

**Table 1: Value index and value of retail sales by type of retail outlet for August and September 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 (%)		
	Aug 2006 (Revised figures)	Sep 2006 (Provisional figures)	Aug 2006 (Revised figures)	Sep 2006 (Provisional figures)	Aug 2006 over Aug 2005	Sep 2006 over Sep 2005	Jan - Sep 2006 over Jan - Sep 2005
<b>All retail outlets</b>	<b>106.3</b>	<b>100.2</b>	<b>17,898</b>	<b>16,870</b>	<b>+8.4</b>	<b>+7.5</b>	<b>+6.8</b>
<b>By type of retail outlet</b>							
<b>Food, alcoholic drinks and tobacco (other than supermarkets)</b>	<b>103.7</b>	<b>112.4</b>	<b>1,942</b>	<b>2,106</b>	<b>+6.7</b>	<b>+6.3</b>	<b>+6.2</b>
• Fish, livestock and poultry, fresh or frozen	101.5	90.6	533	476	+10.0	+5.6	+4.4
• Fruits and vegetables, fresh	114.5	105.2	191	175	+9.4	+6.9	+2.0
• Bread, pastry, confectionery and biscuits	96.9	160.1	394	651	-8.1	+2.7	+3.1
• Other foodstuffs	104.8	100.3	620	593	+12.8	+8.6	+9.2
• Alcoholic drinks and tobacco	111.3	114.9	204	211	+11.4	+12.3	+13.2
<b>Supermarkets <math>\Phi</math></b>	<b>107.3</b>	<b>105.4</b>	<b>2,439</b>	<b>2,396</b>	<b>+4.4</b>	<b>+0.9</b>	<b>+4.7</b>
<b>Fuels</b>	<b>114.6</b>	<b>109.0</b>	<b>574</b>	<b>545</b>	<b>+12.6</b>	<b>+7.7</b>	<b>+9.6</b>
<b>Clothing, footwear and allied products</b>	<b>99.5</b>	<b>87.3</b>	<b>2,232</b>	<b>1,960</b>	<b>+8.2</b>	<b>+11.5</b>	<b>+5.1</b>
• Wearing apparel	96.8	87.3	1,863	1,680	+8.9	+11.3	+5.0
• Footwear, allied products and other clothing accessories	115.5	87.7	369	280	+4.9	+12.2	+5.6
<b>Consumer durable goods</b>	<b>112.1</b>	<b>109.9</b>	<b>3,190</b>	<b>3,127</b>	<b>+8.2</b>	<b>+4.3</b>	<b>+3.1</b>
• Motor vehicles and parts	135.2	125.4	985	914	+23.9	+10.6	+9.9
• Electrical goods and photographic equipment	100.4	103.0	1,367	1,403	+1.8	+1.9	+0.3
• Furniture and fixtures	107.6	111.7	447	464	+7.8	+11.3	+2.5
• Other consumer durable goods, not elsewhere classified	115.5	102.5	390	346	-1.1	-8.0	+0.5
<b>Department stores</b>	<b>106.4</b>	<b>96.1</b>	<b>1,835</b>	<b>1,657</b>	<b>+10.9</b>	<b>+10.4</b>	<b>+8.2</b>
<b>Jewellery, watches and clocks, and valuable gifts</b>	<b>102.1</b>	<b>103.2</b>	<b>2,209</b>	<b>2,234</b>	<b>+13.5</b>	<b>+15.8</b>	<b>+13.0</b>
<b>Other consumer goods</b>	<b>108.3</b>	<b>88.6</b>	<b>3,477</b>	<b>2,845</b>	<b>+7.4</b>	<b>+7.7</b>	<b>+7.6</b>
• Books, newspapers, stationery and gifts	128.8	90.5	604	424	+4.1	+3.9	+4.9
• Chinese drugs and herbs	109.2	95.3	266	232	+4.7	+9.6	+2.8
• Optical shops	114.9	93.1	151	122	+4.3	+6.5	+2.0
• Medicines and cosmetics	106.3	91.0	1,298	1,111	+7.8	+8.7	+4.8
• Other consumer goods, not elsewhere classified	101.2	83.5	1,159	957	+9.9	+8.0	+13.2

