

Table 1: External Merchandise Trade Statistics for March 2017

(HK\$ Million)

Merchandise trade values for March 2017				
	Domestic Exports	4,185		
	Re-exports	317,711		
	Total Exports	321,895		
	Imports	364,163		
	Trade Balance	-42,268		
			Change	
Current month compared with same month in the preceding year	March 2017	March 2016	Value	%
Domestic Exports	4,185	3,583	+602	+16.8
(% of Total Exports)	(1.3%)	(1.3%)		
Re-exports	317,711	271,778	+45,933	+16.9
Total Exports	321,895	275,360	+46,535	+16.9
Imports	364,163	322,388	+41,775	+13.0
Trade Balance	-42,268	-47,028	+4,760	
Current month compared with last month	March 2017	February 2017		
Domestic Exports	4,185	2,774	+1,411	+50.9
(% of Total Exports)	(1.3%)	(1.1%)		
Re-exports	317,711	238,933	+78,778	+33.0
Total Exports	321,895	241,707	+80,188	+33.2
Imports	364,163	297,978	+66,185	+22.2
Trade Balance	-42,268	-56,271	+14,004	
Latest 3 months compared with same period 12 months earlier	Jan-Mar 2017	Jan-Mar 2016		
Domestic Exports	10,165	9,693	+473	+4.9
(% of Total Exports)	(1.2%)	(1.2%)		
Re-exports	849,400	769,682	+79,718	+10.4
Total Exports	859,566	779,375	+80,190	+10.3
Imports	970,462	876,883	+93,579	+10.7
Trade Balance	-110,896	-97,507	-13,389	
Last 12 months compared with same period 12 months earlier	Apr 2016 to Mar 2017	Apr 2015 to Mar 2016		
Domestic Exports	43,348	45,127	-1,780	-3.9
(% of Total Exports)	(1.2%)	(1.3%)		
Re-exports	3,625,090	3,503,468	+121,622	+3.5
Total Exports	3,668,437	3,548,595	+119,842	+3.4
Imports	4,101,963	3,968,533	+133,431	+3.4
Trade Balance	-433,526	-419,938	-13,588	

Table 2 : Hong Kong's External Merchandise Trade Statistics from January 2014 to March 2017

(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
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
	9	3,686.4	+2.9	324,332.9	+3.6	328,019.3	+3.6	367,724.2	+4.1
	10	3,631.8	+1.1	310,094.4	-1.9	313,726.2	-1.8	350,949.3	+0.5
	11	3,824.5	+3.7	337,110.1	+8.2	340,934.6	+8.1	374,987.3	+7.6
	12	3,614.4	-2.9	336,725.5	+10.2	340,339.9	+10.1	385,817.4	+8.7
2017	1	3,244.8	-5.3	293,054.2	-1.1	296,298.9	-1.2	308,643.4	-2.7
	2	2,774.0	+3.8	238,933.1	+18.4	241,707.1	+18.2	297,978.3	+25.4
	3	4,184.7	+16.8	317,710.7	+16.9	321,895.4	+16.9	364,163.0	+13.0

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 2014 to March 2017

Year	Month	Change of the latest 3-month period over the preceding 3-month period (%)			
		Domestic Exports	Re-exports	Total Exports	Imports
2014	1	+3.5	+3.8	+3.8	+3.5
	2	+2.1	-3.0	-2.9	-0.1
	3	+2.9	-3.2	-3.1	-1.1
	4	+0.5	-4.8	-4.8	-2.7
	5	+7.2	+3.3	+3.4	+1.0
	6	+4.8	+3.4	+3.4	+1.1
	7	+4.0	+6.0	+5.9	+3.2
	8	-2.6	+2.4	+2.4	+1.6
	9	-5.3	+2.3	+2.2	+2.5
	10	-6.6	+1.1	+0.9	+1.9
	11	-7.4	-0.9	-1.0	+1.4
	12	-7.0	-2.5	-2.5	-0.9
2015	1	-6.1	-3.8	-3.8	-3.4
	2	-4.7	-1.7	-1.7	-1.9
	3	-2.1	+0.3	+0.3	-0.7
	4	-2.7	+1.4	+1.3	-0.2
	5	-4.7	-0.7	-0.7	-3.8
	6	-2.4	-1.9	-1.9	-4.1
	7	-3.0	-1.1	-1.1	-1.8
	8	-2.6	-0.1	-0.1	-0.4
	9	-9.7	-1.3	-1.4	-2.5
	10	-8.9	-2.7	-2.8	-4.2
	11	-7.6	-2.3	-2.4	-3.0
	12	-2.4	+0.2	+0.1	+0.0
2016	1	-2.0	+0.5	+0.5	+0.8
	2	-1.1	-2.9	-2.9	-1.8
	3	-2.5	-5.1	-5.1	-3.2
	4	-2.7	-3.8	-3.8	-3.8
	5	-4.1	+3.2	+3.1	+1.3
	6	-2.4	+6.3	+6.2	+3.2
	7	+0.5	+3.8	+3.7	+4.4
	8	+4.5	-0.4	-0.3	+2.4
	9	+7.5	+0.4	+0.5	+3.1
	10	+5.9	+1.7	+1.8	+2.6
	11	+4.0	+3.6	+3.6	+2.6
	12	-1.9	+4.3	+4.2	+2.6
2017	1	-1.2	+5.2	+5.2	+3.6
	2	-3.2	+4.1	+4.0	+5.3
	3	+3.8	+1.1	+1.1	+3.4

