

Table 1 : Summary Statistics

	2006 Q3	2007 Q2	2007 Q3
The Labour Force			
Labour force ('000)	3 610.6	3 640.7	3 658.4
Male ('000)	1 961.7	1 963.5	1 968.6
Female ('000)	1 648.9	1 677.2	1 689.9
Labour force participation rate (%)	61.7	61.4	61.6
Male (%)	71.2	70.5	70.7
Female (%)	53.2	53.3	53.6
Unemployment			
Unemployed persons ('000)	177.5	155.7	156.3
Male ('000)	108.2	94.8	95.0
Female ('000)	69.3	60.8	61.2
Unemployment rate (%)			
- Seasonally adjusted	4.7	4.2	4.1
- Not seasonally adjusted	4.9	4.3	4.3
Male (%)	5.5	4.8	4.8
Female (%)	4.2	3.6	3.6
Employment			
Employed persons ('000)	3 433.1	3 485.0	3 502.2
Male ('000)	1 853.5	1 868.7	1 873.5
Female ('000)	1 579.6	1 616.3	1 628.6
Median hours of work during the seven days before enumeration	48	48	48
Male	48	48	48
Female	48	45	48
Median monthly employment earnings (HK\$)	10,000	10,000	10,000
Male (HK\$)	11,000	12,000	12,000
Female (HK\$)	8,000	8,000	8,000
Underemployment			
Underemployed persons ('000)	84.0	81.2	80.5
Male ('000)	56.9	58.8	55.9
Female ('000)	27.1	22.4	24.6
Underemployment rate (%)	2.3	2.2	2.2
Male (%)	2.9	3.0	2.8
Female (%)	1.6	1.3	1.5
Domestic Households			
Number of domestic households ('000)	2 228.5	2 238.6	2 243.3
Average household size	3.0	3.0	3.0
Median monthly household income (HK\$)	17,000	17,500	17,500