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Hong Kong’s housing statistics from the perspective of sustainability
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Abstract: This paper will introduce, from the perspective of sustainability, the development of Hong Kong’s diversified housing sector in the light of the wide range of available housing statistics. Starting with some background on the early development of Hong Kong’s housing sector, the paper will then introduce the opportunities and challenges faced by the present housing sector from the perspective of sustainability, covering such aspects as the scarcity of land resources, ever increasing demand for housing, in particular public housing, and affordability of private housing amidst rising property price. Some salient characteristics of the public and private housing sector in Hong Kong will then be discussed with a view to shedding more light on the underlying sustainability issues in the light of various housing statistics currently available. Finally, some recent policy initiatives to enhance sustainability of the housing sector in Hong Kong will also be introduced in the paper.