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Note(s)

1. The Household Expenditure Survey (HES) is conducted once every 5 years to collect up-to-date information on the expenditure patterns of households in Hong Kong. The survey results serve as an important data source for updating the expenditure weights of the Consumer Price Index, and can also be used to study the consumption behaviour of households in Hong Kong.
2. During the survey period, household expenditure was lowered by Government's one-off relief measures. Unless otherwise specified, all household expenditure figures in this report are actual expenditures incurred by households after receiving these waivers/concessions.
3. The data collection of the 2019/20 HES was conducted during the COVID-19 epidemic, when household consumption patterns were severely affected. Caution is therefore required when interpreting comparisons between the 2024/25 and 2019/20 HES results.

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1. Key Figures

- On average, a household spent $32,472 per month on food, consumer goods and services in 2024/25, as compared with $30,230 in 2019/20 and $27,627 in 2014/15.
- The average monthly household expenditure was 7.4% and 17.5% higher than in 2019/20 and in 2014/15 respectively, mainly due to price inflation. After discounting for price changes (in real terms), the average monthly household expenditure decreased by 1.0% over the past 5 years and 2.8% over the past 10 years, amid the continued decline in average household size.
- On a per capita basis, the average monthly expenditure increased by 13.9% from 2019/20 to 2024/25 and 31.9% from 2014/15 to 2024/25. After discounting for price changes, the average monthly per capita expenditure increased by 5.0% over the past 5 years and 9.1% over the past 10 years.
- In 2024/25, out of the $32,472 average monthly household expenditure, 4.5% ($1,467) involved online purchases, as compared with 3.3% ($1,002) in 2019/20.

Table 1.1 : Average household size, average monthly household expenditure, and average monthly per capita expenditure

	Average household size	Average monthly household expenditure	Average monthly per capita expenditure
	No.	HK$	HK$
Year			
2014/15	3.0	27,627	9,253
2019/20	2.8	30,230	10,708
2024/25	2.7	32,472	12,201

If the effects of Government's one-off relief measures were removed, the average monthly household expenditure in 2024/25 would be $32,559.

Table 1.1A : Rate of change in average monthly household expenditure and average monthly per capita expenditure

Year	Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly per capita expenditure	
	Rate of change %	Rate of change in real terms %	Rate of change %	Rate of change in real terms %
2024/25 compared with 2019/20	+7.4	-1.0	+13.9	+5.0
2019/20 compared with 2014/15	+9.4	-1.6	+15.7	+4.0
2024/25 compared with 2014/15	+17.5	-2.8	+31.9	+9.1

Table 1.2 : Average monthly household expenditure on online purchases and its proportion of total household expenditure

	Online purchases	
	Average monthly household expenditure HK$	Proportion of total household expenditure %
Year		
2019/20	1,002	3.3
2024/25	1,467	4.5

2. Household Expenditure

- Overall, the 10th percentile and the 90th percentile of monthly household expenditure were $10,400 and $59,700 respectively, implying that 80% of households had monthly expenditure within this range.
- The monthly household expenditure range between the 10th and 90th percentiles widens as household size increases.

Chart 2.1 : The 10th percentile, median, and the 90th percentile monthly household expenditure by household size, 2024/25

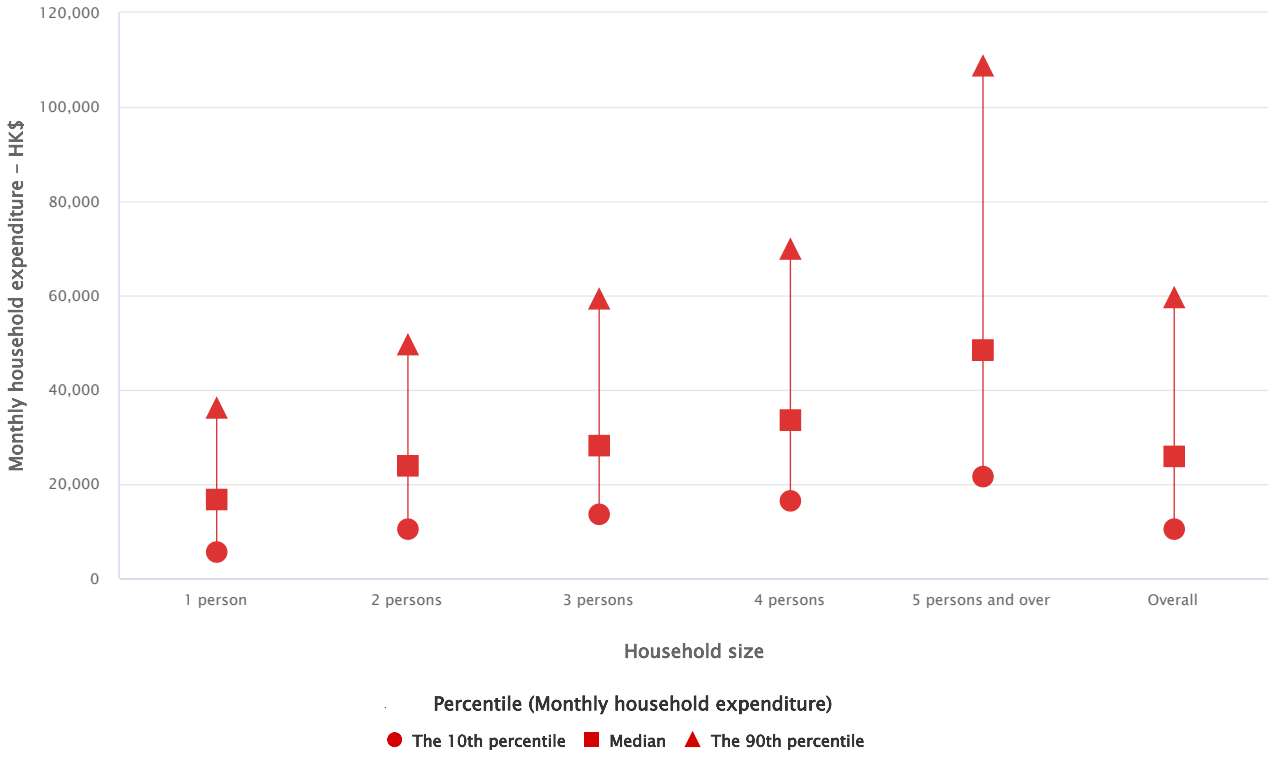


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Year	2024/25		
Percentile	The 10th percentile	Median	The 90th percentile
	Monthly household expenditure	Monthly household expenditure	Monthly household expenditure
	HK$	HK$	HK$
Household size			
1 person	5,500	16,700	36,100
2 persons	10,300	23,800	49,600
3 persons	13,700	28,200	59,300
4 persons	16,500	33,500	69,800
5 persons and over	21,700	48,400	108,600
Overall	10,400	26,000	59,700

The 10th percentile : This is the expenditure level which divides the lowest 10% of households from the rest. In other words, the expenditures of 10% of households are below this level whereas the expenditures of the other 90% of households are above this level.

The 90th percentile : This is the expenditure level which divides the highest 10% of households from the rest. In other words, the expenditures of 90% of households are below this level whereas the expenditures of the other 10% of households are above this level.

- The monthly expenditure ranges between the 10th and 90th percentiles for households residing in public, subsidised and private housing were $6,200 to $27,700, $15,100 to $46,800, and $16,100 to $73,600 respectively. Households in private housing had a wider expenditure range than those in public and subsidised housing.

Chart 2.2 : The 10th percentile, median, and the 90th percentile monthly household expenditure by type of housing, 2024/25

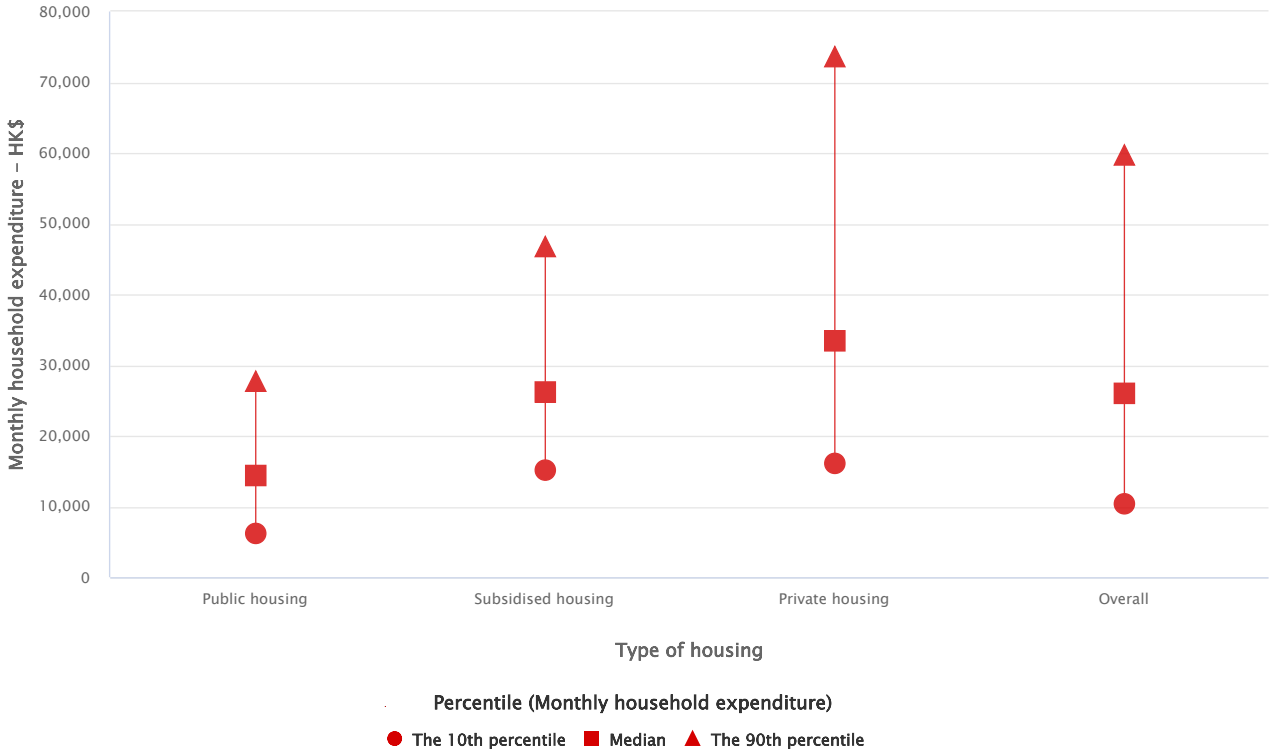


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Year	2024/25		
Percentile	The 10th percentile	Median	The 90th percentile
	Monthly household expenditure	Monthly household expenditure	Monthly household expenditure
	HK$	HK$	HK$
Type of housing			
Public housing	6,200	14,400	27,700
Subsidised housing	15,100	26,100	46,800
Private housing	16,100	33,500	73,600
Overall	10,400	26,000	59,700

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3. Household Expenditure Patterns

- Analysed by commodity/service section, the two sections with the largest expenditure shares were housing (39.3%) and food (24.1%), together accounting for 63.5% of the total household expenditure. The next largest was miscellaneous services (16.9%), followed by transport (7.7%), durable goods (3.7%), miscellaneous goods (3.2%), electricity, gas and water (2.6%), and clothing and footwear (2.1%). The smallest was alcoholic drinks and tobacco (0.4%).

3.1 Analysis by quartile expenditure group

- The expenditure share of food was the largest in the lowest quartile expenditure group (37.3%) and decreased progressively from the lowest to the highest quartile expenditure groups (19.0%). A similar decreasing trend was observed for electricity, gas and water. In contrast, the expenditure shares of clothing and footwear, durable goods, transport, and miscellaneous services all increased progressively from the lowest to the highest groups.

- As for housing, the expenditure share was 35.5% in the lowest group, rose to about 43% in the second and third groups, and fell to 37.1% in the highest group. For miscellaneous goods, the expenditure share was about 3% across all groups.

