

Thematic Household Survey Report No. 81 published

The Thematic Household Survey Report No. 81 is published by the Census and Statistics Department (C&SD) today (March 17).

This publication contains key findings on employment benefits in the present job as well as characteristics and working conditions of workers of the food and goods delivery digital platforms based on the Thematic Household Survey conducted from December 2023 to March 2024.

Employment benefits in the present job

The survey results showed that among employees in the non-government sector at the time of enumeration, males and females shared similar proportions (at 51.1% and 48.9% respectively). The majority (87.5%) of them had signed a written employment contract. About half (48.3%) of employees in the non-government sector were entitled to employment benefits at a level higher than that stipulated in the Employment Ordinance, while more than half (56.9%) enjoyed extra items of employment benefits which were not required under the Employment Ordinance in their present job. Furthermore, about one-tenth (10.6%) enjoyed flexible work arrangement in their present job.

Characteristics and working conditions of workers of the food and goods delivery digital platforms

Findings of the survey also showed that some 12 900 persons had engaged in the food and goods delivery digital platforms during the 12 months before enumeration (hereafter referred to as "platform workers"). About half (52.5%) were in younger age group (aged 15-39). Some platform workers engaged in more than one platform company. Around 18 100 work in the food and goods delivery digital platforms were taken up by the 12 900 platform workers during the 12 months before enumeration. Analysed by mode of work, the two most common roles performed by those platform workers were cyclist (29.1%) and walker (26.5%).

Other information

The survey successfully enumerated target respondents in some 10 000 households in accordance with a scientific sampling scheme to represent the population of Hong Kong.

Detailed findings of the survey, together with the population coverage and concepts/definitions of key terms, are presented in the publication. Users can browse and download the publication at the website of the C&SD (www.censtatd.gov.hk/en/EIndexbySubject.html?pcode=B1130201&scode=453)

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