

Housing in Figures

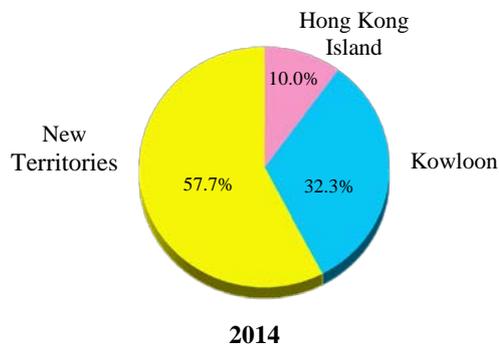
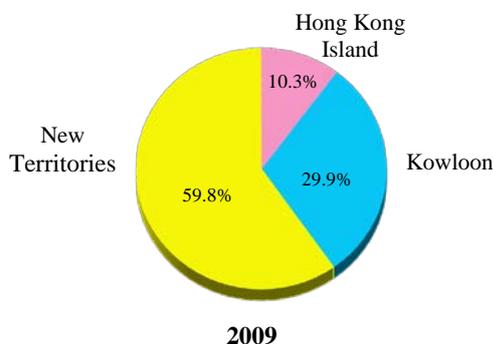
2015

Hong Kong Housing Authority

Population by type of housing ¹

	%		
	2004	2009	2014
Public permanent housing ²	49.0	47.1	45.7
<i>Rental housing</i>	30.5	29.2	29.1
<i>Subsidised sale flats</i>	18.5	17.9	16.5
Private permanent housing ³	50.2	52.2	53.8
Temporary housing ⁴	0.8	0.7	0.6

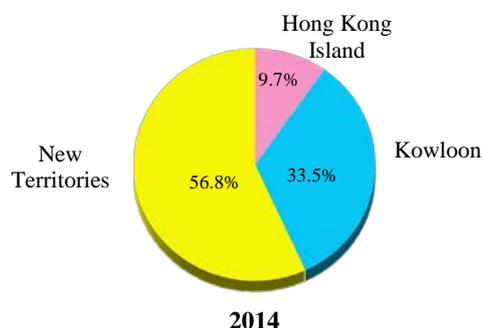
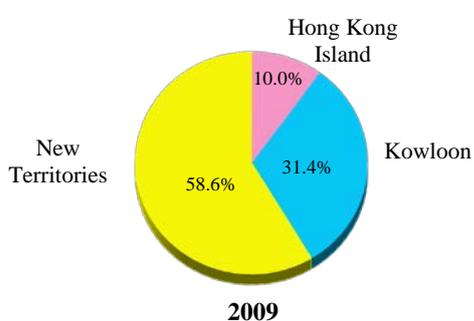
Population in public permanent housing of the HA by district



Domestic households by type of housing ¹

	Thousands ('000)		
	2004	2009	2014
Overall	2 141	2 297	2 431
Public permanent housing ²	47.0	46.3	45.9
<i>Rental housing</i>	30.1	29.9	30.4
<i>Subsidised sale flats</i>	16.9	16.4	15.5
Private permanent housing ³	52.0	52.9	53.5
Temporary housing ⁴	1.0	0.8	0.7

Domestic households in public permanent housing of the HA by district



As at 31 March 2015, there were some 134 100 elderly households (i.e. all household members were aged 60 or above) in HA PRH flats, representing 18% of all households in HA PRH flats.

Average household size ¹

	No. of persons		
	2004	2009	2014
All types of housing	3.1	2.9	2.9
Public permanent housing ²	3.2	3.0	2.9
<i>Rental housing</i>	3.2	2.9	2.8
<i>Subsidised sale flats</i>	3.4	3.2	3.1
Private permanent housing ³	3.0	2.9	2.9
Temporary housing ⁴	2.4	2.5	2.4

