

# **Reading KOL Short Video Competition 2018 extends deadline**

To welcome more entries from interested persons, the submission deadline of the Reading KOL Short Video Competition 2018 held by the Hong Kong Public Libraries (HKPL) of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department will be extended two weeks to June 25 (Monday).

With an aim of encouraging members of the public to share the joy of reading and arouse their interest in reading, the competition consists of three categories, namely the primary, secondary and open categories (for all ages). Participants can make use of their creativity to produce and submit a video within two minutes to echo the theme. The entry video may be produced in Cantonese, Putonghua or English, and must be submitted together with a title and a brief description on the concept of the video in not more than 100 words, in Chinese or English.

Entry is on an individual basis. Each participant can only enter the competition in one category. While more than one entry is allowed, each participant will only qualify for one award. The judging criteria include content presentation, creativity, interestingness, use of techniques and positivity.

Each entry category will have one Champion, a First Runner-up, a Second Runner-up and three Merit Awards, and the most viewed finalist entry in each category will be presented with a Most Viewed Award. Cash coupons ranging from \$1,000 to \$8,000 and certificates will be awarded to the winners. To encourage more participation of students, the Most Active Participating School Award will be given out in the primary and secondary categories. All winners and winning schools will be notified by post in July.

The competition is supported by the Education Bureau with Sing Tao Daily and Smart Parents as media partners. It is part of a series of vibrant activities organised by the HKPL in support of a reading-for-all campaign themed "Discover and Share the Joy of Reading" launched by the Government earlier. For details of the competition, please visit [www.hkpl.gov.hk/en/extension-activities/page/133096/reading-kol](http://www.hkpl.gov.hk/en/extension-activities/page/133096/reading-kol) or call 2798 2870.

---

# **HAD to open temporary night heat shelters**

The Home Affairs Department will open 15 temporary night heat shelters

tonight (June 11) for people in need of the service.

The shelters will be open from 10.30pm until 8am tomorrow.

For further information, please call the department's enquiry hotline before midnight on 2835 1473.

The 15 temporary night heat shelters are located at:

Hong Kong Districts:

---

Central and Western –

Sai Ying Pun Community Complex Community Hall  
3/F, Sai Ying Pun Community Complex,  
2 High Street, Sai Ying Pun

Eastern/Wan Chai –

Causeway Bay Community Centre  
7 Fook Yum Road, Causeway Bay

Kowloon Districts:

---

Kowloon City –

Hung Hom Community Hall  
1/F, Kowloon City Government Offices,  
42 Bailey Street, Hung Hom

Kwun Tong –

Lam Tin (West) Estate Community Centre  
71 Kai Tin Road, Lam Tin

Sham Shui Po –

Shek Kip Mei Community Hall  
G/F, Block 42, Shek Kip Mei Estate, Sham Shui Po

Wong Tai Sin –

Tsz Wan Shan (South) Estate Community Centre  
45 Wan Wah Street, Tsz Wan Shan

Yau Tsim Mong –

Henry G Leong Yaumatei Community Centre  
60 Public Square Street, Yau Ma Tei

New Territories Districts:

---

Kwai Tsing –

Kwai Shing Community Hall  
Podium, Block 6, Kwai Shing West Estate, Kwai Chung

North –

Cheung Wah Community Hall  
Cheung Wah Estate, Fanling

Sha Tin –

Lung Hang Estate Community Centre  
Lung Hang Estate, Sha Tin

Tai Po –

Tai Po Community Centre  
2 Heung Sze Wui Street, Tai Po

Tsuen Wan –

Lei Muk Shue Community Hall  
G/F, Hong Shue House, Lei Muk Shue Estate, Tsuen Wan

Tuen Mun –

Butterfly Bay Community Centre  
Butterfly Estate (near Tip Sum House), Tuen Mun

Yuen Long –

Long Ping Community Hall  
Long Ping Estate, Yuen Long

Yuen Long –

Tin Yiu Community Centre  
Tin Yiu Estate, Tin Shui Wai

---

## **Quarterly business receipts indices for service industries for first quarter of 2018**

Business receipts in value terms of all major service industries showed increases of different magnitudes in the first quarter of 2018 when compared with the first quarter of 2017, according to the provisional figures of business receipts indices released today (June 11) by the Census and Statistics Department (C&SD).

Comparing the first quarter of 2018 with the first quarter of 2017, double-digit increases were recorded in business receipts of the financing (except banking) (+28.7%), warehousing and storage (+17.6%), retail (+14.4%), courier (+13.7%), banking (+11.1%), transportation (+10.8%), accommodation services (+10.6%) and food services (+10.0%) industries.

Analysed by service domain, business receipts of the tourism, convention and exhibition services domain increased by 12.3% year-on-year during the same period, while those of the computer and information technology services domain also increased by 4.0% year-on-year.

