

Table 1: External Merchandise Trade Statistics for October 2009

(HK\$ Million)

Merchandise trade values for October 2009				
	Domestic Exports	5,405		
	Re-exports	235,350		
	Total Exports	240,755		
	Imports	259,945		
	Trade balance	-19,190		
			Change	
Current month compared with same month in the preceding year	October 2009	October 2008	Value	%
Domestic Exports	5,405	8,060	-2,655	-32.9
(% of Total Exports)	(2.2%)	(2.9%)		
Re-exports	235,350	268,853	-33,503	-12.5
Total Exports	240,755	276,913	-36,158	-13.1
Imports	259,945	291,204	-31,259	-10.7
Trade balance	-19,190	-14,291	-4,899	
Current month compared with last month	October 2009	September 2009		
Domestic Exports	5,405	5,108	+297	+5.8
(% of Total Exports)	(2.2%)	(2.3%)		
Re-exports	235,350	220,790	+14,560	+6.6
Total Exports	240,755	225,898	+14,857	+6.6
Imports	259,945	255,040	+4,905	+1.9
Trade balance	-19,190	-29,141	+9,952	
Latest 3 months compared with same period 12 months earlier	Aug-Oct 2009	Aug-Oct 2008		
Domestic Exports	15,455	23,918	-8,462	-35.4
(% of Total Exports)	(2.3%)	(3.1%)		
Re-exports	664,244	747,430	-83,186	-11.1
Total Exports	679,699	771,347	-91,649	-11.9
Imports	749,301	814,262	-64,961	-8.0
Trade balance	-69,603	-42,915	-26,687	
Calendar year-to-date compared with same period in the preceding year	Jan-Oct 2009	Jan-Oct 2008		
Domestic Exports	47,086	78,449	-31,363	-40.0
(% of Total Exports)	(2.3%)	(3.3%)		
Re-exports	1,963,424	2,309,145	-345,721	-15.0
Total Exports	2,010,510	2,387,594	-377,084	-15.8
Imports	2,179,767	2,569,171	-389,405	-15.2
Trade balance	-169,257	-181,577	+12,320	
Last 12 months compared with same period 12 months earlier	Nov 2008 to Oct 2009	Nov 2007 to Oct 2008		
Domestic Exports	59,394	97,521	-38,127	-39.1
(% of Total Exports)	(2.4%)	(3.4%)		
Re-exports	2,387,673	2,765,865	-378,192	-13.7
Total Exports	2,447,067	2,863,386	-416,319	-14.5
Imports	2,635,884	3,087,877	-451,993	-14.6
Trade balance	-188,817	-224,491	+35,674	

Table 2 : Hong Kong's External Merchandise Trade Statistics from January 2006 to October 2009

									(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
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
	2	6,282.0	+1.1	178,107.7	+7.8	184,389.7	+7.6	200,212.6	+11.9
	3	7,490.8	-1.0	215,040.9	+7.9	222,531.6	+7.6	250,655.1	+6.6
	4	7,753.3	-10.0	235,647.4	+15.5	243,400.7	+14.5	259,621.4	+11.3
	5	8,128.5	-12.0	230,813.0	+11.3	238,941.6	+10.3	266,396.5	+15.4
	6	7,679.0	-20.2	215,544.4	+0.2	223,223.4	-0.6	247,196.0	+1.3
	7	8,752.3	-16.3	256,351.6	+12.4	265,103.9	+11.1	284,583.9	+15.4
	8	8,023.0	-17.1	239,849.8	+2.7	247,872.8	+1.9	260,754.3	+1.5
	9	7,853.5	-20.0	239,355.1	+4.6	247,208.6	+3.6	263,235.2	+3.9
	10	8,060.3	-23.1	268,853.0	+10.9	276,913.3	+9.4	291,204.2	+11.3
	11	6,853.0	-31.5	224,300.3	-4.1	231,153.3	-5.3	239,304.6	-7.9
	12	5,539.6	-39.0	200,276.1	-10.3	205,815.7	-11.4	217,579.7	-16.2
2009	1	4,195.6	-50.6	183,572.1	-20.7	187,767.8	-21.8	180,540.0	-27.1
	2	3,793.2	-39.6	138,144.5	-22.4	141,937.7	-23.0	165,148.2	-17.5
	3	4,414.9	-41.1	171,056.8	-20.5	175,471.8	-21.1	193,656.2	-22.7
	4	4,633.3	-40.2	194,409.7	-17.5	199,043.0	-18.2	215,397.7	-17.0
	5	5,085.3	-37.4	199,289.7	-13.7	204,374.9	-14.5	215,360.6	-19.2
	6	4,703.8	-38.7	206,432.0	-4.2	211,135.8	-5.4	227,620.2	-7.9
	7	5,138.6	-41.3	207,140.3	-19.2	212,278.9	-19.9	233,947.0	-17.8
	8	5,031.5	-37.3	208,269.5	-13.2	213,301.0	-13.9	235,149.9	-9.8
	9	5,108.1	-35.0	220,789.9	-7.8	225,898.1	-8.6	255,039.5	-3.1
	10	5,405.1	-32.9	235,350.0	-12.5	240,755.2	-13.1	259,944.9	-10.7

