Table 1: Summary of port cargo statistics

	Change over Change				
	Q3 2012	Q3 2011	Jan-Sep 2012	Jan-Sep 2011	
	(Mn. tonnes)	(%)	(Mn. tonnes)	(%)	
Port total	69.4	-2	203.0	-2	
<u>Inward</u>	40.3	0	117.1	-1	
Imports	19.9	-1	56.5	-5	
Inward transhipment	20.3	+1	60.6	+2	
<u>Outward</u>	29.1	-4	85.9	-2	
Exports(1)	9.4	0	27.0	-8	
Outward transhipment	19.7	-6	58.9	+1	
Seaborne ⁽²⁾	48.4	-5	143.0	-2	
<u>Inward</u>	30.2	-2	88.9	-2	
Imports	14.9	-4	42.8	-6	
Inward transhipment	15.3	+1	46.1	+3	
<u>Outward</u>	18.2	-10	54.2	-2	
Exports(1)	4.1	-11	11.6	-10	
Outward transhipment	14.1	-10	42.6	+1	
River ⁽²⁾	21.0	+6	60.0	-2	
<u>Inward</u>	10.0	+3	28.2	-1	
Imports	5.0	+7	13.7	+2	
Inward transhipment	5.0	0	14.5	-4	
Outward	10.9	+7	31.7	-4	
Exports(1)	5.4	+10	15.4	-7	
Outward transhipment	5.6	+5	16.3	0	

Notes: Figures may not add up to the respective totals due to rounding.

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- (2) Seaborne refers to transport by vessels operating beyond the river trade limits, while river refers to transport by vessels operating exclusively within the river trade limits. The river trade limits mean the waters in the vicinity of Hong Kong which broadly include the Pearl River, Mirs Bay and Macao, and other inland waterways in Guangdong and Guangxi which are accessible from waters in the vicinity of Hong Kong.
- '0' denotes increase or decrease of less than 0.5%.

Table 2: Main countries/territories of loading of inward port cargo(1)

		Change over Change over			
Country/territory of loading	Q3 2012	Q3 2011	Jan-Sep 2012	Jan-Sep 2011	
	('000 tonnes)	(%)	('000 tonnes)	(%)	
The mainland of China	14 534	-2	42 053	-5	
$Seaborne^{(2)}$	4 539	-13	13 949	-12	
River ⁽²⁾	9 994	+4	28 103	-1	
Indonesia	3 265	-11	9 880	+2	
United States of America	2 439	+6	7 321	+3	
Japan	2 520	-14	7 309	-8	
Singapore	2 790	+11	6 955	-10	
Taiwan	2 121	+3	6 301	0	
Korea	2 327	+11	6 163	+3	
Malaysia	1 074	-12	3 485	+1	
Vietnam	1 195	+30	3 427	+28	
Thailand	1 165	-16	3 404	-6	

Notes: (1) Inward port cargo comprises imports and inward transhipment.

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Table 3: Main countries/territories of discharge of outward port cargo(1)

		Change over		
Country/territory of discharge	Q3 2012	Q3 2011	Jan-Sep 2012	Jan-Sep 2011
	('000 tonnes)	(%)	('000 tonnes)	(%)
The mainland of China	13 462	0	39 676	-3
Seaborne ⁽²⁾	2 859	-19	9 054	+3
River ⁽²⁾	10 603	+7	30 623	-5
Vietnam	1 769	-10	5 613	+2
United States of America	1 546	-8	4 623	-4
Japan	1 216	-5	3 631	-5
Taiwan	1 031	-15	3 000	-19
Malaysia	967	-11	2 920	+3
Thailand	873	-7	2 760	+16
Philippines	918	+32	2 265	+17
Singapore	666	+22	1 831	+44
Indonesia	560	-11	1 794	+2

Notes: (1) Outward port cargo comprises exports (domestic exports and re-exports) and outward transhipment.

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Table 4 : Principal commodities of inward port cargo $^{(1)}$

		Change over	Change over		
Commodity group	Q3 2012	Q3 2011	Jan-Sep 2012	Jan-Sep 2011	
	('000 tonnes)	(%)	('000 tonnes)	(%)	
Port total					
Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials; and coal, coke and briquettes	8 198	+3	21 984	-5	
Stone, sand and gravel; metalliferous ores and metal scrap; and pulp and waste paper	6 246	-2	19 081	+4	
Artificial resins and plastic materials	3 492	-1	9 966	-6	
Machinery	2 062	-10	6 344	-9	
Iron and steel	1 761	+7	5 029	-5	
Bricks, ceramic tile and refractory construction materials	1 905	+22	4 838	+16	
Seaborne (2)					
Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials; and coal, coke and briquettes	8 129	+4	21 837	-3	
Stone, sand and gravel; metalliferous ores and metal scrap; and pulp and waste paper	2 800	-14	9 336	-5	
Artificial resins and plastic materials	3 169	-1	8 994	-6	
River (2)					
Stone, sand and gravel; metalliferous ores and metal scrap; and pulp and waste paper	3 446	+11	9 745	+14	
Bricks, ceramic tile and refractory construction materials	1 597	+30	4 005	+20	
Machinery	950	-5	2 827	-12	

