Table 1: Value index and value of retail sales by type of retail outlet for April and May 2007

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	(Monthly average of Oct. 2004 – Sep. 2005 = 100)		Value of Retail Sales (HK\$ million)		Percentage Change (%)		
Type of retail outlet	Apr 2007	May 2007	Apr 2007	May 2007	Apr 2007	May 2007	Jan - May 2007
	(Revised	(Provisional	(Revised	(Provisional	over	over	over
	figures)	figures)	figures)	figures)	Apr 2006	May 2006	Jan - May 2006
All retail outlets	114.0	121.7	19,191	20,487	+3.2	+10.2	+8.3
By type of retail outlet							
Food, alcoholic drinks and tobacco (other than	110.0	110.0	2,061	2,061	+6.6	+3. <u>5</u>	+6.7
supermarkets)							
<ul> <li>Fish, livestock and poultry, fresh or frozen</li> </ul>	114.5	107.6	602	565	+12.3	-0.3	+6.9
<ul> <li>Fruits and vegetables, fresh</li> </ul>	109.2	117.3	182	196	+1.0	+1.9	+1.0
<ul> <li>Bread, pastry, confectionery and biscuits</li> </ul>	90.0	97.2	366	395	+5.6	+1.4	+5.1
<ul> <li>Other foodstuffs</li> </ul>	114.5	116.1	677	687	+1.8	+5.3	+6.9
<ul> <li>Alcoholic drinks and tobacco</li> </ul>	128.0	119.1	235	218	+14.0	+14.2	+12.7
Supermarkets Φ	102.6	111.3	2,332	2,531	+1.6	+5.3	+3.0
Fuels	111.9	123.0	560	616	-4.1	-1.1	-1.8
Clothing, footwear and allied products	113.3	125.5	2,543	2,816	+3.8	+16.5	+13.0
Wearing apparel	118.2	129.6	2,274	2,493	+4.4	+17.4	+13.2
Footwear, allied products and other clothing accessories	84.1	101.0	269	323	-1.1	+10.0	+11.3
Consumer durable goods	117.6	115.5	3,346	3,284	+2.7	+11.1	+4.9
Motor vehicles and parts	130.3	138.4	949	1,008	+6.7	+21.7	+8.6
Electrical goods and photographic equipment	114.3	106.1	1,557	1,445	+4.9	+8.7	+5. <u>5</u>
Furniture and fixtures	118.6	106.7	493	443	+4.4	+9.5	+8.1
Other consumer durable	102.4	114.8	346	388	-15.8	-1.2	-10. <u>5</u>
goods, not elsewhere classified							<u>-</u>
Department stores	100.2	122.8	1,729	2,118	+1.3	+9.9	+8.3
Jewellery, watches and clocks, and valuable gifts	115.0	142.3	2,489	3,080	+1.1	+20.6	+15.7
Other consumer goods	128.7	124.0	4,130	3,982	+5.6	+7.2	+8.8
Books, newspapers, stationery and gifts	118.3	116.0	554	543	+2.7	+6.3	+4.4
Chinese drugs and herbs	124.2	117.7	302	286	+9.2	+8.3	+13.9
Optical shops	134.9	142.4	177	187	+12.1	+20.8	+19. <u>5</u>
<ul> <li>Medicines and cosmetics</li> </ul>	123.7	114.5	1,511	1,398	+5.1	+7.9	+7.8
Other consumer goods, not elsewhere classified	138.4	136.7	1,586	1,567	+5.6	+5.2	+9.3

These figures do not include sales in supermarket sections of department stores. Supplementary statistics that include such sales are shown below:
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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.

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Table 2: Volume index of retail sales by type of retail outlet for April and May 2007

		Retail Sales (Points) t. 2004 - Sep. 2005 = 100)	Percentage Change (%)			
Type of retail outlet	Apr 2007 (Revised figures)	May 2007 (Provisional figures)	Apr 2007 over Apr 2006	May 2007 over May 2006	Jan - May 2007 over Jan - May 2006	
All retail outlets	110.7	117.9	+1.7	+9.4	+6.2	
By type of retail outlet						
Food, alcoholic drinks and tobacco (other than supermarkets)	105.6	105.4	+2.2	-0. <u>5</u>	+3.1	
• Fish, livestock and poultry, fresh or frozen	107.6	100.6	+8.6	-4.5	+2.3	
<ul> <li>Fruits and vegetables, fresh</li> </ul>	95.6	105.0	-8.0	-1.7	-6.5	
<ul> <li>Bread, pastry, confectionery and biscuits</li> </ul>	87.3	94.2	+2.2	-1.8	+2.0	
<ul> <li>Other foodstuffs</li> </ul>	111.0	111.9	-2.4	+0.8	+3.7	
<ul> <li>Alcoholic drinks and tobacco</li> </ul>	132.1	123.1	+9.2	+9.8	+12.2	
Supermarkets <b>Φ</b>	102.1	110.7	-0.3	+4.3	+1.8	
Fuels	109.9	114.8	+1.2	+1.6	+2.0	
Clothing, footwear and allied products	102.3	115.4	-1.2	+11.4	+5.8	
Wearing apparel	105.1	117.8	-1.3	+11.8	+5.3	
Footwear, allied products and other clothing accessories	85.3	100.9	-0.4	+9.0	+8.6	
Consumer durable goods	130.7	129.8	+8.0	+17.0	+10.6	
<ul> <li>Motor vehicles and parts</li> </ul>	136.1	144.7	+11.0	+26.6	+11.9	
Electrical goods and photographic equipment	134.8	128.5	+12.6	+17.9	+14.6	
<ul> <li>Furniture and fixtures</li> </ul>	118.1	105.6	+1.3	+6.3	+5.0	
<ul> <li>Other consumer durable goods, not elsewhere classified</li> </ul>	118.2	133.0	-7.9	+5.4	-3.2	
Department stores	99.1	120.9	-0.3	+8.6	+6.3	
Jewellery, watches and clocks, and valuable gifts	94.4	118.2	-4.8	+21.8	+8.9	
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Table 3: Movement of the volume of total retail sales, March 2006 - May 2007

Original Series		Seasonally Adjusted Series			
			Compared with the		
		Year-on-year	3 months ending	3 months ending	
Year/M	onth	rate of change (%)	Month/Year	Month/Year	Rate of change (%) <sup>@#</sup>
2006	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	+3.4	Mar 2007	Dec 2006	+1.9
	Apr	+1.7	Apr 2007	Jan 2007	+0.2
	May	+9.4*	May 2007	Feb 2007	-2.6*

<sup>\*</sup> Provisional figures.

<sup>@</sup> 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.

<sup>#</sup> 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.