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Apart from providing up-to-date statistics, this issue also contains two feature articles entitled "Hong Kong's External Direct Investment Statistics, 2010 to 2019" and "The Four Key Industries in the Hong Kong Economy".

"Hong Kong's External Direct Investment Statistics, 2010 to 2019"

Hong Kong is an international financial centre and commercial hub. It is also a gateway to the vast market of the mainland of China (the Mainland) as well as a platform for facilitating the Mainland enterprises to gain access to the global market. External direct investment (DI) between Hong Kong and the rest of the world, including the Mainland, is very sizable. Analysis of Hong Kong's DI statistics over the past years is useful in understanding the characteristics and trend of DI in Hong Kong.

This feature article presents the salient features of Hong Kong's DI statistics in the past decade.

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"The Four Key Industries in the Hong Kong Economy"

The Government has been actively pursuing economic development in order to keep up the competitive advantage of Hong Kong. The traditional Four Key Industries in Hong Kong, namely financial services, tourism, trading and logistics, and professional and producer services, have been the driving force of Hong Kong's economic growth, providing impetus to growth of other sectors and creating employment.

This feature article analyses the economic contribution and employment situation in respect of the Four Key Industries in 2019. Taken together, the share of the total value added of the Four Key Industries in Gross Domestic Product (GDP) was 56.4%, while the percentage share of total employment was 45.4%. Compared with 2018, the value added of financial services industry recorded the largest growth (+8.4%) among the four industries, with its share to the GDP increased to 21.2%. The industry employed 272 600 persons in 2019, or 7.1% of total employment.

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