Table title: Comparison of Selected Principal Statistics for the Wholesale, Retail and Import and Export Trades, Restaurants and Hotels Sectors between 2007 and 2008

Number of establishments of wholesale trade was 14 670 in 2008. Number of establishments of wholesale trade was 14 239 in 2007. Year-on-year percentage change of number of establishments of wholesale trade was +3.0%.

Number of persons engaged of wholesale trade was 55 738 in 2008. Number of persons engaged of wholesale trade was 58 944 in 2007. Year-on-year percentage change of number of persons engaged of wholesale trade was -5.4%.

Number of employees of wholesale trade was 45 917 in 2008. Number of employees of wholesale trade was 47 707 in 2007. Year-on-year percentage change of number of employees of wholesale trade was -3.8%.

Compensation of employees of wholesale trade was \$HK million 7,584 in 2008. Compensation of employees of wholesale trade was \$HK million 8,290 in 2007. Year-on-year percentage change of compensation of employees of wholesale trade was -8.5%.

Operating expenses of wholesale trade was \$HK million 10,371 in 2008. Operating expenses of wholesale trade was \$HK million 9,292 in 2007. Year-on-year percentage change of operating expenses of wholesale trade was +11.6%.

Cost of goods sold of wholesale trade was \$HK million 177,441 in 2008. Cost of goods sold of wholesale trade was \$HK million 163,639 in 2007. Year-on-year percentage change of cost of goods sold of wholesale trade was +8.4%.

Gross surplus of wholesale trade was \$HK million 7,720 in 2008. Gross surplus of wholesale trade was \$HK million 4,994 in 2007. Year-on-year percentage change of gross surplus of wholesale trade was +54.6%.

Sales and other receipts of wholesale trade was \$HK million 203,117 in 2008. Sales and other receipts of wholesale trade was \$HK million 186,215 in 2007. Year-on-year percentage change of sales and other receipts of wholesale trade was +9.1%.

Value added of wholesale trade was \$HK million 15,524 in 2008. Value added of wholesale trade was \$HK million 13,300 in 2007. Year-on-year percentage change of value added of wholesale trade was +16.7%.

Number of establishments of retail trade was 48 174 in 2008. Number of establishments of retail trade was 46 985 in 2007. Year-on-year percentage change of number of establishments of retail trade was +2.5%.

Number of persons engaged of retail trade was 228 496 in 2008. Number of persons engaged of retail trade was 212 129 in 2007. Year-on-year percentage change of number of persons engaged of retail trade was +7.7%.

Number of employees of retail trade was 176 259 in 2008. Number of employees of retail trade was 162 158 in 2007. Year-on-year percentage change of number of employees of retail trade was +8.7%.

Compensation of employees of retail trade was \$HK million 26,382 in 2008. Compensation of employees of retail trade was \$HK million 23,845 in 2007. Year-on-year percentage change of compensation of employees of retail trade was +10.6%.

Operating expenses of retail trade was \$HK million 61,390 in 2008. Operating expenses of retail trade was \$HK million 54,966 in 2007. Year-on-year percentage change of operating expenses of retail trade was +11.7%.

Cost of goods sold of retail trade was \$HK million 197,133 in 2008. Cost of goods sold of retail trade was \$HK million 178,625 in 2007. Year-on-year percentage change of cost of goods sold of retail trade was +10.4%.

Gross surplus of retail trade was \$HK million 22,906 in 2008. Gross surplus of retail trade was \$HK million 21,679 in 2007. Year-on-year percentage change of gross surplus of retail trade was +5.7%.

Sales and other receipts of retail trade was \$HK million 307,812 in 2008. Sales and other receipts of retail trade was \$HK million 279,116 in 2007. Year-on-year percentage change of sales and other receipts of retail trade was +10.3%.

Value added of retail trade was \$HK million 48,763 in 2008. Value added of retail trade was \$HK million 45,184 in 2007. Year-on-year percentage change of value added of retail trade was +7.9%.

Number of establishments of import and export trade was 80 160 in 2008. Number of establishments of import and export trade was 78 523 in 2007. Year-on-year percentage change of number of establishments of import and export trade was +2.1%.

