

Table 1: External Merchandise Trade Statistics for December 2009

(HK\$ Million)

Merchandise trade values for December 2009				
	Domestic Exports	5,152		
	Re-exports	219,670		
	Total Exports	224,822		
	Imports	258,267		
	Trade balance	-33,445		
			Change	
Current month compared with same month in the preceding year	December 2009	December 2008	Value	%
Domestic Exports	5,152	5,540	-387	-7.0
(% of Total Exports)	(2.3%)	(2.7%)		
Re-exports	219,670	200,276	+19,394	+9.7
Total Exports	224,822	205,816	+19,006	+9.2
Imports	258,267	217,580	+40,687	+18.7
Trade balance	-33,445	-11,764	-21,681	
Current month compared with last month	December 2009	November 2009		
Domestic Exports	5,152	5,521	-368	-6.7
(% of Total Exports)	(2.3%)	(2.4%)		
Re-exports	219,670	228,574	-8,904	-3.9
Total Exports	224,822	234,095	-9,273	-4.0
Imports	258,267	254,821	+3,446	+1.4
Trade balance	-33,445	-20,726	-12,719	
Latest 3 months compared with same period 12 months earlier	Oct-Dec 2009	Oct-Dec 2008		
Domestic Exports	16,056	20,369	-4,313	-21.2
(% of Total Exports)	(2.3%)	(2.9%)		
Re-exports	683,169	692,919	-9,750	-1.4
Total Exports	699,225	713,288	-14,064	-2.0
Imports	772,237	747,155	+25,082	+3.4
Trade balance	-73,012	-33,866	-39,146	
Last 12 months compared with same period 12 months earlier	Jan 2009 to Dec 2009	Jan 2008 to Dec 2008		
Domestic Exports	57,742	90,757	-33,015	-36.4
(% of Total Exports)	(2.3%)	(3.2%)		
Re-exports	2,411,347	2,733,394	-322,047	-11.8
Total Exports	2,469,089	2,824,151	-355,062	-12.6
Imports	2,692,356	3,025,288	-332,932	-11.0
Trade balance	-223,268	-201,137	-22,130	

Table 2 : Hong Kong's External Merchandise Trade Statistics from January 2006 to December 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
	11	5,520.7	-19.4	228,573.9	+1.9	234,094.6	+1.3	254,820.6	+6.5
	12	5,152.2	-7.0	219,669.8	+9.7	224,822.0	+9.2	258,266.9	+18.7

Table 3 : Seasonally Adjusted Series of Hong Kong's External Merchandise Trade Statistics from January 2006 to December 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
	11	+10.5	+8.5	+8.5	+9.6
	12	+13.0	+10.1	+10.2	+7.7

Table 4 : Total Exports of Goods to Ten Main Destinations

Destination	Dec 2009 (HKD Mn.)	Dec 2009 over Dec 2008 (% change)	Jan-Dec 2009 (HKD Mn.)	Jan-Dec 2009 over Jan-Dec 2008 (% change)
Total Exports	224,822	+9.2	2,469,089	-12.6
The mainland of China	114,847	+16.8	1,263,249	-7.8
United States of America	23,405	-8.7	285,236	-20.6
Japan	10,203	+6.4	108,869	-10.0
Germany	6,479	-15.6	79,342	-15.5
United Kingdom	5,372	-9.5	59,671	-20.8
Taiwan	6,449	+55.7	54,713	-0.4
India	5,073	+56.0	52,282	+0.2
Korea	4,144	+39.7	43,133	-13.0
Singapore	3,934	+1.5	42,252	-23.6
Netherlands	3,906	+6.9	37,265	-17.8

Table 5 : Imports of Goods from Ten Main Suppliers

Supplier	Dec 2009 (HKD Mn.)	Dec 2009 over Dec 2008 (% change)	Jan-Dec 2009 (HKD Mn.)	Jan-Dec 2009 over Jan-Dec 2008 (% change)
Total Imports	258,267	+18.7	2,692,356	-11.0
The mainland of China	118,698	+9.2	1,249,374	-11.4
Japan	23,369	+16.0	236,369	-20.6
Taiwan	16,852	+54.0	175,649	-8.5
Singapore	16,745	+34.2	174,659	-10.4
United States of America	13,401	+23.1	142,137	-5.7
Korea	10,661	+65.3	103,046	-12.7
Malaysia	6,126	+3.7	68,016	+2.8
Thailand	5,977	+33.1	57,589	-9.7
India	4,968	+53.5	52,599	-9.3
Germany	5,355	+30.9	50,103	-6.2

Table 6 : Total Exports of Ten Principal Commodity Divisions

Commodity division	Dec 2009 (HKD Mn.)	Dec 2009 over Dec 2008 (% change)	Jan-Dec 2009 (HKD Mn.)	Jan-Dec 2009 over Jan-Dec 2008 (% change)
Total Exports	224,822	+9.2	2,469,089	-12.6
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	57,319	+17.3	650,756	-5.9
Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	41,175	+26.4	414,566	-11.4
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	24,198	+0.5	249,697	-10.8
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly baby carriages, toys, games and sporting goods)	17,112	-9.3	219,136	-14.4
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	14,268	-16.4	176,939	-18.6
Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles and related products	6,754	+9.2	77,328	-19.0
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	7,102	+28.9	75,770	-16.5
Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies, optical goods, watches and clocks	5,903	-8.8	74,655	-19.0
Plastics in primary forms	5,479	+31.0	58,942	-17.5
Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus	5,148	+23.6	53,538	-1.8

Table 7 : Imports of Ten Principal Commodity Divisions

Commodity division	Dec 2009 (HKD Mn.)	Dec 2009 over Dec 2008 (% change)	Jan-Dec 2009 (HKD Mn.)	Jan-Dec 2009 over Jan-Dec 2008 (% change)
Total Imports	258,267	+18.7	2,692,356	-11.0
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	69,133	+28.7	720,861	-5.7
Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	37,123	+25.7	368,621	-9.5
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	24,645	+13.6	246,861	-7.1
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly baby carriages, toys, games and sporting goods)	18,216	-0.6	202,286	-11.1
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	10,755	-9.6	120,211	-16.8
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	9,748	+46.1	101,623	-14.2
Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles and related products	6,899	+12.5	77,241	-19.4
Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	7,724	+68.0	71,280	-23.9
Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies, optical goods, watches and clocks	5,816	+7.4	65,653	-16.7
Plastics in primary forms	5,720	+47.1	61,596	-23.8