Controlling officer: the Commissioner for Census and Statistics will account for expenditure under this He	ad.
Estimate 2011–12	\$827.6m
Establishment ceiling 2011–12 (notional annual mid-point salary value) representing an estimated 1 295 non-directorate posts as at 31 March 2011 reducing by 82 posts to 1 213 posts as at 31 March 2012	\$386.2m
In addition, there will be an estimated seven directorate posts as at 31 March 2011 and as at 31 March 2012.	
Commitment balance	\$14.9m

Controlling Officer's Report

Programmes

rogrammes				
Programme (1) Trade Statistics	This programme contributes to Policy Area 6: Commerce an Industry (Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development and Policy Area 27: Intra-Governmental Services (Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury).			
Programme (2) Social Statistics Programme (3) National Accounts and Balance of Payments Statistics Programme (4) General Statistical Services	These programmes contribute to Policy Area 27: Intra-Governmental Services (Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury).			
Programme (5) Price/Industry/Service Statistics	This programme contributes to Policy Area 17: Information Technology and Broadcasting (Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development) and Policy Area 27: Intra-Governmental Services (Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury).			
Programme (6) Labour Statistics	This programme contributes to Policy Area 27: Intra-Governmental Services (Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury).			

Detail

Programme (1): Trade Statistics

	2009–10	2010–11	2010–11	2011–12
	(Actual)	(Original)	(Revised)	(Estimate)
Financial provision (\$m)	133.5	150.0	132.6 (-11.6%)	150.1 (+13.2%)

(or +0.1% on 2010–11 Original)

Aim

2 The aim is to process import/export declarations and cargo manifests, to safeguard the Government's revenue from import/export declaration charges, and to produce and analyse trade statistics.

Brief Description

- 3 The work involves:
- processing import/export declarations submitted by importers/exporters and cargo manifests submitted by carriers;
- matching import/export declarations and cargo manifests to ensure full collection of import/export declaration charges;
- · designing commodity classification systems and compiling trade statistics;
- · conducting monthly surveys on trade related to outward processing in the Mainland;
- conducting surveys on re-export trade for estimating the rates of re-export margin;
- conducting supplementary surveys to track the latest developments in the trade structure of Hong Kong;

- collecting data for adjusting import statistics to a free-on-board basis to facilitate compilation of national income and balance of payments (BoP) statistics and international comparison of trade data;
- · compiling import/export specification price indices; and
- compiling port cargo statistics and container statistics.
- 4 The key performance measures are:

Targets

	Target	2009 (Actual)	2010 (Actual)	2011 (Plan)
provision of statistics requiring simple action (working days)provision of photocopies or softcopies	0.5	0.2	0.2	0.2
containing detailed information upon receipt of a firm order (working days) assistance in completion of import/export declarations or cargo manifests simple enquiries by telephone or	2	2	2	2
personal visit (minutes) complex enquiries by telephone or	4	4	4	4
personal visit (working days)	1	1	1	1
written enquiries (working days)	1	1	1	1
time after reference period for release of				
monthly trade statistics (weeks)time required for issuing notices	4	4	4	4
for outstanding import/export	1.5	1.5	1.2	1.2
declarations (months)	1.5	1.5	1.3	1.3
Indicators				
		2009 (Actual)	2010 (Actual)	2011 (Estimate)
import/export declarations checked (million)		17.2	19.1#	19.1
cargo manifests processed (million)		8.1	8.8#	
statistical reports/publications produced		9 5	9 7^	9 5
surveys conducted	•••••	5	//\	5

[#] The increase in 2010 over 2009 was due to growth in external trade amid the sustained global economic recovery.

Matters Requiring Special Attention in 2011–12

5 During 2011–12, the Department will continue to support the use of electronic submission services for import/export declarations and cargo manifests.

Programme (2): Social Statistics

	2009–10 (Actual)	2010–11 (Original)	2010–11 (Revised)	2011–12 (Estimate)
Financial provision (\$m)	90.1	142.6	132.1 (-7.4%)	385.8 (+192.1%)
				(or +170.5% on 2010–11 Original)

Aim

6 The aim is to produce and analyse demographic, labour force and social statistics, and to maintain a register of quarters as a sampling frame for conducting household surveys.

[^] Additional ad hoc surveys were conducted in 2010.