Chart 3.1 : Average monthly household expenditure by commodity/service section by quartile expenditure group, 2024/25

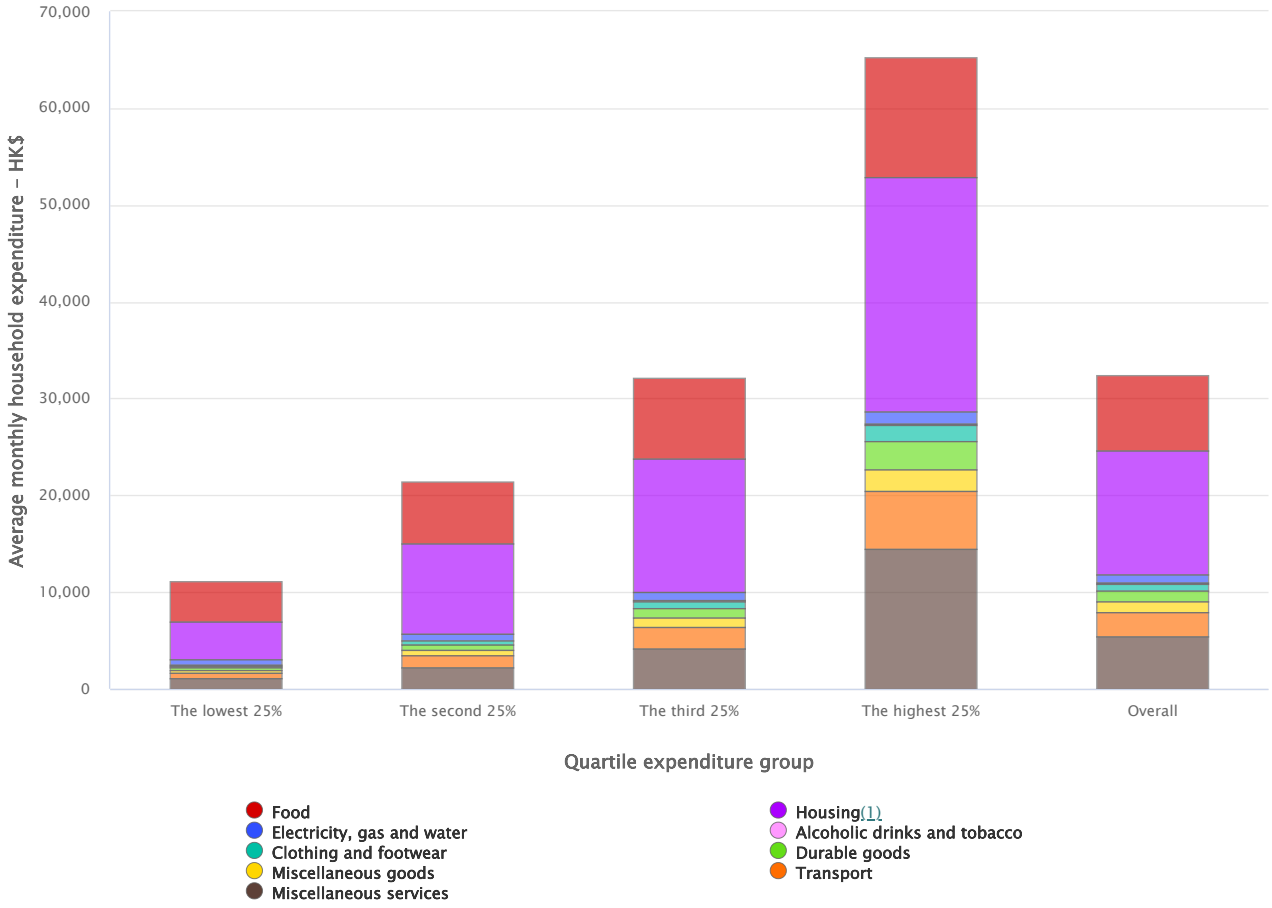


Table 3.1 : Average monthly household expenditure by commodity/service section by quartile expenditure group

Year	2024/25									
Quartile expenditure group	The lowest 25%		The second 25%		The third 25%		The highest 25%		Overall	
	Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure	
	HK$	%	HK$	%	HK$	%	HK$	%	HK$	%
Commodity/service section										
Food	4,175	37.3	6,424	30.0	8,359	26.0	12,390	19.0	7,836	24.1
Meals out and takeaway food	2,257	20.2	3,856	18.0	5,465	17.0	8,066	12.4	4,911	15.1
Basic food	1,918	17.2	2,568	12.0	2,893	9.0	4,324	6.6	2,926	9.0
Housing (1)	3,971	35.5	9,227	43.1	13,707	42.7	24,202	37.1	12,775	39.3
Electricity, gas and water	516	4.6	707	3.3	853	2.7	1,238	1.9	828	2.6
Alcoholic drinks and tobacco	89	0.8	95	0.4	144	0.4	150	0.2	120	0.4
Clothing and footwear	147	1.3	360	1.7	670	2.1	1,571	2.4	687	2.1
Durable goods	267	2.4	575	2.7	1,012	3.2	2,946	4.5	1,200	3.7
Miscellaneous goods	367	3.3	588	2.7	939	2.9	2,240	3.4	1,033	3.2
Transport	592	5.3	1,190	5.6	2,221	6.9	5,994	9.2	2,499	7.7
Miscellaneous services	1,055	9.4	2,248	10.5	4,200	13.1	14,479	22.2	5,495	16.9
All sections	11,179	100.0	21,413	100.0	32,105	100.0	65,210	100.0	32,472	100.0

Quartile expenditure groups : These are the four groups of households that have been equally divided based on expenditure level – the 25% of households with the lowest expenditure levels belong to the first group; the next 25% belong to the second group, and so on.

Number of households in each group : The lowest 25% (645 000); The second 25% (645 000); The third 25% (645 000); The highest 25% (645 000); Overall (2 580 000).

1 For owner-occupied, rent-free, and employer-subsidised accommodations, although households do not actually pay rent or pay only a nominal rent, a rent is imputed for these accommodations and included in their housing expenditure.

3.2 Analysis by geographical area

- The average monthly expenditure of households on Hong Kong Island was $45,334, higher than that of households in Kowloon ($28,434) and the New Territories ($31,024).
- Compared with households in Kowloon and the New Territories, households on Hong Kong Island had larger expenditure shares on housing and miscellaneous services, but a smaller share on food.

Chart 3.2 : Average monthly household expenditure by commodity/service section by geographical area, 2024/25

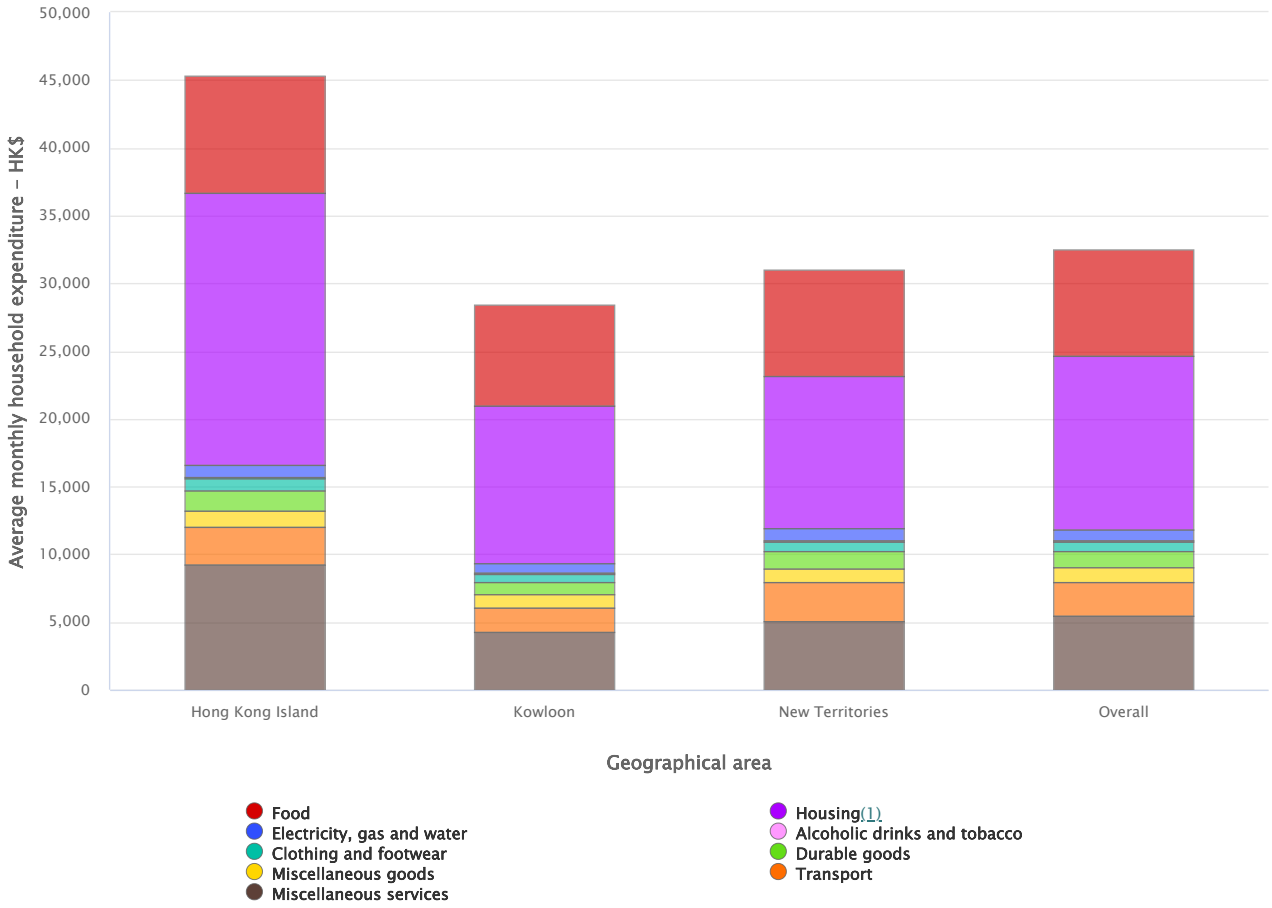


Table 3.2 : Average monthly household expenditure by commodity/service section by geographical area

Year	2024/25							
Geographical area	Hong Kong Island		Kowloon		New Territories		Overall	
	Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure	
	HK$	%	HK$	%	HK$	%	HK$	%
Commodity/service section								
Food	8,672	19.1	7,427	26.1	7,828	25.2	7,836	24.1
Meals out and takeaway food	5,502	12.1	4,630	16.3	4,900	15.8	4,911	15.1
Basic food	3,170	7.0	2,797	9.8	2,929	9.4	2,926	9.0
Housing (1)	20,037	44.2	11,618	40.9	11,297	36.4	12,775	39.3
Electricity, gas and water	934	2.1	760	2.7	837	2.7	828	2.6
Alcoholic drinks and tobacco	110	0.2	101	0.4	133	0.4	120	0.4
Clothing and footwear	821	1.8	549	1.9	728	2.3	687	2.1
Durable goods	1,526	3.4	947	3.3	1,251	4.0	1,200	3.7
Miscellaneous goods	1,226	2.7	921	3.2	1,042	3.4	1,033	3.2
Transport	2,781	6.1	1,851	6.5	2,796	9.0	2,499	7.7
Miscellaneous services	9,226	20.4	4,260	15.0	5,111	16.5	5,495	16.9
All sections	45,334	100.0	28,434	100.0	31,024	100.0	32,472	100.0

Number of households in each group : Hong Kong Island (407 000); Kowloon (805 000); New Territories (1 369 000); Overall (2 580 000).

1 For owner-occupied, rent-free, and employer-subsidised accommodations, although households do not actually pay rent or pay only a nominal rent, a rent is imputed for these accommodations and included in their housing expenditure.

3.3 Analysis by type of housing

- The average monthly expenditure of households in public housing was $16,181, which was 44.1% and 60.7% lower than that of households in subsidised housing ($28,932) and private housing ($41,174) respectively.
- Households in public housing spent the largest proportion of their expenditure on food (41.6%) and the second largest on housing (17.1%). In contrast, households in subsidised and private housing spent the largest proportion on housing and the second largest on food.

