

Table Title: Table 1 Value index and value of retail sales by type of retail outlet for March and April 2006

Value index of total retail sales for the month March 2006 was 115.6.

Value index of total retail sales for the month April 2006 was 119.8.

Value of retail sales for total retail sales for the month March 2006 was \$HK million 17950.

Value of retail sales for total retail sales for the month April 2006 was \$HK million 18596.

Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for total retail sales for the month March 2006 was +9.0%.

Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for total retail sales for the month April 2006 was +9.4%.

Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for total retail sales for the month January to April 2006 was +6.9%.

Value index of retail outlets of food, alcoholic drinks and tobacco (other than supermarkets) for the month March 2006 was 108.7.

Value index of retail outlets of food, alcoholic drinks and tobacco (other than supermarkets) for the month April 2006 was 109.1.

Value of retail sales for retail outlets of food, alcoholic drinks and tobacco (other than supermarkets) for the month March 2006 was \$HK million 1924.

Value of retail sales for retail outlets of food, alcoholic drinks and tobacco (other than supermarkets) for the month April 2006 was \$HK million 1933.

Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of food, alcoholic drinks and tobacco (other than supermarkets) for the month March 2006 was +10.0%.

Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of food, alcoholic drinks and tobacco (other than supermarkets) for the month April 2006 was +6.4%.

Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of food, alcoholic drinks and tobacco (other than supermarkets) for the month January to April 2006 was +5.2%.

Value index of retail outlets of fish, livestock and poultry, fresh or frozen for the month March 2006 was 96.9.

Value index of retail outlets of fish, livestock and poultry, fresh or frozen for the month April 2006 was 93.2.

Value of retail sales for retail outlets of fish, livestock and poultry, fresh or frozen for the month March 2006 was \$HK million 557.

Value of retail sales for retail outlets of fish, livestock and poultry, fresh or frozen for the month April 2006 was \$HK million 536.

Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of fish, livestock and poultry, fresh or frozen for the month March 2006 was +4.1%.

Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of fish, livestock and poultry, fresh or frozen for the month April 2006 was +5.8%.

Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of fish, livestock and poultry, fresh or frozen for the month January to April 2006 was +1.3%.

Value index of retail outlets of fruits and vegetables, fresh for the month March 2006 was 70.1.

Value index of retail outlets of fruits and vegetables, fresh for the month April 2006 was 79.7.

Value of retail sales for retail outlets of fruits and vegetables, fresh for the month March 2006 was \$HK million 158.

Value of retail sales for retail outlets of fruits and vegetables, fresh for the month April 2006 was \$HK million 180.

Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of fruits and vegetables, fresh for the month March 2006 was -0.2%.

Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of fruits and vegetables, fresh for the month April 2006 was -0.4%.

Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of fruits and vegetables, fresh for the month January to April 2006 was +0.8%.

Value index of retail outlets of bread, pastry, confectionery and biscuits for the month March 2006 was 119.6.

Value index of retail outlets of bread, pastry, confectionery and biscuits for the month April 2006 was 110.6.

Value of retail sales for retail outlets of bread, pastry, confectionery and biscuits for the month March 2006 was \$HK million 375.

Value of retail sales for retail outlets of bread, pastry, confectionery and biscuits for the month April 2006 was \$HK million 346.

Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of bread, pastry, confectionery and biscuits for the month March 2006 was +5.8%.

Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of bread, pastry, confectionery and biscuits for the month April 2006 was +5.9%.

Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of bread, pastry, confectionery and biscuits for the month January to April 2006 was +3.6%.

Value index of retail outlets of other foodstuffs for the month March 2006 was 127.0.

Value index of retail outlets of other foodstuffs for the month April 2006 was 134.1.

Value of retail sales for retail outlets of other foodstuffs for the month March 2006 was \$HK million 630.

Value of retail sales for retail outlets of other foodstuffs for the month April 2006 was \$HK million 665.

Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of other foodstuffs for the month March 2006 was +20.6%.

Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of other foodstuffs for the month April 2006 was +7.0%.

Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of other foodstuffs for the month January to April 2006 was +8.8%.

Value index of retail outlets of alcoholic drinks and tobacco for the month March 2006 was 126.8.

Value index of retail outlets of alcoholic drinks and tobacco for the month April 2006 was 127.6.

Value of retail sales for retail outlets of alcoholic drinks and tobacco for the month March 2006 was \$HK million 205.

Value of retail sales for retail outlets of alcoholic drinks and tobacco for the month April 2006 was \$HK million 206.

Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of alcoholic drinks and tobacco for the month March 2006 was +14.3%.

Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of alcoholic drinks and tobacco for the month April 2006 was +13.5%.

Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of alcoholic drinks and tobacco for the month January to April 2006 was +13.7%.

Value index of supermarkets for the month March 2006 was 115.6.

Value index of supermarkets for the month April 2006 was 111.2.

Value of retail sales for supermarkets for the month March 2006 was \$HK million 2388.

Value of retail sales for supermarkets for the month April 2006 was \$HK million 2296.

Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for supermarkets for the month March 2006 was +16.3%.

Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for supermarkets for the month April 2006 was +6.3%.

Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for supermarkets for the month January to April 2006 was +7.3%.

Value index of retail outlets of fuels for the month March 2006 was 85.1.

Value index of retail outlets of fuels for the month April 2006 was 89.8.

