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The Census and Statistics Department (C&SD) published today (August 15) the August 2018 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 "Business Performance and Operating Characteristics of the Transportation, Storage and Courier Services Sector, 2007 to 2016" and "Composite Employment Estimates 2017".

"Business Performance and Operating Characteristics of the Transportation, Storage and Courier Services Sector, 2007 to 2016"

Transport plays an important role in the sustainable development of an economy. The transportation, storage and courier services sector continues to play a significant role in our economy. In 2016, this sector accounted for 6.2% of the Gross Domestic Product at current basic prices.

This feature article presents statistics on the business performance and operating characteristics of the transportation, storage and courier services sector during the period 2007 to 2016, mainly based on the findings of the Annual Survey of Economic Activities. Reference is also made to relevant statistics from other sources for 2017.

For enquiries about this feature article, please contact the Logistics and Producer Prices Statistics Section, C&SD (Tel: 3903 7255; email: transport@censtatd.gov.hk).

"Composite Employment Estimates 2017"

In studies of employment statistics, the issue of discrepancies observed between the employment data obtained from establishment-based surveys which refer to occupied posts in firms, and those data obtained from household surveys which refer to persons employed, is common. To tackle this, the C&SD has been compiling a set of Composite Employment Estimates (CEE) which reconcile, under a designated statistical framework, the results obtained from the household-based General Household Survey and the establishment-based Quarterly Survey of Employment and Vacancies since 1997.

This feature article provides the CEE figures in individual industries for 2012 to 2017. It also gives an account of the characteristics of CEE and briefly discusses the differences and usage of the CEE vis-à-vis the other employment figures.

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