Chart 3.3 : Average monthly household expenditure by commodity/service section by type of housing, 2024/25

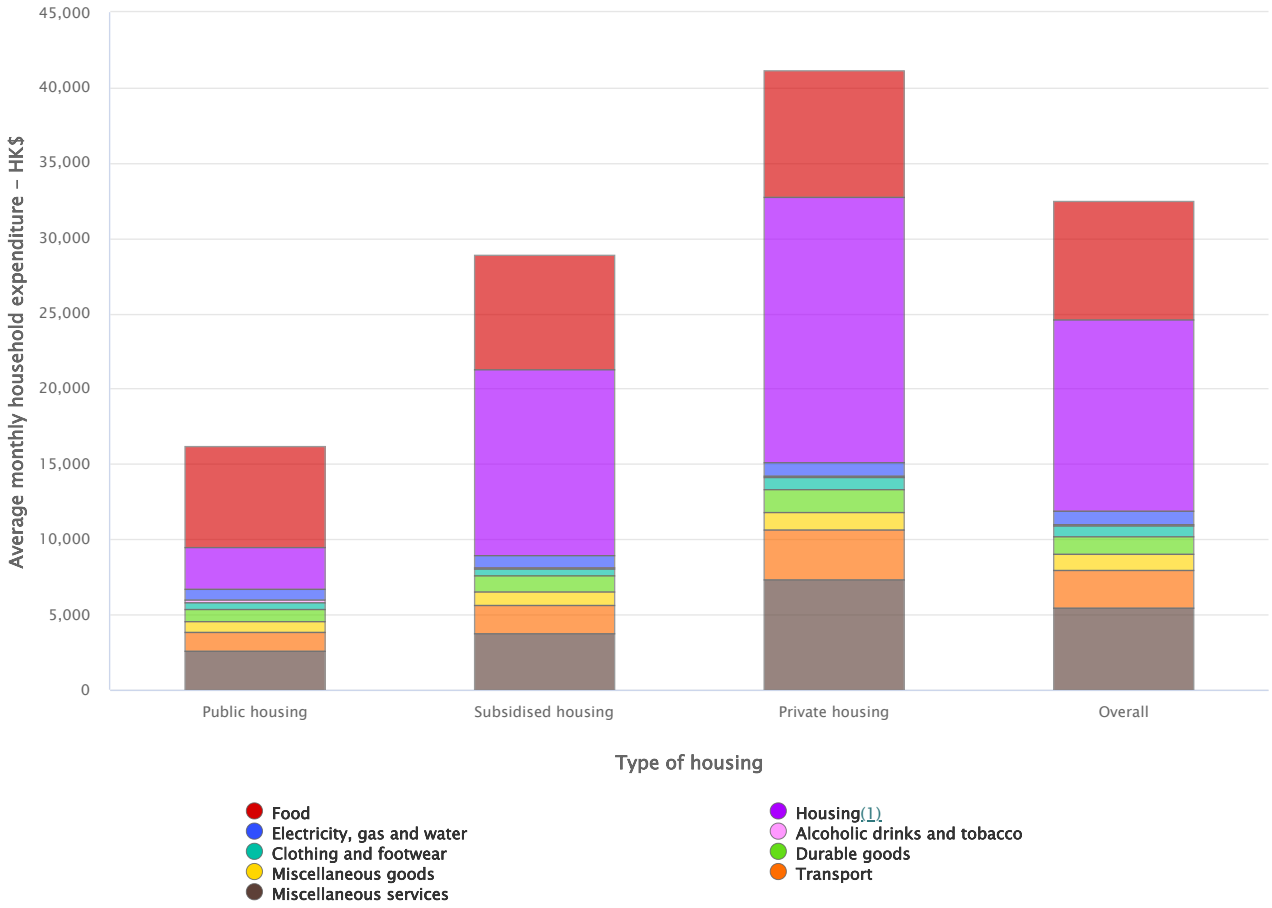


Table 3.3 : Average monthly household expenditure by commodity/service section by type of housing

Year	2024/25							
Type of housing	Public housing		Subsidised housing		Private housing		Overall	
	Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure	
	HK$	%	HK$	%	HK$	%	HK$	%
Commodity/service section								
Food	6,727	41.6	7,615	26.3	8,423	20.5	7,836	24.1
Meals out and takeaway food	3,988	24.6	4,772	16.5	5,386	13.1	4,911	15.1
Basic food	2,739	16.9	2,843	9.8	3,038	7.4	2,926	9.0
Housing (1)	2,766	17.1	12,362	42.7	17,614	42.8	12,775	39.3
Electricity, gas and water	709	4.4	779	2.7	899	2.2	828	2.6
Alcoholic drinks and tobacco	152	0.9	97	0.3	111	0.3	120	0.4
Clothing and footwear	487	3.0	497	1.7	835	2.0	687	2.1
Durable goods	764	4.7	1,084	3.7	1,438	3.5	1,200	3.7
Miscellaneous goods	724	4.5	850	2.9	1,232	3.0	1,033	3.2
Transport	1,232	7.6	1,885	6.5	3,273	7.9	2,499	7.7
Miscellaneous services	2,620	16.2	3,765	13.0	7,348	17.8	5,495	16.9
All sections	16,181	100.0	28,932	100.0	41,174	100.0	32,472	100.0

Number of households in each group : Public housing (691 000); Subsidised housing (423 000); Private housing (1 466 000); Overall (2 580 000).

1 For owner-occupied, rent-free, and employer-subsidised accommodations, although households do not actually pay rent or pay only a nominal rent, a rent is imputed for these accommodations and included in their housing expenditure.

3.4 Analysis by tenure of accommodation

- The average monthly household expenditure was the highest for households whose accommodation was provided by employers ($57,871), followed by owner-occupiers ($38,949), other renters ($29,695), and sole tenants ($23,275).
- As for housing, the expenditure share was the largest for owner-occupiers (43.9%), followed by other renters (41.1%), households with accommodation provided by employer (35.4%), and sole tenants (30.0%). Although owner-occupiers paid no rent and households with accommodation provided by employer paid a nominal rent or none, their expenditure share of housing was still significant because of imputed rent, an estimated rental value included in their housing expenditure to capture the cost of housing services they consumed.

Chart 3.4 : Average monthly household expenditure by commodity/service section by tenure of accommodation, 2024/25

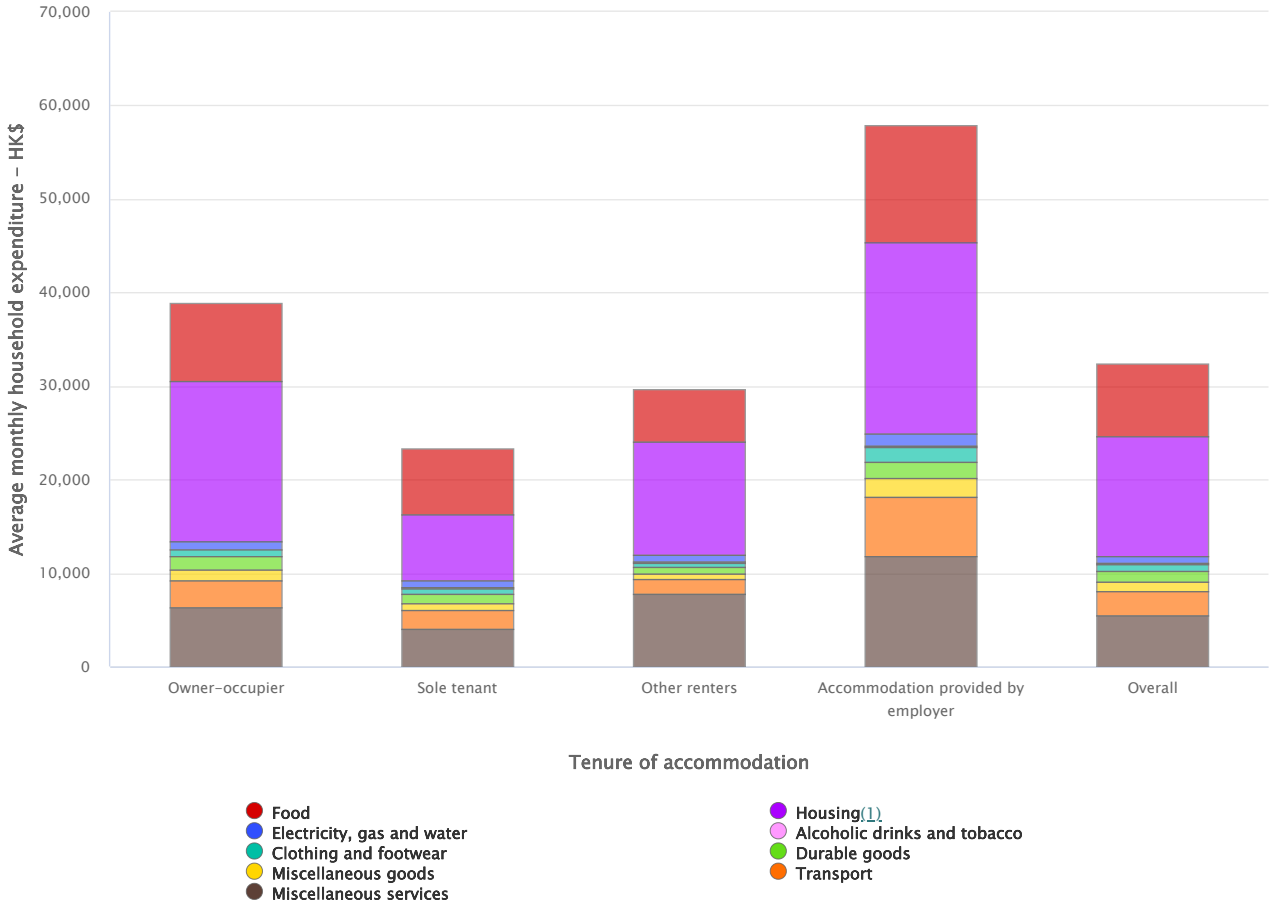


Table 3.4 : Average monthly household expenditure by commodity/service section by tenure of accommodation

Year	2024/25													
Tenure of accommodation	Owner-occupier		Sole tenant						Other renters		Accommodation provided by employer		Overall	
			Sole tenant residing in public housing		Sole tenant residing in subsidised and private housing		All sole tenants							
	Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure	
	HK$	%	HK$	%	HK$	%	HK$	%	HK$	%	HK$	%	HK$	%
Commodity/service section														
Food	8,398	21.6	6,731	41.6	7,552	21.3	7,033	30.2	5,593	18.8	12,451	21.5	7,836	24.1
Meals out and takeaway food	5,299	13.6	3,991	24.6	4,934	13.9	4,337	18.6	3,544	11.9	8,301	14.3	4,911	15.1
Basic food	3,099	8.0	2,740	16.9	2,619	7.4	2,696	11.6	2,049	6.9	4,150	7.2	2,926	9.0
Housing (1)	17,091	43.9	2,767	17.1	14,240	40.1	6,980	30.0	12,218	41.1	20,512	35.4	12,775	39.3
Electricity, gas and water	880	2.3	709	4.4	823	2.3	751	3.2	627	2.1	1,312	2.3	828	2.6
Alcoholic drinks and tobacco	88	0.2	152	0.9	161	0.5	155	0.7	211	0.7	133	0.2	120	0.4
Clothing and footwear	725	1.9	488	3.0	845	2.4	619	2.7	316	1.1	1,544	2.7	687	2.1
Durable goods	1,419	3.6	764	4.7	1,171	3.3	913	3.9	811	2.7	1,815	3.1	1,200	3.7
Miscellaneous goods	1,167	3.0	724	4.5	1,052	3.0	845	3.6	567	1.9	1,974	3.4	1,033	3.2
Transport	2,884	7.4	1,233	7.6	3,024	8.5	1,891	8.1	1,616	5.4	6,254	10.8	2,499	7.7
Miscellaneous services	6,297	16.2	2,623	16.2	6,613	18.6	4,088	17.6	7,735	26.0	11,874	20.5	5,495	16.9
All sections	38,949	100.0	16,192	100.0	35,480	100.0	23,275	100.0	29,695	100.0	57,871	100.0	32,472	100.0

Other renters include main tenant, sub-tenant, co-tenant, and rent-free households.

