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Apart from providing up-to-date statistics, this issue also contains two feature articles entitled "The Four Key Industries and Other Selected Industries in the Hong Kong Economy" and "The Profile of the Unemployed Population in Hong Kong in 2018".

"The Four Key Industries and Other Selected Industries in the Hong Kong Economy"

The Government has been actively pursuing economic development in order to keep up the competitive advantage of Hong Kong. The traditional Four Key Industries in Hong Kong, including financial services, tourism, trading and logistics, and professional and producer services, have been the driving force of Hong Kong's economic growth, providing impetus to growth of other sectors and creating employment. Besides, selected emerging industries, including cultural and creative industries, medical services, education services, innovation and technology, testing and certification services, and environmental industries, have also been identified as enjoying advantages for further development.

This feature article analyses the economic contribution and employment situation in respect of the Four Key Industries and selected emerging industries in 2017.

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

"The Profile of the Unemployed Population in Hong Kong in 2018"

The labour market of Hong Kong continued in the state of full employment in 2018. The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate remained steady between 2.8% and 2.9% during the first quarter to the fourth quarter of 2018 while the number of unemployed persons (not seasonally adjusted) fell from 112 100 in the first quarter to 105 400 in the fourth quarter of 2018. This feature article provides an analysis of the unemployed population in 2018 from various perspectives. It aims to give readers a better understanding of the unemployed population in Hong Kong.

For enquiries about this feature article, please contact the Household Statistics Analysis Section, C&SD (Tel: 2887 5208; email: ghs@censtatd.gov.hk).

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Topics include population; labour; external trade; National Income and Balance of Payments; prices; business performance; energy; housing and property; government accounts, finance and insurance; and transport, communications and tourism. For selected key statistical items, over 20 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 C&SD (www.censtatd.gov.hk/hkstat/sub/sp460.jsp?productCode=B1010002).

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