

Table 1: External Merchandise Trade Statistics for August 2016

(HK\$ Million)

Merchandise trade values for August 2016				
	Domestic Exports		4,019	
	Re-exports		305,651	
	Total Exports		309,670	
	Imports		341,766	
	Trade Balance		-32,096	
			Change	
Current month compared with same month in the preceding year	August 2016	August 2015	Value	%
Domestic Exports	4,019	4,162	-143	-3.4
(% of Total Exports)	(1.3%)	(1.4%)		
Re-exports	305,651	303,091	+2,560	+0.8
Total Exports	309,670	307,253	+2,417	+0.8
Imports	341,766	332,327	+9,439	+2.8
Trade Balance	-32,096	-25,074	-7,022	
Current month compared with last month	August 2016	July 2016		
Domestic Exports	4,019	3,907	+112	+2.9
(% of Total Exports)	(1.3%)	(1.3%)		
Re-exports	305,651	300,558	+5,093	+1.7
Total Exports	309,670	304,465	+5,205	+1.7
Imports	341,766	337,773	+3,993	+1.2
Trade Balance	-32,096	-33,307	+1,212	
Latest 3 months compared with same period 12 months earlier	Jun-Aug 2016	Jun-Aug 2015		
Domestic Exports	11,549	12,431	-882	-7.1
(% of Total Exports)	(1.3%)	(1.3%)		
Re-exports	898,562	914,065	-15,502	-1.7
Total Exports	910,111	926,496	-16,385	-1.8
Imports	1,020,722	1,025,296	-4,575	-0.4
Trade Balance	-110,610	-98,800	-11,810	
Calendar year-to-date compared with same period in the preceding year	Jan-Aug 2016	Jan-Aug 2015		
Domestic Exports	28,124	32,313	-4,189	-13.0
(% of Total Exports)	(1.2%)	(1.4%)		
Re-exports	2,237,855	2,313,891	-76,036	-3.3
Total Exports	2,265,979	2,346,205	-80,225	-3.4
Imports	2,530,804	2,642,018	-111,214	-4.2
Trade Balance	-264,825	-295,813	+30,989	
Last 12 months compared with same period 12 months earlier	Sep 2015 to Aug 2016	Sep 2014 to Aug 2015		
Domestic Exports	42,672	49,588	-6,916	-13.9
(% of Total Exports)	(1.2%)	(1.4%)		
Re-exports	3,482,382	3,598,663	-116,281	-3.2
Total Exports	3,525,054	3,648,251	-123,197	-3.4
Imports	3,935,206	4,154,321	-219,115	-5.3
Trade Balance	-410,152	-506,070	+95,918	

Table 2 : Hong Kong's External Merchandise Trade Statistics from January 2013 to August 2016