On a seasonally adjusted quarter-to-quarter comparison, business receipts in value terms of most major service industries recorded increases of different magnitudes in the first quarter of 2018 as well when compared with the fourth quarter of 2017. In particular, business receipts of the financing (except banking) industry increased by 12.8% quarter-to-quarter.

Comparing the first quarter of 2018 with the fourth quarter of 2017 and on a seasonally adjusted basis, business receipts of the tourism, convention and exhibition services domain increased by 7.4%, whereas those of the computer and information technology services domain decreased by 2.4%.

Table 1 presents the business receipts indices and their corresponding year-on-year rates of change in respect of selected service industries and service domains for the recent five quarters, while Table 2 shows the corresponding quarter-to-quarter rates of change in the business receipts indices based on the seasonally adjusted series.

The revised figures of business receipts indices for the first quarter of 2018 will be released at the website of the C&SD ([www.censtatd.gov.hk/hkstat/sub/sp70.jsp?subjectID=7&tableID=093&ID=0&productType=8](http://www.censtatd.gov.hk/hkstat/sub/sp70.jsp?subjectID=7&tableID=093&ID=0&productType=8)) and relevant publications of the C&SD starting from July 20, 2018.

Data for compiling the business receipts indices are mainly based on the Quarterly Survey of Service Industries conducted by the C&SD, supplemented by relevant data provided by the Hong Kong Monetary Authority and the Hong Kong Tourism Board.

A service domain differs from a service industry in that it comprises those economic activities which straddle different industries but are somehow related to a common theme. It may include all activities carried out by all establishments in a service industry that is closely related to the domain. For a service industry that is less closely related, however, only a portion of the establishments in the industry or even only part of the economic activities of the establishments is related to the domain. Taking the tourism, convention and exhibition services domain as an example, it includes all services of hotels and travel agents, and some (those involving visitors as customers) but not all of the services of restaurants, retailers and transport operators.

The classification of service industries follows the Hong Kong Standard Industrial Classification Version 2.0, which is used in various economic surveys for classifying economic units into different industry classes.

More detailed statistics are given in the report "Quarterly Business Receipts Indices for Service Industries, First Quarter 2018". Users can download this publication free of charge at the website of the C&SD

([www.censtatd.gov.hk/hkstat/sub/sp70.jsp?productCode=B1080006](http://www.censtatd.gov.hk/hkstat/sub/sp70.jsp?productCode=B1080006)).

Members of the public who have enquiries about the business receipts indices may contact the Business Services Statistics Section of the C&SD (Tel: 3903 7267 or email : [business-receipts@censtatd.gov.hk](mailto:business-receipts@censtatd.gov.hk)).

---

## Quarterly business receipts indices for service industries for first quarter of 2018

Business receipts in value terms of all major service industries showed increases of different magnitudes in the first quarter of 2018 when compared with the first quarter of 2017, according to the provisional figures of business receipts indices released today (June 11) by the Census and Statistics Department (C&SD).

Comparing the first quarter of 2018 with the first quarter of 2017, double-digit increases were recorded in business receipts of the financing (except banking) (+28.7%), warehousing and storage (+17.6%), retail (+14.4%), courier (+13.7%), banking (+11.1%), transportation (+10.8%), accommodation services (+10.6%) and food services (+10.0%) industries.

Analysed by service domain, business receipts of the tourism, convention and exhibition services domain increased by 12.3% year-on-year during the same period, while those of the computer and information technology services domain also increased by 4.0% year-on-year.

On a seasonally adjusted quarter-to-quarter comparison, business receipts in value terms of most major service industries recorded increases of different magnitudes in the first quarter of 2018 as well when compared with the fourth quarter of 2017. In particular, business receipts of the financing (except banking) industry increased by 12.8% quarter-to-quarter.

Comparing the first quarter of 2018 with the fourth quarter of 2017 and on a seasonally adjusted basis, business receipts of the tourism, convention and exhibition services domain increased by 7.4%, whereas those of the computer and information technology services domain decreased by 2.4%.

Table 1 presents the business receipts indices and their corresponding year-on-year rates of change in respect of selected service industries and service domains for the recent five quarters, while Table 2 shows the corresponding quarter-to-quarter rates of change in the business receipts indices based on the seasonally adjusted series.

The revised figures of business receipts indices for the first quarter

of 2018 will be released at the website of the C&SD ([www.censtatd.gov.hk/hkstat/sub/sp70.jsp?subjectID=7&tableID=093&ID=0&productType=8](http://www.censtatd.gov.hk/hkstat/sub/sp70.jsp?subjectID=7&tableID=093&ID=0&productType=8)) and relevant publications of the C&SD starting from July 20, 2018.

