

Table 1: External Merchandise Trade Figures for October 2006

(HK\$ Million)

Merchandise trade values for October 2006				
	Domestic Exports		11,454	
	Re-exports		218,932	
	Total Exports		230,386	
	Imports		233,494	
	Trade balance		-3,108	
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			Change	
Current month compared with same month in the preceding year	October 2006	October 2005	Value	%
Domestic Exports	11,454	15,697	-4,244	-27.0
(% of Total Exports)	(5.0%)	(7.4%)		
Re-exports	218,932	197,806	+21,126	+10.7
Total Exports	230,386	213,504	+16,882	+7.9
Imports	233,494	210,028	+23,466	+11.2
Trade balance	-3,108	+3,476	-6,584	
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Current month compared with last month	October 2006	September 2006		
Domestic Exports	11,454	10,950	+504	+4.6
(% of Total Exports)	(5.0%)	(5.0%)		
Re-exports	218,932	209,140	+9,792	+4.7
Total Exports	230,386	220,090	+10,296	+4.7
Imports	233,494	231,839	+1,655	+0.7
Trade balance	-3,108	-11,749	+8,641	
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Latest 3 months compared with same period 12 months earlier	Aug-Oct 2006	Aug-Oct 2005		
Domestic Exports	35,273	44,189	-8,916	-20.2
(% of Total Exports)	(5.2%)	(7.0%)		
Re-exports	640,857	584,874	+55,983	+9.6
Total Exports	676,130	629,063	+47,067	+7.5
Imports	700,321	633,484	+66,837	+10.6
Trade balance	-24,191	-4,421	-19,770	
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Calendar year-to-date compared with same period in the preceding year	Jan-Oct 2006	Jan-Oct 2005		
Domestic Exports	116,162	108,062	+8,100	+7.5
(% of Total Exports)	(5.8%)	(5.8%)		
Re-exports	1,901,491	1,753,370	+148,121	+8.4
Total Exports	2,017,653	1,861,432	+156,221	+8.4
Imports	2,127,083	1,919,931	+207,152	+10.8
Trade balance	-109,430	-58,499	-50,931	
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Last 12 months compared with same period 12 months earlier	Nov 2005 to Oct 2006	Nov 2004 to Oct 2005		
Domestic Exports	144,130	130,639	+13,492	+10.3
(% of Total Exports)	(6.0%)	(5.9%)		
Re-exports	2,262,264	2,086,923	+175,341	+8.4
Total Exports	2,406,395	2,217,562	+188,832	+8.5
Imports	2,536,621	2,285,258	+251,363	+11.0
Trade balance	-130,226	-67,696	-62,531	

Table 2 : Hong Kong's External Merchandise Trade Figures from January 2003 to October 2006

(HK\$ Million)

