

Table 1: External Merchandise Trade Statistics for May 2013

(HK\$ Million)

Merchandise trade values for May 2013				
	Domestic Exports	4,818		
	Re-exports	286,724		
	Total Exports	291,542		
	Imports	335,809		
	Trade balance	-44,267		
			Change	
Current month compared with same month in the preceding year	May 2013	May 2012	Value	%
Domestic Exports	4,818	5,296	-479	-9.0
(% of Total Exports)	(1.7%)	(1.8%)		
Re-exports	286,724	289,209	-2,485	-0.9
Total Exports	291,542	294,506	-2,964	-1.0
Imports	335,809	330,072	+5,737	+1.7
Trade balance	-44,267	-35,566	-8,701	
Current month compared with last month	May 2013	April 2013		
Domestic Exports	4,818	4,503	+314	+7.0
(% of Total Exports)	(1.7%)	(1.6%)		
Re-exports	286,724	285,763	+961	+0.3
Total Exports	291,542	290,267	+1,275	+0.4
Imports	335,809	332,963	+2,846	+0.9
Trade balance	-44,267	-42,696	-1,571	
Latest 3 months compared with same period 12 months earlier	Mar-May 2013	Mar-May 2012		
Domestic Exports	14,397	14,928	-531	-3.6
(% of Total Exports)	(1.6%)	(1.8%)		
Re-exports	858,525	807,594	+50,931	+6.3
Total Exports	872,922	822,522	+50,400	+6.1
Imports	1,008,762	944,821	+63,940	+6.8
Trade balance	-135,840	-122,299	-13,541	
Calendar year-to-date compared with same period in the preceding year	Jan-May 2013	Jan-May 2012		
Domestic Exports	22,174	22,980	-806	-3.5
(% of Total Exports)	(1.6%)	(1.7%)		
Re-exports	1,371,307	1,318,459	+52,848	+4.0
Total Exports	1,393,481	1,341,439	+52,042	+3.9
Imports	1,590,518	1,518,415	+72,103	+4.7
Trade balance	-197,037	-176,976	-20,061	
Last 12 months compared with same period 12 months earlier	Jun 2012 to May 2013	Jun 2011 to May 2012		
Domestic Exports	58,023	59,477	-1,454	-2.4
(% of Total Exports)	(1.7%)	(1.8%)		
Re-exports	3,428,365	3,295,087	+133,277	+4.0
Total Exports	3,486,388	3,354,564	+131,824	+3.9
Imports	3,984,266	3,799,620	+184,646	+4.9
Trade balance	-497,878	-445,056	-52,822	

Table 2 : Hong Kong's External Merchandise Trade Statistics from January 2010 to May 2013

(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
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
	11	5,146.7	-19.0	273,415.8	+2.5	278,562.5	+2.0	322,667.3	+8.8
	12	4,703.6	-26.5	267,079.4	+8.3	271,783.0	+7.4	320,693.1	+8.1
2012	1	3,691.9	-39.7	255,608.1	-7.9	259,300.0	-8.6	268,156.2	-10.5
	2	4,357.7	-4.9	255,392.2	+14.4	259,749.9	+14.0	305,535.6	+20.8
	3	4,911.8	-23.0	257,513.7	-6.4	262,425.5	-6.8	306,300.8	-4.7
	4	4,725.4	-20.9	261,527.4	+6.3	266,252.8	+5.6	309,125.9	+5.0
	5	5,296.1	-13.5	289,209.4	+5.6	294,505.5	+5.2	330,071.8	+4.6
	6	4,978.4	-10.3	273,249.2	-4.7	278,227.6	-4.8	322,932.3	-2.9
	7	5,127.9	+0.3	271,079.9	-3.5	276,207.8	-3.5	316,338.2	-1.8
	8	5,506.8	-7.2	306,150.5	+0.7	311,657.3	+0.6	347,689.0	+0.9
	9	5,361.9	+10.2	307,798.7	+15.3	313,160.6	+15.2	358,312.2	+14.9
	10	4,829.4	-8.2	292,198.1	-2.7	297,027.4	-2.8	339,699.4	+3.3
	11	5,117.8	-0.6	302,649.4	+10.7	307,767.1	+10.5	351,837.5	+9.0
	12	4,989.2	+6.1	305,974.4	+14.6	310,963.6	+14.4	358,914.4	+11.9
2013	1	4,491.4	+21.7	300,326.9	+17.5	304,818.3	+17.6	332,281.1	+23.9
	2	3,286.2	-24.6	212,455.5	-16.8	215,741.6	-16.9	249,729.3	-18.3
	3	5,073.4	+3.3	286,637.5	+11.3	291,710.9	+11.2	340,856.8	+11.3
	4	4,503.5	-4.7	285,763.0	+9.3	290,266.5	+9.0	332,962.9	+7.7
	5	4,817.5	-9.0	286,724.1	-0.9	291,541.7	-1.0	335,809.0	+1.7

