

**Table 1: External Merchandise Trade Statistics for May 2020**

(HK\$ Million)

<b>Merchandise trade values for May 2020</b>				
	Total Exports		317,610	
	Imports		331,341	
	Trade Balance		-13,730	
			<b>Change</b>	
<b>Current month compared with same month in the preceding year</b>	<b>May 2020</b>	<b>May 2019</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>%</b>
Total Exports	317,610	343,065	-25,455	-7.4
Imports	331,341	377,774	-46,433	-12.3
Trade Balance	-13,730	-34,709	+20,979	
<b>Current month compared with last month</b>	<b>May 2020</b>	<b>April 2020</b>		
Total Exports	317,610	309,462	+8,148	+2.6
Imports	331,341	332,799	-1,459	-0.4
Trade Balance	-13,730	-23,337	+9,607	
<b>Latest 3 months compared with same period 12 months earlier</b>	<b>Mar-May 2020</b>	<b>Mar-May 2019</b>		
Total Exports	949,429	1,007,246	-57,817	-5.7
Imports	1,022,026	1,136,712	-114,685	-10.1
Trade Balance	-72,597	-129,466	+56,869	
<b>Calendar year-to-date compared with same period in the preceding year</b>	<b>Jan-May 2020</b>	<b>Jan-May 2019</b>		
Total Exports	1,457,360	1,584,285	-126,925	-8.0
Imports	1,599,061	1,773,104	-174,043	-9.8
Trade Balance	-141,701	-188,819	+47,118	
<b>Last 12 months compared with same period 12 months earlier</b>	<b>Jun 2019 to May 2020</b>	<b>Jun 2018 to May 2019</b>		
Total Exports	3,861,760	4,118,128	-256,368	-6.2
Imports	4,241,397	4,650,433	-409,036	-8.8
Trade Balance	-379,637	-532,305	+152,668	

**Table 2 : Hong Kong's External Merchandise Trade Statistics from January 2017 to May 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
	5	317,610.5	-7.4	331,340.6	-12.3

**Table 3 : Seasonally Adjusted Series of Hong Kong's External Merchandise Trade Statistics from January 2017 to May 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
	5	+5.1	+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	May 2020 (HKD Mn.)	May 2020 over May 2019 (% change)	Jan - May 2020 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - May 2020 over Jan - May 2019 (% change)
Total Exports	317,610	-7.4	1,457,360	-8.0
The mainland of China	187,039	+0.3	852,772	+1.0
United States of America	22,451	-14.4	91,950	-24.2
Japan	10,505	-3.6	45,341	-9.8
Taiwan	8,662	+16.6	37,982	+8.6
India	6,440	-37.9	33,612	-23.1
Vietnam	5,946	-11.2	31,501	-0.5
Singapore	4,186	-29.0	24,460	-20.8
Netherlands	5,666	-6.9	24,458	-12.7
Germany	5,101	-12.9	23,000	-22.4
Korea	4,635	-18.4	21,695	-12.0

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

Supplier	May 2020 (HKD Mn.)	May 2020 over May 2019 (% change)	Jan - May 2020 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - May 2020 over Jan - May 2019 (% change)
Total Imports	331,341	-12.3	1,599,061	-9.8
The mainland of China	152,047	-13.9	694,736	-15.1
Taiwan	30,426	+6.9	144,754	+16.1
Singapore	24,009	-6.4	124,258	+5.3
Korea	18,965	+5.0	93,576	+11.2
Japan	16,712	-12.5	93,197	-4.4
United States of America	12,443	-30.4	73,973	-18.2
Malaysia	13,137	-3.0	66,521	-4.0
Vietnam	8,781	+69.6	34,888	+49.3
Thailand	8,352	+1.6	33,613	-1.9
United Kingdom	4,449	-37.9	25,852	-8.7

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

Commodity division	May 2020 (HKD Mn.)	May 2020 over May 2019 (% change)	Jan - May 2020 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - May 2020 over Jan - May 2019 (% change)
Total Exports	317,610	-7.4	1,457,360	-8.0
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	138,049	+5.2	621,228	+3.7
Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	50,411	-20.5	235,324	-20.3
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	37,795	+12.8	166,306	+5.3
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly jewellery, goldsmiths' and silversmiths' wares)	12,336	-39.9	65,163	-28.3
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	9,173	-34.2	41,254	-41.2
Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus	8,915	+3.0	37,699	-1.0
Power generating machinery and equipment	6,003	+26.2	36,870	+35.1
Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies, optical goods, watches and clocks	5,008	-45.2	29,885	-27.6
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	4,483	-41.6	23,181	-36.3
Non-ferrous metals	4,632	-0.6	20,450	+33.6

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

Commodity division	May 2020 (HKD Mn.)	May 2020 over May 2019 (% change)	Jan - May 2020 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - May 2020 over Jan - May 2019 (% change)
Total Imports	331,341	-12.3	1,599,061	-9.8
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	139,962	-1.4	665,372	+3.0
Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	45,805	-18.7	224,104	-18.0
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	29,483	-4.1	131,509	-8.1
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly jewellery, goldsmiths' and silversmiths' wares)	14,328	-37.9	84,673	-22.0
Power generating machinery and equipment	6,393	-2.3	46,507	+31.3
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	11,405	-22.6	45,803	-42.6
Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus	7,962	+0.1	36,320	+1.9
Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies, optical goods, watches and clocks	4,724	-52.1	30,460	-29.4
Essential oils and resinoids and perfume materials; toilet, polishing and cleansing preparations	6,581	+39.8	25,048	+6.4
Vegetables and fruit	4,860	+23.7	24,136	+0.4