

Year	1981	1986	1991	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
No.	12489	17492	27053	31625	32395	33571	33944	39072	49951	54295	60218	60282	58844

Year	2006	2007		
No.	59549	59960		

Operational Definitions

The number of employees in welfare institution and employees in other social and related community services extracted from the Hong Kong Annual Digest of Statistics.

Footnote

As from March 1991, the Hong Kong Standard Industrial Classification (HSIC) is adopted for the classification of economic activities in place of ISIC. Figures from 1st quarter 1991 onwards are therefore available in HSIC and are not strictly comparable to those in the past series which are in ISIC. All figures refer to the position as at end of year. Based on Hong Kong Standard Industrial Classification Version 2.0 (HSIC V2.0) by the C&SD. The SEV has been enhanced to adopt the HSIC V2.0 to replace the HSIC Version 1.1 in compiling the statistics on the number of establishments, persons engaged and vacancies starting from 2009. Hence, all the statistics contained in this report are in HSIC V2.0.