Year	Month	Domestic Exports	Year-on-year % Change	Re-exports	Year-on-year % Change	Total Exports	Year-on-year % Change	Imports	Year-on-year % Change
2003	1	9,575.5	-6.8	125,452.3	+30.3	135,027.7	+26.7	133,224.9	+21.4
	2	7,102.7	-17.2	98,044.8	+13.1	105,147.6	+10.4	115,984.1	+18.3
	3	9,284.1	-8.4	133,803.1	+17.5	143,087.3	+15.4	154,211.6	+14.6
	4	8,414.3	-16.9	125,731.7	+11.3	134,146.0	+9.0	141,302.1	+8.4
	5	9,877.6	-7.8	133,144.0	+15.6	143,021.7	+13.6	145,795.7	+9.4
	6	10,289.0	-10.4	132,054.2	+16.5	142,343.2	+14.0	146,368.6	+11.5
	7	12,249.7	-7.1	145,324.6	+9.1	157,574.4	+7.6	159,883.0	+5.6
	8	11,791.4	-2.4	139,379.4	+7.9	151,170.7	+7.0	152,917.9	+6.0
	9	11,082.9	-6.9	146,434.8	+7.6	157,517.7	+6.4	162,163.8	+7.3
	10	10,791.3	-5.8	153,961.3	+10.7	164,752.6	+9.4	168,970.6	+10.2
	11	9,793.5	-3.0	143,980.4	+10.0	153,773.9	+9.0	161,762.2	+13.8
	12	11,536.1	+3.6	145,177.1	+16.9	156,713.2	+15.8	168,167.6	+17.9
2004	1	8,255.9	-13.8	127,055.8	+1.3	135,311.7	+0.2	134,472.5	+0.9
	2	7,849.7	+10.5	126,944.7	+29.5	134,794.4	+28.2	154,645.8	+33.3
	3	9,703.2	+4.5	153,214.9	+14.5	162,918.2	+13.9	177,986.8	+15.4
	4	8,969.0	+6.6	151,010.1	+20.1	159,979.1	+19.3	175,993.1	+24.6
	5	9,918.6	+0.4	155,512.7	+16.8	165,431.4	+15.7	174,786.6	+19.9
	6	11,082.8	+7.7	157,189.2	+19.0	168,272.0	+18.2	177,809.6	+21.5
	7	11,746.4	-4.1	171,879.5	+18.3	183,625.9	+16.5	189,261.3	+18.4
	8	12,091.6	+2.5	170,653.4	+22.4	182,745.0	+20.9	185,960.1	+21.6
	9	11,550.5	+4.2	168,113.4	+14.8	179,663.9	+14.1	186,158.8	+14.8
	10	12,300.9	+14.0	178,930.7	+16.2	191,231.6	+16.1	191,478.0	+13.3
	11	11,133.7	+13.7	168,525.4	+17.0	179,659.0	+16.8	179,906.2	+11.2
	12	11,449.8	-0.7	165,473.6	+14.0	176,923.4	+12.9	185,843.6	+10.5
2005	1	9,742.3	+18.0	172,705.7	+35.9	182,448.0	+34.8	184,492.1	+37.2
	2	6,250.2	-20.4	121,276.6	-4.5	127,526.8	-5.4	137,729.0	-10.9
	3	8,034.0	-17.2	160,647.1	+4.9	168,681.1	+3.5	182,490.5	+2.5
	4	8,046.7	-10.3	164,441.9	+8.9	172,488.6	+7.8	182,710.5	+3.8
	5	9,865.3	-0.5	183,508.6	+18.0	193,373.9	+16.9	202,685.5	+16.0
	6	10,126.2	-8.6	179,353.0	+14.1	189,479.2	+12.6	196,538.0	+10.5
	7	11,801.1	+0.5	186,635.2	+8.6	198,436.3	+8.1	201,646.7	+6.5
	8	14,139.1	+16.9	191,798.2	+12.4	205,937.3	+12.7	209,869.9	+12.9
	9	14,350.7	+24.2	195,814.3	+16.5	210,165.1	+17.0	214,350.1	+15.1
	10	15,697.3	+27.6	197,806.4	+10.5	213,503.7	+11.6	210,027.8	+9.7
	11	14,025.2	+26.0	186,325.4	+10.6	200,350.6	+11.5	204,372.0	+13.6
	12	13,992.1	+22.2	174,778.5	+5.6	188,770.6	+6.7	205,627.9	+10.6
2006	1	13,131.1	+34.8	176,888.8	+2.4	190,019.9	+4.2	185,652.5	+0.6
	2	9,523.2	+52.4	144,094.5	+18.8	153,617.7	+20.5	176,650.0	+28.3
	3	10,669.4	+32.8	182,795.7	+13.8	193,465.2	+14.7	211,701.0	+16.0
	4	10,265.3	+27.6	178,518.8	+8.6	188,784.2	+9.4	203,244.2	+11.2
	5	11,541.3	+17.0	181,705.4	-1.0	193,246.7	-0.1	207,816.2	+2.5
	6	11,793.4	+16.5	190,383.7	+6.2	202,177.1	+6.7	215,985.2	+9.9
	7	13,949.2	+18.2	205,621.8	+10.2	219,571.0	+10.7	224,725.3	+11.4
	8	12,950.5	-8.4	213,293.9	+11.2	226,244.4	+9.9	235,636.8	+12.3
	9	10,949.5	-23.7	209,140.2	+6.8	220,089.7	+4.7	231,838.9	+8.2
	10	11,453.6	-27.0	218,932.2	+10.7	230,385.8	+7.9	233,494.2	+11.2

Note : Value of domestic exports and value of re-exports may not add up to the value of total exports due to rounding

Table 3 : Seasonally Adjusted Series of Hong Kong's External Merchandise Trade Figures from January 2003 to October 2006

