

Table 1: External Merchandise Trade Statistics for October 2011

(HK\$ Million)

Merchandise trade values for October 2011				
	Domestic Exports	5,260		
	Re-exports	300,425		
	Total Exports	305,685		
	Imports	328,824		
	Trade balance	-23,138		
			Change	
Current month compared with same month in the preceding year	October 2011	October 2010	Value	%
Domestic Exports	5,260	6,009	-749	-12.5
(% of Total Exports)	(1.7%)	(2.2%)		
Re-exports	300,425	268,160	+32,265	+12.0
Total Exports	305,685	274,169	+31,517	+11.5
Imports	328,824	296,436	+32,388	+10.9
Trade balance	-23,138	-22,267	-871	
Current month compared with last month	October 2011	September 2011		
Domestic Exports	5,260	4,868	+392	+8.1
(% of Total Exports)	(1.7%)	(1.8%)		
Re-exports	300,425	266,932	+33,493	+12.5
Total Exports	305,685	271,799	+33,886	+12.5
Imports	328,824	311,761	+17,063	+5.5
Trade balance	-23,138	-39,961	+16,823	
Latest 3 months compared with same period 12 months earlier	Aug-Oct 2011	Aug-Oct 2010		
Domestic Exports	16,043	18,158	-2,115	-11.6
(% of Total Exports)	(1.8%)	(2.2%)		
Re-exports	870,452	826,005	+44,447	+5.4
Total Exports	886,495	844,162	+42,332	+5.0
Imports	984,416	901,859	+82,557	+9.2
Trade balance	-97,921	-57,696	-40,225	
Calendar year-to-date compared with same period in the preceding year	Jan-Oct 2011	Jan-Oct 2010		
Domestic Exports	55,816	56,776	-960	-1.7
(% of Total Exports)	(2.0%)	(2.3%)		
Re-exports	2,731,748	2,448,544	+283,204	+11.6
Total Exports	2,787,564	2,505,320	+282,245	+11.3
Imports	3,121,975	2,772,423	+349,552	+12.6
Trade balance	-334,411	-267,103	-67,308	
Last 12 months compared with same period 12 months earlier	Nov 2010 to Oct 2011	Nov 2009 to Oct 2010		
Domestic Exports	68,553	67,431	+1,121	+1.7
(% of Total Exports)	(2.1%)	(2.3%)		
Re-exports	3,244,711	2,896,467	+348,244	+12.0
Total Exports	3,313,264	2,963,899	+349,365	+11.8
Imports	3,714,392	3,285,012	+429,380	+13.1
Trade balance	-401,129	-321,114	-80,015	

Table 2 : Hong Kong's External Merchandise Trade Statistics from January 2008 to October 2011

