

**Table 1: External Merchandise Trade Statistics for July 2018**

(HK\$ Million)

<b>Merchandise trade values for July 2018</b>					
	Total Exports		359,125		
	Imports		406,234		
	Trade Balance		-47,109		
<b>Change</b>					
<b>Current month compared with same month in the preceding year</b>		<b>July 2018</b>	<b>July 2017</b>	<b>Change</b>	
				<b>Value</b>	<b>%</b>
	Total Exports	359,125	326,589	+32,536	+10.0
	Imports	406,234	356,190	+50,044	+14.0
	Trade Balance	-47,109	-29,601	-17,508	
<b>Current month compared with last month</b>		<b>July 2018</b>	<b>June 2018</b>	<b>Change</b>	
				<b>Value</b>	<b>%</b>
	Total Exports	359,125	340,334	+18,791	+5.5
	Imports	406,234	394,471	+11,763	+3.0
	Trade Balance	-47,109	-54,137	+7,028	
<b>Latest 3 months compared with same period 12 months earlier</b>		<b>May-Jul 2018</b>	<b>May-Jul 2017</b>	<b>Change</b>	
				<b>Value</b>	<b>%</b>
	Total Exports	1,049,519	958,284	+91,234	+9.5
	Imports	1,194,206	1,071,139	+123,067	+11.5
	Trade Balance	-144,688	-112,855	-31,833	
<b>Calendar year-to-date compared with same period in the preceding year</b>		<b>Jan-Jul 2018</b>	<b>Jan-Jul 2017</b>	<b>Change</b>	
				<b>Value</b>	<b>%</b>
	Total Exports	2,322,567	2,123,035	+199,532	+9.4
	Imports	2,644,044	2,380,833	+263,211	+11.1
	Trade Balance	-321,477	-257,798	-63,679	
<b>Last 12 months compared with same period 12 months earlier</b>		<b>Aug 2017 to Jul 2018</b>	<b>Aug 2016 to Jul 2017</b>	<b>Change</b>	
				<b>Value</b>	<b>%</b>
	Total Exports	4,075,430	3,754,880	+320,551	+8.5
	Imports	4,620,214	4,199,926	+420,288	+10.0
	Trade Balance	-544,784	-445,046	-99,738	

**Table 2 : Hong Kong's External Merchandise Trade Statistics from January 2015 to July 2018**

(HK\$ Million)

Year	Month	Total Exports	Year-on-year % Change	Imports	Year-on-year % Change
2015	1	311,871.4	+2.8	348,886.1	+7.9
	2	228,336.5	+7.2	264,220.1	-0.9
	3	296,112.7	-1.8	342,318.8	-2.7
	4	291,943.8	+2.2	331,108.3	-2.9
	5	291,829.8	-4.6	331,940.1	-4.7
	6	299,518.5	-3.1	345,301.7	-2.0
	7	320,870.9	-1.6	349,304.6	-5.2
	8	307,253.1	-6.1	332,326.9	-7.4
	9	316,732.2	-4.6	353,113.6	-7.6
	10	319,591.8	-3.7	349,241.6	-8.5
	11	315,303.9	-3.5	348,396.6	-8.1
	12	309,178.5	-1.1	354,884.7	-4.6
2016	1	299,871.5	-3.8	317,354.0	-9.0
	2	204,484.3	-10.4	237,632.8	-10.1
	3	275,360.4	-7.0	322,388.1	-5.8
	4	285,274.2	-2.3	316,301.2	-4.5
	5	291,500.1	-0.1	317,728.0	-4.3
	6	296,519.1	-1.0	342,114.0	-0.9
	7	304,465.5	-5.1	337,772.8	-3.3
	8	309,670.1	+0.8	341,765.8	+2.8
	9	328,019.3	+3.6	367,724.2	+4.1
	10	313,726.2	-1.8	350,949.3	+0.5
	11	340,934.6	+8.1	374,987.3	+7.6
	12	340,339.9	+10.1	385,817.4	+8.7
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

**Table 3 : Seasonally Adjusted Series of Hong Kong's External Merchandise Trade Statistics from January 2015 to July 2018**

