

Table 1 : Summary Statistics

| | 2006 Q4 | 2007 Q3 | 2007 Q4 |
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| The Labour Force | | | |
| Labour force ('000) | 3 616.5 | 3 658.4 | 3 651.1 |
| Male ('000) | 1 966.2 | 1 968.6 | 1 965.0 |
| Female ('000) | 1 650.3 | 1 689.9 | 1 686.1 |
| Labour force participation rate (%) | 61.4 | 61.6 | 61.3 |
| Male (%) | 71.1 | 70.7 | 70.5 |
| Female (%) | 52.9 | 53.6 | 53.2 |
| Unemployment | | | |
| Unemployed persons ('000) | 153.6 | 156.3 | 117.8 |
| Male ('000) | 99.6 | 95.0 | 69.3 |
| Female ('000) | 54.0 | 61.2 | 48.5 |
| Unemployment rate (%) | | | |
| - Seasonally adjusted | 4.4 | 4.1 | 3.4 |
| - Not seasonally adjusted | 4.2 | 4.3 | 3.2 |
| Male (%) | 5.1 | 4.8 | 3.5 |
| Female (%) | 3.3 | 3.6 | 2.9 |
| Employment | | | |
| Employed persons ('000) | 3 462.9 | 3 502.2 | 3 533.3 |
| Male ('000) | 1 866.6 | 1 873.5 | 1 895.6 |
| Female ('000) | 1 596.3 | 1 628.6 | 1 637.7 |
| Median hours of work during the seven days before enumeration | 48 | 48 | 48 |
| Male | 48 | 48 | 48 |
| Female | 47 | 48 | 47 |
| Median monthly employment earnings (HK\$) | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,100 |
| Male (HK\$) | 11,000 | 12,000 | 12,000 |
| Female (HK\$) | 8,000 | 8,000 | 8,000 |
| Underemployment | | | |
| Underemployed persons ('000) | 87.5 | 80.5 | 75.5 |
| Male ('000) | 61.4 | 55.9 | 56.1 |
| Female ('000) | 26.1 | 24.6 | 19.4 |
| Underemployment rate (%) | 2.4 | 2.2 | 2.1 |
| Male (%) | 3.1 | 2.8 | 2.9 |
| Female (%) | 1.6 | 1.5 | 1.1 |
| Domestic Households | | | |
| Number of domestic households ('000) | 2 234.8 | 2 243.3 | 2 247.6 |
| Average household size | 3.0 | 3.0 | 3.0 |
| Median monthly household income (HK\$) | 16,800 | 17,500 | 18,000 |