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 June 2008 was 152200. It represented a decrease of 3.2% or 5100 persons when compared with June 2007. Number of persons engaged (employment) for the manufacturing sector in June 2007 was 157300.

Number of manual workers (employment) for the construction sites in June 2008 was 49600. It represented a decrease of 3.0% or 1500 persons when compared with June 2007. Number of manual workers (employment) for the construction sites in June 2007 was 51100.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the wholesale trade in June 2008 was 65700. It represented a decrease of 3.7% or 2500 persons when compared with June 2007. Number of persons engaged (employment) for the wholesale trade in June 2007 was 68200.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the retail trade in June 2008 was 239800. It represented an increase of 3.1% or 7200 persons when compared with June 2007. Number of persons engaged (employment) for the retail trade in June 2007 was 232600.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the import and export trade in June 2008 was 521300. It represented an increase of 0.3% or 1300 persons when compared with June 2007. Number of persons engaged (employment) for the import and export trade in June 2007 was 520000.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the restaurants in June 2008 was 207500. It represented an increase of 2.9% or 5900 persons when compared with June 2007. Number of persons engaged (employment) for the restaurants in June 2007 was 201600.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the hotels and boarding houses in June 2008 was 31700. It represented an increase of 2.8% or 900 persons when compared with June 2007. Number of persons engaged (employment) for the hotels and boarding houses in June 2007 was 30800.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the transport and storage in June 2008 was 165400. It represented an increase of 3.3% or 5300 persons when compared with June 2007. Number of persons engaged (employment) for the transport and storage in June 2007 was 160100.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the communications in June 2008 was 30700. It represented an increase of 1.9% or 600 persons when compared with June 2007.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the communications in June 2007 was 30100.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the financing and insurance in June 2008 was 185500. It represented an increase of 7.2% or 12400 persons when compared with June 2007. Number of persons engaged (employment) for the financing and insurance in June 2007 was 173100.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the real estate in June 2008 was 105300. It represented an increase of 2.6% or 2700 persons when compared with June 2007. Number of persons engaged (employment) for the real estate in June 2007 was 102600.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the business services in June 2008 was 237600. It represented an increase of 4.5% or 10200 persons when compared with June 2007. Number of persons engaged (employment) for the business services in June 2007 was 227400.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the sanitary and similar services in June 2008 was 60300. It represented a decrease of 2.4% or 1400 persons when compared with June 2007. Number of persons engaged (employment) for the sanitary and similar services in June 2007 was 61700.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the education services and research institutes in June 2008 was 148400. It represented an increase of 3.5% or 5100 persons when compared with June 2007. Number of persons engaged (employment) for the education services and research institutes in June 2007 was 143300.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the medical, health and related services in June 2008 was 87500. It represented an increase of 4.6% or 3800 persons when compared with June 2007. Number of persons engaged (employment) for the medical, health and related services in June 2007 was 83700.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the welfare and community services in June 2008 was 64100. It represented an increase of 1.7% or 1100 persons when compared with June 2007. Number of persons engaged (employment) for the welfare and community services in June 2007 was 63000.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the recreational and other personal services in June 2008 was 120200. It represented an increase of 3.5% or 4100 persons when compared with June 2007. Number of persons engaged (employment) for the recreational and other personal services in June 2007 was 116100.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for other industry sectors in June 2008 was 7900. It represented a decrease of 1.6% or 100 persons when compared with June 2007.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for other industry sectors in June 2007 was 8000.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for all above industry sectors in June 2008 was 2480800. It represented an increase of 2.1% or 49900 persons when compared with June 2007.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for all above industry sectors in June 2007 was 2430900.

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- 3. Other industry sectors include the mining and quarrying sector and the electricity and gas sector.
- 4. Individual figures may not add up to total due to rounding.

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 June 2008 was 2260. It represented an increase of 16% or 300 when compared with June 2007.

The number of vacancies for the manufacturing sector in June 2007 was 1960.

The number of vacancies for manual workers at the construction sites in June 2008 was 30. It represented an increase of 88% or 10 when compared with June 2007. Please refer to "Limitations of the Survey" in Part V of the Quarterly Report of Employment and Vacancies at Construction Sites, June 2008.

The number of vacancies for manual workers at the construction sites in June 2007 was 20.

The number of vacancies for the wholesale trade in June 2008 was 870. It represented a decrease of 16% or 170 when compared with June 2007.

The number of vacancies for the wholesale trade in June 2007 was 1040.

The number of vacancies for the retail trade in June 2008 was 5390. It represented an increase of 28% or 1170 when compared with June 2007.

The number of vacancies for the retail trade in June 2007 was 4220.

The number of vacancies for the import and export trade in June 2008 was 8100. It represented an increase of 1% or 90 when compared with June 2007.

The number of vacancies for the import and export trade in June 2007 was 8010.

The number of vacancies for the restaurants in June 2008 was 4670. It represented an increase of 23% or 870 when compared with June 2007.

The number of vacancies for the restaurants in June 2007 was 3800.

The number of vacancies for the hotels and boarding houses in June 2008 was 670. It represented an increase of less than 0.5% or less than 5 when compared with June 2007. The number of vacancies for the hotels and boarding houses in June 2007 was 670.

