

**Table 1: External Merchandise Trade Statistics for September 2017**

(HK\$ Million)

<b>Merchandise trade values for September 2017</b>				
	Domestic Exports		3,926	
	Re-exports		354,780	
	Total Exports		358,705	
	Imports		403,413	
	Trade Balance		-44,707	
			<b>Change</b>	
<b>Current month compared with same month in the preceding year</b>	<b>September 2017</b>	<b>September 2016</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>%</b>
Domestic Exports	3,926	3,686	+239	+6.5
(% of Total Exports)	(1.1%)	(1.1%)		
Re-exports	354,780	324,333	+30,447	+9.4
Total Exports	358,705	328,019	+30,686	+9.4
Imports	403,413	367,724	+35,689	+9.7
Trade Balance	-44,707	-39,705	-5,003	
<b>Current month compared with last month</b>	<b>September 2017</b>	<b>August 2017</b>		
Domestic Exports	3,926	3,909	+16	+0.4
(% of Total Exports)	(1.1%)	(1.2%)		
Re-exports	354,780	328,754	+26,026	+7.9
Total Exports	358,705	332,663	+26,042	+7.8
Imports	403,413	368,190	+35,223	+9.6
Trade Balance	-44,707	-35,527	-9,181	
<b>Latest 3 months compared with same period 12 months earlier</b>	<b>Jul-Sep 2017</b>	<b>Jul-Sep 2016</b>		
Domestic Exports	11,402	11,618	-216	-1.9
(% of Total Exports)	(1.1%)	(1.2%)		
Re-exports	1,005,461	930,046	+75,415	+8.1
Total Exports	1,016,864	941,664	+75,199	+8.0
Imports	1,126,387	1,046,241	+80,146	+7.7
Trade Balance	-109,524	-104,577	-4,947	
<b>Calendar year-to-date compared with same period in the preceding year</b>	<b>Jan-Sep 2017</b>	<b>Jan-Sep 2016</b>		
Domestic Exports	32,243	31,811	+432	+1.4
(% of Total Exports)	(1.1%)	(1.2%)		
Re-exports	2,781,510	2,561,980	+219,530	+8.6
Total Exports	2,813,753	2,593,791	+219,962	+8.5
Imports	3,151,735	2,897,995	+253,741	+8.8
Trade Balance	-337,982	-304,204	-33,779	
<b>Last 12 months compared with same period 12 months earlier</b>	<b>Oct 2016 to Sep 2017</b>	<b>Oct 2015 to Sep 2016</b>		
Domestic Exports	43,308	42,780	+528	+1.2
(% of Total Exports)	(1.1%)	(1.2%)		
Re-exports	3,764,901	3,493,417	+271,484	+7.8
Total Exports	3,808,209	3,536,197	+272,012	+7.7
Imports	4,262,125	3,949,480	+312,645	+7.9
Trade Balance	-453,916	-413,283	-40,633	

