

Table 1: External Merchandise Trade Statistics for August 2015

(HK\$ Million)

Merchandise trade values for August 2015				
	Domestic Exports		4,162	
	Re-exports		303,091	
	Total Exports		307,253	
	Imports		332,327	
	Trade Balance		-25,074	
			Change	
Current month compared with same month in the preceding year	August 2015	August 2014	Value	%
Domestic Exports	4,162	5,289	-1,127	-21.3
(% of Total Exports)	(1.4%)	(1.6%)		
Re-exports	303,091	321,937	-18,846	-5.9
Total Exports	307,253	327,225	-19,972	-6.1
Imports	332,327	358,750	-26,423	-7.4
Trade Balance	-25,074	-31,525	+6,451	
Current month compared with last month	August 2015	July 2015		
Domestic Exports	4,162	4,146	+16	+0.4
(% of Total Exports)	(1.4%)	(1.3%)		
Re-exports	303,091	316,725	-13,634	-4.3
Total Exports	307,253	320,871	-13,618	-4.2
Imports	332,327	349,305	-16,978	-4.9
Trade Balance	-25,074	-28,434	+3,360	
Latest 3 months compared with same period 12 months earlier	Jun-Aug 2015	Jun-Aug 2014		
Domestic Exports	12,431	15,167	-2,736	-18.0
(% of Total Exports)	(1.3%)	(1.6%)		
Re-exports	914,065	946,703	-32,639	-3.4
Total Exports	926,496	961,870	-35,374	-3.7
Imports	1,025,296	1,077,477	-52,181	-4.8
Trade Balance	-98,800	-115,606	+16,806	
Calendar year-to-date compared with same period in the preceding year	Jan-Aug 2015	Jan-Aug 2014		
Domestic Exports	32,313	38,008	-5,695	-15.0
(% of Total Exports)	(1.4%)	(1.6%)		
Re-exports	2,313,891	2,332,697	-18,806	-0.8
Total Exports	2,346,205	2,370,705	-24,501	-1.0
Imports	2,642,018	2,706,744	-64,726	-2.4
Trade Balance	-295,813	-336,038	+40,225	
Last 12 months compared with same period 12 months earlier	Sep 2014 to Aug 2015	Sep 2013 to Aug 2014		
Domestic Exports	49,588	56,032	-6,443	-11.5
(% of Total Exports)	(1.4%)	(1.5%)		
Re-exports	3,598,663	3,590,795	+7,867	+0.2
Total Exports	3,648,251	3,646,827	+1,424	+0.0
Imports	4,154,321	4,161,331	-7,010	-0.2
Trade Balance	-506,070	-514,504	+8,434	

Table 2 : Hong Kong's External Merchandise Trade Statistics from January 2012 to August 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
	6	4,158.0	-13.4	295,360.5	-3.0	299,518.5	-3.1	345,301.7	-2.0
	7	4,146.1	-19.0	316,724.9	-1.3	320,870.9	-1.6	349,304.6	-5.2
	8	4,162.0	-21.3	303,091.1	-5.9	307,253.1	-6.1	332,326.9	-7.4

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 August 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
	6	-4.4	-1.5	-1.6	-3.0
	7	-3.0	+1.0	+0.9	-0.6
	8	+0.0	+1.0	+1.0	+0.5

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.

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

Table 4 : Total Exports of Goods to 10 Main Destinations

Destination	Aug 2015 (HKD Mn.)	Aug 2015 over Aug 2014 (% change)	Jan - Aug 2015 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Aug 2015 over Jan - Aug 2014 (% change)
Total Exports	307,253	-6.1	2,346,205	-1.0
The mainland of China	162,229	-6.8	1,253,772	-2.2
United States of America	32,049	+0.7	224,169	+3.9
Japan	10,300	-7.7	80,241	-7.3
India	7,990	-6.8	67,205	+7.5
Vietnam	6,845	+15.9	49,788	+20.2
Germany	6,262	-4.3	45,572	-3.9
Taiwan	5,452	-24.5	42,606	-18.9
Singapore	4,950	-2.0	39,456	+0.7
Korea	4,733	-18.2	36,801	-12.9
United Kingdom	4,963	-13.5	35,811	+3.4

Table 5 : Imports of Goods from 10 Main Suppliers

Supplier	Aug 2015 (HKD Mn.)	Aug 2015 over Aug 2014 (% change)	Jan - Aug 2015 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Aug 2015 over Jan - Aug 2014 (% change)
Total Imports	332,327	-7.4	2,642,018	-2.4
The mainland of China	168,996	-1.8	1,266,282	+1.1
Taiwan	23,220	-13.4	179,517	-8.1
Japan	21,376	-13.0	172,072	-9.2
Singapore	18,766	-14.2	165,515	-4.6
United States of America	15,646	-19.5	141,079	+1.0
Korea	13,840	-4.2	115,647	+1.7
Malaysia	8,704	-2.0	62,475	-7.6
India	6,126	-20.2	56,363	-8.2
Thailand	7,173	-8.6	55,204	-3.7
Switzerland	4,685	-9.4	41,943	-17.6

Table 6 : Total Exports of 10 Principal Commodity Divisions

Commodity division	Aug 2015 (HKD Mn.)	Aug 2015 over Aug 2014 (% change)	Jan - Aug 2015 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Aug 2015 over Jan - Aug 2014 (% change)
Total Exports	307,253	-6.1	2,346,205	-1.0
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	98,855	-0.9	735,392	+2.8
Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	61,801	+0.5	464,220	+5.0
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	33,366	-11.8	262,196	-1.6
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly jewellery, goldsmiths' and silversmiths' wares)	18,503	-6.6	136,871	-1.3
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	11,426	-9.3	108,618	-3.1
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	14,898	-10.1	94,524	-9.7
Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies, optical goods, watches and clocks	10,060	-6.0	72,573	-5.0
Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus	6,621	-2.7	49,786	-9.2
Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles and related products	5,833	-3.0	48,576	-5.3
Plastics in primary forms	4,665	-15.3	36,484	-10.7

Table 7 : Imports of 10 Principal Commodity Divisions

Commodity division	Aug 2015 (HKD Mn.)	Aug 2015 over Aug 2014 (% change)	Jan - Aug 2015 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Aug 2015 over Jan - Aug 2014 (% change)
Total Imports	332,327	-7.4	2,642,018	-2.4
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	106,396	-7.0	813,268	-1.4
Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	59,685	+5.1	468,888	+12.3
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	29,769	-8.7	226,886	-6.1
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly jewellery, goldsmiths' and silversmiths' wares)	20,689	-6.6	157,455	-6.0
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	12,673	-21.1	123,794	-9.7
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	11,177	-6.4	75,379	-7.2
Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies, optical goods, watches and clocks	8,422	-14.0	70,254	-10.4
Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus	7,067	+1.6	52,945	-6.0
Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	5,647	-27.2	51,671	-24.6
Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles and related products	5,439	-6.5	45,336	-8.2