The number of vacancies for the transport and storage in June 2008 was 2040. It represented a decrease of 8% or 160 when compared with June 2007.

The number of vacancies for the transport and storage in June 2007 was 2200.

The number of vacancies for the communications in June 2008 was 860. It represented an increase of 10% or 80

when compared with June 2007.

The number of vacancies for the communications in June 2007 was 780.

The number of vacancies for the financing and insurance in June 2008 was 4820. It represented a decrease of 7% or 390 when compared with June 2007.

The number of vacancies for the financing and insurance in June 2007 was 5210.

The number of vacancies for the real estate in June 2008 was 3130. It represented an increase of 4% or 110 when compared with June 2007.

The number of vacancies for the real estate in June 2007 was 3020.

The number of vacancies for the business services in June 2008 was 6120. It represented an increase of 12% or 630 when compared with June 2007.

The number of vacancies for the business services in June 2007 was 5490.

The number of vacancies for the sanitary and similar services in June 2008 was 900. It represented an increase of 60% or 340 when compared with June 2007.

The number of vacancies for the sanitary and similar services in June 2007 was 560.

The number of vacancies for the education services and research institutes in June 2008 was 2500. It represented an increase of 8% or 200 when compared with June 2007.

The number of vacancies for the education services and research institutes in June 2007 was 2300.

The number of vacancies for the medical, health and related services in June 2008 was 2600. It represented an increase of 61% or 980 when compared with June 2007.

The number of vacancies for the medical, health and related services in June 2007 was 1620.

The number of vacancies for the welfare and community services in June 2008 was 2030. It represented an increase of 18% or 310 when compared with June 2007.

The number of vacancies for the welfare and community services in June 2007 was 1720.

The number of vacancies for the recreational and other personal services in June 2008 was 4580. It represented an increase of 41% or 1330 when compared with June 2007.

The number of vacancies for the recreational and other personal services in June 2007 was 3250.

The number of vacancies for other industry sectors in June 2008 was 40. It represented an increase of 850% or 40 when compared with June 2007.

The number of vacancies for other industry sectors in June 2007 was less than 5.

The number of vacancies for all above industry sectors in June 2008 was 51590. It represented an increase of 12% or 5730 when compared with June 2007.

The number of vacancies for all above industry sectors in June 2007 was 45860.

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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 June 2008 was 1230. It represented an increase of 27% when compared with June 2007.

The number of vacancies for managers and administrators in June 2007 was 970.

The number of vacancies for professionals in June 2008 was 5010. It represented an increase of 11% when compared with June 2007.

The number of vacancies for professionals in June 2007 was 4510.

The number of vacancies for associate professionals in June 2008 was 15960. It represented an increase of 7% when compared with June 2007.

The number of vacancies for associate professionals in June 2007 was 14970.

The number of vacancies for clerks in June 2008 was 9430. It represented an increase of 21% when compared with June 2007.

The number of vacancies for clerks in June 2007 was 7820.

The number of vacancies for service workers and shop sales workers in June 2008 was 10560. It represented an increase of 8% when compared with June 2007.

The number of vacancies for service workers and shop sales workers in June 2007 was 9770.

The number of vacancies for craft and related workers in June 2008 was 1290. It represented an increase of 12% when compared with June 2007.

The number of vacancies for craft and related workers in June 2007 was 1150.

The number of vacancies for plant and machine operators and assemblers in June 2008 was 820. It represented an increase of 29% when compared with June 2007.

The number of vacancies for plant and machine operators and assemblers in June 2007 was 640.

The number of vacancies for elementary occupations in June 2008 was 7290. It represented an increase of 21% when compared with June 2007.

The number of vacancies for elementary occupations in June 2007 was 6040.

The number of vacancies in June 2008 was 51590. It represented an increase of 12% when compared with June 2007. The number of vacancies in June 2007 was 45860.

Notes:

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Quarterly Employment Survey of Construction Sites.

- 2. All figures are not seasonally adjusted.
- 3. Individual figures may not add up to total due to rounding.

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 June 2008 was +0.6% 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 June 2008 was -8.3% 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 persons engaged (employment) in March 2008 was +0.5% 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 March 2008 was +17.0% based on the original series (i.e. not seasonally adjusted), and -3.7% based on the seasonally adjusted series.

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 +0.6% 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 +8.9% 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 +8.3% based on the seasonally adjusted series.

Quarter-to-quarter percentage change of persons engaged (employment) in June 2007 was $\pm 1.0\%$ based on the original series (i.e. not seasonally adjusted), and $\pm 0.7\%$ 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 +0.2% based on the seasonally adjusted series.

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. The seasonally adjusted data series is subject to routine revision when more up-to-date figures become available.
3. As from March 2008, the X-12 ARIMA method, featured with enhanced modelling and diagnostic capabilities, has been adopted to replace the previous X-11 ARIMA method for seasonal adjustment of the number of persons engaged and vacancies. Seasonally adjusted figures for earlier quarters have also been revised using the X-12 ARIMA method. The X-12 ARIMA method is becoming a standard method used by statistical offices in many countries/territories for performing seasonal adjustment of statistical series.