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| Date<br>of release   | GDP    | Gross<br>domestic<br>product<br>at market<br>prices |                            |                              |                                  | Exports<br>of services | Rate of change<br>in consumer<br>prices<br>(%) | Reference source                                      |
|--|--------|---|----------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------|--|---|
|  |        | Private<br>consumption<br>expenditure               | fixed capital<br>formation | Total<br>exports<br>of goods | (Growth rate in real terms (%) ) |                        |  |   |
| <b>International organisations:</b>  |        |   |                            |                              |                                  |                        |  |   |
| IMF  | Oct 12 | 3.5   | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 3  | World Economic Outlook, Oct 2012.                     |
|  | Jan 13 | 3   | 3.4                        | 4.1                          | --                               | --                     | 3.5  | 2012 Article IV Consultation, 17 Jan 2013.            |
|  | Apr 13 | 3   | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 3.5  | World Economic Outlook, Apr 2013.                     |
| ADB  | Oct 12 | 3.9   | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 3.3  | Asian Development Outlook 2012 update, Oct 2012.      |
|  | Apr 13 | 3.5   | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 3.9  | Asian Development Outlook 2013, Apr 2013.             |
| World Bank   | Dec 12 | 3.2   | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | --   | East asia and pacific economic update 2012, Dec 2012. |
| <b>Consensus Economics (Mean of selected private sector economic forecasters):</b> |        |   |                            |                              |                                  |                        |  |   |
|  | Oct 12 | 3.6   | 4                          | 4.7                          | --                               | --                     | 3.7  | Asia Pacific Consensus Forecasts, Oct 2012.           |
|  | Nov 12 | 3.5   | 4                          | 4.7                          | --                               | --                     | 3.8  | Asia Pacific Consensus Forecasts, Nov 2012.           |
|  | Dec 12 | 3.4   | 4                          | 5.4                          | --                               | --                     | 3.9  | Asia Pacific Consensus Forecasts, Dec 2012.           |
|  | Jan 13 | 3.4   | 3.9                        | 5.3                          | --                               | --                     | 4  | Asia Pacific Consensus Forecasts, Jan 2013.           |
|  | Feb 13 | 3.4   | 4                          | 5.5                          | --                               | --                     | 4  | Asia Pacific Consensus Forecasts, Feb 2013.           |
|  | Mar 13 | 3.5   | 3.9                        | 5.8                          | --                               | --                     | 4.2  | Asia Pacific Consensus Forecasts, Mar 2013.           |
|  | Apr 13 | 3.5   | 4.2                        | 6.6                          | --                               | --                     | 4.1  | Asia Pacific Consensus Forecasts, Apr 2013.           |
|  | May 13 | 3.3   | 4.3                        | 5.9                          | --                               | --                     | 4.2  | Asia Pacific Consensus Forecasts, May 2013.           |
|  | Jun 13 | 3.2   | 4.4                        | 5.4                          | --                               | --                     | 4.2  | Asia Pacific Consensus Forecasts, Jun 2013.           |
|  | Jul 13 | 2.9   | 4.6                        | 4.6                          | --                               | --                     | 4.1  | Asia Pacific Consensus Forecasts, Jul 2013.           |
|  | Aug 13 | 3   | 4.6                        | 3.8                          | --                               | --                     | 4.1  | Asia Pacific Consensus Forecasts, Aug 2013.           |
| <b>Private sector analysts:</b>  |        |   |                            |                              |                                  |                        |  |   |
| (a) Financial institutions   |        |   |                            |                              |                                  |                        |  |   |
| Bank of China (HK)   | Nov 12 | 3.2   | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 3.5  | Bank of China (HK), 5 Nov 2012.                       |
|  | Feb 13 | 3.2   | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 3.8  | Bank of China (HK), 19 Feb 2013.                      |
|  | May 13 | 3.2   | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 4.5  | Bank of China (HK), 2 May 2013.                       |
|  | Aug 13 | 3.2   | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 4  | Bank of China (HK), 5 Aug 2013.                       |
| HSBC   | Oct 12 | 5.2   | 6.1                        | 3.7                          | --                               | --                     | 4.6  | Macro Asian Economics Fourth Quarter 2012.            |
|  | Feb 13 | 4.7   | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 4.5  | Macro Asian Economics, 19 Feb 2013.                   |
|  | Apr 13 | 3.7   | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 4.5  | Macro Asian Economics, 18 Apr 2013.                   |