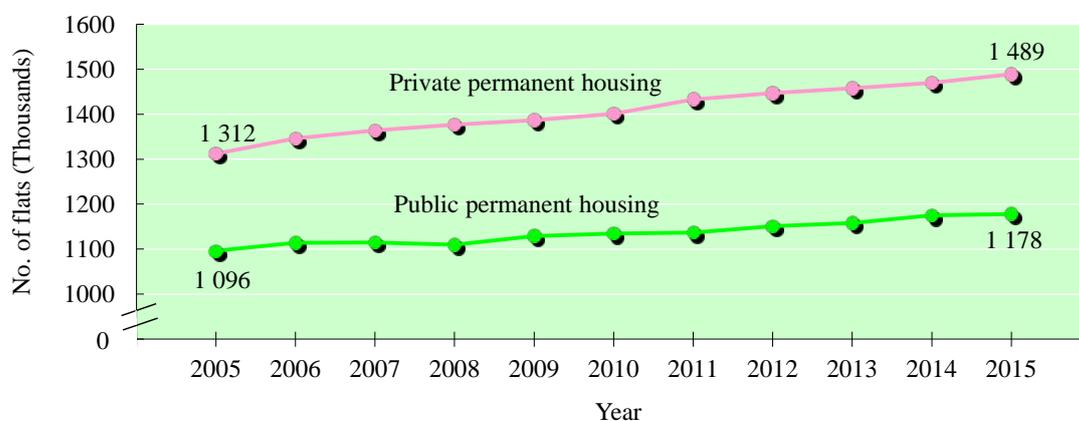
Stock of flats by type of permanent housing

(as at end March of the year)

	Thousands ('000)		
	2005	2010	2015
Overall	2 408	2 536	2 668
Public permanent housing ⁵	1 096	1 135	1 178
<i>Rental housing</i>	710	743	783
<i>Subsidised sale flats</i>	386	393	396
Private permanent housing ⁶	1 312	1 401	1 489

Stock of flats in public and private permanent housing

(as at end March of the year)

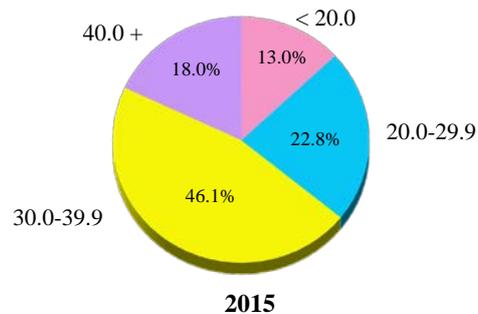
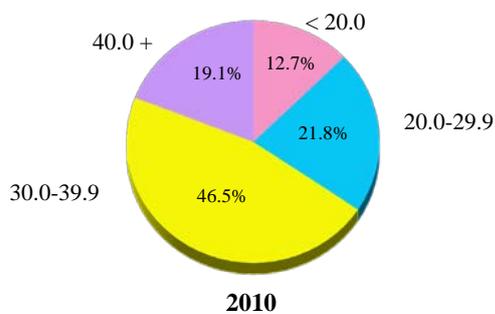


Stock of HA PRH flats by age of block

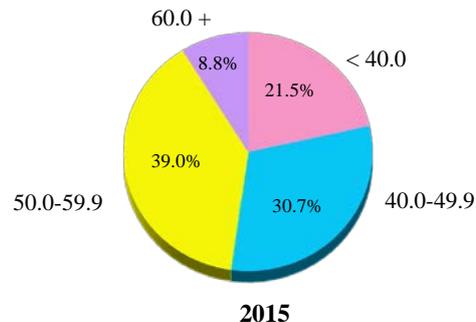
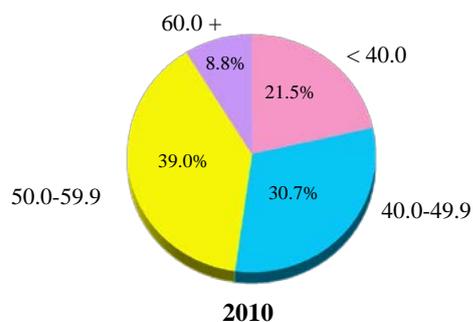
(as at end March of the year)

	Thousands ('000)		
	2005	2010	2015
Overall	669	704	744
0 - 5 years	160	85	80
6 - 10 years	81	150	66
11 - 15 years	94	81	149
16 - 20 years	90	88	80
21 - 25 years	140	73	82
26 years and over	104	226	287

Stock of HA PRH flats by flat size (m², IFA)
(as at end March of the year)



Stock of HA HOS flats⁷ by flat size (m², SA)
(as at end March of the year)



Production of flats by type of permanent housing

	Thousands ('000)		
	2004	2009	2014
Overall	47	27	21
Public permanent housing	21	19	6
<i>Rental housing</i>	21	19	6
<i>Subsidised sale flats</i>	0	^	0
Private permanent housing (excluding village houses)	26	7	16

