Table 1 : Employment (other than those in the Civil Service) by selected major sector

					Year-on-Year Change in		
Selected major sector	Dec 2	006	Dec 2	2007		No.	Percentage(%)
Manufacturing	159	300	156	000	-3	300	-2.0
Construction sites (manual workers only)	51	000	50	100	-	-900	-1.8
Wholesale	67	400	67	200	-	-200	-0.3
Retail	229	400	236	800	+7	400	+3.2
Import and export trade	519	200	521	000	+1	800	+0.4
Restaurants	201	300	207	100	+5	800	+2.9
Hotels and boarding houses	30	500	31	700	+1	200	+4.0
Transport and storage	157	500	162	000	+4	500	+2.9
Communications	29	400	29	600	-	+200	+0.6
Financing and insurance	167	700	179	800	+12	100	+7.2
Real estate	99	000	104	300	+5	300	+5.4
Business services	224	800	233	200	+8	400	+3.7
Sanitary and similar services	60	400	58	000	-2	400	-3.9
Education services and research institutes	142	400	144	300	+1	900	+1.3
Medical, health and related services	80	700	85	700	+5	000	+6.1
Welfare and community services	62	900	63	400	-	+500	+0.8
Recreational and other personal services	114	300	117	700	+3	400	+2.9
Others ^	8	000	8	000		-@	-0.6
All above industry sectors ^^	2 405	300	2 455	900	+50	600	+2.1

Notes : (1) Figures relate only to those industries covered in the Quarterly Survey of Employment and Vacancies and the Quarterly Employment Survey of Construction Sites.

⁽²⁾ All figures are not seasonally adjusted.

^{^ &}quot;Others" include the mining and quarrying sector and the electricity and gas sector.

^{^^} Individual figures may not add up to the total due to rounding.

[@] Less than 50.

Table 2: Vacancies (other than those in the Civil Service) by selected major sector

Year-on-Year Chang<u>e in</u> Selected major sector Dec 2006 Dec 2007 No. Percentage(%) Manufacturing 1 680 1 900 +220 +13 Construction sites # 20 20 — <u>а</u> -6 (manual workers only) Wholesale 620 930 +310 +50 Retail 4 230 4 490 +260 +6 7 340 Import and export trade 6 170 +1 170 +19 3 150 4 790 +1 640 +52 Restaurants 0 0 Hotels and boarding houses 510 510 1 730 2 200 +470 +27 Transport and storage Communications 790 +70 720 +9 Financing and insurance 3 600 4 510 +910 +25 Real estate 2 480 2 940 +460 +19 Business services 4 390 5 590 +1 200 +27 Sanitary and similar services 390 810 +420 +108 Education services and research institutes 2 000 2 180 +180 +9 Medical, health and related services 1 060 1 400 +340 +32 Welfare and community services 1 940 2 120 +180 +9 3 890 5 540 +1 650 Recreational and other personal services +42 Others ^ 10 30 +20 +180 38 580 48 070 All above industry sectors ^^ +9 490 +25

- (2) All figures are not seasonally adjusted.
 - ^ "Others" include the mining and quarrying sector and the electricity and gas sector.
- ^^ Individual figures may not add up to the total due to rounding.
- # Please refer to "Limitations of the Survey" in Part V of the Quarterly Report of Employment and Vacancies at Construction Sites, December 2007.
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Notes : (1) Figures relate only to those industries covered in the Quarterly Survey of Employment and Vacancies and the Quarterly Employment Survey of Construction Sites.

Table 3: Vacancies (other than those in the Civil Service) by major occupation category

	N	umber	of vacancies	Percentage change(%)	
					Dec 2007
Major occupation					over
category	Dec 2	2006	Dec 2	2007	<u>Dec 2006</u>
Managers and		890		970	+10
administrators					
Professionals	3	330	4	440	+33
Associate professionals	11	370	13	490	+19
Clerks	7	180	9	670	+35
Service workers and	9	770	11	210	+15
shop sales workers					
Craft and related		770		850	+10
workers					
Plant and machine		490		760	+57
operators and assemblers					
Elementary occupations	4	790	6	680	+39
Total ^^	38	580	48	070	+25

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⁽²⁾ All figures are not seasonally adjusted.

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	Quarter-t	o-quarter	Quarter-to-quarter				
	percentag	e change	percentage change				
	in emplo	yment	in vacancies				
	Not		Not				
	seasonally	Seasonally	seasonally	Seasonally			
Month/Year	adjusted	adjusted	adjusted	adjusted			
December 2006	+1.0	+0.6	-11.6	+4.4			
March 2007	+0.1	+0.5	+27.9	+5.5			
June 2007	+1.0	+0.7	-7.0	-0.6			
September 2007	+0.1	+0.4	+14.1	+9.2			
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December 2007	+0.9	+0.5	-8.1	+8.7			

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(2) The seasonally adjusted data series is subject to routine revision when more up-to-date figures become available.