Table 1 Hong Kong's Balance of Payments

							HK\$ million
			2015	2015	2015	2015	2016
Standard component	2014	2015	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	1st Qt
Current account <sup>(1)</sup>	29,363	74,658	240	140	48,460	25,818	17,553
Credit	6,089,559	6,009,396	1,420,888	1,511,362	1,548,089	1,529,057	1,321,307
Debit	-6,060,197	-5,934,739	-1,420,648	-1,511,222	-1,499,629	-1,503,239	-1,303,754
Goods	-251,022	-176,907	-74,756	-77,871	-6,346	-17,934	-44,510
Credit	3,999,030	3,920,322	909,386	938,147	1,022,546	1,050,243	855,242
Debit	-4,250,052	-4,097,229	-984,142	-1,016,018	-1,028,892	-1,068,177	-899,752
Services	253,564	232,944	75,062	53,707	57,389	46,786	56,485
Credit	826,995	807,984	213,182	192,710	204,114	197,978	193,544
Debit	-573,431	-575,040	-138,120	-139,003	-146,725	-151,192	-137,059
Primary income	46,607	39,498	5,590	29,103	2,765	2,039	10,924
Credit	1,254,733	1,271,880	296,068	378,237	319,106	278,468	269,980
Debit	-1,208,126	-1,232,382	-290,478	-349,134	-316,341	-276,429	-259,056
Secondary income	-19,786	-20,877	-5,656	-4,799	-5,348	-5,074	-5,346
Credit	8,802	9,211	2,252	2,268	2,323	2,368	2,541
Debit	-28,588	-30,088	-7,909	-7,067	-7,671	-7,441	-7,888
Capital and financial account (1)	-73,785	-131,553	-27,600	-28,538	-19,769	-55,646	10,251
Capital account	-748	-74	-76	176	-78	-96	-72
Credit	3	256	1	254	1	0	1
Debit	-750	-331	-76	-78	-80	-96	-73
Financial account	-73,037	-131,479	-27,524	-28,714	-19,691	-55,550	10,323
Financial non-reserve assets (2)	66,052	150,517	8,763	47,941	51,829	41,984	15,570
Direct investment	-85,718	928,262	181,512	560,529	52,962	133,259	-7,598
Assets	-1,092,502	-473,710	-372,715	99,913	-72,790	-128,119	-142,396
Liabilities	1,006,784	1,401,973	554,227	460,616	125,751	261,378	134,798
Portfolio investment	-64,384	-1,094,887	-282,841	-395,165	-145,237	-271,644	84,715
Assets	-276,143	-769,183	-186,421	-206,773	-113,126	-262,863	134,091
Liabilities	211,759	-325,704	-96,420	-188,392	-32,111	-8,781	-49,376
Financial derivatives	118,359	117,727	53,114	33,548	11,940	19,125	11,804
Assets	449,093	569,377	168,443	133,870	111,012	156,052	145,195
Liabilities	-330,734	-451,650	-115,329	-100,322	-99,072	-136,927	-133,390
Other investment	97,795	199,416	56,979	-150,971	132,164	161,244	-73,352
Assets	-925,077	205,984	-34,332	-288,686	329,613	199,390	134,113
Liabilities	1,022,872	-6,569	91,311	137,715	-197,449	-38,146	-207,464
Reserve assets (2)	-139,089	-281,996	-36,288	-76,655	-71,520	-97,535	-5,246
Net errors and omissions $^{\left( 3\right) }$	44,422	56,896	27,360	28,398	-28,691	29,828	-27,804
Overall Balance of Payments	<b>139,089</b> (surplus)	<b>281,996</b> (surplus)	<b>36,288</b> (surplus)	<b>76,655</b> (surplus)	<b>71,520</b> (surplus)	<b>97,535</b> (surplus)	<b>5,246</b> (surplus)

<sup>(1)</sup> In accordance with the accounting rules adopted in compiling Balance of Payments, a positive value for the balance figure in the current account represents a surplus whereas a negative value represents a deficit. In the capital and financial account, a positive value indicates a net financial inflow while a negative value indicates a net outflow. As increases in external assets are debit entries and decreases are credit entries, a negative value for the reserve assets represents a net increase while a positive value represents a net decrease.

<sup>(2)</sup> The estimates of reserve and non-reserve assets under the Balance of Payments framework are transaction figures. Effects of valuation changes (including price changes and exchange rate changes) and reclassifications are not taken into account.

