

Table 1 : Summary Statistics

	1996		2001		2006		2008	
	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male
Demographic characteristics								
Population	3 215 500	3 220 000	3 432 300	3 282 000	3 587 000	3 270 100	3 680 200	3 297 500
Sex ratio	1 001		956		912		896	
Live births	30 627	32 664	23 059	25 160	31 031	34 595	36 894	41 928
Sex specific mortality rate	4.4	5.7	4.2	5.8	4.6	6.4	+	+
Marriage, fertility and family conditions								
Marital status								
<i>Now married (%)</i>	58.7	62.1	57.5	61.6	55.8	61.1	55.3	60.7
<i>Never married (%)</i>	29.1	34.4	29.5	34.3	30.3	34.6	30.5	34.8
<i>Widowed and divorced/ separated (%)</i>	12.2	3.5	13.0	4.1	13.8	4.3	14.3	4.4
Crude marriage rate	11.0	11.0	9.5	9.9	14.0	15.4	12.8	14.3
Persons living alone	103 938	172 968	127 001	162 031	182 648	185 005	-	-
Single parents	30 402	11 907	45 072	13 388	57 613	14 713	-	-
Education and Training characteristics								
Proportion of population having aged 15 and over attended secondary education and above (%)	62.9	70.6	67.7	75.0	72.0	79.4	73.0	80.1
Students in programmes funded by the University Grants Committee (% by sex) @	50.1	49.9	54.4	45.6	54.1	45.9	54.0	46.0
Teachers @*	37 795	20 794	43 273	21 643	46 988	22 456	46 385	22 551
Graduates of retraining programmes@	44 188	11 180	67 111	25 359	65 497	18 371	59 180 [#]	18 593 [#]
Graduates of Vocational Training Council@	7 170	15 201	6 937	13 543	7 210	14 201	+	+
Labour force characteristics								
Labour force	1 236 100	1 924 700	1 463 800	1 963 500	1 621 200	1 950 600	1 699 500	1 949 400
Labour force participation rate (%)	47.8	75.7	50.8	73.0	52.6	70.9	53.1	69.7
Employed persons								
<i>Employers</i>	21 400	148 200	27 500	138 000	28 700	122 100	27 000	105 200
<i>Employees</i>	1 147 200	1 594 300	1 326 200	1 539 000	1 458 000	1 527 500	1 546 400	1 579 400
<i>Self-employed</i>	22 000	121 500	36 700	166 100	55 500	188 000	59 000	182 600
<i>Unpaid family workers</i>	16 700	2 000	16 900	2 500	18 200	2 800	16 400	2 700
Underemployed persons	10 500	41 500	24 600	60 200	26 200	60 000	17 900	51 100
Underemployment rate (%)	0.8	2.2	1.7	3.1	1.6	3.1	1.1	2.6
Unemployed persons	28 700	58 700	56 500	117 800	60 800	110 200	50 700	79 400
Unemployment rate (%)	2.3	3.1	3.9	6.0	3.8	5.7	3.0	4.1
Median duration of unemployment (days)	71	73	74	76	70	77	61	67
Median monthly employment earnings (HK\$)								
Including foreign domestic helpers	8,000	10,000	8,800	12,000	8,000	11,500	8,500	12,000
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Social welfare								
Recipients of Comprehensive Social Security Assistance	110 244	113 140	206 791	190 677	272 999	248 612	248 309	227 316
Persons receiving Social Security Allowance	282 426	224 411	307 834	251 565	318 106	262 734	331 788	277 176

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Medical and health								
Patients discharged from Hospital Authority Hospitals (In-patient services)	-	-	329 621	277 337	308 725	266 023	332 778	283 471
Specialist Out-patient Attendance (Psychiatric Specialty) of Hospital Authority Hospitals	-	-	282 792	217 563	355 578	254 014	378 870	264 716
Law and order								
Persons arrested for crime	8 293	38 864	9 052	29 777	10 582	31 646	10 712	30 508
Reported drug abusers	2 433	17 240	2 873	15 640	2 552	10 706	2 900	11 275
Pattern of participation in public affairs								
Directorate officers in the civil service	208	1 147	297	992	330	853	368	838
Non-official members serving on public sector advisory and statutory bodies	-	-	1 147	4 792	967	3 176	1 140	3 468
Living Arrangement*								
Living alone	100 865	168 971	127 001	162 031	182 648	185 005	-	-
Living with parent(s) only	1 096 116	1 293 771	1 158 127	1 340 354	1 134 573	1 254 388	-	-
Living with spouse and/or child(ren) ~	1 615 532	1 440 964	1 751 295	1 574 050	1 843 188	1 589 196	-	-
Others^	258 837	163 372	302 665	123 674	327 935	119 976	-	-
Total	3 071 350	3 067 078	3 339 088	3 200 109	3 488 344	3 148 565	-	-
Geographical Distribution								
Population by area								
Hong Kong Island	677 223	635 414	703 615	631 854	684 110	584 002	-	-
Kowloon	984 639	1 003 357	1 025 225	998 754	1 058 915	960 618	-	-
New Territories	1 443 763	1 462 970	1 692 388	1 650 658	1 847 036	1 726 599	-	-
Marine	3 824	6 366	1 817	4 078	1 329	1 737	-	-

- Notes :
- + Figures for 2008 are not yet available.
 - Not available.
 - @ Figures are for the corresponding school year. For example, figures for 2008 represent the figures for the school year 2008/09.
 - ※ Figures include Primary day school, Secondary day school, Approved Post-secondary colleges and University Grants Committee funded institution.
 - # Provisional Figure.
 - * All figures excluded persons living in non-domestic households and student dormitories. There were 78 649, 79 128, 169 192 and 277 437 persons living in non-domestic households and student dormitories in 1991, 1996, 2001 and 2006 respectively.
 - ~ Figures include persons living with spouse and/or child(ren), regardless of whether they were living with parent(s) or not.
 - ^ Figures include persons living with person(s) other than parent(s), spouse and child(ren).