**Table 2 : Hong Kong's External Merchandise Trade Statistics from January 2014 to September 2017**

(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
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
2016	1	3,424.8	-23.4	296,446.7	-3.6	299,871.5	-3.8	317,354.0	-9.0
	2	2,673.5	-8.4	201,810.8	-10.5	204,484.3	-10.4	237,632.8	-10.1
	3	3,582.5	-10.7	271,777.9	-7.0	275,360.4	-7.0	322,388.1	-5.8
	4	3,404.1	-19.0	281,870.1	-2.0	285,274.2	-2.3	316,301.2	-4.5
	5	3,493.9	-18.0	288,006.1	+0.2	291,500.1	-0.1	317,728.0	-4.3
	6	3,621.5	-12.9	292,897.6	-0.8	296,519.1	-1.0	342,114.0	-0.9
	7	3,907.2	-5.8	300,558.2	-5.1	304,465.5	-5.1	337,772.8	-3.3
	8	4,019.1	-3.4	305,651.1	+0.8	309,670.1	+0.8	341,765.8	+2.8
	9	3,686.4	+2.9	324,332.9	+3.6	328,019.3	+3.6	367,724.2	+4.1
	10	3,631.8	+1.1	310,094.4	-1.9	313,726.2	-1.8	350,949.3	+0.5
	11	3,824.5	+3.7	337,110.1	+8.2	340,934.6	+8.1	374,987.3	+7.6
	12	3,614.4	-2.9	336,725.5	+10.2	340,339.9	+10.1	385,817.4	+8.7
2017	1	3,244.8	-5.3	293,054.2	-1.1	296,298.9	-1.2	308,643.4	-2.7
	2	2,774.0	+3.8	238,933.1	+18.4	241,707.1	+18.2	297,978.3	+25.4
	3	4,184.7	+16.8	317,710.7	+16.9	321,895.4	+16.9	364,163.0	+13.0
	4	3,332.0	-2.1	302,056.7	+7.2	305,388.7	+7.1	339,519.6	+7.3
	5	3,656.0	+4.6	299,449.1	+4.0	303,105.1	+4.0	338,752.6	+6.6
	6	3,706.9	+2.4	325,699.4	+11.2	329,406.3	+11.1	377,684.4	+10.4
	7	3,698.6	-5.3	322,890.5	+7.4	326,589.1	+7.3	356,190.0	+5.5
	8	3,909.2	-2.7	328,754.1	+7.6	332,663.3	+7.4	368,189.8	+7.7
	9	3,925.6	+6.5	354,779.8	+9.4	358,705.3	+9.4	403,412.7	+9.7

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

**Table 3 : Seasonally Adjusted Series of Hong Kong's External Merchandise Trade Statistics from January 2014 to September 2017**

Year	Month	Change of the latest 3-month period over the preceding 3-month period (%)			
		Domestic Exports	Re-exports	Total Exports	Imports
2014	1	+3.5	+3.8	+3.8	+3.5
	2	+2.1	-3.0	-2.9	-0.1
	3	+2.9	-3.2	-3.1	-1.1
	4	+0.5	-4.8	-4.8	-2.7
	5	+7.2	+3.3	+3.4	+1.0
	6	+4.8	+3.4	+3.4	+1.1
	7	+4.0	+6.0	+5.9	+3.2
	8	-2.6	+2.4	+2.4	+1.6
	9	-5.3	+2.3	+2.2	+2.5
	10	-6.6	+1.1	+0.9	+1.9
	11	-7.4	-0.9	-1.0	+1.4
	12	-7.0	-2.5	-2.5	-0.9
2015	1	-6.1	-3.8	-3.8	-3.4
	2	-4.7	-1.7	-1.7	-1.9
	3	-2.1	+0.3	+0.3	-0.7
	4	-2.7	+1.4	+1.3	-0.2
	5	-4.7	-0.7	-0.7	-3.8
	6	-2.4	-1.9	-1.9	-4.1
	7	-3.0	-1.1	-1.1	-1.8
	8	-2.6	-0.1	-0.1	-0.4
	9	-9.7	-1.3	-1.4	-2.5
	10	-8.9	-2.7	-2.8	-4.2
	11	-7.6	-2.3	-2.4	-3.0
	12	-2.4	+0.2	+0.1	+0.0
2016	1	-2.0	+0.5	+0.5	+0.8
	2	-1.1	-2.9	-2.9	-1.8
	3	-2.5	-5.1	-5.1	-3.2
	4	-2.7	-3.8	-3.8	-3.8
	5	-4.1	+3.2	+3.1	+1.3
	6	-2.4	+6.3	+6.2	+3.2
	7	+0.5	+3.8	+3.7	+4.4
	8	+4.5	-0.4	-0.3	+2.4
	9	+7.5	+0.4	+0.5	+3.1
	10	+5.9	+1.7	+1.8	+2.6
	11	+4.0	+3.6	+3.6	+2.6
	12	-1.9	+4.3	+4.2	+2.6
2017	1	-1.2	+5.2	+5.2	+3.6
	2	-3.2	+4.1	+4.0	+5.3
	3	+3.8	+1.1	+1.1	+3.4
	4	-1.5	+2.3	+2.3	+2.2
	5	+0.1	+0.7	+0.7	-2.5
	6	-7.1	+1.2	+1.1	-1.4
	7	-2.1	-1.8	-1.8	-1.0
	8	-1.8	+0.3	+0.3	+2.7
	9	+3.8	-0.2	-0.1	+1.4

