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The Census and Statistics Department (C&SD) published today (October 16) the October 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 "Hong Kong Population Projections for 2022 to 2046", "Hong Kong Labour Force Projections for 2022 to 2046" and "Hong Kong Domestic Household Projections up to 2046".

The C&SD has prepared a new set of population projections covering the period from 2022 to 2046, with the mid-2021 population as the base. Based on this set of population projections, the labour force projections and domestic household projections have also been updated. The projection results were released on August 15, 2023. The following three feature articles provide a brief account of the method, assumptions and results of the projections.

"Hong Kong Population Projections for 2022 to 2046"

According to the results of the baseline population projections, the Hong Kong Resident Population is projected to generally maintain an upward trend over the entire projection period and reach 8.19 million in mid-2046. Population ageing is expected to continue. Excluding foreign domestic helpers, the proportion of elderly persons aged 65 and over is projected to increase from 20.5% in 2021 to 36.0% in 2046.

Apart from analysing the baseline population projections, this feature article also presents the high and low population projections for reference.

For enquiries about this feature article, please contact the Demographic Statistics Section (1) of the C&SD (Tel: 3903 6933; email: population@censtatd.gov.hk).

"Hong Kong Labour Force Projections for 2022 to 2046"

The C&SD has compiled a new set of labour force projections covering the period from 2022 to 2046. The projection results provide information on the projected labour supply in Hong Kong and its age and sex distribution during 2022 to 2046. In accordance with the projections, the total labour force (excluding foreign domestic helpers) will generally increase from 3.54 million in 2021 to a peak of 3.66 million in 2038, before decreasing gradually to 3.58 million in 2046. This feature article gives a brief account of the projection method and presents the projection results.

For enquiries about this feature article, please contact the General Household Survey Section (3) of the C&SD (Tel: 2887 5208; email: ghs@censtatd.gov.hk).

"Hong Kong Domestic Household Projections up to 2046"

The number of domestic households is projected to increase from 2.67 million in 2021 to 3.08 million in 2046. The average household size is projected to decrease from 2.7 in 2021 to 2.6 in 2046, following the past declining trend.

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