Value of retail sales for retail outlets of fuels for the month March 2006 was \$HK million 553.
Value of retail sales for retail outlets of fuels for the month April 2006 was \$HK million 584.
Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of fuels for the month March 2006 was +10.9%.
Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of fuels for the month April 2006 was +8.7%.
Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of fuels for the month January to April 2006 was +13.3%.
Value index of retail outlets of clothing, footwear and allied products for the month March 2006 was 106.7.
Value index of retail outlets of clothing, footwear and allied products for the month April 2006 was 121.7.
Value of retail sales for retail outlets of clothing, footwear and allied products for the month March 2006 was \$HK million 2148.
Value of retail sales for retail outlets of clothing, footwear and allied products for the month April 2006 was \$HK million 2449.
Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of clothing, footwear and allied products for the month March 2006 was +5.8%.
Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of clothing, footwear and allied products for the month April 2006 was +7.9%.
Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of clothing, footwear and allied products for the month January to April 2006 was +4.4%.
Value index of retail outlets of wearing apparel for the month March 2006 was 108.3.
Value index of retail outlets of wearing apparel for the month April 2006 was 126.5.
Value of retail sales for retail outlets of wearing apparel for the month March 2006 was \$HK million 1864.
Value of retail sales for retail outlets of wearing apparel for the month April 2006 was \$HK million 2178.
Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of wearing apparel for the month March 2006 was +5.8%.
Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of wearing apparel for the month April 2006 was +7.8%.
Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of wearing apparel for the month January to April 2006 was +4.5%.
Value index of retail outlets of footwear, allied products and other clothing accessories for the month March 2006 was 97.6.
Value index of retail outlets of footwear, allied products and other clothing accessories for the month April 2006 was 93.4.
Value of retail sales for retail outlets of footwear, allied products and other clothing accessories for the month March 2006 was \$HK million 284.
Value of retail sales for retail outlets of footwear, allied products and other clothing accessories for the month April 2006 was \$HK million 272.
Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of footwear, allied products and other clothing accessories for the month March 2006 was +5.7%.
Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of footwear, allied products and other clothing accessories for the month April 2006 was +8.2%.
Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of footwear, allied products and other clothing accessories for the month January to April 2006 was +3.8%.
Value index of retail outlets of consumer durable goods for the month March 2006 was 124.3.
Value index of retail outlets of consumer durable goods for the month April 2006 was 121.0.
Value of retail sales for retail outlets of consumer durable goods for the month March 2006 was \$HK million 3349.
Value of retail sales for retail outlets of consumer durable goods for the month April 2006 was \$HK million 3260.
Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of consumer durable goods for the month March 2006 was +6.5%.
Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of consumer durable goods for the month April 2006 was +6.6%.
Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of consumer durable goods for the month January to April 2006 was +4.0%.
Value index of retail outlets of motor vehicles and parts for the month March 2006 was 129.2.
Value index of retail outlets of motor vehicles and parts for the month April 2006 was 120.2.
Value of retail sales for retail outlets of motor vehicles and parts for the month March 2006 was \$HK million 956.
Value of retail sales for retail outlets of motor vehicles and parts for the month April 2006 was \$HK million 890.
Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of motor vehicles and parts for the month March 2006 was +23.6%.
Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of motor vehicles and parts for the month April 2006 was +15.0%.
Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of motor vehicles and parts for the month January to April 2006 was +12.6%.
Value index of retail outlets of electrical goods and photographic equipment for the month March 2006 was 143.0.
Value index of retail outlets of electrical goods and photographic equipment for the month April 2006 was 134.7.
Value of retail sales for retail outlets of electrical goods and photographic equipment for the month March 2006 was \$HK million 1580.
Value of retail sales for retail outlets of electrical goods and photographic equipment for the month April 2006 was \$HK million 1488.
Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of electrical goods and photographic equipment for the month March 2006 was -0.7%.
Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of electrical goods and photographic equipment for the month April 2006 was +2.3%.
Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of electrical goods and photographic equipment for the month January to April 2006 was +0.6%.
Value index of retail outlets of furniture and fixtures for the month March 2006 was 98.8.
Value index of retail outlets of furniture and fixtures for the month April 2006 was 103.6.
Value of retail sales for retail outlets of furniture and fixtures for the month March 2006 was \$HK million 450.
Value of retail sales for retail outlets of furniture and fixtures for the month April 2006 was \$HK million 472.
Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of furniture and fixtures for the month March 2006 was +1.2%.
Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of furniture and fixtures for the month April 2006 was +7.9%.
Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of furniture and fixtures for the month January to April 2006 was +1.5%.
Value index of retail outlets of other consumer durable goods, not elsewhere classified for the month March 2006 was 92.2.
Value index of retail outlets of other consumer durable goods, not elsewhere classified for the month April 2006 was 104.3.
Value of retail sales for retail outlets of other consumer durable goods, not elsewhere classified for the month March 2006 was \$HK

million 363.

Value of retail sales for retail outlets of other consumer durable goods, not elsewhere classified for the month April 2006 was \$HK million 411.

Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of other consumer durable goods, not elsewhere classified for the month March 2006 was +8.0%.

Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of other consumer durable goods, not elsewhere classified for the month April 2006 was +4.7%.

Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of other consumer durable goods, not elsewhere classified for the month January to April 2006 was +4.6%.

Value index of department stores for the month March 2006 was 110.5.

Value index of department stores for the month April 2006 was 115.6.

Value of retail sales for department stores for the month March 2006 was \$HK million 1633.

Value of retail sales for department stores for the month April 2006 was \$HK million 1707.

Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for department stores for the month March 2006 was +3.8%.

Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for department stores for the month April 2006 was +14.3%.

Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for department stores for the month January to April 2006 was +5.0%.

Value index of retail outlets of jewellery, watches and clocks, and valuable gifts for the month March 2006 was 129.8.

Value index of retail outlets of jewellery, watches and clocks, and valuable gifts for the month April 2006 was 126.8.

Value of retail sales for retail outlets of jewellery, watches and clocks, and valuable gifts for the month March 2006 was \$HK million 2514.

Value of retail sales for retail outlets of jewellery, watches and clocks, and valuable gifts for the month April 2006 was \$HK million 2457.

Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of jewellery, watches and clocks, and valuable gifts for the month March 2006 was +17.1%.

Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of jewellery, watches and clocks, and valuable gifts for the month April 2006 was +16.9%.

Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of jewellery, watches and clocks, and valuable gifts for the month January to April 2006 was +13.1%.

Value index of retail outlets of other consumer goods for the month March 2006 was 117.9.

Value index of retail outlets of other consumer goods for the month April 2006 was 134.0.

Value of retail sales for retail outlets of other consumer goods for the month March 2006 was \$HK million 3440.

Value of retail sales for retail outlets of other consumer goods for the month April 2006 was \$HK million 3909.

Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of other consumer goods for the month March 2006 was +5.3%.

Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of other consumer goods for the month April 2006 was +9.8%.

Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of other consumer goods for the month January to April 2006 was +7.6%.

Value index of retail outlets of books, newspapers, stationery and gifts for the month March 2006 was 91.1.

Value index of retail outlets of books, newspapers, stationery and gifts for the month April 2006 was 111.6.

Value of retail sales for retail outlets of books, newspapers, stationery and gifts for the month March 2006 was \$HK million 440.

Value of retail sales for retail outlets of books, newspapers, stationery and gifts for the month April 2006 was \$HK million 539.

Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of books, newspapers, stationery and gifts for the month March 2006 was +4.7%.

Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of books, newspapers, stationery and gifts for the month April 2006 was +6.6%.

Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of books, newspapers, stationery and gifts for the month January to April 2006 was +6.9%.

Value index of retail outlets of chinese drugs and herbs for the month March 2006 was 87.7.

Value index of retail outlets of chinese drugs and herbs for the month April 2006 was 103.1.

Value of retail sales for retail outlets of chinese drugs and herbs for the month March 2006 was \$HK million 235.

Value of retail sales for retail outlets of chinese drugs and herbs for the month April 2006 was \$HK million 276.

Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of chinese drugs and herbs for the month March 2006 was +5.0%.

Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of chinese drugs and herbs for the month April 2006 was +4.8%.

Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of chinese drugs and herbs for the month January to April 2006 was +2.9%.

Value index of optical shops for the month March 2006 was 97.8.

Value index of optical shops for the month April 2006 was 108.8.

Value of retail sales for optical shops for the month March 2006 was \$HK million 142.

Value of retail sales for optical shops for the month April 2006 was \$HK million 158.

Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for optical shops for the month March 2006 was -1.3%.

Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for optical shops for the month April 2006 was -1.2%.

Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for optical shops for the month January to April 2006 was +1.6%.

Value index of retail outlets of medicines and cosmetics for the month March 2006 was 137.1.

Value index of retail outlets of medicines and cosmetics for the month April 2006 was 147.0.

Value of retail sales for retail outlets of medicines and cosmetics for the month March 2006 was \$HK million 1339.

Value of retail sales for retail outlets of medicines and cosmetics for the month April 2006 was \$HK million 1435.

Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of medicines and cosmetics for the month March 2006 was -2.0%.

Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of medicines and cosmetics for the month April 2006 was +5.5%.

Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of medicines and cosmetics for the month January to April 2006 was +2.8%.

Value index of retail outlets of other consumer goods, not elsewhere classified for the month March 2006 was 123.0.

Value index of retail outlets of other consumer goods, not elsewhere classified for the month April 2006 was 143.6.

Value of retail sales for retail outlets of other consumer goods, not elsewhere classified for the month March 2006 was \$HK million 1285.

Value of retail sales for retail outlets of other consumer goods, not elsewhere classified for the month April 2006 was \$HK million 1500.

Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of other consumer goods, not elsewhere classified for the month March 2006 was +15.6%.

Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of other consumer goods, not elsewhere classified for the month April 2006 was +18.2%.

Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of other consumer goods, not elsewhere classified for the month January to April 2006 was +14.8%.

Note:

1. The figures for supermarkets above do not include sales in supermarket sections of department stores.

Supplementary statistics that included such sales are shown below.

