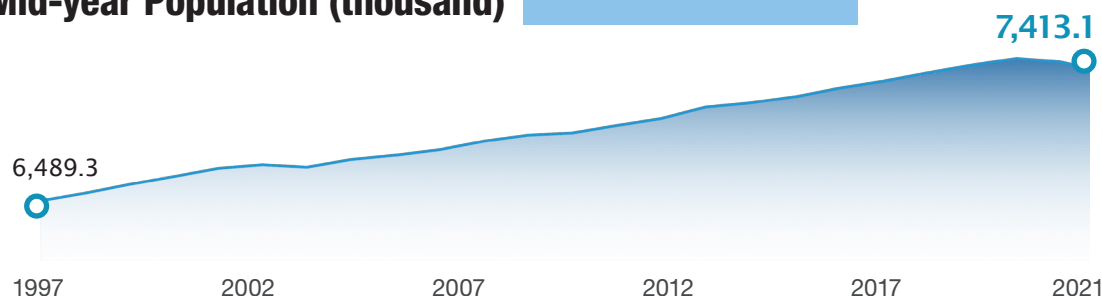


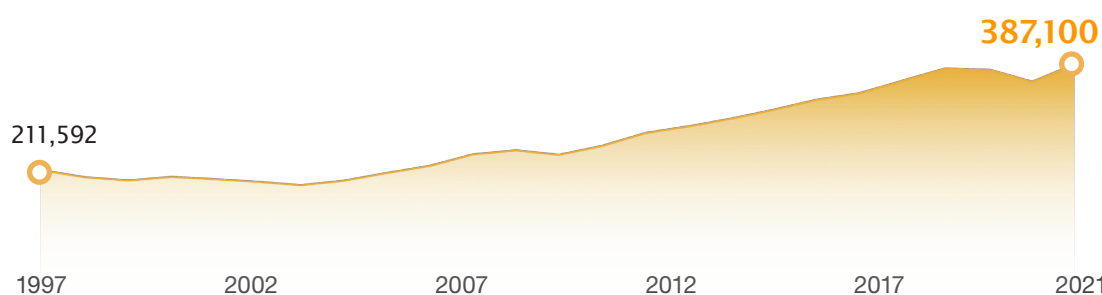
# 'One Country, Two Systems' 1997-2022

On July 1, 1997, China resumed the exercise of sovereignty over Hong Kong. Since its return to the motherland, Hong Kong has been leveraging complementary advantages in joint development with the Chinese mainland.

## Mid-year Population (thousand)



## GDP per capita (HK\$)



## Stock market

US\$40 trillion  
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US\$3 trillion



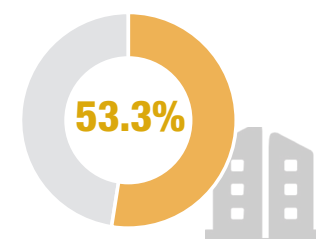
## IPO market

HK has ranked as the world's **No. 1** IPO venue in seven of the last 12 years



## Mainland enterprises

As of April 2022, 1,370 Chinese mainland enterprises are listed in Hong Kong, accounting for 53.3 percent of the total number of companies listed on the HKEX and 77.7 percent of the total market capitalization, with a market value of HK\$37.6 trillion (US\$4.79 trillion).



## Supply of goods

The mainland has made great efforts to ensure the supply of goods and materials for people's livelihood in Hong Kong.



Live pigs and cattle **90%**



Drinking water **78%**



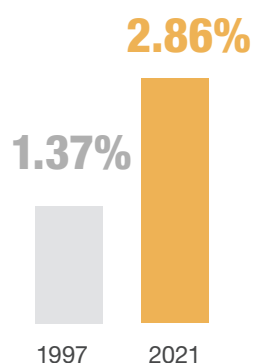
Fresh livestock and poultry **70%**



Oil and gas **42%**

## GDP growth

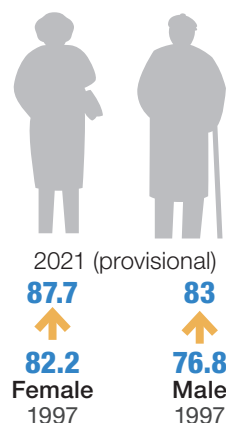
From 1997 to 2021, GDP grew at an average annual rate of 2.7 percent in real terms.



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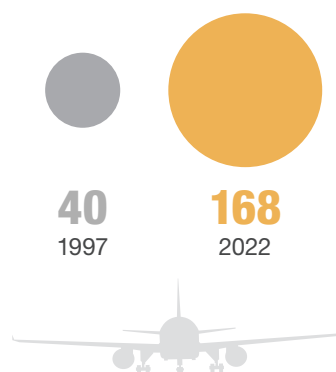
## Life expectancy

Hong Kong has one of the highest life expectancies in the world.



## Visa free

At present, 168 countries and territories have granted visa-free access or visa-on-arrival to HKSAR Passport holders.



## Talent

Hong Kong is increasingly attractive to talent from home and abroad.

**36,689**

applications from nearly 100 countries and regions had been received by the end of 2021, among which 9,131 were approved.

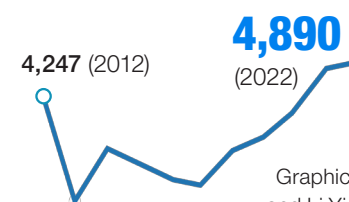
## Foreign consulates

**88 → 119**

Consulates-General: 56  
Honorary Consulates: 63  
Officially recognized bodies: 6

## Education

The number of Hong Kong students seeking to study at universities on the mainland reached the highest level of the decade this year.



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