Table 1 Hong Kong's Balance of Payments

							HK\$ million
			2019	2019	2019	2019	2020
Standard component	2018	2019	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	1st Qtı
Current account(1)	105,942	176,005	29,087	33,459	71,757	41,702	-9,028
Credit	6,983,600	6,766,966	1,600,607	1,706,915	1,746,636	1,712,809	1,390,733
Debit	-6,877,658	-6,590,961	-1,571,520	-1,673,456	-1,674,879	-1,671,106	-1,399,761
Goods	-252,997	-126,038	-66,205	-71,934	162	11,939	-50,184
Credit	4,453,350	4,292,589	998,562	1,023,952	1,114,279	1,155,796	899,625
Debit	-4,706,347	-4,418,627	-1,064,767	-1,095,886	-1,114,117	-1,143,857	-949,809
Services	246,936	174,738	77,427	49,487	35,657	12,167	32,150
Credit	886,883	792,916	230,195	202,120	189,582	171,019	142,401
Debit	-639,947	-618,178	-152,768	-152,633	-153,925	-158,852	-110,251
Primary income	134,815	148,169	23,006	61,019	41,274	22,870	16,013
Credit	1,630,576	1,670,630	369,209	478,195	440,008	383,218	346,052
Debit	-1,495,761	-1,522,461	-346,203	-417,176	-398,734	-360,349	-330,039
Secondary income	-22,813	-20,864	-5,141	-5,113	-5,336	-5,273	-7,007
Credit	12,791	10,831	2,641	2,648	2,767	2,775	2,655
Debit	-35,603	-31,695	-7,782	-7,761	-8,103	-8,049	-9,662
Capital and financial account (1)	-175,081	-247,001	-5,018	-66,571	-103,753	-71,658	38,249
Capital account	-1,574	-657	-242	-155	-115	-146	-132
Credit	4	5	2	1	2	1	2
Debit	-1,578	-662	-243	-156	-117	-147	-134
Financial account	-173,507	-246,344	-4,777	-66,416	-103,638	-71,512	38,381
Financial non-reserve assets (2)	-165,948	-255,199	28,182	-38,101	-163,484	-81,796	64,188
Direct investment	172,795	71,307	-72,323	75,834	5,613	62,184	-87,715
Assets	-587,673	-345,190	-278,954	232,239	-167,515	-130,961	-262,001
Liabilities	760,467	416,498	206,631	-156,406	173,128	193,145	174,286
Portfolio investment	-616,428	-318,748	-222,922	-34,190	-89,970	28,334	114,307
Assets	-760,277	-361,928	-274,038	-22,984	-79,522	14,616	175,155
Liabilities	143,849	43,180	51,117	-11,206	-10,449	13,717	-60,849
Financial derivatives	33,202	8,805	8,608	546	-4,089	3,741	-10,888
Assets	615,605	474,328	138,116	104,919	104,816	126,477	112,308
Liabilities	-582,403	-465,523	-129,508	-104,374	-108,906	-122,736	-123,196
Other investment	244,483	-16,564	314,819	-80,291	-75,037	-176,055	48,485
Assets	-568,893	249,760	810,146	-34,731	-65,648	-460,007	-102,714
Liabilities	813,376	-266,323	-495,327	-45,560	-9,389	283,952	151,198
Reserve assets <sup>(2)</sup>	-7,559	8,855	-32,959	-28,315	59,846	10,284	-25,807
Net errors and omissions (3)	69,139	70,996	-24,069	33,113	31,997	29,956	-29,221
Overall Balance of Payments	7,559	-8,855	32,959	28,315	-59,846	-10,284	25,807
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<sup>(1)</sup> In accordance with the accounting rules adopted in compiling Balance of Payments, a positive value for the balance figure in the current account represents a surplus whereas a negative value represents a deficit. In the capital and financial account, a positive value indicates a net financial inflow while a negative value indicates a net outflow. As increases in external assets are debit entries and decreases are credit entries, a negative value for the reserve assets represents a net increase while a positive value represents a net decrease.

<sup>(2)</sup> The estimates of reserve and non-reserve assets under the Balance of Payments framework are transaction figures. Effects of valuation changes (including price changes and exchange rate changes) and reclassifications are not taken into account.

