

Table 1: Year-on-Year Changes (%) in Nominal and Real Wage Index by Selected Major Sector:
from September 2005 to September 2006

Selected Major Sector	September 2005	December 2005	March 2006	June 2006	September 2006
Manufacturing	+0.5 (-0.8)	+2.5 (+1.2)	+2.8 (+1.4)	+1.1 (-0.8)	+4.6 (+2.8)
Wholesale, Retail and Import/Export Trades, Restaurants and Hotels	+1.5 (+0.1)	+1.5 (+0.1)	-0.2 (-1.6)	+1.6 (-0.3)	+1.6 (-0.2)
Transport Services	+0.5 (-0.9)	+1.4 (#)	-0.8 (-2.2)	-1.7 (-3.6)	# (-1.8)
Financing, Insurance, Real Estate (Except Agencies) and Business Services**	+0.5 (-0.8)	+1.8 (+0.5)	+4.0 (+2.5)	+2.0 (+0.1)	+3.5 (+1.7)
Personal Services	-4.5 (-5.7)	-2.7 (-4.0)	-1.5 (-2.9)	+0.6 (-1.3)	+4.8 (+3.0)
All Sectors @	+0.8 (-0.6)	+1.4 (#)	+0.7 (-0.7)	+1.1 (-0.7)	+2.2 (+0.3)

Notes:

Figures not in brackets denote percentage changes in the Nominal Wage Indices. Figures in brackets denote percentage changes in the corresponding real indices. The Real Wage Index is obtained by deflating the nominal index by the 2004/05-based Consumer Price Index (A).

** Excluding stock, commodity and bullion brokers, exchanges and services companies; insurance agents and brokers; and real estate agencies.

@ Refer to all industries covered in the survey.

Changes within $\pm 0.05\%$.

Table 2: Year-on-Year Changes (%) in Indices of Payroll per Person Engaged by Selected Major Sector: from the third quarter of 2005 to the third quarter of 2006

Selected Major Sector	Third Quarter 2005	Fourth Quarter 2005	First Quarter 2006	Second Quarter 2006	Third Quarter 2006
Manufacturing	+0.8 (-0.5)	+1.2 (-0.1)	+1.3 (-0.3)	+1.1 (-0.9)	+2.7 (+0.4)
Wholesale, Retail and Import/Export Trades, Restaurants and Hotels	+7.1 (+5.7)	+6.9 (+5.4)	+2.1 (+0.5)	+2.3 (+0.3)	+4.8 (+2.5)
Transport, Storage and Communications	+7.4 (+6.0)	+3.1 (+1.7)	-3.4 (-4.9)	+4.2 (+2.1)	+2.1 (-0.2)
Financing, Insurance, Real Estate and Business Services	+1.5 (+0.2)	+5.1 (+3.6)	+5.6 (+4.0)	+5.0 (+2.9)	+5.6 (+3.3)
Community, Social and Personal Services	-4.5 (-5.7)	-1.1 (-2.4)	-0.4 (-1.9)	-0.1 (-2.1)	+0.2 (-2.0)
All Sectors @	+3.2 (+1.9)	+3.7 (+2.3)	+1.3 (-0.3)	+2.2 (+0.1)	+2.2 (-0.1)

Notes:

Figures not in brackets denote percentage changes in the Nominal Indices of Payroll per Person Engaged over a year earlier. Figures in brackets denote percentage changes in the corresponding real indices. The Real Index of Payroll per Person Engaged is obtained by deflating the nominal index by the 2004/05-based Composite Consumer Price Index.

@ Refer to all industries covered in the survey.

Table 3: Quarter-to-Quarter Changes (%) in the Nominal and Real Indices of Payroll per Person Engaged for All Industry Sectors[@]: from the third quarter of 2005 to the third quarter of 2006

	Third Quarter 2005	Fourth Quarter 2005	First Quarter 2006	Second Quarter 2006	Third Quarter 2006
Nominal Index of Payroll per Person Engaged					
Seasonally Unadjusted	+0.1	+7.5	+8.6	-12.5	+0.1
Seasonally Adjusted	+0.3	+0.6	+0.6	+0.6	+0.3
Real Index of Payroll per Person Engaged					
Seasonally Unadjusted	-0.2	+6.9	+8.3	-13.3	-0.4
Seasonally Adjusted	-0.3	+0.4	+0.3	-0.2	-0.6

Notes:

- (1) The Real Index of Payroll per Person Engaged is obtained by deflating the nominal index by the 2004/05-based Composite Consumer Price Index.
- (2) The seasonally adjusted figures presented above are subject to revision as more data become available. The latest version has been conducted with data of the fourth quarter of 2005 taken into account.

@ Refer to all industries covered in the survey.

Table 4: Average Monthly Salaries, Average Number of Normal Hours of Work and Average Number of Standard Working Days of Some Selected Occupations in Selected Industries for September 2006

Industry/Occupation	Average monthly salaries (\$)	Average number of normal hours of work per day ^{^^}	Average number of standard working days per month
Security and detective services			
Guard	6,844	10	26
within which:			
those employed under 2-shift system [^] (12 hours per shift)	6,729	11	26
those employed under 3-shift system [^] (8 hours per shift)	6,359	8	26
Sanitary and similar services			
Cleaner (lavatory)	4,826	9	26
Cleaner (general)	5,011	8	26

Notes:

[^] Figures not including guards performing airport security due to their special job duties (such as X-ray screening and access control to the airport restricted area) and related requirements of special skills.

^{^^} Excluding meal time and rest time.