<sup>(3)</sup> In principle, the net sum of credit entries and debit entries is zero. In practice, discrepancies between the credit and debit entries may occur for various reasons as the relevant data are collected from many sources. Equality between the sum of credit entries and that of debit entries is brought about by the inclusion of a balancing item which reflects net errors and omissions.

Table 2 Hong Kong's Balance of Payments: Current account

							HK\$ million
Standard component		2015	2015 1st Qtr	2015 2nd Qtr	2015	2015	2016 1st Qtr
	2014				3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	
Current account <sup>(1)</sup>	29,363	74,658	240	140	48,460	25,818	17,553
Credit (2)	6,089,559	6,009,396	1,420,888	1,511,362	1,548,089	1,529,057	1,321,307
Debit (2)	-6,060,197	-5,934,739	-1,420,648	-1,511,222	-1,499,629	-1,503,239	-1,303,754
Goods	-251,022	-176,907	-74,756	-77,871	-6,346	-17,934	-44,510
Credit	3,999,030	3,920,322	909,386	938,147	1,022,546	1,050,243	855,242
Of which: Net exports of goods under merchanting	226,388	221,502	49,000	46,232	59,534	66,736	46,746
Debit	-4,250,052	-4,097,229	-984,142	-1,016,018	-1,028,892	-1,068,177	-899,752
Services	253,564	232,944	75,062	53,707	57,389	46,786	56,485
Credit	826,995	807,984	213,182	192,710	204,114	197,978	193,544
Transport services	247,707	229,428	55,834	59,624	61,268	52,702	49,785
Travel services	297,567	280,227	75,226	65,957	65,879	73,165	63,777
Insurance and pension services	9,374	10,167	2,375	2,403	2,606	2,783	2,565
Financial services	134,910	147,006	43,364	32,091	39,261	32,290	41,457
Other services	137,437	141,156	36,383	32,635	35,100	37,038	35,960
Debit	-573,431	-575,040	-138,120	-139,003	-146,725	-151,192	-137,059
Transport services	-142,620	-135,177	-32,257	-34,775	-34,980	-33,165	-31,387
Travel services	-170,672	-178,751	-41,146	-45,758	-46,523	-45,324	-44,348
Insurance and pension services	-11,200	-11,266	-2,731	-2,745	-2,781	-3,009	-2,619
Financial services	-34,380	-37,323	-10,530	-7,285	-9,579	-9,929	-10,181
Other services	-214,559	-212,523	-51,456	-48,440	-52,862	-59,765	-48,524
Of which: Manufacturing services	-92,426	-88,331	-19,920	-21,120	-22,982	-24,309	-17,930
Primary income	46,607	39,498	5,590	29,103	2,765	2,039	10,924
Credit	1,254,733	1,271,880	296,068	378,237	319,106	278,468	269,980
Investment income	1,251,844	1,269,011	295,346	377,519	318,405	277,741	269,185
Direct investment income	933,036	935,194	238,478	249,919	230,041	216,755	209,015
Portfolio investment income	225,646	244,937	34,380	104,008	66,383	40,166	40,059
Other investment income	65,938	61,288	15,884	15,941	15,415	14,048	12,809
Income on reserve assets	27,224	27,592	6,603	7,651	6,566	6,772	7,302
Compensation of employees	2,888	2,869	722	718	701	727	794
Debit	-1,208,126	-1,232,382	-290,478	-349,134	-316,341	-276,429	-259,056
Investment income	-1,202,608	-1,225,155	-289,041	-347,686	-314,182	-274,246	-257,509
Direct investment income	-1,040,947	-1,056,053	-260,779	-282,193	-265,298	-247,783	-234,339
Portfolio investment income	-112,581	-117,289	-15,698	-52,973	-36,086	-12,532	-10,643
Other investment income	-49,080	-51,813	-12,564	-12,520	-12,798	-13,930	-12,526
Compensation of employees	-5,518	-7,227	-1,436	-1,448	-2,159	-2,183	-1,547
Secondary income	-19,786	-20,877	-5,656	-4,799	-5,348	-5,074	-5,346
Credit	8,802	9,211	2,252	2,268	2,323	2,368	2,541
Debit	-28,588	-30,088	<i>-7,909</i>	-7,067	-7,671	-7,441	<i>-7,888</i>

<sup>(1)</sup> In accordance with the accounting rules adopted in compiling Balance of Payments, a positive value for the balance figure in the current account represents a surplus whereas a negative value represents a deficit.

