

Thematic Household Survey Report No. 71 published

The Thematic Household Survey Report No. 71 is published by the Census and Statistics Department (C&SD) today (June 29).

This publication contains key findings on Hong Kong population's willingness to live in the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area (GBA) based on the Thematic Household Survey conducted during April to July 2019.

According to the survey results which represent the population of Hong Kong, it was estimated that the vast majority (93.8%) of persons aged 15 and over had heard of the GBA. The top three GBA Mainland cities that were most commonly aware of by those persons who had heard of the GBA were Shenzhen (47.0%), Guangzhou (42.9%) and Zhuhai (42.3%).

It was also estimated that at the time of enumeration, some 699 400 persons aged 15 and over had ever thought of staying (including living or retiring, working or operating business, studying or taking further studies) in places outside Hong Kong in the future, constituting 11.2% of all persons aged 15 and over. Among them, some 266 200 persons were interested in staying in the GBA Mainland cities in the future, constituting 38.1% of all persons aged 15 and over who had ever thought of staying in places outside Hong Kong in the future. While some 220 300 persons were interested in living or retiring in the GBA Mainland cities in the future, some 63 500 persons were interested in working or operating business in the GBA Mainland cities in the future, and some 7 200 persons were interested in studying or taking further studies in the GBA Mainland cities in the future.

On the other hand, among those persons aged 15 and over who had ever thought of staying in places outside Hong Kong in the future but were not interested in staying in the GBA Mainland cities in the future, and those who had never thought of staying in places outside Hong Kong, 14.4% indicated that their interest in staying in the GBA Mainland cities would raise if "provision of healthcare services similar to those in Hong Kong" were implemented. This was followed by "entitlement to Hong Kong healthcare and welfare services in the GBA Mainland cities" (14.1%) and "provision of transportation allowance for cross-boundary travel" (13.2%).

Other information

The survey successfully enumerated some 20 000 target respondents in some 10 000 households in accordance with a scientific sampling scheme to represent the population of Hong Kong.

Detailed findings of the survey, together with the population coverage and concepts/definitions of key terms, are presented in the publication. Users can download the publication free of charge at the website of the C&SD (www.censtatd.gov.hk/hkstat/sub/sp140.jsp?productCode=B1130201).

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