|  | Jun 13 | 2.5   | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 4.2  | Macro Asian Economics, 19 Jun 2013.                   |
| Standard Chartered Bank  | Nov 12 | 3.8   | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 4.5  | Economics Weekly, 9 Nov 2012.                         |
|  | Feb 13 | 3.4   | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 4.5  | Economics Weekly, 8 Feb 2013.                         |
|  | May 13 | 3.4   | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 4.5  | Economics Weekly, 3 May 2013.                         |
|  | Aug 13 | 3.4   | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 4.5  | Economics Weekly, 2 Aug 2013.                         |
| Bank of America Merrill Lynch  | Sep 12 | 2.7   | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 3.7  | Bank of America Merrill Lynch, Sep 2012.              |
|  | Feb 13 | 2.7   | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 4.5  | Bank of America Merrill Lynch, Feb 2013.              |
|  | Apr 13 | 3   | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 4.5  | Bank of America Merrill Lynch, Apr 2013.              |
|  | Aug 13 | 3   | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 4.5  | Bank of America Merrill Lynch, Aug 2013.              |

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| Bank of East Asia     | Nov 12             | 4.5 | --                                       | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 4  | Bank of East Asia, 7 Nov 2012.                        |
|                       | Feb 13             | 4   | --                                       | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 4  | Bank of East Asia, 18 Feb 2013.                       |
|                       | Apr 13             | 4   | --                                       | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 4  | Bank of East Asia, 26 Apr 2013.                       |
|                       | Aug 13             | 2.7 | --                                       | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 4  | Bank of East Asia, 1 Aug 2013.                        |
| Citigroup             | Oct 12             | 3.8 | 2  | 4.5                        | --                           | --                               | --                     | 3.2  | Asia Macro and Strategy Outlook, 26 Oct 2012.         |
|                       | Jan 13             | 2.8 | --                                       | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 4  | Asia Macro and Strategy Outlook, 25 Jan 2013.         |
|                       | Apr 13             | 3   | --                                       | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 4.3  | Asia Macro and Strategy Outlook, 19 Apr 2013.         |
|                       | Jul 13             | 3   | 3.7                                      | 3.4                        | --                           | --                               | --                     | 4.3  | Asia Macro and Strategy Outlook, 18 Jul 2013.         |
| CLSA                  | Sep 12             | 0.5 | 3.3                                      | 7                          | --                           | --                               | --                     | 3.5  | Eye on Asian Economies 4Q 2012.                       |
|                       | Feb 13             | 1.8 | --                                       | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 3.5  | CLSA, 19 Feb 2013.                                    |
|                       | Mar 13             | 2.3 | 3.5                                      | 10.1                       | --                           | --                               | --                     | 3.7  | Eye on Asian Economies 2Q 2013.                       |
|                       | Jun 13             | 2.5 | 5.7                                      | 6.3                        | --                           | --                               | --                     | 4  | Eye on Asian Economies 3Q 2013.                       |
| Credit Suisse         | Sep 12             | 3.4 | 2.8                                      | 4.1                        | --                           | --                               | --                     | 3.3  | Emerging Markets Quarterly, 27 Sep 2012.              |
|                       | Dec 12             | 3.4 | 3.2                                      | 6.6                        | --                           | --                               | --                     | 3.5  | Asian Daily, 6 Dec 2012.                              |
|                       | Mar 13             | 3.2 | 2.6                                      | 6.9                        | --                           | --                               | --                     | 4.5  | Asian Daily, 14 Mar 2013.                             |
|                       | Jun 13             | 3   | 4.1                                      | 5.8                        | --                           | --                               | --                     | 4.5  | Hong Kong: Gold bugs came to the rescue, 21 Jun 2013. |
| Daiwa Capital Markets | Sep 12             | 2   | --                                       | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 4  | Regional Economy, 25 Sep 2012.                        |
|                       | Jan 13             | 2.3 | --                                       | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 3.5  | Hong Kong Economy, 11 Jan 2013.                       |
