

Table 1: Value index and value of retail sales by type of retail outlet for February and March 2007

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 (%)		
	Feb 2007 (Revised figures)	Mar 2007 (Provisional figures)	Feb 2007 (Revised figures)	Mar 2007 (Provisional figures)	Feb 2007 over Feb 2006	Mar 2007 over Mar 2006	Jan - Mar 2007 over Jan - Mar 2006
All retail outlets	123.5	112.0	20,797	18,850	+28.6	+5.0	+9.4
By type of retail outlet							
Food, alcoholic drinks and tobacco (other than supermarkets)	126.5	106.7	2,370	1,998	+36.7	+3.8	+7.8
• Fish, livestock and poultry, fresh or frozen	143.4	118.7	754	624	+36.8	+12.0	+7.4
• Fruits and vegetables, fresh	68.8	96.0	115	160	+1.3	+1.1	+0.6
• Bread, pastry, confectionery and biscuits	122.6	92.5	498	376	+43.4	+0.3	+6.1
• Other foodstuffs	124.9	104.1	739	616	+39.4	-2.1	+9.5
• Alcoholic drinks and tobacco	144.1	121.2	264	222	+37.6	+8.6	+11.7
Supermarkets Φ	115.0	103.2	2,613	2,347	+31.0	-1.7	+2.6
Fuels	106.2	106.6	532	534	+14.2	-3.6	-1.2
Clothing, footwear and allied products	130.7	109.3	2,931	2,452	+43.0	+14.1	+14.9
• Wearing apparel	127.9	111.3	2,460	2,141	+38.6	+14.8	+15.0
• Footwear, allied products and other clothing accessories	147.5	97.4	471	311	+70.9	+9.6	+14.5
Consumer durable goods	97.4	119.2	2,770	3,390	+14.0	+1.2	+3.7
• Motor vehicles and parts	79.5	123.9	579	903	+1.8	-5.6	+4.7
• Electrical goods and photographic equipment	113.6	126.5	1,548	1,722	+20.3	+9.0	+4.6
• Furniture and fixtures	105.1	110.8	437	460	+34.2	+2.2	+9.2
• Other consumer durable goods, not elsewhere classified	61.0	90.1	206	305	-17.1	-16.0	-12.2
Department stores	126.1	103.6	2,175	1,787	+33.1	+9.5	+9.9
Jewellery, watches and clocks, and valuable gifts	145.5	124.5	3,148	2,693	+29.0	+7.1	+18.8
Other consumer goods	132.6	113.7	4,258	3,650	+24.5	+6.1	+10.5
• Books, newspapers, stationery and gifts	92.8	105.3	435	494	-6.7	+12.2	+4.2
• Chinese drugs and herbs	142.9	104.7	347	254	+61.0	+8.4	+17.6
• Optical shops	146.5	128.7	192	169	+37.7	+19.1	+21.8
• Medicines and cosmetics	126.1	112.9	1,540	1,379	+24.1	+3.0	+8.5
• Other consumer goods, not elsewhere classified	152.1	118.1	1,743	1,353	+28.5	+5.3	+12.2

Φ 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>118.6</i>	<i>103.4</i>	<i>2,934</i>	<i>2,558</i>	<i>+32.7</i>	<i>-1.9</i>	<i>+2.7</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 February and March 2007

Type of retail outlet	Volume Index of Retail Sales (Points) (Monthly average of Oct. 2004 - Sep. 2005 = 100)		Percentage Change (%)		
	Feb 2007 (Revised figures)	Mar 2007 (Provisional figures)	Feb 2007 over Feb 2006	Mar 2007 over Mar 2006	Jan - Mar 2007 over Jan - Mar 2006
All retail outlets	121.0	110.3	+25.2	+3.5	+6.6
<u>By type of retail outlet</u>					
Food, alcoholic drinks and tobacco (other than supermarkets)	119.8	101.7	+31.2	#	+4.6
• Fish, livestock and poultry, fresh or frozen	128.0	109.1	+27.0	+6.3	+2.5
• Fruits and vegetables, fresh	61.8	83.6	-6.8	-11.2	-8.0
• Bread, pastry, confectionery and biscuits	119.2	89.9	+39.2	-2.7	+3.2
• Other foodstuffs	120.5	101.3	+34.8	-4.4	+7.1
• Alcoholic drinks and tobacco	147.9	124.5	+39.7	+10.4	+13.7
Supermarkets Φ	115.5	102.7	+30.8	-2.7	+1.7
Fuels	106.2	106.7	+19.8	+1.9	+2.3
Clothing, footwear and allied products	129.5	106.0	+31.1	+8.9	+6.3
• Wearing apparel	125.2	106.9	+25.6	+9.1	+5.5
• Footwear, allied products and other clothing accessories	155.2	100.7	+66.9	+7.6	+10.4
Consumer durable goods	108.1	132.8	+20.4	+7.2	+9.4
• Motor vehicles and parts	81.9	128.5	+3.2	-3.6	+6.4
• Electrical goods and photographic equipment	132.8	149.2	+31.2	+18.8	+14.4
• Furniture and fixtures	104.9	111.0	+29.6	+0.5	+6.0
• Other consumer durable goods, not elsewhere classified	69.0	102.3	-10.4	-9.2	-5.1
Department stores	128.7	104.9	+30.5	+7.7	+7.6
Jewellery, watches and clocks, and valuable gifts	122.0	104.5	+19.6	-1.7	+9.3
Other consumer goods	128.3	111.1	+20.4	+4.4	+7.4
• Books, newspapers, stationery and gifts	91.6	104.4	-9.3	+9.7	+1.8
• Chinese drugs and herbs	136.5	100.3	+55.3	+4.8	+13.9
• Optical shops	136.2	118.9	+31.3	+13.2	+16.3
• Medicines and cosmetics	122.5	109.4	+21.5	+0.5	+6.0
• Other consumer goods, not elsewhere classified	147.0	117.1	+23.2	+5.5	+8.8

Φ 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>	119.3	103.0	+32.4	-2.9	+1.7
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Denotes change within ± 0.05 .

Table 3 : Movement of the volume of total retail sales, January 2006 - March 2007

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 (%) ^{@#}	
2006	Jan	+11.7	Jan 2006	Oct 2005	+2.6
	Feb	-3.9	Feb 2006	Nov 2005	+2.2
	Mar	+8.9	Mar 2006	Dec 2005	+0.8
	Apr	+9.1	Apr 2006	Jan 2006	+1.0
	May	+3.5	May 2006	Feb 2006	+1.1
	Jun	+3.4	Jun 2006	Mar 2006	+1.9
	Jul	+5.2	Jul 2006	Apr 2006	+0.3
	Aug	+6.4	Aug 2006	May 2006	+0.8
	Sep	+5.9	Sep 2006	Jun 2006	+1.2
	Oct	+5.2	Oct 2006	Jul 2006	+2.2
	Nov	+5.0	Nov 2006	Aug 2006	+1.5
	Dec	+8.2	Dec 2006	Sep 2006	+2.2
2007	Jan	-4.9	Jan 2007	Oct 2006	+2.9
	Feb	+25.2	Feb 2007	Nov 2006	+5.1
	Mar	+3.5*	Mar 2007	Dec 2006	+1.9*

* Provisional figures.

@ The rate 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. 2006 is the percentage change of the average monthly index for Oct., Nov. and Dec. 2006 over the average monthly index for Jul., Aug. and Sep. 2006.

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.