Year	Month	Change of the latest 3-month period over the preceding 3-month period (%)	
		Total Exports	Imports
2015	1	-4.2	-3.9
	2	-1.3	-2.3
	3	+0.2	-1.3
	4	+1.7	+0.8
	5	-1.5	-3.0
	6	-1.9	-2.8
	7	-1.0	-1.8
	8	+0.6	-0.4
	9	-1.0	-2.8
	10	-2.4	-4.2
	11	-2.3	-3.4
	12	-0.5	-0.7
2016	1	-0.2	+0.1
	2	-3.2	-2.8
	3	-5.0	-3.6
	4	-4.5	-3.7
	5	+2.8	+2.8
	6	+6.4	+5.0
	7	+5.4	+5.6
	8	+0.5	+2.5
	9	+1.0	+2.5
	10	+1.7	+2.0
	11	+3.4	+1.9
	12	+3.4	+2.0
2017	1	+4.6	+3.2
	2	+3.5	+4.0
	3	+1.0	+2.5
	4	+0.7	+1.4
	5	+0.2	-0.8
	6	+1.3	+0.5
	7	+0.2	+0.6
	8	+1.5	+2.7
	9	+0.8	+1.1
	10	+1.7	+2.1
	11	+2.0	+2.0
	12	+3.3	+4.0
2018	1	+4.1	+3.3
	2	+3.7	+4.2
	3	+3.0	+3.5
	4	+2.9	+5.2
	5	+3.5	+4.0
	6	+1.5	+1.7
	7	+0.5	+0.4

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	Jul 2018 (HKD Mn.)	Jul 2018 over Jul 2017 (% change)	Jan - Jul 2018 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Jul 2018 over Jan - Jul 2017 (% change)
Total Exports	359,125	+10.0	2,322,567	+9.4
The mainland of China	198,543	+12.8	1,272,947	+12.1
United States of America	32,812	+10.1	199,866	+9.3
India	11,442	+11.2	76,222	-17.8
Japan	10,680	-7.5	74,341	+4.2
Taiwan	6,640	-15.6	52,144	+2.2
Vietnam	7,672	+23.3	47,125	+6.6
Germany	6,614	+1.8	44,464	+11.0
Netherlands	6,586	+17.5	38,673	+10.0
Singapore	5,759	+3.1	38,434	+11.6
Thailand	4,936	+5.7	33,868	+8.6

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

Supplier	Jul 2018 (HKD Mn.)	Jul 2018 over Jul 2017 (% change)	Jan - Jul 2018 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Jul 2018 over Jan - Jul 2017 (% change)
Total Imports	406,234	+14.0	2,644,044	+11.1
The mainland of China	185,674	+10.2	1,195,749	+8.9
Taiwan	28,651	+8.9	199,657	+14.0
Singapore	28,107	+2.5	175,407	+8.0
Korea	23,654	+26.4	162,365	+21.7
Japan	22,717	+10.1	147,224	+4.4
United States of America	19,354	+15.1	126,068	+6.2
Malaysia	18,299	+111.5	108,907	+92.2
India	6,494	+9.7	54,158	-17.8
Thailand	7,391	+8.9	52,662	+5.6
Philippines	7,127	+9.1	45,882	+9.6

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

Commodity division	Jul 2018 (HKD Mn.)	Jul 2018 over Jul 2017 (% change)	Jan - Jul 2018 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Jul 2018 over Jan - Jul 2017 (% change)
Total Exports	359,125	+10.0	2,322,567	+9.4
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	140,819	+18.4	886,940	+18.4
Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	62,874	+2.3	405,883	-0.5
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	38,502	+16.3	255,372	+18.4
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly jewellery, goldsmiths' and silversmiths' wares)	18,100	+2.0	133,389	+17.3
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	14,457	+7.4	100,736	-13.8
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	11,480	-1.8	60,127	-4.2
Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies, optical goods, watches and clocks	9,332	+4.9	59,501	+3.6
Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus	8,900	+1.2	55,403	+8.9
Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles and related products	5,150	+0.9	34,843	+0.2
Power generating machinery and equipment	6,089	+39.4	32,073	+15.1

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

Commodity division	Jul 2018  (HKD Mn.)	Jul 2018 over Jul 2017  (% change)	Jan - Jul 2018  (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Jul 2018 over Jan - Jul 2017  (% change)
Total Imports	406,234	+14.0	2,644,044	+11.1
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	156,357	+18.0	1,003,405	+17.3
Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	55,594	-0.1	384,983	-1.8
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	36,698	+26.3	233,136	+25.0
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly jewellery, goldsmiths' and silversmiths' wares)	24,069	+23.1	149,834	+3.9
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	16,924	+20.9	118,790	+6.6
Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies, optical goods, watches and clocks	9,786	+10.4	62,705	+12.2
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	9,920	+5.0	54,652	+1.9
Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	6,853	+22.9	54,192	+36.0
Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus	8,475	+3.7	52,194	+4.8
Power generating machinery and equipment	6,646	+35.0	42,634	+24.7