

Table 1: External Merchandise Trade Statistics for April 2020

(HK\$ Million)

Merchandise trade values for April 2020					
	Total Exports		309,462		
	Imports		332,799		
	Trade Balance		-23,337		
Change					
Current month compared with same month in the preceding year		April 2020	April 2019	Change	
				Value	%
	Total Exports	309,462	321,517	-12,055	-3.7
	Imports	332,799	356,609	-23,809	-6.7
	Trade Balance	-23,337	-35,091	+11,754	
Current month compared with last month		April 2020	March 2020	Change	
				Value	%
	Total Exports	309,462	323,647	-14,184	-4.4
	Imports	332,799	358,354	-25,554	-7.1
	Trade Balance	-23,337	-34,707	+11,370	
Latest 3 months compared with same period 12 months earlier		Feb-Apr 2020	Feb-Apr 2019	Change	
				Value	%
	Total Exports	871,303	892,877	-21,575	-2.4
	Imports	967,978	1,036,572	-68,594	-6.6
	Trade Balance	-96,676	-143,694	+47,019	
Calendar year-to-date compared with same period in the preceding year		Jan-Apr 2020	Jan-Apr 2019	Change	
				Value	%
	Total Exports	1,140,698	1,241,579	-100,881	-8.1
	Imports	1,267,969	1,395,572	-127,603	-9.1
	Trade Balance	-127,271	-153,993	+26,722	
Last 12 months compared with same period 12 months earlier		May 2019 to Apr 2020	May 2018 to Apr 2019	Change	
				Value	%
	Total Exports	3,887,805	4,126,637	-238,832	-5.8
	Imports	4,287,837	4,667,133	-379,295	-8.1
	Trade Balance	-400,033	-540,496	+140,463	

Table 2 : Hong Kong's External Merchandise Trade Statistics from January 2017 to April 2020

(HK\$ Million)

Year	Month	Total Exports	Year-on-year % Change	Imports	Year-on-year % Change
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
2020	1	269,395.5	-22.7	299,990.8	-16.4
	2	238,557.6	+4.3	277,108.4	-0.1
	3	323,646.8	-5.8	358,353.9	-11.1
	4	309,462.4	-3.7	332,799.4	-6.7

Table 3 : Seasonally Adjusted Series of Hong Kong's External Merchandise Trade Statistics from January 2017 to April 2020

Year	Month	Change of the latest 3-month period over the preceding 3-month period (%)	
		Total Exports	Imports
2017	1	+5.0	+3.6
	2	+2.5	+3.4
	3	+0.5	+2.1
	4	-0.3	+0.9
	5	-0.5	-1.3
	6	+2.0	+0.7
	7	+1.3	+0.8
	8	+3.1	+2.9
	9	+0.9	+1.2
	10	+1.7	+2.1
	11	+2.4	+3.2
	12	+3.4	+3.9
2018	1	+3.7	+4.1
	2	+2.9	+3.4
	3	+2.5	+3.8
	4	+2.1	+3.8
	5	+1.7	+3.1
	6	+1.8	+1.0
	7	+2.0	+0.8
	8	+1.9	+0.8
	9	+1.2	+1.7
	10	+1.5	+1.3
	11	-0.5	-1.2
	12	-2.9	-3.8
2019	1	-6.2	-6.7
	2	-7.3	-7.7
	3	-2.8	-2.6
	4	-1.5	-0.5
	5	+4.4	+4.8
	6	-0.2	-1.0
	7	-0.2	-1.5
	8	-3.5	-4.5
	9	-0.6	-2.6
	10	+0.5	-1.9
	11	+0.8	-1.6
	12	+1.2	-0.8
2020	1	-4.4	-2.2
	2	-7.8	-5.8
	3	-9.8	-5.7
	4	-0.8	-4.0

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	Apr 2020 (HKD Mn.)	Apr 2020 over Apr 2019 (% change)	Jan - Apr 2020 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Apr 2020 over Jan - Apr 2019 (% change)
Total Exports	309,462	-3.7	1,140,698	-8.1
The mainland of China	193,682	+9.4	665,837	+1.2
United States of America	18,332	-24.6	69,957	-26.6
Japan	9,802	+10.7	34,856	-11.5
Taiwan	8,167	+21.6	29,315	+6.5
India	3,099	-61.6	27,178	-18.5
Vietnam	6,236	+0.8	25,570	+2.4
Singapore	4,904	-27.7	20,280	-18.8
Netherlands	6,781	+11.7	18,821	-14.2
Germany	4,930	-19.6	17,917	-24.7
Thailand	4,025	-9.8	17,178	-10.6

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

Supplier	Apr 2020 (HKD Mn.)	Apr 2020 over Apr 2019 (% change)	Jan - Apr 2020 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Apr 2020 over Jan - Apr 2019 (% change)
Total Imports	332,799	-6.7	1,267,969	-9.1
The mainland of China	150,397	-11.2	542,818	-15.4
Taiwan	32,768	+29.5	114,336	+18.8
Singapore	25,914	+11.8	100,245	+8.6
Japan	19,934	-10.8	76,508	-2.5
Korea	18,942	+15.3	74,607	+12.9
United States of America	16,374	-1.1	61,566	-15.1
Malaysia	15,118	+6.0	53,385	-4.3
Vietnam	6,872	+77.0	26,108	+43.5
Thailand	7,432	+5.1	25,269	-3.0
United Kingdom	5,923	+7.3	21,405	+1.2

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

Commodity division	Apr 2020 (HKD Mn.)	Apr 2020 over Apr 2019 (% change)	Jan - Apr 2020 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Apr 2020 over Jan - Apr 2019 (% change)
Total Exports	309,462	-3.7	1,140,698	-8.1
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	134,443	+6.2	483,247	+3.2
Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	47,200	-20.9	185,329	-20.1
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	40,776	+26.2	128,809	+3.4
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly jewellery, goldsmiths' and silversmiths' wares)	12,039	-37.3	52,900	-24.8
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	4,247	-64.3	32,088	-42.9
Power generating machinery and equipment	8,041	+44.9	30,868	+36.9
Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus	8,769	+12.6	28,808	-2.1
Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies, optical goods, watches and clocks	4,912	-40.9	24,893	-22.5
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	3,624	-41.3	18,698	-34.8
Non-ferrous metals	5,685	+139.3	15,819	+48.7

Table 7 : Value of Imports of 10 Principal Commodity Divisions

Commodity division	Apr 2020 (HKD Mn.)	Apr 2020 over Apr 2019 (% change)	Jan - Apr 2020 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Apr 2020 over Jan - Apr 2019 (% change)
Total Imports	332,799	-6.7	1,267,969	-9.1
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	143,831	+9.6	525,501	+4.2
Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	43,885	-21.0	178,325	-17.7
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	30,957	+11.1	102,033	-9.2
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly jewellery, goldsmiths' and silversmiths' wares)	16,984	-20.4	70,341	-17.7
Power generating machinery and equipment	9,702	+25.7	40,116	+38.9
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	6,509	-53.1	34,387	-47.2
Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus	8,382	+18.7	28,363	+2.5
Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies, optical goods, watches and clocks	5,034	-42.8	25,731	-22.7
Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	2,175	-73.4	19,858	-37.4
Vegetables and fruit	5,077	+6.4	19,300	-4.1