

Statistics of Payment Cards Issued in Hong Kong for Third Quarter 2021<sup>(1)</sup>

	Q3 20	Q2 21	Q3 21	Quarterly Change	Yearly Change
Total number of credit cards in circulation ('000)	19,340	19,224	<b>19,182</b>	-0.2%	-0.8%
Total number of credit card transactions ('000) <sup>(2)</sup>	208,884	235,680	<b>232,539</b>	-1.3%	+11.3%
<i>of which</i> Retail sales	207,040	233,676	<b>230,485</b>	-1.4%	+11.3%
of which Hong Kong spending	181,510	206,359	<b>200,732</b>	-2.7%	+10.6%
Overseas spending	25,530	27,317	<b>29,754</b>	+8.9%	+16.5%
Cash advances	1,845	2,004	<b>2,054</b>	+2.5%	+11.3%
Total value of credit card transactions (\$HK Mn) <sup>(2)</sup>	148,970	172,133	<b>177,276</b>	+3.0%	+19.0%
<i>of which</i> Retail sales	139,326	162,566	<b>167,149</b>	+2.8%	+20.0%
of which Hong Kong spending	122,064	142,229	<b>143,226</b>	+0.7%	+17.3%
Overseas spending	17,262	20,336	<b>23,924</b>	+17.6%	+38.6%
Cash advances	9,644	9,567	<b>10,127</b>	+5.9%	+5.0%
Total number of debit card transactions for retail sales/bill payments ('000)	36,194	42,098	<b>43,616</b>	+3.6%	+20.5%
Total value of debit card transactions for retail sales/bill payments (\$HK Mn)	73,167	72,175	<b>72,038</b>	-0.2%	-1.5%

*Notes:*

1. Please refer to Notes to Press Release for explanations of the statistics. The figures may not add up due to rounding.
2. Figures for Q3 2020 have been adjusted from those released in December 2020 due to subsequent data update.