Brief Description

- 7 The work involves:
- conducting population censuses/by-censuses at five-yearly intervals;
- compiling vital statistics and population statistics and making population projections;
- conducting a continuous General Household Survey (GHS) with a core part to collect data on the labour force, employment, unemployment and underemployment and a supplementary part to collect data on a variety of social topics;
- organising the Thematic Household Survey (THS) series to meet the statistical data requirements of bureaux and departments under a contracting-out mode; and
- maintaining an up-to-date register of quarters.
- **8** The key performance measures are:

Targets

	Target	2009 (Actual)	2010 (Actual)	2011 (Plan)
provision of statistics requiring simple action (working days)provision of photocopies or softcopies	1	1	1	1
containing detailed information upon receipt of a firm order (working days) time after reference period or time-point for release of	4	4	4	4
half-yearly population statistics (months) annual vital statistics (months) unemployment and	1.7 7.5	1.5 7.5	1.5 7.5	1.5 7.5
underemployment statistics for three-month periods (days)	18	18	18	18
Indicators				
		2009 (Actual)	2010 (Actual)	2011 (Estimate)
quarters records updated	ed	120 000 82 000 10 15 4\psi	293 500¶ 105 600Ψ 10 12μ 6δ	122 000 2 296 000§ 10 15# 5φ

- More quarters records were updated in 2010 owing to the special updating exercises for the 2011 Population Census (11C).
- Excluding households enumerated in the THS series contracted out to private survey research firms.
- The increase in 2010 was due to the Small-scale Test Survey (2 100 enumerated households) and Pilot Survey (22 500 enumerated households) for the 11C conducted during the periods from December 2009 to January 2010 and from June 2010 to August 2010 respectively.
- The anticipated increase in 2011 is attributable to the 11C with some 2.2 million households expected to be enumerated and the Post Enumeration Survey of the 11C with some 15 000 households expected to be enumerated.
- Compared with 2009, there were two more reports on "Hong Kong Population Projections 2010–2039" and "Hong Kong Life Tables 2004–2039". On the other hand, there were one GHS Special Topics report and four THS reports less in 2010 as the numbers of these two reports may vary from year to year.
- Compared with 2010, there will be three more GHS Special Topics reports and two more THS reports. On the other hand, the two reports on "Hong Kong Population Projections 2010–2039" and "Hong Kong Life Tables 2004–2039" need not be published again in 2011.

 Including THS series contracted out to private survey research firms.
- Including the survey conducted on parents of babies born in Hong Kong to Mainland women and the survey on profile of inmates of private elderly homes.
- Including the survey conducted on parents of babies born in Hong Kong to Mainland women and the survey on profile of inmates of private elderly homes as well as the Small-scale Test Survey and the Pilot Survey for the 11C.
- Including the survey conducted on parents of babies born in Hong Kong to Mainland women, the 11C and the Post Enumeration Survey of the 11C.

Matters Requiring Special Attention in 2011-12

9 The Department will conduct the large scale project on the 11C to obtain up-to-date benchmark information on the demographic and socio-economic characteristics of the Hong Kong population and on its geographic distribution in mid 2011.

Programme (3): National Accounts and Balance of Payments Statistics

	2009–10 (Actual)	2010–11 (Original)	2010–11 (Revised)	2011–12 (Estimate)
Financial provision (\$m)	69.7	73.9	66.2 (-10.4%)	72.0 (+8.8%)
				(or -2.6% on 2010–11 Original)

Aim

10 The aim is to produce and analyse Gross Domestic Product (GDP), Gross National Product (GNP), BoP and related statistics in a timely and accurate manner, and to assist in the preparation of Government's forecasts of various economic aggregates.

Brief Description

- 11 The work involves:
- compiling quarterly and annual GDP and GNP statistics based on international statistical standards recommended in "A System of National Accounts" of the United Nations;
- compiling quarterly and annual BoP, international investment position and external debt statistics in accordance with the standard stipulated in "The Balance of Payments Manual" of the International Monetary Fund;
- conducting survey work for collecting data required for the compilation of annual external direct investment statistics as well as quarterly and annual GNP, BoP and related statistics; and
- providing data and professional support for performing econometric modelling related to the production of short-term and medium-term forecasts of economic aggregates.
- 12 The key performance measures are:

Targets

	Target	2009 (Actual)	2010 (Actual)	2011 (Plan)
provision of statistics requiring simple action (working days) time after reference period for release of various statistics (months) quarterly GDP by expenditure	1.0	0.4	0.4	0.4
componentannual GDP by expenditure	2.0	1.6	1.6	1.5
component	2.5	1.9	1.9	1.8
quarterly GDP by economic activity	3.0	2.7	2.7	2.7
annual GDP by economic activity	11	11	11	11
quarterly GNP	3.0	2.5	2.5	2.5
annual GNP	3.0	2.5	2.5	2.5
quarterly BoP statistics	3.0	2.7	2.7	2.7
annual BoP statistics	3.0	2.7	2.7	2.7
annual external direct investment				
statistics	12	12	12	12
quarterly statistics on international				
investment position∆	3.0	_	2.7	2.7
annual statistics on international				
investment position@	3.0	5.1	4.0	2.7
quarterly external debt statistics	3.0	2.7	2.7	2.7
annual external debt statistics	3.0	2.7	2.7	2.7

 $[\]Delta$ Quarterly international investment position statistics are compiled as from the reference quarter of the first quarter of 2010.

[@] Ongoing effort is made to enhance the timeliness of statistics through streamlining of work procedures. As from 2011, the target will be revised from 5.5 to 3.0 months.

Indicators

	2009 (Actual)	2010 (Actual)	2011 (Estimate)
statistical reports/publications produced	4	4	4
surveys conducted	1	1	1

Matters Requiring Special Attention in 2011-12

13 The Department will continue to enhance the methodology and compilation framework in respect of national accounts, BoP and related statistics in line with the latest international standards.

Programme (4): General Statistical Services

	2009–10 (Actual)	2010–11 (Original)	2010–11 (Revised)	2011–12 (Estimate)
Financial provision (\$m)	27.6	28.5	27.8 (-2.5%)	35.0 (+25.9%)
				(or +22.8% on 2010–11 Original)

Aim

14 The aim is to provide statistical consultancy services and to maintain quality standards in statistical work.

Brief Description

- **15** The work involves:
- providing professional assistance to bureaux and departments in statistical work and promoting statistical literacy and application of statistics in the community;
- co-ordinating statistical work to ensure data compatibility and maintain quality standards;
- · publishing general digests of statistics;
- promoting and facilitating further improvement of statistical services under the Department's e-government strategy, including continuous enhancement of the Department's website;
- promoting the re-dissemination of official statistics through data agencies and information providers in the private sector; and
- developing the overall information technology (IT) strategy of the department, co-ordinating IT applications in statistical work and providing related business analysis and technical support.
- **16** The key performance measures are:

Target

	Target	2009 (Actual)	2010 (Actual)	2011 (Plan)
provision of statistics requiring simple action (working days)	1	1	1	1
Indicators				
		2009 (Actual)	2010 (Actual)	2011 (Estimate)
projects of bureaux and departments for which the Department has provided assistanceφstatistical reports/publications produced		16 6Λ	12 5	12 5Λ

 $[\]phi$ The figures vary according to the requirements of bureaux and departments for statistical assistance.

Λ The figure for 2009 included the last issue of the Hong Kong Social and Economic Trends published biennially. Production of the publication will cease starting from 2011.

Matters Requiring Special Attention in 2011-12

- 17 The need for objective, up-to-date and quality statistical information to facilitate policy planning in the Government as well as community understanding and discussion of public issues continues to increase. To address this need, the Department will continue to upgrade the quality of statistical services in respect of timeliness, relevance and user serviceability to ensure that the services are oriented to the needs of users. It will continue to co-ordinate statistical activities across government departments to ensure data compatibility and maintain quality standards.
- 18 The Department will continue to promote statistical literacy and application of statistics in the community through, for example, organising seminars to facilitate correct interpretation and proper use of statistical information.
- 19 Following the recommendations made in the Information Systems Strategy Study completed in 2004, the Department is implementing a number of strategic IT projects to set up a department-wide output production system, two department-wide data capturing systems as well as a knowledge management support system on top of other strategic IT projects which have been completed already.
- 20 The Department will continue to use modern technologies in the collection of data and dissemination of statistical information to enhance efficiency. It will also continue to enhance its website in respect of content, navigation, user friendliness and value-added services.

