

Table 1: External Merchandise Trade Statistics for October 2019

(HK\$ Million)

Merchandise trade values for October 2019					
	Total Exports		348,528		
	Imports		379,118		
	Trade Balance		-30,590		
Change					
Current month compared with same month in the preceding year		October 2019	October 2018	Change	
				Value	%
	Total Exports	348,528	383,651	-35,124	-9.2
	Imports	379,118	428,142	-49,024	-11.5
	Trade Balance	-30,590	-44,490	+13,900	
Current month compared with last month		October 2019	September 2019	Change	
				Value	%
	Total Exports	348,528	347,685	+842	+0.2
	Imports	379,118	379,325	-207	-0.1
	Trade Balance	-30,590	-31,639	+1,049	
Latest 3 months compared with same period 12 months earlier		Aug-Oct 2019	Aug-Oct 2018	Change	
				Value	%
	Total Exports	1,047,587	1,133,266	-85,679	-7.6
	Imports	1,138,336	1,278,090	-139,754	-10.9
	Trade Balance	-90,750	-144,824	+54,075	
Last 12 months compared with same period 12 months earlier		Nov 2018 to Oct 2019	Nov 2017 to Oct 2018	Change	
				Value	%
	Total Exports	3,981,381	4,183,334	-201,953	-4.8
	Imports	4,445,911	4,749,046	-303,135	-6.4
	Trade Balance	-464,530	-565,712	+101,182	

Table 2 : Hong Kong's External Merchandise Trade Statistics from January 2016 to October 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
	10	348,527.6	-9.2	379,117.8	-11.5

Table 3 : Seasonally Adjusted Series of Hong Kong's External Merchandise Trade Statistics from January 2016 to October 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
	10	+0.7	-1.7

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	Oct 2019 (HKD Mn.)	Oct 2019 over Oct 2018 (% change)	Jan - Oct 2019 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Oct 2019 over Jan - Oct 2018 (% change)
Total Exports	348,528	-9.2	3,279,108	-5.1
The mainland of China	199,687	-7.3	1,798,099	-6.0
United States of America	26,045	-21.1	257,967	-13.2
Japan	9,217	-10.1	100,806	-4.5
India	10,492	-10.7	98,622	-14.8
Taiwan	7,539	+16.8	72,759	+2.0
Vietnam	6,732	-10.3	66,693	-3.8
Singapore	6,176	+4.5	59,047	+5.8
Germany	5,381	-17.7	58,314	-7.8
Netherlands	5,628	-15.1	55,226	-3.2
Korea	4,439	-14.5	47,439	-0.4

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

Supplier	Oct 2019 (HKD Mn.)	Oct 2019 over Oct 2018 (% change)	Jan - Oct 2019 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Oct 2019 over Jan - Oct 2018 (% change)
Total Imports	379,118	-11.5	3,646,646	-7.0
The mainland of China	173,874	-14.5	1,698,104	-5.8
Taiwan	30,850	+2.8	269,775	-6.2
Singapore	25,749	-6.1	238,997	-8.5
Japan	22,865	-4.5	208,742	-3.9
Korea	20,140	-24.7	180,378	-25.1
United States of America	16,209	-23.9	177,381	-5.9
Malaysia	16,444	+3.0	134,831	-14.2
Thailand	6,916	-9.5	69,776	-9.9
India	6,487	-16.3	64,669	-19.2
Vietnam	8,071	+23.4	59,694	+10.3

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

Commodity division	Oct 2019 (HKD Mn.)	Oct 2019 over Oct 2018 (% change)	Jan - Oct 2019 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Oct 2019 over Jan - Oct 2018 (% change)
Total Exports	348,528	-9.2	3,279,108	-5.1
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	142,201	-2.3	1,280,100	-3.7
Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	68,968	-16.9	601,541	-4.3
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	34,057	-9.9	325,204	-12.5
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly jewellery, goldsmiths' and silversmiths' wares)	18,296	-19.6	189,251	-4.5
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	13,186	-16.1	132,991	-10.2
Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies, optical goods, watches and clocks	8,799	-6.8	87,437	+0.1
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	7,602	-25.7	81,321	-10.5
Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus	7,482	-6.2	76,645	-4.2
Power generating machinery and equipment	6,859	+32.8	61,125	+30.4
Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles and related products	3,930	-18.9	42,773	-13.5

Table 7 : Value of Imports of 10 Principal Commodity Divisions

Commodity division	Oct 2019 (HKD Mn.)	Oct 2019 over Oct 2018 (% change)	Jan - Oct 2019 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Oct 2019 over Jan - Oct 2018 (% change)
Total Imports	379,118	-11.5	3,646,646	-7.0
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	146,236	-3.8	1,374,941	-6.9
Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	65,654	-21.0	560,230	-7.6
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	29,279	-22.0	291,510	-16.4
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly jewellery, goldsmiths' and silversmiths' wares)	22,145	-18.3	219,929	-4.2
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	13,507	-16.0	152,575	-11.7
Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies, optical goods, watches and clocks	8,215	-14.8	87,349	-3.3
Power generating machinery and equipment	8,103	+38.0	76,037	+24.3
Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	8,150	-8.3	74,731	-7.4
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	6,379	-27.9	74,174	-9.5
Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus	7,379	-1.0	73,481	-2.5