

Table 1: Value index and value of retail sales by type of retail outlet for August and September 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 (%)		
	Aug 2008 (Revised figures)	Sep 2008 (Provisional figures)	Aug 2008 (Revised figures)	Sep 2008 (Provisional figures)	Aug 2008 over Aug 2007	Sep 2008 over Sep 2007	Jan - Sep 2008 over Jan - Sep 2007
All retail outlets	135.0	124.2	22,727	20,910	+10.2	+6.9	+14.1
<u>By type of retail outlet</u>							
Food, alcoholic drinks and tobacco (other than supermarkets)	129.1	140.6	2,418	2,634	+16.0	+8.7	+12.4
• Fish, livestock and poultry, fresh or frozen	125.1	127.1	657	667	+18.3	+15.1	+17.5
• Fruits and vegetables, fresh	119.7	101.4	200	169	-1.9	-2.6	+5.7
• Bread, pastry, confectionery and biscuits	128.0	219.8	520	893	+26.9	+13.4	+11.0
• Other foodstuffs	129.5	106.6	766	631	+14.8	-0.9	+8.1
• Alcoholic drinks and tobacco	150.3	149.4	275	274	+10.9	+10.9	+19.2
Supermarkets Φ	132.3	127.6	3,007	2,901	+13.9	+8.9	+12.1
Fuels	153.5	145.1	768	726	+28.3	+28.6	+30.7
Clothing, footwear and allied products	121.2	101.9	2,718	2,285	+4.5	-0.2	+12.0
• Wearing apparel	117.6	101.7	2,263	1,956	+4.8	-0.1	+12.3
• Footwear, allied products and other clothing accessories	142.5	102.9	455	329	+2.6	-0.9	+10.1
Consumer durable goods	139.7	133.4	3,974	3,793	+5.8	+8.8	+12.3
• Motor vehicles and parts	138.8	149.5	1,011	1,089	-11.7	+14.7	+14.4
• Electrical goods and photographic equipment	145.9	131.1	1,987	1,786	+15.1	+7.8	+13.1
• Furniture and fixtures	142.0	135.3	590	562	+22.4	+7.2	+13.8
• Other consumer durable goods, not elsewhere classified	114.0	105.3	386	356	-4.0	+0.3	+0.2
Department stores	127.5	111.1	2,199	1,916	+7.2	-0.4	+11.3
Jewellery, watches and clocks, and valuable gifts	162.8	148.5	3,524	3,213	+16.2	+6.8	+20.0
Other consumer goods	128.3	107.2	4,118	3,440	+6.7	+7.7	+13.6
• Books, newspapers, stationery and gifts	132.1	91.3	619	428	-2.5	-0.6	+4.7
• Chinese drugs and herbs	133.1	111.1	324	270	+3.3	-7.1	+5.9
• Optical shops	132.2	108.0	174	142	+2.1	+3.2	+5.3
• Medicines and cosmetics	124.2	113.4	1,517	1,385	+8.0	+13.9	+11.9
• Other consumer goods, not elsewhere classified	129.6	106.1	1,485	1,216	+11.2	+8.6	+20.9

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>132.5</i>	<i>128.9</i>	<i>3,278</i>	<i>3,188</i>	<i>+14.1</i>	<i>+7.7</i>	<i>+11.8</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 August and September 2008

Type of retail outlet	Volume Index of Retail Sales (Points) (Monthly average of Oct. 2004 - Sep. 2005 = 100)		Percentage Change (%)		
	Aug 2008 (Revised figures)	Sep 2008 (Provisional figures)	Aug 2008 over Aug 2007	Sep 2008 over Sep 2007	Jan - Sep 2008 over Jan - Sep 2007
All retail outlets	124.0	113.7	+3.7	+1.8	+7.6
By type of retail outlet					
Food, alcoholic drinks and tobacco (other than supermarkets)	105.3	114.9	+3.7	-2.2	-1.4
• Fish, livestock and poultry, fresh or frozen	86.8	88.4	-2.4	-3.8	-6.2
• Fruits and vegetables, fresh	87.7	73.4	-12.7	-10.5	-8.1
• Bread, pastry, confectionery and biscuits	111.1	187.8	+14.9	+2.2	+0.8
• Other foodstuffs	107.6	88.4	+2.1	-10.8	-4.8
• Alcoholic drinks and tobacco	153.7	153.0	+12.6	+12.9	+18.0
Supermarkets Φ	114.4	111.2	+1.6	-1.2	+1.9
Fuels	118.3	114.1	+7.8	+10.6	+9.4
Clothing, footwear and allied products	118.9	98.8	+3.6	+1.3	+11.0
• Wearing apparel	115.1	98.3	+5.4	+3.2	+11.4
• Footwear, allied products and other clothing accessories	141.6	101.4	-4.3	-8.3	+8.4
Consumer durable goods	163.4	154.7	+8.4	+10.8	+14.9
• Motor vehicles and parts	137.6	151.1	-15.1	+13.1	+11.7
• Electrical goods and photographic equipment	192.6	172.0	+21.8	+13.3	+20.6
• Furniture and fixtures	133.0	126.8	+14.6	+1.8	+8.7
• Other consumer durable goods, not elsewhere classified	138.9	127.1	-0.5	+4.4	+3.0
Department stores	123.7	107.3	+3.3	-3.5	+7.5
Jewellery, watches and clocks, and valuable gifts	114.7	106.0	+1.5	-3.5	+3.5
Other consumer goods	117.8	97.3	+1.0	+1.5	+9.0
• Books, newspapers, stationery and gifts	124.2	83.7	-7.1	-6.1	-0.1
• Chinese drugs and herbs	115.1	95.6	-4.5	-14.1	-1.6
• Optical shops	118.9	95.2	+1.0	+0.1	+2.4
• Medicines and cosmetics	112.3	102.2	+2.7	+8.0	+7.1
• Other consumer goods, not elsewhere classified	121.5	98.3	+4.3	+1.5	+16.8

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>	115.7	113.4	+2.5	-1.7	+2.2
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Table 3 : Movement of the volume of total retail sales, July 2007 - September 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 (%) ^{@#}	
2007	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. <u>5</u>	Dec 2007	Sep 2007	+2.9
2008	Jan	+17.6	Jan 2008	Oct 2007	+1.6
	Feb	+4.4	Feb 2008	Nov 2007	+2. <u>5</u>
	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	+3.7	Aug 2008	May 2008	+1.8
	Sep	+1.8*	Sep 2008	Jun 2008	+2.0*

* 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.

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