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 2006 to October 2009

Year	Month	Change of the latest 3-month period over the preceding 3-month period (%)			
		Domestic Exports	Re-exports	Total Exports	Imports
2006	1	+4.4	-0.7	-0.3	+1.5
	2	-1.4	+0.2	+0.1	+2.5
	3	-3.5	+3.2	+2.7	+3.7
	4	-8.8	+3.3	+2.4	+2.4
	5	-11.3	+2.0	+1.1	+1.1
	6	-11.0	+0.9	+0.1	+1.0
	7	-6.0	+1.5	+1.0	+2.3
	8	-3.1	+4.9	+4.4	+4.8
	9	-5.7	+6.0	+5.3	+5.4
	10	-12.5	+5.8	+4.7	+4.9
	11	-16.1	+4.4	+3.2	+3.4
	12	-17.0	+4.3	+3.2	+3.1
2007	1	-14.5	+2.2	+1.4	+0.2
	2	-10.4	+2.8	+2.2	+0.2
	3	-2.4	+1.2	+1.0	-0.4
	4	+5.8	+4.7	+4.7	+5.3
	5	+7.6	+0.0	+0.3	+3.4
	6	+7.3	+1.4	+1.7	+4.1
	7	+0.9	-0.7	-0.6	+0.7
	8	-3.2	+2.9	+2.6	+3.2
	9	-7.9	+1.6	+1.2	+1.7
	10	-5.8	+2.8	+2.5	+3.1
	11	+2.1	+2.9	+2.8	+3.0
	12	+4.0	+4.1	+4.1	+4.8
2008	1	+4.5	+4.4	+4.4	+4.7
	2	-4.3	+3.3	+3.0	+1.3
	3	-4.6	+1.8	+1.5	-0.6
	4	-6.4	+1.4	+1.1	-1.7
	5	-3.8	+2.8	+2.6	+3.8
	6	-7.9	+1.4	+1.0	+3.2
	7	-10.6	-0.7	-1.1	+4.0
	8	-13.9	-3.5	-3.9	-1.9
	9	-11.0	-0.2	-0.5	+0.1
	10	-8.6	+1.3	+0.9	-0.9
	11	-5.8	+1.6	+1.4	-0.6
	12	-11.8	-4.0	-4.2	-6.9
2009	1	-20.5	-12.0	-12.3	-15.8
	2	-25.9	-17.3	-17.6	-20.2
	3	-20.7	-17.8	-17.9	-18.3
	4	-8.4	-10.0	-9.9	-8.4
	5	+0.5	+1.3	+1.3	+2.5
	6	-1.3	+11.4	+11.0	+11.6
	7	-7.4	+8.4	+8.0	+10.7
	8	-13.0	+3.0	+2.6	+8.3
	9	-9.0	-2.0	-2.2	+4.9
	10	-2.0	+4.2	+4.0	+8.3

Note : Seasonally adjusted series may be revised as more data become available. For external merchandise 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.