|                       | Mar 13             | 2   | --                                       | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 3.5  | Regional Economy, 26 Mar 2013.                        |
|                       | Jul 13             | 2   | --                                       | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 3.2  | Regional Economy, 17 Jul 2013.                        |
| Deutsche Bank         | Oct 12             | 2.5 | 4.5                                      | 5.8                        | --                           | --                               | --                     | 2.1  | Asia Economics Monthly, 15 Oct 2012.                  |
|                       | Feb 13             | 2.5 | 4.2                                      | 7.6                        | --                           | --                               | --                     | 2.5  | Asia Economics Monthly, 8 Feb 2013.                   |
|                       | Apr 13             | 3.5 | 5.6                                      | 10.1                       | --                           | --                               | --                     | 2.9  | Asia Economics Monthly, 15 Apr 2013.                  |
|                       | Jul 13             | 3.5 | 8.8                                      | 1.8                        | --                           | --                               | --                     | 3.7  | Asia Economics Monthly, 19 Jul 2013.                  |
| DBS Hong Kong         | Dec 12             | 5   | --                                       | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 3.5  | Economics - Markets - Strategy, 13 Dec 2012.          |
|                       | May 13             | 4   | --                                       | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 3.5  | Daily Breakfast Spread, 6 May 2013.                   |
|                       | Aug 13             | 3.5 | --                                       | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 4.5  | DBS Hong Kong, 5 Aug 2013.                            |
| Goldman Sachs Asia    | Nov 12             | 3.7 | --                                       | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 3.6  | Asia Economics Analyst, 29 Nov 2012.                  |
|                       | May 13             | 3.7 | --                                       | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 3.6  | Goldman Sachs Asia, 2 May 2013.                       |
|                       | Jun 13             | 3   | --                                       | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 3.6  | Asia in Focus, 25 Jun 2013.                           |
| Hang Seng Bank        | Oct 12             | 3   | --                                       | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 4  | Hong Kong Economic Monitor, Oct 2012.                 |
|                       | Feb 13             | 3   | --                                       | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 4.3  | Hong Kong Economic Monitor, Feb 2013.                 |
|                       | Apr 13             | 3   | --                                       | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 4.3  | Hong Kong Economic Monitor, Apr 2013.                 |
|                       | Aug 13             | 3   | 5.6                                      | 2.2                        | --                           | --                               | --                     | 4.1  | Hong Kong Economic Monitor, Aug 2013.                 |
| JP Morgan Chase Bank  | Nov 12             | 3.2 | --                                       | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 3.6  | JP Morgan Chase Bank, 5 Nov 2012.                     |
|                       | Feb 13             | 3.2 | 3  | 1.2                        | --                           | --                               | --                     | 3.8  | Asia 2013 Outlook, 8 Feb 2013.                        |
|                       | Apr 13             | 3.8 | --                                       | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 3.8  | Greater China Quarterly issues, 29 Apr 2013.          |
|                       | Aug 13             | 3.3 | --                                       | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 4  | JP Morgan Chase Bank, 1 Aug 2013.                     |

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| Morgan Stanley Asia                   | Nov 12     | 3.8                                      | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 5.6  | Asia Pacific Economics : Outlook 2013, 20 Nov 2012.  |
|                                       | Apr 13     | 3.8                                      | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 4.5  | Morgan Stanley Asia, 30 Apr 2013.  |
|                                       | Aug 13     | 3  | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 4.5  | Morgan Stanley Asia, 1 Aug 2013.   |
| UBS                                   | Nov 12     | 4.1                                      | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 3.9  | UBS, 2 Nov 2012.   |
|                                       | Feb 13     | 4  | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 4  | UBS, 18 Feb 2013.  |
