Controlling officer: the Commissioner for Transport will account for expenditure under this Head.

Estimate 2019–20	\$6,727.7m
<b>Establishment ceiling 2019–20</b> (notional annual mid-point salary value) representing an estimated 1 795 non-directorate posts as at 31 March 2019 rising by 38 posts to 1 833 posts as at 31 March 2020.	\$972.4m
In addition, there will be an estimated 32 directorate posts as at 31 March 2019 and as at 31 March 2020.	
Commitment balance	\$2,890.9m

## **Controlling Officer's Report**

### Programmes

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Programme (1) Planning and Development	This programme contributes to Policy Area 21: Land and Waterborne Transport (Secretary for Transport and Housing).
Programme (2) Licensing of Vehicles and Drivers	This programme contributes to Policy Area 21: Land and Waterborne Transport (Secretary for Transport and Housing) and Policy Area 25: Revenue Collection and Financial Control (Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury).
Programme (3) District Traffic and Transport Services Programme (4) Management of Transport Services	These programmes contribute to Policy Area 21: Land and Waterborne Transport (Secretary for Transport and Housing).
Programme (5) Transport Services for Persons with Disabilities and Government Public Transport Fare Concession Scheme for the Elderly and Eligible Persons with Disabilities	This programme contributes to Policy Area 14: Social Welfare (Secretary for Labour and Welfare).
Programme (6) Public Transport Fare Subsidy Scheme	This programme contributes to Policy Area 21: Land and Waterborne Transport (Secretary for Transport and Housing).

#### Detail

#### **Programme (1): Planning and Development**

	2017–18 (Actual)	2018–19 (Original)	2018–19 (Revised)	2019–20 (Estimate)
Financial provision (\$m)	410.8	562.3	571.9 (+1.7%)	<b>624.1</b> (+9.1%)
				(or +11.0% on 2018–19 Original)

### Aim

2 The aims are to assist in the formulation of transport policies and infrastructure development programmes for safe and efficient passenger, pedestrian and goods movements and to implement the Government's policy on public transport development, franchising and regulation, all of which contribute towards the sustainable development of Hong Kong.

### **Brief Description**

- **3** The work of the Department involves:
- conducting studies for transport planning for Hong Kong, which forms the basis for formulating transport
  policies and strategies and developing transport infrastructure, public transport development programmes and
  measures to deal with traffic congestion;
- scrutinising traffic impact assessments for developments and advising on building development proposals and town planning matters;

- providing traffic and transport inputs for the planning and implementation of new railways and strategic highway projects;
- planning and developing franchised bus, non-franchised bus, tram, taxi, ferry and public light bus services, formulating regulatory measures for the services, and planning their related facilities;
- monitoring existing railway services, assessing the impact of new railways on other public transport modes and maintaining a co-ordinated network of public transport services along rail corridors; and
- processing service planning programmes and applications for fare adjustment for different public transport modes.

**4** In 2018, the Department handled fare increase applications from franchised bus, green minibus, tram as well as licensed ferry operators. It granted a new franchise to The "Star" Ferry Company, Limited upon the expiry of the previous franchise in March. It assisted the Transport and Housing Bureau (THB) in the legislative amendment exercise to lengthen the grant of ferry service licence period from a maximum of three years to five years on each occasion. It completed the franchised bus operator selection exercises for Kai Tak New Development Area, Hong Kong West Kowloon Station of the Guangzhou-Shenzhen-Hong Kong Express Rail Link (XRL), and Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Control Point. It continued with the study on public transport service re-organisation plans in association with the commissioning of the Shatin to Central Link (SCL). It worked with the franchised bus companies in pursuing forward progressively the recommended measures under the Public Transport Strategy Study, including the establishment of the Committee on Taxi Service Quality which served as a multi-party platform for discussing various strategies and measures to drive changes to enhance the service quality of the existing ordinary taxis. It assisted THB to take forward in phases the recommendations of the Report on Study of Road Traffic Congestion in Hong Kong compiled by the Transport Advisory Committee for alleviating road traffic congestion, and commenced a feasibility study on Electronic Road Pricing pilot scheme in Central and its adjacent areas. It continued to improve existing cycle tracks and associated facilities in nine new towns in the New Territories.

5 The key performance measures in respect of planning and development are:

### Indicators

	2019 1ate)
new or extension of licences for ferry services granted	7 70# 53∧ 14 9Ψ

# With bus network improvement after implementation of rationalisation items in 2017 and 2018 in connection with the commissioning of MTR Kwun Tong Line Extension (KTE) and South Island Line (East) (SIL(E)), the number of bus service rationalisation proposals to be processed is anticipated to be lower in 2019.

- ∧ These licences include licensed ferry service and kaito ferry service. As kaito ferry licences are normally extended for a period of two years, and as historically the expiry of the majority of kaito licences fall within the same year, there is an upsurge in the number of extension of kaito ferry licences every two years. The figures of 2017 and 2019 reflect such pattern.
- The number of BBI schemes was much higher in 2017, due to the 13 additional schemes offered by the Kowloon Motor Bus Company (1933) Limited under its new franchise which commenced in July 2017, and four schemes in connection with the bus route re-organisation plans associated with the commissioning of KTE and SIL(E).
- $\Psi$  Under a new policy initiative to provide more public car parking spaces under the "single site, multiple use" principle, four related project definition statements/technical feasibility statements will be processed in 2019 in addition to those for the already planned transport infrastructure projects.

