

**Table 1: External Merchandise Trade Statistics for January 2019**

(HK\$ Million)

<b>Merchandise trade values for January 2019</b>					
	Total Exports		348,701		
	Imports		359,000		
	Trade Balance		-10,299		
<b>Change</b>					
<b>Current month compared with same month in the preceding year</b>		<b>January 2019</b>	<b>January 2018</b>	<b>Change</b>	
				<b>Value</b>	<b>%</b>
	Total Exports	348,701	350,046	-1,345	-0.4
	Imports	359,000	381,971	-22,971	-6.0
	Trade Balance	-10,299	-31,924	+21,626	
<b>Current month compared with last month</b>		<b>January 2019</b>	<b>December 2018</b>	<b>Change</b>	
				<b>Value</b>	<b>%</b>
	Total Exports	348,701	339,938	+8,764	+2.6
	Imports	359,000	391,187	-32,187	-8.2
	Trade Balance	-10,299	-51,249	+40,950	
<b>Latest 3 months compared with same period 12 months earlier</b>		<b>Nov 2018 to Jan 2019</b>	<b>Nov 2017 to Jan 2018</b>	<b>Change</b>	
				<b>Value</b>	<b>%</b>
	Total Exports	1,050,975	1,077,548	-26,573	-2.5
	Imports	1,158,265	1,208,883	-50,618	-4.2
	Trade Balance	-107,290	-131,335	+24,045	
<b>Last 12 months compared with same period 12 months earlier</b>		<b>Feb 2018 to Jan 2019</b>	<b>Feb 2017 to Jan 2018</b>	<b>Change</b>	
				<b>Value</b>	<b>%</b>
	Total Exports	4,156,761	3,929,646	+227,116	+5.8
	Imports	4,698,428	4,430,331	+268,097	+6.1
	Trade Balance	-541,667	-500,685	-40,982	

**Table 2 : Hong Kong's External Merchandise Trade Statistics from January 2016 to January 2019**

(HK\$ Million)

Year	Month	Total Exports	Year-on-year % Change	Imports	Year-on-year % Change
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
	8	376,302.8	+13.1	428,452.0	+16.4
	9	374,961.2	+4.5	422,676.3	+4.8
	10	383,651.5	+14.6	428,141.8	+13.1
	11	364,319.8	-0.8	409,284.3	+0.5
	12	339,937.8	-5.8	391,186.7	-7.0
2019	1	348,701.4	-0.4	359,000.0	-6.0

**Table 3 : Seasonally Adjusted Series of Hong Kong's External Merchandise Trade Statistics from January 2016 to January 2019**

Year	Month	Change of the latest 3-month period over the preceding 3-month period (%)	
		Total Exports	Imports
2016	1	+0.1	+0.5
	2	-3.3	-2.8
	3	-5.1	-3.6
	4	-5.2	-4.6
	5	+2.5	+2.5
	6	+6.6	+4.9
	7	+6.2	+6.2
	8	+1.5	+2.8
	9	+0.7	+2.3
	10	+1.3	+2.1
	11	+3.4	+2.6
	12	+3.6	+2.5
2017	1	+4.9	+3.5
	2	+2.6	+3.2
	3	+0.8	+2.0
	4	+0.4	+0.7
	5	-0.3	-1.2
	6	+1.7	+0.8
	7	+0.5	+0.9
	8	+2.7	+3.3
	9	+0.9	+1.4
	10	+1.9	+2.6
	11	+2.4	+3.0
	12	+3.1	+3.8
2018	1	+4.2	+3.8
	2	+2.6	+2.9
	3	+2.8	+3.2
	4	+1.6	+2.9
	5	+2.6	+3.5
	6	+1.7	+1.8
	7	+2.0	+1.6
	8	+1.6	+1.8
	9	+1.5	+2.5
	10	+1.5	+1.4
	11	-0.9	-2.1
	12	-3.6	-5.0
2019	1	-5.9	-7.3

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	Jan 2019 (HKD Mn.)	Jan 2019 over Jan 2018 (% change)	Nov 2018 to Jan 2019 (HKD Mn.)	Nov 2018 - Jan 2019 over Nov 2017 - Jan 2018 (% change)
Total Exports	348,701	-0.4	1,050,975	-2.5
The mainland of China	183,821	-3.9	558,184	-5.9
United States of America	28,318	-5.8	88,021	-1.2
Japan	12,195	+2.4	35,914	+0.9
India	9,168	-35.2	27,761	-34.6
Taiwan	7,975	-18.6	22,811	-8.0
Vietnam	7,326	-7.9	21,255	-10.1
Germany	6,397	-1.1	19,285	-5.9
Singapore	6,363	+17.9	19,689	+22.8
Macao	5,944	+26.8	14,339	+8.6
Netherlands	5,617	+17.5	19,869	+21.8

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

Supplier	Jan 2019 (HKD Mn.)	Jan 2019 over Jan 2018 (% change)	Nov 2018 to Jan 2019 (HKD Mn.)	Nov 2018 - Jan 2019 over Nov 2017 - Jan 2018 (% change)
Total Imports	359,000	-6.0	1,158,265	-4.2
The mainland of China	177,332	-1.6	561,828	-1.6
Taiwan	24,336	-11.0	75,135	-19.1
Singapore	23,402	-1.3	76,422	+6.3
Japan	16,326	-14.2	59,117	-10.2
United States of America	16,193	-9.5	58,902	-0.4
Malaysia	14,561	-2.1	46,507	+13.0
Korea	14,540	-36.0	52,122	-28.5
Thailand	6,524	-3.2	21,171	-8.6
India	5,480	-34.6	17,835	-24.0
Switzerland	5,244	-17.5	16,981	+3.5

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

Commodity division	Jan 2019 (HKD Mn.)	Jan 2019 over Jan 2018 (% change)	Nov 2018 to Jan 2019 (HKD Mn.)	Nov 2018 - Jan 2019 over Nov 2017 - Jan 2018 (% change)
Total Exports	348,701	-0.4	1,050,975	-2.5
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	129,106	+1.5	385,097	-1.7
Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	63,633	+3.0	212,220	+0.8
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	35,976	-8.0	112,410	-4.6
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly jewellery, goldsmiths' and silversmiths' wares)	20,405	+8.1	57,057	-0.6
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	12,901	-23.9	38,343	-31.5
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	10,142	-1.3	27,791	-4.9
Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies, optical goods, watches and clocks	9,682	+6.7	27,938	+5.4
Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus	8,408	+3.1	26,083	+7.2
Power generating machinery and equipment	5,831	+20.7	16,773	+20.8
Vegetables and fruit	5,812	+48.4	9,791	+22.8

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

Commodity division	Jan 2019 (HKD Mn.)	Jan 2019 over Jan 2018 (% change)	Nov 2018 to Jan 2019 (HKD Mn.)	Nov 2018 - Jan 2019 over Nov 2017 - Jan 2018 (% change)
Total Imports	359,000	-6.0	1,158,265	-4.2
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	121,376	-10.8	403,255	-7.5
Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	59,576	-4.9	195,958	-7.1
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	30,918	+0.5	104,573	+1.9
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly jewellery, goldsmiths' and silversmiths' wares)	22,392	+3.2	67,652	+3.2
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	13,052	-21.4	43,533	-16.8
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	9,880	+9.8	27,221	+5.4
Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies, optical goods, watches and clocks	8,911	+0.4	27,846	+2.1
Vegetables and fruit	7,837	+21.8	16,155	+1.9
Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus	7,400	-6.0	24,185	+1.0
Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	6,991	-12.5	24,698	+5.1