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 2010 to May 2013

Year	Month	Change of the latest 3-month period over the preceding 3-month period (%)			
		Domestic Exports	Re-exports	Total Exports	Imports
2010	1	+12.6	+7.4	+7.6	+5.3
	2	+14.8	+5.2	+5.4	+4.6
	3	+14.7	+4.8	+5.0	+6.8
	4	+8.5	+7.8	+7.8	+9.0
	5	+1.0	+7.3	+7.1	+7.4
	6	-2.5	+6.8	+6.6	+5.6
	7	-3.1	+3.8	+3.6	+2.5
	8	-1.2	+4.5	+4.4	+3.4
	9	-1.4	+2.8	+2.7	+1.9
	10	+0.0	+2.6	+2.5	+1.8
	11	+1.9	-0.0	+0.0	-0.2
	12	+7.6	+0.1	+0.3	+0.8
2011	1	+13.0	+4.9	+5.1	+5.2
	2	+10.9	+7.7	+7.8	+7.4
	3	+4.8	+11.4	+11.2	+9.9
	4	-3.5	+2.3	+2.2	+2.8
	5	-5.1	-1.2	-1.2	+1.3
	6	-9.2	-6.1	-6.1	-2.4
	7	-13.6	-0.4	-0.7	+1.6
	8	-14.5	+1.6	+1.2	+2.2
	9	-13.5	+1.0	+0.7	+1.6
	10	-5.9	-1.4	-1.5	-0.4
	11	-6.6	-4.0	-4.0	-3.4
	12	-2.3	+1.2	+1.1	-0.3
2012	1	-6.5	+1.3	+1.2	+0.4
	2	-1.7	+7.2	+7.0	+4.6
	3	-1.1	+3.0	+2.9	+1.8
	4	+5.2	+2.1	+2.1	+1.1
	5	+2.7	-3.4	-3.3	-2.5
	6	+2.2	-2.4	-2.3	-0.6
	7	+0.7	-2.1	-2.0	-0.5
	8	+2.1	-0.4	-0.3	+1.5
	9	+3.0	+1.5	+1.5	+2.7
	10	-0.0	+2.5	+2.4	+4.4
	11	-1.1	+4.7	+4.6	+5.6
	12	-3.9	+5.8	+5.7	+5.0
2013	1	-1.6	+8.8	+8.6	+4.3
	2	-4.3	+3.6	+3.5	+0.0
	3	-2.4	-1.2	-1.2	-2.5
	4	-3.4	-4.1	-4.1	-2.7
	5	-0.1	-0.4	-0.4	+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 3 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 10 Main Destinations

Destination	May 2013 (HKD Mn.)	May 2013 over May 2012 (% change)	Jan - May 2013 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - May 2013 over Jan - May 2012 (% change)
Total Exports	291,542	-1.0	1,393,481	+3.9
The mainland of China	161,132	+0.7	768,061	+6.9
United States of America	26,265	-7.9	123,981	-3.3
Japan	10,062	-12.1	52,852	-5.6
India	8,090	+24.9	35,629	+8.1
Taiwan	6,323	-9.9	32,740	+3.8
Germany	5,611	-11.1	27,771	-6.7
Korea	5,168	+4.5	25,288	+3.5
Singapore	5,021	-1.1	23,563	+6.0
Vietnam	4,735	+11.3	22,921	+6.1
United Kingdom	4,088	-9.0	19,085	-10.6

Table 5 : Imports of Goods from 10 Main Suppliers

Supplier	May 2013 (HKD Mn.)	May 2013 over May 2012 (% change)	Jan - May 2013 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - May 2013 over Jan - May 2012 (% change)
Total Imports	335,809	+1.7	1,590,518	+4.7
The mainland of China	156,292	+1.5	751,030	+9.0
Japan	22,965	-14.3	108,175	-13.3
Taiwan	23,850	+10.1	105,014	+11.8
Singapore	20,333	-6.4	102,227	+1.6
United States of America	17,654	+5.2	82,448	+0.2
Korea	14,901	+22.3	62,742	+10.4
India	6,851	+3.1	37,184	+5.4
Switzerland	6,990	-7.7	31,761	-6.3
Malaysia	6,124	-24.7	31,287	-11.9
Thailand	6,599	+2.9	30,034	+7.9

Table 6 : Total Exports of 10 Principal Commodity Divisions

Commodity division	May 2013 (HKD Mn.)	May 2013 over May 2012 (% change)	Jan - May 2013 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - May 2013 over Jan - May 2012 (% change)
Total Exports	291,542	-1.0	1,393,481	+3.9
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	81,089	+4.7	387,859	+8.4
Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	57,494	+10.8	267,654	+10.2
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	31,913	-20.7	169,257	-2.5
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly baby carriages, toys, games and sporting goods)	18,257	-6.3	89,135	+0.5
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	11,990	+3.2	60,168	+7.6
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	11,993	-7.0	58,503	-5.8
Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies, optical goods, watches and clocks	9,700	+5.3	45,003	+4.4
Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus	7,296	+10.6	35,944	+27.7
Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles and related products	8,277	+3.6	35,221	+2.4
Plastics in primary forms	5,525	-12.1	24,550	-11.4

Table 7 : Imports of 10 Principal Commodity Divisions

Commodity division	May 2013 (HKD Mn.)	May 2013 over May 2012 (% change)	Jan - May 2013 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - May 2013 over Jan - May 2012 (% change)
Total Imports	335,809	+1.7	1,590,518	+4.7
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	92,425	+7.7	430,327	+12.6
Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	54,190	+14.7	253,130	+8.0
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	30,624	-20.2	163,678	+1.9
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly baby carriages, toys, games and sporting goods)	20,103	-2.9	104,240	-0.4
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	14,772	+2.3	76,780	+8.8
Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	9,816	-0.4	47,766	-7.4
Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies, optical goods, watches and clocks	10,024	-1.3	46,135	-2.1
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	9,625	-1.8	44,230	-2.0
Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus	8,119	-1.2	39,299	+24.3
Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles and related products	8,061	+4.1	34,767	+3.6