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Table 5: Principal commodities of outward port cargo (1)

		Change over		
Commodity group	Q3 2012	Q3 2011	Jan-Sep 2012	Jan-Sep 2011
	('000 tonnes)	(%)	('000 tonnes)	(%)
Port total				
Stone, sand and gravel; metalliferous ores and metal scrap; and pulp and waste paper	6 679	-3	19 945	-7
Machinery	2 309	-12	7 231	-6
Artificial resins and plastic materials	2 474	-2	7 025	-7
Bricks, ceramic tile and refractory construction materials	1 554	+6	4 025	+10
Iron and steel	1 266	-9	3 900	-8
Live animals chiefly for food and edible animal products	832	-16	2 688	-15
Seaborne (2)				
Machinery	2 066	-11	6 462	-5
Stone, sand and gravel; metalliferous ores and metal scrap; and pulp and waste paper	1 611	-20	5 252	-4
Artificial resins and plastic materials	1 216	-18	3 691	-4
River (2)				
Stone, sand and gravel; metalliferous ores and metal scrap; and pulp and waste paper	5 069	+5	14 692	-8
Artificial resins and plastic materials	1 258	+21	3 333	-10
Iron and steel	607	+2	1 868	-7

Notes: (1) Outward port cargo comprises exports (domestic exports and re-exports) and outward transhipment.

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Table 6: Summary of container statistics

			Change over	
	Q3 2012	Q3 2011	Jan-Sep 2012	Jan-Sep 2011
	('000 TEUs [@])	(%)	('000 TEUs [@])	(%)
Port total	5 890	-7	17 503	-4
<u>Laden containers</u>	4 994	-8	14 877	-4
Inward	2 469	-6	7 443	-4
Imports	704	-14	2 129	-12
Inward transhipment	1 766	-3	5 314	0
Outward	2 525	-9	7 434	-4
Exports (1)	781	-9	2 169	-11
Outward transhipment	1 744	-9	5 266	0
Empty containers	895	-6	2 626	-5
Inward	513	-6	1 416	-5
Outward	383	-5	1 210	-5
Seaborne ⁽²⁾	4 223	-8	12 646	-2
<u>Laden containers</u>	3 749	-9	11 249	-3
Inward	1 797	-6	5 491	-3
Imports	548	-13	1 673	-11
Inward transhipment	1 249	-3	3 818	+2
Outward	1 952	-11	5 757	-3
Exports (1)	602	-10	1 652	-10
Outward transhipment	1 349	-12	4 105	+1
Empty containers	474	-2	1 397	+2
Inward	372	-2	1 000	+3
Outward	102	-3	398	-3
River ⁽²⁾	1 666	-5	4 857	-8
<u>Laden containers</u>	1 245	-4	3 628	-7
Inward	672	-7	1 952	-7
Imports	156	-18	456	-16
Inward transhipment	516	-2	1 496	-4
Outward	573	0	1 677	-6
Exports (1)	179	-4	516	-15
Outward transhipment	394	+2	1 161	-2
Empty containers	421	-10	1 228	-12
Inward	140	-17	416	-21
Outward	281	-6	813	-7

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- @ TEU stands for twenty-foot equivalent unit which is a unit measure in capacity terms for different sizes of containers for moving the cargo.
- '0' denotes increase or decrease of less than 0.5%.

 ${\bf Table~7: Summary~of~vessel~arrivals}$

	Change over			Change over		
	Q3 2012	Q3 2011 (%)	Jan-Sep 2012	Jan-Sep 2011 (%)		
Ocean						
Number of incoming vessels(1)	7 710	-7	22 910	-6		
Capacity (Mn. NRT#)	102.0	-6	308.5	-2		
River						
Number of incoming vessels(1)	40 590	-5	120 170	-7		
Capacity (Mn. NRT#)	28.3	+5	79.6	-2		

Notes: (1) The number of vessels is rounded to the nearest ten.

[#] Net registered ton (NRT) is a unit measure in volume terms of the space of a vessel available for carrying passengers or goods. One NRT is equivalent to 100 cubic feet.