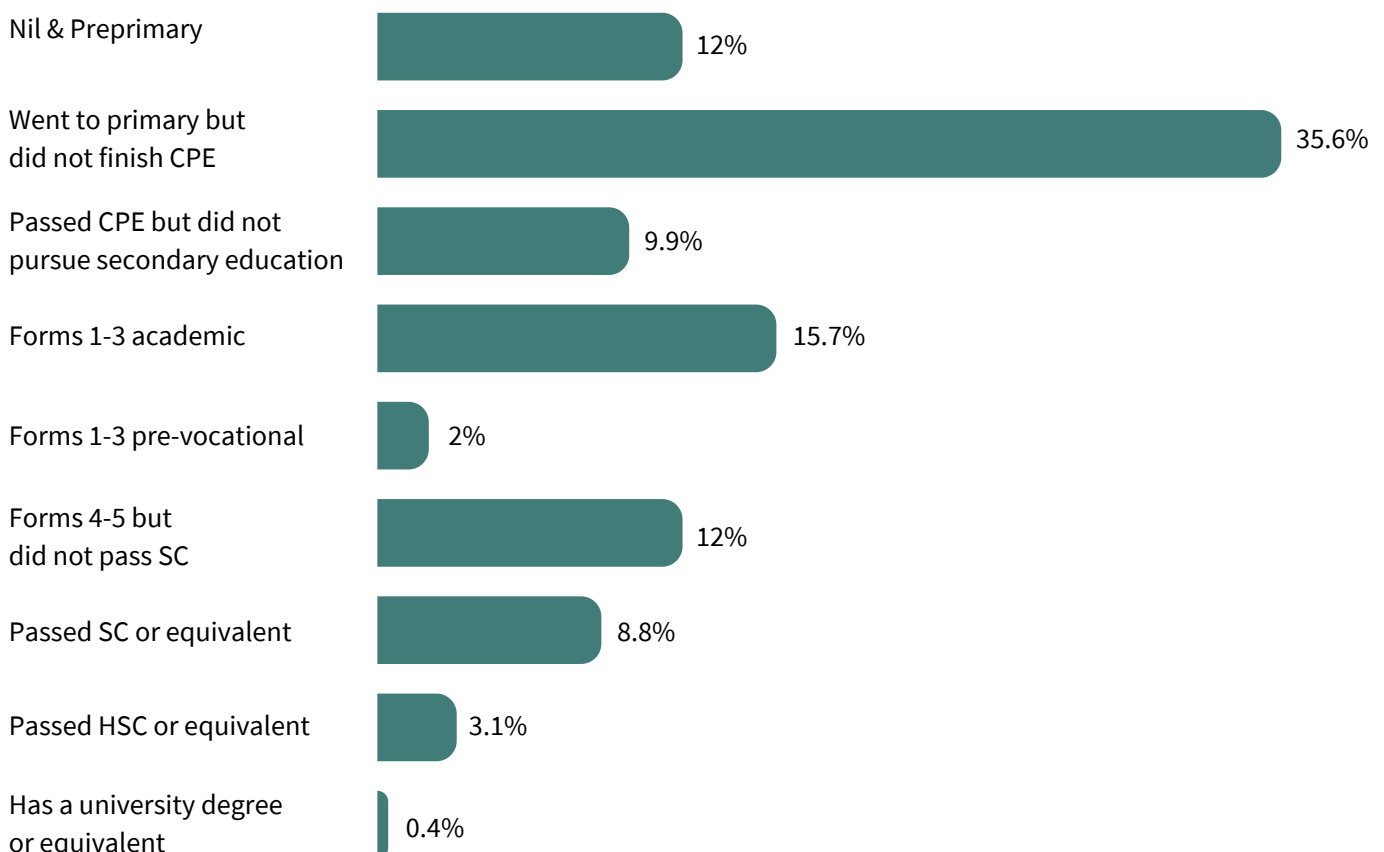
5 - 9 years
225

15 - 24 years
400

30 - 49 years
395

Education

The educational attainment is as follows:

