

Table 1: External Merchandise Trade Statistics for May 2017

(HK\$ Million)

Merchandise trade values for May 2017				
	Domestic Exports	3,656		
	Re-exports	299,449		
	Total Exports	303,105		
	Imports	338,753		
	Trade Balance	-35,648		
			Change	
Current month compared with same month in the preceding year	May 2017	May 2016	Value	%
Domestic Exports	3,656	3,494	+162	+4.6
(% of Total Exports)	(1.2%)	(1.2%)		
Re-exports	299,449	288,006	+11,443	+4.0
Total Exports	303,105	291,500	+11,605	+4.0
Imports	338,753	317,728	+21,025	+6.6
Trade Balance	-35,648	-26,228	-9,420	
Current month compared with last month	May 2017	April 2017		
Domestic Exports	3,656	3,332	+324	+9.7
(% of Total Exports)	(1.2%)	(1.1%)		
Re-exports	299,449	302,057	-2,608	-0.9
Total Exports	303,105	305,389	-2,284	-0.7
Imports	338,753	339,520	-767	-0.2
Trade Balance	-35,648	-34,131	-1,517	
Latest 3 months compared with same period 12 months earlier	Mar-May 2017	Mar-May 2016		
Domestic Exports	11,146	10,461	+684	+6.5
(% of Total Exports)	(1.2%)	(1.2%)		
Re-exports	918,664	841,118	+77,545	+9.2
Total Exports	929,809	851,580	+78,230	+9.2
Imports	1,041,663	955,324	+86,339	+9.0
Trade Balance	-111,854	-103,744	-8,109	
Calendar year-to-date compared with same period in the preceding year	Jan-May 2017	Jan-May 2016		
Domestic Exports	17,134	16,575	+558	+3.4
(% of Total Exports)	(1.2%)	(1.2%)		
Re-exports	1,450,528	1,339,293	+111,235	+8.3
Total Exports	1,467,662	1,355,868	+111,794	+8.2
Imports	1,648,117	1,510,082	+138,035	+9.1
Trade Balance	-180,455	-154,214	-26,241	
Last 12 months compared with same period 12 months earlier	Jun 2016 to May 2017	Jun 2015 to May 2016		
Domestic Exports	43,434	43,555	-121	-0.3
(% of Total Exports)	(1.2%)	(1.2%)		
Re-exports	3,656,607	3,497,884	+158,723	+4.5
Total Exports	3,700,041	3,541,438	+158,602	+4.5
Imports	4,146,419	3,939,781	+206,638	+5.2
Trade Balance	-446,378	-398,342	-48,036	

**Table 2 : Hong Kong's External Merchandise Trade Statistics from January 2014 to May 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
	4	3,332.0	-2.1	302,056.7	+7.2	305,388.7	+7.1	339,519.6	+7.3
	5	3,656.0	+4.6	299,449.1	+4.0	303,105.1	+4.0	338,752.6	+6.6

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 May 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
	4	-1.5	+2.3	+2.3	+2.2
	5	+0.1	+0.7	+0.7	-2.5

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	May 2017 (HKD Mn.)	May 2017 over May 2016 (% change)	Jan - May 2017 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - May 2017 over Jan - May 2016 (% change)
Total Exports	303,105	+4.0	1,467,662	+8.2
The mainland of China	163,249	+3.8	779,246	+8.8
United States of America	27,424	+1.0	126,063	+1.2
India	12,163	+29.2	68,762	+49.6
Japan	9,540	+6.3	49,094	+5.5
Taiwan	7,379	+16.7	35,291	+34.8
Vietnam	6,509	+16.4	32,233	+14.9
Germany	6,045	+2.1	27,644	+3.8
Netherlands	4,886	+17.3	24,154	+20.9
Singapore	4,523	-6.8	23,188	-4.7
Korea	4,350	-9.4	22,769	+5.6

**Table 5 : Imports of Goods from 10 Main Suppliers**

Supplier	May 2017 (HKD Mn.)	May 2017 over May 2016 (% change)	Jan - May 2017 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - May 2017 over Jan - May 2016 (% change)
Total Imports	338,753	+6.6	1,648,117	+9.1
The mainland of China	155,401	+2.8	752,156	+6.5
Taiwan	23,612	+0.5	120,510	+12.2
Singapore	21,891	+8.6	109,496	+12.4
Japan	19,780	+7.2	98,420	+7.1
Korea	17,816	+13.1	94,305	+36.5
United States of America	16,415	+0.7	83,756	+4.1
India	11,481	+56.6	50,928	+35.6
Malaysia	8,330	+21.2	38,969	+8.9
Thailand	7,445	+10.8	35,019	+9.7
Philippines	5,965	+26.2	28,725	+32.9

**Table 6 : Total Exports of 10 Principal Commodity Divisions**

Commodity division	May 2017 (HKD Mn.)	May 2017 over May 2016 (% change)	Jan - May 2017 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - May 2017 over Jan - May 2016 (% change)
Total Exports	303,105	+4.0	1,467,662	+8.2
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	109,081	+7.7	512,500	+14.2
Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	55,999	-2.1	286,706	+5.9
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	29,957	+6.8	147,589	+8.1
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	15,029	-4.7	85,617	+11.7
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly jewellery, goldsmiths' and silversmiths' wares)	16,862	+10.2	77,907	+4.4
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	8,451	-12.7	40,572	-9.8
Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies, optical goods, watches and clocks	8,142	-4.6	40,106	-3.1
Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus	7,326	+15.7	33,483	+11.8
Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles and related products	5,411	-3.9	24,725	-6.7
Non-ferrous metals	4,601	+80.4	19,949	+71.7

**Table 7 : Imports of 10 Principal Commodity Divisions**

Commodity division	May 2017 (HKD Mn.)	May 2017 over May 2016 (% change)	Jan - May 2017 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - May 2017 over Jan - May 2016 (% change)
Total Imports	338,753	+6.6	1,648,117	+9.1
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	119,493	+10.2	586,008	+17.1
Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	53,408	-4.8	275,249	+5.1
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	25,908	+8.3	125,203	+4.3
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly jewellery, goldsmiths' and silversmiths' wares)	23,849	+26.8	103,988	+12.4
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	14,492	+3.1	78,288	+3.7
Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies, optical goods, watches and clocks	7,800	-8.4	38,458	-1.1
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	7,480	-8.3	34,715	-8.0
Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus	6,884	+9.0	33,064	+7.7
Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	5,298	+45.1	29,423	+57.9
Power generating machinery and equipment	5,032	+6.1	23,090	-10.7