

Table 1: External Merchandise Trade Statistics for May 2007

(HK\$ Million)

Merchandise trade values for May 2007				
	Domestic Exports	9,242		
	Re-exports	207,349		
	Total Exports	216,591		
	Imports	230,868		
	Trade balance	-14,277		
			Change	
Current month compared with same month in the preceding year	May 2007	May 2006	Value	%
Domestic Exports	9,242	11,541	-2,300	-19.9
(% of Total Exports)	(4.3%)	(6.0%)		
Re-exports	207,349	181,705	+25,644	+14.1
Total Exports	216,591	193,247	+23,344	+12.1
Imports	230,868	207,816	+23,052	+11.1
Trade balance	-14,277	-14,570	+292	
Current month compared with last month	May 2007	April 2007		
Domestic Exports	9,242	8,611	+630	+7.3
(% of Total Exports)	(4.3%)	(4.1%)		
Re-exports	207,349	203,994	+3,355	+1.6
Total Exports	216,591	212,605	+3,986	+1.9
Imports	230,868	233,203	-2,335	-1.0
Trade balance	-14,277	-20,598	+6,321	
Latest 3 months compared with same period 12 months earlier	Mar-May 2007	Mar-May 2006		
Domestic Exports	25,372	32,516	-7,144	-22.0
(% of Total Exports)	(4.0%)	(5.6%)		
Re-exports	610,337	543,864	+66,472	+12.2
Total Exports	635,709	576,380	+59,329	+10.3
Imports	698,926	624,216	+74,711	+12.0
Trade balance	-63,218	-47,836	-15,382	
Calendar year-to-date compared with same period in the preceding year	Jan-May 2007	Jan-May 2006		
Domestic Exports	40,024	55,166	-15,142	-27.4
(% of Total Exports)	(3.9%)	(6.0%)		
Re-exports	974,471	864,815	+109,656	+12.7
Total Exports	1,014,495	919,981	+94,513	+10.3
Imports	1,089,629	986,485	+103,144	+10.5
Trade balance	-75,134	-66,503	-8,631	
Last 12 months compared with same period 12 months earlier	Jun 2006 to May 2007	Jun 2005 to May 2006		
Domestic Exports	119,385	149,250	-29,865	-20.0
(% of Total Exports)	(4.7%)	(6.4%)		
Re-exports	2,436,156	2,176,260	+259,896	+11.9
Total Exports	2,555,540	2,325,510	+230,031	+9.9
Imports	2,702,948	2,426,823	+276,125	+11.4
Trade balance	-147,408	-101,313	-46,094	

Table 2 : Hong Kong's External Merchandise Trade Statistics from January 2004 to May 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
	5	9,241.8	-19.9	207,349.2	+14.1	216,591.0	+12.1	230,868.5	+11.1

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 May 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
	5	+17.5	-0.9	-0.2	+3.1

Table 4 : Total Exports of Goods to Ten Main Destinations

Destination	May 2007 (HKD Mn.)	May 2007 over May 2006 (% change)	Jan-May 2007 (HKD Mn.)	Jan-May 2007 over Jan-May 2006 (% change)
Total Exports	216,591	+12.1	1,014,495	+10.3
The mainland of China	106,377	+16.7	491,723	+14.3
United States of America	28,868	-2.5	136,680	+2.1
Japan	9,454	+6.9	49,464	+1.6
Germany	6,679	+12.5	30,644	+3.1
United Kingdom	5,423	-4.2	27,659	+8.4
Taiwan	4,618	+18.8	21,226	+6.6
Korea	4,500	+8.1	21,159	-1.6
Singapore	3,944	+9.1	19,342	+2.8
Netherlands	3,705	+9.7	16,888	+7.0
France	2,891	+10.1	13,639	+8.0

Table 5 : Imports of Goods from Ten Main Suppliers

Supplier	May 2007 (HKD Mn.)	May 2007 over May 2006 (% change)	Jan-May 2007 (HKD Mn.)	Jan-May 2007 over Jan-May 2006 (% change)
Total Imports	230,868	+11.1	1,089,629	+10.5
The mainland of China	106,515	+15.6	498,122	+12.9
Japan	22,914	+10.7	112,473	+9.0
Taiwan	17,596	+8.3	76,079	+1.4
Singapore	15,694	+17.1	74,556	+18.2
United States of America	10,821	+7.1	54,256	+14.1
Korea	9,025	-9.9	44,967	-1.4
Malaysia	5,100	-1.2	23,471	+0.2
Thailand	4,959	+10.8	21,808	+8.5
Germany	3,920	+0.5	18,606	+3.8
Philippines	3,713	+14.2	18,249	+26.7

Table 6 : Total Exports of Ten Principal Commodity Divisions

Commodity division	May 2007 (HKD Mn.)	May 2007 over May 2006 (% change)	Jan-May 2007 (HKD Mn.)	Jan-May 2007 over Jan-May 2006 (% change)
Total Exports	216,591	+12.1	1,014,495	+10.3
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	52,709	+20.9	246,537	+18.7
Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	34,186	+25.2	157,740	+15.3
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	19,088	-13.4	101,726	-9.8
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly baby carriages, toys, games and sporting goods)	19,143	+27.9	86,922	+23.1
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	16,408	-0.2	78,679	+3.6
Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles and related products	10,247	-1.2	42,396	-3.0
Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies, optical goods, watches and clocks	7,069	+7.2	34,419	+8.7
Plastics in primary forms	5,959	+7.7	27,706	+13.7
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	5,013	+12.3	25,056	+19.0
Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus	4,310	+28.4	20,392	+23.0

Table 7 : Imports of Ten Principal Commodity Divisions

Commodity division	May 2007 (HKD Mn.)	May 2007 over May 2006 (% change)	Jan-May 2007 (HKD Mn.)	Jan-May 2007 over Jan-May 2006 (% change)
Total Imports	230,868	+11.1	1,089,629	+10.5
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	60,120	+20.6	276,907	+17.5
Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	29,196	+11.9	141,731	+9.1
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	19,323	-2.3	96,000	-4.6
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly baby carriages, toys, games and sporting goods)	16,275	+44.5	74,768	+35.7
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	11,250	+3.7	52,761	+4.5
Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles and related products	10,508	+1.0	42,961	-2.9
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	8,136	+12.2	40,066	+10.8
Plastics in primary forms	6,964	-2.8	32,284	+7.6
Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	5,170	-14.0	27,903	+6.4
Non-ferrous metals	5,770	+25.7	26,573	+20.0