

**Table 1 : Summary Statistics**

	2008*	2009	2009
	Q4	Q3	Q4
<b>The Labour Force</b>			
Labour force ('000)	3 661.9	3 704.7	<b>3 669.9</b>
Male	1 949.7	1 968.0	<b>1 941.7</b>
Female	1 712.2	1 736.7	<b>1 728.2</b>
Labour force participation rate (%)	60.9	61.0	<b>60.3</b>
Male	69.5	69.9	<b>68.9</b>
Female	53.3	53.3	<b>52.9</b>
<b>Unemployment</b>			
Unemployed persons ('000)	141.2	209.1	<b>172.8</b>
Male	86.5	125.0	<b>106.0</b>
Female	54.7	84.2	<b>66.8</b>
Unemployment rate (%)			
- Seasonally adjusted	4.1	5.3	<b>4.9</b>
- Not seasonally adjusted	3.9	5.6	<b>4.7</b>
Male	4.4	6.4	<b>5.5</b>
Female	3.2	4.8	<b>3.9</b>
<b>Employment</b>			
Employed persons ('000)	3 520.7	3 495.5	<b>3 497.1</b>
Male	1 863.2	1 843.0	<b>1 835.7</b>
Female	1 657.6	1 652.5	<b>1 661.4</b>
Median hours of work during the seven days before enumeration	45	45	<b>47</b>
Male	48	48	<b>48</b>
Female	45	45	<b>45</b>
Median monthly employment earnings (HK\$)	10,500	10,500	<b>10,500</b>
Male	12,000	12,000	<b>12,000</b>
Female	8,700	8,500	<b>8,500</b>
<b>Underemployment</b>			
Underemployed persons ('000)	69.0	89.9	<b>84.5</b>
Male	51.1	63.4	<b>59.8</b>
Female	17.9	26.6	<b>24.7</b>
Underemployment rate (%)	1.9	2.4	<b>2.3</b>
Male	2.6	3.2	<b>3.1</b>
Female	1.0	1.5	<b>1.4</b>
<b>Domestic Households</b>			
Number of domestic households ('000)	2 288.0	2 318.7	<b>2 319.2</b>
Average household size	3.0	2.9	<b>2.9</b>
Median monthly household income (HK\$)	18,400	17,500	<b>17,500</b>

\*Revised figures.