<sup>(2)</sup> In a Balance of Payments account, every external transaction is recorded by two entries, a credit and a debit. In the current account, exports of goods and services, primary income inflows and secondary income inflows are all credit entries, while imports of goods and services, primary income outflows and secondary income outflows are debit entries.

Table 3 Hong Kong's Balance of Payments: Capital and financial account

							HK\$ million
			2015	2015	2015	2015	2016
Standard component	2014	2015	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	1st Qtr
Capital and financial account <sup>(1)</sup>	-73,785	-131,553	-27,600	-28,538	-19,769	-55,646	10,251
Capital account	-748	-74	-76	176	-78	-96	-72
Credit	3	256	1	254	1	0	1
Debit	-750	-331	-76	-78	-80	-96	-73
Financial account	-73,037	-131,479	-27,524	-28,714	-19,691	-55,550	10,323
Financial non-reserve assets <sup>(2)</sup>	66,052	150,517	8,763	47,941	51,829	41,984	15,570
Direct investment	-85,718	928,262	181,512	560,529	52,962	133,259	-7,598
Assets	-1,092,502	-473,710	-372,715	99,913	-72,790	-128,119	-142,396
Equity and investment fund shares	-947,087	-495,216	-337,240	89,195	-85,772	-161,399	-138,244
Debt instruments	-145,415	21,506	-35,475	10,718	12,982	33,280	-4,152
Liabilities	1,006,784	1,401,973	554,227	460,616	125,751	261,378	134,798
Equity and investment fund shares	884,060	1,365,529	560,395	397,291	172,246	235,597	172,575
Debt instruments	122,724	36,443	-6,169	63,325	-46,494	25,781	-37,777
Portfolio investment	-64,384	-1,094,887	-282,841	-395,165	-145,237	-271,644	84,715
Assets	-276,143	-769,183	-186,421	-206,773	-113,126	-262,863	134,091
Equity and investment fund shares	-318,227	-407,838	-105,373	-97,508	8,856	-213,814	22,520
Debt securities	42,085	-361,345	-81,049	-109,265	-121,982	-49,049	111,570
Short-term	259,253	175,987	92,748	37,909	-49,243	94,573	120,304
Long-term	-217,168	-537,332	-173,797	-147,174	-72,739	-143,622	-8,733
Liabilities	211,759	-325,704	-96,420	-188,392	-32,111	-8,781	-49,376
Equity and investment fund shares	136,745	-375,613	-119,381	-198,924	-26,407	-30,901	-48,491
Debt securities	75,013	49,909	22,961	10,532	-5,704	22,120	-885
Short-term	-24,753	17,308	13,350	6,765	-9,109	6,302	7,686
Long-term	99,767	32,601	9,611	3,766	3,405	15,819	-8,571
Financial derivatives	118,359	117,727	53,114	33,548	11,940	19,125	11,804
Assets	449,093	569,377	168,443	133,870	111,012	156,052	145,195
Liabilities	-330,734	-451,650	-115,329	-100,322	-99,072	-136,927	-133,390
Other investment	97,795	199,416	56,979	-150,971	132,164	161,244	-73,352
Assets	-925,077	205,984	-34,332	-288,686	329,613	199,390	134,113
Currency and deposits	-773,410	156,936	-41,935	-169,897	247,668	121,100	95,184
Loans	-136,981	37,684	-2,186	-61,226	50,458	50,639	29,369
Trade credit and advances	-1,987	3,965	25,839	-8,241	-10,267	-3,366	31,697
Other assets	-12,698	7,399	-16,049	-49,323	41,754	31,017	-22,138
Liabilities	1,022,872	-6,569	91,311	137,715	-197,449	-38,146	-207,464
Currency and deposits	574,582	-212,658	48,961	77,708	-237,310	-102,016	-141,603
Loans	404,809	184,637	29,544	54,477	39,260	61,357	-62,415
Trade credit and advances	25,852	-9,151	-27,822	9,272	690	8,709	-32,941
Other liabilities	17,628	30,603	40,629	-3,741	-89	-6,196	29,495
Reserve assets <sup>(2)</sup>	-139,089	-281,996	-36,288	-76,655	-71,520	-97,535	-5,246

<sup>(1)</sup> In accordance with the accounting rules adopted in compiling Balance of Payments, a positive value for the balance figure in the capital and financial account indicates a net financial inflow while a negative value indicates a net outflow. As increases in external assets are debit entries and decreases are credit entries, a negative value for the reserve assets represents a net increase while a positive value represents a net decrease.

