

Table 1: External Merchandise Trade Statistics for May 2015

(HK\$ Million)

Merchandise trade values for May 2015				
	Domestic Exports		4,258	
	Re-exports		287,571	
	Total Exports		291,830	
	Imports		331,940	
	Trade Balance		-40,110	
			Change	
Current month compared with same month in the preceding year	May 2015	May 2014	Value	%
Domestic Exports	4,258	5,299	-1,041	-19.6
(% of Total Exports)	(1.5%)	(1.7%)		
Re-exports	287,571	300,673	-13,102	-4.4
Total Exports	291,830	305,973	-14,143	-4.6
Imports	331,940	348,323	-16,383	-4.7
Trade Balance	-40,110	-42,350	+2,240	
Current month compared with last month	May 2015	April 2015		
Domestic Exports	4,258	4,202	+57	+1.3
(% of Total Exports)	(1.5%)	(1.4%)		
Re-exports	287,571	287,742	-170	-0.1
Total Exports	291,830	291,944	-114	-0.0
Imports	331,940	331,108	+832	+0.3
Trade Balance	-40,110	-39,164	-946	
Latest 3 months compared with same period 12 months earlier	Mar-May 2015	Mar-May 2014		
Domestic Exports	12,495	15,267	-2,772	-18.2
(% of Total Exports)	(1.4%)	(1.7%)		
Re-exports	867,081	877,289	-10,208	-1.2
Total Exports	879,575	892,556	-12,981	-1.5
Imports	1,003,991	1,039,478	-35,487	-3.4
Trade Balance	-124,416	-146,922	+22,507	
Calendar year-to-date compared with same period in the preceding year	Jan-May 2015	Jan-May 2014		
Domestic Exports	19,882	22,841	-2,959	-13.0
(% of Total Exports)	(1.4%)	(1.6%)		
Re-exports	1,399,827	1,385,994	+13,833	+1.0
Total Exports	1,419,709	1,408,835	+10,874	+0.8
Imports	1,616,722	1,629,267	-12,545	-0.8
Trade Balance	-197,013	-220,432	+23,419	
Last 12 months compared with same period 12 months earlier	Jun 2014 to May 2015	Jun 2013 to May 2014		
Domestic Exports	52,324	55,032	-2,707	-4.9
(% of Total Exports)	(1.4%)	(1.5%)		
Re-exports	3,631,301	3,520,009	+111,293	+3.2
Total Exports	3,683,625	3,575,040	+108,585	+3.0
Imports	4,206,502	4,099,466	+107,036	+2.6
Trade Balance	-522,876	-524,426	+1,550	

Table 2 : Hong Kong's External Merchandise Trade Statistics from January 2012 to May 2015

(HK\$ Million)