Year	Month	Change of the latest 3-month period over the preceding 3-month period (%)			
		Domestic Exports	Re-exports	Total Exports	Imports
2003	1	-4.7	+3.0	+2.4	+0.9
	2	-4.0	+0.9	+0.5	-0.4
	3	-0.8	+3.4	+3.1	+3.3
	4	-2.3	+2.4	+2.1	+2.1
	5	+0.7	+4.0	+3.8	+3.7
	6	-1.8	+0.5	+0.3	-1.0
	7	+3.5	+1.2	+1.3	+0.8
	8	+1.5	-0.2	-0.1	-0.1
	9	+3.4	+1.8	+1.9	+3.1
	10	-1.8	+2.0	+1.7	+3.4
	11	-3.4	+4.6	+4.0	+6.5
	12	-2.8	+6.1	+5.5	+7.4
2004	1	-2.6	+5.3	+4.8	+7.1
	2	+0.6	+5.8	+5.4	+5.9
	3	+0.8	+5.0	+4.7	+5.4
	4	+7.2	+8.5	+8.5	+7.5
	5	+4.8	+5.2	+5.1	+5.8
	6	+3.9	+4.4	+4.4	+4.4
	7	-1.7	+2.1	+1.9	+1.5
	8	-0.3	+3.5	+3.3	+1.6
	9	-0.7	+2.2	+2.0	+0.0
	10	+4.0	+1.6	+1.7	+0.1
	11	+4.7	+1.2	+1.4	-0.4
	12	+4.3	+3.5	+3.5	+2.0
2005	1	-1.8	+5.4	+4.9	+4.2
	2	-8.7	+4.4	+3.5	+3.8
	3	-11.9	+1.4	+0.6	+2.0
	4	-11.9	-2.1	-2.7	-2.2
	5	-3.1	+1.1	+0.9	+2.3
	6	+4.0	+5.3	+5.3	+5.3
	7	+9.0	+6.9	+7.0	+7.8
	8	+11.8	+4.2	+4.6	+3.0
	9	+20.1	+1.7	+2.7	+1.6
	10	+31.3	+2.3	+3.9	+2.1
	11	+28.7	+2.2	+3.7	+2.9
	12	+14.8	+0.8	+1.7	+2.5
2006	1	+2.1	+0.3	+0.4	+3.0
	2	-3.2	+0.9	+0.6	+4.8
	3	-3.4	+2.4	+2.0	+3.9
	4	-5.8	+2.5	+1.9	+2.0
	5	-8.7	-0.5	-1.1	-1.8
	6	-7.8	-0.6	-1.0	-0.3
	7	-5.0	-0.3	-0.6	+0.6
	8	-2.8	+6.3	+5.7	+5.6
	9	-8.8	+7.6	+6.6	+5.2
	10	-16.5	+7.4	+5.9	+5.2

Table 4 : Re-exports of goods to ten main destinations

Destination	Oct 2006 (HKD Mn.)	Oct 2006 over Oct 2005 (% change)	Jan-Oct 2006 (HKD Mn.)	Jan-Oct 2006 over Jan-Oct 2005 (% change)
Total Re-exports	218,932	+10.7	1,901,491	+8.4
The mainland of China	102,775	+16.4	908,969	+14.2
United States of America	36,088	+10.1	279,168	+2.4
Japan	9,851	-7.0	95,351	+0.9
Germany	6,597	+3.8	57,184	+1.3
United Kingdom	6,881	+16.4	53,346	+2.3
Korea	4,385	-5.0	42,045	+9.9
Taiwan	4,405	+4.5	38,980	+4.2
Singapore	3,952	+3.0	36,238	+2.9
Netherlands	2,761	-25.2	25,823	-18.4
France	2,875	+10.8	25,695	+2.5

Table 5 : Domestic exports of goods to ten main destinations

Destination	Oct 2006 (HKD Mn.)	Oct 2006 over Oct 2005 (% change)	Jan-Oct 2006 (HKD Mn.)	Jan-Oct 2006 over Jan-Oct 2005 (% change)
Total Domestic Exports	11,454	-27.0	116,162	+7.5
The mainland of China	3,147	-29.2	33,776	-7.0
United States of America	3,218	-36.1	29,319	-5.1
Netherlands	652	-4.7	7,335	+112.8
United Kingdom	551	-51.1	6,858	+32.2
Germany	286	-55.7	4,372	+45.6
Japan	454	-7.1	4,253	+23.1
Taiwan	503	+21.0	3,754	-12.8
Singapore	399	-0.8	3,514	+2.1
Australia	200	-2.9	2,109	+38.3
Korea	143	-16.0	1,509	+11.6

