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Apart from providing up-to-date statistics, this issue also contains two feature articles entitled "Analysis of Hong Kong's Imports of Goods" and "The Asset Management Industry in Hong Kong".

"Analysis of Hong Kong's Imports of Goods"

Hong Kong is an externally oriented economy. In 2018, the value of Hong Kong's total exports of goods amounted to \$4,158.1 billion, while that of imports of goods was \$4,721.4 billion. The ratio of the value of total exports of goods to Hong Kong's Gross Domestic Product (GDP) was 1.46, while that of the value of imports of goods to GDP was 1.66.

Goods consumed locally in Hong Kong and for exports are both largely based on imports. This feature article analyses the performance of Hong Kong's imports of goods in recent years.

For enquiries about this feature article, please contact the Trade Analysis Section, C&SD (Tel: 2582 4914; email: <u>trade@censtatd.gov.hk</u>).

"The Asset Management Industry in Hong Kong"

Hong Kong is one of the most vibrant international financial centres in the world and has strength in managing investments in the Asia Pacific region. The asset management industry has a stable development in Hong Kong in recent years. This feature article presents the operating characteristics and economic contribution of this industry between 2013 and 2017. It also briefly highlights the recent quarterly business performance of this industry.

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