The Land Registry Monthly Press Release Figures on Agreements for Sale and Purchase and Statistical Tables on Instruments Received for Registration in June 2007

The total number of sale and purchase agreements for all types of building units received for registration in the Land Registry in June 2007 was 11,979. This was a decrease of 8.5% from May 2007 but an increase of 40.8% compared with June 2006. Using a 12-month moving average, the figure for June 2007 represented an increase of 3.1% over May 2007 and 17.3% compared with June 2006. The total consideration of these agreements in the month was \$39.4 billion, down 12.4% from May 2007 but up 60.2% compared with the amount for June 2006.

Among the 11,979 sale and purchase agreements, 9,653 were sale and purchase agreements for residential units. This was a decrease of 13.1% from May 2007 but an increase of 35% compared with June 2006. The total consideration of these agreements in the month was \$31.7 billion, down 17% from May 2007 but up 63% compared with the amount for June 2006. Sales of residential units refer to the sale and purchase agreements with payment of stamp duty. These statistics do not include sales of units under the Home Ownership Scheme, the Private Sector Participation Scheme and the Tenants Purchase Scheme except those after payment of premium.

The figures are contained in the monthly statistics released today by the Land Registry on deeds relating to property transactions received for registration in the Land Registry in June 2007.

Relevant statistics for May 2007 and June 2006 are provided for comparison. Figures on sale and purchase agreements received for the past 12 months, the year-on-year rate of change and breakdown figures on residential sales are also released.

As deeds may not be lodged with the Land Registry until up to 30 days after the transaction, these statistics generally relate to land transactions in the previous month.

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Consolidated Monthly Statistics in respect of deeds received for registration in the Land Registry

Month: June 2007

		Number of	of Deeds received for	or registration	Cons	Consideration (nearest \$ million)				
Item	Nature of Deeds	Urban	New Territories	Total	Urban	New Territories	Total			
1.	Agreements for Sale and Purchase of Building Units	6,672 (7,636)	5,307 (5,715)	11,979 (13,351)	28,463	10,900	39,363			
2.	Agreements for Sale and Purchase of Land	18	191	209	2,585	748	3,333			
	Sub-total (1) + (2)	6,690	5,498	12,188	31,048	11,648	42,696			
3.	Assignments of Building Units	8,552 (9,350)	8,088 (8,699)	16,640 (18,049)	27,240	13,574	40,814			
4.	Assignments of Land	21	440	461	1,661	1,488	3,149			
	Sub-total (3) + (4)	8,573	8,528	17,101	28,901	15,062	43,963			
5.	Building Mortgages/Building Legal Charges	2	8	10						
6.	Other Mortgages/Legal Charges	7,627	7,410	15,037						
	Sub-total (5) + (6)	7,629	7,418	15,047						
7.	Receipts/Discharges/Releases	6,715	6,579	13,294						
8.	Leases/Tenancy Agreements	282	212	494						
9.	Exclusion Orders	0	0	0						
10.	Others	6,218	4,155	10,373						
	Total	36,107	32,390	68,497						

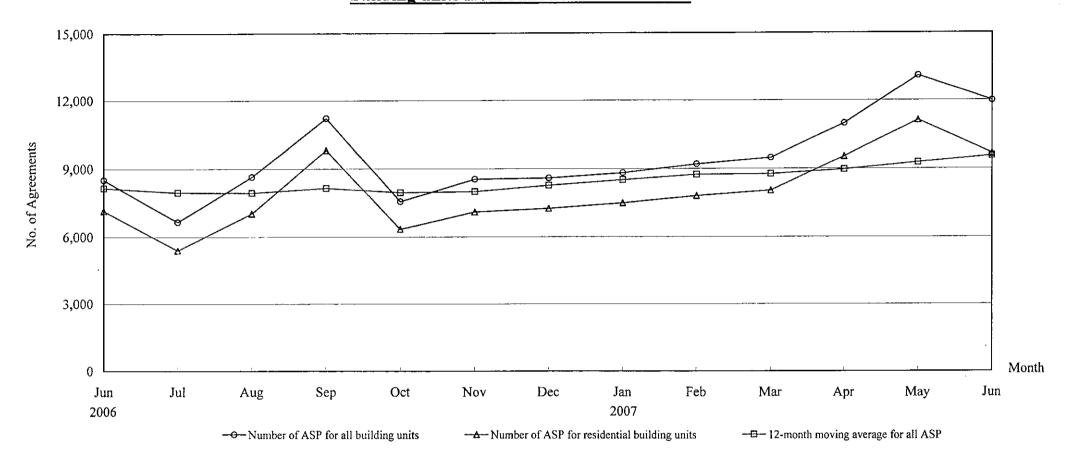
Note: Figures in brackets denote the number of units involved.

