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

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the manufacturing sector in December 2007 was 156000. It represented a decrease of 2.0% or 3300 persons when compared with December 2006.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the manufacturing sector in December 2006 was 159300.

Number of manual workers (employment) for the construction sites in December 2007 was 50100. It represented a decrease of 1.8% or 900 persons when compared with December 2006.

Number of manual workers (employment) for the construction sites in December 2006 was 51000.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the wholesale trade in December 2007 was 67200. It represented a decrease of 0.3% or 200 persons when compared with December 2006.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the wholesale trade in December 2006 was 67400.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the retail trade in December 2007 was 236800. It represented an increase of 3.2% or 7400 persons when compared with December 2006.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the retail trade in December 2006 was 229400.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the import and export trade in December 2007 was 521000. It represented an increase of 0.4% or 1800 persons when compared with December 2006.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the import and export trade in December 2006 was 519200.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the restaurants in December 2007 was 207100. It represented an increase of 2.9% or 5800 persons when compared with December 2006.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the restaurants in December 2006 was 201300.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the hotels and boarding houses in December 2007 was 31700. It represented an increase of 4.0% or 1200 persons when compared with December 2006.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the hotels and boarding houses in December 2006 was 30500.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the transport and storage in December 2007 was 162000. It represented an increase of 2.9% or 4500 persons when compared with December 2006.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the transport and storage in December 2006 was 157500.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the communications in December 2007 was 29600. It represented an increase of 0.6% or 200 persons when compared with December 2006.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the communications in December 2006 was 29400.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the financing and insurance in December 2007 was 179800. It represented an increase of 7.2% or 12100 persons when compared with December 2006.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the financing and insurance in December 2006 was 167700.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the real estate in December 2007 was 104300. It represented an increase of 5.4% or 5300 persons when compared with December 2006.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the real estate in December 2006 was 99000.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the business services in December 2007 was 233200. It represented an increase of 3.7% or 8400 persons when compared with December 2006.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the business services in December 2006 was 224800.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the sanitary and similar services in December 2007 was 58000. It represented a decrease of 3.9% or 2400 persons when compared with December 2006.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the sanitary and similar services in December 2006 was 60400.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the education services and research institutes in December 2007 was 144300. It represented an increase of 1.3% or 1900 persons when compared with December 2006.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the education services and research institutes in December 2006 was 142400.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the medical, health and related services in December 2007 was 85700. It represented an increase of 6.1% or 5000 persons when compared with December 2006.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the medical, health and related services in December 2006 was 80700.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the welfare and community services in December 2007 was 63400. It represented an increase of 0.8% or 500 persons when compared with December 2006.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the welfare and community services in December 2006 was 62900.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the recreational and other personal services in December 2007 was 117700. It represented an increase of 2.9% or 3400 persons when compared with December 2006.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the recreational and other personal services in December 2006 was 114300.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for other industry sectors in December 2007 was 8000. It represented a decrease of 0.6% or less than 50 persons when compared with December 2006.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for other industry sectors in December 2006 was 8000.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for all above industry sectors in December 2007 was 2455900. It represented an increase of 2.1% or 50600 persons when compared with December 2006.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for all above industry sectors in December 2006 was 2405300.

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

The number of vacancies for the manufacturing sector in December 2007 was 1900. It represented an increase of 13% or 220 when compared with December 2006.

The number of vacancies for the manufacturing sector in December 2006 was 1680.

The number of vacancies for manual workers at the construction sites in December 2007 was 20. It represented a decrease of 6% or less than 5 when compared with December 2006. Please refer to "Limitations of the Survey" in Part V of the Quarterly Report of Employment and Vacancies at Construction Sites, December 2007.

The number of vacancies for manual workers at the construction sites in December 2006 was 20.

The number of vacancies for the wholesale trade in December 2007 was 930. It represented an increase of 50% or 310 when compared with December 2006.

The number of vacancies for the wholesale trade in December 2006 was 620.

The number of vacancies for the retail trade in December 2007 was 4490. It represented an increase of 6% or 260 when compared with December 2006.

The number of vacancies for the retail trade in December 2006 was 4230.

The number of vacancies for the import and export trade in December 2007 was 7340. It represented an increase of 19% or 1170 when compared with December 2006.

The number of vacancies for the import and export trade in December 2006 was 6170.

The number of vacancies for the restaurants in December 2007 was 4790. It represented an increase of 52% or 1640 when compared with December 2006.

The number of vacancies for the restaurants in December 2006 was 3150.

The number of vacancies for the hotels and boarding houses in December 2007 was 510. It showed no change when compared with December 2006.

The number of vacancies for the hotels and boarding houses in December 2006 was 510.

The number of vacancies for the transport and storage in December 2007 was 2200. It represented an increase of 27% or 470 when compared with December 2006.

The number of vacancies for the transport and storage in December 2006 was 1730.

The number of vacancies for the communications in December 2007 was 790. It represented an increase of 9% or 70

when compared with December 2006.

The number of vacancies for the communications in December 2006 was 720.

The number of vacancies for the financing and insurance in December 2007 was 4510. It represented an increase of 25% or 910 when compared with December 2006.

The number of vacancies for the financing and insurance in December 2006 was 3600.

