

Profile of Islands District

Islands District is the largest administrative districts in Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR), covering an area of about 175 km² and has a population of around 137,000 (as at 2006). It consists of some twenty large and small islands which lie to the south and southwest of the HKSAR. The outlying islands are notable for a more relaxed way of life than that of the rest of the HKSAR.

The District is a treasure-house in terms of archaeological finds. Various Chinese festivals are celebrated in the District throughout the year, attracting thousands of local and overseas visitors. All these add to the beautiful scenery and natural landscape which can be found all over the Islands District. As a result, the District is considered as one of the most preferred locations in the HKSAR for hiking and camping.

Tung Chung is the new developing town on the Lantau Island of the Islands District. With the support from District Council, local public and private organizations, institutions and government bodies, Tung Chung has been designated as a “safe community” by the World Health Organization (WHO) since 2006. The designation recognizes the efforts of Islands District in fostering safe and healthy culture within the community.

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Facts and figures	
Area	175 km ²
Population	About 137,000 (in 2006)
Population Density	783 per km
Proportion of population: Aged 65 and above	8.1%
Aged 25 - 64	58.2%
Aged 15 - 24	14.4%
Aged 0 - 14	19.3%
Labour Force Participation Rate	62.6%
Average Household Size	2.9
Median Monthly Household Income	HK\$16,000
Percentage of Persons with Secondary Education and Above	74.8%
Medical and Health Care Facilities	
General Out Patient Clinic	7
Dental Clinic	1
Public Rental and Subsidised Housing	
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Community and Recreation Facilities	
Parks/Playgrounds	6
Swimming Pools/Leisure Pools	1
Indoor Recreation Centres/Leisure Centres	4
Library	7
Education Facilities	
Kindergartens	32
Primary Schools	22
Secondary Schools	14

Sources:

- Census and Statistics Department, Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government (HKSARG)
- Leisure and Culture Services Department, HKSARG
- Education and Manpower Bureau, HKSARG
- Hospital Authority