<sup>(3)</sup> In principle, the net sum of credit entries and debit entries is zero. In practice, discrepancies between the credit and debit entries may occur for various reasons as the relevant data are collected from many sources. Equality between the sum of credit entries and that of debit entries is brought about by the inclusion of a balancing item which reflects net errors and omissions.

Table 2 Hong Kong's Balance of Payments: Current account

							HK\$ million
			2019	2019	2019	2019	2020
Standard component	2018	2019	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	1st Qtr
Current account(1)	105,942	176,005	29,087	33,459	71,757	41,702	-9,028
Credit (2)	6,983,600	6,766,966	1,600,607	1,706,915	1,746,636	1,712,809	1,390,733
Debit (2)	-6,877,658	-6,590,961	-1,571,520	-1,673,456	-1,674,879	-1,671,106	-1,399,761
Goods	-252,997	-126,038	-66,205	-71,934	162	11,939	-50,184
Credit	4,453,350	4,292,589	998,562	1,023,952	1,114,279	1,155,796	899,625
Of which: Net exports of goods under merchanting	248,696	243,586	53,841	50,129	65,938	73,678	48,285
Debit	-4,706,347	-4,418,627	-1,064,767	-1,095,886	-1,114,117	-1,143,857	-949,809
Services	246,936	174,738	77,427	49,487	35,657	12,167	32,150
Credit	886,883	792,916	230,195	202,120	189,582	171,019	142,401
Transport	258,847	235,869	59,752	63,330	60,625	52,162	40,136
Travel	288,974	227,576	77,455	67,496	45,441	37,184	14,665
Insurance and pension services	11,664	11,636	2,826	3,115	2,830	2,865	2,458
Financial services	174,083	167,405	51,000	33,074	43,593	39,738	51,039
Other services	153,315	150,430	39,162	35,105	37,093	39,070	34,103
Debit	-639,947	-618,178	-152,768	-152,633	-153,925	-158,852	-110,251
Manufacturing services	-93,181	-80,375	-19,863	-19,682	-20,641	-20,189	-14,590
Transport	-145,261	-138,003	-33,180	-35,698	-35,447	-33,678	-26,532
Travel	-207,232	-210,626	-49,405	-55,190	-52,752	-53,279	-25,090
Insurance and pension services	-11,813	-11,940	-2,678	-3,088	-2,809	-3,365	-2,415
Financial services	-48,605	-47,552	-13,951	-9,425	-11,396	-12,780	-13,015
Other services	-133,855	-129,682	-33,691	-29,550	-30,880	-35,561	-28,609
Primary income	134,815	148,169	23,006	61,019	41,274	22,870	16,013
Credit	1,630,576	1,670,630	369,209	478,195	440,008	383,218	346,052
Investment income	1,627,247	1,667,093	368,297	477,307	439,146	382,344	345,187
Direct investment income	1,060,336	1,077,159	255,078	275,491	279,653	266,937	246,669
Portfolio investment income	341,864	351,917	52,165	139,903	101,031	58,819	46,017
Other investment income	159,608	164,303	42,891	41,735	40,175	39,502	36,381
Income on reserve assets	65,439	73,714	18,162	20,178	18,287	17,087	16,119
Compensation of employees	3,329	3,537	912	888	862	874	865
Debit	-1,495,761	-1,522,461	-346,203	-417,176	-398,734	-360,349	-330,039
Investment income	-1,488,439	-1,514,569	-344,287	-415,207	-396,731	-358,344	-328,137
Direct investment income	-1,192,379	-1,208,660	-284,534	-311,849	-309,860	-302,418	-276,413
Portfolio investment income	-138,077	-143,167	-17,085	-62,011	-47,095	-16,976	-16,054
Other investment income	-157,983	-162,742	-42,668	-41,348	-39,776	-38,950	-35,670
Compensation of employees	-7,322	-7,893	-1,916	-1,969	-2,003	-2,004	-1,902
Secondary income	-22,813	-20,864	-5,141	-5,113	-5,336	-5,273	-7,007
Credit	12,791	10,831	2,641	2,648	2,767	2,775	2,655
Debit	-35,603	-31,695	-7,782	-7,761	-8,103	-8,049	-9,662

<sup>(1)</sup> In accordance with the accounting rules adopted in compiling Balance of Payments, a positive value for the balance figure in the current account represents a surplus whereas a negative value represents a deficit.

