

## Growth in agriculture

8.6 Agriculture & allied sector value added registered a growth rate of 9.1 per cent in 2003-04, reflecting the growth in physical production and remunerative prices of agricultural goods. The growth rate of the sector for 2003-04 was one of the highest in recent years, and only marginally lower than the previous high of 9.6 per cent achieved in 1996-97 (Table 8.5).

<b>Table 8.5 : Growth rates of GDP and agriculture production</b>			
<i>(Per cent)</i>			
<b>Year</b>	<b>GDP*</b>	<b>GDP in agriculture and allied sectors*</b>	<b>Physical production of agriculture***</b>
1992-93	5.1	5.8	4.2
1993-94	5.9	4.1	3.8
1994-95	7.3	5.0	5.0
1995-96	7.3	-0.9	-2.7
1996-97	7.8	9.6	9.3
1997-98	4.8	-2.4	-5.9
1998-99	6.5	6.2	7.6
1999-00	6.1	0.3	-0.6
2000-01	4.4	-0.1	-6.3
2001-02	5.8	6.5	7.6
2002-03	4.0	-5.2	-15.6
2003-04**	8.1	9.1	19.3

\* At factor cost at 1993-1994 prices.  
 \*\* Advance estimates.  
 \*\*\* As determined by index of agricultural production (Base: triennium ending 1981-82).  
 Source : Central Statistical Organisation (CSO) for GDP, and Ministry of Agriculture for production.