

**Table 1: External Merchandise Trade Statistics for May 2024**

(HK\$ Million)

<b>Merchandise trade values for May 2024</b>					
	Total Exports		375,947		
	Imports		388,090		
	Trade Balance		-12,144		
<b>Change</b>					
<b>Current month compared with same month in the preceding year</b>		<b>May 2024</b>	<b>May 2023</b>	<b>Change</b>	
				<b>Value</b>	<b>%</b>
	Total Exports	375,947	327,560	+48,387	+14.8
	Imports	388,090	353,959	+34,131	+9.6
	Trade Balance	-12,144	-26,399	+14,255	
<b>Current month compared with last month</b>		<b>May 2024</b>	<b>April 2024</b>	<b>Change</b>	
				<b>Value</b>	<b>%</b>
	Total Exports	375,947	378,739	-2,793	-0.7
	Imports	388,090	388,933	-843	-0.2
	Trade Balance	-12,144	-10,194	-1,950	
<b>Latest 3 months compared with same period 12 months earlier</b>		<b>Mar-May 2024</b>	<b>Mar-May 2023</b>	<b>Change</b>	
				<b>Value</b>	<b>%</b>
	Total Exports	1,137,639	1,031,588	+106,051	+10.3
	Imports	1,204,765	1,135,564	+69,201	+6.1
	Trade Balance	-67,126	-103,976	+36,850	
<b>Calendar year-to-date compared with same period in the preceding year</b>		<b>Jan-May 2024</b>	<b>Jan-May 2023</b>	<b>Change</b>	
				<b>Value</b>	<b>%</b>
	Total Exports	1,810,087	1,608,343	+201,744	+12.5
	Imports	1,915,312	1,783,322	+131,990	+7.4
	Trade Balance	-105,225	-174,979	+69,754	
<b>Last 12 months compared with same period 12 months earlier</b>		<b>Jun 2023 to May 2024</b>	<b>Jun 2022 to May 2023</b>	<b>Change</b>	
				<b>Value</b>	<b>%</b>
	Total Exports	4,379,150	4,218,251	+160,899	+3.8
	Imports	4,776,981	4,651,968	+125,013	+2.7
	Trade Balance	-397,831	-433,718	+35,887	

**Table 2 : Hong Kong's External Merchandise Trade Statistics from January 2021 to May 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
	5	375,946.6	+14.8	388,090.3	+9.6

**Table 3 : Seasonally Adjusted Series of Hong Kong's External Merchandise Trade Statistics from January 2021 to May 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
	5	+1.5	-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 2024 (HKD Mn.)	May 2024 over May 2023 (% change)	Jan - May 2024 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - May 2024 over Jan - May 2023 (% change)
Total Exports	375,947	+14.8	1,810,087	+12.5
The mainland of China	217,654	+23.6	1,039,482	+21.1
United States of America	29,105	+26.6	124,325	+12.4
India	9,286	-16.1	59,310	-0.7
Taiwan	10,335	+2.3	55,650	-1.2
Vietnam	11,995	+31.5	52,327	+21.5
United Arab Emirates	7,555	+13.2	42,964	+15.1
Japan	7,091	+12.4	34,203	-2.3
Thailand	6,025	+23.4	32,841	+34.5
Korea	6,277	+6.1	30,394	-2.9
Macao	4,744	-22.4	27,275	-13.3

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

Supplier	May 2024 (HKD Mn.)	May 2024 over May 2023 (% change)	Jan - May 2024 (HKD Mn.)	Jan - May 2024 over Jan - May 2023 (% change)
Total Imports	388,090	+9.6	1,915,312	+7.4
The mainland of China	169,487	+9.5	837,615	+8.8
Taiwan	40,299	-4.5	189,130	-9.4
Singapore	32,034	+33.8	152,430	+24.5
Korea	22,546	+59.6	119,334	+56.5
Japan	16,576	-1.1	89,776	+4.0
United States of America	15,002	-4.8	83,743	+5.1
Vietnam	12,942	+49.8	59,078	+42.5
Malaysia	11,972	+1.8	58,874	-1.9
Thailand	7,675	+14.1	35,923	+11.3
India	5,234	+13.8	27,771	-7.3

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

Commodity division	May 2024  (HKD Mn.)	May 2024 over May 2023  (% change)	Jan - May 2024  (HKD Mn.)	Jan - May 2024 over Jan - May 2023  (% change)
Total Exports	375,947	+14.8	1,810,087	+12.5
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	176,353	+16.3	860,184	+14.4
Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	42,203	+2.1	221,548	+12.8
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	42,159	+43.4	189,403	+22.5
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly jewellery, goldsmiths' and silversmiths' wares)	23,858	+22.8	100,224	+1.6
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	13,822	-7.7	66,443	-3.1
Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus	10,730	+14.4	56,169	+13.6
Power generating machinery and equipment	11,104	+12.9	50,362	+16.7
Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies, optical goods, watches and clocks	7,637	-4.2	38,134	-3.5
Non-ferrous metals	8,759	+33.3	32,228	+2.8
Machinery specialized for particular industries	2,888	+63.3	19,442	+66.5

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

Commodity division	May 2024  (HKD Mn.)	May 2024 over May 2023  (% change)	Jan - May 2024  (HKD Mn.)	Jan - May 2024 over Jan - May 2023  (% change)
Total Imports	388,090	+9.6	1,915,312	+7.4
Electrical machinery, apparatus and appliances, and electrical parts thereof	170,423	+10.7	841,377	+10.3
Telecommunications and sound recording and reproducing apparatus and equipment	42,596	+11.7	217,727	+9.9
Office machines and automatic data processing machines	31,267	+30.4	142,286	+13.8
Miscellaneous manufactured articles (mainly jewellery, goldsmiths' and silversmiths' wares)	24,810	+3.3	134,564	+4.1
Non-metallic mineral manufactures	12,041	-12.3	64,361	-12.4
Power generating machinery and equipment	14,207	+13.3	61,727	+6.8
Professional, scientific and controlling instruments and apparatus	10,143	+12.5	51,863	+2.7
Photographic apparatus, equipment and supplies, optical goods, watches and clocks	8,605	-6.6	41,070	-4.5
Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	6,382	+5.2	35,032	+10.9
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories	6,391	+37.0	30,547	+39.9