^ Less than 500

Production of HA PRH flats⁸ by district

	Thousands ('000)		
	2004	2009	2014
Overall	21	19	6
			%
Hong Kong Island	0.0	0.0	0.0
Kowloon	53.6	77.3	17.6
New Territories	46.4	22.7	82.4

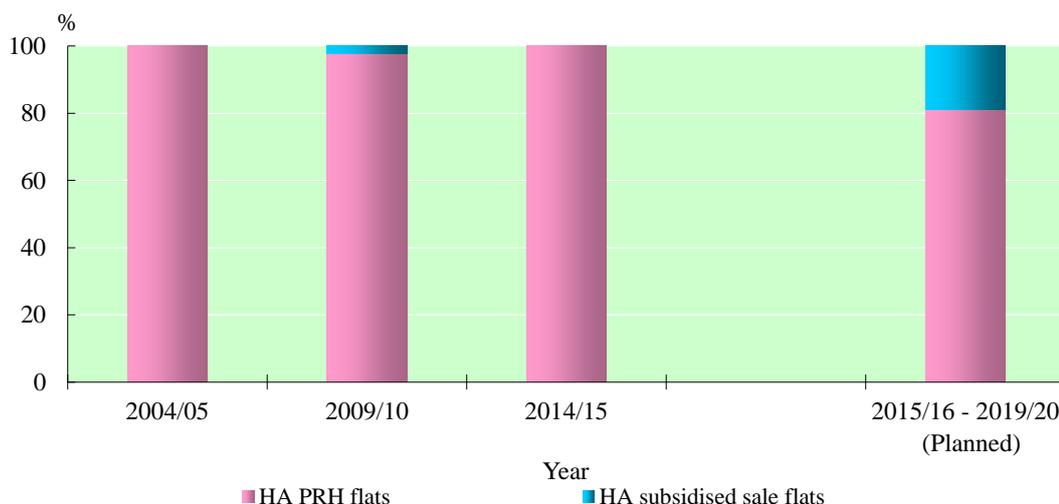
Production of private permanent housing (excluding village houses) by district

	Thousands ('000)		
	2004	2009	2014
Overall	26	7	16
			%
Hong Kong Island	14.2	17.5	12.2
Kowloon	41.5	25.5	21.3
New Territories	44.3	57.0	66.5

HA Production Programme

	Thousands ('000)	
	2010/11 - 2014/15	2015/16 - 2019/20 ⁹
HA PRH flats	62	76
HA subsidised sale flats	1	18

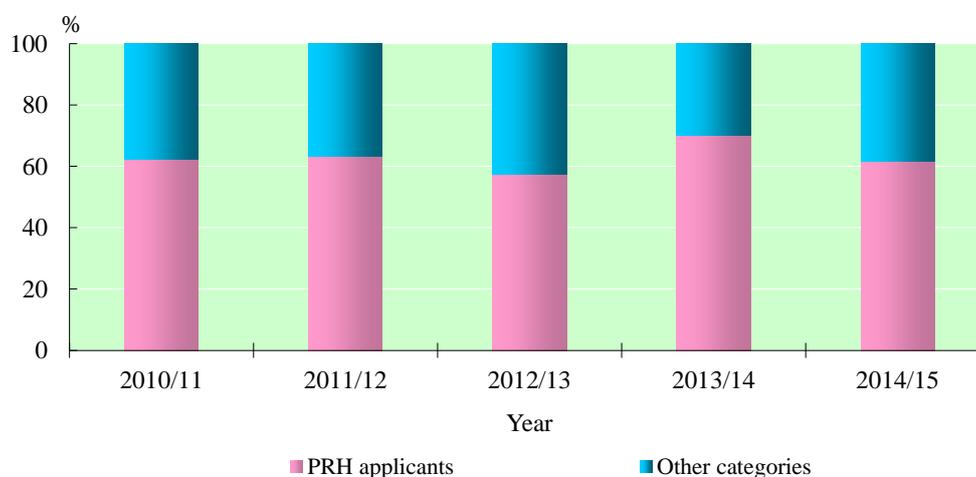
Production of public permanent housing of the HA



Allocation of HA PRH flats

	Thousands ('000)		
	2004/05	2009/10	2014/15
Overall	34	36	22
By rehousing category			
PRH applicants	23	21	13
Other categories ¹⁰	11	15	8

Allocation of HA PRH flats



PRH applicants

(as at end March of the year)

	Thousands ('000)		
	2005	2010	2015
General applicants	91	78	138
QPS applicants ¹¹		51	141

The average waiting time for the general applicants housed to HA PRH flats in the year 2014/15 was 3.3 years.¹²

For 2015/16, the monthly income limit and asset limit for a 4-person household are HK\$25,250 and HK\$487,000 respectively.

