

Appendix 3: 'CUHK' Hong Kong Quality of Life Index

| | Quality of Life Index* | | | | 2005 (Preliminary) compared w/ 2004 |
|---|------------------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------------|--|
| | 2002 (Base year) | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 (Preliminary) | |
| Social sub-index | | | | | |
| 1. Standardized mortality rate (per 1000 standard population) | 4.76 | 4.63 | 4.63 | 4.76 | Better |
| 2. Life expectancy at birth (in year) | 4.76 | 4.75 | 4.76 | 4.76 | Unchanged |
| 3. Public expenditure on health as a proportion (in percent) of the GDP | 4.76 | 4.76 | 4.76 | 4.05 | Worse |
| 4. Notification rate of notifiable infectious diseases (per 1000 population) | 4.76 | 6.55 | 5.81 | 5.81 | Unchanged |
| 5. Stress index | 4.76 | 5.30 | 5.74 | 6.05 | Better |
| 6. General life satisfaction index | 4.76 | 4.79 | 5.03 | 5.23 | Better |
| 7. Press freedom index | 4.76 | 4.82 | 4.77 | 4.83 | Better |
| 8. Press criticism index | 4.76 | 4.94 | 5.56 | 3.75 | Worse |
| 9. Government performance index | 4.76 | 4.91 | 6.29 | 8.08 | Better |
| 10. Overall crime rate (per 1000 population) | 4.76 | 3.99 | 4.49 | 4.75 | Better |
| Social sub-index | 47.62 | 49.44 | 51.84 | 52.07 | Better |
| Economic sub-index | | | | | |
| 11. Housing affordability ratio | 4.76 | 4.95 | 4.12 | 3.19 | Worse |
| 12. Real rental index | 4.76 | 5.21 | 4.95 | 4.20 | Worse |
| 13. Unemployment rate | 4.76 | 4.38 | 5.14 | 5.92 | Better |
| 14. Index of current economic conditions | 4.76 | 5.06 | 6.22 | 6.82 | Better |
| 15. Real wage index | 4.76 | 4.77 | 4.71 | 4.69 | Worse |
| 16. Public expenditure on education as a proportion (in percent) of the GDP | 4.76 | 4.99 | 4.99 | 4.53 | Worse |
| 17. Age participation rate for first-degree programmes and postgraduate programmes in local universities (in percent) | 4.76 | 4.94 | 4.89 | 4.92 | Better |
| Economic sub-index | 33.33 | 34.30 | 35.02 | 34.27 | Worse |
| Environmental sub-index | | | | | |
| 18. Air index | 4.76 | 4.45 | 4.51 | 4.94 | Better |
| 19. Water index | 4.76 | 4.84 | 5.01 | 5.10 | Better |
| 20. Noise index (per 1000 population) | 4.76 | 5.82 | 5.30 | 5.77 | Better |
| 21. Recycle rate of municipal solid waste | 4.76 | 5.35 | 5.29 | 5.32 | Better |
| Environmental sub-index | 19.05 | 20.46 | 20.11 | 21.13 | Better |
| Quality of Life index | 100.00 | 104.20 | 106.97 | 107.47 | Better |

* The higher the score, the better is the performance of the indicator.