<sup>(2)</sup> In a Balance of Payments account, every external transaction is recorded by two entries, a credit and a debit. In the current account, exports of goods and services, primary income inflows and secondary income inflows are all credit entries, while imports of goods and services, primary income outflows and secondary income outflows are debit entries.

Table 3 Hong Kong's Balance of Payments: Capital and financial account

							HK\$ million
			2019	2019	2019	2019	2020
Standard component	2018	2019	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	1st Qtr
Capital and financial account <sup>(1)</sup>	-175,081	-247,001	-5,018	-66,571	-103,753	-71,658	38,249
Capital account	-1,574	-657	-242	-155	-115	-146	-132
Credit	4	5	2	1	2	1	2
Debit	-1,578	-662	-243	-156	-117	-147	-134
Financial account	-173,507	-246,344	-4,777	-66,416	-103,638	-71,512	38,381
Financial non-reserve assets <sup>(2)</sup>	-165,948	-255,199	28,182	-38,101	-163,484	-81,796	64,188
Direct investment	172,795	71,307	-72,323	75,834	5,613	62,184	-87,715
Assets	-587,673	-345,190	-278,954	232,239	-167,515	-130,961	-262,001
Equity and investment fund shares	-672,953	-509,493	-237,014	132,919	-182,413	-222,985	-238,421
Debt instruments	85,280	164,303	-41,940	99,320	14,898	92,024	-23,580
Liabilities	760,467	416,498	206,631	-156,406	173,128	193,145	174,286
Equity and investment fund shares	818,962	433,342	223,883	-217,559	190,313	236,704	154,645
Debt instruments	-58,495	-16,844	-17,252	61,154	-17,186	-43,560	19,641
Portfolio investment	-616,428	-318,748	-222,922	-34,190	-89,970	28,334	114,307
Assets	-760,277	-361,928	-274,038	-22,984	-79,522	14,616	175,155
Equity and investment fund shares	-256,391	-100,170	-53,019	54,064	-21,955	-79,261	23,722
Debt securities	-503,886	-261,758	-221,020	-77,048	-57,566	93,877	151,433
Short-term	-59,023	-98,238	-166,464	79,073	25,907	-36,754	138,188
Long-term	-444,863	-163,520	-54,556	-156,122	-83,473	130,631	13,245
Liabilities	143,849	43,180	51,117	-11,206	-10,449	13,717	-60,849
Equity and investment fund shares	-18,700	27,499	35,187	-33,322	-3,355	28,988	-40,725
Debt securities	162,549	15,681	15,930	22,115	-7,094	-15,271	-20,123
Short-term	-22,836	-11,388	3,472	-3,604	-3,524	-7,731	-18,672
Long-term	185,384	27,068	12,459	25,719	-3,570	-7,540	-1,452
Financial derivatives	33,202	8,805	8,608	546	-4,089	3,741	-10,888
Assets	615,605	474,328	138,116	104,919	104,816	126,477	112,308
Liabilities	-582,403	-465,523	-129,508	-104,374	-108,906	-122,736	-123,196
Other investment	244,483	-16,564	314,819	-80,291	-75,037	-176,055	48,485
Assets	-568,893	249,760	810,146	-34,731	-65,648	-460,007	-102,714
Currency and deposits	-442,645	495,007	913,077	24,348	-5,586	-436,831	-135,593
Loans	-120,594	-259,206	-93,811	-23,938	-76,086	-65,371	15,907
Trade credit and advances	1,154	943	30,044	-8,117	-14,646	-6,339	22,185
Other assets	-6,808	13,015	-39,164	-27,024	30,670	48,534	-5,213
Liabilities	813,376	-266,323	-495,327	-45,560	-9,389	283,952	151,198
Currency and deposits	590,647	-308,915	-497,242	-35,921	-17,452	241,701	95,964
Loans	216,674	35,228	-24,663	-25,893	28,650	57,134	30,298
Trade credit and advances	-1,012	-11,397	-25,913	6,042	2,924	5,551	-12,963
Other liabilities	7,068	18,760	52,491	10,213	-23,511	-20,433	37,899
Reserve assets <sup>(2)</sup>	-7,559	8,855	-32,959	-28,315	59,846	10,284	-25,807

<sup>(1)</sup> In accordance with the accounting rules adopted in compiling Balance of Payments, a positive value for the balance figure in the capital and financial account indicates a net financial inflow while a negative value indicates a net outflow. As increases in external assets are debit entries and decreases are credit entries, a negative value for the reserve assets represents a net increase while a positive value represents a net decrease.