Year	Month	Domestic Exports	Year-on-year % Change	Re-exports	Year-on-year % Change	Total Exports	Year-on-year % Change	Imports	Year-on-year % Change
2012	1	3,691.9	-39.7	255,608.1	-7.9	259,300.0	-8.6	268,156.2	-10.5
	2	4,357.7	-4.9	255,392.2	+14.4	259,749.9	+14.0	305,535.6	+20.8
	3	4,911.8	-23.0	257,513.7	-6.4	262,425.5	-6.8	306,300.8	-4.7
	4	4,725.4	-20.9	261,527.4	+6.3	266,252.8	+5.6	309,125.9	+5.0
	5	5,296.1	-13.5	289,209.4	+5.6	294,505.5	+5.2	330,071.8	+4.6
	6	4,978.4	-10.3	273,249.2	-4.7	278,227.6	-4.8	322,932.3	-2.9
	7	5,127.9	+0.3	271,079.9	-3.5	276,207.8	-3.5	316,338.2	-1.8
	8	5,506.8	-7.2	306,150.5	+0.7	311,657.3	+0.6	347,689.0	+0.9
	9	5,361.9	+10.2	307,798.7	+15.3	313,160.6	+15.2	358,312.2	+14.9
	10	4,829.4	-8.2	292,198.1	-2.7	297,027.4	-2.8	339,699.4	+3.3
	11	5,117.8	-0.6	302,649.4	+10.7	307,767.1	+10.5	351,837.5	+9.0
	12	4,989.2	+6.1	305,974.4	+14.6	310,963.6	+14.4	358,914.4	+11.9
2013	1	4,491.4	+21.7	300,326.9	+17.5	304,818.3	+17.6	332,281.1	+23.9
	2	3,286.2	-24.6	212,455.5	-16.8	215,741.6	-16.9	249,729.3	-18.3
	3	5,073.4	+3.3	286,637.5	+11.3	291,710.9	+11.2	340,856.8	+11.3
	4	4,503.5	-4.7	285,763.0	+9.3	290,266.5	+9.0	332,962.9	+7.7
	5	4,817.5	-9.0	286,724.1	-0.9	291,541.7	-1.0	335,809.0	+1.7
	6	4,475.7	-10.1	273,161.1	-0.0	277,636.8	-0.2	327,309.5	+1.4
	7	4,783.3	-6.7	300,630.1	+10.9	305,413.4	+10.6	342,565.1	+8.3
	8	4,931.9	-10.4	302,557.8	-1.2	307,489.6	-1.3	347,059.3	-0.2
	9	4,394.5	-18.0	313,435.8	+1.8	317,830.3	+1.5	359,840.6	+0.4
	10	4,457.9	-7.7	318,685.8	+9.1	323,143.7	+8.8	361,195.7	+6.3
	11	4,587.4	-10.4	320,934.9	+6.0	325,522.3	+5.8	370,103.7	+5.2
	12	4,595.9	-7.9	306,280.7	+0.1	310,876.6	-0.0	365,227.6	+1.8
2014	1	4,299.1	-4.3	299,157.3	-0.4	303,456.4	-0.4	323,435.6	-2.7
	2	3,275.6	-0.3	209,638.0	-1.3	212,913.6	-1.3	266,586.9	+6.8
	3	5,120.3	+0.9	296,403.1	+3.4	301,523.5	+3.4	351,888.7	+3.2
	4	4,866.5	+8.1	280,815.7	-1.7	285,682.2	-1.6	340,971.7	+2.4
	5	5,299.3	+10.0	300,673.2	+4.9	305,972.5	+4.9	348,322.9	+3.7
	6	4,801.9	+7.3	304,408.7	+11.4	309,210.6	+11.4	352,315.7	+7.6
	7	5,119.9	+7.0	321,040.5	+6.8	326,160.3	+6.8	368,292.7	+7.5
	8	5,288.7	+7.2	321,936.8	+6.4	327,225.5	+6.4	358,750.3	+3.4
	9	4,152.9	-5.5	327,833.0	+4.6	331,985.8	+4.5	382,354.9	+6.3
	10	4,391.5	-1.5	327,335.0	+2.7	331,726.5	+2.7	381,568.9	+5.6
	11	4,701.3	+2.5	322,081.9	+0.4	326,783.2	+0.4	378,946.3	+2.4
	12	4,050.1	-11.9	308,704.6	+0.8	312,754.7	+0.6	372,007.3	+1.9
2015	1	4,468.4	+3.9	307,403.0	+2.8	311,871.4	+2.8	348,886.1	+7.9
	2	2,918.8	-10.9	225,417.7	+7.5	228,336.5	+7.2	264,220.1	-0.9
	3	4,012.6	-21.6	292,100.1	-1.5	296,112.7	-1.8	342,318.8	-2.7
	4	4,201.8	-13.7	287,741.9	+2.5	291,943.8	+2.2	331,108.3	-2.9
	5	4,258.4	-19.6	287,571.5	-4.4	291,829.8	-4.6	331,940.1	-4.7

Notes : Value of domestic exports and value of re-exports may not add up to the value of total exports due to rounding.

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

Table 3 : Seasonally Adjusted Series of Hong Kong's External Merchandise Trade Statistics from January 2012 to May 2015

Year	Month	Change of the latest 3-month period over the preceding 3-month period (%)			
		Domestic Exports	Re-exports	Total Exports	Imports
2012	1	-7.2	-1.7	-1.8	-1.1
	2	-0.3	+5.5	+5.4	+4.7
	3	+0.7	+2.5	+2.4	+2.4
	4	+5.8	+4.5	+4.6	+2.7
	5	-0.6	-1.8	-1.8	-2.1
	6	+0.8	-0.2	-0.2	+0.2
	7	+0.1	-1.1	-1.1	+0.3
	8	+3.2	+0.6	+0.6	+2.7
	9	+3.8	+1.5	+1.6	+2.7
	10	+2.6	+2.6	+2.6	+3.6
	11	+2.8	+3.6	+3.6	+3.4
	12	-2.9	+2.7	+2.6	+2.5
2013	1	-4.0	+4.1	+3.9	+2.2
	2	-6.1	+0.6	+0.5	-0.2
	3	-3.7	-0.4	-0.5	-1.0
	4	-2.8	-1.3	-1.3	-1.2
	5	-3.6	+2.5	+2.4	+1.7
	6	-5.8	-0.6	-0.7	-0.3
	7	-6.3	-2.7	-2.7	-1.4
	8	-3.5	-4.0	-4.0	-2.3
	9	+0.5	+2.2	+2.1	+1.7
	10	+1.5	+3.3	+3.3	+2.5
	11	+1.3	+6.3	+6.2	+4.3
	12	+1.1	+3.7	+3.7	+3.6
2014	1	+3.4	+4.1	+4.1	+3.9
	2	+2.8	-3.8	-3.7	-1.0
	3	+3.1	-4.3	-4.2	-2.5
	4	+0.7	-6.0	-5.9	-3.6
	5	+4.7	+3.4	+3.4	+1.6
	6	+3.7	+3.8	+3.8	+2.3
	7	+3.2	+7.2	+7.1	+4.1
	8	-1.7	+3.0	+2.9	+1.9
	9	-4.0	+3.4	+3.3	+2.7
	10	-5.6	+1.1	+0.9	+1.8
	11	-6.0	-0.1	-0.2	+2.0
	12	-6.7	-2.3	-2.3	-0.2
2015	1	-4.8	-3.1	-3.1	-3.0
	2	-2.7	-2.8	-2.8	-2.8
	3	-1.6	-1.3	-1.3	-2.4
	4	-4.7	-0.9	-1.0	-1.2
	5	-9.8	-1.3	-1.4	-4.2

