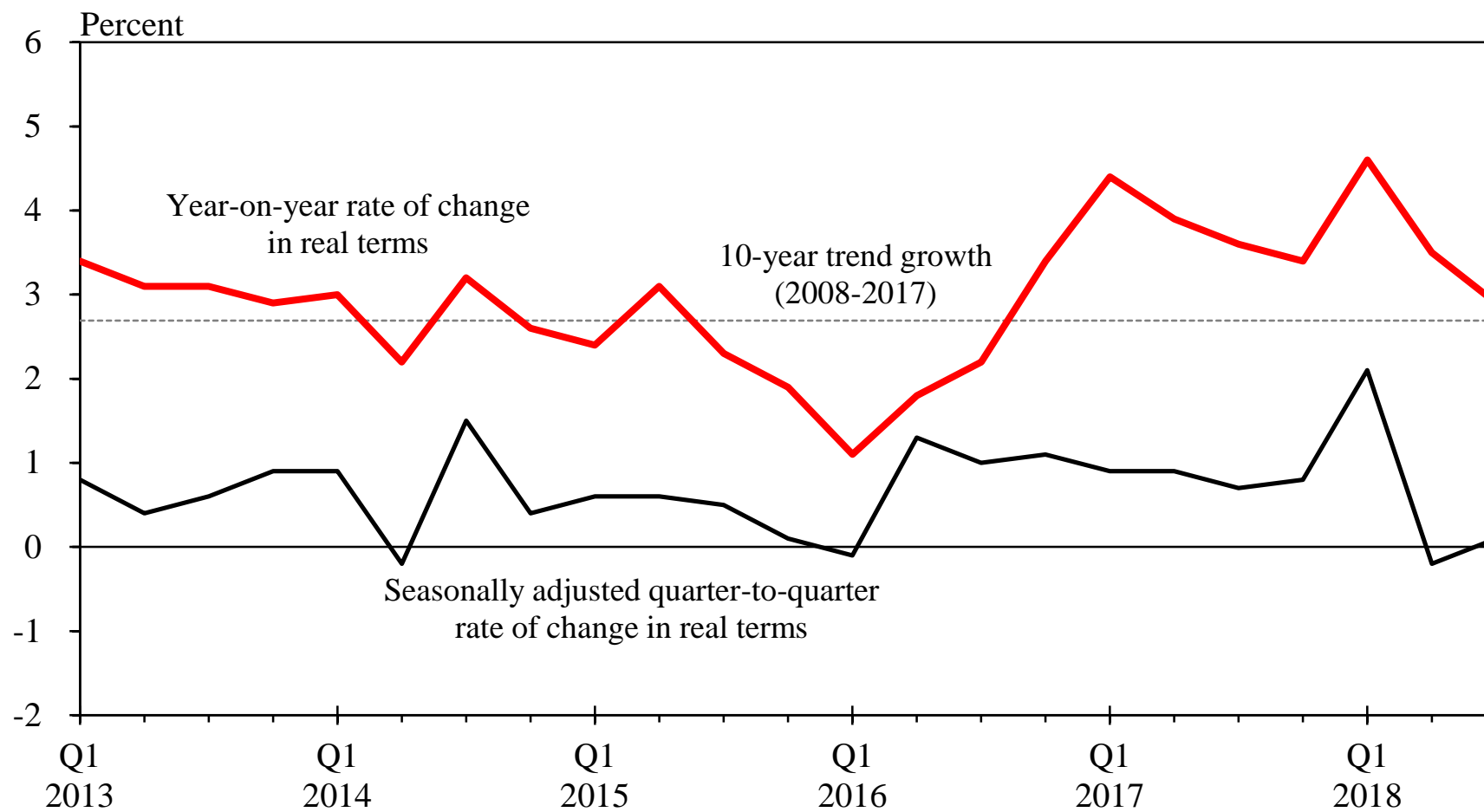


Hong Kong's Gross Domestic Product



Note : Figures for the third quarter of 2018 are preliminary estimates.