|                                       | Apr 13     | 4  | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 4  | UBS, 29 Apr 2013.  |
|                                       | Aug 13     | 3  | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 3.9  | UBS, 1 Aug 2013.   |
| <b>(b) Others</b>                     |            |  |                            |                              |                                  |                        |  |  |
| Economist Intelligence Unit           | Jan 13     | 2.9                                      | 2.8                        | 4.2                          | --                               | --                     | 4.4  | Country Forecast, Jan 2013.  |
|                                       | Feb 13     | 3  | 2.7                        | 4.1                          | --                               | --                     | 4.4  | Country Forecast, Feb 2013.  |
|                                       | Mar 13     | 3.2                                      | 3.2                        | 4.1                          | --                               | --                     | 4.3  | Country Forecast, Mar 2013.  |
|                                       | Apr 13     | 3.1                                      | 3.2                        | 3.8                          | --                               | --                     | 4.3  | Country Forecast, Apr 2013.  |
|                                       | May 13     | 3.1                                      | 3.2                        | 3.9                          | --                               | --                     | 4.2  | Country Forecast, May 2013.  |
|                                       | Jun 13     | 2.6                                      | 4.8                        | -1.7                         | --                               | --                     | 4.2  | Country Forecast, Jun 2013.  |
|                                       | Jul 13     | 2.6                                      | 5                          | -1.7                         | --                               | --                     | 4.1  | Country Forecast, Jul 2013.  |
|                                       | Aug 13     | 2.6                                      | 5                          | -1.7                         | --                               | --                     | 4.1  | Country Forecast, Aug 2013.  |
| Standard & Poor's                     | Oct 12     | 3.5                                      | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 3.5  | Asia-Pacific Sovereigns, 9 Oct 2012.   |
|                                       | Aug 13     | 2.7                                      | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 4.3  | Asia-Pacific's Growth Continues To Slow Along With China But Japan Looks Ready To Blossom, 5 Aug 2013. |
| Fitch Ratings                         | Oct 12     | 3.7                                      | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 3.2  | Hong Kong Rating Report, 3 Oct 2012.   |
|                                       | Dec 12     | 3.3                                      | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 3.2  | Sovereign Data Comparator, Dec 2012.   |
|                                       | Mar 13     | 3.3                                      | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 4.5  | Sovereign Data Comparator, Mar 2013.   |
|                                       | Jun 13     | 3  | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 3.5  | Sovereign Data Comparator, Jun 2013.   |
| Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce | Nov 12     | 2 to 3                                   | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 3 to 4   | HKGCC, 5 Nov 2012.   |
|                                       | Feb 13     | 2 to 3                                   | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 3 to 4   | HKGCC, 14 Feb 2013.  |
|                                       | Apr 13     | 2 to 3                                   | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | < 4  | HKGCC, 26 Apr 2013.  |
|                                       | Aug 13     | 2 to 3                                   | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | 4  | HKGCC, 1 Aug 2013.   |
| Federation of Hong Kong Industries    | Aug 13     | 3 to 4                                   | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | --   | FHKI, 1 Aug 2013.  |
| University of Hong Kong               | Jan 13     | 3.5 to 4.3                               | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | --   | 2013 Q1 HK Macroeconomic Forecast, 4 Jan 2013.   |
|                                       | Apr 13     | 3 to 4                                   | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | --   | 2013 Q2 HK Macroeconomic Forecast, 2 Apr 2013.   |
|                                       | Jul 13     | 3.3 to 4.1                               | --                         | --                           | --                               | --                     | --   | 2013 Q3 HK Macroeconomic Forecast, 4 Jul 2013.   |

**Observation :**

The latest forecasts of real GDP growth for 2013 as a whole from the private sector analysts listed above are mostly in the range of 2.5% to 3.5%, averaging at around 3%. The forecast rates of change in consumer prices are mostly in the range of 3.5% to 4.5%, averaging at around 4%.