

Table 1 : Summary Statistics

	2008 Q1	2008 Q4	2009 Q1
The Labour Force			
Labour force ('000)	3 653.5	3 685.7	3 694.9
Male ('000)	1 953.2	1 960.6	1 957.4
Female ('000)	1 700.3	1 725.1	1 737.5
Labour force participation rate (%)	61.1	61.1	61.3
Male (%)	70.0	69.8	69.7
Female (%)	53.4	53.5	54.0
Unemployment			
Unemployed persons ('000)	119.0	141.3	187.2
Male ('000)	73.8	86.2	116.9
Female ('000)	45.1	55.1	70.4
Unemployment rate (%)			
- Seasonally adjusted	3.4	4.1	5.2
- Not seasonally adjusted	3.3	3.8	5.1
Male (%)	3.8	4.4	6.0
Female (%)	2.7	3.2	4.0
Employment			
Employed persons ('000)	3 534.5	3 544.3	3 507.6
Male ('000)	1 879.4	1 874.4	1 840.5
Female ('000)	1 655.1	1 669.9	1 667.1
Median hours of work during the seven days before enumeration	48	46	45
Male	48	48	45
Female	45	45	45
Median monthly employment earnings (HK\$)	11,000 ⁽¹⁾ 10,300 ⁽²⁾	10,500	10,600⁽¹⁾ 10,500⁽²⁾
Male (HK\$)	12,000 ⁽¹⁾ 12,000 ⁽²⁾	12,000	12,000⁽¹⁾ 12,000⁽²⁾
Female (HK\$)	8,500 ⁽¹⁾ 8,200 ⁽²⁾	8,500	8,900⁽¹⁾ 8,500⁽²⁾
Underemployment			
Underemployed persons ('000)	70.5	69.8	79.2
Male ('000)	51.0	51.8	55.5
Female ('000)	19.5	18.0	23.7
Underemployment rate (%)	1.9	1.9	2.1
Male (%)	2.6	2.6	2.8
Female (%)	1.1	1.0	1.4
Domestic Households			
Number of domestic households ('000)	2 254.2	2 295.0	2 286.8
Average household size	3.0	3.0	3.0
Median monthly household income (HK\$)	18,500 ⁽¹⁾ 18,000 ⁽²⁾	18,400	18,100⁽¹⁾ 18,000⁽²⁾

Notes: (1) Include Chinese New Year bonus/double pay.
(2) Exclude Chinese New Year bonus/double pay.