

Table 1: External Merchandise Trade Statistics for April 2007

(HK\$ Million)

Merchandise trade values for April 2007				
	Domestic Exports	8,611		
	Re-exports	203,994		
	Total Exports	212,605		
	Imports	233,203		
	Trade balance	-20,598		
			Change	
Current month compared with same month in the preceding year	April 2007	April 2006	Value	%
Domestic Exports	8,611	10,265	-1,654	-16.1
(% of Total Exports)	(4.1%)	(5.4%)		
Re-exports	203,994	178,519	+25,475	+14.3
Total Exports	212,605	188,784	+23,821	+12.6
Imports	233,203	203,244	+29,959	+14.7
Trade balance	-20,598	-14,460	-6,138	
Current month compared with last month	April 2007	March 2007		
Domestic Exports	8,611	7,570	+1,041	+13.8
(% of Total Exports)	(4.1%)	(3.7%)		
Re-exports	203,994	199,266	+4,728	+2.4
Total Exports	212,605	206,836	+5,770	+2.8
Imports	233,203	235,156	-1,953	-0.8
Trade balance	-20,598	-28,321	+7,723	
Latest 3 months compared with same period 12 months earlier	Feb-Apr 2007	Feb-Apr 2006		
Domestic Exports	22,369	30,453	-8,084	-26.5
(% of Total Exports)	(3.8%)	(5.7%)		
Re-exports	568,279	505,211	+63,068	+12.5
Total Exports	590,648	535,664	+54,984	+10.3
Imports	647,087	591,365	+55,722	+9.4
Trade balance	-56,439	-55,701	-738	
Calendar year-to-date compared with same period in the preceding year	Jan-Apr 2007	Jan-Apr 2006		
Domestic Exports	30,801	43,584	-12,782	-29.3
(% of Total Exports)	(3.9%)	(6.0%)		
Re-exports	767,261	682,100	+85,161	+12.5
Total Exports	798,062	725,684	+72,378	+10.0
Imports	858,911	777,018	+81,893	+10.5
Trade balance	-60,849	-51,334	-9,515	
Last 12 months compared with same period 12 months earlier	May 2006 to Apr 2007	May 2005 to Apr 2006		
Domestic Exports	121,745	147,531	-25,787	-17.5
(% of Total Exports)	(4.8%)	(6.3%)		
Re-exports	2,411,661	2,176,954	+234,707	+10.8
Total Exports	2,533,405	2,324,485	+208,921	+9.0
Imports	2,681,697	2,419,813	+261,884	+10.8
Trade balance	-148,292	-95,328	-52,964	

Table 2 : Hong Kong's External Merchandise Trade Statistics from January 2004 to April 2007

(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
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
	11	9,932.6	-29.2	218,943.6	+17.5	228,876.2	+14.2	237,750.4	+16.3
	12	8,522.7	-39.1	206,163.4	+18.0	214,686.1	+13.7	235,495.1	+14.5
2007	1	8,432.5	-35.8	198,981.6	+12.5	207,414.0	+9.2	211,823.9	+14.1
	2	6,216.4	-34.7	165,172.4	+14.6	171,388.7	+11.6	178,935.3	+1.3
	3	7,569.9	-29.1	199,265.7	+9.0	206,835.5	+6.9	235,156.4	+11.1
	4	8,611.4	-16.1	203,994.0	+14.3	212,605.4	+12.6	233,203.4	+14.7

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 Statistics from January 2004 to April 2007

Year	Month	Change of the latest 3-month period over the preceding 3-month period (%)			
		Domestic Exports	Re-exports	Total Exports	Imports
2004	1	-3.0	+5.2	+4.6	+6.8
	2	-0.5	+5.0	+4.7	+5.2
	3	+0.4	+4.2	+3.9	+4.9
	4	+8.5	+8.5	+8.5	+7.7
	5	+7.9	+7.0	+7.1	+7.0
	6	+6.3	+6.5	+6.5	+5.4
	7	-0.6	+3.0	+2.8	+1.8
	8	-1.0	+2.5	+2.3	+1.0
	9	-2.4	+0.6	+0.4	-0.2
	10	+0.6	+0.6	+0.6	+0.2
	11	+1.8	+0.7	+0.8	-0.1
	12	+2.1	+3.8	+3.7	+1.8
2005	1	-2.3	+5.1	+4.7	+2.9
	2	-8.6	+4.2	+3.4	+2.9
	3	-10.8	+1.3	+0.6	+1.3
	4	-8.8	-1.8	-2.2	-1.3
	5	+1.3	+3.4	+3.2	+3.9
	6	+7.3	+6.3	+6.4	+6.7
	7	+10.3	+8.8	+8.9	+8.8
	8	+9.9	+2.6	+3.0	+2.4
	9	+17.7	+0.8	+1.7	+1.3
	10	+25.5	+0.4	+1.8	+1.3
	11	+24.6	+1.6	+3.0	+2.9
	12	+11.9	+0.2	+0.9	+1.7
2006	1	+2.3	+0.1	+0.2	+1.9
	2	-3.1	+0.9	+0.6	+3.1
	3	-3.8	+2.8	+2.3	+3.8
	4	-6.4	+2.7	+2.1	+2.9
	5	-8.0	+1.7	+1.0	+0.7
	6	-7.5	+1.5	+0.9	+0.8
	7	-5.6	+1.6	+1.2	+1.3
	8	-4.7	+4.4	+3.9	+4.1
	9	-8.7	+4.9	+4.1	+4.3
	10	-13.9	+5.1	+4.0	+4.4
	11	-16.6	+4.1	+2.9	+3.4
	12	-18.7	+4.8	+3.6	+4.3
2007	1	-17.5	+3.2	+2.2	+0.8
	2	-13.8	+4.3	+3.5	+1.4
	3	-0.8	+1.0	+0.9	-0.2
	4	+13.1	+4.3	+4.7	+7.0