'0.0' denotes increase or decrease of less than 0.05%

Table 4 : Total Exports of Goods to Ten Main Destinations

Destination	Oct 2009 (HKD Mn.)	Oct 2009 over Oct 2008 (% change)	Jan-Oct 2009 (HKD Mn.)	Jan-Oct 2009 over Jan-Oct 2008 (% change)
Total Exports	240,755	-13.1	2,010,510	-15.8
The mainland of China	126,944	-8.9	1,028,778	-11.5
United States of America	27,616	-23.4	235,497	-22.5
Japan	10,149	-12.7	87,739	-12.8
Germany	7,258	-19.3	65,208	-17.0
United Kingdom	5,298	-27.8	48,363	-23.0
Taiwan	5,458	+6.3	42,635	-7.4
India	4,901	+19.1	42,345	-5.4
Korea	4,081	-7.9	35,077	-18.9
Singapore	3,926	-24.8	34,435	-27.1
Australia	3,879	+1.6	29,899	-7.9

Table 5 : Imports of Goods from Ten Main Suppliers

Supplier	Oct 2009 (HKD Mn.)	Oct 2009 over Oct 2008 (% change)	Jan-Oct 2009 (HKD Mn.)	Jan-Oct 2009 over Jan-Oct 2008 (% change)
Total Imports	259,945	-10.7	2,179,767	-15.2
The mainland of China	116,027	-17.0	1,012,414	-14.7
Japan	24,882	-13.5	190,091	-25.5
Taiwan	18,034	-5.9	141,423	-15.7
Singapore	17,957	-9.7	140,955	-15.5
United States of America	13,341	+2.4	116,355	-9.2
Korea	11,309	+9.5	82,296	-20.1
Malaysia	6,644	+15.0	55,540	+2.0
Thailand	5,509	-8.6	46,411	-15.4
India	4,344	-14.4	43,201	-16.3
Germany	5,293	+18.3	39,538	-12.4

Table 6 : Total Exports of Ten Principal Commodity Divisions

Commodity division	Oct 2009 (HKD Mn.)	Oct 2009 over Oct 2008 (% change)	Jan-Oct 2009 (HKD Mn.)	Jan-Oct 2009 over Jan-Oct 2008 (% change)
Total Exports	240,755	-13.1	2,010,510	-15.8
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	66,995	-9.0	529,146	-9.3
Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	43,768	-11.6	330,246	-16.8
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	27,344	-9.8	202,553	-11.6
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly baby carriages, toys, games and sporting goods)	21,204	-16.6	181,870	-15.6
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	14,154	-28.1	148,577	-19.0
Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles and related products	6,453	-19.7	64,064	-21.9
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	7,712	+2.4	61,904	-21.3
Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies, optical goods, watches and clocks	7,506	-12.0	61,180	-21.3
Plastics in primary forms	4,835	-16.9	48,231	-23.2
Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus	5,464	+21.0	43,129	-6.7

Table 7 : Imports of Ten Principal Commodity Divisions

Commodity division	Oct 2009 (HKD Mn.)	Oct 2009 over Oct 2008 (% change)	Jan-Oct 2009 (HKD Mn.)	Jan-Oct 2009 over Jan-Oct 2008 (% change)
Total Imports	259,945	-10.7	2,179,767	-15.2
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	75,236	-6.4	580,302	-10.3
Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	37,543	-11.3	294,381	-14.9
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	24,520	-10.8	199,710	-9.7
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly baby carriages, toys, games and sporting goods)	19,523	-11.8	165,349	-13.0
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	9,577	-23.7	100,066	-17.5
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	9,000	-3.5	82,667	-21.1
Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles and related products	6,256	-19.1	63,742	-23.0
Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	7,850	-3.7	55,871	-32.2
Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies, optical goods, watches and clocks	6,870	-6.9	53,003	-20.6
Plastics in primary forms	5,568	-15.0	50,466	-30.0