Number of persons engaged of import and export trade was 465 387 in 2008. Number of persons engaged of import and export trade was 486 588 in 2007. Year-on-year percentage change of number of persons engaged of import and export trade was -4.4%.

Number of employees of import and export trade was 442 875 in 2008. Number of employees of import and export trade was 465 902 in 2007. Year-on-year percentage change of number of employees of import and export trade was -4.9%.

Compensation of employees of import and export trade was \$HK million 128,443 in 2008. Compensation of employees of import and export trade was \$HK million 129,250 in 2007. Year-on-year percentage change of compensation of employees of import and export trade was -0.6%.

Operating expenses of import and export trade was \$HK million 233,504 in 2008. Operating expenses of import and export trade was \$HK million 218,901 in 2007. Year-on-year percentage change of operating expenses of import and export trade was +6.7%.

Cost of goods sold of import and export trade was \$HK million 2,510,043 in 2008. Cost of goods sold of import and export trade was \$HK million 2,344,589 in 2007. Year-on-year percentage change of cost of goods sold of import and export trade was +7.1%.

Gross surplus of import and export trade was \$HK million 233,701 in 2008. Gross surplus of import and export trade was \$HK million 223,133 in 2007. Year-on-year percentage change of gross surplus of import and export trade was +4.7%.

Sales and other receipts of import and export trade was \$HK million 3,105,691 in 2008. Sales and other receipts of import and export trade was \$HK million 2,915,872 in 2007. Year-on-year percentage change of sales and other receipts of import and export trade was +6.5%.

Value added of import and export trade was \$HK million 347,922 in 2008. Value added of import and export trade was \$HK million 339,633 in 2007. Year-on-year percentage change of value added of import and export trade was +2.4%.

Number of establishments of restaurants industry was 11 539 in 2008. Number of establishments of restaurants industry was 11 116 in 2007. Year-on-year percentage change of number of establishments of restaurants industry was +3.8%.

Number of persons engaged of restaurants industry was 232 994 in 2008. Number of persons engaged of restaurants industry was 217 985 in 2007. Year-on-year percentage change of number of persons engaged of restaurants industry was +6.9%.

Number of employees of restaurants industry was 224 210 in 2008. Number of employees of restaurants industry was 207 474 in 2007. Year-on-year percentage change of number of employees of restaurants industry was +8.1%.

Compensation of employees of restaurants industry was \$HK million 25,954 in 2008. Compensation of employees of restaurants industry was \$HK million 23,634 in 2007.

Year-on-year percentage change of compensation of employees of restaurants industry was +9.8%.

Operating expenses of restaurants industry was \$HK million 27,394 in 2008. Operating expenses of restaurants industry was \$HK million 24,466 in 2007. Year-on-year percentage change of operating expenses of restaurants industry was +12.0%.

Cost of goods sold of restaurants industry was \$HK million 31,894 in 2008. Cost of goods sold of restaurants industry was \$HK million 30,011 in 2007. Year-on-year percentage change of cost of goods sold of restaurants industry was +6.3%.

Gross surplus of restaurants industry was \$HK million 8,266 in 2008. Gross surplus of restaurants industry was \$HK million 9,323 in 2007. Year-on-year percentage change of gross surplus of restaurants industry was -11.3%.

Sales and other receipts of restaurants industry was \$HK million 93,508 in 2008. Sales and other receipts of restaurants industry was \$HK million 87,435 in 2007. Year-on-year percentage change of sales and other receipts of restaurants industry was +6.9%.

Value added of restaurants industry was \$HK million 34,174 in 2008. Value added of restaurants industry was \$HK million 32,922 in 2007. Year-on-year percentage change of value added of restaurants industry was +3.8%.

Number of establishments of hotels and boarding houses industry was 840 in 2008. Number of establishments of hotels and boarding houses industry was 832 in 2007. Year-on-year percentage change of number of establishments of hotels and boarding houses industry was +0.9%.

Number of persons engaged of hotels and boarding houses industry was 31 467 in 2008. Number of persons engaged of hotels and boarding houses industry was 31 037 in 2007. Year-on-year percentage change of number of persons engaged of hotels and boarding houses industry was +1.4%.

