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Question:

Please provide the respective distribution of working hours concerning households with household size 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 or more who are economically active as a whole and whose income are below 70% of the median household income.

Asked by: Hon CHEUNG Chiu-hung, Fernando (LegCo internal reference no.: 7102)

Reply :

Based on the data obtained from the General Household Survey conducted by the Census and Statistics Department, among all economically active domestic households in 2017, the number of households with monthly household income(1) (excluding foreign domestic helpers) less than 70% of the median monthly household income of economically active households of the same size (excluding foreign domestic helpers), analysed by household size and hours of work of all employment of all employed persons, are given in the table below.

Hours of work (During 7 days before enumeration) ⁽²⁾	Household size (excluding foreign domestic helpers)					
	1	2	3	4	5	6+
<20	19 600	24 100	17 400	7 500	1 500	700
20 - 29	7 700	12 400	8 600	5 700	1 000	
30 - 39	9 200	19 900	15 700	8 600	2 100	600
40 - 49	22 300	60 000	58 400	36 900	8 900	2 900
50 - 59	8 500	21 300	24 300	15 700	4 500	1 600
60 - 69	5 400	16 700	21 200	16 000	5 300	1 500
70 - 79	2 600	7 600	9 700	9 000	2 200	1 000
80 - 89		3 200	7 600	11 500	2 600	1 400
90+		5 300	12 200	22 900	7 900	3 500
Total	75 400	170 500	175 100	133 900	36 100	13 300

Notes:

- (1) Household income includes earnings (before deduction of Mandatory Provident Fund contributions) from all jobs and other cash income received in the month before enumeration by all members of the household. Other cash income includes income generated from rent income, interest, dividends, regular/monthly pensions and insurance annuity benefits, regular contribution from persons outside the household, regular contribution from charities and all government subsidies (for example, allowance from Comprehensive Social Security Assistance Scheme, and Old Age Living Allowance, etc.).
- (2) Figures refer to hours of work of all employment of all employed persons in the household during the 7 days before enumeration.

Figures less than 3 000 households are compiled based on a small number of observations and hence with relatively large sampling errors and should be interpreted with caution.

The number of domestic households for selected groups of hours of work have been merged with other groups because of their small values.

The number of domestic households is rounded to the nearest hundred.

Individual figures may not add up exactly to the total owing to rounding.

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