

Schedule for issuing press releases on statistical data

Following is a reminder of the press releases on statistical data to be issued between November 2019 and February 2020. The schedules for issuing press releases on statistical data in 2019 and 2020 were provided to the media in September 2018 and September 2019 respectively. No change has been made to the original schedule.

November 2019

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Date	Press Release
1	Retail sales statistics for September 2019
5	Restaurant receipts and purchases statistics for third quarter 2019
14	Volume and price statistics of external merchandise trade for September 2019
15	Revised figures on Gross Domestic Product for third quarter 2019 (Note 1)
18	Unemployment and underemployment statistics for August – October 2019
21	Consumer Price Index for October 2019
26	External merchandise trade statistics for October 2019

December 2019

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Date	Press Release
2	Retail sales statistics for October 2019
5	Statistics on vessels, port cargo and containers for third quarter 2019
9	Quarterly business receipts indices for service industries for third quarter 2019

10	Statistics on trade involving outward processing in the mainland of China for third quarter 2019
12	Construction output statistics for third quarter 2019
13	Index of industrial production and producer price index for the industrial sector for third quarter 2019
13	Gross National Income and external primary income flows for third quarter 2019
17	Unemployment and underemployment statistics for September – November 2019
17	Volume and price statistics of external merchandise trade for October 2019
19	Employment and vacancies statistics for September 2019
20	Consumer Price Index for November 2019
20	Chain volume measures of Gross Domestic Product by economic activity for third quarter 2019
20	Balance of Payments and International Investment Position statistics for third quarter 2019
27	Wage and payroll statistics for September 2019
30	External merchandise trade statistics for November 2019

January 2020

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Date	Press Release
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3	Retail sales statistics for November 2019
16	Volume and price statistics of external merchandise trade for November 2019
17	Business expectations for first quarter 2020
20	Unemployment and underemployment statistics for October – December 2019
21	Consumer Price Index for December 2019

February 2020

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Date	Press Release
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3	Advance estimates on Gross Domestic Product for fourth quarter and the whole year of 2019 (Note 2)
4	Retail sales statistics for December 2019
5	Restaurant receipts and purchases statistics for fourth quarter 2019
18	Volume and price statistics of external merchandise trade for December 2019
18	Unemployment and underemployment statistics for November 2019 – January 2020
18	Year-end population for 2019
20	Consumer Price Index for January 2020
25	External merchandise trade statistics for January 2020
26	Revised figures on Gross Domestic Product for fourth quarter and the whole year of 2019: data contained in the Budget supporting documents (Note 2)

Note 1: Starting from the reference period of the first quarter of 2019, the Census and Statistics Department (C&SD) will issue press releases on advance estimates on quarterly GDP. The C&SD will compile and release revised figures on GDP in the "Gross Domestic Product (Quarterly) Report" when more data become available. The revised figures on GDP for the third quarter of 2019 will also be included in the "Third Quarter Economic Report 2019" and the press release to be issued by the Office of the Government Economist under the Financial Secretary's Office on the economic situation in the third quarter of 2019 and final update of GDP and price forecasts for 2019 as a whole. No separate press release on the revised figures on GDP will be issued by the C&SD.

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2:

The C&SD will issue press releases on quarterly advance estimates on GDP. The C&SD will compile and release revised figures on GDP in the "Gross Domestic Product (Quarterly) Report" when more data become available. The revised GDP figures for the fourth quarter and the whole year of 2019, together with other supporting materials, will also be released along with the Financial Secretary's Budget Speech. According to the Financial Secretary's Office, the Budget is scheduled to be delivered on February 26, 2020. No separate press release will be issued by the C&SD in respect of the revised GDP figures.

The schedule for regular press releases in the other months of 2020 can be downloaded at the website of the Census and Statistics Department (www.censtatd.gov.hk/press_release/index.jsp).