- 6 During 2019–20, the Department will:
- continue to plan and formulate bus route rationalisation proposals in conjunction with franchised bus companies through the annual route planning programme exercise and using the "Area Approach" where appropriate;
- commence stakeholder consultation on public transport service re-organisation proposals in connection with the commissioning of the SCL;
- continue to conduct a review study on the operating conditions of public light buses after the increase in the maximum seating capacity;
- continue to implement the recommended measures under the Public Transport Strategy Study;

- assist THB in the legislative amendment exercise for the implementation of franchised taxis;
- assist THB in matters relating to the legislative amendment proposals to enhance the deterrent effect of taxi drivers' malpractices with a view to enhancing the overall taxi service quality;
- assist THB in the legislative amendment exercise on relaxing the vehicle length restriction for light buses;
- continue to encourage franchised bus companies to deploy environment-friendly buses at busy corridors and support the Environmental Protection Department in carrying out the ongoing trial of electric buses;
- provide timely traffic and transport inputs for the planning and implementation of new railways, strategic highways and major new development projects;
- implement and monitor the Franchised Bus Toll Exemption Funds established for keeping savings of franchised bus companies arising from the toll exemption for franchised buses for using government tolled tunnels and roads;
- provide subsidy to the franchised bus companies and monitor their installation of appropriate safety devices on existing buses;
- continue to update and enhance the transport model for planning purpose;
- subject to the funding approval of the Legislative Council, commission the Strategic Study on Major Roads beyond 2030;
- continue to implement the special helping measures (SHM) for the six major outlying island ferry routes for the 2017–2020 licence period and assist THB in carrying out a review on whether SHM would be the most desirable long-term operation model for maintaining the financial viability of these routes and the feasibility of providing full subsidy to ferry operators for replacement of vessels, as well as whether and how any of the eight other outlying island ferry routes should receive SHM;
- take forward the re-commissioning of the "Central-Hung Hom" ferry route and the launch of a pilot "water taxi" service plying Kai Tak, Hung Hom, Tsim Sha Tsui East, West Kowloon and Central, as well as injecting commercial elements into the Hung Hom (South) Ferry Pier;
- assist THB in taking forward in phases the recommendations of the Report on Study of Road Traffic Congestion in Hong Kong compiled by the Transport Advisory Committee for alleviating road traffic congestion, in particular, continue to conduct the feasibility study on Electronic Road Pricing pilot scheme in Central and its adjacent areas;
- assist THB in implementing toll adjustment proposals for the rationalisation of traffic distribution among the three road harbour crossings from 1 January 2020, subject to the Legislative Council's approval of the legislative amendments and funding;
- conduct a study on the hierarchy and level of tolls of government tolled tunnels, Tsing Ma Control Area and Tsing Sha Control Area;
- continue to assist THB in fostering a pedestrian-friendly environment and promoting "Walk in HK", including the undertaking of a study on enhancing walkability in Hong Kong, a study on reviewing and improving the assessment mechanism for hillside escalator links and elevator systems proposals, and a feasibility study on enhancing the pedestrian connectivity on Hong Kong Island North from Wan Chai to Sheung Wan;
- continue with the study on parking for commercial vehicles;
- continue to develop schemes to improve existing cycle tracks and associated facilities in nine new towns in the New Territories;
- continue to carry out pilot renovation projects to enhance the design and facilities of the Ma On Shan Town Centre Public Transport Terminus and the Yung Shue Wan Ferry Pier for providing passengers with a more comfortable waiting environment; and
- commence the development of a data collection and sharing system with a mobile application for the provision of territory-wide real-time arrival information of green minibuses.

#### Programme (2): Licensing of Vehicles and Drivers

	2017–18	2018–19	2018–19	2019–20
	(Actual)	(Original)	(Revised)	(Estimate)
Financial provision (\$m)	394.0	432.8	435.8 (+0.7%)	<b>462.1</b> (+6.0%)

(or +6.8% on 2018–19 Original)

## Aim

7 The aims are to operate an efficient vehicle and driver registration and licensing system, and to promote road safety through the efficient regulation of vehicles and drivers.

### **Brief Description**

- 8 The work of the Department involves:
- handling the registration of vehicles, issue and renewal of vehicle and driving licences, transfer of vehicle ownership and issue and renewal of Closed Road Permits for cross-boundary vehicles;
- taking enforcement action on unauthorised operation of vehicles governed under the Passenger Service Licence (PSL) System;
- instituting prosecution action in relation to the Driving Offence Points (DOP) System, non-compliance cases of Mandatory Attendance of Driving Improvement Courses (MDIC), and traffic offences in the control areas of government tunnels and bridges;
- processing applications for PSLs and Hire Car Permits in respect of public service vehicles and other miscellaneous licences;
- inspecting the roadworthiness and emission condition of vehicles through government-operated vehicle examination centres;
- supervising the performance of the management contractor of the New Kowloon Bay Vehicle Examination Centre, regulating the operation of designated car testing centres, and monitoring the bus maintenance of franchised bus companies;
- promoting safer vehicles through reviewing and updating the relevant vehicle regulations and safety standards; and
- arranging written and road tests for drivers and driving instructors, monitoring the operation of designated driving schools, driving improvement schools and pre-service training schools, and promoting road safety through the driving improvement scheme and pre-service courses.

**9** In 2018, the Department handled the issue of vehicle and driving licences and Closed Road Permits for quota-holders of cross-boundary vehicles between Hong Kong/Guangdong and Hong Kong/Macao, as well as applications for the Macao Port Park-and-Ride Scheme in connection with the commissioning of the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge (HZMB). The Department also continued to provide support to the Environment Bureau in continuing the implementation of the Ex-gratia Payment Scheme for Phasing out Pre-Euro IV Diesel Commercial Vehicles and the promotion of the use of environment-friendly commercial vehicles.

