

**Table 1: External Merchandise Trade Statistics for January 2008**

(HK\$ Million)

<b>Merchandise trade values for January 2008</b>				
	Domestic Exports		8,500	
	Re-exports		231,596	
	Total Exports		240,096	
	Imports		247,553	
	Trade balance		-7,456	
			<b>Change</b>	
<b>Current month compared with same month in the preceding year</b>	<b>January 2008</b>	<b>January 2007</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>%</b>
Domestic Exports	8,500	8,432	+68	+0.8
(% of Total Exports)	(3.5%)	(4.1%)		
Re-exports	231,596	198,982	+32,614	+16.4
Total Exports	240,096	207,414	+32,682	+15.8
Imports	247,553	211,824	+35,729	+16.9
Trade balance	-7,456	-4,410	-3,047	
<b>Current month compared with last month</b>	<b>January 2008</b>	<b>December 2007</b>		
Domestic Exports	8,500	9,075	-575	-6.3
(% of Total Exports)	(3.5%)	(3.9%)		
Re-exports	231,596	223,180	+8,416	+3.8
Total Exports	240,096	232,256	+7,840	+3.4
Imports	247,553	259,652	-12,100	-4.7
Trade balance	-7,456	-27,396	+19,940	
<b>Latest 3 months compared with same period 12 months earlier</b>	<b>Nov 2007 to Jan 2008</b>	<b>Nov 2006 to Jan 2007</b>		
Domestic Exports	27,572	26,797	+775	+2.9
(% of Total Exports)	(3.9%)	(4.1%)		
Re-exports	688,316	623,991	+64,325	+10.3
Total Exports	715,888	650,788	+65,100	+10.0
Imports	766,258	684,544	+81,714	+11.9
Trade balance	-50,370	-33,756	-16,614	
<b>Last 12 months compared with same period 12 months earlier</b>	<b>Feb 2007 to Jan 2008</b>	<b>Feb 2006 to Jan 2007</b>		
Domestic Exports	109,189	129,828	-20,639	-15.9
(% of Total Exports)	(4.0%)	(5.2%)		
Re-exports	2,611,006	2,348,593	+262,414	+11.2
Total Exports	2,720,196	2,478,421	+241,774	+9.8
Imports	2,903,740	2,625,975	+277,764	+10.6
Trade balance	-183,544	-147,554	-35,990	

**Table 2 : Hong Kong's External Merchandise Trade Statistics from January 2005 to January 2008**

(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
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
	6	9,625.3	-18.4	215,046.5	+13.0	224,671.8	+11.1	244,100.7	+13.0
	7	10,453.6	-25.1	228,071.9	+10.9	238,525.6	+8.6	246,710.9	+9.8
	8	9,674.7	-25.3	233,477.4	+9.5	243,152.0	+7.5	256,828.2	+9.0
	9	9,818.7	-10.3	228,872.5	+9.4	238,691.2	+8.5	253,452.3	+9.3
	10	10,482.8	-8.5	242,534.7	+10.8	253,017.5	+9.8	261,673.2	+12.1
	11	10,007.7	+0.8	233,997.4	+6.9	244,005.1	+6.6	259,956.3	+9.3
	12	9,075.5	+6.5	223,180.4	+8.3	232,255.9	+8.2	259,652.4	+10.3
2008	1	8,500.2	+0.8	231,596.1	+16.4	240,096.2	+15.8	247,552.6	+16.9

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 2005 to January 2008**

Year	Month	Change of the latest 3-month period over the preceding 3-month period (%)			
		Domestic Exports	Re-exports	Total Exports	Imports
2005	1	-1.7	+5.3	+4.9	+3.4
	2	-8.1	+3.8	+3.1	+2.8
	3	-10.4	+0.4	-0.3	+1.3
	4	-9.7	-2.6	-3.1	-2.2
	5	-0.2	+3.8	+3.6	+4.3
	6	+5.3	+8.3	+8.1	+6.9
	7	+10.5	+10.0	+10.0	+9.6
	8	+11.6	+2.8	+3.3	+2.4
	9	+19.7	+0.3	+1.3	+1.4
	10	+25.0	+0.3	+1.6	+1.2
	11	+23.2	+1.5	+2.8	+2.6
	12	+12.2	-0.4	+0.4	+1.1
2006	1	+4.2	-0.4	-0.1	+1.8
	2	-1.4	+0.1	-0.0	+2.6
	3	-3.2	+3.0	+2.5	+3.9
	4	-7.7	+2.7	+1.9	+2.4
	5	-9.9	+2.6	+1.7	+1.7
	6	-10.7	+1.6	+0.8	+1.1
	7	-6.5	+2.2	+1.7	+2.1
	8	-4.5	+4.4	+3.8	+3.9
	9	-6.2	+5.3	+4.7	+4.7
	10	-13.0	+5.1	+4.0	+4.3
	11	-16.3	+3.9	+2.8	+3.2
	12	-18.4	+4.2	+3.0	+3.3
2007	1	-15.5	+3.1	+2.2	+1.0
	2	-11.3	+3.4	+2.7	+0.9
	3	-0.6	+0.9	+0.8	-0.2
	4	+8.3	+3.0	+3.3	+5.0
	5	+11.3	+0.2	+0.7	+3.9
	6	+8.4	+2.7	+3.0	+4.7
	7	+1.0	+1.4	+1.3	+1.3
	8	-5.2	+3.0	+2.7	+2.3
	9	-8.7	+1.3	+0.9	+1.1
	10	-6.8	+1.7	+1.3	+2.2
	11	+1.6	+1.7	+1.7	+2.7
	12	+1.2	+2.9	+2.8	+4.1
2008	1	+2.2	+4.5	+4.4	+5.0