Number of households in each group : Owner-occupier (1 388 000); Sole tenant residing in public housing (691 000); Sole tenant residing in subsidised and private housing (401 000); All sole tenants (1 092 000); Other renters (54 000); Accommodation provided by employer (47 000); Overall (2 580 000).

1 For owner-occupied, rent-free, and employer-subsidised accommodations, although households do not actually pay rent or pay only a nominal rent, a rent is imputed for these accommodations and included in their housing expenditure.

3.5 Analysis by household size

- Household expenditure generally increased with household size. As household size increased, the expenditure share of miscellaneous services increased significantly from 11.0% for one-person households to 27.0% for households with 5 persons and over, and the share of transport increased from 5.0% to 9.4%. In contrast, the expenditure share of housing decreased correspondingly from 52.3% to 31.2%.
- Housing and food comprised the two largest shares of the total household expenditure, except for households with 5 persons and over. Their combined share decreased from 72.1% for one-person households to 52.9% for households with 5 persons and over.

Chart 3.5 : Average monthly household expenditure by commodity/service section by household size, 2024/25

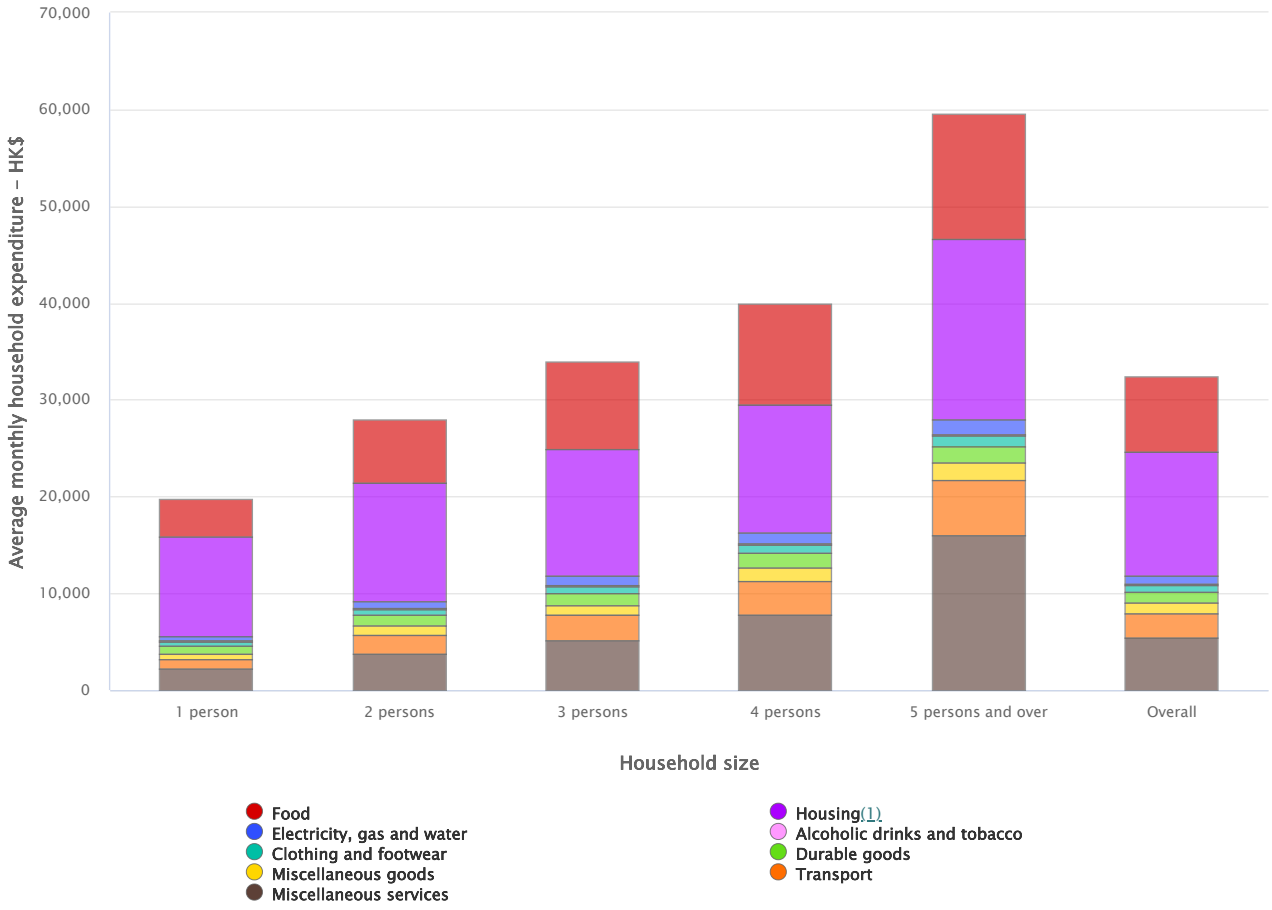


Table 3.5 : Average monthly household expenditure by commodity/service section by household size

Year	2024/25											
Household size	1 person		2 persons		3 persons		4 persons		5 persons and over		Overall	
	Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure	
	HK$	%	HK$	%	HK$	%	HK$	%	HK$	%	HK$	%
Commodity/service section												
Food	3,904	19.8	6,615	23.6	9,041	26.7	10,441	26.2	12,921	21.7	7,836	24.1
Meals out and takeaway food	2,646	13.4	4,202	15.0	5,730	16.9	6,487	16.3	7,367	12.4	4,911	15.1
Basic food	1,258	6.4	2,413	8.6	3,311	9.8	3,954	9.9	5,553	9.3	2,926	9.0
Housing (1)	10,312	52.3	12,273	43.8	13,083	38.6	13,135	32.9	18,574	31.2	12,775	39.3
Electricity, gas and water	398	2.0	673	2.4	925	2.7	1,117	2.8	1,553	2.6	828	2.6
Alcoholic drinks and tobacco	120	0.6	117	0.4	117	0.3	132	0.3	114	0.2	120	0.4
Clothing and footwear	419	2.1	601	2.1	722	2.1	897	2.2	1,113	1.9	687	2.1
Durable goods	800	4.1	1,119	4.0	1,186	3.5	1,543	3.9	1,793	3.0	1,200	3.7
Miscellaneous goods	605	3.1	955	3.4	1,013	3.0	1,330	3.3	1,784	3.0	1,033	3.2
Transport	991	5.0	1,942	6.9	2,646	7.8	3,514	8.8	5,613	9.4	2,499	7.7
Miscellaneous services	2,166	11.0	3,720	13.3	5,174	15.3	7,777	19.5	16,057	27.0	5,495	16.9
All sections	19,715	100.0	28,015	100.0	33,907	100.0	39,885	100.0	59,520	100.0	32,472	100.0

Number of households in each group : households with 1 person (502 000); 2 persons (817 000); 3 persons (624 000); 4 persons (413 000); 5 persons and over (225 000); Overall (2 580 000).

1 For owner-occupied, rent-free, and employer-subsidised accommodations, although households do not actually pay rent or pay only a nominal rent, a rent is imputed for these accommodations and included in their housing expenditure.

- While total household expenditure increased with household size, the average monthly per capita expenditure decreased progressively from one-person households ($19,715) to four-person households ($9,971), before rising again for households with 5 persons and over ($11,077). This was mainly driven by per capita expenditure on miscellaneous services, which was the highest for households with 5 persons and over.
- In addition, the average monthly per capita expenditure on housing decreased progressively from one-person households ($10,312) to four-person households ($3,284), and the decline was particularly large, partly reflecting economies of scale.

Chart 3.6 : Average monthly per capita expenditure by commodity/service section by household size, 2024/25

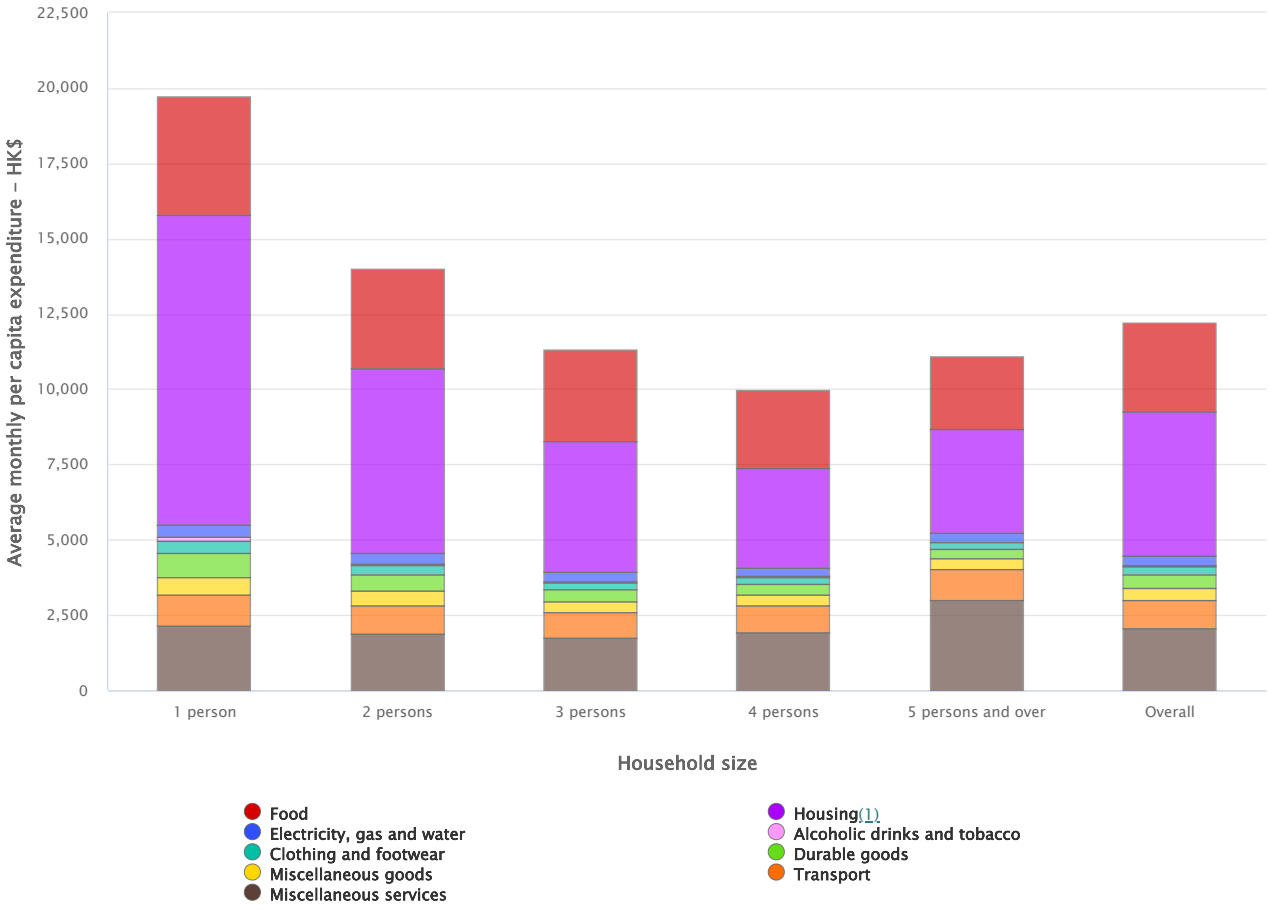


Table 3.6 : Average monthly per capita expenditure by commodity/service section by household size

Year	2024/25											
Household size	1 person		2 persons		3 persons		4 persons		5 persons and over		Overall	
	Average monthly per capita expenditure		Average monthly per capita expenditure		Average monthly per capita expenditure		Average monthly per capita expenditure		Average monthly per capita expenditure		Average monthly per capita expenditure	
	HK$	%	HK$	%	HK$	%	HK$	%	HK$	%	HK$	%
Commodity/service section												
Food	3,904	19.8	3,307	23.6	3,014	26.7	2,610	26.2	2,405	21.7	2,944	24.1
Meals out and takeaway food	2,646	13.4	2,101	15.0	1,910	16.9	1,622	16.3	1,371	12.4	1,845	15.1
Basic food	1,258	6.4	1,206	8.6	1,104	9.8	989	9.9	1,033	9.3	1,099	9.0
Housing (1)	10,312	52.3	6,137	43.8	4,361	38.6	3,284	32.9	3,457	31.2	4,800	39.3
Electricity, gas and water	398	2.0	337	2.4	308	2.7	279	2.8	289	2.6	311	2.6
Alcoholic drinks and tobacco	120	0.6	59	0.4	39	0.3	33	0.3	21	0.2	45	0.4
Clothing and footwear	419	2.1	300	2.1	241	2.1	224	2.2	207	1.9	258	2.1
Durable goods	800	4.1	560	4.0	395	3.5	386	3.9	334	3.0	451	3.7
Miscellaneous goods	605	3.1	477	3.4	338	3.0	332	3.3	332	3.0	388	3.2
Transport	991	5.0	971	6.9	882	7.8	879	8.8	1,045	9.4	939	7.7
Miscellaneous services	2,166	11.0	1,860	13.3	1,725	15.3	1,944	19.5	2,988	27.0	2,064	16.9
All sections	19,715	100.0	14,008	100.0	11,302	100.0	9,971	100.0	11,077	100.0	12,201	100.0

Number of households in each group : households with 1 person (502 000); 2 persons (817 000); 3 persons (624 000); 4 persons (413 000); 5 persons and over (225 000); Overall (2 580 000).

