

**Table 1: External Merchandise Trade Statistics for March 2019**

(HK\$ Million)

<b>Merchandise trade values for March 2019</b>				
	Total Exports		343,641	
	Imports		402,883	
	Trade Balance		-59,241	
<b>Change</b>				
<b>Current month compared with same month in the preceding year</b>	<b>March 2019</b>	<b>March 2018</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>%</b>
Total Exports	343,641	347,732	-4,090	-1.2
Imports	402,883	403,236	-353	-0.1
Trade Balance	-59,241	-55,505	-3,737	
<b>Current month compared with last month</b>	<b>March 2019</b>	<b>February 2019</b>		
Total Exports	343,641	228,674	+114,967	+50.3
Imports	402,883	277,508	+125,375	+45.2
Trade Balance	-59,241	-48,834	-10,407	
<b>Latest 3 months compared with same period 12 months earlier</b>	<b>Jan-Mar 2019</b>	<b>Jan-Mar 2018</b>		
Total Exports	920,387	942,972	-22,585	-2.4
Imports	1,039,112	1,073,005	-33,893	-3.2
Trade Balance	-118,725	-130,033	+11,308	
<b>Last 12 months compared with same period 12 months earlier</b>	<b>Apr 2018 to Mar 2019</b>	<b>Apr 2017 to Mar 2018</b>		
Total Exports	4,135,521	3,959,305	+176,216	+4.5
Imports	4,687,505	4,459,547	+227,958	+5.1
Trade Balance	-551,984	-500,242	-51,742	

**Table 2 : Hong Kong's External Merchandise Trade Statistics from January 2016 to March 2019**

(HK\$ Million)

Year	Month	Total Exports	Year-on-year % Change	Imports	Year-on-year % Change
2016	1	299,871.5	-3.8	317,354.0	-9.0
	2	204,484.3	-10.4	237,632.8	-10.1
	3	275,360.4	-7.0	322,388.1	-5.8
	4	285,274.2	-2.3	316,301.2	-4.5
	5	291,500.1	-0.1	317,728.0	-4.3
	6	296,519.1	-1.0	342,114.0	-0.9
	7	304,465.5	-5.1	337,772.8	-3.3
	8	309,670.1	+0.8	341,765.8	+2.8
	9	328,019.3	+3.6	367,724.2	+4.1
	10	313,726.2	-1.8	350,949.3	+0.5
	11	340,934.6	+8.1	374,987.3	+7.6
	12	340,339.9	+10.1	385,817.4	+8.7
2017	1	296,298.9	-1.2	308,643.4	-2.7
	2	241,707.1	+18.2	297,978.3	+25.4
	3	321,895.4	+16.9	364,163.0	+13.0
	4	305,388.7	+7.1	339,519.6	+7.3
	5	303,105.1	+4.0	338,752.6	+6.6
	6	329,406.3	+11.1	377,684.4	+10.4
	7	326,589.1	+7.3	356,190.0	+5.5
	8	332,663.3	+7.4	368,189.8	+7.7
	9	358,705.3	+9.4	403,412.7	+9.7
	10	334,735.3	+6.7	378,694.3	+7.9
	11	367,423.2	+7.8	407,129.4	+8.6
	12	360,688.5	+6.0	420,586.4	+9.0
2018	1	350,046.5	+18.1	381,970.6	+23.8
	2	245,744.1	+1.7	288,476.3	-3.2
	3	347,731.5	+8.0	403,236.1	+10.7
	4	330,223.6	+8.1	377,172.7	+11.1
	5	351,368.2	+15.9	394,618.1	+16.5
	6	340,334.4	+3.3	394,471.0	+4.4
	7	359,125.1	+10.0	406,234.0	+14.0
	8	376,302.8	+13.1	428,452.0	+16.4
	9	374,961.2	+4.5	422,676.3	+4.8
	10	383,651.5	+14.6	428,141.8	+13.1
	11	364,319.8	-0.8	409,284.3	+0.5
	12	339,937.8	-5.8	391,186.7	-7.0
2019	1	348,701.4	-0.4	359,000.0	-6.0
	2	228,674.2	-6.9	277,508.2	-3.8
	3	343,641.5	-1.2	402,882.9	-0.1

**Table 3 : Seasonally Adjusted Series of Hong Kong's External Merchandise Trade Statistics from January 2016 to March 2019**