Living space of HA PRH tenants

(as at end March of the year)

	m ² (IFA)		
	2005	2010	2015
Average living space per person ¹³	11.7	12.6	13.1
Proportion of households with living space per person below 5.5 m ²	1.0	0.5	0.5

Rent of public and private permanent housing

Rent of HA PRH flats

(average monthly rent as at end March of the year)

	HK\$ / m ² (IFA)		
	2005	2010	2015
Hong Kong Island	46	43	55
Kowloon	51	47	61
New Territories	42	38	49

Rent of private permanent housing¹⁴

(average monthly rent of flats <70 m² in the 1st quarter of the year)

	HK\$ / m ² (SA)		
	2005	2010	2015
Hong Kong Island	173	248	387
Kowloon	139	197	322
New Territories	101	142	242

Price of private permanent housing¹⁵

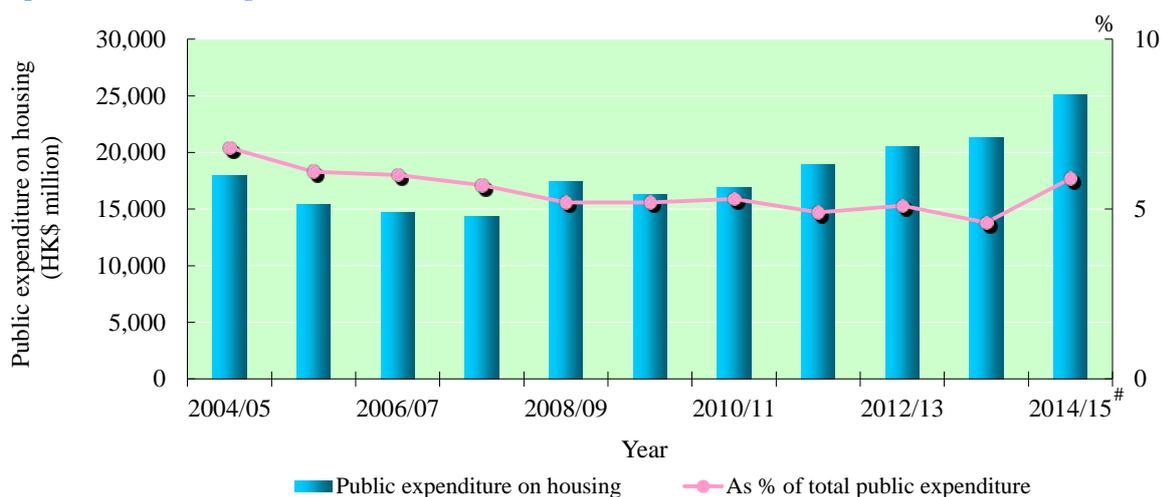
(average price of flats <70 m² of the year)

	HK\$ / m ² (SA)		
	2004	2009	2014
Hong Kong Island	39,444	68,705	129,487
Kowloon	30,669	51,266	107,027
New Territories	27,620	39,279	83,440

Public expenditure on housing¹⁶

	HK\$ million		
	2004/05	2009/10	2014/15 [#]
Public expenditure on housing	17,961	16,258	25,134
As % of total public expenditure	6.8	5.2	5.9

Public expenditure on housing



Explanatory Notes

1. Data source : Census and Statistics Department
Figures on **population, domestic households** and **average household size** are compiled based on the results of the General Household Survey of the Census and Statistics Department (C&SD) as well as the mid-year population estimates by District Council district prepared jointly by the C&SD and the inter-departmental Working Group on Population Distribution Projections. The General Household Survey covers the land-based non-institutional population of Hong Kong. Land-based non-institutional population includes Hong Kong Resident Population (i.e. usual residents, home-based and non home-based mobile residents) but excludes inmates of institutions and persons living on board vessels.
2. **Public permanent housing** covers the following :
 - (a) **Rental housing** which includes :
 - (i) PRH flats and IH flats of the HA; and
 - (ii) Rental flats and SEN flats of the HS.
 - (b) **Subsidised sale flats** which includes :
 - (i) Flats under the TPS of the HA;
 - (ii) Flats under the HOS, PSPS, MIHS, BRO and MSS of the HA; and
 - (iii) Flats under the FFSS and SCHS of the HS.

