

**KEY STATISTICS FOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS IN HONG KONG**  
**Wireless Services**

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End of Month	Public Mobile Radiotelephone Subscriber Units										Short Message Service <sup>4</sup>	
	Analogue (800/900MHz)		Digital (800/900MHz)		PCS (1.7/1.8GHz)	Sub-total (excluding Pre-paid SIM)	Pre-paid SIM	Total <sup>5</sup>	Activated Pre-paid SIM <sup>2</sup>	2.5G <sup>3</sup> Customers	Sent	Received
	Mobile	Portable	Mobile	Portable	Portable							
12/1990	22,796	111,116	N/A	N/A	N/A	133,912	N/A	133,912	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
12/1991	22,835	166,829	N/A	N/A	N/A	189,664	N/A	189,664	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
12/1992	24,014	208,661	25	624	N/A	233,324	N/A	233,324	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
12/1993	24,015	229,485	817	36,526	N/A	290,843	N/A	290,843	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
12/1994	18,499	219,009	1,502	192,765	N/A	431,775	N/A	431,775	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
12/1995	13,357	133,378	2,306	538,559	N/A	687,600	N/A	687,600	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
12/1996	4,423	13,210	9,585	1,183,462	N/A	1,210,680	N/A	1,210,680	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
12/1997	823	648	11,039	1,832,579	240,511	2,085,600	42,335	2,127,935	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
12/1998	0	0	5,080	1,990,781 <sup>1</sup>	772,080	2,767,941	130,136	2,898,077	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
12/1999	0	0	1,897	2,218,913 <sup>1</sup>	1,429,428	3,650,238	339,512	3,989,750	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
12/2000	0	0	1,352	2,395,502 <sup>1</sup>	1,776,464	4,173,318	1,061,052	5,234,370	770,256	N/A	N/A	N/A
12/2001	0	0	1,815	2,397,830 <sup>1</sup>	1,856,777	4,256,422	1,445,264	5,701,686	995,376	N/A	N/A	N/A
12/2002	0	0	908	2,357,880 <sup>1</sup>	1,848,677	4,207,465	2,011,519	6,218,984	1,506,309	170,931	23,920,950	70,990,648
12/2003	0	0	755	2,594,202 <sup>1</sup>	1,812,612	4,407,569	2,786,766	7,194,335	2,124,312	729,554	60,989,502	127,303,535
5/2003	0	0	842	2,403,663 <sup>1</sup>	1,812,594	4,217,099	2,171,713	6,388,812	1,637,020	358,116	24,086,064	72,673,266
6/2003	0	0	850	2,431,283 <sup>1</sup>	1,809,123	4,241,256	2,238,919	6,480,175	1,613,539	383,294	24,875,175	74,768,401
7/2003	0	0	797	2,474,003 <sup>1</sup>	1,800,989	4,275,789	2,289,797	6,565,586	1,648,469	418,974	30,871,878	82,324,181
8/2003	0	0	784	2,517,434 <sup>1</sup>	1,793,390	4,311,608	2,383,986	6,695,594	1,716,332	470,032	36,742,246	87,837,801
9/2003	0	0	767	2,533,296 <sup>1</sup>	1,796,402	4,330,465	2,423,752	6,754,217	1,747,039	535,914	42,778,631	96,597,293
10/2003	0	0	768	2,551,777 <sup>1</sup>	1,797,292	4,349,837	2,587,402	6,937,239	1,868,847	608,653	49,472,020	108,082,009
11/2003	0	0	761	2,575,183 <sup>1</sup>	1,805,384	4,381,328	2,695,070	7,076,398	2,009,489	647,391	51,494,962	112,756,609
12/2003	0	0	755	2,594,202 <sup>1</sup>	1,812,612	4,407,569	2,786,766	7,194,335	2,124,312	729,554	60,989,502	127,303,535
1/2004	0	0	741	2,620,658 <sup>1,6</sup>	1,812,468	4,433,867 <sup>6</sup>	2,819,628	7,253,495 <sup>6</sup>	2,154,812	844,759 <sup>6</sup>	68,896,348 <sup>6</sup>	132,619,378 <sup>6</sup>
2/2004	0	0	796	2,645,296 <sup>1,6</sup>	1,817,974	4,464,066 <sup>6</sup>	2,777,335	7,241,401 <sup>6</sup>	2,168,431	963,514 <sup>6</sup>	70,716,705 <sup>6</sup>	137,812,641 <sup>6</sup>
3/2004	0	0	727	2,667,428 <sup>1,6</sup>	1,822,731	4,490,886 <sup>6</sup>	2,858,316	7,349,202 <sup>6</sup>	2,166,480	996,436 <sup>6</sup>	77,219,398 <sup>6</sup>	145,317,146 <sup>6</sup>
4/2004	0	0	711	2,685,902 <sup>1,6</sup>	1,830,916	4,517,529 <sup>6</sup>	2,884,452	7,401,981 <sup>6</sup>	2,173,710	999,425 <sup>6</sup>	73,735,633 <sup>6</sup>	140,487,244 <sup>6</sup>