$\Phi$  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>	107.8	106.3	2,666	2,630	+5.7	+0.9	+5.7
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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 August and September 2006**

Type of retail outlet	Volume Index of Retail Sales (Points) (Monthly average of Oct. 2004 - Sep. 2005 = 100 )		Percentage Change (%)		
	Aug 2006 (Revised figures)	Sep 2006 (Provisional figures)	Aug 2006 over Aug 2005	Sep 2006 over Sep 2005	Jan - Sep 2006 over Jan - Sep 2005
<b>All retail outlets</b>	<b>106.1</b>	<b>98.8</b>	<b>+6.4</b>	<b>+5.8</b>	<b>+5.6</b>
<u>By type of retail outlet</u>					
<b>Food, alcoholic drinks and tobacco (other than supermarkets)</b>	<b>101.6</b>	<b>111.2</b>	<b>+5.3</b>	<b>+6.1</b>	<b>+5.5</b>
• Fish, livestock and poultry, fresh or frozen	98.7	88.5	+8.3	+5.2	+1.9
• Fruits and vegetables, fresh	94.5	93.2	-8.2	-2.2	-5.0
• Bread, pastry, confectionery and biscuits	97.2	160.0	-7.7	+3.1	+3.3
• Other foodstuffs	105.1	100.6	+13.9	+9.4	+9.7
• Alcoholic drinks and tobacco	115.1	118.9	+14.8	+15.9	+17.4
<b>Supermarkets <math>\Phi</math></b>	<b>106.5</b>	<b>104.9</b>	<b>+3.1</b>	<b>+0.2</b>	<b>+4.9</b>
<b>Fuels</b>	<b>104.6</b>	<b>102.1</b>	<b>+7.2</b>	<b>+7.7</b>	<b>+2.8</b>
<b>Clothing, footwear and allied products</b>	<b>103.6</b>	<b>86.1</b>	<b>+4.4</b>	<b>+8.0</b>	<b>+4.4</b>
• Wearing apparel	100.3	85.5	+4.1	+7.2	+3.7
• Footwear, allied products and other clothing accessories	123.6	89.6	+5.5	+12.9	+9.2
<b>Consumer durable goods</b>	<b>121.4</b>	<b>119.2</b>	<b>+14.7</b>	<b>+10.4</b>	<b>+9.0</b>
• Motor vehicles and parts	138.9	128.3	+27.7	+12.7	+11.7
• Electrical goods and photographic equipment	114.5	118.0	+12.0	+12.4	+9.5
• Furniture and fixtures	108.5	112.6	+7.4	+10.5	+4.4
• Other consumer durable goods, not elsewhere classified	127.5	112.8	+5.9	-2.0	+7.0
<b>Department stores</b>	<b>109.8</b>	<b>95.5</b>	<b>+11.4</b>	<b>+9.7</b>	<b>+9.2</b>
<b>Jewellery, watches and clocks, and valuable gifts</b>	<b>85.6</b>	<b>87.6</b>	<b>-4.7</b>	<b>-0.9</b>	<b>-1.0</b>
<b>Other consumer goods</b>	<b>108.4</b>	<b>86.9</b>	<b>+7.2</b>	<b>+6.0</b>	<b>+7.1</b>
• Books, newspapers, stationery and gifts	130.3	89.7	+5.0	+3.8	+6.0
• Chinese drugs and herbs	107.3	93.4	+3.1	+8.0	+1.5
• Optical shops	110.5	89.5	+2.9	+4.7	-0.6
• Medicines and cosmetics	104.6	89.0	+6.3	+6.9	+3.4
• Other consumer goods, not elsewhere classified	103.6	81.7	+11.0	+5.7	+13.6

$\Phi$  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>	107.3	105.8	+4.6	+0.2	+6.0
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**Table 3 : Movement of the volume of total retail sales, July 2005 - September 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	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
	Sep	+5.8*	Sep 2006	Jun 2006	+1.4*

\* 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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