<sup>(2)</sup> The estimates of reserve and non-reserve assets under the Balance of Payments framework are transaction figures. Effects of valuation changes (including price changes and exchange rate changes) and reclassifications are not taken into account.

Table 4 Hong Kong's International Investment Position (position as at end of period)

							HK\$ million
Broad component	2014	2015	2015 1st Qtr	2015 2nd Qtr	2015 3rd Qtr	2015 4th Qtr	2016 1st Qtr
Assets	32,391,456	33,436,403	33,201,211	35,130,704	33,209,325	33,436,403	33,287,759
Direct investment	12,358,515	12,844,169	12,656,079	13,147,779	12,974,547	12,844,169	12,791,710
Equity and investment fund shares	10,060,004	10,241,063	10,380,366	10,703,218	10,441,283	10,241,063	10,230,263
Debt instruments	2,298,512	2,603,105	2,275,713	2,444,561	2,533,264	2,603,105	2,561,447
Portfolio investment	9,077,706	9,741,826	9,615,162	10,718,768	9,270,752	9,741,826	9,670,702
Equity and investment fund shares	5,726,673	6,115,838	6,214,554	7,150,208	5,694,161	6,115,838	6,073,892
Debt securities	3,351,034	3,625,988	3,400,608	3,568,560	3,576,591	3,625,988	3,596,810
Short-term	1,339,616	1,130,413	1,234,908	1,207,708	1,239,253	1,130,413	992,838
Long-term	2,011,418	2,495,575	2,165,700	2,360,852	2,337,337	2,495,575	2,603,972
Financial derivatives	623,511	650,133	649,469	618,554	634,021	650,133	709,926
Other investment	7,784,175	7,419,340	7,704,854	8,003,782	7,650,113	7,419,340	7,307,657
Currency and deposits	5,681,131	5,394,693	5,618,606	5,783,697	5,378,859	5,394,693	5,254,103
Loans	1,803,030	1,737,339	1,800,494	1,860,770	1,945,318	1,737,339	1,775,983
Trade credit and advances	166,126	161,823	140,182	148,449	158,603	161,823	130,393
Other assets	133,887	125,486	145,572	210,865	167,334	125,486	147,177
Reserve assets	2,547,549	2,780,934	2,575,647	2,641,820	2,679,892	2,780,934	2,807,764
Liabilities	25,642,687	25,848,216	26,394,031	27,340,262	25,970,279	25,848,216	24,806,831
Direct investment	12,714,522	13,518,016	13,314,393	14,201,901	13,719,005	13,518,016	12,844,910
Equity and investment fund shares	11,211,149	11,914,298	11,936,491	12,528,181	12,006,384	11,914,298	11,391,220
Debt instruments	1,503,373	1,603,718	1,377,903	1,673,719	1,712,621	1,603,718	1,453,690
Portfolio investment	4,085,771	3,558,403	4,194,983	4,143,667	3,421,853	3,558,403	3,290,271
Equity and investment fund shares	3,791,498	3,255,944	3,895,158	3,828,796	3,107,591	3,255,944	2,948,482
Debt securities	294,273	302,459	299,824	314,871	314,262	302,459	341,789
Short-term	105,520	103,226	115,443	120,001	110,296	103,226	124,427
Long-term	188,753	199,233	184,382	194,870	203,966	199,233	217,363
Financial derivatives	550,279	572,993	589,315	546,591	589,105	572,993	660,381
Other investment	8,292,115	8,198,804	8,295,341	8,448,104	8,240,315	8,198,804	8,011,269
Currency and deposits	6,600,998	6,385,041	6,660,442	6,742,693	6,494,758	6,385,041	6,254,680
Loans	1,374,526	1,453,035	1,301,561	1,355,839	1,393,667	1,453,035	1,403,110
Trade credit and advances	206,444	196,547	178,576	187,860	188,023	196,547	163,936
Other liabilities	110,148	164,180	154,763	161,713	163,868	164,180	189,543
Net International Investment Position (1)	6,748,769	7,588,187	6,807,180	7,790,442	7,239,047	7,588,187	8,480,928
Additional items related to reserve assets:							
Reserve-related liabilities	286	256	251	352	527	256	249
Foreign currency deposits with resident banks	121,089	141,107	106,144	119,985	110,658	141,107	145,763

<sup>(1)</sup> Net International Investment Position is the difference between total external financial assets and total external financial liabilities.

