

Selected statistics for the building, construction and real estate sectors in 2017

HK\$ million (unless otherwise specified)

Industry Section / Group	Number of establishments	Number of persons engaged ⁽¹⁾	Total receipts ⁽²⁾	Compensation of employees ⁽³⁾	Operating expenses ⁽⁴⁾	Gross surplus	Value added
Construction	24 841 (+2.7)	185 110 (+3.1)	418,517 (+3.1)	100,624 (+8.0)	276,989 (+1.0)	40,904 (+6.1)	132,781 (+5.2)
Real estate activities	9 072 (+14.4)	112 262 (-1.3)	201,956 (+4.0)	31,170 (+9.7)	50,816 (+7.1)	111,615 (+0.8)	145,333 (+3.6)
Architectural, surveying and engineering services	2 009 (+0.6)	25 686 (-5.5)	21,998 (+1.4)	13,670 (+1.1)	6,266 (-0.7)	2,062 (+10.6)	15,661 (+3.7)

Notes:

Figures in brackets represent percentage changes in 2017 compared with 2016.

Percentage changes are derived from unrounded figures.

Because of rounding, the sum of individual items may not be exactly equal to the corresponding total.

- (1) For the construction sector, the figures of number of persons engaged refer to persons directly engaged in the sector and do not include the labour input provided by labour-only sub-contractors.
- (2) Total receipts refers to gross value of construction works performed and other business receipts in the case of construction sector; gross margin of real estate development projects, service and rental income and other business receipts in the case of real estate activities industry; and service income and other business receipts in the case of architectural, surveying and engineering services industry.
- (3) For the construction sector, compensation of employees also includes payments to labour-only sub-contractors.
- (4) Operating expenses include consumption of materials and supplies; fuels, electricity and water; maintenance services; payment for sub-contract works by fee sub-contractors / architectural, surveying and engineering design and consultancy fees; and miscellaneous operating expenses.