

**Table 1: Value index and value of retail sales by type of retail outlet for July and August 2008**

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 (%)		
	Jul 2008 (Revised figures)	Aug 2008 (Provisional figures)	Jul 2008 (Revised figures)	Aug 2008 (Provisional figures)	Jul 2008 over Jul 2007	Aug 2008 over Aug 2007	Jan - Aug 2008 over Jan - Aug 2007
<b>All retail outlets</b>	<b>144.0</b>	<b>135.2</b>	<b>24,239</b>	<b>22,758</b>	<b>+13.7</b>	<b>+10.4</b>	<b>+15.0</b>
<u>By type of retail outlet</u>							
<b>Food, alcoholic drinks and tobacco (other than supermarkets)</b>	<b>116.5</b>	<b>128.8</b>	<b>2,183</b>	<b>2,414</b>	<b>+10.2</b>	<b>+15.8</b>	<b>+12.9</b>
• Fish, livestock and poultry, fresh or frozen	108.6	124.8	570	655	+13.5	+18.0	+17.7
• Fruits and vegetables, fresh	117.5	119.2	196	199	-4.9	-2.2	+6.6
• Bread, pastry, confectionery and biscuits	103.6	127.6	421	519	+11.2	+26.6	+10.4
• Other foodstuffs	120.2	129.4	711	766	+9.4	+14.7	+9.2
• Alcoholic drinks and tobacco	155.2	150.3	285	275	+16.7	+10.9	+20.3
<b>Supermarkets <sup>Φ</sup></b>	<b>128.2</b>	<b>132.8</b>	<b>2,914</b>	<b>3,018</b>	<b>+10.5</b>	<b>+14.3</b>	<b>+12.6</b>
<b>Fuels</b>	<b>161.8</b>	<b>153.5</b>	<b>810</b>	<b>768</b>	<b>+45.4</b>	<b>+28.3</b>	<b>+31.0</b>
<b>Clothing, footwear and allied products</b>	<b>150.6</b>	<b>121.0</b>	<b>3,379</b>	<b>2,715</b>	<b>+6.0</b>	<b>+4.3</b>	<b>+13.3</b>
• Wearing apparel	151.9	117.4	2,922	2,259	+6.0	+4.7	+13.6
• Footwear, allied products and other clothing accessories	143.2	142.8	457	456	+5.7	+2.8	+11.3
<b>Consumer durable goods</b>	<b>143.0</b>	<b>139.7</b>	<b>4,067</b>	<b>3,973</b>	<b>+17.3</b>	<b>+5.8</b>	<b>+12.7</b>
• Motor vehicles and parts	178.9	139.3	1,303	1,015	+24.9	-11.3	+14.4
• Electrical goods and photographic equipment	135.2	145.6	1,841	1,984	+16.5	+14.9	+13.8
• Furniture and fixtures	134.6	142.0	560	590	+13.6	+22.5	+14.8
• Other consumer durable goods, not elsewhere classified	107.4	113.7	363	384	+3.8	-4.3	+0.2
<b>Department stores</b>	<b>134.4</b>	<b>127.5</b>	<b>2,318</b>	<b>2,199</b>	<b>+11.4</b>	<b>+7.2</b>	<b>+12.7</b>
<b>Jewellery, watches and clocks, and valuable gifts</b>	<b>175.2</b>	<b>163.9</b>	<b>3,791</b>	<b>3,547</b>	<b>+17.8</b>	<b>+17.0</b>	<b>+21.7</b>
<b>Other consumer goods</b>	<b>148.9</b>	<b>128.5</b>	<b>4,778</b>	<b>4,124</b>	<b>+14.2</b>	<b>+6.9</b>	<b>+14.2</b>
• Books, newspapers, stationery and gifts	131.1	132.3	614	620	+5.0	-2.3	+5.2
• Chinese drugs and herbs	138.5	133.3	337	324	+2.2	+3.4	+7.5
• Optical shops	131.3	132.2	172	174	-4.5	+2.1	+5.5
• Medicines and cosmetics	138.2	124.5	1,688	1,520	+12.4	+8.2	+11.7
• Other consumer goods, not elsewhere classified	171.6	129.7	1,966	1,486	+23.8	+11.3	+22.1

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>128.8</i>	<i>132.9</i>	<i>3,186</i>	<i>3,289</i>	<i>+10.8</i>	<i>+14.5</i>	<i>+12.4</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 July and August 2008**