<sup>(2)</sup> The estimates of reserve and non-reserve assets under the Balance of Payments framework are transaction figures. Effects of valuation changes (including price changes and exchange rate changes) and reclassifications are not taken into account.

Table 4 Hong Kong's International Investment Position (position as at end of period)

							HK\$ million
Broad component	2018	2019	2019 1st Qtr	2019 2nd Qtr	2019 3rd Qtr	2019 4th Qtr	2020 1st Qtr
Assets	42,547,706	43,759,614	44,178,263	42,965,130	42,495,384	43,759,614	42,428,688
Direct investment	16,071,273	15,597,546	16,994,927	15,661,451	15,421,507	15,597,546	15,320,141
Equity and investment fund shares	12,959,533	12,617,864	13,740,511	12,477,968	12,342,512	12,617,864	12,324,514
Debt instruments	3,111,739	2,979,683	3,254,416	3,183,483	3,078,995	2,979,683	2,995,628
Portfolio investment	12,478,188	14,251,993	13,863,902	13,823,016	13,427,458	14,251,993	12,846,231
Equity and investment fund shares	7,813,395	9,094,864	8,886,237	8,639,430	8,237,415	9,094,864	7,929,857
Debt securities	4,664,793	5,157,128	4,977,665	5,183,585	5,190,043	5,157,128	4,916,373
Short-term	960,521	1,096,880	1,136,113	1,069,804	1,034,841	1,096,880	944,450
Long-term	3,704,272	4,060,249	3,841,552	4,113,782	4,155,202	4,060,249	3,971,923
Financial derivatives	631,272	608,623	643,930	735,902	820,292	608,623	936,568
Other investment	10,042,081	9,862,543	9,237,363	9,262,816	9,387,099	9,862,543	9,933,680
Currency and deposits	7,350,287	6,931,496	6,440,220	6,407,903	6,472,079	6,931,496	7,046,115
Loans	2,347,666	2,593,326	2,446,080	2,461,920	2,535,460	2,593,326	2,564,246
Trade credit and advances	200,068	198,301	170,451	177,890	192,846	198,301	175,181
Other assets	144,062	139,421	180,612	215,103	186,713	139,421	148,138
Reserve assets	3,324,892	3,438,908	3,438,141	3,481,945	3,439,027	3,438,908	3,392,069
Liabilities	32,500,358	31,587,933	33,345,841	31,763,081	31,323,754	31,587,933	30,313,533
Direct investment	17,120,684	16,173,072	17,941,449	16,429,975	16,202,064	16,173,072	15,176,381
Equity and investment fund shares	15,122,034	14,217,760	15,987,505	14,379,835	14,139,211	14,217,760	13,249,669
Debt instruments	1,998,650	1,955,311	1,953,944	2,050,140	2,062,853	1,955,311	1,926,712
Portfolio investment	4,218,613	4,443,341	4,768,503	4,615,752	4,220,965	4,443,341	3,755,799
Equity and investment fund shares	3,525,801	3,758,563	4,060,617	3,897,522	3,490,336	3,758,563	3,095,087
Debt securities	692,811	684,777	707,885	718,231	730,629	684,777	660,712
Short-term	184,606	183,638	184,973	186,397	194,597	183,638	153,319
Long-term	508,205	501,140	522,913	531,834	536,032	501,140	507,394
Financial derivatives	575,325	579,174	602,419	725,387	779,892	579,174	882,815
Other investment	10,585,736	10,392,346	10,033,470	9,991,966	10,120,833	10,392,346	10,498,537
Currency and deposits	7,946,811	7,601,017	7,462,828	7,399,858	7,385,232	7,601,017	7,658,075
Loans	2,188,825	2,315,887	2,095,244	2,085,474	2,237,959	2,315,887	2,331,734
Trade credit and advances	221,636	209,505	196,342	201,616	204,876	209,505	195,464
Other liabilities	228,464	265,938	279,056	305,019	292,766	265,938	313,264
Net International Investment Position <sup>(1)</sup>	10,047,348	12,171,681	10,832,422	11,202,049	11,171,629	12,171,681	12,115,156
Additional items related to reserve assets:							
Reserve-related liabilities	314	659	623	632	625	659	306
Foreign currency deposits with resident banks	214,350	229,752	217,272	199,926	263,028	229,752	224,701

<sup>(1)</sup> Net International Investment Position is the difference between total external financial assets and total external financial liabilities.

