## Hong Kong People Tend to Marry Late

- There is a trend of late marriage for both men and women in Hong Kong.
- In 2006, the median age at first marriage for males was 31.2 and that for females was 28.2. Both were higher than the corresponding figures thirty-five years ago. The increase for females was especially prominent.
- Such phenomenon of late marriage is also quite common in advanced economies.
- Median age at first marriage measures the average age at which people get married for the first time. Half of the persons are above this age when they get married while the other half are below it.


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