

**Table 1: Value index and value of retail sales by type of retail outlet for July and August 2006**

Type of retail outlet	Value Index of Retail Sales (Points) (Monthly average of Oct. 2004 – Sep. 2005 = 100)		Value of Retail Sales (HK\$ million)		Percentage Change (%)		
	Jul 2006 (Revised figures)	Aug 2006 (Provisional figures)	Jul 2006 (Revised figures)	Aug 2006 (Provisional figures)	Jul 2006 over Jul 2005	Aug 2006 over Aug 2005	Jan - Aug 2006 over Jan - Aug 2005
<b><u>All retail outlets</u></b>	<b>110.8</b>	<b>106.3</b>	<b>18,652</b>	<b>17,892</b>	<b>+7.1</b>	<b>+8.3</b>	<b>+6.7</b>
<b><u>By type of retail outlet</u></b>							
<b>Food, alcoholic drinks and tobacco (other than supermarkets)</b>	<b>99.6</b>	<b>103.5</b>	<b>1,866</b>	<b>1,939</b>	<b>+7.7</b>	<b>+6.5</b>	<b>+6.2</b>
• Fish, livestock and poultry, fresh or frozen	91.9	101.5	483	533	+8.7	+9.9	+4.3
• Fruits and vegetables, fresh	115.1	114.2	192	190	+1.1	+9.1	+1.4
• Bread, pastry, confectionery and biscuits	94.1	96.9	382	394	+8.7	-8.0	+3.1
• Other foodstuffs	101.9	104.4	603	618	+7.2	+12.4	+9.2
• Alcoholic drinks and tobacco	112.1	111.3	206	204	+11.7	+11.4	+13.3
<b>Supermarkets <math>\Phi</math></b>	<b>109.3</b>	<b>107.3</b>	<b>2,485</b>	<b>2,439</b>	<b>+1.5</b>	<b>+4.4</b>	<b>+5.2</b>
<b>Fuels</b>	<b>114.2</b>	<b>115.1</b>	<b>572</b>	<b>576</b>	<b>+2.0</b>	<b>+13.0</b>	<b>+9.9</b>
<b>Clothing, footwear and allied products</b>	<b>122.5</b>	<b>99.4</b>	<b>2,748</b>	<b>2,229</b>	<b>+7.0</b>	<b>+8.0</b>	<b>+4.4</b>
• Wearing apparel	124.0	96.6	2,385	1,859	+6.9	+8.6	+4.3
• Footwear, allied products and other clothing accessories	113.8	115.7	364	370	+8.3	+5.0	+5.0
<b>Consumer durable goods</b>	<b>95.9</b>	<b>112.3</b>	<b>2,727</b>	<b>3,194</b>	<b>+1.8</b>	<b>+8.4</b>	<b>+3.0</b>
• Motor vehicles and parts	93.4	135.2	681	985	+2.6	+23.9	+9.8
• Electrical goods and photographic equipment	92.2	100.7	1,256	1,372	+2.5	+2.1	+0.1
• Furniture and fixtures	108.5	107.6	451	447	+3.2	+7.8	+1.4
• Other consumer durable goods, not elsewhere classified	100.6	115.6	340	391	-4.1	-1.1	+1.7
<b>Department stores</b>	<b>110.3</b>	<b>106.4</b>	<b>1,902</b>	<b>1,835</b>	<b>+11.5</b>	<b>+10.9</b>	<b>+8.0</b>
<b>Jewellery, watches and clocks, and valuable gifts</b>	<b>117.9</b>	<b>102.0</b>	<b>2,552</b>	<b>2,207</b>	<b>+14.3</b>	<b>+13.4</b>	<b>+12.7</b>
<b>Other consumer goods</b>	<b>118.4</b>	<b>108.2</b>	<b>3,801</b>	<b>3,472</b>	<b>+8.9</b>	<b>+7.3</b>	<b>+7.5</b>
• Books, newspapers, stationery and gifts	116.3	128.5	545	602	+4.7	+3.8	+5.0
• Chinese drugs and herbs	103.1	109.2	251	265	-3.2	+4.7	+2.1
• Optical shops	110.4	114.9	145	151	-0.2	+4.2	+1.6
• Medicines and cosmetics	114.1	106.1	1,394	1,295	+8.4	+7.6	+4.4
• Other consumer goods, not elsewhere classified	128.0	101.1	1,466	1,158	+14.8	+9.8	+13.7

$\Phi$  These figures do not include sales in supermarket sections of department stores. Supplementary statistics that include such sales are shown below :

<i>Supermarkets and supermarket sections of department stores</i>	<i>110.1</i>	<i>107.7</i>	<i>2,725</i>	<i>2,666</i>	<i>+3.4</i>	<i>+5.7</i>	<i>+6.3</i>
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The sum of individual items and the total shown might not exactly tally because of rounding.

