

Table 1: External Merchandise Trade Statistics for November 2020

(HK\$ Million)

Merchandise trade values for November 2020				
	Total Exports		379,568	
	Imports		405,177	
	Trade Balance		-25,609	
			Change	
Current month compared with same month in the preceding year	November 2020	November 2019	Value	%
Total Exports	379,568	359,270	+20,298	+5.6
Imports	405,177	385,438	+19,739	+5.1
Trade Balance	-25,609	-26,168	+559	
Current month compared with last month	November 2020	October 2020		
Total Exports	379,568	344,657	+34,912	+10.1
Imports	405,177	381,413	+23,764	+6.2
Trade Balance	-25,609	-36,756	+11,148	
Latest 3 months compared with same period 12 months earlier	Sep-Nov 2020	Sep-Nov 2019		
Total Exports	1,100,787	1,054,255	+46,532	+4.4
Imports	1,177,672	1,143,166	+34,506	+3.0
Trade Balance	-76,885	-88,911	+12,026	
Calendar year-to-date compared with same period in the preceding year	Jan-Nov 2020	Jan-Nov 2019		
Total Exports	3,535,632	3,637,889	-102,257	-2.8
Imports	3,832,235	4,031,894	-199,659	-5.0
Trade Balance	-296,603	-394,005	+97,402	
Last 12 months compared with same period 12 months earlier	Dec 2019 to Nov 2020	Dec 2018 to Nov 2019		
Total Exports	3,886,429	3,977,173	-90,744	-2.3
Imports	4,215,781	4,422,817	-207,036	-4.7
Trade Balance	-329,352	-445,644	+116,291	

Table 2 : Hong Kong's External Merchandise Trade Statistics from January 2017 to November 2020

(HK\$ Million)

Year	Month	Total Exports	Year-on-year % Change	Imports	Year-on-year % Change
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
	4	321,517.1	-2.6	356,608.5	-5.5
	5	343,065.0	-2.4	377,774.1	-4.3
	6	309,606.8	-9.0	364,793.9	-7.5
	7	338,617.6	-5.7	370,790.1	-8.7
	8	352,727.3	-6.3	380,776.7	-11.1
	9	347,685.3	-7.3	379,324.5	-10.3
	10	348,527.6	-9.2	379,117.8	-11.5
	11	359,269.9	-1.4	385,437.9	-5.8
	12	351,275.7	+3.3	383,772.6	-1.9
2020	1	269,395.5	-22.7	299,990.8	-16.4
	2	238,557.6	+4.3	277,108.4	-0.1
	3	323,646.8	-5.8	358,353.9	-11.1
	4	309,462.4	-3.7	332,799.4	-6.7
	5	317,610.5	-7.4	331,340.6	-12.3
	6	305,607.9	-1.3	338,949.4	-7.1
	7	328,465.8	-3.0	358,282.2	-3.4
	8	344,483.8	-2.3	359,109.6	-5.7
	9	379,348.3	+9.1	392,041.8	+3.4
	10	344,656.5	-1.1	381,412.6	+0.6
	11	379,568.2	+5.6	405,176.8	+5.1

Table 3 : Seasonally Adjusted Series of Hong Kong's External Merchandise Trade Statistics from January 2017 to November 2020

Year	Month	Change of the latest 3-month period over the preceding 3-month period (%)	
		Total Exports	Imports
2017	1	+5.0	+3.6
	2	+2.5	+3.4
	3	+0.5	+2.1
	4	-0.3	+0.9
	5	-0.5	-1.3
	6	+2.0	+0.7
	7	+1.3	+0.8
	8	+3.1	+2.9
	9	+0.9	+1.2
	10	+1.7	+2.1
	11	+2.4	+3.2
	12	+3.4	+3.9
2018	1	+3.7	+4.1
	2	+2.9	+3.4
	3	+2.5	+3.8
	4	+2.1	+3.8
	5	+1.7	+3.1
	6	+1.8	+1.0
	7	+2.0	+0.8
	8	+1.9	+0.8
	9	+1.2	+1.7
	10	+1.5	+1.3
	11	-0.5	-1.2
	12	-2.9	-3.8
2019	1	-6.2	-6.7
	2	-7.3	-7.7
	3	-2.8	-2.6
	4	-1.5	-0.5
	5	+4.4	+4.8
	6	-0.2	-1.0
	7	-0.2	-1.5
	8	-3.5	-4.5
	9	-0.6	-2.6
	10	+0.5	-1.9
	11	+0.8	-1.6
	12	+1.2	-0.8
2020	1	-4.4	-2.2
	2	-7.8	-5.8
	3	-9.8	-5.7
	4	-0.8	-4.0
	5	+5.1	+1.7
	6	+5.8	+0.3
	7	+1.7	+0.9
	8	+0.3	+0.6
	9	+4.4	+3.6
	10	+5.8	+5.3
	11	+7.7	+7.2