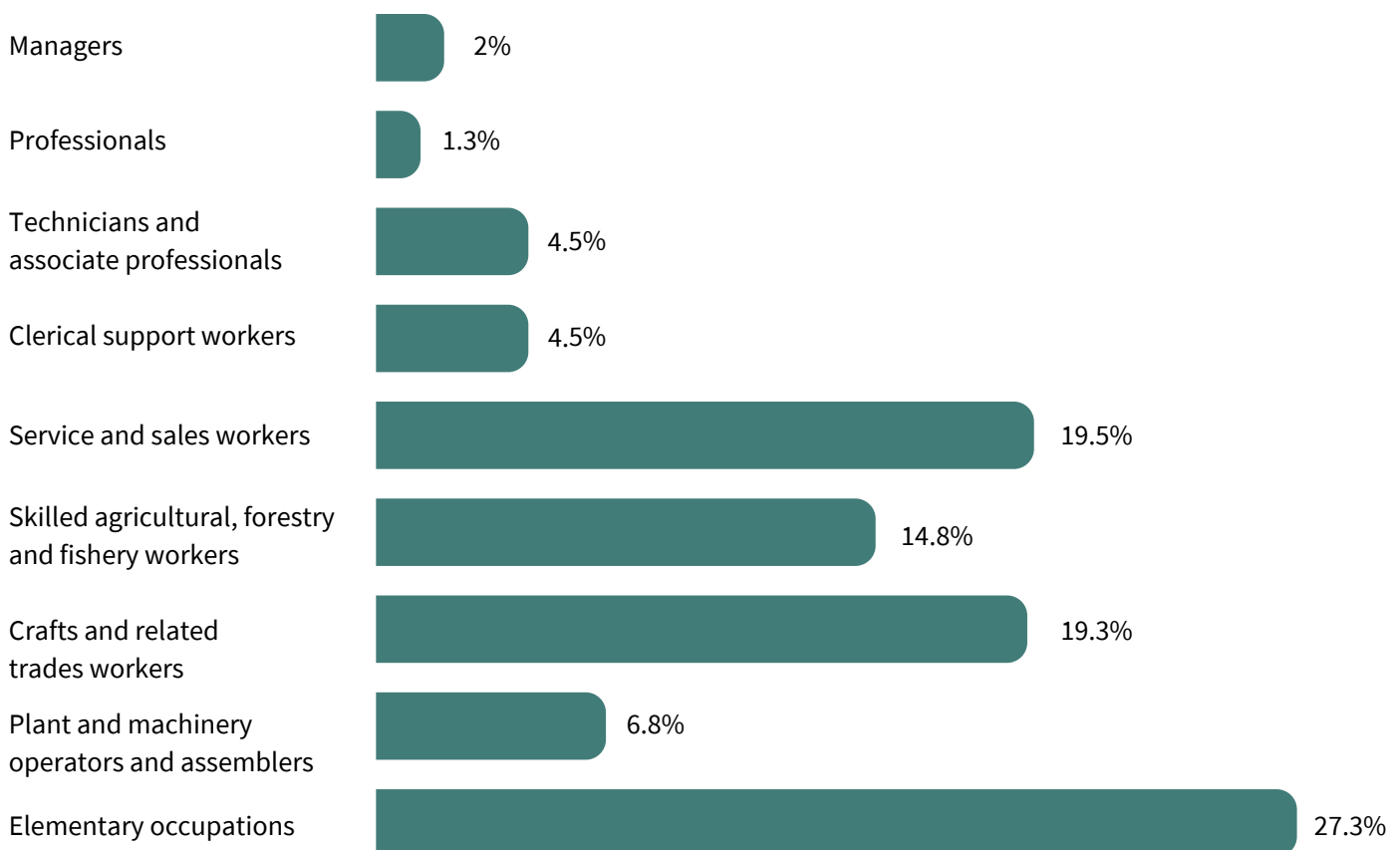


Dwellings, Tenure, and Household

629	residential
82.7%	used as one housing unit
82.2%	have concrete wall and concrete roof
2.5%	have concrete wall and iron or in roof
15.3%	have iron or in wall and iron or in roof

Employment

The current employed population aged 16 and over was 1,095.
The major occupational group were:



Community based organisations

PUBLIC SERVICES	SERVICES PROVIDED
Village Hall	Informal Education (Sewing, handicraft, talks), indoor games, fitness
Police Station	Law & Order
Pre-Primary & Primary School	Educational
Coast Guard Office	Law & Order

PRIVATE SERVICES	SERVICES PROVIDED
Heritage Hotel	Tourism & Hospitality
Tamassa Hotel	Tourism & Hospitality
Outrigger Hotel	Tourism & Hospitality
C Beach Club	Tourism & Hospitality
Sofitel SO Mauritius	Tourism & Hospitality
Villas Valriche	Tourism & Hospitality
Bistrot Anvers	Restaurant
Force Vive de Bel Ombre & St Martin	NGO
Centre d'Eveil	Caritas

Health



5.4% of the population
suffers from a type of disability

Circular Economy

A circular economy is a system that is restorative or regenerative by intention and design.

It replaces the end-of-life concept with restoration, shifts towards the use of renewable energy, eliminates the use of toxic chemicals, which impair reuse and return to the biosphere, and aims for the elimination of waste through the superior design of materials, products, systems and business models.

Consumables in the circular economy are largely made of biological nutrients that are at least non-toxic and can be returned to the biosphere.

Focus Areas for Circular Economy

6 focus areas have been identified to measure the progress and engagement into sustainable consumption and production

SUSTAINABLE SOURCING AND PROCUREMENT	WASTE MANAGEMENT VALORISATION	PROMOTION OF FARM TO FORK
SHORT CIRCUITS	BAN ON SINGLE USE PLASTICS IN IMPORTED GOODS	REDUCTION OF CHEMICAL PRODUCTS IN AGRICULTURE

Consumption

Electricity	11,546,495 kWh
Fuel	363,500 L
Gaz	491, 667 L

Water (excluding irrigation)	398,626 m3
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Waste