10 The key performance measures in respect of licensing of vehicles and drivers are:

#### Targets

	Target	2017 (Actual)	2018 (Actual)	2019 (Plan)
conducting road test				
within 82 days upon application for light bus, bus, medium and heavy				
goods vehicle and articulated				
vehicle driving licence (% of all cases)	95	100	100	95
conducting written test	20	100	100	70
within 45 days upon application for learner driving licence (% of all				
cases)	98	100	100	<b>98</b>
within 60 days upon application for taxi driving licence (% of all				
cases)	98	100	100	98
announcing written test result within 15 minutes upon completion of the				
test (% of all cases)	98	100	100	98
providing driving licence renewal service				
over the counter within 70 minutes (% of all cases)	98	99	99	98
providing vehicle licence renewal service				
over the counter within 70 minutes (% of all cases)	95	99	99	98
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	Target	2017 (Actual)	2018 (Actual)	2019 (Plan)
providing non-counter licensing services				
within ten working days upon application (% of all cases)	95	100	100	100
conducting annual examination of	)5	100	100	100
vehicles at government centres				
within ten working days upon application (% of all cases)	100	100	100	100
conducting recheck examination of	100	100	100	100
vehicles at government centres within four working days upon				
application (% of all cases)	100	100	100	100
Indicators				
		2017	2018	2019
		(Actual)	(Actual)	(Estimate)
written tests arranged for				
private car, motorcycle and light goods vehi	cle			
drivers		64 382	64 144	64 100
taxi drivers		9 115	8 997	9 000
road tests arranged for				
private car drivers		54 028	57 369	57 400
motorcycle and light goods vehicle drivers .		100 031	94 939	94 900
other drivers		15 191	15 494	15 500
vehicle licence transactions		1 858 000	1 871 000	1 871 000
driving licence transactions		1 874 000	1 931 000	1 923 000
new DOP summonses issued		2 333	2 240	2 100
new MDIC summonses issued		841	1 031	1 000
summonses issued for traffic offences in control a		4.110	4.1.61	4.000
government tunnels and bridges	1	4 118	4 161	4 200
inquiries on unauthorised operation by vehicles g	overned	25	264	25
under the PSL System		35	26‡	35
vehicles inspected at government centres		47.000	17.000	47.000
public service vehicles light goods vehicles (exceeding 1.9 tonnes (	Proga	47 000	47 000	47 000
Vehicle Weight (GVW))	1033	73 000	75 000	75 000
medium and heavy goods vehicles		47 000	48 000	48 000
private cars and light goods vehicles (not exceedi	 nσ	4/000	40 000	40 000
1.9 tonnes GVW) inspected at designated centr		331 000	345 000	350 000
daily spot checks on franchised buses in service	•••	14	14	14
and spot encents on numerised cuses in service	••••••	* 1		11

The actual number of inquiries conducted on unauthorised operations by vehicles under the PSL System was lower in 2018, because the suspected violations of the PSL conditions did not persist once the operators concerned received warnings from the Transport Department, resulting in fewer substantiated cases of violating the PSL conditions that would require inquiries in that year.

### Matters Requiring Special Attention in 2019–20

11 During 2019–20, the Department will continue to:

- provide efficient and courteous licensing services for the issue and renewal of licences and permits with particular attention given to the upsurge in renewal applications of the ten-year driving licences;
- conduct process re-engineering of licensing services to improve efficiency and customer service;
- pursue legislative amendments on motor vehicle construction regulations;
- support the implementation of the Ex-gratia Payment Scheme for Phasing out Pre-Euro IV Diesel Commercial Vehicles and the Tax Incentives Scheme for Environment-friendly Commercial Vehicles;
- assist THB in the legislative amendment exercise on relaxing the eligibility requirements for applications of commercial vehicle driving licences, and extending the pre-service course requirement for new public light bus driving licence holders to cover taxi and public bus drivers; and
- assist THB in reviewing the penalty level of illegal carriage of passengers for hire or reward.

## Programme (3): District Traffic and Transport Services

	2017–18 (Actual)	2018–19 (Original)	2018–19 (Revised)	2019–20 (Estimate)
Financial provision (\$m)	499.5	524.7	573.4 (+9.3%)	<b>621.1</b> (+8.3%)
				( 10.40/

(or +18.4% on 2018–19 Original)

## Aim

12 The aim is to enable safe and orderly movement of pedestrians and road traffic and provision of efficient and effective public transport services by implementing traffic management schemes, improving road and pedestrian facilities, installing and operating intelligent transport systems, monitoring and regulating public transport operations, formulating and implementing road safety strategies and measures, and maintaining regular dialogue with District Councils and other public bodies.

## Brief Description

- 13 The work of the Department involves:
- regulating and monitoring the operation of public transport services;
- maintaining close liaison with public transport operators and the related trades and associations including the goods vehicle and cross-boundary bus trades;
- providing professional transport advice to improve access to public transport and provision of transport facilities for persons with disabilities;
- maintaining close contact with public transport operators and disseminating timely traffic and transport information to the public in case of traffic incidents;
- planning and introducing new green minibus services;
- planning and implementing public transport services and facilities to tie in with the commissioning of new infrastructure projects, including new railways and land boundary control points;
- planning and implementing special traffic and transport arrangements to facilitate public events including international conventions and exhibitions, sports, cultural, festive and social events;
- designing and implementing road improvement works, traffic management measures, measures to improve pedestrian facilities and other proposals to ensure the efficient use of limited road space and to enhance road safety;
- planning and implementing public transport services and related public transport facilities to tie in with housing and commercial developments;
- evaluating and introducing new technologies, including intelligent transport systems, to enhance the management and operation of the transportation system of Hong Kong and deploying information technology to improve the business and planning process; and
- continuing to deploy intelligent transport systems including area traffic control (ATC) systems, traffic control and surveillance systems and traffic detectors on strategic roads, the traffic and incident management system, the transport information system, the journey time indication system (JTIS), speed map panels, the red light camera (RLC) system, the speed enforcement camera (SEC) system, and to maintain these systems with high serviceability ratios to enhance the effectiveness of traffic management, efficient use of limited road space, timely dissemination of real-time traffic information and road safety enforcement.

14 In 2018, the Department continued to regulate and monitor public transport services. It worked with franchised bus operators to implement bus route rationalisation plans. It continued to design and implement traffic management measures to improve traffic and enhance road safety. In connection with the commissioning of the HZMB in October 2018, the Department introduced new local and cross-boundary public transport services to meet the transport needs of residents and visitors and monitored their operation. Separately, it also formulated public transport plans to tie in with the opening of the Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Control Point.

