

Table 1: Summary Statistics

	2005 Q2	2006 Q1	2006 Q2
The Labour Force			
Labour force ('000)	3 571.9	3 606.7	3 606.6
Male ('000)	1 971.2	1 982.8	1 972.8
Female ('000)	1 600.7	1 624.0	1 633.8
Labour force participation rate (%)	60.8	61.1	60.8
Male (%)	71.0	71.1	70.5
Female (%)	51.7	52.1	52.1
Unemployment			
Unemployed persons ('000)	204.6	180.5	179.0
Male ('000)	134.4	121.5	115.9
Female ('000)	70.2	59.0	63.2
Unemployment rate (%)			
- Not seasonally adjusted	5.7	5.0	5.0
Male (%)	6.8	6.1	5.9
Female (%)	4.4	3.6	3.9
- Adjusted for seasonal variations using the X-11 ARIMA method	5.8	5.2	5.0
Employment			
Employed persons ('000)	3 367.3	3 426.2	3 427.5
Male ('000)	1 836.8	1 861.3	1 856.9
Female ('000)	1 530.5	1 564.9	1 570.6
Median hours of work during the seven days before enumeration	48	47	45
Male	48	48	48
Female	45	45	45
Median monthly employment earnings (HK\$)	9,800	10,000	10,000
Male (HK\$)	11,000	12,000	12,000
Female (HK\$)	8,000	8,000	8,000
Underemployment			
Underemployed persons ('000)	100.5	82.6	96.0
Male ('000)	69.7	59.7	65.2
Female ('000)	30.8	22.9	30.8
Underemployment rate (%)	2.8	2.3	2.7
Male (%)	3.5	3.0	3.3
Female (%)	1.9	1.4	1.9
Domestic Households			
Number of domestic households ('000)	2 278.8	2 292.0	2 313.8
Average household size	3.1	3.1	3.1
Median monthly household income (HK\$)	15,700	17,100	16,300

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