General	345,115 kg
Recycled	151,119 kg
Green	8,567,972 kg

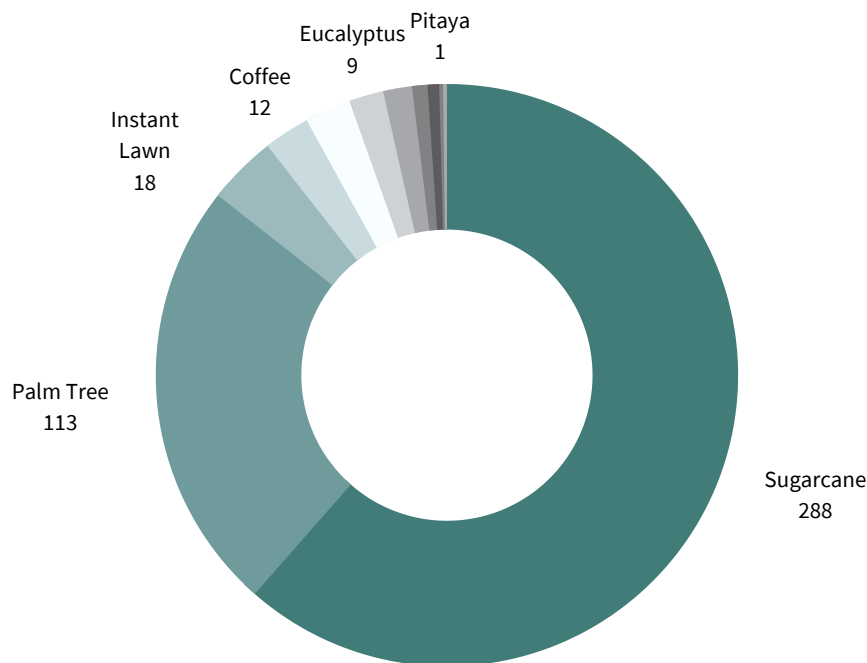
Local Production

Sugar	1,847 tonnes
Pineapple	90 tonnes
Coffee	8 tonnes
Meat	58 tonnes

Requirement

Bel Ombre is looking to build a tropical sustainable and resilient food-system approach by strengthening and integrating the different agricultural sectors to enhance the standard of living.

Agriculture & Forestry



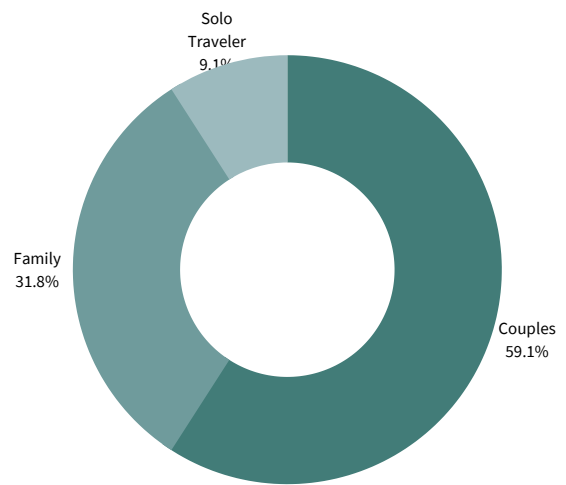
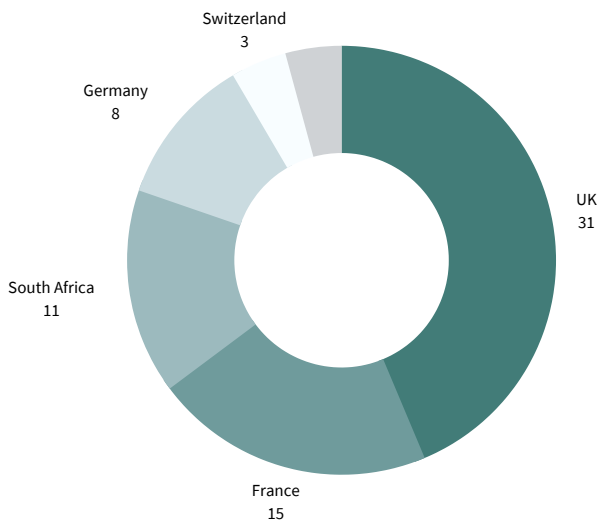
500 ha of cultivated land
2,500 ha of chassée and other
110 ha for landscaping

The agricultural sector seeks to recycle or revalorise 96% of its waste for a sustainable future of Bel Ombre. Measures being considered at stage are:

- Bio-fertilisers to reduce carbon footprint
- Considering organic practices to eliminate the utilisation of herbicides

With the goal of creating circularity in Bel Ombre, the agricultural sector intends to work hand in hand with the hospitality sector and locally, to optimise and launch production of fruits and vegetables.

Hospitality & Leisure



32,000 visitors per year in hotels
6,500 visitors per year in the nature reserve
338 rooms
288 villas at completion

227 tonnes of general waste go to landfill. The hospitality sector aims to sort its waste and create strategies for waste reduction at source.

A collaboration between local fishermen, meat producers, and farmers are highly recommended to ensure the empowerment of the local community and minimising carbon footprint.

Hotels and leisure activities are considering waste management mutualisation with the objective of achieving zero waste to landfill and valorising all the green waste through the agricultural sector.

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