Programme (5): Price/Industry/Service Statistics

	2009–10	2010–11	2010–11	2011–12
	(Actual)	(Original)	(Revised)	(Estimate)
Financial provision (\$m)	123.1	137.0	121.7 (-11.2%)	120.0 (-1.4%)

(or -12.4% on 2010–11 Original)

Aim

21 The aim is to produce and analyse price, industry and service statistics.

Brief Description

- 22 The work involves:
- compiling on a monthly basis consumer price indices (CPIs) and index numbers relating to costs of labour and materials used in building and construction projects;
- conducting a household expenditure survey (HES) on a quinquennial basis to collect up-to-date information on household expenditure pattern for rebasing the CPIs;
- conducting a programme of annual economic surveys covering all major economic sectors to collect detailed structural data;
- conducting monthly and quarterly surveys to collect data for compiling short-term indicators of the performance of selected economic sectors;
- conducting an annual survey to collect data on trade in services and offshore trade;
- conducting an annual survey to collect both data and views of companies in Hong Kong representing parent companies located outside Hong Kong; and
- conducting an annual survey to collect data on innovation activities, including research and development, in the business sector.

23 In 2010, the Department:

- conducted the 2009–10 HES for updating the expenditure weights of the CPIs;
- conducted further study on the compilation of more inward foreign affiliates trade in services (FATS) statistics and the trial compilation of outward FATS statistics for Hong Kong;
- started to publish monthly restaurant receipts and purchases statistics on a quarterly basis as from the first quarter of 2010;
- integrated the previous annual economic surveys of different economic sectors into a unified Annual Survey of Economic Activities to align with the Hong Kong Standard Industrial Classification (HSIC) Version 2.0 as from the reference year 2009 and legislated the corresponding Survey Order;
- increased the sample size of the Annual Survey of Economic Activities to support more detailed analysis on small and medium enterprises and the compilation of statistics on the six industries; and
- continued to participate in the International Comparison Program (ICP).

24 The key performance measures are:

Targets

	Target	2009 (Actual)	2010 (Actual)	2011 (Plan)
provision of statistics requiring simple action (working days)provision of photocopies or softcopies	1	1	1	1
containing detailed information upon receipt of a firm order (working days) time after reference period for release of results of various surveys (months)	4	4	4	4
Monthly Survey of Retail Sales	1.1	1.0	1.0	1.0
Quarterly Survey of Service Industries Quarterly Survey of Restaurant	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.3
Receipts and Purchases Annual Survey of Industrial	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.1
Production	12	11	_	_
Restaurants and Hotels	12	11		_
Annual Survey of Economic ActivitiesΩtime after reference period for release of	12	_	12	12
CPIs (days)	22	21	21	21

 $[\]Omega$ New survey introduced to integrate the previous annual economic surveys as from the reference year 2009.

Indicators

	2009	2010	2011
	(Actual)	(Actual)	(Estimate)
establishments enumeratedα	250 200β 1 720	243 100 4 350	263 400
price quotations collectedµstatistical reports/publications producedsurveys conducted	606 100	595 400	631 900
	24	22	24
	30	190	15

- α The larger number of establishments to be enumerated is mainly due to the collection of additional price quotations for the ICP.
- β Review of sample sizes of some economic surveys was made in connection with the adoption of the HSIC Version 2.0 in 2009.
- γ The HES was conducted during October 2009 to September 2010.
- μ Additional price quotations were collected in 2008 and 2009 to facilitate close monitoring of the upsurge in food prices. Additional price quotations were also collected in 2009 and will be collected in 2011 for the ICP.
- θ The reduction in number of surveys was mainly because seven annual economic surveys had been integrated into one new annual survey as from the reference year 2009, and the discontinuation of a few ad hoc surveys conducted in 2009.

Matters Requiring Special Attention in 2011-12

- 25 During 2011–12, the Department will:
- release the results of the 2009–10 HES and new series of CPIs with updated weights;
- collect detailed price data for various goods and services and provide them to the Asian Development Bank for the compilation of purchasing power parities in connection with the ICP;
- continue the study on the compilation of more inward FATS statistics and the trial compilation of outward FATS statistics for Hong Kong; and
- support more detailed analysis on small and medium enterprises and also the six industries based on enhanced sample size of the Annual Survey of Economic Activities.