Value index of retail outlets of supermarkets and supermarket sections of department stores for the month March 2006 was 118.3.

Value index of retail outlets of supermarkets and supermarket sections of department stores for the month April 2006 was 114.4.

Value of retail sales for retail outlets of supermarkets and supermarket sections of department stores for the month March 2006 was \$HK million 2607.

Value of retail sales for retail outlets of supermarkets and supermarket sections of department stores for the month April 2006 was \$HK million 2521.

Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of supermarkets and supermarket sections of department stores for the month March 2006 was +16.6%.

Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of supermarkets and supermarket sections of department stores for the month April 2006 was +8.3%.

Year-on-year % change of value of retail sales for retail outlets of supermarkets and supermarket sections of department stores for the month January to April 2006 was +8.1%.

2. Figures for the month March 2006 are revised figures.

3. Figures for the month April 2006 are provisional figures.

4. Value index monthly average of Oct. 1999 - Sep. 2000=100.

5. The sum of individual items and the total shown might not exactly tally because of rounding.

Table Title: Table 2 Volume index of retail sales by type of retail outlet for March and April 2006

Volume index of total retail sales for the month March 2006 was 121.2.

Volume index of total retail sales for the month April 2006 was 123.1.

Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for total retail sales for the month March 2006 was +7.7%.

Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for total retail sales for the month April 2006 was +7.9%.

Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for total retail sales for the month January to April 2006 was +5.4%.

Volume index of retail outlets of food, alcoholic drinks and tobacco (other than supermarkets) for the month March 2006 was 110.9.

Volume index of retail outlets of food, alcoholic drinks and tobacco (other than supermarkets) for the month April 2006 was 112.3.

Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of food, alcoholic drinks and tobacco (other than supermarkets) for the month March 2006 was +10.1%.

Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of food, alcoholic drinks and tobacco (other than supermarkets) for the month April 2006 was +6.2%.

Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of food, alcoholic drinks and tobacco (other than supermarkets) for the month January to April 2006 was +4.4%.

Volume index of retail outlets of fish, livestock and poultry, fresh or frozen for the month March 2006 was 100.1.

Volume index of retail outlets of fish, livestock and poultry, fresh or frozen for the month April 2006 was 96.5.

Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of fish, livestock and poultry, fresh or frozen for the month March 2006 was +2.9%.

Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of fish, livestock and poultry, fresh or frozen for the month April 2006 was +3.0%.

Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of fish, livestock and poultry, fresh or frozen for the month January to April 2006 was -1.5%.

Volume index of retail outlets of fruits and vegetables, fresh for the month March 2006 was 66.6.

Volume index of retail outlets of fruits and vegetables, fresh for the month April 2006 was 73.9.

Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of fruits and vegetables, fresh for the month March 2006 was +3.7%.

Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of fruits and vegetables, fresh for the month April 2006 was -6.3%.

Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of fruits and vegetables, fresh for the month January to April 2006 was -1.5%.

Volume index of retail outlets of bread, pastry, confectionery and biscuits for the month March 2006 was 123.8.

Volume index of retail outlets of bread, pastry, confectionery and biscuits for the month April 2006 was 114.3.

Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of bread, pastry, confectionery and biscuits for the month March 2006 was +5.5%.

Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of bread, pastry, confectionery and biscuits for the month April 2006 was +5.7%.

Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of bread, pastry, confectionery and biscuits for the month January to April 2006 was +3.4%.

Volume index of retail outlets of other foodstuffs for the month March 2006 was 130.2.

Volume index of retail outlets of other foodstuffs for the month April 2006 was 141.9.

Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of other foodstuffs for the month March 2006 was +21.5%.

Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of other foodstuffs for the month April 2006 was +11.4%.

Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of other foodstuffs for the month January to April 2006 was +10.3%.

Volume index of retail outlets of alcoholic drinks and tobacco for the month March 2006 was 126.9.

Volume index of retail outlets of alcoholic drinks and tobacco for the month April 2006 was 127.1.

Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of alcoholic drinks and tobacco for the month March 2006 was +12.8%.

Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of alcoholic drinks and tobacco for the month April 2006 was +10.9%.

Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of alcoholic drinks and tobacco for the month January to April 2006 was +12.2%.

Volume index of supermarkets for the month March 2006 was 113.8.

Volume index of supermarkets for the month April 2006 was 110.4.

Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for supermarkets for the month March 2006 was +15.6%.

Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for supermarkets for the month April 2006 was +7.0%.

Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for supermarkets for the month January to April 2006 was +7.4%.

Volume index of retail outlets of fuels for the month March 2006 was 66.8.

Volume index of retail outlets of fuels for the month April 2006 was 69.2.

Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of fuels for the month March 2006 was +4.7%.

Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of fuels for the month April 2006 was +2.8%.

Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of fuels for the month January to April 2006 was +5.5%.

Volume index of retail outlets of clothing, footwear and allied products for the month March 2006 was 107.7.

Volume index of retail outlets of clothing, footwear and allied products for the month April 2006 was 113.1.

Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of clothing, footwear and allied products for the month March 2006 was +6.3%.

Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of clothing, footwear and allied products for the month April 2006 was +9.0%.

Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of clothing, footwear and allied products for the month January to April 2006 was +5.6%.

Volume index of retail outlets of wearing apparel for the month March 2006 was 107.1.

Volume index of retail outlets of wearing apparel for the month April 2006 was 115.0.

Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of wearing apparel for the month March 2006 was +5.7%.

Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of wearing apparel for the month April 2006 was +8.5%.

Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of wearing apparel for the month January to April 2006 was +4.8%.
Volume index of retail outlets of footwear, allied products and other clothing accessories for the month March 2006 was 111.0.
Volume index of retail outlets of footwear, allied products and other clothing accessories for the month April 2006 was 102.0.
Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of footwear, allied products and other clothing accessories for the month March 2006 was +9.3%.
Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of footwear, allied products and other clothing accessories for the month April 2006 was +13.1%.
Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of footwear, allied products and other clothing accessories for the month January to April 2006 was +9.7%.
Volume index of retail outlets of consumer durable goods for the month March 2006 was 188.4.
Volume index of retail outlets of consumer durable goods for the month April 2006 was 182.2.
Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of consumer durable goods for the month March 2006 was +10.0%.
Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of consumer durable goods for the month April 2006 was +9.9%.
Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of consumer durable goods for the month January to April 2006 was +7.7%.
Volume index of retail outlets of motor vehicles and parts for the month March 2006 was 171.9.
Volume index of retail outlets of motor vehicles and parts for the month April 2006 was 151.2.
Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of motor vehicles and parts for the month March 2006 was +28.2%.
Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of motor vehicles and parts for the month April 2006 was +15.0%.
Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of motor vehicles and parts for the month January to April 2006 was +16.2%.
Volume index of retail outlets of electrical goods and photographic equipment for the month March 2006 was 240.9.
Volume index of retail outlets of electrical goods and photographic equipment for the month April 2006 was 228.4.
Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of electrical goods and photographic equipment for the month March 2006 was +3.4%.
Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of electrical goods and photographic equipment for the month April 2006 was +7.0%.
Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of electrical goods and photographic equipment for the month January to April 2006 was +4.6%.
Volume index of retail outlets of furniture and fixtures for the month March 2006 was 110.5.
Volume index of retail outlets of furniture and fixtures for the month April 2006 was 116.2.
Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of furniture and fixtures for the month March 2006 was +2.7%.
Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of furniture and fixtures for the month April 2006 was +12.2%.
Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of furniture and fixtures for the month January to April 2006 was +3.9%.
Volume index of retail outlets of other consumer durable goods, not elsewhere classified for the month March 2006 was 162.7.
Volume index of retail outlets of other consumer durable goods, not elsewhere classified for the month April 2006 was 186.8.
Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of other consumer durable goods, not elsewhere classified for the month March 2006 was +14.4%.
Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of other consumer durable goods, not elsewhere classified for the month April 2006 was +11.3%.
Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of other consumer durable goods, not elsewhere classified for the month January to April 2006 was +11.2%.
Volume index of department stores for the month March 2006 was 115.4.
Volume index of department stores for the month April 2006 was 117.5.
Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for department stores for the month March 2006 was +4.4%.
Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for department stores for the month April 2006 was +14.4%.
Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for department stores for the month January to April 2006 was +5.4%.
Volume index of retail outlets of jewellery, watches and clocks, and valuable gifts for the month March 2006 was 86.1.
Volume index of retail outlets of jewellery, watches and clocks, and valuable gifts for the month April 2006 was 80.6.
Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of jewellery, watches and clocks, and valuable gifts for the month March 2006 was +0.8%.
Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of jewellery, watches and clocks, and valuable gifts for the month April 2006 was -4.2%.
Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of jewellery, watches and clocks, and valuable gifts for the month January to April 2006 was -4.6%.
Volume index of retail outlets of other consumer goods for the month March 2006 was 118.3.
Volume index of retail outlets of other consumer goods for the month April 2006 was 134.1.
Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of other consumer goods for the month March 2006 was +4.8%.
Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of other consumer goods for the month April 2006 was +9.2%.
Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of other consumer goods for the month January to April 2006 was +7.0%.
Volume index of retail outlets of books, newspapers, stationery and gifts for the month March 2006 was 82.9.
Volume index of retail outlets of books, newspapers, stationery and gifts for the month April 2006 was 102.3.
Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of books, newspapers, stationery and gifts for the month March 2006 was +7.0%.
Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of books, newspapers, stationery and gifts for the month April 2006 was +9.8%.
Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of books, newspapers, stationery and gifts for the month January to April 2006 was +9.5%.
Volume index of retail outlets of chinese drugs and herbs for the month March 2006 was 91.2.
Volume index of retail outlets of chinese drugs and herbs for the month April 2006 was 109.9.
Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of chinese drugs and herbs for the month March 2006 was +6.7%.

Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of chinese drugs and herbs for the month April 2006 was +8.9%.
Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of chinese drugs and herbs for the month January to April 2006 was +4.8%.
Volume index of optical shops for the month March 2006 was 99.1.
Volume index of optical shops for the month April 2006 was 110.3.
Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for optical shops for the month March 2006 was -4.0%.
Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for optical shops for the month April 2006 was -2.8%.
Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for optical shops for the month January to April 2006 was -1.6%.
Volume index of retail outlets of medicines and cosmetics for the month March 2006 was 139.4.
Volume index of retail outlets of medicines and cosmetics for the month April 2006 was 149.3.
Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of medicines and cosmetics for the month March 2006 was -3.0%.
Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of medicines and cosmetics for the month April 2006 was +4.2%.
Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of medicines and cosmetics for the month January to April 2006 was +1.6%.
Volume index of retail outlets of other consumer goods, not elsewhere classified for the month March 2006 was 124.6.
Volume index of retail outlets of other consumer goods, not elsewhere classified for the month April 2006 was 144.0.
Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of other consumer goods, not elsewhere classified for the month March 2006 was +14.4%.
Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of other consumer goods, not elsewhere classified for the month April 2006 was +16.1%.
Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of other consumer goods, not elsewhere classified for the month January to April 2006 was +13.5%.

Note:

1. The figures for supermarkets above do not include sales in supermarket sections of department stores.

Supplementary statistics that included such sales are shown below.

Volume index of retail outlets of supermarkets and supermarket sections of department stores for the month March 2006 was 117.0.

Volume index of retail outlets of supermarkets and supermarket sections of department stores for the month April 2006 was 113.9.

Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of supermarkets and supermarket sections of department stores for the month March 2006 was +16.0%.

Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of supermarkets and supermarket sections of department stores for the month April 2006 was +9.0%.

