

FACT SHEET

Hong Kong in figures

(as at 31 March 2010)
(Revised on 9 April 2010)

Population		
	2008	2009
Male	3 298 000 (47.2%)	3 300 000 (47.0%) [#]
Female	3 690 900 (52.8%)	3 726 400 (53.0%) [#]
<i>Total</i>	<i>6 988 900 (100%)</i>	<i>7 026 400 (100%)[#]</i>
Daily quota under the One Way Permit Scheme	150	150
Labour force		
<i>Major employment sectors</i>		
	Dec 2008	Dec 2009
Wholesale, retail and import/export trades, restaurants and hotels	1 054 195	1 049 378
Financing, insurance, real estate and business services	574 356	596 376
Community, social and personal services	405 960	422 734
<i>Unemployment</i>		
	2008	Dec 2009 – Feb 2010[#]
Unemployed persons	130 100 (3.6%)	159 100 (4.6%)
<i>Total labour force</i>	<i>3 648 900 (100%)</i>	<i>3 672 700 (100%)</i>
<i>Median monthly employment earning</i>		
	2008	Oct – Dec 2009
Median monthly employment earning (HK\$)	10,500	10,500

Remark : [#] Provisional figures.

Gross Domestic Product (GDP)		
	2008[#]	2009[#]
GDP at current market prices (HK\$ billion)	1,675	1,634
Per capita GDP at current market prices (HK\$)	240,075	233,239
GDP growth rate in real terms	2.1%	-2.7%
Per capita GDP growth rate in real terms	1.4%	-3.0%
	2008	Oct 2009
Per capita GDP world ranking	28 th	29 th
International investment position (HK\$ billion)		
	2007	2008
Hong Kong external assets	21,194	17,521
Hong Kong external liabilities	17,421	12,695
Net international investment position	3,774	4,827
Hang Seng Index		
	31 Mar 2009	31 Mar 2010
Hang Seng Index	13 576	21 239
Inflation		
	2009	Feb 2010
Rate of change in the Composite Consumer Price Index	+0.5%	+2.8%

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Government revenue and spending (HK\$ billion)		
	2008-2009 (Consolidated account)	Apr 2009 – Feb 2010
Government revenue	316.5	296.9
Government spending	315.1	249.9
Consolidated surplus (+) / deficit (-)	+1.4	+47.0
	2009-2010 (Revised estimate)	2010-2011 (Estimate)
Consolidated surplus (+) / deficit (-) as a % of GDP	+0.8%	-1.5%
Recurrent public expenditure by function (HK\$ billion)		
	2009-2010 (Revised estimate)	2010-2011 (Estimate)
Education	51.3 (21.8%)	52.2 (21.4%)
Social welfare	39.7 (16.8%)	39.7 (16.3%)
Health	35.4 (15.0%)	36.9 (15.2%)
Support	28.6 (12.1%)	31.2 (12.8%)
Security	26.9 (11.4%)	28.0 (11.5%)
Infrastructure	15.2 (6.4%)	15.6 (6.4%)
Economic	10.9 (4.6%)	11.1 (4.6%)
Housing	10.0 (4.3%)	10.4 (4.3%)
Environment and food	9.8 (4.2%)	10.3 (4.2%)
Community and external affairs	7.9 (3.4%)	8.1 (3.3%)
<i>Total</i>	<i>235.7 (100%)</i>	<i>243.5 (100%)</i>

Civil service		
	30 Sep 2009	31 Dec 2009
Establishment	164 137	164 405
Strength	157 465	157 736
	2007-2008	2008-2009
Staff-related expenditure (HK\$ billion)	65.1	68.9
As a % of government operating expenditure	31.8%	26.7%
Fiscal reserves (HK\$ billion)		
	28 Feb 2009	28 Feb 2010
Fiscal reserves	536.1	541.4
Exchange Fund (HK\$ billion)		
	28 Feb 2009	28 Feb 2010
Total assets	1 509.2	2 201.7
Total liabilities	1 105.6	1 659.6
Accumulated surplus	403.6	542.1
Foreign currency reserves		
	28 Feb 2009	28 Feb 2010[#]
Foreign currency reserves (US\$ billion)	177.1	258.2
Foreign currency reserves world ranking	8 th	7 th
External merchandise trade statistics (HK\$ billion)		
	2009	Jan – Feb 2010
Total exports	2,469.1	404.7
Imports	2,692.4	453.9
Trade balance	-223.3	-49.2

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External merchandise trade by main country/territory (HK\$ billion)		
	2009	Jan – Feb 2010
<i>Total exports</i>		
The Mainland	1,263.2 (51.2%)	206.7 (51.1%)
The United States	285.2 (11.6%)	42.5 (10.5%)
Japan	108.9 (4.4%)	18.7 (4.6%)
<i>Total (plus other countries and territories)</i>	<i>2,469.1 (100%)</i>	<i>404.7 (100%)</i>
<i>Imports</i>		
The Mainland	1,249.4 (46.4%)	199.1 (43.9%)
Japan	236.4 (8.8%)	40.8 (9.0%)
The United States	142.1 (5.3%)	25.1 (5.5%)
<i>Total (plus other countries and territories)</i>	<i>2,692.4 (100%)</i>	<i>453.9 (100%)</i>
<i>Trade balance</i>		
The United States	+143.1	+17.4
The Mainland	+13.8	+7.6
Japan	-127.5	-22.1
<i>Overall</i>	<i>-223.3</i>	<i>-49.2</i>
Trade in services (HK\$ billion)		
	2008[#]	2009[#]
Exports of services	717.2	670.0
Imports of services	366.5	344.1
Trade balance	350.7	325.9

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Tourism		
<i>Visitor arrivals by country/territory of residence</i>		
	2009	Jan – Feb 2010
The Mainland	17 956 731 (60.7%)	3 917 749 (67.2%)
Taiwan	2 009 644 (6.8%)	370 629 (6.4%)
Japan	1 204 490 (4.1%)	200 945 (3.4%)
The United States	1 070 073 (3.6%)	157 478 (2.7%)
South Korea	618 694 (2.1%)	154 999 (2.7%)
Macao	671 389 (2.3%)	112 078 (1.9%)
The United Kingdom	513 984 (1.7%)	85 409 (1.5%)
<i>Total (plus visitors from other countries and territories)</i>	<i>29 590 654 (100%)</i>	<i>5 826 372 (100%)</i>
<i>Per capita spending of overnight visitors by country/territory of residence (HK\$)</i>		
	2007	2008
The United States	5,800	5,913
The United Kingdom	5,757	5,716
The Mainland	5,193	5,676
Taiwan	5,015	5,126
South Korea	4,430	4,327
Japan	4,214	4,289
Macao	2,772	3,041
<i>Overall</i>	<i>5,122</i>	<i>5,439</i>

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