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Aonth : June 2007								2007	1 20		
	2007	2007	2006			ase (-) as compared with June 2006					
Item	June	May	June	No. 0:	May 200 r Consideration		ercentage	No. o	r Consideration		rcentage
Agreements for Sale and Purchase of Building Units (a) No. (b) Consideration	11,979 39,363	13,090 44,911	8,508 24,568	-	1,111 5,548	-	8.5 12.4	+ +	3,471 14,795	+	40.8 60.2
Agreements for Sale and Purchase of Land (a) No. (b) Consideration	209 3,333	176 2,526	218 3,788	+ +	33 807	+	18.8 31.9	-	9 455	-	4.1 12.0
Sub-total of (1) + (2) (a) No. (b) Consideration	12,188 42,696	13,266 47,437	8,726 28,356	-	1,078 4,741	-	8.1 10.0	+ +	3,462 14,340	+	39.7 50.6
Assignments of Building Units (a) No. (b) Consideration	16,640 40,814	11,998 29,869	11,819 31,218	+ +	4,642 10,945	+	38.7 36.6	+ +	4,821 9,596	+ +	40.8 30.7
4. Assignments of Land (a) No. (b) Consideration	461 3,149	496 1,929	553 3,128	- +	35 1,220	- +	7.1 63.2	+	92 21	-+	16.6 0.7
Sub-total of (3) + (4) (a) No. (b) Consideration	17,101 43,963	12,494 31,798	12,372 34,346	+ +	4,607 12,165	+ +	36.9 38.3	+ +	4,729 9,617	+	38.2 28.0
5. No. of Building Mortgages/Building Legal Charges	10	4	15	+	6	+	150.0	-	5	-	33.3
6. No. of Other Mortgages/Legal Charges	15,037	10,518	9,534	+	4,519	+	43.0	+	5,503	+	57.7
Sub-total of (5) + (6)	15,047	10,522	9,549	+	4,525	+	43.0	+	5,498	+	57.€
7. No. of Receipts/Discharges/Releases	13,294	11,653	13,161	+	1,641	+	14.1	+	133	+	1.0

Note: Consideration rounded to the nearest million Hong Kong dollars.

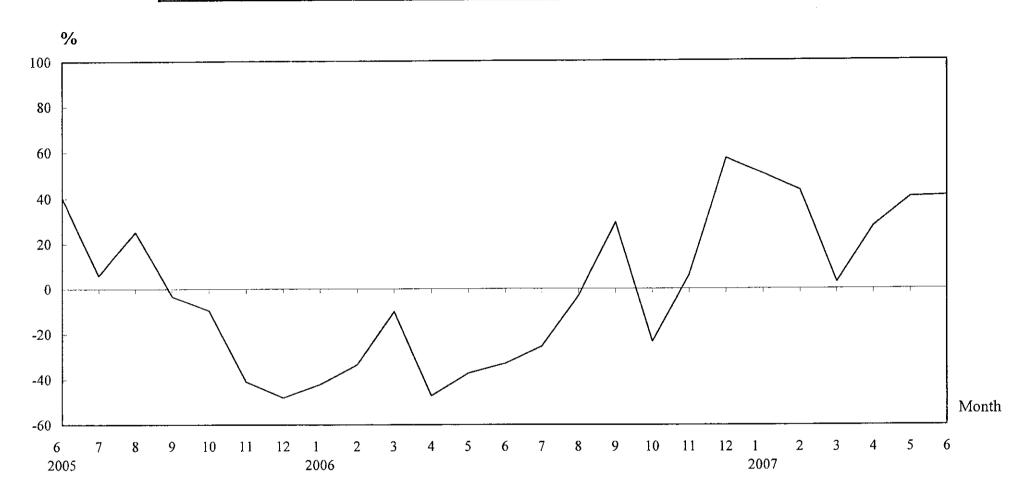
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Chart showing the number of Sale and Purchase Agreements of
building units from June 2006 to June 2007



