

FACT SHEET

Legal aid systems in selected places – Supplementary table

Table – Client contributions, costs received and legal aid expenditure in the selected places and Hong Kong (2007-2008)⁽¹⁾

	Hong Kong	England and Wales	Ontario of Canada ⁽²⁾
Client contributions (in million)	HK\$13.9	£23.2 (HK\$292.2)	CAN\$11.7 (HK\$86.4)
Costs received (in million)	HK\$170.4	£199.0 (HK\$2,506.4)	CAN\$0.4 (HK\$3.0)
Total legal aid expenditure less client contributions and costs received (in million)			
Including administrative or employment costs	HK\$462.5	£1,754.7 (HK\$22,100.4)	CAN\$313.7 (HK\$2,317.6)
Excluding administrative or employment costs	HK\$243.9	£1,692.6 (HK\$21,318.3)	CAN\$285.2 (HK\$2,107.1)
Per capita legal aid expenditure less client contributions and costs received			
Population (in million)	7.0	54.1	12.8
Including administrative or employment costs	HK\$66.1	£32.4 (HK\$408.1)	CAN\$24.5 (HK\$181.0)
Excluding administrative or employment costs	HK\$34.8	£31.3 (HK\$394.2)	CAN\$22.3 (HK\$164.8)

Notes: (1) Since revenue and expenditure figures of legal aid in Hong Kong and the selected places are calculated and expressed in different ways, a direct comparison is not feasible. Relevant data for New South Wales is not available.

(2) As 2007-2008 figures for Ontario are not available, 2006-2007 figures are used instead.

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