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The Census and Statistics Department (C&SD) published today (September 15) the September 2020 issue of the "Hong Kong Monthly Digest of Statistics" (HKMDS).

Apart from providing up-to-date statistics, this issue also contains two feature articles entitled "Hong Kong's Imports Measured on Free-on-board Basis for 2019" and "The Profile of Hong Kong Population Analysed by District Council District, 2019".

"Hong Kong's Imports Measured on Free-on-board Basis for 2019"

In accordance with international statistical standards, the import statistics of Hong Kong are valued on cost, insurance and freight (c.i.f.) basis. Yet, import statistics valued on free on board (f.o.b.) basis are also useful for certain analytical purposes.

Since 1996, the C&SD has been compiling an additional set of import statistics measured on f.o.b. basis to facilitate analysis on merchandise trade balance and comparison of trade statistics with other economies.

This feature article introduces the concept and application of imports statistics measured on f.o.b. basis, and analyses the related statistics for 2019.

For enquiries about this feature article, please contact the Trade Surveys Section, the C&SD (Tel: 2582 5255; email: ims@censtatd.gov.hk).

"The Profile of Hong Kong Population Analysed by District Council District, 2019"

The C&SD annually compiles statistics on the demographic and socioeconomic characteristics of the population by District Council district based on data collected from the General Household Survey. This feature article provides an analysis on the profile of the population of Hong Kong for various District Council districts in 2019.

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

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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 the C&SD (www.censtatd.gov.hk/hkstat/sub/sp460.jsp?productCode=B1010002).

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