Table 5 Hong Kong's External Debt (position as at end of period)

							HK\$ million
			2019	2019	2019	2019	2020
Sector / Standard component	2018	2019	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	1st Qtr
General government	26,211	25,851	26,655	33,906	26,372	25,851	27,184
Short-term	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Debt securities	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Loans	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Currency and deposits	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Other debt liabilities	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Long-term	26,211	25,851	26,655	33,906	26,372	25,851	27,184
Debt securities	26,211	25,851	26,655	33,906	26,372	25,851	27,184
Loans	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other debt liabilities	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Monetary authority	3,538	2,422	3,395	2,783	2,730	2,422	2,226
Short-term	326	672	635	644	638	672	317
Debt securities	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Loans	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Currency and deposits	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other debt liabilities	326	672	635	644	638	672	317
Long-term	3,212	1,750	2,760	2,138	2,092	1,750	1,909
Debt securities	3,212	1,750	2,760	2,138	2,092	1,750	1,909
Loans	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other debt liabilities	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Banks	8,312,027	7,992,727	7,872,804	7,826,010	7,823,599	7,992,727	8,039,768
Short-term	8,050,305	7,744,299	7,624,374	7,568,495	7,542,418	7,744,299	7,785,429
Debt securities	163,231	166,796	164,182	164,391	173,179	166,796	133,347
Loans	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Currency and deposits	7,859,030	7,512,447	7,387,098	7,320,083	7,299,113	7,512,447	7,557,289
Other debt liabilities	28,044	65,056	73,093	84,020	70,126	65,056	94,793
Long-term	261,722	248,428	248,430	257,515	281,181	248,428	254,340
Debt securities	168,107	153,862	166,593	170,719	185,088	153,862	147,592
Loans	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Currency and deposits	87,781	88,570	75,729	79,775	86,119	88,570	100,786
Other debt liabilities	5,834	5,996	6,108	7,021	9,974	5,996	5,962
Other sectors	2,936,771	3,056,123	2,838,502	2,847,499	2,998,762	3,056,123	3,090,071
Short-term	798,571	813,391	760,137	775,649	813,417	813,391	828,243
Debt securities	21,375	16,842	20,791	22,005	21,418	16,842	19,972
Loans	502,360	535,313	483,089	480,906	516,977	535,313	541,831
Currency and deposits	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Trade credit and advances	221,636	209,505	196,342	201,616	204,876	209,505	195,464
Other debt liabilities	53,200	51,732	59,916	71,122	70,146	51,732	70,975
Long-term	2,138,200	2,242,732	2,078,365	2,071,850	2,185,346	2,242,732	2,261,828
Debt securities	310,675	319,676	326,905	325,071	322,481	319,676	330,709
Loans	1,686,465	1,780,574	1,612,155	1,604,568	1,720,982	1,780,574	1,789,903
Trade credit and advances	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Other debt liabilities	141,060	142,482	139,304	142,211	141,883	142,482	141,216
Direct investment: intercompany lending	1,998,650	1,955,311	1,953,944	2,050,140	2,062,853	1,955,311	1,926,712
Debt liabilities of direct investment enterprises to direct investor	843,370	810,520	798,141	846,888	883,174	810,520	785,070
Debt liabilities of direct investor to direct investment enterprises	512,592	536,904	517,964	495,563	565,570	536,904	545,331
Debt liabilities between fellow enterprises	642,689	607,888	637,839	707,689	614,109	607,888	596,312
<b>Gross External Debt</b>	13,277,198	13,032,435	12,695,300	12,760,337	12,914,315	13,032,435	13,085,961

<sup>\*</sup> Data are not released due to relatively insignificant value (less than HK\$10 million) and / or in order to safeguard confidentiality of information provided by individual establishments.