1 For owner-occupied, rent-free, and employer-subsidised accommodations, although households do not actually pay rent or pay only a nominal rent, a rent is imputed for these accommodations and included in their housing expenditure.

3.6 Analysis by household members composition

- The average monthly expenditure for households with all member(s) aged 65 and over ($19,512) was 45.0% lower than that of households with all member(s) aged under 65 ($35,496). This type of households with all elderly members spent a large proportion (56.2%) of their expenditure on housing.

Chart 3.7 : Average monthly household expenditure by commodity/service section by household members composition, 2024/25

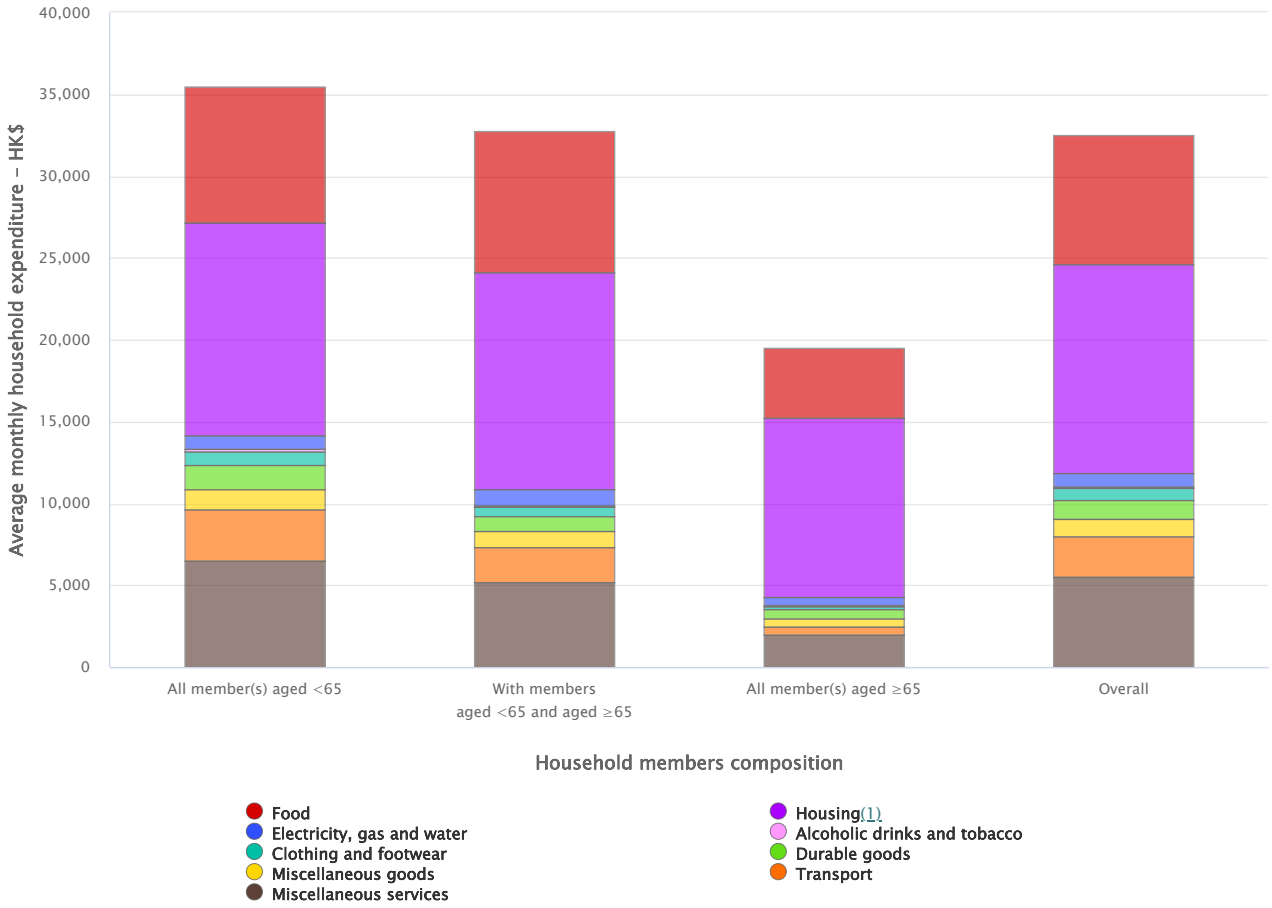


Table 3.7 : Average monthly household expenditure by commodity/service section by household members composition

Year	2024/25							
Household members composition	All member(s) aged <65		With members aged <65 and aged ≥65		All member(s) aged ≥65		Overall	
	Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure	
	HK$	%	HK$	%	HK$	%	HK$	%
Commodity/service section								
Food	8,324	23.4	8,625	26.3	4,267	21.9	7,836	24.1
Meals out and takeaway food	5,558	15.7	4,968	15.2	2,136	10.9	4,911	15.1
Basic food	2,765	7.8	3,656	11.2	2,132	10.9	2,926	9.0
Housing (1)	12,990	36.6	13,237	40.4	10,974	56.2	12,775	39.3
Electricity, gas and water	840	2.4	973	3.0	491	2.5	828	2.6
Alcoholic drinks and tobacco	142	0.4	109	0.3	48	0.2	120	0.4
Clothing and footwear	830	2.3	620	1.9	229	1.2	687	2.1
Durable goods	1,513	4.3	879	2.7	549	2.8	1,200	3.7
Miscellaneous goods	1,205	3.4	945	2.9	503	2.6	1,033	3.2
Transport	3,147	8.9	2,164	6.6	503	2.6	2,499	7.7
Miscellaneous services	6,504	18.3	5,192	15.9	1,948	10.0	5,495	16.9
All sections	35,496	100.0	32,745	100.0	19,512	100.0	32,472	100.0

Number of households in each group : All member(s) aged <65 (1 494 000); With members aged <65 and aged ≥65 (723 000); All member(s) aged ≥65 (364 000); Overall (2 580 000).

1 For owner-occupied, rent-free, and employer-subsidised accommodations, although households do not actually pay rent or pay only a nominal rent, a rent is imputed for these accommodations and included in their housing expenditure.

3.7 Analysis by number of earners

- Household expenditure increased as the number of earners in a household increased. Households with more earners generally spent a larger share of total expenditure on miscellaneous services and transport, and a smaller share on housing.

Chart 3.8 : Average monthly household expenditure by commodity/service section by number of earners, 2024/25

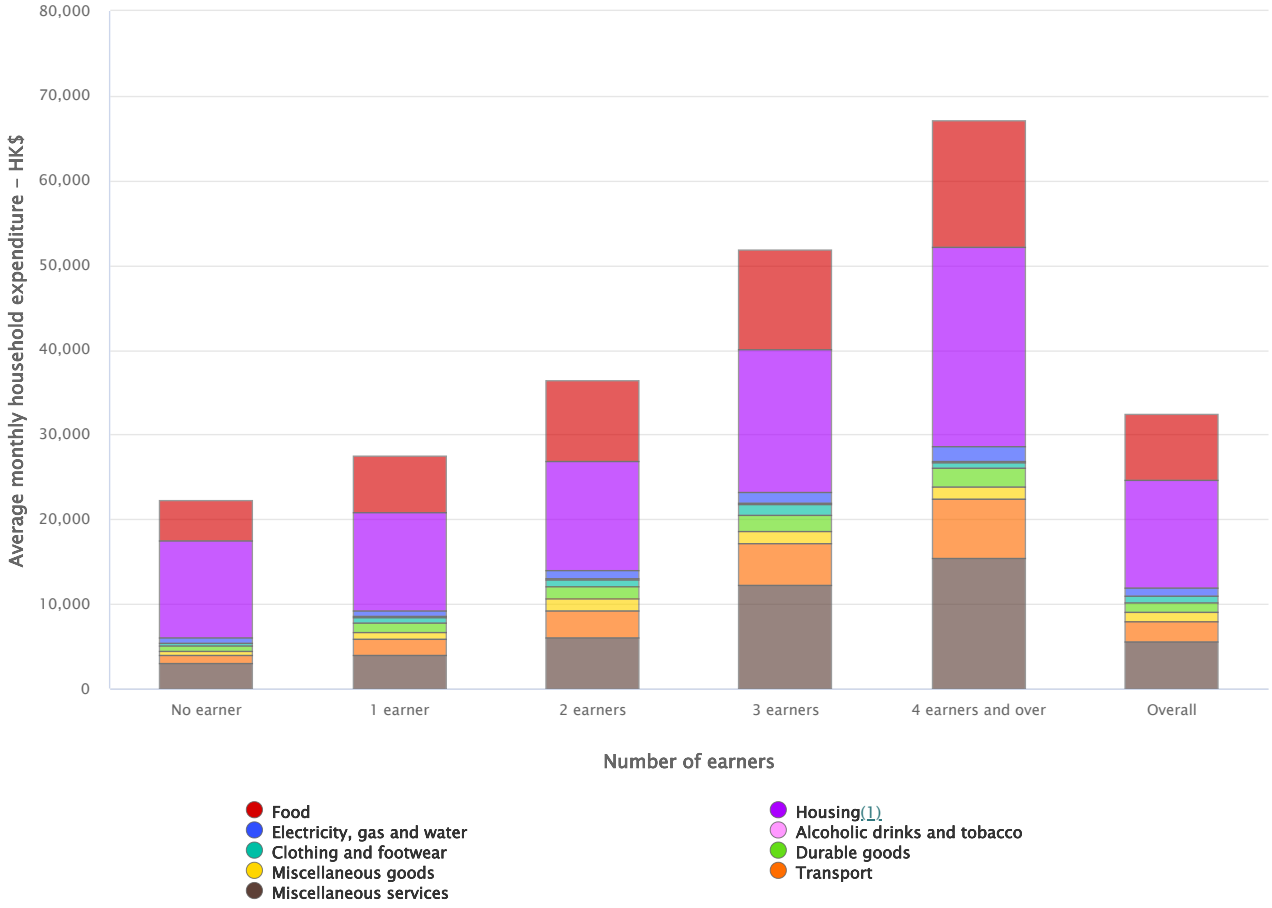


Table 3.8 : Average monthly household expenditure by commodity/service section by number of earners

Year	2024/25											
Number of earners	No earner		1 earner		2 earners		3 earners		4 earners and over		Overall	
	Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure	
	HK$	%	HK$	%	HK$	%	HK$	%	HK$	%	HK$	%
Commodity/service section												
Food	4,701	21.1	6,719	24.4	9,532	26.1	11,751	22.7	14,922	22.2	7,836	24.1
Meals out and takeaway food	2,480	11.2	4,125	15.0	6,439	17.7	7,341	14.2	9,112	13.6	4,911	15.1
Basic food	2,220	10.0	2,594	9.4	3,094	8.5	4,410	8.5	5,811	8.7	2,926	9.0
Housing (1)	11,536	51.9	11,521	41.9	13,001	35.6	16,850	32.5	23,517	35.1	12,775	39.3
Electricity, gas and water	543	2.4	730	2.7	920	2.5	1,274	2.5	1,786	2.7	828	2.6
Alcoholic drinks and tobacco	50	0.2	125	0.5	149	0.4	163	0.3	79	0.1	120	0.4
Clothing and footwear	294	1.3	603	2.2	835	2.3	1,320	2.5	746	1.1	687	2.1
Durable goods	652	2.9	1,089	4.0	1,398	3.8	1,885	3.6	2,216	3.3	1,200	3.7
Miscellaneous goods	568	2.6	919	3.3	1,335	3.7	1,424	2.7	1,432	2.1	1,033	3.2
Transport	807	3.6	1,860	6.8	3,285	9.0	4,954	9.6	6,986	10.4	2,499	7.7
Miscellaneous services	3,092	13.9	3,955	14.4	6,018	16.5	12,181	23.5	15,404	23.0	5,495	16.9
All sections	22,243	100.0	27,521	100.0	36,472	100.0	51,803	100.0	67,089	100.0	32,472	100.0

Number of households in each group : households with No earner (511 000); 1 earner (1 003 000); 2 earners (738 000); 3 earners (272 000); 4 earners and over (57 000); Overall (2 580 000).