Number of Sale and Purchase Agreements of building units

Year	2006							2007					
Month	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
Number of ASP for all building units	8,508	6,661	8,634	11,206	7,554	8,539	8,579	8,807	9,188	9,470	10,973	13,090	11,979
Number of ASP for residential building units	7,150	5,398	7,032	9,811	6,335	7,106	7,255	7,485	7,804	8,039	9,530	11,110	9,653
12-month moving average for all ASP	8,150	7,961	7,938	8,149	7,957	7,997	8,257	8,503	8,735	8,756	8,954	9,267	9,557

Note: Sales of residential units refer to sale and purchase agreements with payment of stamp duty. These statistics do not include sales of units under the Home Ownership Scheme, the Private Sector Participation Scheme and the Tenants Purchase Scheme except those after payment of premium.



Number of Sale and Purchase Agreements of residential and non-residential building units

Year/Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2005	10,138	9,631	10,238	16,280	14,853	12,672	8,933	8,907	8,670	9,861	8,058	5,456
2006	5,855	6,413	9,208	8,598	9,332	8,508	6,661	8,634	11,206	7,554	8,539	8,579
2007	8,807	9,188	9,470	10,973	13,090	11,979						<u> </u>

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Number of Sale and Purchase Agreements of residential building units and total consideration from June 2006 to June 2007

						Range	of Conside	ration (\$ m	illion)						Total
Year / Month		Less than 1		1 to less than 2		2 to less than 3		3 to less than 5		5 to less than 10		10 or over		Total	
		No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	Consideration (\$ million)
2006	6	1,675	23	2,400	34	1,308	18	1,001	14	549	8	217	3	7,150	19,432
<u> </u>	7	1,433	27	1,951	36	854	16	650	12	342	6	168	3	5,398	13,764
	8	1,632	23	2,232	32	1,326	19	1,108	16	521	7	213	3	7,032	21,036
	9	1,713	17	2,242	23	2,739	28	2,164	22	725	7	228	2	9,811	28,968
	10	1,515	24	2,108	33	1,103	17	938	15	468	7	203	3	6,335	18,152
	11	1,885	27	2,525	36	1,080	15	881	12	501	7	234	3	7,106	19,461
	12	1,661	23	2,505	35	1,081	15	962	13	739	10	307	4	7,255	22,370
2007	1	1,791	24	2,631	35	1,284	17	928	12	564	8	287	4	7,485	21,351
	2	1,636	21	2,852	37	1,485	19	1,024	13	504	6	303	4	7,804	22,132
	3	1,700	21	2,995	37	1,343	17	1,049	13	609	8	343	4	8,039	25,191
	4	1,747	18	3,514	37	1,228	13	1,497	16	730	8	814	9	9,530	39,442
	5	2,215	20	4,054	36	1,707	15	1,605	14	918	8	611	5	11,110	38,187
	6	1,819	19	3,543	37	1,632	17	1,483	15	790	8	386	4	9,653	31,680

Note: Figures in percentage for individual items may not add up to 100% due to rounding.

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Monthly Statistics in respect of Sale & Purchase Agreements of building units received for registration on regional basis

Month: June 2007

		Sale and Purchase Agree	ements of Building Units
		****	Consideration
Item	District	No. of Transactions	(nearest \$million)
1.	Hong Kong	3,322	18,842
2.	Kowloon	3,350	9,621
3.	Islands	292	897
4.	North	340	530
5.	Sai Kung	813	2,342
6.	Shatin	792	1,543
7.	Tai Po	391	723
8.	Tsuen Wan	1,321	3,013
9.	Tuen Mun	808	1,029
10.	Yuen Long	550	823
	Total	11,979	39,363