Table 4 : Total Exports of Goods to Ten Main Destinations

Destination	Apr 2007 (HKD Mn.)	Apr 2007 over Apr 2006 (% change)	Jan-Apr 2007 (HKD Mn.)	Jan-Apr 2007 over Jan-Apr 2006 (% change)
Total Exports	212,605	+12.6	798,062	+10.0
The mainland of China	104,106	+14.9	385,388	+13.7
United States of America	29,359	+7.8	107,844	+3.5
Japan	10,351	-0.3	40,029	+1.0
Germany	6,163	+6.2	23,978	+0.8
United Kingdom	5,748	+12.9	22,236	+11.9
Korea	4,406	+2.6	16,663	-3.5
Taiwan	4,169	+6.4	16,612	+4.6
Singapore	3,759	-1.5	15,401	+3.1
Netherlands	3,276	+13.0	13,181	+6.3
France	2,952	+12.5	10,749	+7.5

Table 5 : Imports of Goods from Ten Main Suppliers

Supplier	Apr 2007 (HKD Mn.)	Apr 2007 over Apr 2006 (% change)	Jan-Apr 2007 (HKD Mn.)	Jan-Apr 2007 over Jan-Apr 2006 (% change)
Total Imports	233,203	+14.7	858,911	+10.5
The mainland of China	109,342	+17.6	391,715	+12.2
Japan	23,982	+9.4	89,562	+8.5
Singapore	15,504	+34.9	58,863	+18.5
Taiwan	16,270	+2.1	58,483	+0.9
United States of America	10,958	+15.4	43,451	+16.0
Korea	9,201	-0.9	35,938	+0.9
Malaysia	4,955	+11.8	18,371	+0.6
Thailand	4,608	+16.4	16,858	+9.4
Germany	3,958	+9.3	14,688	+5.6
India	3,683	+14.7	14,659	+18.3

Table 6 : Total Exports of Ten Principal Commodity Divisions

Commodity division	Apr 2007 (HKD Mn.)	Apr 2007 over Apr 2006 (% change)	Jan-Apr 2007 (HKD Mn.)	Jan-Apr 2007 over Jan-Apr 2006 (% change)
Total Exports	212,605	+12.6	798,062	+10.0
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	51,144	+18.1	193,891	+18.9
Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	33,837	+21.8	123,605	+12.9
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	20,304	-11.1	82,634	-9.0
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly baby carriages, toys, games and sporting goods)	18,827	+27.5	67,806	+21.8
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	14,972	+5.5	62,279	+4.6
Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles and related products	10,099	-0.8	32,151	-3.6
Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies, optical goods, watches and clocks	7,462	+10.4	27,345	+9.1
Plastics in primary forms	6,068	+23.0	21,748	+15.5
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	5,146	+19.3	20,045	+20.8
Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus	4,180	+19.4	16,081	+21.8

Table 7 : Imports of Ten Principal Commodity Divisions

Commodity division	Apr 2007 (HKD Mn.)	Apr 2007 over Apr 2006 (% change)	Jan-Apr 2007 (HKD Mn.)	Jan-Apr 2007 over Jan-Apr 2006 (% change)
Total Imports	233,203	+14.7	858,911	+10.5
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	57,780	+19.5	216,797	+17.6
Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	31,841	+19.4	112,563	+8.8
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	20,784	+0.7	76,691	-5.1
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly baby carriages, toys, games and sporting goods)	15,850	+34.5	58,518	+33.6
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	10,549	+5.2	41,520	+4.7
Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles and related products	10,468	-0.9	32,453	-4.1
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	7,855	+4.9	31,935	+10.4
Plastics in primary forms	7,010	+22.6	25,325	+10.8
Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	6,209	+40.9	22,733	+12.5
Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies, optical goods, watches and clocks	5,927	+16.1	20,870	+9.2