1 For owner-occupied, rent-free, and employer-subsidised accommodations, although households do not actually pay rent or pay only a nominal rent, a rent is imputed for these accommodations and included in their housing expenditure.

4. Detailed Statistics

Table 4.1 : Average monthly household expenditure by commodity/service section and group by quartile expenditure group, and proportion of online purchases by commodity/service section and group

Year	2024/25										
Quartile expenditure group	The lowest 25%		The second 25%		The third 25%		The highest 25%		Overall		
	Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure		Proportion of online purchases
	HK$	%	HK$	%	HK$	%	HK$	%	HK$	%	%
Commodity/service section and group											
Food	4,175	37.3	6,424	30.0	8,359	26.0	12,390	19.0	7,836	24.1	3.2
1. Meals out and takeaway food	2,257	20.2	3,856	18.0	5,465	17.0	8,066	12.4	4,911	15.1	3.4
Basic food (i.e. groups 2-22)	1,918	17.2	2,568	12.0	2,893	9.0	4,324	6.6	2,926	9.0	2.8
2. Rice	30	0.3	43	0.2	39	0.1	54	0.1	42	0.1	6.0
3. Other cereals and cereal preparations	57	0.5	70	0.3	74	0.2	99	0.2	75	0.2	5.3
4. Bread, cakes, biscuits and pastries	119	1.1	190	0.9	238	0.7	326	0.5	218	0.7	2.2
5. Salt-water fish	165	1.5	223	1.0	225	0.7	335	0.5	237	0.7	0.4
6. Fresh-water fish	79	0.7	89	0.4	78	0.2	73	0.1	80	0.2	0.4
7. Other fresh seafood	39	0.4	70	0.3	87	0.3	190	0.3	97	0.3	2.6
8. Processed sea products	71	0.6	118	0.6	151	0.5	304	0.5	161	0.5	4.1
9. Pork	308	2.8	366	1.7	341	1.1	428	0.7	361	1.1	0.4
10. Beef	40	0.4	64	0.3	86	0.3	164	0.3	88	0.3	2.8
11. Poultry	79	0.7	108	0.5	123	0.4	174	0.3	121	0.4	0.9
12. Frozen meat	114	1.0	165	0.8	219	0.7	342	0.5	210	0.6	5.1
13. Other meat	60	0.5	87	0.4	97	0.3	131	0.2	94	0.3	4.3
14. Vegetables	308	2.8	354	1.7	359	1.1	471	0.7	373	1.1	1.3
15. Fruits	171	1.5	233	1.1	279	0.9	430	0.7	278	0.9	1.7
16. Dairy products	48	0.4	77	0.4	103	0.3	198	0.3	107	0.3	7.1
17. Eggs	34	0.3	40	0.2	42	0.1	59	0.1	44	0.1	1.2
18. Edible oils	20	0.2	22	0.1	27	0.1	42	0.1	28	0.1	7.4
19. Non-alcoholic beverages	46	0.4	67	0.3	77	0.2	120	0.2	78	0.2	8.8
20. Confectionery and snacks	31	0.3	55	0.3	82	0.3	143	0.2	78	0.2	5.6
21. Condiments and sauces	16	0.1	25	0.1	32	0.1	51	0.1	31	0.1	6.7
22. Other food	81	0.7	101	0.5	134	0.4	192	0.3	127	0.4	4.9
Housing (1)	3,971	35.5	9,227	43.1	13,707	42.7	24,202	37.1	12,775	39.3	[-§32]
23. Rent, including rates and government rent	3,810	34.1	8,610	40.2	12,548	39.1	21,416	32.8	11,595	35.7	0.0
24. Management fees and other housing expenses	161	1.4	617	2.9	1,159	3.6	2,785	4.3	1,180	3.6	0.4
Electricity, gas and water	516	4.6	707	3.3	853	2.7	1,238	1.9	828	2.6	[-§32]
25. Electricity	312	2.8	435	2.0	549	1.7	811	1.2	527	1.6	0.0
26. Towngas	129	1.2	175	0.8	187	0.6	260	0.4	188	0.6	0.0
27. Liquefied petroleum gas and other fuel	22	0.2	25	0.1	33	0.1	36	0.1	29	0.1	0.4
28. Water and sewage charges	53	0.5	72	0.3	84	0.3	131	0.2	85	0.3	0.0
Alcoholic drinks and tobacco	89	0.8	95	0.4	144	0.4	150	0.2	120	0.4	8.8
29. Wines and spirits	7	0.1	5	[-§32]	40	0.1	89	0.1	35	0.1	27.0
30. Beer	11	0.1	16	0.1	18	0.1	16	[-§32]	15	[-§32]	6.7
31. Cigarettes	71	0.6	74	0.3	86	0.3	45	0.1	69	0.2	0.0
Clothing and footwear	147	1.3	360	1.7	670	2.1	1,571	2.4	687	2.1	13.6
32. Men's clothing	34	0.3	96	0.4	141	0.4	386	0.6	164	0.5	11.3
33. Women's clothing	59	0.5	150	0.7	319	1.0	691	1.1	305	0.9	16.2
34. Children's and infants' clothing	8	0.1	28	0.1	45	0.1	124	0.2	51	0.2	14.4

Year	2024/25										
Quartile expenditure group	The lowest 25%		The second 25%		The third 25%		The highest 25%		Overall		
	Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure		Proportion of online purchases
	HK$	%	HK$	%	HK$	%	HK$	%	HK$	%	%
Commodity/service section and group											
35. Other clothing	6	0.1	12	0.1	19	0.1	72	0.1	27	0.1	8.1
36. Men's footwear	14	0.1	23	0.1	67	0.2	113	0.2	54	0.2	9.5
37. Women's footwear	25	0.2	39	0.2	66	0.2	147	0.2	69	0.2	11.9
38. Children's and infants' footwear	1	[-§32]	13	0.1	13	[-§32]	39	0.1	16	[-§32]	17.0
Durable goods	267	2.4	575	2.7	1,012	3.2	2,946	4.5	1,200	3.7	16.5
39. Furniture	29	0.3	54	0.3	88	0.3	314	0.5	121	0.4	14.6
40. Home appliances, electric and gas	107	1.0	200	0.9	259	0.8	658	1.0	306	0.9	14.4
41. Video and sound equipment	18	0.2	40	0.2	59	0.2	151	0.2	67	0.2	15.2
42. Information technology and telecommunications equipment	54	0.5	163	0.8	367	1.1	885	1.4	368	1.1	22.7
43. Tableware and kitchen utensils	8	0.1	16	0.1	22	0.1	47	0.1	23	0.1	13.0
44. Watches, clocks, cameras and optical goods	34	0.3	58	0.3	99	0.3	398	0.6	147	0.5	6.2
45. Travel goods, handbags and other personal effects	14	0.1	38	0.2	107	0.3	443	0.7	151	0.5	18.2
46. Other durable goods	2	[-§32]	7	[-§32]	11	[-§32]	49	0.1	17	0.1	17.7
Miscellaneous goods	367	3.3	588	2.7	939	2.9	2,240	3.4	1,033	3.2	11.8
47. Medicines and health products	113	1.0	142	0.7	228	0.7	462	0.7	236	0.7	11.8
48. Newspapers, books and stationery	17	0.2	30	0.1	47	0.1	90	0.1	46	0.1	7.7
49. Soft furnishings	7	0.1	12	0.1	27	0.1	63	0.1	27	0.1	14.0
50. Cosmetics and personal care products	118	1.1	199	0.9	273	0.8	532	0.8	280	0.9	13.4
51. Household cleansing tools and supplies	27	0.2	39	0.2	48	0.1	76	0.1	47	0.1	11.2
52. Jewellery	5	[-§32]	6	[-§32]	49	0.2	504	0.8	141	0.4	7.6
53. Toys and hobbies	17	0.2	33	0.2	86	0.3	201	0.3	84	0.3	25.8
54. Textbooks	46	0.4	97	0.5	121	0.4	215	0.3	120	0.4	1.8
55. Other household goods	17	0.2	31	0.1	60	0.2	98	0.2	51	0.2	18.0
Transport	592	5.3	1,190	5.6	2,221	6.9	5,994	9.2	2,499	7.7	18.1
56. Purchases of and repairs to vehicles	1	[-§32]	19	0.1	82	0.3	830	1.3	233	0.7	1.7
57. Fuels for personal transport equipment	4	[-§32]	40	0.2	137	0.4	482	0.7	166	0.5	0.0
58. Vehicle and driving licences, insurance, instructor's fees, parking fees and road tunnel tolls	22	0.2	137	0.6	593	1.8	1,910	2.9	666	2.0	1.5
59. Bus fares	172	1.5	268	1.3	311	1.0	318	0.5	267	0.8	1.7
60. Tram fares	1	[-§32]	2	[-§32]	2	[-§32]	3	[-§32]	2	[-§32]	0.0
61. Public light bus fares	48	0.4	68	0.3	77	0.2	95	0.1	72	0.2	0.0
62. Taxi fares	16	0.1	37	0.2	79	0.2	302	0.5	109	0.3	19.9
63. MTR fares	255	2.3	393	1.8	502	1.6	605	0.9	439	1.4	1.3
64. Ferry fares	5	[-§32]	11	0.1	6	[-§32]	16	[-§32]	10	[-§32]	0.0
65. Other local transport fares	8	0.1	16	0.1	39	0.1	171	0.3	59	0.2	2.7
66. Inbound and outbound transport fares	59	0.5	198	0.9	393	1.2	1,263	1.9	478	1.5	84.4
Miscellaneous services	1,055	9.4	2,248	10.5	4,200	13.1	14,479	22.2	5,495	16.9	6.2
67. Educational services	193	1.7	605	2.8	1,110	3.5	4,837	7.4	1,686	5.2	1.0
68. Health services	200	1.8	416	1.9	892	2.8	2,789	4.3	1,074	3.3	0.7

Year	2024/25										
Quartile expenditure group	The lowest 25%		The second 25%		The third 25%		The highest 25%		Overall		
	Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure		Proportion of online purchases
	HK$	%	HK$	%	HK$	%	HK$	%	HK$	%	%
Commodity/service section and group											
69. Package holidays	59	0.5	166	0.8	349	1.1	1,406	2.2	495	1.5	43.1
70. Other entertainment expenses	13	0.1	41	0.2	88	0.3	277	0.4	105	0.3	43.7
71. Household services	99	0.9	216	1.0	576	1.8	2,398	3.7	822	2.5	0.4
72. Hair-dressing	58	0.5	90	0.4	145	0.5	257	0.4	137	0.4	0.1
73. Beauty treatment and fitness services	12	0.1	62	0.3	159	0.5	574	0.9	202	0.6	0.6
74. Information and communications services	358	3.2	505	2.4	609	1.9	847	1.3	580	1.8	7.0
75. Other services	64	0.6	147	0.7	273	0.9	1,095	1.7	395	1.2	3.0
All groups	11,179	100.0	21,413	100.0	32,105	100.0	65,210	100.0	32,472	100.0	4.5

Quartile expenditure groups : These are the four groups of households that have been equally divided based on expenditure level – the 25% of households with the lowest expenditure levels belong to the first group; the next 25% belong to the second group, and so on.

