

Employment and Vacancies Statistics for December 2009 (Monday, 22 March 2010)

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

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the manufacturing in December 2009 was 124900. It represented a decrease of 4.4% or 5700 persons when compared with December 2008.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the manufacturing in December 2008 was 130600.

Number of manual workers (employment) for the construction sites in December 2009 was 53200. It represented an increase of 7.5% or 3800 persons when compared with December 2008.

Number of manual workers (employment) for the construction sites in December 2008 was 49400.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the import and export trade in December 2009 was 498500. It represented a decrease of 2.7% or 13700 persons when compared with December 2008.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the import and export trade in December 2008 was 512200.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the wholesale in December 2009 was 64000. It represented a decrease of 0.5% or 300 persons when compared with December 2008.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the wholesale in December 2008 was 64300.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the retail in December 2009 was 239800. It represented an increase of 1.2% or 2900 persons when compared with December 2008.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the retail in December 2008 was 236900.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the food and beverage services in December 2009 was 215200. It represented an increase of 3.4% or 7000 persons when compared with December 2008.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the food and beverage services in December 2008 was 208200.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the accommodation services in December 2009 was 31900. It represented a decrease of 2.0% or 600 persons when compared with December 2008.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the accommodation services in December 2008 was 32500.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the transportation, storage, postal and courier services in December 2009 was 159300. It represented an increase of 2.2% or 3500 persons when compared with December 2008.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the transportation, storage, postal and courier services in December 2008 was 155800.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the information and communications in December 2009 was 87800. It represented an increase of 0.1% or 100 persons when compared with December 2008.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the information and communications in December 2008 was 87700.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the financing and insurance in December 2009 was 185600. It represented an increase of 2.4% or 4400 persons when compared with December 2008.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the financing and insurance in December 2008 was 181200.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the real estate in December 2009 was 108400. It represented an increase of 3.3% or 3500 persons when compared with December 2008.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the real estate in December 2008 was 104900.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the professional and business services (excluding cleaning and similar services) in December 2009 was 236700. It represented an increase of 2.1% or 4800 persons when compared with December 2008.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the professional and business services (excluding cleaning and similar services) in December 2008 was 231900.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the cleaning and similar services in December 2009 was 65600. It represented an increase of 16.5% or 9300 persons when compared with December 2008.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the cleaning and similar services in December 2008 was 56300.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the education in December 2009 was 164700. It represented an increase of 6.3% or 9800 persons when compared with December 2008.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the education in December 2008 was 154900.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the human health services in December 2009 was 91500. It represented an increase of 3.2% or 2800 persons when compared with December 2008.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the human health services in December 2008 was 88700.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the residential care and social work services in December 2009 was 56100. It represented an increase of 3.2% or 1700 persons when compared with December 2008.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the residential care and social work services in December 2008 was 54400.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the arts, entertainment, recreation and other services in December 2009 was 110400. It represented an increase of 2.2% or 2400 persons when compared with December 2008.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the arts, entertainment, recreation and other services in December 2008 was 108000.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the others in December 2009 was 11000. It represented an increase of 1.9% or 200 persons when compared with December 2008.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the others in December 2008 was 10800.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for all above industries in December 2009 was 2504700. It represented an increase of 1.4% or 35800 persons when compared with December 2008.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for all above industries in December 2008 was 2468900.

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. All figures are not seasonally adjusted.
3. Percentage change figures are derived from unrounded figures.
4. All the employment/vacancies statistics are compiled based on the Hong Kong Standard Industrial Classification (HSIC) Version 2.0.
5. Other industry sections include the industries of mining and quarrying, and electricity, gas and waste management.
6. Individual figures may not add up to total due to rounding.

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

The number of vacancies for the manufacturing in December 2009 was 1160. It represented an increase of 11% or 110 when compared with December 2008.

The number of vacancies for the manufacturing in December 2008 was 1050.

The number of vacancies for manual workers at construction sites in December 2009 was 30. It represented an increase of 173% or 20 when compared with December 2008. Please refer to "Limitations of the Survey" in Part V of the Quarterly Report of Employment and Vacancies at Construction Sites, December 2009.

The number of vacancies for manual workers at construction sites in December 2008 was 10.

The number of vacancies for the import and export trade in December 2009 was 3900. It represented an increase of 16% or 530 when compared with December 2008.

The number of vacancies for the import and export trade in December 2008 was 3370.

The number of vacancies for the wholesale in December 2009 was 910. It represented an increase of 19% or 150 when compared with December 2008.

The number of vacancies for the wholesale in December 2008 was 760.

The number of vacancies for the retail in December 2009 was 4580. It represented an increase of 30% or 1050 when compared with December 2008.

The number of vacancies for the retail in December 2008 was 3530.

The number of vacancies for the food and beverage services in December 2009 was 4180. It represented a decrease of 23% or 1210 when compared with December 2008.

The number of vacancies for the food and beverage services in December 2008 was 5390.

The number of vacancies for the accommodation services in December 2009 was 550. It represented an increase of 82% or 250 when compared with December 2008.

The number of vacancies for the accommodation services in December 2008 was 300.

The number of vacancies for the transportation, storage, postal and courier services in December 2009 was 1460. It represented an increase of 65% or 580 when compared with December 2008.

The number of vacancies for the transportation, storage, postal and courier services in December 2008 was 880.