Programme (6): Labour Statistics

	2009–10	2010–11	2010–11	2011–12
	(Actual)	(Original)	(Revised)	(Estimate)
Financial provision (\$m)	62.9	67.2	59.3 (-11.8%)	64.7 (+9.1%)

(or -3.7% on 2010–11 Original)

Aim

26 The aim is to produce and analyse statistics on employment, vacancies, wage, labour earnings and manpower requirements and to maintain a Central Register of Establishments (CRE) as a sampling frame for conducting establishment surveys.

Brief Description

- 27 The work involves:
- compiling employment, vacancies, wage and labour earnings statistics;
- · compiling statistics on manpower requirements and training needs; and
- maintaining the CRE.
- 28 The key performance measures are:

Targets

	Target	2009 (Actual)	2010 (Actual)	2011 (Plan)
provision of statistics requiring simple action (working days)	1	1	1	1
containing detailed information upon receipt of a firm order (working days) time after reference period for release of	4	4	4	4
results of quarterly surveys (weeks)	13	13	13	13
Indicators				
		2009 (Actual)	2010 (Actual)	2011 (Estimate)
records of establishments updated		482 000 518 000 4 6¶	545 000# 588 000# 5^ 6‡	545 000 584 000 5^ 5

[#] The increase in 2010 was mainly due to more applications for business registration and change of business registration particulars received from the Business Registration Office.

^ Including the Report on Annual Earnings and Hours Survey.

Matters Requiring Special Attention in 2011-12

29 The sample size of the payroll enquiry of the Labour Earnings Survey will be reduced from the existing level of 5 000 establishments to 4 000 establishments per quarter with effect from 2011, so that resources can be redeployed to support the compilation of occupational wage statistics on a quarterly basis.

[¶] Including an ad hoc survey, namely Wage Survey of the Care Workers/Personal Care Workers Engaged in Elderly Service in Elderly Homes.

[‡] Including an ad hoc survey, namely Survey on the Provision of Statutory Employment Benefits by Employers.

ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL PROVISION

Pro	gramme	2009–10 (Actual) (\$m)	2010–11 (Original) (\$m)	2010–11 (Revised) (\$m)	2011-12 (Estimate) (\$m)
(1)	Trade Statistics	133.5	150.0	132.6	150.1
(2)	Social StatisticsNational Accounts and Balance of	90.1	142.6	132.1	385.8
` '	Payments Statistics	69.7	73.9	66.2	72.0
(4)	General Statistical Services	27.6	28.5	27.8	35.0
(5)	Price/Industry/Service Statistics	123.1	137.0	121.7	120.0
(6)	Labour Statistics	62.9	67.2	59.3	64.7
		506.9	599.2	539.7 (-9.9%)	827.6 (+53.3%)

(or +38.1% on 2010–11 Original)

Analysis of Financial and Staffing Provision

Programme (1)

Provision for 2011–12 is \$17.5 million (13.2%) higher than the revised estimate for 2010–11. This is mainly due to the additional operating expenses for conducting supplementary surveys to track the latest development in the trade structure of Hong Kong and for enhancing the processing and checking of import/export declarations and cargo manifests, as well as the increased salary provision for filling of vacancies and staff changes.

Programme (2)

Provision for 2011–12 is \$253.7 million (192.1%) higher than the revised estimate for 2010–11. This is mainly due to the increased salary provision for filling of vacancies and staff changes and additional operating expenses for the conduct of the 11C, partly offset by the deletion of 83 posts in 2011–12 upon the completion of the fieldwork of the 11C.

Programme (3)

Provision for 2011–12 is \$5.8 million (8.8%) higher than the revised estimate for 2010–11. This is mainly due to the increased salary provision for filling of vacancies and staff changes.

Programme (4)

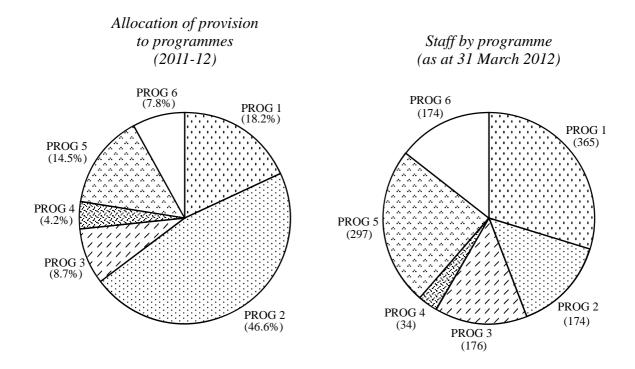
Provision for 2011–12 is \$7.2 million (25.9%) higher than the revised estimate for 2010–11. This is mainly due to the increased salary provision for filling of vacancies and staff changes and the increased cash flow requirement of the non-recurrent item.