HOS/PSPS/MIHS/BRO/MSS/TPS/FFSS/SCHS flats that can be traded in the Open Market (i.e. flats sold prior to HOS Phase 3B or flats with premium paid) are classified as private permanent housing and are excluded from subsidised sale flats.
3. **Private permanent housing** covers the following :
 - (a) Private housing blocks;
 - (b) Flats built under the UIS of the HS;
 - (c) Villas/bungalows/modern village houses;
 - (d) Simple stone structures; and
 - (e) HOS/PSPS/MIHS/BRO/MSS/TPS/FFSS/SCHS flats that can be traded in the Open Market.
4. **Temporary housing** includes such temporary structures as roof-top structures, huts and places not intended for residential purposes (e.g. staircases, corridors).
5. Figures on **stock of flats in public permanent housing** are based on the administrative records of the HA and the HS. They cover rental flats and subsidised sale flats of the HA and the HS. Please refer to Note 2 for details.
6. Figures on **stock of flats in private permanent housing** are based on the frame of quarters maintained by the C&SD. Please refer to Note 3 for details.
7. **HA HOS flats** include flats under the HOS, PSPS, MIHS, BRO and MSS of the HA. Figures on **stock of HA HOS flats by flat size** include flats that can be traded in the Open Market (i.e. flats sold prior to HOS Phase 3B or flats with premium paid).
8. Figures on **production of HA PRH flats** include the production of PRH flats and flats of projects transferred from HOS to PRH. Production of IH flats and projects built as rental housing but subsequently transferred to BRO/MSS housing are not included.
9. Figures relating to the **HA production programme** for 2015/16 to 2019/20 are based on the Public Housing Construction Programme as at June 2015 prepared by the Housing Department.
10. **Other categories** include “clearance from squatters and Urban Renewal Authority”, “estate clearance and major repairs”, “compassionate”, “transfer and relief of overcrowding”, “emergency” and “junior civil servants and pensioners”.
11. The **QPS** was implemented in September 2005.

12. **Waiting time** refers to the time taken between registration for PRH and first flat offer, excluding any frozen period during the application period (e.g. the applicant has not yet fulfilled the residence requirement, the applicant has requested to put his/her application on hold pending arrival of family members for family reunion, the applicant is imprisoned). The **average waiting time for general applicants** refers to the average of the waiting time of those general applicants who were housed to PRH in the past 12 months.
13. **Average living space per person** is calculated by taking the average of the living space per person of all PRH households. The living space per person of each PRH household is defined as the ratio of the internal floor area of the PRH flat occupied by the PRH household and the number of authorized persons in that household.
14. Data source : Rating and Valuation Department
Rent of private permanent housing refers to market rent of fresh lettings of private residential flats.
15. Data source : Rating and Valuation Department
Price of private permanent housing refers to the transactions which took place during the reference periods and have been scrutinized by the Rating and Valuation Department for stamp duty purposes.
16. Data source : Financial Services and the Treasury Bureau
Public expenditure on housing comprises government expenditure (expenditure charged to the General Revenue Account and financed by the Government's statutory funds) and expenditure by the HA.
17. Figures may not add up to the total due to rounding.

Abbreviations

BRO	Buy or Rent Option Scheme
FFSS	Flat-For-Sale Scheme
HA	Hong Kong Housing Authority
HOS	Home Ownership Scheme
HS	Hong Kong Housing Society
IFA	Internal Floor Area
IH	Interim Housing
MIHS	Middle Income Housing Scheme
MSS	Mortgage Subsidy Scheme
PRH	Public Rental Housing
PSPS	Private Sector Participation Scheme
QPS	Quota and Points System
SA	Saleable Area
SCHS	Sandwich Class Housing Scheme
SEN	Senior Citizen Residences Scheme
TPS	Tenants Purchase Scheme
UIS	Urban Improvement Scheme