(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
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
	6	4,475.7	-10.1	273,161.1	-0.0	277,636.8	-0.2	327,309.5	+1.4
	7	4,783.3	-6.7	300,630.1	+10.9	305,413.4	+10.6	342,565.1	+8.3
	8	4,931.9	-10.4	302,557.8	-1.2	307,489.6	-1.3	347,059.3	-0.2
	9	4,394.5	-18.0	313,435.8	+1.8	317,830.3	+1.5	359,840.6	+0.4
	10	4,457.9	-7.7	318,685.8	+9.1	323,143.7	+8.8	361,195.7	+6.3
	11	4,587.4	-10.4	320,934.9	+6.0	325,522.3	+5.8	370,103.7	+5.2
	12	4,595.9	-7.9	306,280.7	+0.1	310,876.6	-0.0	365,227.6	+1.8
2014	1	4,299.1	-4.3	299,157.3	-0.4	303,456.4	-0.4	323,435.6	-2.7
	2	3,275.6	-0.3	209,638.0	-1.3	212,913.6	-1.3	266,586.9	+6.8
	3	5,120.3	+0.9	296,403.1	+3.4	301,523.5	+3.4	351,888.7	+3.2
	4	4,866.5	+8.1	280,815.7	-1.7	285,682.2	-1.6	340,971.7	+2.4
	5	5,299.3	+10.0	300,673.2	+4.9	305,972.5	+4.9	348,322.9	+3.7
	6	4,801.9	+7.3	304,408.7	+11.4	309,210.6	+11.4	352,315.7	+7.6
	7	5,119.9	+7.0	321,040.5	+6.8	326,160.3	+6.8	368,292.7	+7.5
	8	5,288.7	+7.2	321,936.8	+6.4	327,225.5	+6.4	358,750.3	+3.4
	9	4,152.9	-5.5	327,833.0	+4.6	331,985.8	+4.5	382,354.9	+6.3
	10	4,391.5	-1.5	327,335.0	+2.7	331,726.5	+2.7	381,568.9	+5.6
	11	4,701.3	+2.5	322,081.9	+0.4	326,783.2	+0.4	378,946.3	+2.4
	12	4,050.1	-11.9	308,704.6	+0.8	312,754.7	+0.6	372,007.3	+1.9
2015	1	4,468.4	+3.9	307,403.0	+2.8	311,871.4	+2.8	348,886.1	+7.9
	2	2,918.8	-10.9	225,417.7	+7.5	228,336.5	+7.2	264,220.1	-0.9
	3	4,012.6	-21.6	292,100.1	-1.5	296,112.7	-1.8	342,318.8	-2.7
	4	4,201.8	-13.7	287,741.9	+2.5	291,943.8	+2.2	331,108.3	-2.9
	5	4,258.4	-19.6	287,571.5	-4.4	291,829.8	-4.6	331,940.1	-4.7
	6	4,158.0	-13.4	295,360.5	-3.0	299,518.5	-3.1	345,301.7	-2.0
	7	4,146.1	-19.0	316,724.9	-1.3	320,870.9	-1.6	349,304.6	-5.2
	8	4,162.0	-21.3	303,091.1	-5.9	307,253.1	-6.1	332,326.9	-7.4
	9	3,581.5	-13.8	313,150.7	-4.5	316,732.2	-4.6	353,113.6	-7.6
	10	3,591.2	-18.2	316,000.6	-3.5	319,591.8	-3.7	349,241.6	-8.5
	11	3,686.9	-21.6	311,617.0	-3.2	315,303.9	-3.5	348,396.6	-8.1
	12	3,720.7	-8.1	305,457.9	-1.1	309,178.5	-1.1	354,884.7	-4.6
2016	1	3,424.8	-23.4	296,446.7	-3.6	299,871.5	-3.8	317,354.0	-9.0
	2	2,673.5	-8.4	201,810.8	-10.5	204,484.3	-10.4	237,632.8	-10.1
	3	3,582.5	-10.7	271,777.9	-7.0	275,360.4	-7.0	322,388.1	-5.8
	4	3,404.1	-19.0	281,870.1	-2.0	285,274.2	-2.3	316,301.2	-4.5
	5	3,493.9	-18.0	288,006.1	+0.2	291,500.1	-0.1	317,728.0	-4.3
	6	3,621.5	-12.9	292,897.6	-0.8	296,519.1	-1.0	342,114.0	-0.9
	7	3,907.2	-5.8	300,558.2	-5.1	304,465.5	-5.1	337,772.8	-3.3
	8	4,019.1	-3.4	305,651.1	+0.8	309,670.1	+0.8	341,765.8	+2.8

Notes : Value of domestic exports and value of re-exports may not add up to the value of total exports due to rounding.

'0.0' denotes increase or decrease of less than 0.05%.

Table 3 : Seasonally Adjusted Series of Hong Kong's External Merchandise Trade Statistics from January 2013 to August 2016

Year	Month	Change of the latest 3-month period over the preceding 3-month period (%)			
		Domestic Exports	Re-exports	Total Exports	Imports
2013	1	-4.2	+4.0	+3.9	+2.4
	2	-7.2	+0.6	+0.4	-0.2
	3	-4.5	-0.5	-0.5	-1.0
	4	-3.0	-1.1	-1.1	-1.4
	5	-1.7	+2.8	+2.7	+2.0
	6	-4.8	-0.3	-0.4	-0.3
	7	-5.7	-3.1	-3.1	-1.6
	8	-4.2	-4.5	-4.5	-2.8
	9	+0.6	+2.0	+2.0	+2.0
	10	+1.5	+3.8	+3.7	+3.1
	11	+1.2	+6.4	+6.3	+4.5
	12	+0.9	+3.3	+3.3	+3.0
2014	1	+3.1	+3.9	+3.9	+3.7
	2	+2.1	-3.4	-3.3	-0.8
	3	+2.4	-3.9	-3.8	-2.0
	4	+0.5	-5.7	-5.6	-3.6
	5	+6.2	+3.4	+3.5	+1.8
	6	+4.5	+4.0	+4.0	+2.1
	7	+3.8	+6.6	+6.6	+3.8
	8	-2.0	+2.5	+2.4	+1.3
	9	-3.9	+2.8	+2.7	+2.7
	10	-5.5	+1.4	+1.3	+2.3
	11	-6.4	-0.1	-0.2	+2.1
	12	-6.7	-2.4	-2.5	-0.7
2015	1	-5.4	-3.1	-3.1	-2.9
	2	-4.4	-2.5	-2.5	-3.0
	3	-3.4	-0.9	-0.9	-2.2
	4	-5.2	-0.9	-1.0	-1.9
	5	-7.4	-0.9	-1.0	-3.3
	6	-3.4	-1.3	-1.4	-2.9
	7	-2.5	+0.3	+0.3	-0.8
	8	-1.0	+0.0	-0.0	-0.4
	9	-7.6	-0.6	-0.7	-2.1
	10	-7.3	-2.4	-2.5	-3.6
	11	-6.5	-1.0	-1.0	-2.0
	12	-2.3	+0.1	+0.1	-0.2
2016	1	-2.0	+1.0	+1.0	+0.9
	2	-1.0	-4.2	-4.2	-3.3
	3	-3.9	-6.7	-6.7	-5.0
	4	-4.3	-6.4	-6.3	-5.9
	5	-7.3	+2.9	+2.7	+1.4
	6	-3.6	+7.1	+6.9	+4.5
	7	+0.2	+5.3	+5.3	+5.6
	8	+6.8	-0.2	-0.1	+2.8