**15** The key performance measures in respect of district traffic and transport services are:

Targets
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Turgets				
		2017	2018	2019
	Target	(Actual)	(Actual)	(Plan)
	Target	(Tetual)	(netual)	(1 1411)
maintaining serviceability of ATC systems				
central computer system (%)	99.5	99.9	99.9	99.9
on-street signal controllers (%)	99.5	99.9	99.9	99.9
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Indicators				
Indicators				
		2017	2018	2019
		(Actual)	(Actual)	(Estimate)
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implementing route planning programme items fo	r			
franchised buses.	•	1768	1358	115
introducing new green minibus service routes		1	4	11
signalised road junctions (cumulative)		1 898	1 912	1 946
junctions with RLC systems installed (cumulative)		195	196	198
locations with SEC systems installed (cumulative)		130	131	133
aloged aircuit television compress (cumulative)		713	770	133 783
closed circuit television cameras (cumulative)		/15	//0	/03
average vehicular speed (km/hour) for		21	21	01
Urban		21	21	21
New Territories		38	38	38
injury accidents involving motor vehicles per mill	ion			
vehicle-km		1.03ψ	1.03§	1.03
locations with clusters of injury accidents investig	ated	100	100	100
area studies for enhancing road safety		2	2	2
road safety publicity projects initiated and particip	bated	9	9	9
road safety enhancement measures planned (no. o	f			
locations)		90	90	90
route modification and other improvement items i	ncluding			
construction of shelters, provision/relocation of				
stops/stands, installation of display panels for r	eal_time			
bus arrival information and provision of seats b				
franchised operators	'y	1 885 <del>0</del>	2 503	2 636
		1 397	1 371	1 307
non-franchised operators		1 397	1 3/1	1 30/
schemes co-ordinated to improve access to public	uansport	2	2	2
for persons with disabilities		3	3	3

δ The number of route planning programme items implemented was higher in 2017 and 2018 due to service adjustments in connection with the opening of KTE and SIL(E) in 2017, and the commissioning of the Hong Kong section of the XRL and HZMB in 2018. The average vehicular speed is measured during the morning peak period from 08:00 to 09:30 from

φ September to December along routes that are representative of the road network.

Adjusted from the provisional actual figure shown in the 2018–19 Estimates.

Provisional actual subject to adjustment.

The Government allocated a sum of \$88.27 million to provide subsidies to franchised bus companies for expediting the provision of seats and display panels for real-time arrival information at suitable bus stops Θ with shelters. Installation works are carried out in phases commencing in November 2017.

#### Matters Requiring Special Attention in 2019–20

**16** During 2019–20, the Department will:

- continue to closely monitor the traffic condition as well as provision of parking spaces in South Lantau and review the timetable for implementing the second phase of the "Driving on Lantau Island" Scheme;
- continue to develop plans, in conjunction with the Highways Department, to provide covers on certain public walkways connecting to major public transport interchanges or railway stations to provide a better walking environment for pedestrians;
- continue the installation of traffic detectors comprising bluetooth detectors, visual/thermal detectors and automatic license plate recognition cameras along strategic routes and JTIS along major roads to strengthen collection of real-time traffic information and incident detection capability as well as timely dissemination of real-time traffic information;
- continue to rationalise and improve franchised bus services to enhance service quality and efficiency, and to help relieve congestion and reduce road-side emissions;

- continue to facilitate the smooth operation of cross-boundary traffic and transport services and facilities at land boundary control points;
- continue to monitor the traffic-related issues of pedestrian schemes and the impact of these schemes in the vicinity to improve the environment for pedestrians;
- continue to collaborate with the Highways Department to take forward the proposed elevated pedestrian corridor
  in Yuen Long Town connecting with Long Ping Station, and provide traffic and transport inputs for the detailed
  design of the proposed pedestrian footbridge system in Mong Kok and the review study on the proposed
  pedestrian subway system in Causeway Bay;
- continue to collaborate with the Highways Department in taking forward hillside escalator links and elevator systems proposals, including providing traffic and transport inputs for the investigation, design and construction of the proposals;
- continue to provide traffic and transport inputs for the retrofitting of barrier-free access facilities at existing footbridges, elevated walkways and subways under the Universal Accessibility Programme;
- continue to examine and implement measures to enhance road safety through auditing, legislation, publicity and use of technology;
- continue to examine the proposal to raise the mandatory requirement of using child restraint device in private cars;
- continue to monitor franchised bus operators' provision of real-time bus arrival information and disburse government subsidies for the installation of display panels for such information;
- continue to disburse government subsidies to franchised bus operators for provision of seats at bus stops and termini;
- disburse government subsidies to Hong Kong Tramways for the replacement of certain sections of existing tram tracks with the use of new rail jacket technology;
- continue to develop the design of in-vehicle units and associated systems for allowing motorists paying fees by remote means; and
- carry out a study and conduct trials on intelligent traffic signal systems with sensors to detect pedestrians and vehicles at signalised road junctions to help optimise the green times allocated to vehicles and pedestrians.

#### **Programme (4): Management of Transport Services**

	2017–18 (Actual)	2018–19 (Original)	2018–19 (Revised)	2019–20 (Estimate)
Financial provision (\$m)	396.9	677.9	482.6 (-28.8%)	<b>1,048.2</b> (+117.2%)
				(or +54.6% on 2018–19 Original)

#### Aim

17 The aims are to ensure the efficient management of transport infrastructure and services in respect of government and private tunnels, bridges, parking meters, government carparks, the Central to Mid-Levels Escalator System, the Austin Road Cross Boundary Coach Terminus, the Tsing Ma Control Area and the Tsing Sha Control Area and to ensure efficient handling of emergency traffic and transport incidents.

#### **Brief Description**

- **18** The work of the Department involves:
- handling the tendering of management contracts for the government transport infrastructure and services mentioned in paragraph 17;
- overseeing and monitoring the performance of the contractors that operate and maintain the above transport infrastructure and services;
- co-ordinating the maintenance and renovation of ferry piers;
- handling traffic and transport incidents in the territory and disseminating timely information on the traffic and transport situation to the public; and
- providing input on the legislative, management and operational aspects of planning of new strategic highways, bridges and tunnels to be constructed in the territory and across the boundary.

