

Table 1: External Merchandise Trade Statistics for March 2024

(HK\$ Million)

Merchandise trade values for March 2024				
	Total Exports		384,490	
	Imports		429,502	
	Trade Balance		-45,012	
			Change	
Current month compared with same month in the preceding year	March 2024	March 2023	Value	%
Total Exports	384,490	367,159	+17,331	+4.7
Imports	429,502	407,754	+21,748	+5.3
Trade Balance	-45,012	-40,595	-4,417	
Current month compared with last month	March 2024	February 2024		
Total Exports	384,490	284,052	+100,438	+35.4
Imports	429,502	325,703	+103,799	+31.9
Trade Balance	-45,012	-41,651	-3,360	
Latest 3 months compared with same period 12 months earlier	Jan-Mar 2024	Jan-Mar 2023		
Total Exports	1,056,123	943,455	+112,668	+11.9
Imports	1,139,757	1,055,069	+84,689	+8.0
Trade Balance	-83,634	-111,613	+27,979	
Last 12 months compared with same period 12 months earlier	Apr 2023 to Mar 2024	Apr 2022 to Mar 2023		
Total Exports	4,290,073	4,329,155	-39,082	-0.9
Imports	4,729,679	4,773,872	-44,192	-0.9
Trade Balance	-439,606	-444,717	+5,111	

Table 2 : Hong Kong's External Merchandise Trade Statistics from January 2021 to March 2024

(HK\$ Million)

Year	Month	Total Exports	Year-on-year % Change	Imports	Year-on-year % Change
2021	1	387,980.3	+44.0	413,208.4	+37.7
	2	311,077.1	+30.4	325,776.0	+17.6
	3	409,123.9	+26.4	436,091.1	+21.7
	4	384,874.1	+24.4	416,650.2	+25.2
	5	393,813.8	+24.0	419,277.6	+26.5
	6	406,606.9	+33.0	447,062.3	+31.9
	7	416,953.5	+26.9	451,934.8	+26.1
	8	433,670.8	+25.9	459,968.4	+28.1
	9	441,814.2	+16.5	484,205.7	+23.5
	10	418,277.8	+21.4	448,741.4	+17.7
	11	474,416.6	+25.0	486,022.9	+20.0
	12	489,513.9	+24.8	522,266.9	+19.3
2022	1	459,548.6	+18.4	452,901.1	+9.6
	2	313,789.9	+0.9	345,898.3	+6.2
	3	372,767.2	-8.9	410,029.4	-6.0
	4	389,003.2	+1.1	425,584.8	+2.1
	5	388,136.9	-1.4	424,811.9	+1.3
	6	380,708.1	-6.4	449,241.0	+0.5
	7	379,638.4	-8.9	407,192.8	-9.9
	8	371,869.9	-14.3	385,133.9	-16.3
	9	401,649.3	-9.1	446,569.0	-7.8
	10	374,654.6	-10.4	395,523.7	-11.9
	11	360,041.6	-24.1	387,130.3	-20.3
	12	348,084.7	-28.9	399,730.7	-23.5
2023	1	290,944.8	-36.7	316,317.9	-30.2
	2	286,203.9	-8.8	331,568.7	-4.1
	3	367,159.1	-1.5	407,753.8	-0.6
	4	338,335.0	-13.0	374,909.6	-11.9
	5	327,560.0	-15.6	353,958.9	-16.7
	6	337,350.0	-11.4	393,923.8	-12.3
	7	345,155.6	-9.1	375,143.4	-7.9
	8	358,294.2	-3.7	383,886.2	-0.3
	9	380,337.4	-5.3	444,917.4	-0.4
	10	379,896.0	+1.4	405,647.7	+2.6
	11	386,639.0	+7.4	414,556.5	+7.1
	12	386,431.8	+11.0	446,293.7	+11.6
2024	1	388,710.8	+33.6	385,068.3	+21.7
	2	284,052.0	-0.8	325,703.1	-1.8
	3	384,490.2	+4.7	429,501.7	+5.3

Table 3 : Seasonally Adjusted Series of Hong Kong's External Merchandise Trade Statistics from January 2021 to March 2024

