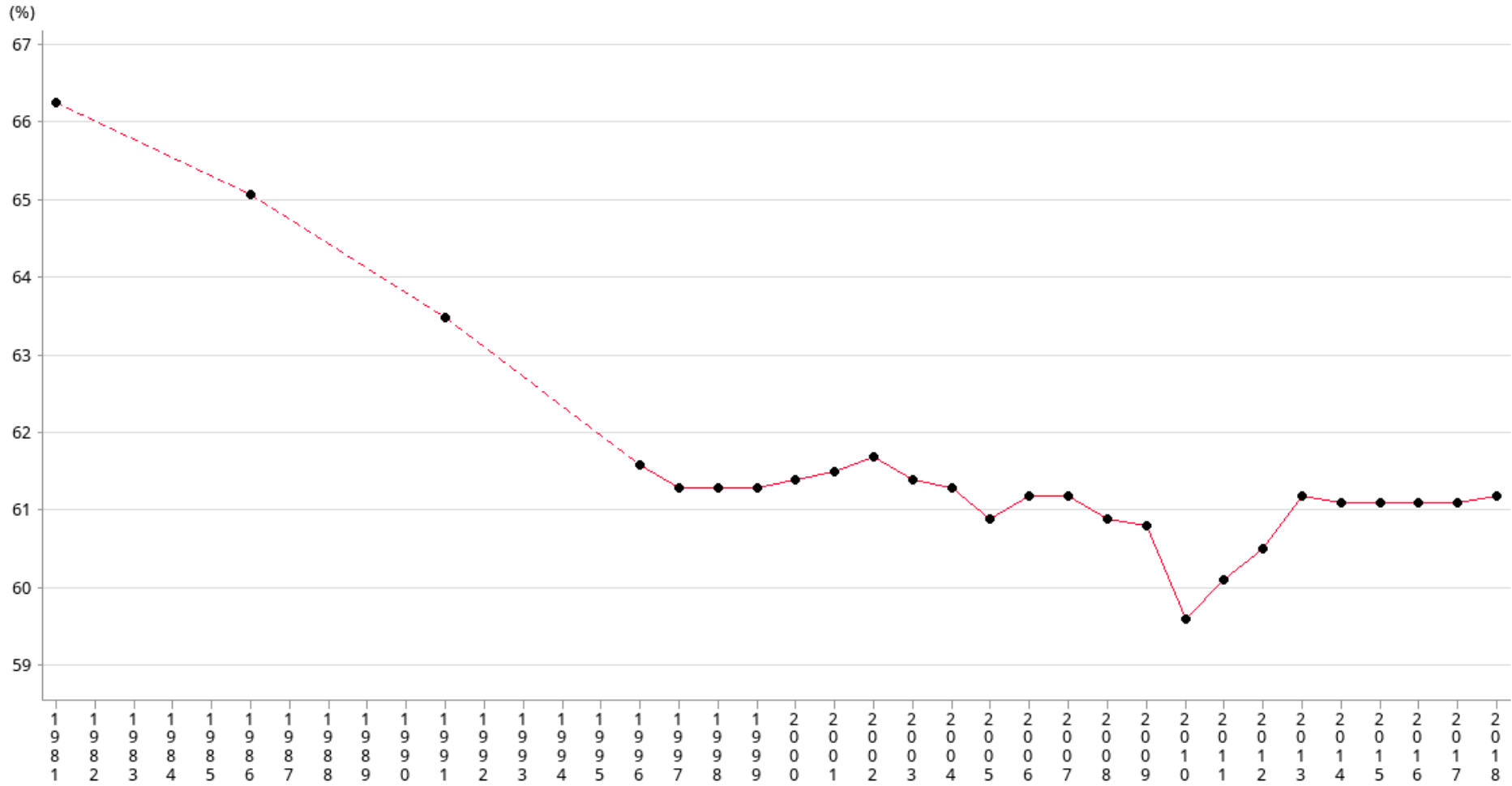


Social Indicators of Hong Kong  
Labour force participation rate (LFPR)



Year	1981	1986	1991	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
%	66.30	65.10	63.50	61.60	61.30	61.30	61.30	61.40	61.50	61.70	61.40	61.30	60.90	61.20
Year	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018		
%	61.20	60.90	60.80	59.60	60.10	60.50	61.20	61.10	61.10	61.10	61.10	61.20		

### Operational Definitions

The labour force participation rate refers to the proportion of labour force in the land-based civilian non-institutionalized persons aged 15 and over. Labour force is made up of land-based civilian non-institutionalized persons aged 15 and over who should: (a) be engaged in performing work for pay or profit during the seven days before enumeration; or (b) have formal job attachment (i.e. that the person has continued receipt of wage or salary; or has an assurance or and agreed date of return to job or business; or is in receipt of compensation without obligation to accept another job); or unemployed. For a definition of unemployed, please see 9.4.

### Footnote

All figures are collected from Census and Statistics Department since 1981.

According to C&SD (25Sep2009), starting from the year 2001, annual figures derived from the General Household Survey (GHS) may be different from those in the earlier edition. For the previous edition, the annual figures are compiled based on the average data for the four quarters of the year concerned. Starting from this edition, these statistics are compiled based on data collected in the General Household Survey from January to December of the year concerned as well as mid-year population estimates.