Number of households in each group : The lowest 25% (645 000); The second 25% (645 000); The third 25% (645 000); The highest 25% (645 000); Overall (2 580 000).

1 For owner-occupied, rent-free, and employer-subsidised accommodations, although households do not actually pay rent or pay only a nominal rent, a rent is imputed for these accommodations and included in their housing expenditure.

[-§32] Less than 0.05%

Table 4.2 : Average monthly household expenditure by commodity/service section and group by geographical area

Year	2024/25							
Geographical area	Hong Kong Island		Kowloon		New Territories		Overall	
	Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure	
	HK$	%	HK$	%	HK$	%	HK$	%
Commodity/service section and group								
Food	8,672	19.1	7,427	26.1	7,828	25.2	7,836	24.1
1. Meals out and takeaway food	5,502	12.1	4,630	16.3	4,900	15.8	4,911	15.1
Basic food (i.e. groups 2-22)	3,170	7.0	2,797	9.8	2,929	9.4	2,926	9.0
2. Rice	43	0.1	40	0.1	42	0.1	42	0.1
3. Other cereals and cereal preparations	83	0.2	62	0.2	79	0.3	75	0.2
4. Bread, cakes, biscuits and pastries	240	0.5	197	0.7	224	0.7	218	0.7
5. Salt-water fish	260	0.6	214	0.8	244	0.8	237	0.7
6. Fresh-water fish	60	0.1	87	0.3	82	0.3	80	0.2
7. Other fresh seafood	129	0.3	83	0.3	95	0.3	97	0.3
8. Processed sea products	178	0.4	170	0.6	151	0.5	161	0.5
9. Pork	320	0.7	357	1.3	375	1.2	361	1.1
10. Beef	110	0.2	80	0.3	87	0.3	88	0.3
11. Poultry	128	0.3	125	0.4	117	0.4	121	0.4
12. Frozen meat	220	0.5	191	0.7	218	0.7	210	0.6
13. Other meat	103	0.2	102	0.4	86	0.3	94	0.3
14. Vegetables	348	0.8	396	1.4	367	1.2	373	1.1
15. Fruits	331	0.7	267	0.9	269	0.9	278	0.9
16. Dairy products	128	0.3	92	0.3	109	0.4	107	0.3
17. Eggs	55	0.1	38	0.1	44	0.1	44	0.1
18. Edible oils	37	0.1	23	0.1	28	0.1	28	0.1
19. Non-alcoholic beverages	98	0.2	65	0.2	79	0.3	78	0.2
20. Confectionery and snacks	118	0.3	56	0.2	78	0.3	78	0.2
21. Condiments and sauces	45	0.1	27	0.1	29	0.1	31	0.1
22. Other food	138	0.3	125	0.4	125	0.4	127	0.4
Housing (1)	20,037	44.2	11,618	40.9	11,297	36.4	12,775	39.3
23. Rent, including rates and government rent	18,206	40.2	10,675	37.5	10,171	32.8	11,595	35.7
24. Management fees and other housing expenses	1,832	4.0	943	3.3	1,126	3.6	1,180	3.6
Electricity, gas and water	934	2.1	760	2.7	837	2.7	828	2.6
25. Electricity	641	1.4	475	1.7	523	1.7	527	1.6
26. Towngas	187	0.4	186	0.7	189	0.6	188	0.6
27. Liquefied petroleum gas and other fuel	19	[-§32]	16	0.1	39	0.1	29	0.1
28. Water and sewage charges	86	0.2	83	0.3	86	0.3	85	0.3
Alcoholic drinks and tobacco	110	0.2	101	0.4	133	0.4	120	0.4
29. Wines and spirits	46	0.1	22	0.1	40	0.1	35	0.1
30. Beer	15	[-§32]	13	[-§32]	17	0.1	15	[-§32]
31. Cigarettes	49	0.1	65	0.2	77	0.2	69	0.2
Clothing and footwear	821	1.8	549	1.9	728	2.3	687	2.1
32. Men's clothing	153	0.3	147	0.5	178	0.6	164	0.5
33. Women's clothing	436	1.0	216	0.8	318	1.0	305	0.9
34. Children's and infants' clothing	45	0.1	66	0.2	45	0.1	51	0.2
35. Other clothing	19	[-§32]	20	0.1	33	0.1	27	0.1
36. Men's footwear	39	0.1	59	0.2	56	0.2	54	0.2
37. Women's footwear	121	0.3	37	0.1	73	0.2	69	0.2
38. Children's and infants' footwear	7	[-§32]	4	[-§32]	26	0.1	16	[-§32]

Year	2024/25							
Geographical area	Hong Kong Island		Kowloon		New Territories		Overall	
	Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure	
	HK$	%	HK$	%	HK$	%	HK$	%
Commodity/service section and group								
Durable goods	1,526	3.4	947	3.3	1,251	4.0	1,200	3.7
39. Furniture	174	0.4	96	0.3	120	0.4	121	0.4
40. Home appliances, electric and gas	401	0.9	294	1.0	285	0.9	306	0.9
41. Video and sound equipment	81	0.2	69	0.2	62	0.2	67	0.2
42. Information technology and telecommunications equipment	426	0.9	291	1.0	395	1.3	368	1.1
43. Tableware and kitchen utensils	31	0.1	17	0.1	25	0.1	23	0.1
44. Watches, clocks, cameras and optical goods	154	0.3	75	0.3	187	0.6	147	0.5
45. Travel goods, handbags and other personal effects	244	0.5	97	0.3	154	0.5	151	0.5
46. Other durable goods	16	[-§32]	6	[-§32]	24	0.1	17	0.1
Miscellaneous goods	1,226	2.7	921	3.2	1,042	3.4	1,033	3.2
47. Medicines and health products	271	0.6	241	0.8	223	0.7	236	0.7
48. Newspapers, books and stationery	48	0.1	38	0.1	49	0.2	46	0.1
49. Soft furnishings	27	0.1	25	0.1	29	0.1	27	0.1
50. Cosmetics and personal care products	354	0.8	251	0.9	276	0.9	280	0.9
51. Household cleansing tools and supplies	61	0.1	39	0.1	48	0.2	47	0.1
52. Jewellery	183	0.4	101	0.4	152	0.5	141	0.4
53. Toys and hobbies	114	0.3	53	0.2	93	0.3	84	0.3
54. Textbooks	103	0.2	128	0.4	120	0.4	120	0.4
55. Other household goods	64	0.1	45	0.2	51	0.2	51	0.2
Transport	2,781	6.1	1,851	6.5	2,796	9.0	2,499	7.7
56. Purchases of and repairs to vehicles	153	0.3	82	0.3	345	1.1	233	0.7
57. Fuels for personal transport equipment	183	0.4	86	0.3	207	0.7	166	0.5
58. Vehicle and driving licences, insurance, instructor's fees, parking fees and road tunnel tolls	753	1.7	459	1.6	761	2.5	666	2.0
59. Bus fares	225	0.5	182	0.6	330	1.1	267	0.8
60. Tram fares	7	[-§32]	1	[-§32]	1	[-§32]	2	[-§32]
61. Public light bus fares	61	0.1	62	0.2	82	0.3	72	0.2
62. Taxi fares	201	0.4	83	0.3	96	0.3	109	0.3
63. MTR fares	399	0.9	459	1.6	439	1.4	439	1.4
64. Ferry fares	5	[-§32]	2	[-§32]	15	[-§32]	10	[-§32]
65. Other local transport fares	68	0.2	55	0.2	58	0.2	59	0.2
66. Inbound and outbound transport fares	726	1.6	381	1.3	462	1.5	478	1.5
Miscellaneous services	9,226	20.4	4,260	15.0	5,111	16.5	5,495	16.9
67. Educational services	2,918	6.4	1,326	4.7	1,531	4.9	1,686	5.2
68. Health services	1,802	4.0	869	3.1	978	3.2	1,074	3.3
69. Package holidays	854	1.9	273	1.0	519	1.7	495	1.5
70. Other entertainment expenses	200	0.4	72	0.3	95	0.3	105	0.3
71. Household services	1,500	3.3	732	2.6	673	2.2	822	2.5
72. Hair-dressing	187	0.4	122	0.4	131	0.4	137	0.4
73. Beauty treatment and fitness services	468	1.0	117	0.4	172	0.6	202	0.6
74. Information and communications services	645	1.4	527	1.9	591	1.9	580	1.8
75. Other services	653	1.4	221	0.8	420	1.4	395	1.2
All groups	45,334	100.0	28,434	100.0	31,024	100.0	32,472	100.0

Number of households in each group : Hong Kong Island (407 000); Kowloon (805 000); New Territories (1 369 000); Overall (2 580 000).

1 For owner-occupied, rent-free, and employer-subsidised accommodations, although households do not actually pay rent or pay only a nominal rent, a rent is imputed for these accommodations and included in their housing expenditure.

[-§32] Less than 0.05%

Table 4.3 : Average monthly household expenditure by commodity/service section and group by household size

Year	2024/25											
Household size	1 person		2 persons		3 persons		4 persons		5 persons and over		Overall	
	Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure	
	HK$	%	HK$	%	HK$	%	HK$	%	HK$	%	HK$	%
Commodity/service section and group												
Food	3,904	19.8	6,615	23.6	9,041	26.7	10,441	26.2	12,921	21.7	7,836	24.1
1. Meals out and takeaway food	2,646	13.4	4,202	15.0	5,730	16.9	6,487	16.3	7,367	12.4	4,911	15.1
Basic food (i.e. groups 2-22)	1,258	6.4	2,413	8.6	3,311	9.8	3,954	9.9	5,553	9.3	2,926	9.0
2. Rice	13	0.1	35	0.1	52	0.2	55	0.1	76	0.1	42	0.1
3. Other cereals and cereal preparations	49	0.3	64	0.2	78	0.2	94	0.2	128	0.2	75	0.2
4. Bread, cakes, biscuits and pastries	118	0.6	179	0.6	253	0.7	287	0.7	361	0.6	218	0.7
5. Salt-water fish	67	0.3	198	0.7	289	0.9	328	0.8	444	0.7	237	0.7
6. Fresh-water fish	32	0.2	71	0.3	97	0.3	108	0.3	118	0.2	80	0.2
7. Other fresh seafood	16	0.1	72	0.3	120	0.4	140	0.4	221	0.4	97	0.3
8. Processed sea products	65	0.3	138	0.5	164	0.5	213	0.5	357	0.6	161	0.5
9. Pork	123	0.6	300	1.1	430	1.3	490	1.2	681	1.1	361	1.1
10. Beef	21	0.1	61	0.2	105	0.3	137	0.3	203	0.3	88	0.3
11. Poultry	34	0.2	96	0.3	139	0.4	179	0.4	252	0.4	121	0.4
12. Frozen meat	84	0.4	152	0.5	222	0.7	314	0.8	476	0.8	210	0.6
13. Other meat	31	0.2	69	0.2	128	0.4	128	0.3	163	0.3	94	0.3
14. Vegetables	160	0.8	320	1.1	419	1.2	502	1.3	676	1.1	373	1.1
15. Fruits	162	0.8	249	0.9	294	0.9	348	0.9	472	0.8	278	0.9
16. Dairy products	54	0.3	66	0.2	104	0.3	166	0.4	271	0.5	107	0.3
17. Eggs	26	0.1	39	0.1	46	0.1	55	0.1	76	0.1	44	0.1
18. Edible oils	12	0.1	24	0.1	36	0.1	31	0.1	47	0.1	28	0.1
19. Non-alcoholic beverages	59	0.3	71	0.3	77	0.2	95	0.2	116	0.2	78	0.2
20. Confectionery and snacks	42	0.2	73	0.3	82	0.2	92	0.2	136	0.2	78	0.2
21. Condiments and sauces	15	0.1	26	0.1	36	0.1	38	0.1	61	0.1	31	0.1
22. Other food	72	0.4	111	0.4	141	0.4	155	0.4	218	0.4	127	0.4
Housing (1)	10,312	52.3	12,273	43.8	13,083	38.6	13,135	32.9	18,574	31.2	12,775	39.3
23. Rent, including rates and government rent	9,419	47.8	11,106	39.6	11,812	34.8	11,933	29.9	16,996	28.6	11,595	35.7
24. Management fees and other housing expenses	893	4.5	1,167	4.2	1,271	3.7	1,201	3.0	1,577	2.7	1,180	3.6
Electricity, gas and water	398	2.0	673	2.4	925	2.7	1,117	2.8	1,553	2.6	828	2.6
25. Electricity	273	1.4	442	1.6	577	1.7	689	1.7	959	1.6	527	1.6
26. Towngas	79	0.4	147	0.5	218	0.6	270	0.7	342	0.6	188	0.6
27. Liquefied petroleum gas and other fuel	12	0.1	25	0.1	37	0.1	32	0.1	56	0.1	29	0.1
28. Water and sewage charges	34	0.2	59	0.2	93	0.3	125	0.3	195	0.3	85	0.3
Alcoholic drinks and tobacco	120	0.6	117	0.4	117	0.3	132	0.3	114	0.2	120	0.4
29. Wines and spirits	51	0.3	35	0.1	27	0.1	37	0.1	21	[-§32]	35	0.1
30. Beer	14	0.1	14	0.1	15	[-§32]	19	[-§32]	15	[-§32]	15	[-§32]
31. Cigarettes	55	0.3	68	0.2	75	0.2	75	0.2	78	0.1	69	0.2
Clothing and footwear	419	2.1	601	2.1	722	2.1	897	2.2	1,113	1.9	687	2.1
32. Men's clothing	145	0.7	138	0.5	170	0.5	216	0.5	191	0.3	164	0.5
33. Women's clothing	193	1.0	301	1.1	362	1.1	347	0.9	331	0.6	305	0.9
34. Children's and infants' clothing	1	[-§32]	8	[-§32]	40	0.1	111	0.3	244	0.4	51	0.2
35. Other clothing	21	0.1	38	0.1	18	0.1	24	0.1	32	0.1	27	0.1