The underlined '5' denotes rounded up figure.

**Table 2: Volume index of retail sales by type of retail outlet for July and August 2006**

Type of retail outlet	Volume Index of Retail Sales (Points) (Monthly average of Oct. 2004 - Sep. 2005 = 100 )		Percentage Change (%)		
	Jul 2006 (Revised figures)	Aug 2006 (Provisional figures)	Jul 2006 over Jul 2005	Aug 2006 over Aug 2005	Jan - Aug 2006 over Jan - Aug 2005
<b><u>All retail outlets</u></b>	<b>109.6</b>	<b>106.0</b>	<b>+5.2</b>	<b>+6.4</b>	<b>+5.6</b>
<b><u>By type of retail outlet</u></b>					
<b>Food, alcoholic drinks and tobacco (other than supermarkets)</b>	<b>97.6</b>	<b>101.5</b>	<b>+7.0</b>	<b>+5.2</b>	<b>+5.4</b>
• Fish, livestock and poultry, fresh or frozen	87.8	98.7	+4.3	+8.2	+1.5
• Fruits and vegetables, fresh	98.0	94.2	-6.0	-8.4	-5.3
• Bread, pastry, confectionery and biscuits	94.4	97.2	+9.1	-7.6	+3.3
• Other foodstuffs	102.2	104.7	+8.3	+13.5	+9.7
• Alcoholic drinks and tobacco	116.8	115.1	+17.7	+14.8	+17.6
<b>Supermarkets <sup>Φ</sup></b>	<b>109.0</b>	<b>106.5</b>	<b>+1.3</b>	<b>+3.1</b>	<b>+5.6</b>
<b>Fuels</b>	<b>103.6</b>	<b>105.0</b>	<b>-5.1</b>	<b>+7.7</b>	<b>+2.2</b>
<b>Clothing, footwear and allied products</b>	<b>124.8</b>	<b>103.5</b>	<b>+5.4</b>	<b>+4.2</b>	<b>+4.1</b>
• Wearing apparel	126.0	100.1	+4.6	+3.9	+3.3
• Footwear, allied products and other clothing accessories	118.1	123.8	+11.1	+5.7	+8.8
<b>Consumer durable goods</b>	<b>103.1</b>	<b>121.6</b>	<b>+7.8</b>	<b>+14.8</b>	<b>+8.9</b>
• Motor vehicles and parts	94.5	138.9	+4.5	+27.7	+11.5
• Electrical goods and photographic equipment	103.8	114.9	+12.8	+12.4	+9.2
• Furniture and fixtures	109.5	108.5	+2.1	+7.4	+3.6
• Other consumer durable goods, not elsewhere classified	110.8	127.6	+3.7	+5.9	+8.2
<b>Department stores</b>	<b>111.8</b>	<b>109.8</b>	<b>+11.8</b>	<b>+11.4</b>	<b>+9.1</b>
<b>Jewellery, watches and clocks, and valuable gifts</b>	<b>101.7</b>	<b>85.5</b>	<b>-1.9</b>	<b>-4.8</b>	<b>-1.1</b>
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**Table 3 : Movement of the volume of total retail sales, June 2005 - August 2006**

Original Series		Seasonally Adjusted Series			
Year/Month	Year-on-year rate of change (%)	3 months ending Month/Year	Compared with the 3 months ending Month/Year	Rate of change (%) <sup>@#</sup>	
2005 Jun	+5.2	Jun 2005	Mar 2005	+2.0	
Jul	+5.8	Jul 2005	Apr 2005	+2.4	
Aug	+5.3	Aug 2005	May 2005	+2.4	
Sep	+4.1	Sep 2005	Jun 2005	+0.8	
Oct	+4.3	Oct 2005	Jul 2005	+0. <u>5</u>	
Nov	+4.0	Nov 2005	Aug 2005	+1.0	
Dec	+7.0	Dec 2005	Sep 2005	+2.1	
2006 Jan	+11.7	Jan 2006	Oct 2005	+3.1	
Feb	-3.9	Feb 2006	Nov 2005	+1.9	
Mar	+8.9	Mar 2006	Dec 2005	##	
Apr	+9.1	Apr 2006	Jan 2006	-0.2	
May	+3.5	May 2006	Feb 2006	+1.6	
Jun	+3.4	Jun 2006	Mar 2006	+2.4	
Jul	+5.2	Jul 2006	Apr 2006	+0.6	
Aug	+6.4*	Aug 2006	May 2006	+0.6*	

\* Provisional figures.

@ The rate of change is calculated by comparing the monthly average index for the 3-month period ending the month in question with that for the preceding 3-month period, e.g. the rate for the 3 months ending Dec. 2005 is the percentage change of the average monthly index for Oct., Nov. and Dec. 2005 over the average monthly index for Jul., Aug. and Sep. 2005.

# 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.

## Denotes change within  $\pm 0.05$ .

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