

Table 1: External Merchandise Trade Statistics for April 2024

(HK\$ Million)

Merchandise trade values for April 2024				
	Total Exports		378,739	
	Imports		388,933	
	Trade Balance		-10,194	
Change				
Current month compared with same month in the preceding year	April 2024	April 2023	Value	%
Total Exports	378,739	338,335	+40,404	+11.9
Imports	388,933	374,910	+14,024	+3.7
Trade Balance	-10,194	-36,575	+26,381	
Current month compared with last month	April 2024	March 2024		
Total Exports	378,739	384,490	-5,751	-1.5
Imports	388,933	429,502	-40,569	-9.4
Trade Balance	-10,194	-45,012	+34,818	
Latest 3 months compared with same period 12 months earlier	Feb-Apr 2024	Feb-Apr 2023		
Total Exports	1,045,755	990,411	+55,344	+5.6
Imports	1,143,329	1,113,459	+29,870	+2.7
Trade Balance	-97,575	-123,048	+25,474	
Calendar year-to-date compared with same period in the preceding year	Jan-Apr 2024	Jan-Apr 2023		
Total Exports	1,434,465	1,281,356	+153,110	+11.9
Imports	1,528,398	1,429,777	+98,620	+6.9
Trade Balance	-93,932	-148,422	+54,489	
Last 12 months compared with same period 12 months earlier	May 2023 to Apr 2024	May 2022 to Apr 2023		
Total Exports	4,330,515	4,278,544	+51,971	+1.2
Imports	4,743,611	4,723,262	+20,348	+0.4
Trade Balance	-413,096	-444,719	+31,623	

Table 2 : Hong Kong's External Merchandise Trade Statistics from January 2021 to April 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
	4	378,739.3	+11.9	388,933.1	+3.7

Table 3 : Seasonally Adjusted Series of Hong Kong's External Merchandise Trade Statistics from January 2021 to April 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
	4	+3.6	+2.3

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 2024 (HKD Mn.)	Apr 2024 over Apr 2023 (% change)	Jan - Apr 2024 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Apr 2024 over Jan - Apr 2023 (% change)
Total Exports	378,739	+11.9	1,434,465	+11.9
The mainland of China	223,283	+21.3	822,089	+20.5
United States of America	27,676	+17.1	95,226	+8.7
India	8,581	-28.5	50,039	+2.8
Taiwan	11,889	+2.8	45,316	-2.0
Vietnam	10,618	+22.1	40,334	+18.8
United Arab Emirates	6,610	-2.7	35,439	+15.6
Japan	6,486	-13.5	27,113	-5.7
Thailand	6,642	+33.2	26,816	+37.2
Korea	6,603	+4.1	24,138	-5.0
Macao	5,910	-9.9	22,535	-11.1

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

Supplier	Apr 2024 (HKD Mn.)	Apr 2024 over Apr 2023 (% change)	Jan - Apr 2024 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Apr 2024 over Jan - Apr 2023 (% change)
Total Imports	388,933	+3.7	1,528,398	+6.9
The mainland of China	175,732	+5.7	669,015	+8.7
Taiwan	37,856	-19.6	148,877	-10.6
Singapore	33,235	+45.1	120,492	+22.1
Korea	25,071	+47.9	96,804	+55.6
Japan	18,186	+0.6	73,211	+5.2
United States of America	13,629	-12.2	68,754	+7.6
Malaysia	13,361	+11.9	46,901	-2.8
Vietnam	12,001	+48.8	46,144	+40.6
Thailand	6,797	-10.7	28,247	+10.6
India	4,616	-9.2	22,541	-11.1

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

Commodity division	Apr 2024 (HKD Mn.)	Apr 2024 over Apr 2023 (% change)	Jan - Apr 2024 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Apr 2024 over Jan - Apr 2023 (% change)
Total Exports	378,739	+11.9	1,434,465	+11.9
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	179,613	+14.3	683,960	+13.9
Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	44,703	+11.7	179,373	+15.6
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	42,299	+24.0	147,246	+17.6
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly jewellery, goldsmiths' and silversmiths' wares)	24,023	-7.2	76,400	-3.6
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	11,164	-3.1	52,632	-1.9
Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus	11,149	+3.9	45,441	+13.4
Power generating machinery and equipment	12,836	+36.5	39,245	+17.8
Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies, optical goods, watches and clocks	7,669	-8.1	30,504	-3.4
Non-ferrous metals	7,487	+20.5	23,469	-5.4
Machinery specialized for particular industries	4,761	+92.8	16,634	+67.9

Table 7 : Value of Imports of 10 Principal Commodity Divisions

Commodity division	Apr 2024 (HKD Mn.)	Apr 2024 over Apr 2023 (% change)	Jan - Apr 2024 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - Apr 2024 over Jan - Apr 2023 (% change)
Total Imports	388,933	+3.7	1,528,398	+6.9
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	178,545	+11.1	671,030	+10.2
Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	41,860	-3.3	175,151	+9.5
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	29,055	+7.2	111,124	+10.0
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly jewellery, goldsmiths' and silversmiths' wares)	25,059	-5.8	109,772	+4.3
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	10,673	-22.1	52,342	-12.4
Power generating machinery and equipment	13,906	+9.4	47,519	+5.0
Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus	10,302	-8.0	41,741	+0.6
Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies, optical goods, watches and clocks	8,128	-6.7	32,469	-4.4
Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	7,425	+17.0	29,354	+15.0
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	6,275	+45.0	24,154	+40.6