

Lifesaving services suspended at Trio Beach and Butterfly Beach

Attention TV/radio announcers:

Please broadcast the following as soon as possible and repeat it at regular intervals:

The Leisure and Cultural Services Department announced today (May 31) that due to an insufficient number of lifeguards on duty, the lifesaving services at Trio Beach in Sai Kung District and Butterfly Beach in Tuen Mun District have been suspended until further notice.

First aid services will be maintained at these beaches.

Suspected red tide sighted at Kadoorie Beach

Attention TV/radio announcers:

Please broadcast the following as soon as possible:

Here is an item of interest to swimmers.

The Leisure and Cultural Services Department announced today (May 31) that due to a suspected red tide sighting, the red flag has been hoisted at Kadoorie Beach in Tuen Mun District. Beach-goers are advised not to swim at the beach until further notice.

Schedule for issuing press releases on statistical data

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

June 2019
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Press Release

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Statistics on vessels, port cargo and containers for first quarter 2019

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Quarterly business receipts indices for service industries for first quarter 2019

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Construction output statistics for first quarter 2019

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Statistics on trade involving outward processing in the mainland of China for first quarter 2019

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Index of industrial production and producer price index for industrial sector for first quarter 2019

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Gross National Income and external primary income flows for first quarter 2019

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Volume and price statistics of external merchandise trade for April 2019

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Chain volume measures of Gross Domestic Product by economic activity for first quarter 2019

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Unemployment and underemployment statistics for March – May 2019

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Consumer Price Index for May 2019

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Employment and vacancies statistics for March 2019

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Balance of Payments and International Investment Position statistics for first quarter 2019

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External merchandise trade statistics for May 2019

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Wage and payroll statistics for March 2019

July 2019
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Press Release

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Retail sales statistics for May 2019

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Volume and price statistics of external merchandise trade for May 2019

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Unemployment and underemployment statistics for April – June 2019

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Business expectations for third quarter 2019

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Consumer Price Index for June 2019

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External merchandise trade statistics for June 2019

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Advance estimates on Gross Domestic Product for second quarter 2019 (Note)

August 2019
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Retail sales statistics for June 2019

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Restaurant receipts and purchases statistics for second quarter 2019

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Mid-year population for 2019

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Volume and price statistics of external merchandise trade for June 2019

16	Revised figures on Gross Domestic Product for second quarter 2019 (Note)
19	Unemployment and underemployment statistics for May – July 2019
20	Consumer Price Index for July 2019
26	External merchandise trade statistics for July 2019
30	Retail sales statistics for July 2019
September 2019 =====	
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5	Statistics on vessels, port cargo and containers for second quarter 2019
9	Quarterly business receipts indices for service industries for second quarter 2019
10	Statistics on trade involving outward processing in the mainland of China for second quarter 2019
11	Construction output statistics for second quarter 2019
12	Index of industrial production and producer price index for industrial sector for second quarter 2019
16	Gross National Income and external primary income flows for second quarter 2019
17	Unemployment and underemployment statistics for June – August 2019
17	Volume and price statistics of external merchandise trade for July 2019
19	Employment and vacancies statistics for June 2019
19	Chain volume measures of Gross Domestic Product by economic activity for second quarter 2019
20	Consumer Price Index for August 2019
23	Balance of Payments and International Investment Position statistics for second quarter 2019
26	External merchandise trade statistics for August 2019
26	Wage and payroll statistics for June 2019

Note: Starting from the reference period of the first quarter of 2019, C&SD will issue press releases on advance estimates on quarterly GDP. 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 second quarter of 2019 will also be included in the "Half-yearly 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 second quarter of 2019 and second 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 C&SD.

The schedule for regular press releases in the other months of 2019 can be downloaded at the website of the Census and Statistics Department (www.censtatd.gov.hk/press_release/index.jsp).

Retrofitting of escalators for footbridge near MTR Tai Wo Hau Station authorised

The Chief Executive in Council has authorised the retrofitting of escalators for a footbridge across Castle Peak Road – Kwai Chung near MTR Tai Wo Hau Station Exit B. The notice was gazetted today (May 31).

Details of the works are set out in the Annex.

Government announces re-appointment to Hong Kong Tourism Board

The Government today (May 31) announced the re-appointment of Mrs Carrie Yu to the Hong Kong Tourism Board (HKTB) for a term of two years from August 1, 2019, to July 31, 2021.

"During the past four years, Mrs Yu has provided valuable suggestions on various aspects of the HKTB's work. We are delighted that she has accepted the re-appointment," a spokesman for the Commerce and Economic Development Bureau said.

Appointments to the HKTB are made by the Financial Secretary under section 9 of the Hong Kong Tourism Board Ordinance (Chapter 302), under authority delegated by the Chief Executive.