

Table 1: External Merchandise Trade Statistics for September 2019

(HK\$ Million)

Merchandise trade values for September 2019				
	Total Exports		347,685	
	Imports		379,325	
	Trade Balance		-31,639	
Change				
Current month compared with same month in the preceding year	September 2019	September 2018	Value	%
Total Exports	347,685	374,961	-27,276	-7.3
Imports	379,325	422,676	-43,352	-10.3
Trade Balance	-31,639	-47,715	+16,076	
Current month compared with last month	September 2019	August 2019		
Total Exports	347,685	352,727	-5,042	-1.4
Imports	379,325	380,777	-1,452	-0.4
Trade Balance	-31,639	-28,049	-3,590	
Latest 3 months compared with same period 12 months earlier	Jul-Sep 2019	Jul-Sep 2018		
Total Exports	1,037,537	1,108,471	-70,935	-6.4
Imports	1,130,082	1,256,439	-126,357	-10.1
Trade Balance	-92,545	-147,968	+55,423	
Last 12 months compared with same period 12 months earlier	Oct 2018 to Sep 2019	Oct 2017 to Sep 2018		
Total Exports	4,016,305	4,134,977	-118,671	-2.9
Imports	4,494,677	4,699,807	-205,130	-4.4
Trade Balance	-478,372	-564,830	+86,458	

Table 2 : Hong Kong's External Merchandise Trade Statistics from January 2016 to September 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
	2	228,674.2	-6.9	277,508.2	-3.8
	3	343,641.5	-1.2	402,882.9	-0.1
	4	321,517.1	-2.6	356,608.5	-5.5
	5	343,065.0	-2.4	377,774.1	-4.3
	6	309,606.8	-9.0	364,793.9	-7.5
	7	338,617.6	-5.7	370,790.1	-8.7
	8	352,727.3	-6.3	380,776.7	-11.1
	9	347,685.3	-7.3	379,324.5	-10.3

Table 3 : Seasonally Adjusted Series of Hong Kong's External Merchandise Trade Statistics from January 2016 to September 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
	2	-7.8	-8.6
	3	-2.1	-2.4
	4	-1.1	-0.3
	5	+6.3	+6.6
	6	-0.3	-0.5
	7	-0.8	-1.3
	8	-4.5	-4.8
	9	-0.4	-2.1

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	Sep 2019 (HKD Mn.)	Sep 2019 over Sep 2018 (% change)	Jan - Sep 2019 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Sep 2019 over Jan - Sep 2018 (% change)
Total Exports	347,685	-7.3	2,931,031	-4.6
The mainland of China	201,768	-4.6	1,598,436	-5.8
United States of America	24,677	-24.3	232,170	-12.2
Japan	10,010	-4.1	91,592	-4.0
India	13,538	-10.8	88,188	-15.2
Taiwan	7,403	+12.3	65,225	+0.5
Vietnam	7,358	+3.4	59,972	-3.0
Germany	5,525	-12.8	52,937	-6.6
Singapore	5,211	-10.9	52,873	+6.0
Netherlands	5,443	-4.1	49,629	-1.6
Korea	4,138	-25.9	43,005	+1.2

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

Supplier	Sep 2019 (HKD Mn.)	Sep 2019 over Sep 2018 (% change)	Jan - Sep 2019 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Sep 2019 over Jan - Sep 2018 (% change)
Total Imports	379,325	-10.3	3,267,818	-6.5
The mainland of China	181,595	-9.2	1,524,266	-4.6
Taiwan	29,422	+3.1	238,936	-7.3
Singapore	23,768	-17.7	213,342	-8.7
Japan	23,046	-1.4	185,904	-3.8
United States of America	16,346	-13.0	161,188	-3.6
Korea	19,628	-26.3	160,240	-25.1
Malaysia	11,915	-25.4	118,388	-16.1
Thailand	7,044	-17.4	62,865	-10.0
India	7,469	-24.3	58,219	-19.5
Switzerland	4,983	+16.0	52,667	+0.9

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

Commodity division	Sep 2019 (HKD Mn.)	Sep 2019 over Sep 2018 (% change)	Jan - Sep 2019 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Sep 2019 over Jan - Sep 2018 (% change)
Total Exports	347,685	-7.3	2,931,031	-4.6
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	145,544	-1.9	1,138,033	-3.9
Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	61,979	-9.9	532,669	-2.4
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	32,949	-18.9	291,268	-12.9
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly jewellery, goldsmiths' and silversmiths' wares)	18,681	-13.8	170,991	-2.5
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	14,696	-17.4	119,819	-9.4
Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies, optical goods, watches and clocks	9,358	+2.4	78,643	+0.9
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	8,285	-18.7	73,727	-8.6
Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus	7,477	-6.9	69,174	-4.0
Power generating machinery and equipment	6,708	+66.3	54,271	+30.0
Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles and related products	4,033	-15.9	38,845	-12.9

Table 7 : Value of Imports of 10 Principal Commodity Divisions

Commodity division	Sep 2019 (HKD Mn.)	Sep 2019 over Sep 2018 (% change)	Jan - Sep 2019 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Sep 2019 over Jan - Sep 2018 (% change)
Total Imports	379,325	-10.3	3,267,818	-6.5
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	148,283	-6.4	1,228,829	-7.2
Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	63,714	-10.7	494,580	-5.5
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	28,198	-24.8	262,236	-15.8
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly jewellery, goldsmiths' and silversmiths' wares)	22,413	-7.2	197,795	-2.3
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	16,268	-25.0	139,111	-11.3
Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies, optical goods, watches and clocks	8,484	-2.9	79,132	-2.0
Power generating machinery and equipment	7,532	+20.7	67,936	+23.0
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	7,261	-20.5	67,798	-7.3
Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	7,905	-19.7	66,582	-7.3
Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus	7,227	-6.5	66,109	-2.6