

Appendix 2: Data for Compiling the 'CUHK' Hong Kong Quality of Life Index

	2002	2003	2004	2005
Social sub-index				
1. Standardized mortality rate (per 1000 standard population)	3.70	3.80	3.80	3.70*
2. Life expectancy at birth (in years)	F : 84.5 M : 78.6	F : 84.3 M : 78.5	F : 84.6 M : 78.6	F: 84.4 # M: 78.8 #
3. Public expenditure on health as a proportion (in percent) of the GDP	2.70	2.70	2.70	2.30
4. Notification rate of notifiable infectious diseases (per 1000 population)	3.73	2.33	2.91	2.91
5. Stress index	100.00	88.75	79.51	72.95
6. General life satisfaction index	100.00	100.68	105.62	109.94
7. Press freedom index	100.00	101.22	100.26	101.43
8. Press criticism index	100.00	103.75	116.89	78.82
9. Government performance index	100.00	103.23	132.23	169.79
10. Overall crime rate (per 1000 population)	11.18	12.99	11.81	11.15
Economic sub-index				
11. Housing affordability ratio	4.68	4.49	5.31	6.22
12. Real rental index	87.97	79.67	84.55	93.11
13. Unemployment rate	7.34	7.93	6.76	5.55
14. Index of current economic conditions	76.55	81.32	99.95	109.75
15. Real wage index	117.53	117.70	116.35	115.70
16. Public expenditure on education as a proportion (in percent) of the GDP	4.20	4.40	4.40	4.00
17. Age participation rate for first-degree programmes and postgraduate programmes in local universities (in percent)	17.04	17.70	17.50	17.60
Environmental sub-index				
18. Air index	46.90	49.93	49.32	45.10
19. Water index	74.40	75.60	78.30	79.68*
20. Noise index (per 1000 population)	1.84	1.43	1.63	1.45*
21. Recycle rate of municipal solid waste	36.30	40.82	40.35	40.59*

* Forecasted figure

Provisional figure