Statistics of Payment Cards Issued in Hong Kong for Third Quarter 2019

		Q3 18	Q2 19	Q3 19	Quarterly Change	Yearly Change
Total number of credit cards in circulation ('000)		19,324	19,594	19,686	+0.5%	+1.9%
Total number of credit card transactions ('000)		185,609	204,941	214,189	+4.5%	+15.4%
of which	Retail sales	183,218	202,627	211,916	+4.6%	+15.7%
	of which Hong Kong spending	154,797	172,546	178,951	+3.7%	+15.6%
	Overseas spending	28,422	30,081	32,965	+9.6%	+16.0%
	Cash advances	2,391	2,314	2,273	-1.8%	-4.9%
Total value of o	Total value of credit card transactions (\$HK Mn)		189,841	188,737	-0.6%	+5.4%
of which	Retail sales	166,693	177,580	176,261	-0.7%	+5.7%
	of which Hong Kong spending	136,673	145,434	142,760	-1.8%	+4.5%
	Overseas spending	30,020	32,146	33,501	+4.2%	+11.6%
	Cash advances	12,362	12,261	12,476	+1.8%	+0.9%
Total number of debit card transactions for retail sales/bill payments ('000)		33,501	35,066	34,229	-2.4%	+2.2%
Total value of debit card transactions for retail sales/bill payments (\$HK Mn)		79,382	82,947	81,830	-1.3%	+3.1%

Notes:
1. Please refer to Notes to Press Release for explanations of the statistics. The figures may not add up due to rounding.