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The Census and Statistics Department (C&SD) published today (August 15) the August 2023 issue of the "Hong Kong Monthly Digest of Statistics" (HKMDS).

Apart from providing up-to-date statistics, this issue also contains three feature articles entitled "Composite Employment Estimates 2022", "Labour Productivity Index in Hong Kong, 2003 to 2022, and Shift-share Analysis of Productivity Growth in Recent Years" and "Sports and Related Activites in Hong Kong".

"Composite Employment Estimates 2022"

In studies of employment statistics, the issue of discrepancies observed between the employment data obtained from establishment-based surveys (which refer to occupied posts in firms) and those data obtained from household surveys (which refer to persons employed) is common. To tackle this, C&SD has been compiling a set of Composite Employment Estimates (CEE) which reconciles, under a designated statistical framework, the results obtained from the household-based General Household Survey and the establishment-based Quarterly Survey of Employment and Vacancies since 1997.

This feature article provides the CEE figures in individual industries for 2017 to 2022. It also gives an account of the characteristics of CEE and briefly discusses the differences and usage of CEE vis-à-vis the other employment figures.

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: employment@censtatd.gov.hk).

"Labour Productivity Index in Hong Kong, 2003 to 2022, and Shift-share Analysis of Productivity Growth in Recent Years"

Labour Productivity Index (LPI) is an important economic indicator. It shows how efficiently labour input is used for generating real output and is very useful for analysing the contribution of changes in labour productivity to various industries and the economy as a whole.

This feature article analyses the LPIs for selected major economic sectors during 2003 to 2022, and uses Shift-share Analysis to decompose the growth of labour productivity in recent years for more in-depth structural analysis.

For enquiries about this feature article, please contact the Logistics and Producer Prices Statistics Section of the C&SD (Tel: 3903 7255; email: transport@censtatd.gov.hk).

"Sports and Related Activites in Hong Kong"

The Government has been consistently promoting the development of sports through a three-pronged approach, namely to promote sports in the community, to support elite sports and to develop Hong Kong into a centre for major international sports events.

This feature article analyses the economic contribution of sports and related activities in Hong Kong in 2021. In 2021, the Gross Domestic Product at market prices of sports and related activities was \$62 billion, accounted for 2.1% of Hong Kong's Gross Domestic Product.

For enquiries about this feature article, please contact the National Income Branch(2) of the C&SD (Tel: 3903 7002; email: gdp-p@censtatd.gov.hk).

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(www.censtatd.gov.hk/en/EIndexbySubject.html?pcode=B1010002&scode=460).

Enquiries about the contents of the Digest can be directed to the Statistical Information Dissemination Section (1) of the C&SD (Tel: 2582 4738; email: gen-enquiry@censtatd.gov.hk).