**19** In 2018, the Department met the targets in respect of the management of transport infrastructure. It started the tender procedures for the new generation of parking meters and the preparation for the tender for clearing services in respect of the parking fees collected by the new parking meters through multiple payment means. It installed the electronic payment system at manual toll booths of government tolled roads and tunnels. It awarded the new management contracts for the Tate's Cairn Tunnel which became a government tunnel on 11 July 2018 upon expiry of its Build-Operate-Transfer franchise, new transport infrastructure including the Central-Wan Chai Bypass Tunnel, Lung Shan Tunnel and Cheung Shan Tunnel, the existing Kai Tak Tunnel, the Lion Rock Tunnel, the Shing Mun Tunnels and the Tseung Kwan O Tunnel, parking meter system and Austin Road Cross Boundary Coach Terminus.

**20** The key performance measures in respect of the management of transport services are:

#### Targets

	Target	2017 (Actual)	2018 (Actual)	2019 (Plan)
attending to traffic accidents and vehicle breakdown inside government tunnel areas in accordance with contract requirement (% of all cases)@ carbon monoxide concentration inside	97	99	99	99
carbon monoxide concentration inside government tunnels below 100 ppm at all times (% of all readings)θ visibility inside government tunnels within the standard of Environmental	100	100	100	100
Protection Department at all times (% of all readings) attending to traffic accidents and vehicle	100	100	100	100
breakdown on the Lantau Link within five minutes (% of all cases)	97	99	99	99

@ Revised description of the previous target "attending to traffic accidents and vehicle breakdown inside government tunnel areas within two minutes" as from 2019 to reflect the contractual requirements in the management, operation and maintenance contracts.

θ Revised description of the previous target "carbon monoxide concentration inside government tunnels below 70 ppm at all times" as from 2019 to reflect the contractual requirements in the management, operation and maintenance contracts.

#### Indicators

	2017 (Actual)	2018 (Actual)	2019 (Estimate)
defective parking meters repaired within 60 minutes upon report (% of cases) incidents handled by Transport Incident Management	99.9	99.9	99.9
Section	5 361	5 256	5 300
awarding management contract for government carparks (cumulative % completed)	100	_	100 <b>µ</b>
awarding management contract for the Eastern Harbour Crossing (cumulative % completed)		70	100
awarding management contract for the Scenic Hill Tunnel and the Airport Tunnel (cumulative % completed) awarding contracts for the electronic payment system at	99	100	—
manual toll booths of government tolled roads and tunnels (cumulative % completed)	100	_	30µ
awarding management contract for the Central-Wan Chai Bypass Tunnel (cumulative % completed)A awarding management contract for the Lung Shan Tunnel	50	100	—
and Cheung Shan Tunnel (cumulative % completed)	50	100	_
awarding management contract for the Kai Tak Tunnel and the Lion Rock Tunnel (cumulative % completed) awarding management contract for the Shing Mun Tunnels	70	100	_
and the Tseung Kwan O Tunnel (cumulative % completed)	70	100	—
awarding management contract for the Tate's Cairn Tunnel (cumulative % completed)	90	100	—
awarding management contract for the Parking Meter System (cumulative % completed)	30	100	_
awarding management contract for Austin Road Cross Boundary Coach Terminus (cumulative % completed)	30	100	—

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	2017 (Actual)	2018 (Actual)	2019 (Estimate)
awarding management contract for the Tsing Sha Control Area (cumulative % completed)β	_	30	100
<ul> <li>awarding management contract for the Tsing Ma Control</li> <li>Area (cumulative % completed)β</li> <li>installing electronic payment facilities at the manual toll</li> </ul>	_	30	100
booths of eight government tolled roads and tunnels (cumulative % completed) awarding management contract for the Aberdeen Tunnel	50	100	
(cumulative % completed)¤ awarding procurement cum management, operation and	—	—	30
maintenance contracts for the new parking meters (cumulative % completed)¤ awarding contracts for the clearing services in respect of the		$60\Delta$	100
parking fees collected by the new parking meters (cumulative % completed)¤ awarding management contract for the Tuen Mun-Chek Lap	—	30◊	100
Kok Link (Northern Connection) Sub-sea Tunnel (cumulative % completed)¤ awarding contract for the toll service provider for toll	—	_	30
collection at the government tolled tunnels and roads installed with free-flow tolling system (cumulative % completed) <sup>¤</sup>	_	_	30

 $\mu$  The next cycle for contract renewal starts in 2019.

Λ Revised description of the previous indicator "awarding management contract for the Central-Wan Chai Bypass and Island Eastern Corridor Link" as from 2018.

 Revised description of the previous indicator "awarding management contract for the connecting road of Liantang/Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Control Point" as from 2018.

 $\beta$  New indicator as from 2018.

 $\simeq$  New indicator as from 2019.

 $\Delta$  The tender was gazetted in October 2018 and closed in December 2018. The tender evaluation will be completed for award of contracts in early 2019.

The preparation for the tender for the clearing services in respect of the parking fees collected by the new parking meters has commenced since mid-2018 and will be completed by mid-2019.

- **21** During 2019–20, the Department will:
  - prepare/conduct tendering exercises and/or award new management contracts for:
    - government carparks;
    - the Eastern Harbour Crossing;
    - the provision of e-Payment services at government tolled roads and tunnels;
    - the Tsing Sha Control Area;
    - the Tsing Ma Control Area;
    - the Aberdeen Tunnel;
    - the Tuen Mun-Chek Lap Kok Link (Northern Connection) Sub-sea Tunnel; and
    - the provision of toll collection services at government tolled tunnels and roads installed with free-flow tolling system;
- carry out the procurement exercise of the new generation of parking meters; and
- assist THB in the legislative amendment exercise for the implementation of free-flow tolling system at government tolled tunnels and roads.