Year	Month	Change of the latest 3-month period over the preceding 3-month period (%)	
		Total Exports	Imports
2021	1	+6.7	+10.8
	2	+12.7	+12.3
	3	+15.2	+11.4
	4	+11.7	+6.6
	5	+1.0	+1.9
	6	+0.1	+1.4
	7	+0.7	+3.2
	8	+5.1	+5.1
	9	+2.1	+3.5
	10	-0.9	+0.1
	11	-0.5	-0.6
	12	+3.8	+1.3
2022	1	+11.4	+7.7
	2	+7.5	+4.6
	3	-3.1	-3.1
	4	-14.1	-12.1
	5	-14.3	-10.0
	6	-5.7	-1.2
	7	-1.4	+1.3
	8	-2.6	-3.3
	9	-6.9	-9.6
	10	-6.5	-8.8
	11	-5.9	-6.0
	12	-8.1	-6.0
2023	1	-10.7	-6.1
	2	-4.7	-1.7
	3	+2.1	+3.6
	4	+10.7	+7.2
	5	+3.1	+0.9
	6	-0.3	-1.5
	7	-4.2	-3.7
	8	+0.1	+0.2
	9	+1.8	+2.7
	10	+3.5	+4.2
	11	+3.1	+4.0
	12	+3.0	+2.4
2024	1	+4.2	+2.3
	2	+5.5	+3.3
	3	+5.7	+3.1

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	Mar 2024 (HKD Mn.)	Mar 2024 over Mar 2023 (% change)	Jan - Mar 2024 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Mar 2024 over Jan - Mar 2023 (% change)
Total Exports	384,490	+4.7	1,056,123	+11.9
The mainland of China	224,700	+12.1	599,077	+20.2
United States of America	22,644	-5.4	67,563	+5.5
India	12,586	-17.9	41,457	+12.9
Taiwan	11,877	-22.3	33,433	-3.7
Vietnam	12,727	+41.6	29,725	+17.7
United Arab Emirates	9,940	+17.5	28,830	+20.8
Japan	7,845	-3.6	20,634	-3.0
Thailand	6,765	+20.6	20,208	+38.8
Korea	6,732	-2.4	17,546	-8.0
Netherlands	5,421	-9.1	16,803	-27.8

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

Supplier	Mar 2024 (HKD Mn.)	Mar 2024 over Mar 2023 (% change)	Jan - Mar 2024 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Mar 2024 over Jan - Mar 2023 (% change)
Total Imports	429,502	+5.3	1,139,757	+8.0
The mainland of China	188,751	+4.1	493,457	+9.8
Taiwan	43,851	-5.9	111,030	-7.0
Singapore	31,733	+13.6	87,315	+15.3
Korea	27,533	+67.5	71,715	+58.4
United States of America	19,947	+4.8	55,126	+13.9
Japan	19,961	+4.5	55,068	+6.9
Vietnam	14,126	+53.0	34,140	+37.9
Malaysia	13,393	+3.8	33,540	-7.6
Thailand	8,092	+25.2	21,450	+19.6
India	5,480	-14.6	17,926	-11.6

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

Commodity division	Mar 2024 (HKD Mn.)	Mar 2024 over Mar 2023 (% change)	Jan - Mar 2024 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Mar 2024 over Jan - Mar 2023 (% change)
Total Exports	384,490	+4.7	1,056,123	+11.9
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	187,407	+4.8	504,393	+13.7
Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	45,747	+14.2	134,694	+16.9
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	38,334	+9.8	105,013	+15.1
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly jewellery, goldsmiths' and silversmiths' wares)	17,564	-14.3	52,390	-1.8
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	19,122	-7.1	41,470	-1.6
Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus	12,350	+13.6	34,301	+17.0
Power generating machinery and equipment	8,485	-4.2	26,411	+10.4
Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies, optical goods, watches and clocks	7,978	-4.4	22,847	-1.6
Non-ferrous metals	5,862	-14.2	15,983	-14.1
Machinery specialized for particular industries	5,280	+90.2	12,045	+59.8

Table 7 : Value of Imports of 10 Principal Commodity Divisions

Commodity division	Mar 2024 (HKD Mn.)	Mar 2024 over Mar 2023 (% change)	Jan - Mar 2024 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Mar 2024 over Jan - Mar 2023 (% change)
Total Imports	429,502	+5.3	1,139,757	+8.0
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	192,559	+5.8	492,545	+9.9
Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	48,311	+18.3	133,291	+14.2
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly jewellery, goldsmiths' and silversmiths' wares)	34,113	+3.7	84,733	+7.7
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	33,948	+20.3	82,084	+11.0
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	12,501	-29.5	41,671	-9.5
Power generating machinery and equipment	12,548	+3.8	33,613	+3.2
Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus	11,836	+12.7	31,454	+3.8
Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies, optical goods, watches and clocks	8,407	-15.6	24,347	-3.5
Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	7,823	+36.3	21,929	+14.3
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	6,640	+39.5	17,885	+39.2