Statistics concerning the real estate sector, the decoration, repair and maintenance for the building sector, and the cleaning and similar services sector

Unemployment rates

	Real estate sector	Decoration, repair and maintenance for the building sector	Cleaning and similar services sector
Q1 2013	2.3%	7.8%	2.2%
Q1 2012	2.5%	9.5%	4.1%

Underemployment rates

	Real estate sector	Decoration, repair and maintenance for the building sector	Cleaning and similar services sector
Q1 2013	0.1%	12.3%	3.4%
Q1 2012	0.2%	13.1%	2.8%

Year-on-year rate of changes in business statistics

	Business receipts of real estate sector ¹	Gross value of construction works at locations other than construction sites ² (at constant (2000) market prices)	Retail sales of furniture and fixture ³ (in volume terms)
Q1 2013	5%	-1%	-1%
Q1 2012	7%	0.2%	-14%

Source: Census and Statistics Department.

It refers to service receipts, receipts from sales of goods, commissions, rental, interest and other income of the real estate sector.

Includes general trades (including decoration, repair and maintenance, and construction works at minor work locations such as site investigation, demolition, and structural alteration and addition works) and special trades (including carpentry, electrical equipment, ventilation, gas and water fitting installation and maintenance etc).

Covers retail outlets selling furniture and fixtures, mattress and kitchen cupboards, etc.