

Selected statistics for the Building, Construction and Real Estate Sectors, 2009

HK\$ million (unless otherwise specified)

Industry Section / Group	Number of establishments	Number of persons directly engaged	Total receipts ⁽¹⁾	Compensation of employees ⁽²⁾	Operating expenses ⁽³⁾	Gross surplus	Value added
Construction	20 216 (+0.6)	135 254 (-0.5)	161,333 (-6.5)	39,986 (+1.7)	110,414 (-10.0)	10,933 (+3.2)	51,106 (+2.4)
Real estate activities	6 493 (+6.6)	108 289 (+19.6)	130,614 (+4.2)	19,431 (+22.7)	36,365 (-6.1)	73,415 (+8.2)	97,233 (+6.4)
Architectural, surveying and engineering services	1 651 (+9.1)	23 466 (+11.3)	14,209 (+6.5)	8,137 (+16.9)	4,714 (-6.5)	1,358 (+1.6)	9,513 (+14.7)

Notes:

Figures in brackets represent percentage changes in 2009 compared with 2008.

- (1) Total receipts refer to gross value of construction works performed and other business receipts in the case of construction; gross margin of real estate development projects, service and rental income and other business receipts in the case of real estate activities; and service income and other business receipts in the case of architectural, surveying and engineering services.
- (2) For the construction sector, compensation of employees also includes payment to labour-only sub-contractors.
- (3) Operating expenses include consumption of materials and supplies; fuels, electricity and water; maintenance services; payment for sub-contract works by fee-subcontractors / payment for commission work; and miscellaneous operating expenses.