Table 1: Summary of port cargo statistics

		Change over
	1st qtr 2006	1st qtr 2005 (%)
	(Mn. tonnes)	
Port total	56.1	+5
Inward	34.9	+4
Imports	20.7	+1
Inward transhipment	14.2	+8
Outward	21.2	+5
Exports ⁽¹⁾	8.6	+9
Outward transhipment	12.5	+3
Seaborne ⁽²⁾	38.8	+2
Inward	26.5	+3
Imports	15.7	-1
Inward transhipment	10.8	+10
Outward	12.3	0
Exports ⁽¹⁾	4.7	-2
Outward transhipment	7.6	+1
River ⁽²⁾	17.3	+10
Inward	8.4	+7
Imports	5.0	+11
Inward transhipment	3.4	+3
Outward	8.9	+14
Exports ⁽¹⁾	3.9	+27
Outward transhipment	5.0	+5

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- '0' denotes increase or decrease of less than 0.5%.

Table 2: Main countries/territories of loading of inward port cargo(1)

	Change over	
Country/territory of loading	1st qtr 2006	1st qtr 2005
	('000 tonnes)	(%)
The mainland of China	12 189	+11
Seaborne ⁽²⁾	3 837	+20
River ⁽²⁾	8 352	+7
Singapore	3 370	-15
Indonesia	2 822	+8
Taiwan	2 619	-11
Japan	2 581	+6
United States of America	2 029	+4
Korea	1 616	+4
Thailand	1 294	+8
Malaysia	756	-14
Germany	447	+22

Notes: (1) Inward port cargo comprises imports and inward transhipment.

Table 3: Main countries/territories of discharge of outward port cargo(1)

	Change over	
Country/territory of discharge	1st qtr 2006	1st qtr 2005
	('000 tonnes)	(%)
The mainland of China	10 026	+9
Seaborne ⁽²⁾	1 682	-2
River ⁽²⁾	8 343	+12
United States of America	2 318	-7
Taiwan	887	+9
Japan	829	+2
Macao	513	+52
Germany	423	+19
Thailand	354	-21
Vietnam	349	-9
Malaysia	316	+4
Philippines	311	+5

Notes: (1) Outward port cargo comprises exports (domestic exports and re-exports) and outward transhipment.

Table 4: Principal commodities of inward port cargo(1)

	Change ove	
Commodity group	1st qtr 2006	1st qtr 2005
	('000 tonnes)	(%)
Port total		
Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	4 148	-10
Artificial resins and plastic materials	3 780	+5
Stone, sand and gravel	2 970	+28
Coal, coke and briquettes	2 739	+23
Machinery	2 032	+5
Iron and steel	1 975	-14
Metalliferous ores and metal scrap	1 350	+58
Pulp and waste paper	1 246	+10
Paper and paper products	832	-13
Bricks, ceramic tile and refractory construction materials	818	-11
Seaborne (2)		
Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	3 977	-12
Artificial resins and plastic materials	3 438	+1
Coal, coke and briquettes	2 739	+23
Iron and steel	1 773	-14
Machinery	1 141	+9
River (2)		
Stone, sand and gravel	2 338	+16
Machinery	891	-1
Bricks, ceramic tile and refractory construction materials	655	-16
Artificial resins and plastic materials	343	+95
Tools, cutlery, metal household ware and manufactures	335	+2

Notes: (1) Inward port cargo comprises imports and inward transhipment.

Table 5: Principal commodities of outward port cargo(1)

		Change over
Commodity group	1st qtr 2006	1st qtr 2005
	('000 tonnes)	(%)
Port total		
Machinery	2 313	+5
Artificial resins and plastic materials	2 048	+12
Metalliferous ores and metal scrap	1 569	+75
Iron and steel	1 494	-22
Pulp and waste paper	1 464	+5
Tools, cutlery, metal household ware and manufactures	599	+17
Paper and paper products	552	+1
Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles and related products	506	+19
Bricks, ceramic tile and refractory construction materials	501	+4
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	477	-2
Seaborne (2)		
Machinery	1 992	+2
Tools, cutlery, metal household ware and manufactures	532	+10
Artificial resins and plastic materials	527	+9
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	467	-3
Metalliferous ores and metal scrap	456	+43
River (2)		
Artificial resins and plastic materials	1 522	+13
Pulp and waste paper	1 295	+13
Iron and steel	1 151	-28
Metalliferous ores and metal scrap	1 113	+92
Paper and paper products	378	-7

Notes: (1) Outward port cargo comprises exports (domestics exports and re-exports) and outward transhipment.

Table 6: Summary of container statistics

		Change over 1st qtr 2005 (%)
	1st qtr 2006	
	('000 TEUs [@])	
Port total	5 377	+5
<u>Laden containers</u>	4 396	+5
Inward	2 202	+6
Imports	872	0
Inward transhipment	1 331	+10
Outward	2 194	+4
Exports (1)	1 010	+3
Outward transhipment	1 184	+4
Empty containers	980	+4
Inward	646	+11
Outward	335	-7
Seaborne ⁽²⁾	3 521	-1
<u>Laden containers</u>	3 152	+2
Inward	1 566	+7
Imports	620	-2
Inward transhipment	947	+14
Outward	1 586	-3
Exports (1)	755	-7
Outward transhipment	830	+1
Empty containers	369	-18
Inward	306	-17
Outward	64	-22
River ⁽²⁾	1 855	+17
<u>Laden containers</u>	1 244	+14
Inward	636	+2
Imports	252	+3
Inward transhipment	384	+1
Outward	608	+29
Exports (1)	255	+58
Outward transhipment	354	+14
Empty containers	611	+24
Inward	340	+59
Outward	271	-3

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- which broadly include the Pearl River, Mirs Bay and Macao, and other inland waterways in Guangdong and Guangxi which are accessible from waters in the vicinity of Hong Kong.
- @ TEU stands for twenty-foot equivalent unit which is a unit measure in capacity terms for different sizes of containers for moving the cargo. One TEU is equivalent to the capacity of one 20'x8'x8' container.
- '0' denotes increase or decrease of less than 0.5%.

Table 7: Summary of vessel arrivals

	1st qtr 2006	Change over 1st qtr 2005 (%)
Ocean		
Number of incoming vessels ⁽¹⁾	9 360	+3
Capacity (Mn. NRT [#])	83.9	+10
River		
Number of incoming vessels ⁽¹⁾	47 450	+4
Capacity (Mn. NRT [#])	27.0	+18

Notes: (1) The number of vessels is rounded to the nearest 10.

[#] Net registered ton (NRT) is a unit measure in volume terms of the space of a vessel available for carrying passengers or goods. One NRT is equivalent to 100 cubic feet.