The number of vacancies for the information and communications in December 2009 was 1430. It represented an increase of 71% or 590 when compared with December 2008.

The number of vacancies for the information and communications in December 2008 was 840.

The number of vacancies for the financing and insurance in December 2009 was 2900. It represented an increase of 21% or 510 when compared with December 2008.

The number of vacancies for the financing and insurance in December 2008 was 2390.

The number of vacancies for the real estate in December 2009 was 1690. It represented a decrease of 15% or 290 when compared with December 2008.

The number of vacancies for the real estate in December 2008 was 1980.

The number of vacancies for the professional and business services (excluding cleaning and similar services) in December 2009 was 3250. It represented a decrease of 8% or 300 when compared with December 2008.

The number of vacancies for the professional and business services (excluding cleaning and similar services) in December 2008 was 3550.

The number of vacancies for the cleaning and similar services in December 2009 was 790. It represented an increase of 14% or 100 when compared with December 2008.

The number of vacancies for the cleaning and similar services in December 2008 was 690.

The number of vacancies for the education in December 2009 was 1870. It represented a decrease of 4% or 60 when compared with December 2008.

The number of vacancies for the education in December 2008 was 1930.

The number of vacancies for the human health services in December 2009 was 790. It represented a decrease of 8% or 80 when compared with December 2008.

The number of vacancies for the human health services in December 2008 was 870.

The number of vacancies for the residential care and social work services in December 2009 was 1510. It represented an increase of 14% or 190 when compared with December 2008.

The number of vacancies for the residential care and social work services in December 2008 was 1320.

The number of vacancies for the arts, entertainment, recreation and other services in December 2009 was 3550. It represented an increase of 10% or 330 when compared with December 2008.

The number of vacancies for the arts, entertainment, recreation and other services in December 2008 was 3220.

The number of vacancies for the others in December 2009 was 30. It represented a decrease of 50% or 30 when compared with December 2008.

The number of vacancies for the others in December 2008 was 60.

The number of vacancies for all above industries in December 2009 was 34560. It represented an increase of 7% or

2410 when compared with December 2008.

The number of vacancies for all above industries in December 2008 was 32150.

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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 2009 was 760. It represented an increase of 30% when compared with December 2008.

The number of vacancies for managers and administrators in December 2008 was 590.

The number of vacancies for professionals in December 2009 was 2740. It represented an increase of 5% when compared with December 2008.

The number of vacancies for professionals in December 2008 was 2620.

The number of vacancies for associate professionals in December 2009 was 7800. It represented a decrease of 9% when compared with December 2008.

The number of vacancies for associate professionals in December 2008 was 8540.

The number of vacancies for clerks in December 2009 was 4880. It represented an increase of 11% when compared with December 2008.

The number of vacancies for clerks in December 2008 was 4400.

The number of vacancies for service workers and shop sales workers in December 2009 was 10880. It represented an increase of 15% when compared with December 2008.

The number of vacancies for service workers and shop sales workers in December 2008 was 9490.

The number of vacancies for craft and related workers in December 2009 was 1090. It represented an increase of 23% when compared with December 2008.

The number of vacancies for craft and related workers in December 2008 was 890.

The number of vacancies for plant and machine operators and assemblers in December 2009 was 760. It represented an increase of 67% when compared with December 2008.

The number of vacancies for plant and machine operators and assemblers in December 2008 was 460.

The number of vacancies for elementary occupations in December 2009 was 5640. It represented an increase of 9% when compared with December 2008.

The number of vacancies for elementary occupations in December 2008 was 5180.

The number of vacancies in December 2009 was 34560. It represented an increase of 7% when compared with December 2008.

The number of vacancies in December 2008 was 32150.

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Table title - Table 4 : Changes of employment and vacancies over three-month period (other than those in the Civil Service)

Percentage change in employment over three-month period in December 2009 was +1.6% based on the original series (i.e. not seasonally adjusted), and +1.3% based on the seasonally adjusted series.

Percentage change in vacancies over three-month period in December 2009 was -10.9% based on the original series (i.e. not seasonally adjusted), and +6.6% based on the seasonally adjusted series.

Percentage change in employment over three-month period in September 2009 was +0.9% based on the original series (i.e. not seasonally adjusted), and +0.9% based on the seasonally adjusted series.

Percentage change in vacancies over three-month period in September 2009 was +23.0% based on the original series (i.e. not seasonally adjusted), and +14.5% based on the seasonally adjusted series.

Percentage change in employment over three-month period in June 2009 was at an increase of less than 0.05% based on the original series (i.e. not seasonally adjusted), and -0.1% based on the seasonally adjusted series.

Percentage change in vacancies over three-month period in June 2009 was +13.5% based on the original series (i.e. not seasonally adjusted), and +20.2% based on the seasonally adjusted series.

Percentage change in employment over three-month period in March 2009 was -1.1% based on the original series (i.e. not seasonally adjusted), and -0.7% based on the seasonally adjusted series.

Percentage change in vacancies over three-month period in March 2009 was -13.6% based on the original series (i.e. not seasonally adjusted), and -26.9% based on the seasonally adjusted series.

Percentage change in employment over three-month period in December 2008 was -0.8% based on the original series (i.e. not seasonally adjusted), and -1.1% based on the seasonally adjusted series.

Percentage change in vacancies over three-month period in December 2008 was -32.7% based on the original series (i.e. not seasonally adjusted), and -19.3% 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.

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