Table 6 : Imports of goods from ten main suppliers

Supplier	Oct 2006 (HKD Mn.)	Oct 2006 over Oct 2005 (% change)	Jan-Oct 2006 (HKD Mn.)	Jan-Oct 2006 over Jan-Oct 2005 (% change)
Total Imports	233,494	+11.2	2,127,083	+10.8
The mainland of China	107,843	+12.1	971,639	+12.6
Japan	24,651	+6.7	220,275	+3.2
Taiwan	17,504	+8.0	160,853	+18.0
Singapore	15,050	+25.5	134,002	+22.1
United States of America	10,871	+5.1	100,760	+0.5
Korea	11,651	+19.5	95,595	+13.9
Malaysia	5,001	-2.5	49,654	+4.9
Thailand	4,731	+13.2	43,878	+15.5
Germany	3,552	-1.3	36,625	+8.5
Philippines	3,504	+7.5	32,944	+5.8

Table 7 : Re-exports of ten principal commodity divisions

Commodity division	Oct 2006 (HKD Mn.)	Oct 2006 over Oct 2005 (% change)	Jan-Oct 2006 (HKD Mn.)	Jan-Oct 2006 over Jan-Oct 2005 (% change)
Total Re-exports	218,932	+10.7	1,901,491	+8.4
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	50,514	+22.7	441,725	+23.0
Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	36,661	+11.9	292,459	+10.5
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	26,886	-3.4	232,103	+1.2
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly baby carriages, toys, games and sporting goods)	20,090	+6.7	150,934	-0.9
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	16,783	+28.3	137,273	+1.5
Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles and related products	8,724	+0.7	86,728	+0.7
Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies, optical goods, watches and clocks	7,733	-7.3	66,942	-0.3
Plastics in primary forms	5,459	+19.7	50,592	+7.4
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	5,578	+16.5	45,308	+13.8
Footwear	3,436	-3.6	39,398	-1.6

Table 8 : Domestic exports of ten principal commodity divisions

Commodity division	Oct 2006 (HKD Mn.)	Oct 2006 over Oct 2005 (% change)	Jan-Oct 2006 (HKD Mn.)	Jan-Oct 2006 over Jan-Oct 2005 (% change)
Total Domestic Exports	11,454	-27.0	116,162	+7.5
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	3,976	-48.5	46,324	+6.5
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	1,806	+32.4	17,381	+72.6
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly jewellery, goldsmiths' and silversmiths' wares)	1,535	+1.0	12,398	-0.5
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	1,054	-50.8	11,828	-24.3
Plastics in primary forms	548	+55.2	4,144	+7.7
Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles and related products	307	-23.5	3,495	-12.4
Metalliferous ores and metal scrap	330	+68.2	2,558	+29.7
Electric current	133	-13.4	1,731	+11.4
Non-ferrous metals	163	+87.9	1,398	+13.0
Tobacco and tobacco manufactures	122	-20.8	1,388	+6.0

Table 9 : Imports of ten principal commodity divisions

Commodity division	Oct 2006 (HKD Mn.)	Oct 2006 over Oct 2005 (% change)	Jan-Oct 2006 (HKD Mn.)	Jan-Oct 2006 over Jan-Oct 2005 (% change)
Total Imports	233,494	+11.2	2,127,083	+10.8
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	56,817	+17.6	512,079	+19.6
Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	33,510	+13.8	274,263	+13.7
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	25,555	+4.0	223,969	+8.3
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly baby carriages, toys, games and sporting goods)	16,065	+24.5	126,113	+8.8
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	12,494	-3.6	120,864	+0.3
Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles and related products	8,854	-0.8	90,655	+0.9
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	7,341	-2.0	74,880	+2.3
Plastics in primary forms	7,453	+14.4	67,180	+10.4
Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	5,858	+46.7	52,500	+31.7
Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies, optical goods, watches and clocks	5,647	-8.4	50,420	-4.5