(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
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
2010	1	5,618.7	+33.9	216,659.8	+18.0	222,278.5	+18.4	251,787.4	+39.5
	2	4,106.7	+8.3	178,348.4	+29.1	182,455.0	+28.5	202,105.2	+22.4
	3	5,712.3	+29.4	226,042.7	+32.1	231,755.0	+32.1	270,641.0	+39.8
	4	5,545.6	+19.7	236,685.6	+21.7	242,231.1	+21.7	277,465.7	+28.8
	5	5,978.2	+17.6	248,256.3	+24.6	254,234.5	+24.4	279,321.3	+29.7
	6	5,894.6	+25.3	261,666.2	+26.8	267,560.9	+26.7	298,161.2	+31.0
	7	5,980.2	+16.4	255,818.2	+23.5	261,798.3	+23.3	292,305.3	+24.9
	8	6,199.2	+23.2	283,922.2	+36.3	290,121.4	+36.0	302,039.6	+28.4
	9	5,980.2	+17.1	274,249.5	+24.2	280,229.8	+24.1	304,678.2	+19.5
	10	6,008.8	+11.2	268,159.7	+13.9	274,168.5	+13.9	296,436.0	+14.0
	11	6,355.3	+15.1	266,687.4	+16.7	273,042.7	+16.6	296,551.2	+16.4
	12	6,398.8	+24.2	246,604.3	+12.3	253,003.1	+12.5	296,545.9	+14.8
2011	1	6,127.5	+9.1	277,555.1	+28.1	283,682.7	+27.6	299,645.8	+19.0
	2	4,580.1	+11.5	223,261.5	+25.2	227,841.6	+24.9	252,955.7	+25.2
	3	6,377.3	+11.6	275,110.0	+21.7	281,487.4	+21.5	321,570.6	+18.8
	4	5,972.7	+7.7	246,069.7	+4.0	252,042.4	+4.1	294,479.6	+6.1
	5	6,123.5	+2.4	273,820.6	+10.3	279,944.2	+10.1	315,636.9	+13.0
	6	5,552.1	-5.8	286,664.3	+9.6	292,216.4	+9.2	332,477.7	+11.5
	7	5,110.8	-14.5	281,041.1	+9.9	286,151.9	+9.3	322,077.1	+10.2
	8	5,935.2	-4.3	303,952.8	+7.1	309,888.0	+6.8	344,663.7	+14.1
	9	4,867.7	-18.6	266,931.6	-2.7	271,799.4	-3.0	311,760.5	+2.3
	10	5,260.2	-12.5	300,425.0	+12.0	305,685.1	+11.5	328,823.5	+10.9

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 2008 to October 2011

Year	Month	Change of the latest 3-month period over the preceding 3-month period (%)			
		Domestic Exports	Re-exports	Total Exports	Imports
2008	1	+4.8	+6.1	+6.0	+6.6
	2	-0.7	+6.1	+5.8	+5.0
	3	-3.7	+4.3	+4.0	+1.8
	4	-7.6	+1.2	+0.9	-0.3
	5	-6.5	+1.8	+1.5	+2.6
	6	-8.2	-1.4	-1.6	+1.2
	7	-7.9	-1.4	-1.6	+2.6
	8	-10.1	-3.7	-3.9	-2.7
	9	-7.4	+1.5	+1.2	+0.7
	10	-7.7	+1.3	+1.0	-0.9
	11	-8.5	+0.4	+0.1	-1.3
	12	-14.6	-5.1	-5.4	-8.2
2009	1	-22.6	-11.4	-11.7	-16.4
	2	-25.1	-14.9	-15.2	-17.9
	3	-22.6	-15.3	-15.5	-15.4
	4	-11.6	-9.5	-9.5	-5.8
	5	-4.6	-0.1	-0.2	+1.4
	6	-1.5	+7.1	+6.9	+8.3
	7	-4.0	+7.3	+7.0	+8.9
	8	-6.5	+2.8	+2.5	+7.4
	9	-4.5	+0.1	+0.0	+6.0
	10	-0.2	+3.5	+3.4	+7.3
	11	+5.8	+7.1	+7.1	+8.6
	12	+9.7	+9.3	+9.3	+6.8
2010	1	+14.0	+7.5	+7.7	+5.8
	2	+17.1	+7.8	+8.0	+6.6
	3	+18.1	+7.6	+7.8	+8.7
	4	+11.2	+8.1	+8.2	+9.0
	5	+4.6	+6.0	+5.9	+6.6
	6	-2.5	+5.0	+4.9	+4.9
	7	-4.8	+3.7	+3.5	+3.2
	8	-4.4	+5.2	+5.0	+3.6
	9	-3.8	+3.8	+3.6	+1.8
	10	-2.6	+2.5	+2.4	+0.6
	11	-1.4	-1.9	-1.9	-1.2
	12	+6.5	-2.5	-2.3	-0.7
2011	1	+14.1	+4.5	+4.7	+5.6
	2	+16.0	+11.5	+11.5	+9.9
	3	+11.3	+17.3	+17.2	+13.6
	4	+4.3	+5.0	+5.0	+4.3
	5	-0.7	-2.8	-2.8	+0.1
	6	-10.4	-9.4	-9.4	-4.2
	7	-18.6	-3.0	-3.4	+0.2
	8	-18.8	+1.9	+1.5	+2.5
	9	-16.6	+1.2	+0.9	+1.1
	10	-8.1	-0.8	-0.9	-0.7

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.