Note : Seasonally adjusted series may be revised as more data become available. For external trade figures, the seasonally adjusted series for the preceding three years are revised each year when the figures for January become available. The figures shown in Table 3 have already been revised.

**Table 4 : Total Exports of Goods to Ten Main Destinations**

Destination	Jan 2008 (HKD Mn.)	Jan 2008 over Jan 2007 (% change)	Nov 2007 to Jan 2008 (HKD Mn.)	Nov 2007 - Jan 2008 over Nov 2006 - Jan 2007 (% change)
Total Exports	240,096	+15.8	715,888	+10.0
The mainland of China	117,874	+20.4	350,339	+12.5
United States of America	29,216	-0.8	91,014	-1.2
Japan	10,130	+6.7	31,011	+2.3
Germany	7,845	+17.1	22,605	+8.6
United Kingdom	6,398	+3.1	20,239	+3.1
Singapore	4,681	+4.2	13,799	+3.3
Taiwan	4,680	+1.2	14,099	+0.7
India	4,592	+140.0	11,663	+90.9
Korea	4,554	+15.7	13,620	+11.1
Netherlands	4,189	+15.7	12,465	+8.4

**Table 5 : Imports of Goods from Ten Main Suppliers**

Supplier	Jan 2008 (HKD Mn.)	Jan 2008 over Jan 2007 (% change)	Nov 2007 to Jan 2008 (HKD Mn.)	Nov 2007 - Jan 2008 over Nov 2006 - Jan 2007 (% change)
Total Imports	247,553	+16.9	766,258	+11.9
The mainland of China	116,820	+18.6	360,900	+12.9
Japan	23,227	+13.2	73,974	+8.2
Taiwan	17,364	+25.8	53,674	+12.1
Singapore	16,395	+15.2	51,077	+13.3
United States of America	12,898	+5.4	39,182	+11.8
Korea	8,615	-3.3	30,007	-8.9
Malaysia	5,432	+28.4	16,888	+13.2
Thailand	5,252	+32.2	15,641	+18.7
India	5,136	+55.7	12,447	+33.6
Philippines	4,395	+40.4	12,955	+17.4

**Table 6 : Total Exports of Ten Principal Commodity Divisions**

Commodity division	Jan 2008 (HKD Mn.)	Jan 2008 over Jan 2007 (% change)	Nov 2007 to Jan 2008 (HKD Mn.)	Nov 2007 - Jan 2008 over Nov 2006 - Jan 2007 (% change)
Total Exports	240,096	+15.8	715,888	+10.0
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	57,926	+29.7	173,815	+19.6
Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	41,181	+55.6	127,865	+37.2
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	24,276	-7.0	69,259	-24.0
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly baby carriages, toys, games and sporting goods)	20,502	+15.7	63,495	+17.1
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	19,187	-4.6	56,210	-1.5
Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies, optical goods, watches and clocks	8,049	+5.1	24,279	+8.2
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	7,577	+54.6	20,028	+37.5
Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles and related products	7,311	-6.5	24,317	-5.2
Plastics in primary forms	6,262	+11.2	18,299	+7.1
Footwear	4,649	-3.2	12,499	+2.8

**Table 7 : Imports of Ten Principal Commodity Divisions**

Commodity division	Jan 2008 (HKD Mn.)	Jan 2008 over Jan 2007 (% change)	Nov 2007 to Jan 2008 (HKD Mn.)	Nov 2007 - Jan 2008 over Nov 2006 - Jan 2007 (% change)
Total Imports	247,553	+16.9	766,258	+11.9
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	60,580	+28.4	194,693	+18.7
Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	35,452	+49.3	112,447	+31.3
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	22,265	+3.5	65,334	-20.1
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly baby carriages, toys, games and sporting goods)	18,430	+24.3	54,844	+24.4
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	13,138	+4.3	38,172	+0.0
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	9,696	+35.5	26,868	+22.3
Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles and related products	6,937	-7.9	24,159	-5.0
Plastics in primary forms	6,379	-2.1	20,021	+0.9
Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	6,329	+6.5	21,634	+32.0
Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies, optical goods, watches and clocks	6,169	+13.9	19,833	+20.8