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

The total number of sale and purchase agreements for all types of building units received for registration in the Land Registry in November 2007 was 18,105. This was an increase of 36.9% over October 2007 and 112% compared with November 2006. Using a 12-month moving average, the figure for November 2007 represented an increase of 7.4% over October 2007 and 44.5% compared with November 2006. The total consideration of these agreements in the month was \$81.4 billion, up 60.6% over October 2007 and 213.8% compared with the amount for November 2006.

Among the 18,105 sale and purchase agreements, 15,759 were sale and purchase agreements for residential units. This was an increase of 39.8% over October 2007 and 121.8% compared with November 2006. The total consideration of these agreements in the month was \$70.1 billion, up 60% over October 2007 and 260.3% compared with the amount for November 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 November 2007.

Relevant statistics for October 2007 and November 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: November 2007

	T	Number o	f Deeds received fo	r registration	Consideration (nearest \$ million)			
Item	Nature of Deeds	Urban	New Territories	Total	Urban	New Territories	Total	
1.	Agreements for Sale and Purchase of Building Units	10,599 ( 11,989 )	7,506 ( 7,974 )	18,105 ( 19,963 )	61,429	19,964	81,393	
2.	Agreements for Sale and Purchase of Land	10	204	214	824	1,048	1,872	
	Sub-total (1) + (2)	10,609	7,710	18,319	62,253	21,012	83,265	
3.	Assignments of Building Units	7,085 ( 8,035 )	7,294 ( 7,690 )	14,379 ( 15,725 )	29,074	18,486	47,560	
4.	Assignments of Land	18	529	547	2,098	1,064	3,162	
	Sub-total (3) + (4)	7,103	7,823	14,926	31,172	19,550	50,722	
5.	Building Mortgages/Building Legal Charges	1	7	8				
6.	Other Mortgages/Legal Charges	5,912	6,578	12,490	7-			
	Sub-total (5) + (6)	5,913	6,585	12,498				
7.	Receipts/Discharges/Releases	5,942	5,999	11,941				
8.	Leases/Tenancy Agreements	305	165	470				
9.	Exclusion Orders	0	0	0				
10.	Others	6,442	5,801	12,243				
	Total	36,314	34,083	70,397				

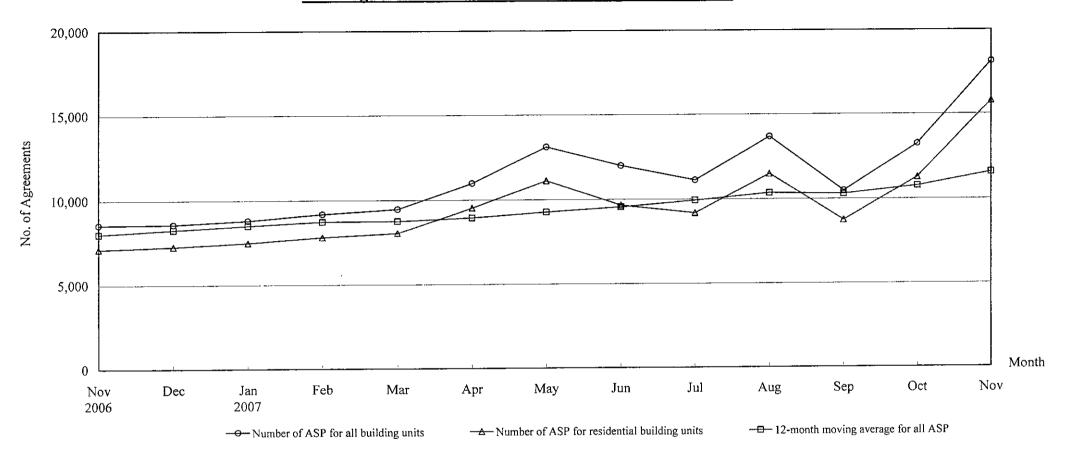
Note: Figures in brackets denote the number of units involved.