### Programme (5): Transport Services for Persons with Disabilities and Government Public Transport Fare Concession Scheme for the Elderly and Eligible Persons with Disabilities

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	2017–18 (Actual)	2018–19 (Original)	2018–19 (Revised)	2019–20 (Estimate)
Financial provision (\$m)	1,211.0	1,463.2	1,345.3 (-8.1%)	<b>1,603.4</b> (+19.2%)
				(or +9.6% on 2018–19 Original)

### Aim

22 The aims are to ensure the efficient management and operation of the rehabus services to improve the mobility of persons with disabilities and to administer effectively the Government Public Transport Fare Concession Scheme for the Elderly and Eligible Persons with Disabilities (the Scheme) to encourage the elderly and eligible persons with disabilities to participate more in community activities.

## **Brief Description**

23 The work of the Department involves:

- handling and monitoring the efficient utilisation of subvention for the Hong Kong Society for Rehabilitation for the operation of rehabus services; and
- administering the Scheme including reimbursing the participating public transport operators for the revenue forgone.

**24** In 2018, the Department arranged the purchase of 12 additional rehabuses to meet passenger demand and continued to extend the Scheme to new green minibus routes.

### 25 The key performance measures are:

### Indicators

	2017 (Actual)	2018 (Actual)	2019 (Estimate)
vehicles for			
rehabus scheduled routes	103α	103	<b>106</b> υ
rehabus full-day dial-a-ride services	52α	45	<b>49</b> υ
rehabus feeder servicesλ		7	12v
passenger trips for			
rehabus scheduled routes	410 500	436 000	446 000
rehabus dial-a-ride services	523 000	480 000	504 000
rehabus feeder servicesλ		42 300	48 000
no. of persons waiting for scheduled route services			
(including carers)	30	30	30
average daily passenger trips taken under the Scheme			
elderly	1 065 000w	1 154 000§	1 228 000
eligible persons with disabilities	150 000	159 000§	167 000

 $\alpha$  Including the eight additional rehabuses procured in 2017–18.

v Including the 12 additional rehabuses procured in 2018–19.

 $\lambda$  New indicator as from 2018 to better reflect the services provided by rehabus.

 $\psi$  Adjusted from the provisional actual figure shown in the 2018–19 Estimates.

§ Provisional actual subject to adjustment.

- 26 During 2019–20, the Department will:
- replace 15 rehabuses;
- oversee the Hong Kong Society for Rehabilitation's replacement of the existing rehabus operating system with a new integrated computerised system;
- continue to monitor the operation of the Scheme; and
- assist the Labour and Welfare Bureau in conducting the comprehensive review of the Scheme.

## Programme (6): Public Transport Fare Subsidy Scheme

	2017–18 (Actual)	2018–19 (Original)	2018–19 (Revised)	2019–20 (Estimate)
Financial provision (\$m)	1.2	825.0	480.2 (-41.8%)	<b>2,368.8</b> (+393.3%)
				(or +187.1% on 2018–19 Original)

## Aim

27 The aim is to implement and administer effectively the Public Transport Fare Subsidy Scheme (the Fare Subsidy Scheme) to relieve the fare burden of daily commuters travelling on local public transport services and whose public transport expenses are relatively high.

## **Brief Description**

- 28 The work of the Department involves :
- carrying out the preparatory work for implementing the Fare Subsidy Scheme, including monitoring the progress of system development and installation, conducting pre-implementation transport surveys and assurance exercises, putting in place arrangements for participating public transport service providers, as well as taking forward the publicity of the Fare Subsidy Scheme;
- administering the Fare Subsidy Scheme, including the provision of accurate amount of subsidy to individual commuters through their Octopus cards; and
- implementing monitoring measures, including conducting regular assurance exercises and field inspections on operators' systems of internal controls, and conducting transport surveys and analytical reviews of operating information provided by operators, to minimise risks of abuse under the Fare Subsidy Scheme.
- 29 The key performance measure is:

### Indicator

Average no. of beneficiaries per month (in terms of Octopus	2017	2018	2019
	(Actual)	(Actual)	(Estimate)
card holders)Ω			2 240 000

 $\Omega$  Beneficiaries refer to commuters who receive subsidy under the Fare Subsidy Scheme. The Fare Subsidy Scheme aims to relieve the fare burden of daily commuters travelling on local public transport services and whose public transport expenses are relatively high.

- **30** During 2019–20, the Department will:
- review the Fare Subsidy Scheme following its implementation; and
- monitor the operation of the Fare Subsidy Scheme, including the conduct of regular transport surveys and vetting of operating reports of operators.

Prog	gramme	2017–18 (Actual) (\$m)	2018–19 (Original) (\$m)	2018–19 (Revised) (\$m)	2019–20 (Estimate) (\$m)
(1)	Planning and Development	410.8	562.3	571.9	624.1
(2)	Licensing of Vehicles and Drivers	394.0	432.8	435.8	462.1
(3)	District Traffic and Transport				
	Services	499.5	524.7	573.4	621.1
(4)	Management of Transport Services	396.9	677.9	482.6	1,048.2
(5)	Transport Services for Persons with Disabilities and Government Public Transport Fare Concession Scheme for the Elderly and Eligible Persons with				
(6)	Disabilities Public Transport Fare Subsidy	1,211.0	1,463.2	1,345.3	1,603.4
	Scheme	1.2	825.0	480.2	2,368.8
		2,913.4	4,485.9	3,889.2 (-13.3%)	6,727.7 (+73.0%)

#### ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL PROVISION

(or +50.0% on 2018–19 Original)

### Analysis of Financial and Staffing Provision

### Programme (1)

Provision for 2019–20 is \$52.2 million (9.1%) higher than the revised estimate for 2018–19. This is mainly due to the full-year effect of filling of vacancies in 2018–19, the net increase of 27 posts in 2019–20, increased requirement in operating expenses, increase in non-recurrent expenditure and increase in capital expenditure.

#### **Programme (2)**

Provision for 2019–20 is \$26.3 million (6.0%) higher than the revised estimate for 2018–19. This is mainly due to the full-year effect of filling of vacancies in 2018–19 and increased requirement in operating expenses. There will be a net decrease of three posts in 2019–20.