Table 1

**Gross Domestic Product, its main expenditure components
and the main price indicators
(year-on-year rate of change (%))**

	<u>2016[#]</u>	<u>2017[#]</u>	<u>Q1[#]</u>	<u>Q2[#]</u>	<u>2017</u> <u>Q3[#]</u>	<u>Q4[#]</u>	<u>Q1[#]</u>	<u>2018</u> <u>Q2[#]</u>	<u>Q3⁺</u>
<i>Change in real terms of GDP and its main expenditure components (%)</i>									
Private consumption expenditure	2.0	5.5	3.7 (0.8)	5.8 (2.0)	6.3 (1.8)	6.3 (1.5)	8.8 (3.3)	6.0 (-0.7)	5.2 (0.9)
Government consumption expenditure	3.3	3.4	2.8 (0.6)	3.0 (1.1)	4.5 (1.7)	3.2 (-0.2)	3.9 (1.2)	4.3 (1.5)	3.3 (0.7)
Gross domestic fixed capital formation	-0.1	3.5	5.7	7.6	-2.1	3.1	4.2	1.1	8.2
Building and construction	5.9	1.7	7.0	2.0	0.9	-2.6	1.9	-1.6	-0.3
Costs of ownership transfer	-2.9	22.3	77.8	53.0	-12.8	6.2	11.9	0.7	-1.0
Machinery, equipment and intellectual property products	-6.3	1.8	-7.8	6.1	-3.0	9.9	6.1	4.9	21.2
Total exports of goods ^{&}	1.6	5.9	9.6 (1.2)	5.7 (0.1)	5.7 (0.8)	3.4 (1.1)	5.2 (3.1)	4.6 (-0.4)	5.0 (1.2)
Imports of goods ^{&}	0.7	7.0	10.3 (0.8)	6.4 (0.4)	6.3 (1.5)	5.4 (2.4)	6.9 (2.3)	6.3 (-0.1)	7.6 (2.7)
Exports of services ^{&}	-3.5	3.2	3.3 (1.2)	1.9 (-1.6)	3.5 (3.0)	3.9 (1.2)	7.9 (5.2)	5.9 (-3.3)	3.1 (0.1)
Imports of services ^{&}	2.0	1.9	0.9 (0.2)	4.8 (1.6)	1.4 (-1.7)	0.8 (0.8)	4.2 (3.6)	-0.1 (-2.5)	3.4 (1.8)
Gross Domestic Product	2.2	3.8	4.4 (0.9)	3.9 (0.9)	3.6 (0.7)	3.4 (0.8)	4.6 (2.1)	3.5 (-0.2)	2.9 (0.1)
<i>Change in the main price indicators (%)</i>									
GDP deflator	1.7	2.9	2.4 (0.9)	3.4 (1.1)	3.2 (0.3)	2.8 (0.5)	4.1 (2.1)	4.0 (1.0)	3.7 (0.2)
Composite CPI									
Headline	2.4	1.5	0.5 (0.1)	2.0 (0.6)	1.8 (0.3)	1.6 (0.6)	2.4 (0.9)	2.1 (0.4)	2.5 (0.5)
Underlying[^]	2.3	1.7	1.4 (0.1)	2.0 (0.6)	1.7 (0.3)	1.6 (0.6)	2.4 (0.8)	2.4 (0.8)	2.8 (0.5)
<i>Change in nominal GDP (%)</i>	3.9	6.8	6.8	7.4	6.9	6.3	8.9	7.7	6.7

Notes : Figures are subject to revision later on as more data become available. The seasonally adjusted quarter-to-quarter rate of change is not applicable to gross domestic fixed capital formation, as no clear seasonal pattern is found for the category due to the presence of considerable short term fluctuations.

(&) Figures are compiled based on the change of ownership principle in recording goods sent abroad for processing and merchandising under the standards stipulated in the *System of National Accounts 2008*.

(#) Revised figures.

(+) Preliminary figures.

() Seasonally adjusted quarter-to-quarter rate of change.

(^) After netting out the effects of Government's one-off relief measures.

Table 2**Economic forecasts for 2018
(rate of change (%))**

	Forecasts as released on <u>10.8.2018</u> (%)	Latest forecasts on <u>16.11.2018</u> (%)
Real Gross Domestic Product (GDP)	3 to 4	3.2
Composite Consumer Price Index (CCPI)		
<i>Underlying CCPI</i>	2.5	2.7
<i>Headline CCPI</i>	2.2	2.4