

Table 1: External Merchandise Trade Statistics for December 2015

(HK\$ Million)

Merchandise trade values for December 2015

Domestic Exports	3,721
Re-exports	305,458
Total Exports	309,179
Imports	354,885
Trade Balance	-45,706

Current month compared with same month in the preceding year	December 2015	December 2014	Change	
			Value	%
Domestic Exports	3,721	4,050	-329	-8.1
(% of Total Exports)	(1.2%)	(1.3%)		
Re-exports	305,458	308,705	-3,247	-1.1
Total Exports	309,179	312,755	-3,576	-1.1
Imports	354,885	372,007	-17,123	-4.6
Trade Balance	-45,706	-59,253	+13,546	
Current month compared with last month	December 2015	November 2015		
Domestic Exports	3,721	3,687	+34	+0.9
(% of Total Exports)	(1.2%)	(1.2%)		
Re-exports	305,458	311,617	-6,159	-2.0
Total Exports	309,179	315,304	-6,125	-1.9
Imports	354,885	348,397	+6,488	+1.9
Trade Balance	-45,706	-33,093	-12,613	
Latest 3 months compared with same period 12 months earlier	Oct-Dec 2015	Oct-Dec 2014		
Domestic Exports	10,969	13,126	-2,157	-16.4
(% of Total Exports)	(1.2%)	(1.4%)		
Re-exports	931,437	957,185	-25,748	-2.7
Total Exports	942,406	970,311	-27,905	-2.9
Imports	1,051,485	1,130,429	-78,943	-7.0
Trade Balance	-109,080	-160,118	+51,038	
Last 12 months compared with same period 12 months earlier	Jan 2015 to Dec 2015	Jan 2014 to Dec 2014		
Domestic Exports	46,861	55,283	-8,422	-15.2
(% of Total Exports)	(1.3%)	(1.5%)		
Re-exports	3,558,418	3,617,468	-59,050	-1.6
Total Exports	3,605,279	3,672,751	-67,473	-1.8
Imports	4,046,420	4,219,046	-172,626	-4.1
Trade Balance	-441,141	-546,295	+105,154	

Table 2 : Hong Kong's External Merchandise Trade Statistics from January 2012 to December 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
	9	3,581.5	-13.8	313,150.7	-4.5	316,732.2	-4.6	353,113.6	-7.6
	10	3,591.2	-18.2	316,000.6	-3.5	319,591.8	-3.7	349,241.6	-8.5
	11	3,686.9	-21.6	311,617.0	-3.2	315,303.9	-3.5	348,396.6	-8.1
	12	3,720.7	-8.1	305,457.9	-1.1	309,178.5	-1.1	354,884.7	-4.6

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 December 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
	9	-8.0	+0.1	-0.1	-2.1
	10	-7.3	-2.8	-2.8	-4.2
	11	-6.2	-1.1	-1.2	-2.1
	12	-2.2	+0.0	+0.0	+0.2

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.

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

Table 4 : Total Exports of Goods to 10 Main Destinations

Destination	Dec 2015 (HKD Mn.)	Dec 2015 over Dec 2014 (% change)	Jan - Dec 2015 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Dec 2015 over Jan - Dec 2014 (% change)
Total Exports	309,179	-1.1	3,605,279	-1.8
The mainland of China	168,132	+0.9	1,936,515	-2.1
United States of America	29,194	-0.7	342,193	+0.2
Japan	10,577	-0.7	122,772	-6.6
India	8,068	+8.5	101,831	+8.1
Vietnam	6,414	+5.0	76,612	+14.7
Germany	6,193	-0.4	70,269	-3.2
Taiwan	5,790	-8.7	65,029	-18.0
Singapore	4,837	-5.3	58,451	-2.3
United Kingdom	4,709	-3.8	54,755	+0.8
Korea	4,231	-9.1	54,380	-12.8

Table 5 : Imports of Goods from 10 Main Suppliers

Supplier	Dec 2015 (HKD Mn.)	Dec 2015 over Dec 2014 (% change)	Jan - Dec 2015 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Dec 2015 over Jan - Dec 2014 (% change)
Total Imports	354,885	-4.6	4,046,420	-4.1
The mainland of China	183,730	-1.0	1,984,048	-0.1
Taiwan	23,363	-9.5	274,385	-8.6
Japan	20,661	-13.1	260,294	-9.9
Singapore	19,658	-1.6	245,867	-5.7
United States of America	18,245	-11.8	210,933	-3.9
Korea	12,801	-7.2	172,085	-2.0
Malaysia	8,493	-0.6	94,084	-7.9
Thailand	7,551	+0.0	84,910	-3.7
India	5,734	-11.7	82,913	-13.7
Switzerland	5,089	-17.9	61,802	-22.1

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

Table 6 : Total Exports of 10 Principal Commodity Divisions

Commodity division	Dec 2015 (HKD Mn.)	Dec 2015 over Dec 2014 (% change)	Jan - Dec 2015 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Dec 2015 over Jan - Dec 2014 (% change)
Total Exports	309,179	-1.1	3,605,279	-1.8
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	100,337	+9.2	1,141,342	+3.5
Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	65,836	+0.0	750,727	+4.5
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	34,724	-8.0	394,011	-5.2
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly jewellery, goldsmiths' and silversmiths' wares)	17,564	-13.5	210,055	-5.7
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	13,340	-0.1	164,095	-4.9
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	12,292	-4.6	142,615	-10.2
Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies, optical goods, watches and clocks	8,475	-5.9	109,928	-6.7
Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus	7,099	+9.0	75,537	-7.9
Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles and related products	5,451	-5.9	70,579	-6.9
Plastics in primary forms	4,101	-15.1	52,966	-12.8

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

Table 7 : Imports of 10 Principal Commodity Divisions

Commodity division	Dec 2015 (HKD Mn.)	Dec 2015 over Dec 2014 (% change)	Jan - Dec 2015 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Dec 2015 over Jan - Dec 2014 (% change)
Total Imports	354,885	-4.6	4,046,420	-4.1
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	113,608	+4.2	1,259,153	-0.9
Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	66,282	-4.7	752,371	+7.4
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	34,164	-3.0	351,865	-7.2
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly jewellery, goldsmiths' and silversmiths' wares)	20,268	-9.1	239,817	-11.0
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	13,855	-10.3	183,114	-12.7
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	10,884	-2.0	115,317	-7.9
Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies, optical goods, watches and clocks	8,691	-11.8	105,720	-12.0
Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus	7,321	-4.9	79,587	-7.2
Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	4,288	-38.2	70,138	-29.1
Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles and related products	5,151	-9.7	65,988	-9.0