

Companies reminded to return questionnaire for 2019 Annual Survey of Companies in Hong Kong with Parent Companies Located outside Hong Kong

The Census and Statistics Department today (July 3) reminded the management of the companies which had received the questionnaire for the 2019 Annual Survey of Companies in Hong Kong with Parent Companies Located outside Hong Kong to complete and return the questionnaire to the department promptly if they have not done so.

The survey is conducted annually by the department, on behalf of Invest Hong Kong, to collect up-to-date information useful to the Government in formulating strategies for cultivating a favourable environment for conducting business in Hong Kong and further developing support services for existing and prospective investors from outside Hong Kong. Such information will help Invest Hong Kong better understand the needs of foreign companies in Hong Kong and tailor its promotion, both locally and overseas, of Hong Kong as a leading destination for foreign direct investment.

The survey covers companies in various economic sectors in Hong Kong with their parent companies located outside Hong Kong. A questionnaire has been sent earlier to the relevant companies.

The survey is conducted under Part IIIA of the Census and Statistics Ordinance (Chapter 316) and was notified in Government Notice No. 2816 in the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Gazette of April 27, 2018, as a voluntary statistical survey. The Ordinance stipulates that all collected information which may enable identification of individual companies should be kept in strict confidence and not be released to any unauthorised parties. Such data will solely be used for compiling statistics which will not enable information relating to individual companies to be revealed.

The department would like to thank those companies which have already returned the questionnaires, and appeals for the co-operation of other companies which have been selected in the survey by returning the completed questionnaires promptly, as their opinions are vital to the survey.

To assist these companies in providing the information as requested, an electronic template of the questionnaire is available upon request.

Where applicable, staff of the department may phone or visit individual companies to offer assistance in completing the questionnaire. Whilst on duty, they will each carry an Enumerator Identity Card and a certificate for conducting the survey, which will be available for inspection.

Enquiries regarding the survey can be directed to the Business Expectation Statistics Section of the department (Tel: 3579 2311 or email: regional-offices@censtatd.gov.hk).