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	Nov 2020 (HKD Mn.)	Nov 2020 over Nov 2019 (% change)	Jan - Nov 2020 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Nov 2020 over Jan - Nov 2019 (% change)
Total Exports	379,568	+5.6	3,535,632	-2.8
The mainland of China	223,902	+8.0	2,083,083	+3.9
United States of America	24,047	+1.5	235,492	-16.3
Japan	10,393	+1.5	99,215	-10.7
India	8,165	-14.3	89,473	-17.2
Taiwan	8,836	+19.4	87,994	+9.8
Vietnam	7,599	+14.3	76,343	+4.1
Netherlands	6,769	-4.4	57,270	-8.1
Singapore	5,588	-21.2	54,304	-17.9
Germany	5,395	+7.1	53,714	-15.2
Korea	4,815	+0.1	47,055	-9.9

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

Supplier	Nov 2020 (HKD Mn.)	Nov 2020 over Nov 2019 (% change)	Jan - Nov 2020 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Nov 2020 over Jan - Nov 2019 (% change)
Total Imports	405,177	+5.1	3,832,235	-5.0
The mainland of China	190,052	+4.3	1,719,297	-8.6
Taiwan	35,530	+19.4	363,790	+21.5
Singapore	29,088	+8.1	284,001	+6.8
Korea	24,124	+20.8	219,166	+9.4
Japan	21,564	-0.0	215,626	-6.4
United States of America	16,578	-7.7	157,968	-19.1
Malaysia	11,994	-9.9	148,691	+0.4
Vietnam	10,784	+15.3	89,321	+29.4
Thailand	7,620	+0.0	77,972	+0.7
Philippines	6,142	-5.1	63,650	-0.0

Note : '0.0' denotes increase or decrease of less than 0.05%.

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

Commodity division	Nov 2020 (HKD Mn.)	Nov 2020 over Nov 2019 (% change)	Jan - Nov 2020 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Nov 2020 over Jan - Nov 2019 (% change)
Total Exports	379,568	+5.6	3,535,632	-2.8
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	160,905	+10.5	1,528,564	+7.2
Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	70,309	-4.2	600,073	-11.1
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	39,318	+6.1	387,718	+7.1
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly jewellery, goldsmiths' and silversmiths' wares)	19,255	+8.3	167,757	-19.0
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	12,791	+20.2	110,889	-22.8
Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus	8,829	+20.4	88,119	+4.9
Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies, optical goods, watches and clocks	8,594	-4.9	75,734	-21.5
Power generating machinery and equipment	6,359	-33.2	73,734	+4.4
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	5,531	-25.5	58,389	-34.2
Non-ferrous metals	7,823	+177.2	48,236	+60.2

Table 7 : Value of Imports of 10 Principal Commodity Divisions

Commodity division	Nov 2020 (HKD Mn.)	Nov 2020 over Nov 2019 (% change)	Jan - Nov 2020 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Nov 2020 over Jan - Nov 2019 (% change)
Total Imports	405,177	+5.1	3,832,235	-5.0
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	168,110	+14.0	1,611,839	+5.9
Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	65,824	-6.3	574,303	-8.9
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	32,985	+8.2	315,393	-2.0
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly jewellery, goldsmiths' and silversmiths' wares)	23,081	+6.2	199,586	-17.4
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	13,317	+6.7	111,860	-32.2
Power generating machinery and equipment	9,297	-0.0	94,990	+11.3
Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus	8,265	+9.0	84,839	+4.7
Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies, optical goods, watches and clocks	8,820	+5.5	75,593	-21.0
Essential oils and resinoids and perfume materials; toilet, polishing and cleansing preparations	7,487	+78.9	62,330	+28.7
Non-ferrous metals	7,846	+54.7	58,957	+19.7

Note : '0.0' denotes increase or decrease of less than 0.05%.