Year-on-year % change of volume of retail sales for retail outlets of supermarkets and supermarket sections of department stores for the month January to April 2006 was +8.3%.

2. Figures for the month March 2006 are revised figures.

3. Figures for the month April 2006 are provisional figures.

4. Volume index monthly average of Oct. 1999 - Sep. 2000=100.

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Year-on-year % change of volume of total retail sales for February 2005 was +16.0%.

Rate of change of seasonally adjusted volume of retail sales for the 3 months ending February 2005 compared with the 3 months ending November 2004 was +1.9%.

Year-on-year % change of volume of total retail sales for March 2005 was +5.2%.

Rate of change of seasonally adjusted volume of retail sales for the 3 months ending March 2005 compared with the 3 months ending December 2004 was +1.5%.

Year-on-year % change of volume of total retail sales for April 2005 was +7.8%.

Rate of change of seasonally adjusted volume of retail sales for the 3 months ending April 2005 compared with the 3 months ending January 2005 was +1.4%.

Year-on-year % change of volume of total retail sales for May 2005 was +6.4%.

Rate of change of seasonally adjusted volume of retail sales for the 3 months ending May 2005 compared with the 3 months ending February 2005 was +0.5%.

Year-on-year % change of volume of total retail sales for June 2005 was +5.2%.

Rate of change of seasonally adjusted volume of retail sales for the 3 months ending June 2005 compared with the 3 months ending March 2005 was +0.8%.

Year-on-year % change of volume of total retail sales for July 2005 was +5.8%.

Rate of change of seasonally adjusted volume of retail sales for the 3 months ending July 2005 compared with the 3 months ending April 2005 was +0.4%.

Year-on-year % change of volume of total retail sales for August 2005 was +5.3%.

Rate of change of seasonally adjusted volume of retail sales for the 3 months ending August 2005 compared with the 3 months ending May 2005 was +0.5%.

Year-on-year % change of volume of total retail sales for September 2005 was +4.1%.

Rate of change of seasonally adjusted volume of retail sales for the 3 months ending September 2005 compared with the 3 months ending June 2005 was +0.4%.

Year-on-year % change of volume of total retail sales for October 2005 was +3.7%.

Rate of change of seasonally adjusted volume of retail sales for the 3 months ending October 2005 compared with the 3 months ending July 2005 was +0.6%.

Year-on-year % change of volume of total retail sales for November 2005 was +3.5%.

Rate of change of seasonally adjusted volume of retail sales for the 3 months ending November 2005 compared with the 3 months ending August 2005 was +1.0%.

Year-on-year % change of volume of total retail sales for December 2005 was +5.8%.

Rate of change of seasonally adjusted volume of retail sales for the 3 months ending December 2005 compared with the 3 months ending September 2005 was +1.6%.

Year-on-year % change of volume of total retail sales for January 2006 was +10.4%.

Rate of change of seasonally adjusted volume of retail sales for the 3 months ending January 2006 compared with the 3 months ending October 2005 was +2.0%.

Year-on-year % change of volume of total retail sales for February 2006 was -4.9%.

Rate of change of seasonally adjusted volume of retail sales for the 3 months ending February 2006 compared with the 3 months ending November 2005 was +1.2%.

Year-on-year % change of volume of total retail sales for March 2006 was +7.7%.

Rate of change of seasonally adjusted volume of retail sales for the 3 months ending March 2006 compared with the 3 months ending December 2005 was +1.2%.

Year-on-year % change of volume of total retail sales for April 2006 was +7.9%.

Rate of change of seasonally adjusted volume of retail sales for the 3 months ending April 2006 compared with the 3 months ending January 2006 was +2.0%.

Notes:

1. Figures for the month April 2006 are provisional figures.

2. Seasonally adjusted series may be revised as more data become available. For retail sales index, the seasonally adjusted series for the preceding three years are revised each year when the figures for January become available.