Note: 1 Including dual band handsets

2 "Activated prepaid SIM" cards are those prepaid SIM cards which have been sold but not expired and have been used at least once or activated by customers.

3 "2.5G customers" refer to those customers who have joined the service plans for 2.5G services (including GPRS and IS-95B services) or used the 2.5G services at least once for the month being reported on. The total number of public mobile radiotelephone subscribers for the month has included the number of 2.5G customers.

4 "Sent" under "short message service" refers to the total number of short messages sent by mobile customers for the month being reported on. The data include inter-network and intra-network short messages.

"Received" under "short message service" refers to the total number of short messages received by mobile customers for the month being reported on. The data include inter-network and intra-network short messages.

The number of short messages sent and received includes messages between mobile customers, messages sent to mobile customers from fixed locations and messages sent by mobile customers to fixed locations.

The number of "received" messages exceeds that of "sent" messages because certain "sent" messages were received by more than one recipient.

5 The total number of subscribers includes subscribers to services of mobile network operators and mobile virtual network operators.

6 With effect from January 2004, the figures include 3G mobile services.

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### Wireless Services

#### P.2

End of Month	Public Radio Paging Receivers	Private Mobile Radio Stations		Trunk Radio Stations			Total
		Base Stations	Mobile Stations	Base Units	Mobile Units	Portable Units	
12/1990	711,420 #	2,553	67,956	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
12/1991	880,666 #	2,530	71,456	250	2,329	1,133	3,712
12/1992	1,046,384 #	2,650	79,949	355	3,322	1,667	5,344
12/1993	1,244,392 #	2,835	80,319	686	4,048	2,521	7,255
12/1994	1,356,177 #	2,921	86,799	653	3,858	2,841	7,352
12/1995	1,323,741	3,026	91,118	600	3,836	3,577	8,013
12/1996	1,089,904	3,036	101,584	480	3,758	3,851	8,089
12/1997	932,854	2,966	107,688	592	3,085	3,719	7,396
12/1998	571,800	2,850	109,197	561	2,942	3,950	7,453
12/1999	342,058	2,818	109,020	862	2,920	5,378	9,160
12/2000	327,768	2,741	113,271	803	2,897	5,539	9,239
12/2001	253,215	2,728	119,492	568	2,281	5,557	8,406
12/2002	197,405	2,990	121,874	321	2,415	5,832	8,568
12/2003	177,926	2,991	119,023	230	1,887	4,918	7,035
5/2003	179,828	3,002	120,325	256	2,105	5,318	7,679
6/2003	172,446	2,986	120,594	254	2,105	5,334	7,693
7/2003	174,011	3,001	120,188	247	2,113	5,285	7,645
8/2003	171,715	3,002	119,665	238	1,855	5,255	7,348
9/2003	171,321	3,010	119,999	237	1,841	5,266	7,344
10/2003	173,100	3,009	120,038	232	1,913	5,042	7,187
11/2003	174,782	2,995	119,399	232	1,904	5,030	7,166
12/2003	177,926	2,991	119,023	230	1,887	4,918	7,035
1/2004	180,135	3,004	118,534	225	1,890	4,837	6,952
2/2004	178,812	2,995	117,777	222	1,812	4,845	6,879
3/2004	176,303	3,006	117,457	218	1,731	4,825	6,774
4/2004	172,021	3,001	116,617	218	1,724	4,792	6,734

Note: # The statistics of "public radio paging receivers" before June 1995 have been collected using a different approach.