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Month: November 2007								ber 2007				
	2007	2007	2006 November	Increase (+) or Decrease (-) as compared with  October 2007 November 2006								
Item	November	October			October 2							
				No. 0	r Consideration	Pe	rcentage	No. c	or Consideration	Pe	ercentage	
Agreements for Sale and Purchase of     Building Units     (a) No.     (b) Consideration	18,105 81,393	13,227 50,678	8,539 25,938	+ +	<b>4,878</b> 30,715	+ +	36.9 60.6	++++	9,566 55,455	++	112.0 213.8	
Agreements for Sale and Purchase of Land     (a) No.     (b) Consideration	214 1,872	200 2,157	166 2,008	+	14 285	+ -	7.0 13.2	+	48 136	+ -	28.9 6.8	
Sub-total of (1) + (2) (a) No. (b) Consideration	18,319 83,265	13,427 52,835	8,705 27,946	+ +	4,892 30,430	++	36.4 57.6	+	9,614 55,319	+	110.4 197.9	
Assignments of Building Units     (a) No.     (b) Consideration	14,379 47,560	13,818 43,687	10,074 25,743	+ +	561 3,873	+++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++	4.1 8.9	+ +	4,305 21,817	+ +	42.7 84.7	
<ul><li>4. Assignments of Land</li><li>(a) No.</li><li>(b) Consideration</li></ul>	547 3,162	511 3,106	493 2,943	++	36 56	+ +	7.0 1.8	+ +	54 219	+	11.0 7.4	
Sub-total of (3) + (4) (a) No. (b) Consideration	14,926 50,722	14,329 46,793	10,567 28,686	+ +	597 3,929	++	4.2 8.4	+	4,359 22,036	++	41.3 76.8	
5. No. of Building Mortgages/Building Legal Charges	8	12	27	-	4	-	33.3	-	19	-	70.4	
6. No. of Other Mortgages/Legal Charges	12,490	12,048	8,178	+	442	+	3.7	+	4,312	+	52.7	
Sub-total of (5) + (6)	12,498	12,060	8,205	+	438	+	3.6	+	4,293	+	52	
7. No. of Receipts/Discharges/Releases	11,941	12,799	11,103	_	858	-	6.7	+	838	+	7.5	

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

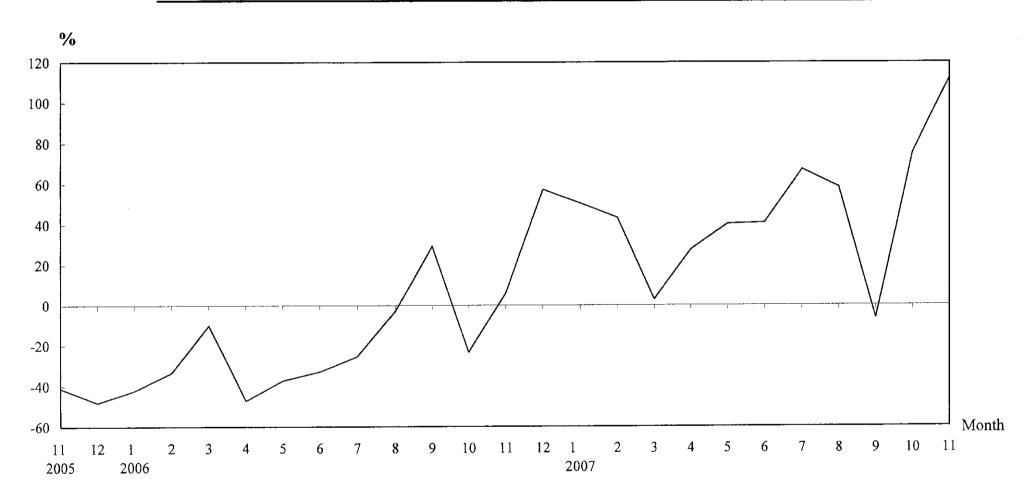
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Chart showing the number of Sale and Purchase Agreements of building units from November 2006 to November 2007



#### Number of Sale and Purchase Agreements of building units

Year	2006		2007										
Month	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov
Number of ASP for all building units	8,539	8,579	8,807	9,188	9,470	10,973	13,090	11,979	11,121	13,664	10,475	13,227	18,105_
					8,039	9,530	11,110	9,653	9,188	11,480	8,753	11,271	15,759
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Number of ASP for residential building units  12-month moving average for all ASP		7,25 <u>5</u> 8,257	7,485 8,503	7,804 8,735	8,039 8,756	9,530 8,954	11,110 9,267		9,188			11,2,71	

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	11,121	13,664	10,475	13,227	18,105	

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

						Range	of Conside	ration (\$ m	illion)						Total		
Year / I	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	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		
	7	1,621	18	3,290	36	1,704	19	1,424	15	761	8	388	4	9,188	28,732		
	8	1,814	16	4,533	39	2,153	19	1,665	15	836	7	479	4	11,480	36,760		
	9	1,224	14	4,276	49	1,437	16	984	11	568	6	264	3	8,753	24,101		
	10	1,649	15	3,988	35	2,094	19	1,725	15	1,135	10	680	6	11,271	43,830		
	11	1,691	11	5,065	32	2,789	18	2,751	17	2,161	14	1,302	8	15,759	70,116		

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: November 2007

		Sale and Purchase Agreements of Building Unit							
			Consideration						
Item	District	No. of Transactions	(nearest \$million)						
1.	Hong Kong	5,127	35,571						
2.	Kowloon	5,472	25,858						
3.	Islands	457	1,897						
4.	North	483	1,096						
5.	Sai Kung	1,021	3,255						
6.	Shatin	1,196	2,815						
7.	Tai Po	716	3,880						
8.	Tsuen Wan	1,782	4,172						
9.	Tuen Mun	987	1,286						
10.	Yuen Long	864	1,563						
	Total	18,105	81,393						