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	Mar 2017 (HKD Mn.)	Mar 2017 over Mar 2016 (% change)	Jan - Mar 2017 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Mar 2017 over Jan - Mar 2016 (% change)
Total Exports	321,895	+16.9	859,566	+10.3
The mainland of China	170,011	+16.0	457,225	+12.6
United States of America	26,023	+8.9	72,381	+2.4
India	18,761	+77.3	37,730	+40.1
Japan	10,892	+13.9	29,472	+4.0
Taiwan	7,355	+37.1	20,979	+44.5
Vietnam	6,978	+17.6	18,762	+13.1
Germany	5,476	+17.7	15,678	+3.6
Singapore	5,006	-4.6	14,205	-2.6
Netherlands	5,323	+29.9	14,192	+21.8
Korea	4,594	+6.0	13,927	+15.2

Table 5 : Imports of Goods from 10 Main Suppliers

Supplier	Mar 2017 (HKD Mn.)	Mar 2017 over Mar 2016 (% change)	Jan - Mar 2017 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Mar 2017 over Jan - Mar 2016 (% change)
Total Imports	364,163	+13.0	970,462	+10.7
The mainland of China	169,908	+12.1	440,068	+8.6
Taiwan	28,239	+23.3	74,179	+19.6
Singapore	21,725	+3.0	63,270	+12.9
Japan	21,540	+7.2	57,815	+8.9
Korea	20,778	+53.9	57,204	+46.3
United States of America	18,245	+8.0	50,043	+3.1
India	11,242	+38.0	28,661	+28.4
Malaysia	9,133	+6.6	22,829	+3.8
Thailand	7,431	+10.2	21,065	+10.6
Philippines	6,556	+32.8	17,194	+36.4

Table 6 : Total Exports of 10 Principal Commodity Divisions

Commodity division	Mar 2017 (HKD Mn.)	Mar 2017 over Mar 2016 (% change)	Jan - Mar 2017 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Mar 2017 over Jan - Mar 2016 (% change)
Total Exports	321,895	+16.9	859,566	+10.3
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	112,374	+23.5	297,979	+18.3
Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	61,225	+15.4	171,538	+9.0
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	31,253	+13.2	87,101	+9.7
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	24,060	+26.4	48,683	+8.8
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly jewellery, goldsmiths' and silversmiths' wares)	17,551	+17.1	45,144	+4.7
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	7,386	+2.1	24,478	-10.4
Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies, optical goods, watches and clocks	8,101	+1.7	23,874	-1.0
Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus	7,414	+15.8	19,142	+11.8
Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles and related products	5,732	+0.9	13,836	-4.1
Plastics in primary forms	4,268	+1.8	11,561	+9.1

Table 7 : Imports of 10 Principal Commodity Divisions

Commodity division	Mar 2017 (HKD Mn.)	Mar 2017 over Mar 2016 (% change)	Jan - Mar 2017 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Mar 2017 over Jan - Mar 2016 (% change)
Total Imports	364,163	+13.0	970,462	+10.7
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	133,072	+22.5	347,295	+21.0
Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	60,126	+10.0	165,395	+10.6
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	28,790	+7.3	73,296	+2.6
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly jewellery, goldsmiths' and silversmiths' wares)	23,601	+16.0	57,100	+3.2
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	17,173	+0.1	48,301	+4.5
Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies, optical goods, watches and clocks	8,646	+6.0	23,138	+4.8
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	7,127	+0.5	20,549	-8.7
Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus	7,361	+8.2	19,169	+8.2
Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	4,332	+10.6	16,876	+50.0
Power generating machinery and equipment	5,542	-3.3	13,339	-16.9