

**Table 1 : Summary Statistics**

	2013 Q4	2014 Q3	2014 Q4
<b>The labour force</b>			
Labour force ('000)	3 865.6	3 918.6	<b>3 919.4</b>
	[3 578.9]	[3 621.5]	<b>[3 621.3]</b>
Male	1 989.1	2 007.7	<b>2 004.0</b>
	[1 985.3]	[2 004.2]	<b>[2 000.9]</b>
Female	1 876.6	1 911.0	<b>1 915.4</b>
	[1 593.6]	[1 617.3]	<b>[1 620.4]</b>
Labour force participation rate (%)	61.1	61.6	<b>61.5</b>
	[59.2]	[59.7]	<b>[59.6]</b>
Male	68.8	69.3	<b>69.1</b>
	[68.8]	[69.3]	<b>[69.0]</b>
Female	54.5	55.1	<b>55.2</b>
	[50.4]	[51.0]	<b>[51.0]</b>
<b>Unemployment</b>			
Unemployed persons ('000)	118.7	132.9	<b>122.1</b>
Male	69.6	71.4	<b>65.4</b>
Female	49.1	61.5	<b>56.7</b>
Unemployment rate (%)			
- Seasonally adjusted	3.2	3.3	<b>3.3</b>
- Not seasonally adjusted	3.1	3.4	<b>3.1</b>
Male	3.5	3.6	<b>3.3</b>
Female	2.6	3.2	<b>3.0</b>
<b>Employment</b>			
Employed persons ('000)	3 747.0	3 785.7	<b>3 797.2</b>
	[3 460.3]	[3 488.6]	<b>[3 499.2]</b>
Male	1 919.5	1 936.2	<b>1 938.6</b>
	[1 915.8]	[1 932.8]	<b>[1 935.5]</b>
Female	1 827.4	1 849.5	<b>1 858.7</b>
	[1 544.5]	[1 555.8]	<b>[1 563.7]</b>
Median hours of work during the 7 days before enumeration	45	45	<b>45</b>
	[44]	[44]	<b>[44]</b>
Male	45	45	<b>45</b>
	[45]	[45]	<b>[45]</b>
Female	45	44	<b>45</b>
	[43]	[42]	<b>[44]</b>
Median monthly employment earnings (HK\$)	13,000	13,000	<b>13,500</b>
	[14,000]	[14,500]	<b>[15,000]</b>
Male	15,000	15,000	<b>15,500</b>
	[15,000]	[15,000]	<b>[15,500]</b>
Female	10,500	11,000	<b>11,000</b>
	[12,000]	[12,300]	<b>[12,500]</b>

**Table 1 : Summary Statistics (Cont'd)**

	2013 Q4	2014 Q3	2014 Q4
<b>Underemployment</b>			
Underemployed persons ('000)	55.5	57.0	<b>62.7</b>
Male	40.6	42.0	<b>46.3</b>
Female	14.9	15.0	<b>16.3</b>
Underemployment rate (%)	1.4	1.5	<b>1.6</b>
Male	2.0	2.1	<b>2.3</b>
Female	0.8	0.8	<b>0.9</b>
<b>Domestic households</b>			
Number of domestic households ('000)	2 417.6	2 438.4	<b>2 440.6</b>
Average household size	2.9 [2.8]	2.9 [2.8]	<b>2.9</b> <b>[2.8]</b>
Median monthly household income (HK\$)	22,500 [22,400] (27,500)	23,800 [23,500] (28,800)	<b>24,000</b> <b>[23,800]</b> <b>(29,500)</b>

Notes : Figures in square brackets are the corresponding statistics computed with foreign domestic helpers excluded.

Figures in round brackets are the corresponding statistics computed for economically active households.