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Apart from providing up-to-date statistics, this issue also contains two feature articles entitled "The Real Estate Sector in Hong Kong" and "Trends of Infant Mortality in Hong Kong, 1951 to 2018". Statistics presented in the "Trends of Infant Mortality in Hong Kong, 1951 to 2018" article are based on the data source from the Department of Health.

"The Real Estate Sector in Hong Kong"

The performance of the real estate sector, in particular real estate development and leasing as well as real estate brokerage and agency industries, is largely underpinned by the developments in the local property market. During the period 2009 to 2018, the real estate sector was generally on an uptrend. This feature article analyses the industry structure and performance of the real estate sector in Hong Kong in this period.

For enquiries about this feature article, please contact the Construction and Miscellaneous Services Statistics Section, the C&SD (Tel: 3903 6962; email: building@censtatd.gov.hk).

"Trends of Infant Mortality in Hong Kong, 1951 to 2018"

Infant mortality refers to death of those aged below 1 year old. Infant Mortality Rate (IMR) is the number of registered infant deaths in a year per 1 000 registered live births in that year. IMR is a useful indicator of the health status not only of infants, but also of the whole population and of the socio-economic conditions under which they live.

This feature article describes the trends of infant mortality in Hong Kong from 1951 to 2018 and analyses the infant mortality by sex and by major causes of deaths.

For enquiries about this feature article, please contact the Health Statistics Division, Department of Health (Tel: 2961 8569; email: enquiries@dh.gov.hk).

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charts depicting the annual trend in the past decade and quarterly or monthly trend in the recent two years are also available. Users can download the Digest free of charge at the website of the C&SD (www.censtatd.gov.hk/hkstat/sub/sp460.jsp?productCode=B1010002).

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