#### Programme (3)

Provision for 2019–20 is \$47.7 million (8.3%) higher than the revised estimate for 2018–19. This is mainly due to the full-year effect of filling of vacancies in 2018–19, the net increase of nine posts in 2019–20, increased requirement in operating expenses, increase in non-recurrent expenditure and increase in capital expenditure.

#### Programme (4)

Provision for 2019–20 is \$565.6 million (117.2%) higher than the revised estimate for 2018–19. This is mainly due to the net increase of four posts in 2019–20, increased requirement in operating expenses and increase in capital expenditure.

#### **Programme (5)**

Provision for 2019–20 is \$258.1 million (19.2%) higher than the revised estimate for 2018–19. This is mainly due to additional provision for the Scheme, increased requirement in operating expenses, partly offset by decrease in non-recurrent expenditure and decrease in expenditure on procurement of rehabuses. There will be a net increase of one post in 2019–20.

#### Programme (6)

Provision for 2019–20 is \$1,888.6 million (393.3%) higher than the revised estimate for 2018–19. This is mainly due to the full-year effect of filling of vacancies in 2018–19 and additional provision for operating expenses and fare subsidy for public transport in 2019–20, partly offset by decrease in non-recurrent expenditure.



Changes in the size of the establishment (as at 31 March)



Sub- head (Code)		Actual expenditure 2017–18	Approved estimate 2018–19	Revised estimate 2018–19	Estimate 2019–20
		\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
	<b>Operating Account</b>				
	Recurrent				
000 166	Operational expenses Government Public Transport Fare Concession Scheme for the Elderly and Eligible Persons	1,629,100	1,995,778	1,925,946	2,346,982
256	with Disabilities Public Transport Fare Subsidy Scheme	1,093,456	1,308,628 775,000	1,205,163 371,600	1,446,147 2,300,000
	Total, Recurrent	2,722,556	4,079,406	3,502,709	6,093,129
	Non-Recurrent				
700	General non-recurrent	47,137	182,910	242,719	188,585
	Total, Non-Recurrent	47,137	182,910	242,719	188,585
	Total, Operating Account	2,769,693	4,262,316	3,745,428	6,281,714
	Capital Account				
	Plant, Equipment and Works				
603 661	Plant, vehicles and equipment	40,328	60,734	30,033	199,401
001	Minor plant, vehicles and equipment (block vote)	84,736	129,835	83,100	225,914
	Total, Plant, Equipment and Works	125,064	190,569	113,133	425,315
	Subventions				
927	Hong Kong Society for Rehabilitation - rehabuses (block vote)	18,664	33,030	30,592	20,710
	Total, Subventions	18,664	33,030	30,592	20,710
	Total, Capital Account	143,728	223,599	143,725	446,025
	Total Expenditure	2,913,421	4,485,915	3,889,153	6,727,739

#### **Details of Expenditure by Subhead**

The estimate of the amount required in 2019–20 for the salaries and expenses of the Transport Department is \$6,727,739,000. This represents an increase of \$2,838,586,000 over the revised estimate for 2018–19 and \$3,814,318,000 over the actual expenditure in 2017–18.

#### **Operating** Account

#### Recurrent

**2** Provision of \$2,346,982,000 under *Subhead 000 Operational expenses* is for the salaries, allowances and other operating expenses of the Transport Department. The increase of \$421,036,000 (21.9%) over the revised estimate for 2018–19 is mainly due to increased salary provision for a net increase of 38 posts in 2019–20, the full-year effect of filling of vacancies in 2018–19 and the additional provision for the increase in contract maintenance and other operating expenses.

**3** The establishment as at 31 March 2019 will be 1 827 posts. It is expected that there will be a net increase of 38 posts in 2019–20. Subject to certain conditions, the controlling officer may under delegated power create or delete non-directorate posts during 2019–20, but the notional annual mid-point salary value of all such posts must not exceed \$972,363,000.

4 An analysis of the financial provision under *Subhead 000 Operational expenses* is as follows:

	2017–18 (Actual) (\$'000)	2018–19 (Original) (\$'000)	2018–19 (Revised) (\$'000)	2019–20 (Estimate) (\$'000)
Personal Emoluments				
<ul> <li>Salaries</li> <li>Allowances</li> <li>Job-related allowances</li> <li>Personnel Related Expenses</li> </ul>	835,306 26,142 312	940,724 26,047 378	904,046 30,869 300	980,394 30,869 300
<ul> <li>Mandatory Provident Fund contribution</li> <li>Civil Service Provident Fund contribution</li> </ul>	3,163 40,405	5,153 48,791	3,682 49,686	5,809 58,032
Departmental Expenses	10,105	10,791	19,000	50,002
<ul> <li>Light and power</li> <li>Contract maintenance</li> <li>Workshop services</li> <li>General departmental expenses</li> <li>Subventions</li> </ul>	3,858 208,469 211,226 222,681	4,515 433,480 218,279 236,353	4,212 300,860 248,512 302,812	4,535 540,616 262,254 369,762
- Special transport facilities for persons with disabilities	77,538	82,058	80,967	94,411
	1,629,100	1,995,778	1,925,946	2,346,982

**5** Provision of \$1,446,147,000 under *Subhead 166 Government Public Transport Fare Concession Scheme for the Elderly and Eligible Persons with Disabilities* is for reimbursement of revenue forgone to the participating public transport operators under the Scheme. The increase of \$240,984,000 (20%) over the revised estimate for 2018–19 is due to additional provision for reimbursing the revenue forgone to the participating public transport operators.

**6** Provision of \$2,300 million under *Subhead 256 Public Transport Fare Subsidy Scheme* is for the payment of public transport fare subsidy in 2019–20. The increase of \$1,928,400,000 (518.9%) over the revised estimate for 2018–19 is due to additional provision for operating expenses and fare subsidy for public transport in 2019–20.

#### Capital Account

#### Plant, Equipment and Works

7 Provision of \$225,914,000 under *Subhead 661 Minor plant, vehicles and equipment (block vote)* represents an increase of \$142,814,000 (171.9%) over the revised estimate for 2018–19. This is mainly due to the increased requirement for new and replacement equipment and systems.