Notes : 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	Aug 2016 (HKD Mn.)	Aug 2016 over Aug 2015 (% change)	Jan - Aug 2016 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Aug 2016 over Jan - Aug 2015 (% change)
Total Exports	309,670	+0.8	2,265,979	-3.4
The mainland of China	169,264	+4.3	1,207,906	-3.7
United States of America	29,272	-8.7	210,593	-6.1
India	10,176	+27.4	76,350	+13.6
Japan	9,169	-11.0	75,726	-5.6
Vietnam	5,922	-13.5	45,592	-8.4
Taiwan	6,587	+20.8	44,915	+5.4
Germany	5,730	-8.5	44,621	-2.1
Singapore	5,004	+1.1	39,310	-0.4
Korea	4,883	+3.2	35,177	-4.4
Netherlands	4,997	+15.9	35,009	+8.0

Table 5 : Imports of Goods from 10 Main Suppliers

Supplier	Aug 2016 (HKD Mn.)	Aug 2016 over Aug 2015 (% change)	Jan - Aug 2016 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Aug 2016 over Jan - Aug 2015 (% change)
Total Imports	341,766	+2.8	2,530,804	-4.2
The mainland of China	168,431	-0.3	1,203,162	-5.0
Taiwan	26,438	+13.9	183,146	+2.0
Singapore	21,832	+16.3	165,071	-0.3
Japan	20,265	-5.2	156,612	-9.0
United States of America	16,955	+8.4	130,622	-7.4
Korea	15,832	+14.4	116,689	+0.9
India	7,381	+20.5	60,781	+7.8
Malaysia	7,903	-9.2	58,117	-7.0
Thailand	6,571	-8.4	52,873	-4.2
Philippines	5,244	+8.5	37,497	+1.4

Table 6 : Total Exports of 10 Principal Commodity Divisions

Commodity division	Aug 2016 (HKD Mn.)	Aug 2016 over Aug 2015 (% change)	Jan - Aug 2016 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Aug 2016 over Jan - Aug 2015 (% change)
Total Exports	309,670	+0.8	2,265,979	-3.4
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	110,709	+12.0	766,534	+4.2
Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	63,167	+2.2	453,457	-2.3
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	30,072	-9.9	227,323	-13.3
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly jewellery, goldsmiths' and silversmiths' wares)	15,316	-17.2	120,808	-11.7
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	13,435	+17.6	120,400	+10.8
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	11,787	-20.9	81,040	-14.3
Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies, optical goods, watches and clocks	9,300	-7.5	68,243	-6.0
Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus	6,679	+0.9	50,282	+1.0
Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles and related products	5,019	-13.9	41,264	-15.1
Power generating machinery and equipment	3,912	+17.4	33,267	+11.3

Table 7 : Imports of 10 Principal Commodity Divisions

Commodity division	Aug 2016 (HKD Mn.)	Aug 2016 over Aug 2015 (% change)	Jan - Aug 2016 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Aug 2016 over Jan - Aug 2015 (% change)
Total Imports	341,766	+2.8	2,530,804	-4.2
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	121,946	+14.6	860,530	+5.8
Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	60,182	+0.8	443,218	-5.5
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	26,696	-10.3	201,353	-11.3
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly jewellery, goldsmiths' and silversmiths' wares)	18,948	-8.4	147,836	-6.1
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	14,365	+13.4	122,308	-1.2
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	9,650	-13.7	67,058	-11.0
Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies, optical goods, watches and clocks	8,221	-2.4	64,264	-8.5
Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus	6,718	-4.9	51,688	-2.4
Power generating machinery and equipment	5,035	+29.5	39,737	+4.3
Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles and related products	4,719	-13.2	38,674	-14.7