

**Selected statistics for the information and communications, financing and insurance,
professional and business services sectors, 2018**

HK\$ million (unless otherwise specified)

Industry grouping	Number of establishments	Number of persons engaged	Number of employees	Compensation of employees	Operating expenses ⁽¹⁾	Value of purchases of goods for sale ⁽²⁾	Business receipts and other income	Gross surplus	Value added
Information and communications	10 842 (+2.4)	108 134 (+0.7)	105 035 (+1.3)	42,970 (+4.7)	98,374 (+5.9)	20,661 (+6.2)	211,520 (+5.5)	49,515 (+5.3)	89,039 (+4.2)
Financing and insurance activities									
Banking	231 (-3.3)	107 461 (+3.1)	107 461 (+3.1)	97,836 (+0.5)	118,412 (+10.0)	- (N.A.)	472,062 (+10.9)	@ (N.A.)	@ (N.A.)
Financing (except banking)	8 547 (+4.7)	89 071 (+3.4)	87 970 (+2.6)	102,522 (+2.6)	143,621 (+5.6)	- (N.A.)	633,898 (-4.8)	387,755 (-9.8)	100,914 ⁽³⁾ (+6.5)
Insurance	2 680 (+0.4)	88 428 (+5.7)	86 376 (+5.6)	51,852 (+12.8)	22,101 (+2.3)	- (N.A.)	559,463 (-5.6)	@ (N.A.)	@ (N.A.)
Professional, scientific and technical activities	27 129 (+2.2)	148 644 (+2.3)	137 577 (+6.9)	63,960 (+6.9)	66,309 (+8.5)	1,374 (+8.5)	161,554 (+7.6)	29,911 (+7.3)	86,938 (+7.0)
Administrative and support service activities	12 218 (+2.7)	236 845 (+2.7)	233 812 (+3.3)	48,689 (+3.5)	88,861 (-2.7)	571 (-2.5)	149,527 (-0.5)	11,408 (+0.7)	56,794 (+5.4)

Notes: Figures in brackets represent percentage changes in 2018 compared with 2017.

Percentage changes are derived from unrounded figures.

N.A. Not applicable

- Nil

(1) Operating expenses do not include provision, gain/loss on disposal of fixed assets, bad debts, penalty, write-off, donations to charities, insurance excesses as well as depreciation, amortisation and taxation payments.

(2) Value of purchases of goods for sale has been adjusted for changes in stocks.

(3) Within the financing (except banking) industry, value added is not compiled for investment and holding companies owing to their special features of business operations. Hence, the figure of value added for this industry does not cover investment and holding companies.

@ In compiling gross surplus and value added of the banking industry and the insurance industry, other data sources are required to supplement the data collected through this survey and these statistics are to be compiled under the framework of Gross Domestic Product (GDP). Statistics on value added of these two industries are released by the Census and Statistics Department separately.