#### Subventions

**8** Provision of \$20,710,000 under *Subhead 927 Hong Kong Society for Rehabilitation - rehabuses (block vote)* is for the procurement of rehabuses and the associated rehabus operating system run by the Hong Kong Society for Rehabilitation with essential accessories and modifications to facilitate the carriage of persons with disabilities, each costing above \$200,000 but not exceeding \$10 million. The decrease of \$9,882,000 (32.3%) against the revised estimate for 2018–19 is mainly due to decrease in expenditure on procurement of rehabuses, and partly offset by increase in expenditure on replacement of the existing rehabus operating system with a new integrated computerised system.

# Commitments

Sub- head (Code)	Item (Code)	Ambit	Approved commitment	Accumulated expenditure to 31.3.2018	Revised estimated expenditure for 2018–19	Balance
			\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Opera	ting Aco	count				
700		General non-recurrent				
	845	Setting up of a centralised settlement platform and related system enhancement for implementing the Government Public Transport Fare Concession Scheme for the Elderly and Eligible Persons with Disabilities	17,197	15,052	1,630	515
	853	Relocation of Transport Department's operation centres to the West Kowloon Government Offices	56,049	1,073	11,898	43,078
	854	Replacement of the existing tram tracks with the use of new rail jacket technology	19,658		4,183	15,475
	855	Consultancy study on enhancing the walkability in Hong Kong	21,620	1,111	3,950	16,559
	861	Provision of Special Helping Measures for the Six Major Outlying Island Ferry Routes	412,140	4,507	138,429	269,204
	890	Upgrading public transport ancillary facilities to benefit passengers through provision of one-off subsidy to franchised bus operators for installing seats and display panels for provision of real-time bus arrival information at bus stops/termini	88,270	988	7,702	79,580
	891	Developing a new system to process subsidy amount, modifying relevant software and hardware and installing dedicated readers for subsidy collection and registration of expenses on monthly/day passes for implementing the Public Transport Fare Subsidy Scheme	74,561		71,004	3,557
	892	Provision of subsidy to the franchised bus companies on the installation of appropriate safety devices on existing busesp	500,000p	_	_	500,000
	897	Consultancy study on parking for commercial vehicles	9,900	389	1,833	7,678
			1,199,395	23,120	240,629	935,646
Capita	ıl Accou	int				
603		Plant, vehicles and equipment				
	856	Replacement of high voltage and low voltage power supply system in the Tseung Kwan O Tunnel	70,560	1,000	2,000	67,560

# Commitments—Cont'd.

Sub- head (Code)	Item (Code)	Ambit	Approved commitment	Accumulated expenditure to 31.3.2018	Revised estimated expenditure for 2018–19	Balance
			\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Capita	l Accou	nt—Cont'd.				
603		Plant, vehicles and equipment—Cont'd.				
	857	Replacement of manual toll collection system and installation of e-payment system in Tate's Cairn Tunnel	27,050	1,000	1,000	25,050
	858	Replacement of automatic fire alarm system in Cheung Tsing Tunnel	26,334	500	4,000	21,834
	859	Replacement of automatic fire alarm system in the Kai Tak Tunnel	22,680	500	1,000	21,180
	860	Replacement of low voltage power supply system in the Kai Tak Tunnel	35,280	900	2,000	32,380
	863	Replacement of fire service system at Tseung Kwan O Tunnel	13,507	_	400	13,107
	864	Replacement of uninterruptible power supply (UPS) systems at various locations in Tsing Ma Control Area	11,897	_	3,683	8,214
	865	Replacement of UPS systems at various locations in Lion Rock Tunnel	11,930		700	11,230
	866	Replacement of closed circuit television system in the Cross-Harbour Tunnel	10,810	_	500	10,310
	867	Replacement of high voltage power supply system in the Cheung Tsing Tunnel, Tsing Ma Control Area	50,400	_	2,500	47,900
	870	Replacement of network for the central monitoring system in Tsing Sha Control Area	44,000	_	1,500	42,500
	871	Replacement of high voltage power supply system in the Kai Tak Tunnel	33,900	_	1,700	32,200
	872	Replacement of environmental monitoring system for Aberdeen Tunnel	12,600	_	500	12,100
	873	Replacement of environmental monitoring system for Lion Rock Tunnel	12,600	_	500	12,100
	882	Replacement of air-conditioning systems and equipment in the administration buildings in the Tsing Ma Control Area	14,520	_	50	14,470
	883	Procurement of new generation of parking meter system and the associated equipment	304,000	_	8,000	296,000
	894	Replacement of fire service system at the Cross-Harbour Tunnelp	29,800p			29,800
	895	Replacement of central control and monitoring system in the Tate's Cairn Tunnelp	29,610p	_		29,610

## Commitments—Cont'd.

Item (Code)	Ambit	Approved commitment	Accumulated expenditure to 31.3.2018	Revised estimated expenditure for 2018–19	Balance
		\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
ul Accou	int—Cont'd.				
	Plant, vehicles and equipment—Cont'd.				
89A	Replacement of tunnel ventilation system at the Aberdeen Tunnelp	70,810ρ	_	_	70,810
89B	Replacement of tunnel ventilation system at the Kai Tak Tunnelp	169,000ρ	_	_	169,000
89C	Implementation of free-flow tolling system at government tolled tunnels and roadsp	945,980p	_	_	945,980
89D	Provision of real-time arrival information for green minibusp	31,000ρ	_	_	31,000
89E	Replacement of public address systems at the Kai Tak Tunnel, Lion Rock Tunnel, Shing Mun Tunnels, Cross-Harbour Tunnel, Tseung Kwan O Tunnel and				
	Eastern Harbour Crossingp	10,960p			10,960
		1,989,228	3,900	30,033	1,955,295
	Total	3,188,623	27,020	270,662	2,890,941
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 $\rho$  This is a new item, funding for which is sought in the context of the Appropriation Bill 2019.