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	Sep 2017 (HKD Mn.)	Sep 2017 over Sep 2016 (% change)	Jan - Sep 2017 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Sep 2017 over Jan - Sep 2016 (% change)
Total Exports	358,705	+9.4	2,813,753	+8.5
The mainland of China	197,665	+7.5	1,520,791	+9.3
United States of America	30,875	+4.1	241,280	+0.4
India	14,495	+30.8	117,887	+34.9
Japan	12,123	+18.1	93,636	+8.9
Taiwan	7,286	+12.0	66,422	+29.2
Vietnam	6,899	+16.9	57,357	+11.4
Germany	7,492	+39.0	53,627	+7.3
Netherlands	5,975	+14.3	46,628	+15.9
Singapore	5,715	+16.9	45,373	+2.7
Korea	5,081	+7.2	41,655	+4.5

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

Supplier	Sep 2017 (HKD Mn.)	Sep 2017 over Sep 2016 (% change)	Jan - Sep 2017 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Sep 2017 over Jan - Sep 2016 (% change)
Total Imports	403,413	+9.7	3,151,735	+8.8
The mainland of China	194,609	+6.9	1,467,408	+6.0
Taiwan	29,852	+16.0	232,981	+11.6
Singapore	24,319	+2.7	215,178	+14.0
Japan	22,953	+1.9	185,409	+3.5
Korea	24,257	+33.6	178,378	+32.3
United States of America	18,275	+9.1	153,933	+4.5
India	11,644	+21.2	84,324	+19.8
Malaysia	10,547	+21.5	76,334	+14.3
Thailand	8,375	+10.5	65,672	+8.6
Philippines	6,873	+28.1	55,844	+30.3

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

Commodity division	Sep 2017 (HKD Mn.)	Sep 2017 over Sep 2016 (% change)	Jan - Sep 2017 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Sep 2017 over Jan - Sep 2016 (% change)
Total Exports	358,705	+9.4	2,813,753	+8.5
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	131,512	+10.1	1,003,294	+13.2
Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	69,090	+3.4	542,114	+4.2
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	38,694	+16.4	289,960	+11.3
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly jewellery, goldsmiths' and silversmiths' wares)	19,493	+17.7	149,456	+8.8
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	18,306	+1.7	148,123	+7.1
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	10,679	-4.2	83,661	-9.2
Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies, optical goods, watches and clocks	9,383	-1.0	75,463	-2.9
Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus	8,639	+25.8	67,205	+17.6
Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles and related products	5,001	-0.2	44,607	-3.6
Power generating machinery and equipment	4,116	+21.7	36,593	-0.1

**Table 7 : Imports of 10 Principal Commodity Divisions**

Commodity division	Sep 2017 (HKD Mn.)	Sep 2017 over Sep 2016 (% change)	Jan - Sep 2017 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Sep 2017 over Jan - Sep 2016 (% change)
Total Imports	403,413	+9.7	3,151,735	+8.8
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	146,278	+14.6	1,139,700	+15.3
Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	68,460	-3.0	521,857	+1.6
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	33,895	+15.0	251,116	+8.9
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly jewellery, goldsmiths' and silversmiths' wares)	23,004	+16.6	186,790	+11.5
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	20,954	+7.8	146,223	+3.2
Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies, optical goods, watches and clocks	8,794	+2.3	73,012	+0.2
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	9,499	-4.7	72,040	-6.5
Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus	8,331	+9.5	65,887	+11.1
Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	6,662	+35.1	52,295	+40.9
Power generating machinery and equipment	5,862	+9.9	45,411	+0.8