Notes : 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 : Total Exports of Goods to 10 Main Destinations

Destination	May 2015 (HKD Mn.)	May 2015 over May 2014 (% change)	Jan - May 2015 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - May 2015 over Jan - May 2014 (% change)
Total Exports	291,830	-4.6	1,419,709	+0.8
The mainland of China	155,816	-6.6	760,660	-0.5
United States of America	28,909	+5.3	132,800	+6.0
Japan	9,728	-13.6	49,547	-7.3
India	6,867	-7.7	38,690	+6.9
Vietnam	7,136	+35.1	30,368	+20.1
Germany	5,790	-5.7	26,736	-4.8
Taiwan	5,178	-23.9	26,498	-16.1
Singapore	4,892	-1.8	24,457	+3.4
Korea	4,891	-6.4	23,581	-6.6
Thailand	3,935	+3.9	21,003	+16.4

Table 5 : Imports of Goods from 10 Main Suppliers

Supplier	May 2015 (HKD Mn.)	May 2015 over May 2014 (% change)	Jan - May 2015 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - May 2015 over Jan - May 2014 (% change)
Total Imports	331,940	-4.7	1,616,722	-0.8
The mainland of China	157,119	-2.4	758,823	+2.2
Taiwan	23,253	-11.5	109,859	-5.4
Japan	21,461	-13.6	105,637	-7.4
Singapore	22,341	+0.5	105,451	-1.5
United States of America	19,547	+12.4	87,850	+4.3
Korea	14,320	-10.5	72,396	+5.0
Malaysia	7,586	-17.4	37,267	-11.3
India	6,303	-10.1	34,954	-7.8
Thailand	7,471	+4.5	34,001	-1.8
Switzerland	4,621	-31.8	27,122	-16.8

Table 6 : Total Exports of 10 Principal Commodity Divisions

Commodity division	May 2015 (HKD Mn.)	May 2015 over May 2014 (% change)	Jan - May 2015 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - May 2015 over Jan - May 2014 (% change)
Total Exports	291,830	-4.6	1,419,709	+0.8
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	94,104	+2.1	442,916	+4.6
Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	58,092	-1.4	282,544	+7.2
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	30,307	-9.4	159,281	+1.0
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly jewellery, goldsmiths' and silversmiths' wares)	16,745	-8.1	83,568	+1.6
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	12,091	-11.2	67,020	-3.3
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	10,836	-5.5	50,801	-9.5
Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies, optical goods, watches and clocks	9,300	-8.6	44,153	-4.1
Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles and related products	6,718	-7.8	30,672	-6.4
Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus	6,417	-5.8	30,048	-7.9
Plastics in primary forms	4,724	-12.9	21,931	-9.6

Table 7 : Imports of 10 Principal Commodity Divisions

Commodity division	May 2015 (HKD Mn.)	May 2015 over May 2014 (% change)	Jan - May 2015 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - May 2015 over Jan - May 2014 (% change)
Total Imports	331,940	-4.7	1,616,722	-0.8
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	104,087	-3.0	492,126	+0.5
Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	58,541	+9.5	289,532	+15.6
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	26,908	-13.9	136,968	-5.7
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly jewellery, goldsmiths' and silversmiths' wares)	18,855	-10.3	92,610	-8.4
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	13,659	-15.0	78,585	-5.8
Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies, optical goods, watches and clocks	8,299	-21.1	42,889	-10.2
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	8,608	-12.1	40,975	-8.2
Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	6,675	-26.3	34,690	-23.2
Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus	6,719	-7.2	31,524	-6.5
Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles and related products	6,271	-10.0	28,374	-10.1