Data for compiling the business receipts indices are mainly based on the Quarterly Survey of Service Industries conducted by the C&SD, supplemented by relevant data provided by the Hong Kong Monetary Authority and the Hong Kong Tourism Board.

A service domain differs from a service industry in that it comprises those economic activities which straddle different industries but are somehow related to a common theme. It may include all activities carried out by all establishments in a service industry that is closely related to the domain. For a service industry that is less closely related, however, only a portion of the establishments in the industry or even only part of the economic activities of the establishments is related to the domain. Taking the tourism, convention and exhibition services domain as an example, it includes all services of hotels and travel agents, and some (those involving visitors as customers) but not all of the services of restaurants, retailers and transport operators.

The classification of service industries follows the Hong Kong Standard Industrial Classification Version 2.0, which is used in various economic surveys for classifying economic units into different industry classes.

More detailed statistics are given in the report "Quarterly Business Receipts Indices for Service Industries, First Quarter 2018". Users can download this publication free of charge at the website of the C&SD ([www.censtatd.gov.hk/hkstat/sub/sp70.jsp?productCode=B1080006](http://www.censtatd.gov.hk/hkstat/sub/sp70.jsp?productCode=B1080006)).

Members of the public who have enquiries about the business receipts indices may contact the Business Services Statistics Section of the C&SD (Tel: 3903 7267 or email : [business-receipts@censtatd.gov.hk](mailto:business-receipts@censtatd.gov.hk)).

---

## **Construction output for first quarter of 2018**

The total gross value of construction works performed by main contractors in the first quarter of 2018 increased by 12.1% in nominal terms over a year earlier to \$65.9 billion, according to the provisional results of the Quarterly Survey of Construction Output released today (June 11) by the Census and Statistics Department (C&SD).

After discounting the effect of price changes, the provisional results showed that the total gross value of construction works performed by main contractors increased by 7.4% in real terms over the same period.

Gross value of construction works in real terms is derived by deflating the corresponding nominal value with an appropriate price index to the price level in the base period of 2000.

Analysed by type of construction works, the gross value of construction works performed at private sector sites totalled \$19.8 billion in the first quarter of 2018, up by 8.9% in nominal terms over a year earlier. In real terms, it increased by 7.5%.

The gross value of construction works performed at public sector sites increased by 13.3% in nominal terms over a year earlier to \$23.4 billion in the first quarter of 2018. In real terms, it increased by 8.1%.

The gross value of construction works performed by main contractors at locations other than construction sites amounted to \$22.7 billion in the first quarter of 2018, up by 13.8% in nominal terms compared with a year earlier. In real terms, it increased by 6.6%. Construction works at locations other than construction sites included minor new construction activities and decoration, repair and maintenance for buildings; and electrical equipment installation and maintenance works at locations other than construction sites.

Analysed by major end-use group, the gross value of construction works performed at construction sites in respect of residential buildings projects amounted to \$17.9 billion in the first quarter of 2018, up by 16.2% in nominal terms over a year earlier. Over the same period, the gross value of construction works performed at construction sites in respect of transport projects up by 5.1% in nominal terms to \$12.8 billion in the first quarter of 2018.

On a seasonally adjusted quarter-to-quarter basis, the gross value of construction works performed by main contractors increased by 5.3% in nominal terms and increased by 3.5% in real terms in the first quarter of 2018 compared with the fourth quarter of 2017.

Table 1 shows the provisional figures on the gross value of construction works performed by main contractors in the first quarter of 2018. Tables 2 and 3 show the revised figures for the whole year of 2017 and the fourth quarter of 2017 respectively.

Owing to the widespread sub-contracting practices in the construction industry, a construction establishment can be a main contractor for one contract and a sub-contractor for another contract at the same time. The gross value of construction works performed by main contractors covers only those projects in which the construction establishment takes the role of a main contractor, but not projects in which it takes only the role of a sub-contractor. However, sub-contractors' contribution to projects should have been included in the gross value of construction works performed by main contractors for whom they worked.

The classification of construction establishments follows the Hong Kong Standard Industrial Classification Version 2.0, which is used in various

economic surveys for classifying economic units into different industry classes.

More detailed statistics are given in "Report on the Quarterly Survey of Construction Output, 1st Quarter 2018". Users can download this publication free of charge at the website of the C&SD ([www.censtatd.gov.hk/hkstat/sub/sp330.jsp?productCode=B1090002](http://www.censtatd.gov.hk/hkstat/sub/sp330.jsp?productCode=B1090002)).

For enquiries about the survey results, please contact the Construction and Miscellaneous Services Statistics Section of the C&SD (Tel: 3903 6965 or email: [building@censtatd.gov.hk](mailto:building@censtatd.gov.hk)).