Table 5 Hong Kong's External Debt (position as at end of period)

HK\$ million 2015 2015 2015 2015 2016 Sector / Standard component 2014 2015 1st Qtr 2nd Qtr 3rd Qtr 4th Qtr 1st Qtr General government 9,744 18,774 11,174 18,812 18,886 18,774 18,199 Short-term 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 Debt securities Loans 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 Currency and deposits \* \* 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 Other debt liabilities 18,886 9,744 18,774 18,812 18,199 Long-term 11,174 18,774 Debt securities 9,744 18,774 11.174 18.812 18.886 18,774 18.199 Loans 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 Other debt liabilities 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1,984 1,760 1,836 1,919 2,136 1,760 1,857 Monetary authority Short-term 293 263 258 359 534 263 256 Debt securities 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 Loans 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 Currency and deposits Other debt liabilities 293 263 258 359 534 263 256 Long-term 1,690 1,498 1,577 1,560 1,603 1,498 1,601 1,498 1,601 Debt securities 1,690 1,577 1,560 1,603 1,498 Loans 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 Other debt liabilities 0 0 0 0 **Banks** 6,808,803 6,569,603 6,905,166 6,968,218 6,701,332 6,569,603 6,479,101 6,618,761 6.400.260 6.752.009 6.805.265 6.533.720 6,400,260 6.303.588 Short-term 82,378 Debt securities 83,038 82,378 96,930 104,746 93,487 104,571 Loans 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 Currency and deposits 6,515,373 6,292,216 6,607,303 6,669,838 6,417,063 6,292,216 6,156,174 Other debt liabilities 20,349 25,666 47,776 30,681 23,170 25,666 42,842 190,042 169,343 162,953 167,613 169,343 175,514 Long-term 153,157 71,487 84,933 Debt securities 101,106 97,040 84,315 71,487 71,884 Loans 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 72,855 Currency and deposits 85,624 92,825 53,139 77,695 92,825 98,506 Other debt liabilities 3,311 5,031 2,978 5,164 5,603 5,031 5,124 Other sectors 1,765,859 1,911,125 1,676,989 1,774,026 1,832,223 1,911,125 1,853,900 Short-term 580,106 606,518 538,102 575,957 589,244 606,518 562,139 20,848 Debt securities 22,482 18,512 15,255 16,809 20,848 19,855 324,594 342,656 329,014 Loans 304,964 319,503 342,656 333,700 Currency and deposits Trade credit and advances 206,444 196,547 178,576 187,860 188.023 196,547 163,936 Other debt liabilities 26,586 55,399 46,467 36,050 53,339 46,467 44,648 Long-term 1,185,753 1,304,607 1,138,887 1,198,069 1,242,979 1,304,607 1,291,761 Debt securities 76,213 107,474 74,590 89,565 99,163 107,474 125,678 1,049,932 1,110,379 996,597 1,110,379 1,069,410 Loans 1,036,336 1,064,653 Trade credit and advances Other debt liabilities 59,608 86,754 67,700 72,169 79,162 86,754 96,672 **Direct investment:** 1,503,373 1,603,718 1,377,903 1,673,719 1,712,621 1,603,718 1,453,690 intercompany lending Debt liabilities of direct investment 595,408 666,502 532,519 588,803 650,718 666,502 629,617 enterprises to direct investor Debt liabilities of direct investor to 397,128 436,456 370,334 390,999 406,217 436,456 375,315 direct investment enterprises 510,837 500,761 475,049 693,917 500,761 448,757 Debt liabilities between fellow 655,687 enterprises **Gross External Debt** 10,089,761 10,104,981 9,973,068 10,436,694 10,267,199 10,104,981 9,806,748

<sup>\*</sup> Data are not released due to relatively insignificant value (less than HK\$10 million) and / or in order to safeguard confidentiality of information provided by individual establishments.