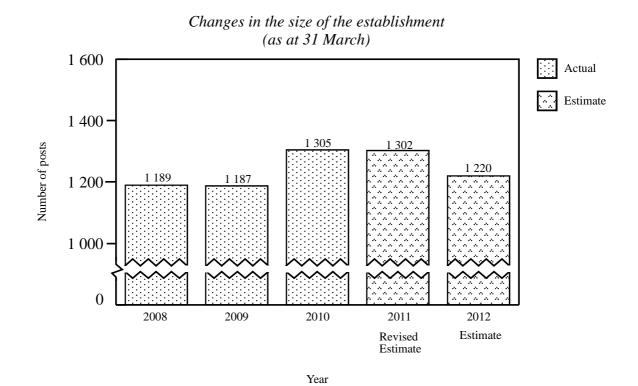
Programme (5)

Provision for 2011–12 is \$1.7 million (1.4%) lower than the revised estimate for 2010–11. This is mainly due to the net decrease of three posts in 2011–12 and reduced operating expenses arising from the completion of the 2009–10 HES, partly offset by the increased salary provision for filling of vacancies and staff changes.

Programme (6)

Provision for 2011–12 is \$5.4 million (9.1%) higher than the revised estimate for 2010–11. This is mainly due to the increased salary provision for filling of vacancies and staff changes.





Sub- head (Code)		Actual expenditure 2009–10	Approved estimate 2010–11	Revised estimate 2010–11	Estimate 2011–12
		\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Operating .	Account				
Recurrent					
000 Operational expenses		505,861	598,995	539,218	821,707
Total, Recurrent		505,861	598,995	539,218	821,707
Non-Recurrent					
700 General non-recurrent		888	_	280	5,900
Total, Non-Recurr	ent	888	_	280	5,900
Total, Operating A	account	506,749	598,995	539,498	827,607
Capital A	ccount				
Plant, Equipment and	Works				
Minor plant, vehicles and (block vote)		135	170	170	_
Total, Plant, Equip	oment and Works	135	170	170	
Total, Capital Acc	ount	135	170	170	
Total Expenditure		506,884	599,165	539,668	827,607

Details of Expenditure by Subhead

The estimate of the amount required in 2011–12 for the salaries and expenses of the Census and Statistics Department is \$827,607,000. This represents an increase of \$287,939,000 over the revised estimate for 2010–11 and of \$320,723,000 over actual expenditure in 2009–10.

Operating Account

Recurrent

- 2 Provision of \$821,707,000 under *Subhead 000 Operational expenses* is for the salaries, allowances and other operating expenses of the Census and Statistics Department. The increase of \$282,489,000 (52.4%) over the revised estimate for 2010–11 is mainly due to the provision for conducting the 2011 Population Census and additional operating expenses for conducting supplementary surveys to track the latest development in the trade structure of Hong Kong and for enhancing the processing and checking of import/export declarations and cargo manifests.
- **3** The establishment as at 31 March 2011 will be 1 302 permanent posts. It is expected that there will be a net decrease of 82 permanent posts in 2011–12. Subject to certain conditions, the controlling officer may under delegated power create or delete non-directorate posts during 2011–12, but the notional annual mid-point salary value of all such posts must not exceed \$386,162,000.
 - 4 An analysis of the financial provision under Subhead 000 Operational expenses is as follows:

2009–10 (Actual) (\$'000)	2010–11 (Original) (\$'000)	2010–11 (Revised) (\$'000)	2011–12 (Estimate) (\$'000)
422,612	475,912	423,748	460,579
4,473	3,111	5,811	5,881
<i>_</i>	4	1	4
728	1,037	900	614
	,		
296	336	649	2,182
			,
77,519	118,361	107,875	352,213
,	,	,	,
233	234	234	234
505,861	598,995	539,218	821,707
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Commitments

Sub- head Ite (Code) (C	em Code) Ambit	Approved commitment \$'000	Accumulated expenditure to 31.3.2010 \$'000	Revised estimated expenditure for 2010–11	Balance **000
Operatin	ng Account				
700	General non-recurrent				
94	59th World Statistics Congress	15,200	_	280	14,920
	Total	15,200		280	14,920