The number of vacancies for the real estate in December 2007 was 2940. It represented an increase of 19% or 460 when compared with December 2006.

The number of vacancies for the real estate in December 2006 was 2480.

The number of vacancies for the business services in December 2007 was 5590. It represented an increase of 27% or 1200 when compared with December 2006.

The number of vacancies for the business services in December 2006 was 4390.

The number of vacancies for the sanitary and similar services in December 2007 was 810. It represented an increase of 108% or 420 when compared with December 2006.

The number of vacancies for the sanitary and similar services in December 2006 was 390.

The number of vacancies for the education services and research institutes in December 2007 was 2180. It represented an increase of 9% or 180 when compared with December 2006.

The number of vacancies for the education services and research institutes in December 2006 was 2000.

The number of vacancies for the medical, health and related services in December 2007 was 1400. It represented an increase of 32% or 340 when compared with December 2006.

The number of vacancies for the medical, health and related services in December 2006 was 1060.

The number of vacancies for the welfare and community services in December 2007 was 2120. It represented an increase of 9% or 180 when compared with December 2006.

The number of vacancies for the welfare and community services in December 2006 was 1940.

The number of vacancies for the recreational and other personal services in December 2007 was 5540. It represented an increase of 42% or 1650 when compared with December 2006.

The number of vacancies for the recreational and other personal services in December 2006 was 3890.

The number of vacancies for other industry sectors in December 2007 was 30. It represented an increase of 180% or 20 when compared with December 2006.

The number of vacancies for other industry sectors in December 2006 was 10.

The number of vacancies for all above industry sectors in December 2007 was 48070. It represented an increase of 25% or 9490 when compared with December 2006.

The number of vacancies for all above industry sectors in December 2006 was 38580.

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

The number of vacancies for managers and administrators in December 2007 was 970. It represented an increase of 10% when compared with December 2006.

The number of vacancies for managers and administrators in December 2006 was 890.

The number of vacancies for professionals in December 2007 was 4440. It represented an increase of 33% when compared with December 2006.

The number of vacancies for professionals in December 2006 was 3330.

The number of vacancies for associate professionals in December 2007 was 13490. It represented an increase of 19% when compared with December 2006.

The number of vacancies for associate professionals in December 2006 was 11370.

The number of vacancies for clerks in December 2007 was 9670. It represented an increase of 35% when compared with December 2006.

The number of vacancies for clerks in December 2006 was 7180.

The number of vacancies for service workers and shop sales workers in December 2007 was 11210. It represented an increase of 15% when compared with December 2006.

The number of vacancies for service workers and shop sales workers in December 2006 was 9770.

The number of vacancies for craft and related workers in December 2007 was 850. It represented an increase of 10% when compared with December 2006.

The number of vacancies for craft and related workers in December 2006 was 770.

The number of vacancies for plant and machine operators and assemblers in December 2007 was 760. It represented an increase of 57% when compared with December 2006.

The number of vacancies for plant and machine operators and assemblers in December 2006 was 490.

The number of vacancies for elementary occupations in December 2007 was 6680. It represented an increase of 39% when compared with December 2006.

The number of vacancies for elementary occupations in December 2006 was 4790.

The number of vacancies in December 2007 was 48070. It represented an increase of 25% when compared with December 2006.

The number of vacancies in December 2006 was 38580.

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Table title - Table 4: Quarterly changes of employment and vacancies (other than those in the Civil Service)

Quarter-to-quarter percentage change of persons engaged (employment) in December 2007 was +0.9% based on the original series (i.e. not seasonally adjusted), and +0.5% based on the seasonally adjusted series.

Quarter-to-quarter percentage change of vacancies in December 2007 was -8.1% based on the original series (i.e. not seasonally adjusted), and +8.7% based on the seasonally adjusted series.

Quarter-to-quarter percentage change of persons engaged (employment) in September 2007 was +0.1% based on the original series (i.e. not seasonally adjusted), and +0.4% based on the seasonally adjusted series.

Quarter-to-quarter percentage change of vacancies in September 2007 was +14.1% based on the original series (i.e. not seasonally adjusted), and +9.2% based on the seasonally adjusted series.

Quarter-to-quarter percentage change of persons engaged (employment) in June 2007 was +1.0% based on the original series (i.e. not seasonally adjusted), and +0.7% based on the seasonally adjusted series.

Quarter-to-quarter percentage change of vacancies in June 2007 was -7.0% based on the original series (i.e. not seasonally adjusted), and -0.6% based on the seasonally adjusted series.

Quarter-to-quarter percentage change of persons engaged (employment) in March 2007 was +0.1% based on the original series (i.e. not seasonally adjusted), and +0.5% based on the seasonally adjusted series.

Quarter-to-quarter percentage change of vacancies in March 2007 was +27.9% based on the original series (i.e. not seasonally adjusted), and +5.5% based on the seasonally adjusted series.

Quarter-to-quarter percentage change of persons engaged (employment) in December 2006 was +1.0% based on the original series (i.e. not seasonally adjusted), and +0.6% based on the seasonally adjusted series.

Quarter-to-quarter percentage change of vacancies in December 2006 was -11.6% based on the original series (i.e. not seasonally adjusted), and +4.4% based on the seasonally adjusted series.

Notes:

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