

FACT SHEET

Hong Kong in figures

(as at 31 August 2007)

Population		
	Mid - 2006	Mid - 2007
Male	3 270 100 (47.7%)	3 288 900 (47.5%) [#]
Female	3 587 000 (52.3%)	3 632 800 (52.5%) [#]
<i>Total</i>	<i>6 857 100 (100%)</i>	<i>6 921 700 (100%)[#]</i>
Daily quota under the One Way Permit Scheme	150	150
Labour force		
<i>Major employment sectors</i>		
	Mar 2006	Mar 2007
Wholesale, retail and import/export trades, restaurants and hotels	1 028 965	1 048 318
Financing, insurance, real estate and business services	468 339	492 049
Community, social and personal services	451 303	464 206
<i>Unemployment</i>		
	2006	May - Jul 2007[#]
Unemployed persons	170 900 (4.8%)	157 900 (4.1%)
<i>Total labour force</i>	<i>3 582 500 (100%)</i>	<i>3 651 900 (100%)</i>
<i>Median monthly employment earning</i>		
	2006	Apr - Jun 2007
Median monthly employment earning (HK\$)	10,000	10,000

Remark : [#] Provisional figures.

Gross Domestic Product (GDP)		
	2005[#]	2006[#]
GDP at current market prices (HK\$ billion)	1,383	1,474
Per capita GDP at current market prices (HK\$)	202,941	215,006
GDP growth rate in real terms	7.5%	6.9%
Per capita GDP growth rate in real terms	7.1%	6.2%
	2006	Apr 2007
Per capita GDP world ranking	27 th	27 th
International investment position (HK\$ billion)		
	2005	2006[#]
Hong Kong external assets	11,588	15,335
Hong Kong external liabilities	8,182	11,184
Net international investment position	3,406	4,151
Hang Seng Index		
	31 Aug 2006	31 Aug 2007
Hang Seng Index	17 392	23 984
Inflation		
	2006	Jul 2007
Rate of change in the Composite Consumer Price Index	+2.0%	+1.5%

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Government revenue and spending (HK\$ billion)		
	2006 - 2007[#] (Consolidated account)	Apr - Jul 2007
Government revenue	288.0	78.9
Government spending	229.4	74.1
Consolidated surplus (+) / deficit (-)	+58.6	+4.8
	2005 - 2006[#]	2006 - 2007[#]
Consolidated surplus (+) / deficit (-) as a % of GDP	+0.3%	+3.7%
Recurrent public expenditure by function (HK\$ billion)		
	2006 - 2007 (Revised estimate)	2007 - 2008 (Estimate)
Education	44.9 (21.9%)	50.1 (22.8%)
Social welfare	32.8 (16.0%)	36.0 (16.4%)
Health	29.8 (14.6%)	30.5 (13.9%)
Support	27.3 (13.4%)	29.5 (13.5%)
Security	22.7 (11.1%)	24.1 (11.0%)
Infrastructure	11.2 (5.4%)	11.6 (5.3%)
Economic	10.8 (5.3%)	11.3 (5.1%)
Housing	10.2 (5.0%)	10.2 (4.7%)
Environment and food	7.9 (3.9%)	8.7 (4.0%)
Community and external affairs	6.8 (3.4%)	7.3 (3.3%)
<i>Total</i>	<i>204.5(100%)*</i>	<i>219.1(100%)*</i>

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* Individual figures may not add up to totals due to rounding.

Civil service		
	31 Dec 2006	30 Jun 2007
Establishment	162 375	162 029
Strength	155 251	155 174
	2005 - 2006	2006 - 2007
Staff-related expenditure (HK\$ billion)	61.9	62.0
As a % of government operating expenditure	32.2%	32.0%
Fiscal reserves (HK\$ billion)		
	31 Jul 2006	31 Jul 2007
Fiscal reserves	301.2	374.1
Foreign currency reserves		
	31 Jul 2006	31 Jul 2007[#]
Foreign currency reserves (US\$ billion)	127.4	137.1
Foreign currency reserves world ranking	8 th	9 th
External merchandise trade statistics (HK\$ billion)		
	2006	Jan - Jul 2007
Total exports	2,461.0	1,478.0
Imports	2,599.8	1,580.8
Trade balance	-138.8	-102.8

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External merchandise trade by main country/territory (HK\$ billion)		
	2006	Jan - Jul 2007
<i>Total exports</i>		
The Mainland	1,156.2 (47.0%)	716.2 (48.5%)
The United States	371.1 (15.1%)	201.5 (13.6%)
Japan	120.4 (4.9%)	69.3 (4.7%)
<i>Total (plus other countries and territories)</i>	<i>2,461.0 (100%)</i>	<i>1,478.0 (100%)</i>
<i>Imports</i>		
The Mainland	1,193.0 (45.9%)	727.7 (46.0%)
Japan	268.1 (10.3%)	161.1 (10.2%)
The United States	123.6 (4.8%)	77.4 (4.9%)
<i>Total (plus other countries and territories)</i>	<i>2,599.8 (100%)</i>	<i>1,580.8 (100%)</i>
<i>Trade balance</i>		
The United States	+247.5	+124.1
The Mainland	-36.8	-11.5
Japan	-147.7	-91.8
<i>Overall</i>	<i>-138.8</i>	<i>-102.8</i>
Trade in services (HK\$ billion)		
	2006[#]	Apr - Jun 2007[#]
Exports of services	565.0	146.2
Imports of services	284.0	75.2
Trade balance	+281.0	+71.0

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Tourism		
<i>Visitor arrivals by country/territory of residence</i>		
	2006	Jan - Jul 2007
The Mainland	13 591 342 (53.8%)	8 490 269 (54.8%)
Taiwan	2 177 232 (8.6%)	1 279 431 (8.3%)
Japan	1 311 111 (5.2%)	744 844 (4.8%)
The United States	1 159 025 (4.6%)	694 977 (4.5%)
South Korea	718 758 (2.8%)	471 759 (3.0%)
Macao	577 792 (2.3%)	342 405 (2.2%)
The United Kingdom	516 495 (2.0%)	336 945 (2.2%)
<i>Total (plus visitors from other countries and territories)</i>	<i>25 251 124 (100%)</i>	<i>15 484 592 (100%)</i>
<i>Per capita spending of overnight visitors by country/territory of residence (HK\$)</i>		
	2005	2006
The United States	5,589	5,529
The United Kingdom	5,490	5,479
Taiwan	4,916	5,329
The Mainland	4,554	4,705
Japan	4,471	4,388
South Korea	3,934	4,180
Macao	2,765	2,802
<i>Overall</i>	<i>4,663</i>	<i>4,799</i>

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