Table 4 : Total Exports of Goods to Ten Main Destinations

Destination	Oct 2011 (HKD Mn.)	Oct 2011 over Oct 2010 (% change)	Jan - Oct 2011 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Oct 2011 over Jan - Oct 2010 (% change)
Total Exports	305,685	+11.5	2,787,564	+11.3
The mainland of China	159,966	+11.9	1,458,351	+9.6
United States of America	32,973	+2.0	276,686	+0.4
Japan	12,633	+5.4	110,653	+6.1
India	8,381	+30.8	80,665	+30.9
Germany	8,145	+5.5	74,830	+12.9
Taiwan	6,716	+18.3	70,682	+25.9
Korea	5,376	+20.6	51,691	+18.4
United Kingdom	5,046	-6.5	49,517	-0.2
Singapore	4,825	+5.0	47,196	+12.8
Thailand	3,317	+2.2	37,587	+35.1

Table 5 : Imports of Goods From Ten Main Suppliers

Supplier	Oct 2011 (HKD Mn.)	Oct 2011 over Oct 2010 (% change)	Jan - Oct 2011 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Oct 2011 over Jan - Oct 2010 (% change)
Total Imports	328,824	+10.9	3,121,975	+12.6
The mainland of China	145,179	+8.4	1,403,252	+11.9
Japan	30,514	+11.7	267,103	+4.7
Singapore	23,850	+13.5	210,564	+6.1
Taiwan	21,688	+17.7	199,706	+6.0
United States of America	18,002	+9.8	171,086	+15.8
Korea	12,695	+4.1	124,783	+11.5
Malaysia	7,766	+0.4	74,698	+5.9
India	6,556	+4.2	74,132	+23.3
Thailand	6,026	-9.7	67,733	+7.2
Switzerland	8,034	+57.6	64,576	+55.9

Table 6 : Total Exports of Ten Principal Commodity Divisions

Commodity division	Oct 2011 (HKD Mn.)	Oct 2011 over Oct 2010 (% change)	Jan - Oct 2011 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Oct 2011 over Jan - Oct 2010 (% change)
Total Exports	305,685	+11.5	2,787,564	+11.3
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	81,403	+2.2	737,183	+3.1
Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	54,704	+14.0	476,894	+14.7
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	32,237	+15.3	323,157	+18.9
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly baby carriages, toys, games and sporting goods)	27,040	+28.3	199,818	+9.9
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	17,453	-0.3	160,249	+3.0
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	12,523	+28.2	117,195	+37.3
Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies, optical goods, watches and clocks	10,573	+4.6	89,417	+13.2
Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles and related products	7,461	+4.1	74,834	+2.7
Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus	8,426	+35.8	61,313	+15.6
Plastics in primary forms	5,922	+3.9	59,779	+0.7

Table 7 : Imports of Ten Principal Commodity Divisions

Commodity division	Oct 2011 (HKD Mn.)	Oct 2011 over Oct 2010 (% change)	Jan - Oct 2011 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Oct 2011 over Jan - Oct 2010 (% change)
Total Imports	328,824	+10.9	3,121,975	+12.6
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	87,902	+0.8	836,529	+3.8
Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	49,981	+20.4	435,955	+17.6
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	29,395	+9.7	301,057	+13.8
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly baby carriages, toys, games and sporting goods)	26,262	+34.1	217,081	+23.8
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	13,583	+8.2	150,931	+32.6
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	11,423	-1.4	111,820	+4.7
Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	12,645	+47.5	102,845	+26.9
Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies, optical goods, watches and clocks	10,765	+11.0	91,506	+22.6
Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles and related products	6,968	-0.9	73,110	+0.7
Plastics in primary forms	5,629	-13.9	64,646	-1.7