Year	2024/25											
Household size	1 person		2 persons		3 persons		4 persons		5 persons and over		Overall	
	Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure	
	HK$	%	HK$	%	HK$	%	HK$	%	HK$	%	HK$	%
Commodity/service section and group												
36. Men's footwear	40	0.2	39	0.1	40	0.1	79	0.2	135	0.2	54	0.2
37. Women's footwear	19	0.1	76	0.3	73	0.2	83	0.2	118	0.2	69	0.2
38. Children's and infants' footwear	[-§19]	[-§32]	1	[-§32]	19	0.1	36	0.1	61	0.1	16	[-§32]
Durable goods	800	4.1	1,119	4.0	1,186	3.5	1,543	3.9	1,793	3.0	1,200	3.7
39. Furniture	112	0.6	104	0.4	117	0.3	159	0.4	149	0.3	121	0.4
40. Home appliances, electric and gas	225	1.1	296	1.1	338	1.0	324	0.8	405	0.7	306	0.9
41. Video and sound equipment	49	0.3	76	0.3	61	0.2	78	0.2	73	0.1	67	0.2
42. Information technology and telecommunications equipment	213	1.1	297	1.1	378	1.1	483	1.2	726	1.2	368	1.1
43. Tableware and kitchen utensils	16	0.1	22	0.1	26	0.1	29	0.1	27	[-§32]	23	0.1
44. Watches, clocks, cameras and optical goods	83	0.4	170	0.6	108	0.3	225	0.6	169	0.3	147	0.5
45. Travel goods, handbags and other personal effects	89	0.5	153	0.5	136	0.4	221	0.6	189	0.3	151	0.5
46. Other durable goods	12	0.1	3	[-§32]	21	0.1	24	0.1	56	0.1	17	0.1
Miscellaneous goods	605	3.1	955	3.4	1,013	3.0	1,330	3.3	1,784	3.0	1,033	3.2
47. Medicines and health products	164	0.8	243	0.9	267	0.8	256	0.6	252	0.4	236	0.7
48. Newspapers, books and stationery	21	0.1	33	0.1	43	0.1	81	0.2	90	0.2	46	0.1
49. Soft furnishings	19	0.1	23	0.1	34	0.1	28	0.1	42	0.1	27	0.1
50. Cosmetics and personal care products	190	1.0	269	1.0	293	0.9	318	0.8	421	0.7	280	0.9
51. Household cleansing tools and supplies	31	0.2	42	0.2	47	0.1	61	0.2	79	0.1	47	0.1
52. Jewellery	83	0.4	215	0.8	108	0.3	109	0.3	153	0.3	141	0.4
53. Toys and hobbies	57	0.3	69	0.2	72	0.2	125	0.3	158	0.3	84	0.3
54. Textbooks	2	[-§32]	12	[-§32]	101	0.3	291	0.7	512	0.9	120	0.4
55. Other household goods	38	0.2	50	0.2	48	0.1	61	0.2	77	0.1	51	0.2
Transport	991	5.0	1,942	6.9	2,646	7.8	3,514	8.8	5,613	9.4	2,499	7.7
56. Purchases of and repairs to vehicles	34	0.2	172	0.6	316	0.9	274	0.7	593	1.0	233	0.7
57. Fuels for personal transport equipment	45	0.2	129	0.5	135	0.4	219	0.5	553	0.9	166	0.5
58. Vehicle and driving licences, insurance, instructor's fees, parking fees and road tunnel tolls	172	0.9	511	1.8	690	2.0	972	2.4	1,696	2.8	666	2.0
59. Bus fares	100	0.5	201	0.7	324	1.0	435	1.1	418	0.7	267	0.8
60. Tram fares	2	[-§32]	2	[-§32]	2	[-§32]	3	[-§32]	1	[-§32]	2	[-§32]
61. Public light bus fares	23	0.1	52	0.2	88	0.3	97	0.2	162	0.3	72	0.2
62. Taxi fares	94	0.5	83	0.3	99	0.3	114	0.3	251	0.4	109	0.3
63. MTR fares	228	1.2	344	1.2	484	1.4	659	1.7	722	1.2	439	1.4
64. Ferry fares	6	[-§32]	8	[-§32]	12	[-§32]	10	[-§32]	15	[-§32]	10	[-§32]
65. Other local transport fares	5	[-§32]	9	[-§32]	42	0.1	118	0.3	296	0.5	59	0.2
66. Inbound and outbound transport fares	282	1.4	431	1.5	455	1.3	613	1.5	907	1.5	478	1.5
Miscellaneous services	2,166	11.0	3,720	13.3	5,174	15.3	7,777	19.5	16,057	27.0	5,495	16.9
67. Educational services	534	2.7	398	1.4	1,424	4.2	3,250	8.1	6,785	11.4	1,686	5.2
68. Health services	518	2.6	1,043	3.7	1,075	3.2	1,155	2.9	2,274	3.8	1,074	3.3

Year	2024/25											
Household size	1 person		2 persons		3 persons		4 persons		5 persons and over		Overall	
	Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure		Average monthly household expenditure	
	HK$	%	HK$	%	HK$	%	HK$	%	HK$	%	HK$	%
Commodity/service section and group												
69. Package holidays	220	1.1	463	1.7	467	1.4	525	1.3	1,249	2.1	495	1.5
70. Other entertainment expenses	60	0.3	75	0.3	108	0.3	133	0.3	250	0.4	105	0.3
71. Household services	88	0.4	410	1.5	684	2.0	1,254	3.1	3,545	6.0	822	2.5
72. Hair-dressing	61	0.3	113	0.4	156	0.5	183	0.5	258	0.4	137	0.4
73. Beauty treatment and fitness services	173	0.9	188	0.7	193	0.6	184	0.5	368	0.6	202	0.6
74. Information and communications services	305	1.5	505	1.8	669	2.0	753	1.9	900	1.5	580	1.8
75. Other services	206	1.0	527	1.9	398	1.2	339	0.9	428	0.7	395	1.2
All groups	19,715	100.0	28,015	100.0	33,907	100.0	39,885	100.0	59,520	100.0	32,472	100.0

Number of households in each group : households with 1 person (502 000); 2 persons (817 000); 3 persons (624 000); 4 persons (413 000); 5 persons and over (225 000); Overall (2 580 000).

1 For owner-occupied, rent-free, and employer-subsidised accommodations, although households do not actually pay rent or pay only a nominal rent, a rent is imputed for these accommodations and included in their housing expenditure.

[-§32] Less than 0.05%
[-§19] Less than $0.5

Table 4.4 : Average monthly household expenditure by Classification of Individual Consumption According to Purpose (COICOP) division

Year	2024/25	
	Average monthly household expenditure	
	HK$	%
COICOP division		
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	2,926	9.0
Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	120	0.4
Clothing and footwear	690	2.1
Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels	13,568	41.8
Furnishings, household equipment and routine household maintenance	1,281	3.9
Health	1,045	3.2
Transport	2,451	7.5
Information and communication	1,008	3.1
Recreation, sport and culture	1,176	3.6
Education services	1,441	4.4
Restaurants and accommodation services	4,984	15.3
Insurance and financial services	612	1.9
Personal care, social protection and miscellaneous goods and services	1,170	3.6
All divisions	32,472	100.0

5. Further Information

For the latest and more detailed statistics on household expenditure, please refer to the **Household Expenditures subject page**, where you may further customise the following statistical tables to fit your own needs.

- **Table 140-09001 : 1999/2000 Household Expenditure Survey - Average monthly household expenditure by commodity/service section and group by type of housing**
- **Table 140-09002 : 2004/05 Household Expenditure Survey - Average monthly household expenditure by commodity/service section and group by type of housing**
- **Table 140-09003 : 2009/10 Household Expenditure Survey - Average monthly household expenditure by commodity/service section and group by type of housing**
- **Table 140-09004 : 2014/15 Household Expenditure Survey - Average monthly household expenditure by commodity/service section and group by type of housing**
- **Table 140-09005 : 2019/20 Household Expenditure Survey - Average monthly household expenditure by commodity/service section and group by type of housing**
- **Table 140-09006 : 2024/25 Household Expenditure Survey - Average monthly household expenditure by commodity/service section and group by type of housing**

6. Explanatory Notes

Household Expenditure Survey

The Household Expenditure Survey (HES) is conducted once every 5 years by the Census and Statistics Department to collect up-to-date information on the expenditure patterns of households in Hong Kong. The survey results serve as an important data source for updating the expenditure weights of the Consumer Price Index, and can also be used to study the consumption behaviour of households in Hong Kong.

Household expenditures

Household expenditures refer to consumption expenditures on commodities and services, but do not include the following items:
(1) Business expenses;
(2) MPF / Provident fund contributions and personal income tax;
(3) Investment amounts;
(4) Cash contributions to relatives/friends and regular outlays paid for other individuals;
(5) Outlays on behalf of other individuals which will be repaid later;
(6) Charitable donations;
(7) Overseas (including Chinese Mainland and Macao) expenditures;
(8) Remittances to abroad; and
(9) Subscriptions to old-age societies and savings clubs.

Imputed expenditure for commodities and services received as payment in kind is also included in household expenditure. For owner-occupied, rent-free, and employer-subsidised accommodations, although households do not actually pay rent or pay only a nominal rent, a rent is imputed for these accommodations and included in their housing expenditure.

Expenditure on online purchases from local and non-local online platforms is included in the total household expenditure, as long as the goods are delivered to and the services are provided in Hong Kong.

Scope and coverage of the survey

The 2024/25 HES covered all land-based domestic households in Hong Kong, except households receiving Comprehensive Social Security Assistance (CSSA) which were covered in a special survey conducted along with the HES. Marine households and collective households were not included in the HES.

Survey period

As consumers have different spending patterns and habits in different seasons of a year, it is necessary for the survey to cover a whole year in order to take into account seasonal variations in consumer spending. The 2024/25 HES, which lasted for a year, was conducted during the period from October 2024 to September 2025.

Rounding of figures

Figures or percentages in this report may not add up to the respective totals due to rounding.

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