

## The rare set of ultra-small apartments is likened to 'coffins' in Hong Kong

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Hong Kong in the impression of many is a modern, prosperous city. But the reality is not so, there are still many people living in tiny rooms that are like "coffins" with "exorbitant" rents every month.

Hong Kong has a population of 7.5 million people living on an area of 780,290km<sup>2</sup> of the territory. Most of the land fund in Hong Kong is used to develop commercial centers, so the price of land here is very high, always at the top of the world for decades.



The average housing price in Hong Kong is 19 times higher than the average annual income of a household.

The population increased rapidly, the price of expensive rent made many low-income workers in Hong Kong forced to accept life in the cramped, dark houses like the "coffin".



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In Hong Kong, large apartments are subdivided into many small rooms, sometimes separated by wooden panels or even by wire, about 1.7m<sup>2</sup> in size, just fit for one person who is similar to decks. coffin.

### 棺材房透視圖



Renters on the same floor often share bathrooms and kitchens. And because the space is so small, the bathroom and kitchen are also put together.



According to the Hong Kong Community Organization Association (SoCO), more than 100,000 people in the administrative district do not have enough money to own a spacious house.



Most of those who live in these "coffins" are old, low-income workers.



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Although the space is very narrow, these rental houses cost an 'exorbitant' price, about 3,000 yuan / month (equivalent to about 10 million VND).



Low-wage jobs, expensive prices make many people forced to accept living in micro-apartments for decades. Even older people live in iron-lined bunk beds in public houses.





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