

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

(HK\$ Million)

<b>Merchandise trade values for December 2019</b>				
	Total Exports		351,276	
	Imports		383,773	
	Trade Balance		-32,497	
			<b>Change</b>	
<b>Current month compared with same month in the preceding year</b>	<b>December 2019</b>	<b>December 2018</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>%</b>
Total Exports	351,276	339,938	+11,338	+3.3
Imports	383,773	391,187	-7,414	-1.9
Trade Balance	-32,497	-51,249	+18,752	
<b>Current month compared with last month</b>	<b>December 2019</b>	<b>November 2019</b>		
Total Exports	351,276	359,270	-7,994	-2.2
Imports	383,773	385,438	-1,665	-0.4
Trade Balance	-32,497	-26,168	-6,329	
<b>Latest 3 months compared with same period 12 months earlier</b>	<b>Oct-Dec 2019</b>	<b>Oct-Dec 2018</b>		
Total Exports	1,057,654	1,085,274	-27,620	-2.5
Imports	1,147,623	1,226,860	-79,237	-6.5
Trade Balance	-89,968	-141,585	+51,617	
<b>Last 12 months compared with same period 12 months earlier</b>	<b>Jan 2019 to Dec 2019</b>	<b>Jan 2018 to Dec 2018</b>		
Total Exports	3,988,685	4,158,106	-169,421	-4.1
Imports	4,415,440	4,721,399	-305,959	-6.5
Trade Balance	-426,755	-563,292	+136,538	

**Table 2 : Hong Kong's External Merchandise Trade Statistics from January 2016 to December 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
	11	359,269.9	-1.4	385,437.9	-5.8
	12	351,275.7	+3.3	383,772.6	-1.9

**Table 3 : Seasonally Adjusted Series of Hong Kong's External Merchandise Trade Statistics from January 2016 to December 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
	11	+0.7	-1.9
	12	+0.5	-1.6

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	Dec 2019 (HKD Mn.)	Dec 2019 over Dec 2018 (% change)	Jan - Dec 2019 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Dec 2019 over Jan - Dec 2018 (% change)
Total Exports	351,276	+3.3	3,988,685	-4.1
The mainland of China	205,740	+15.7	2,210,854	-3.3
United States of America	22,720	-22.5	304,004	-14.8
Japan	9,968	-13.9	121,012	-6.4
India	10,089	+6.8	118,186	-12.0
Taiwan	8,117	+7.8	88,275	+2.4
Vietnam	6,887	+1.5	80,213	-3.6
Singapore	5,860	-13.3	71,999	+4.1
Germany	5,992	-12.1	69,340	-8.9
Netherlands	5,876	-23.4	68,169	-4.4
Korea	4,338	-16.5	56,555	-2.3

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

Supplier	Dec 2019 (HKD Mn.)	Dec 2019 over Dec 2018 (% change)	Jan - Dec 2019 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Dec 2019 over Jan - Dec 2018 (% change)
Total Imports	383,773	-1.9	4,415,440	-6.5
The mainland of China	178,160	-4.9	2,058,091	-5.9
Taiwan	30,908	+21.1	330,454	-2.4
Singapore	24,777	+6.8	290,657	-7.5
Japan	22,312	+5.3	252,601	-2.8
Korea	19,725	+4.8	220,071	-20.9
United States of America	17,613	-21.6	212,902	-7.9
Malaysia	13,854	-11.4	162,002	-14.3
Thailand	7,863	-0.8	85,267	-7.4
Vietnam	9,334	+55.9	78,373	+18.5
India	4,941	-10.9	74,805	-19.0

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

Commodity division	Dec 2019 (HKD Mn.)	Dec 2019 over Dec 2018 (% change)	Jan - Dec 2019 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Dec 2019 over Jan - Dec 2018 (% change)
Total Exports	351,276	+3.3	3,988,685	-4.1
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	144,706	+19.4	1,570,187	-1.0
Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	61,613	-13.3	736,138	-5.3
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	38,213	-0.9	400,329	-10.7
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly jewellery, goldsmiths' and silversmiths' wares)	16,425	-5.5	223,406	-4.9
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	11,812	-5.8	155,441	-10.4
Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies, optical goods, watches and clocks	8,571	-1.8	105,039	-0.5
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	7,485	-16.6	96,225	-11.3
Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus	8,937	+2.4	92,903	-4.9
Power generating machinery and equipment	10,002	+64.1	80,641	+39.5
Textile yarn, fabrics, made-up articles and related products	3,736	-5.6	50,098	-13.5

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

Commodity division	Dec 2019  (HKD Mn.)	Dec 2019 over Dec 2018  (% change)	Jan - Dec 2019  (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Dec 2019 over Jan - Dec 2018  (% change)
Total Imports	383,773	-1.9	4,415,440	-6.5
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	149,619	+11.4	1,671,974	-4.9
Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	60,945	-5.7	691,280	-6.9
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	32,294	-17.6	354,290	-16.1
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly jewellery, goldsmiths' and silversmiths' wares)	21,089	-5.5	262,750	-4.4
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	12,090	-17.4	177,166	-12.8
Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies, optical goods, watches and clocks	9,089	-5.6	104,797	-4.1
Power generating machinery and equipment	9,392	+11.0	94,727	+23.5
Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus	8,841	-2.4	89,905	-2.4
Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	7,470	-7.8	88,643	-9.9
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	7,002	-21.0	87,908	-11.5