

Statistics of Payment Cards Issued in Hong Kong for First Quarter 2011

	Q1 10	Q4 10	Q1 11	Quarterly Change	Yearly Change
Total number of credit cards in circulation ('000)	14,708	15,450	15,604	+1.0%	+6.1%
Total number of credit card transactions ('000)	87,537	98,241	95,499	-2.8%	+9.1%
<i>of which</i>					
Retail sales	86,414	96,999	94,341	-2.7%	+9.2%
Cash advances	1,123	1,242	1,158	-6.8%	+3.1%
Total value of credit card transactions (\$HK Mn)	92,628	106,300	105,362	-0.9%	+13.7%
<i>of which</i>					
Retail sales	87,451	99,979	98,928	-1.1%	+13.1%
Cash advances	5,177	6,321	6,435	+1.8%	+24.3%
Total number of debit card transactions for retail sales/bill payments ('000)	26,597	27,503	27,431	-0.3%	+3.1%
Total value of debit card transactions for retail sales/bill payments (\$HK Mn)	49,322	51,470	54,251	+5.4%	+10.0%

Note: Please refer to Notes to Press Release for explanations of the statistics.