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The Census and Statistics Department (C&SD) published today (April 15) the April 2021 issue of the "Hong Kong Monthly Digest of Statistics" (HKMDS).

Apart from providing up-to-date statistics, this issue also contains two feature articles entitled "Statistics on Job Vacancies from 2010 to 2020" and "Public Transport Patronage of Hong Kong, 2010 to 2020". Statistics presented in the "Public Transport Patronage of Hong Kong, 2010 to 2020" article are based on the data source from the Transport Department (TD).

"Statistics on Job Vacancies from 2010 to 2020"

This feature article gives a brief account of the compilation methodology of job vacancies statistics and the trend in the number of job vacancies in the past ten years.

The movements in the number of vacancies measured from the Quarterly Survey of Employment and Vacancies varied across the years in the past decade from 2010 to 2020. It was generally on an upward trend during the first few years and then remained steady until a sharp decrease appeared starting from mid-2019. Among the various industry sections, the largest decreases were found in the "import/export, wholesale and retail trades" and "accommodation and food services" sections during the ten-year period.

For enquiries about this feature article, please contact the Employment Statistics and Central Register of Establishments Section of the C&SD (Tel: 2582 4751; email: <a href="mailto:employment@censtatd.gov.hk">employment@censtatd.gov.hk</a>).

"Public Transport Patronage of Hong Kong, 2010 to 2020"

Hong Kong has an efficient and reliable public transport system to facilitate the movement of passengers within the territory. During the period 2010 to 2020, public transport patronage initially grew steadily from a daily average of 11.6 million passenger journeys in 2010 to a record high of 12.9 million passenger journeys in 2018 before decreasing sharply in 2020 to a daily average of 8.9 million passenger journeys mainly due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the related anti-epidemic and social distancing measures. This feature article presents the trend of public transport patronage of Hong Kong from 2010 to 2020.

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