Year	Month	Change of the latest 3-month period over the preceding 3-month period (%)	
		Total Exports	Imports
2016	1	+0.1	+0.5
	2	-3.3	-2.8
	3	-5.1	-3.6
	4	-5.2	-4.6
	5	+2.5	+2.5
	6	+6.6	+4.9
	7	+6.2	+6.2
	8	+1.5	+2.8
	9	+0.7	+2.3
	10	+1.3	+2.1
	11	+3.4	+2.6
	12	+3.6	+2.5
2017	1	+4.9	+3.5
	2	+2.6	+3.2
	3	+0.8	+2.0
	4	+0.4	+0.7
	5	-0.3	-1.2
	6	+1.7	+0.8
	7	+0.5	+0.9
	8	+2.7	+3.3
	9	+0.9	+1.4
	10	+1.9	+2.6
	11	+2.4	+3.0
	12	+3.1	+3.8
2018	1	+4.2	+3.8
	2	+2.6	+2.9
	3	+2.8	+3.2
	4	+1.6	+2.9
	5	+2.6	+3.5
	6	+1.7	+1.8
	7	+2.0	+1.6
	8	+1.6	+1.8
	9	+1.5	+2.5
	10	+1.5	+1.4
	11	-0.9	-2.1
	12	-3.6	-5.0
2019	1	-5.9	-7.3
	2	-7.8	-8.6
	3	-2.1	-2.4

Note : 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.

**Table 4 : Value of Total Exports of Goods to 10 Main Destinations**

Destination	Mar 2019 (HKD Mn.)	Mar 2019 over Mar 2018 (% change)	Jan - Mar 2019 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Mar 2019 over Jan - Mar 2018 (% change)
Total Exports	343,641	-1.2	920,387	-2.4
The mainland of China	179,281	-10.1	480,800	-6.6
United States of America	25,729	-0.3	71,145	-8.5
Japan	11,254	+3.8	30,524	-3.2
India	10,781	-11.2	25,307	-28.4
Taiwan	7,806	+14.6	20,828	-11.3
Vietnam	7,072	+2.3	18,787	+0.1
Singapore	6,491	+23.8	18,196	+17.7
Germany	6,717	+15.9	17,652	+0.2
Netherlands	6,329	+29.4	15,886	+11.8
Thailand	5,620	+12.1	14,782	+8.2

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

Supplier	Mar 2019 (HKD Mn.)	Mar 2019 over Mar 2018 (% change)	Jan - Mar 2019 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Mar 2019 over Jan - Mar 2018 (% change)
Total Imports	402,883	-0.1	1,039,112	-3.2
The mainland of China	187,383	+7.4	472,501	-0.4
Taiwan	28,381	-25.5	70,950	-16.9
Singapore	23,941	-9.8	69,177	+0.5
Japan	21,457	-1.2	56,121	-3.4
United States of America	22,867	+12.4	56,029	+5.4
Korea	21,329	-11.4	49,663	-23.4
Malaysia	16,152	-10.7	41,487	-8.2
India	6,765	-14.4	21,443	-14.7
Thailand	6,554	-20.7	18,971	-13.6
Switzerland	8,660	+22.6	18,699	-0.5

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

Commodity division	Mar 2019 (HKD Mn.)	Mar 2019 over Mar 2018 (% change)	Jan - Mar 2019 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Mar 2019 over Jan - Mar 2018 (% change)
Total Exports	343,641	-1.2	920,387	-2.4
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	129,754	-6.6	341,669	-4.1
Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	63,508	+10.6	172,172	+5.8
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	33,442	-13.8	92,369	-11.6
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly jewellery, goldsmiths' and silversmiths' wares)	17,958	-5.6	51,340	-2.8
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	21,785	+15.2	44,316	-4.7
Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies, optical goods, watches and clocks	8,564	+6.2	23,798	+0.1
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	6,429	+6.7	22,533	-4.7
Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus	8,003	-4.3	21,634	+0.2
Power generating machinery and equipment	6,479	+30.1	16,995	+24.2
Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles and related products	5,133	-1.5	12,644	-6.5

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

Commodity division	Mar 2019  (HKD Mn.)	Mar 2019 over Mar 2018  (% change)	Jan - Mar 2019  (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Mar 2019 over Jan - Mar 2018  (% change)
Total Imports	402,883	-0.1	1,039,112	-3.2
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	154,274	-5.2	373,251	-7.7
Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	61,512	+9.3	161,217	+2.1
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	31,970	-10.6	84,545	-7.4
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly jewellery, goldsmiths' and silversmiths' wares)	26,659	+12.5	64,171	+5.7
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	17,952	+0.5	51,240	-3.5
Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies, optical goods, watches and clocks	8,877	-0.2	24,500	-2.3
Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	9,298	+25.6	23,514	+4.6
Power generating machinery and equipment	7,699	+22.0	21,168	+18.0
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	6,623	+5.5	21,146	-0.2
Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus	8,343	+9.6	20,628	-1.1