

Geography and Climate

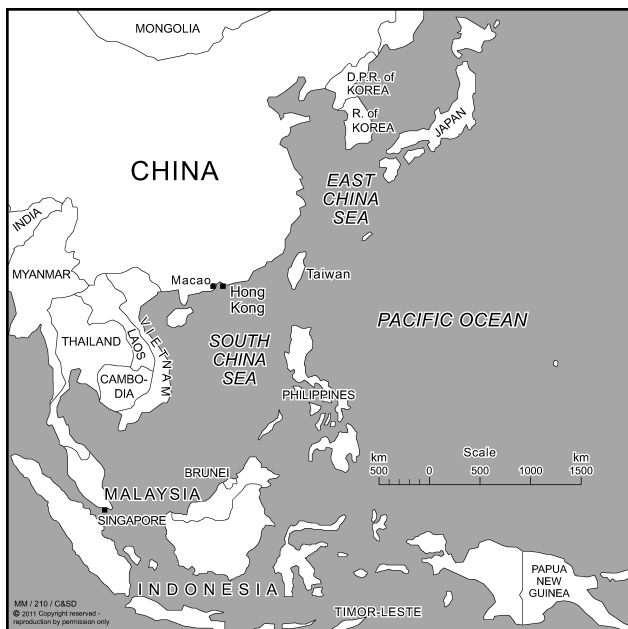
Geography

Hong Kong is situated at the south-eastern tip of the mainland of China, with a total area of about 1 104 square kilometres covering Hong Kong Island, Kowloon and the New Territories and Islands.

Meteorological Observations

	Normals (1971–2000)			2010
	January	July	Whole year	
Air temperature (°C)				
Mean maximum	18.6	31.3	25.6	25.8
Mean	16.1	28.7	23.1	23.2
Mean minimum	14.1	26.7	21.1	21.2
Mean relative humidity (%)	73	81	78	80
Total rainfall (mm)	24.9	374.4	2 382.7	2 371.7
Total bright sunshine (hours)	141.7	214.9	1 842.9	1 709.3
Mean wind speed (km/h)	25.4	21.9	23.9	22.6

Hong Kong in the Asia Pacific Region



Land Area of Hong Kong

	2005	2009	2010
Hong Kong Island	80.5	80.6	80.6
Kowloon	46.9	46.9	46.9
New Territories and Islands	976.6	976.9	976.9
Total	1 104.0	1 104.4	1 104.4

Note: Figures are as at end of the year.

Map of Hong Kong



General Notes

1. Figures in brackets refer to percentage changes over the same period in preceding year and are calculated based on unrounded figures.
2. There may be a slight discrepancy between the sum of individual items and the total as shown in the tables owing to rounding.

Symbols

The following symbols are used throughout the booklet :

- # Provisional figures/estimates
- @ Figures are subject to revision later on
- * Revised figures
- Not applicable
- N.A. Not yet available