Number of employees of hotels and boarding houses industry was 31 127 in 2008. Number of employees of hotels and boarding houses industry was 30 449 in 2007. Year-on-year percentage change of number of employees of hotels and boarding houses industry was +2.2%.

Compensation of employees of hotels and boarding houses industry was \$HK million 7,083 in 2008. Compensation of employees of hotels and boarding houses industry was \$HK million 6,661 in 2007. Year-on-year percentage change of compensation of employees of hotels and boarding houses industry was +6.3%.

Operating expenses of hotels and boarding houses industry was \$HK million 8,348 in 2008. Operating expenses of hotels and boarding houses industry was \$HK million 8,212 in 2007. Year-on-year percentage change of operating expenses of hotels and boarding houses industry was +1.7%.

Cost of goods sold of hotels and boarding houses industry was \$HK million 2,457 in 2008. Cost of goods sold of hotels and boarding houses industry was \$HK million 2,330 in 2007. Year-on-year percentage change of cost of goods sold of hotels and boarding houses industry was +5.4%.

Gross surplus of hotels and boarding houses industry was \$HK million 10,166 in 2008. Gross surplus of hotels and boarding houses industry was \$HK million 9,194 in 2007. Year-on-year percentage change of gross surplus of hotels and boarding houses industry was +10.6%.

Sales and other receipts of hotels and boarding houses industry was \$HK million 28,054 in 2008. Sales and other receipts of hotels and boarding houses industry was \$HK million 26,398 in 2007. Year-on-year percentage change of sales and other receipts of hotels and boarding houses industry was +6.3%.

Value added of hotels and boarding houses industry was \$HK million 18,164 in 2008. Value added of hotels and boarding houses industry was \$HK million 17,170 in 2007. Year-on-year percentage change of value added of hotels and boarding houses industry was +5.8%.

Number of establishments of all major industry groups was 155 384 in 2008. Number of establishments of all major industry groups was 151 695 in 2007. Year-on-year percentage change of number of establishments of all major industry groups was +2.4%.

Number of persons engaged of all major industry groups was 1 014 083 in 2008. Number of persons engaged of all major industry groups was 1 006 684 in 2007. Year-on-year percentage change of number of persons engaged of all major industry groups was +0.7%.

Number of employees of all major industry groups was 920 389 in 2008. Number of employees of all major industry groups was 913 690 in 2007. Year-on-year percentage change of number of employees of all major industry groups was +0.7%.

Compensation of employees of all major industry groups was \$HK million 195,447 in 2008. Compensation of employees of all major industry groups was \$HK million 191,680 in 2007. Year-on-year percentage change of compensation of employees of all major industry groups was +2.0%.

Operating expenses of all major industry groups was \$HK million 341,008 in 2008. Operating expenses of all major industry groups was \$HK million 315,838 in 2007. Year-on-year percentage change of operating expenses of all major industry groups was +8.0%.

Cost of goods sold of all major industry groups was \$HK million 2,918,968 in 2008. Cost of goods sold of all major industry groups was \$HK million 2,719,193 in 2007. Year-on-year percentage change of cost of goods sold of all major industry groups was +7.3%.

Gross surplus of all major industry groups was \$HK million 282,759 in 2008. Gross surplus of all major industry groups was \$HK million 268,324 in 2007. Year-on-year percentage change of gross surplus of all major industry groups was +5.4%.

Sales and other receipts of all major industry groups was \$HK million 3,738,182 in 2008. Sales and other receipts of all major industry groups was \$HK million 3,495,036 in 2007. Year-on-year percentage change of sales and other receipts of all major industry groups was +7.0%.

Value added of all major industry groups was \$HK million 464,547 in 2008. Value added of all major industry groups was \$HK million 448,211 in 2007. Year-on-year percentage change of value added of all major industry groups was +3.6%.

Notes: (1) Figures denoting changes are derived from unrounded figures.

(2) Individual items may not add up to the corresponding total owing to rounding.
(3) Cost of goods sold is obtained by deducting changes in stocks from the value of purchases of goods for sale.