Type of retail outlet	Volume Index of Retail Sales (Points) (Monthly average of Oct. 2004 - Sep. 2005 = 100 )		Percentage Change (%)		
	Jul 2008 (Revised figures)	Aug 2008 (Provisional figures)	Jul 2008 over Jul 2007	Aug 2008 over Aug 2007	Jan - Aug 2008 over Jan - Aug 2007
<b>All retail outlets</b>	<b>131.0</b>	<b>124.2</b>	<b>+6.6</b>	<b>+3.9</b>	<b>+8.3</b>
<u>By type of retail outlet</u>					
<b>Food, alcoholic drinks and tobacco (other than supermarkets)</b>	<b>95.1</b>	<b>105.1</b>	<b>-3.2</b>	<b>+3.5</b>	<b>-1.3</b>
• Fish, livestock and poultry, fresh or frozen	75.7	86.6	-8.1	-2.7	-6.5
• Fruits and vegetables, fresh	81.3	87.4	-23.1	-13.0	-7.9
• Bread, pastry, confectionery and biscuits	90.2	110.8	+0.4	+14.6	+0.4
• Other foodstuffs	99.8	107.5	-3.8	+2.0	-4.1
• Alcoholic drinks and tobacco	158.8	153.7	+15.8	+12.6	+18.6
<b>Supermarkets <math>\Phi</math></b>	<b>111.9</b>	<b>114.8</b>	<b>-1.4</b>	<b>+2.0</b>	<b>+2.4</b>
<b>Fuels</b>	<b>121.2</b>	<b>118.3</b>	<b>+18.6</b>	<b>+7.8</b>	<b>+9.3</b>
<b>Clothing, footwear and allied products</b>	<b>142.8</b>	<b>118.7</b>	<b>+5.0</b>	<b>+3.5</b>	<b>+12.0</b>
• Wearing apparel	142.3	114.9	+5.3	+5.2	+12.3
• Footwear, allied products and other clothing accessories	145.7	141.9	+3.2	-4.1	+10.3
<b>Consumer durable goods</b>	<b>163.4</b>	<b>163.3</b>	<b>+18.6</b>	<b>+8.3</b>	<b>+15.5</b>
• Motor vehicles and parts	178.0	138.0	+20.1	-14.8	+11.6
• Electrical goods and photographic equipment	174.9	192.3	+22.6	+21.6	+21.6
• Furniture and fixtures	127.5	133.0	+8.5	+14.7	+9.7
• Other consumer durable goods, not elsewhere classified	130.0	138.4	+7.3	-0.9	+2.7
<b>Department stores</b>	<b>130.2</b>	<b>123.7</b>	<b>+8.0</b>	<b>+3.3</b>	<b>+8.8</b>
<b>Jewellery, watches and clocks, and valuable gifts</b>	<b>120.6</b>	<b>115.8</b>	<b>-1.2</b>	<b>+2.4</b>	<b>+4.5</b>
<b>Other consumer goods</b>	<b>137.3</b>	<b>118.0</b>	<b>+8.4</b>	<b>+1.2</b>	<b>+9.8</b>
• Books, newspapers, stationery and gifts	123.4	124.4	+0.1	-6.9	+0.5
• Chinese drugs and herbs	120.2	115.3	-5.6	-4.4	-0.1
• Optical shops	115.9	118.9	-8.0	+1.0	+2.6
• Medicines and cosmetics	125.4	112.4	+7.0	+2.9	+7.0
• Other consumer goods, not elsewhere classified	161.9	121.9	+17.2	+4.5	+18.2

$\Phi$  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>	113.5	116.1	-0.4	+2.9	+2.8
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**Table 3 : Movement of the volume of total retail sales, June 2007 - August 2008**

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 (%) <sup>@#</sup>	
2007	Jun	+12.8	Jun 2007	Mar 2007	+2.0
	Jul	+12.1	Jul 2007	Apr 2007	+4.8
	Aug	+12.7	Aug 2007	May 2007	+7.0
	Sep	+13.0	Sep 2007	Jun 2007	+5.1
	Oct	+13.1	Oct 2007	Jul 2007	+3.5
	Nov	+15.3	Nov 2007	Aug 2007	+2.9
	Dec	+12.5	Dec 2007	Sep 2007	+2.9
2008	Jan	+17.6	Jan 2008	Oct 2007	+1.6
	Feb	+4.4	Feb 2008	Nov 2007	+2.5
	Mar	+13.0	Mar 2008	Dec 2007	+0.7
	Apr	+11.5	Apr 2008	Jan 2008	+2.1
	May	+5.6	May 2008	Feb 2008	-2.3
	Jun	+4.1	Jun 2008	Mar 2008	-1.7
	Jul	+6.6	Jul 2008	Apr 2008	-1.8
	Aug	+3.9*	Aug 2008	May 2008	+1.8*

\* 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 Jun. 2008 is the percentage change of the average monthly index for Apr., May and Jun. 2008 over the average monthly index for Jan., Feb. and Mar. 2008.

# 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.

The underlined '5' denotes rounded up figure.