

## FACT SHEET

### Hong Kong in figures

(as at 31 August 2011)

<b>International/regional ranking</b>		
	<b>2010</b>	<b>2011</b>
<b>World competitiveness</b> (among 59 places) <sup>(1)</sup> Source: International Institute for Management Development, Switzerland	2 <sup>nd</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup>
	<b>2009-2010</b>	<b>2010-2011</b>
<b>Global competitiveness index</b> (among 139 places) <sup>(2)</sup> Source: World Economic Forum	11 <sup>th</sup>	11 <sup>th</sup>
	<b>2009</b>	<b>2010</b>
<b>Competitiveness amongst Chinese cities</b> (among 294 cities in China) <sup>(3)</sup> Source: Chinese Academy of Social Sciences	1 <sup>st</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup>
	<b>2010</b>	<b>2011</b>
<b>Ease of doing business index</b> (among 183 places) <sup>(4)</sup> Source: The World Bank Group	2 <sup>nd</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>
	<b>2010</b>	<b>2011</b>
<b>Index of economic freedom</b> (among 183 places) <sup>(5)</sup> Source: The Heritage Foundation	1 <sup>st</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup>

- Notes: (1) Both Hong Kong and the United States rank first in the 2011 survey while Singapore takes third place.  
 (2) The top three places in the 2010-2011 survey were Switzerland, Sweden and Singapore respectively.  
 (3) The top three cities in the 2010 survey were Hong Kong, Shanghai and Beijing respectively.  
 (4) The top three places in the 2011 survey are Singapore, Hong Kong and New Zealand respectively.  
 (5) The top three places in the 2011 survey are Hong Kong, Singapore and Australia respectively.

<b>International/regional ranking (cont'd)</b>		
	<b>2009</b>	<b>2010</b>
<b>Corruption perceptions index</b> (among 178 places) <sup>(6)</sup> Source: Transparency International	12 <sup>th</sup>	13 <sup>th</sup>
	<b>2008</b>	<b>2009</b>
<b>IT industry competitiveness index</b> (among 66 places) <sup>(7)</sup> Source: Economist Intelligence Unit	21 <sup>st</sup>	21 <sup>st</sup>
	<b>2009</b>	<b>2010</b>
<b>Digital economy rankings</b> <sup>(8)</sup> (among 70 places) <sup>(9)</sup> Source: Economist Intelligence Unit	8 <sup>th</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup>
	<b>2009-2010</b>	<b>2010-2011</b>
<b>Networked readiness index</b> (among 138 places) <sup>(10)</sup> Source: World Economic Forum	8 <sup>th</sup>	12 <sup>th</sup>
	<b>2009</b>	<b>2010</b>
<b>Best Asian city for expatriates</b> (among 49 Asian cities) <sup>(11)</sup> Source: ECA International	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>

Notes: (6) The top three places in the 2010 survey were Denmark, New Zealand and Singapore respectively.

(7) The top three places in the 2009 survey were the United States, Finland and Sweden respectively.

(8) "Digital economy rankings" was previously known as the "E-readiness rankings".

(9) The top three places in the 2010 survey were Sweden, Denmark and the United States respectively.

(10) The top three places in the 2010-2011 survey were Sweden, Singapore and Finland respectively.

(11) The top three Asian cities in the 2010 survey are Singapore, Kobe and Yokohama respectively.

<b>Population</b>		
	<b>Mid – 2010</b>	<b>Mid – 2011</b>
Male	3 310 500 (46.8%)	3 315 900 (46.6%) <sup>#</sup>
Female	3 757 300 (53.2%)	3 792 200 (53.4%) <sup>#</sup>
<i>Total</i>	<i>7 067 800 (100%)</i>	<i>7 108 100 (100%)<sup>#</sup></i>
Daily quota under the One Way Permit Scheme	150	150
<b>Labour force</b>		
<i>Major employment sectors</i>		
	<b>Mar 2010</b>	<b>Mar 2011</b>
Wholesale, retail and import/export trades, restaurants and hotels	1 052 251	1 079 275
Financing, insurance, real estate and business services	596 260	632 872
Community, social and personal services	427 684	436 239
<i>Unemployment</i>		
	<b>2010</b>	<b>May – Jul 2011<sup>#</sup></b>
Unemployed persons	161 200 (4.4%)	137 300 (3.6%)
<i>Total labour force</i>	<i>3 653 700 (100%)</i>	<i>3 763 000 (100%)</i>
<i>Median monthly employment earning</i>		
	<b>2010</b>	<b>Apr – Jun 2011</b>
Median monthly employment earning (HK\$)	11,000	11,000

Remark : <sup>#</sup> Provisional figures.

<b>Gross Domestic Product (GDP)</b>		
	<b>2009<sup>#</sup></b>	<b>2010<sup>#</sup></b>
GDP at current market prices (HK\$ billion)	1,622	1,744
Per capita GDP at current market prices (HK\$)	231,638	246,733
GDP growth rate in real terms	-2.7%	7.0%
Per capita GDP growth rate in real terms	-3.0%	6.0%
	<b>2010</b>	<b>2011</b>
Per capita GDP world ranking	25 <sup>th</sup>	26 <sup>th</sup>
<b>International investment position (HK\$ billion)</b>		
	<b>2009</b>	<b>2010<sup>#</sup></b>
Hong Kong external assets	19,811	22,431
Hong Kong external liabilities	14,227	17,037
Net international investment position	5,584	5,394
<b>Hang Seng Index</b>		
	<b>31 Aug 2010</b>	<b>31 Aug 2011</b>
Hang Seng Index	20 536	20 535
<b>Inflation</b>		
	<b>2010</b>	<b>Jul 2011</b>
Rate of change in the Composite Consumer Price Index	+2.4%	+7.9%

Remark : <sup>#</sup> Provisional figures.

<b>Government revenue and spending (HK\$ billion)</b>		
	<b>2010-2011 (Consolidated account)</b>	<b>Apr-Jul 2011</b>
Government revenue	376.5	94.3
Government spending	301.4	101.4
Consolidated surplus (+) / deficit (-)	+75.1	-7.1
	<b>2010-2011 (Revised estimate)</b>	<b>2011-2012 (Estimate)</b>
Consolidated surplus (+) / deficit (-) as a % of GDP	+4.1%	-0.5% <sup>(1)</sup>
<b>Recurrent public expenditure by function (HK\$ billion)</b>		
	<b>2010-2011 (Revised estimate)</b>	<b>2011-2012 (Estimate)</b>
Education	51.4 (21.6%)	54.5 (21.2%)
Social welfare	37.9 (15.9%)	42.2 (16.4%)
Health	36.7 (15.4%)	39.9 (15.5%)
Support	30.1 (12.6%)	33.8 (13.1%)
Security	27.5 (11.5%)	28.4 (11.1%)
Infrastructure	15.4 (6.5%)	16.1 (6.2%)
Economic	11.4 (4.8%)	12.5 (4.9%)
Housing	10.2 (4.3%)	10.9 (4.2%)
Environment and food	9.6 (4.0%)	10.5 (4.1%)
Community and external affairs	8.1 (3.4%)	8.5 (3.3%)
<i>Total</i>	<i>238.4 (100%)</i>	<i>257.3 (100%)</i>

Note: (1) This figure is estimated based on the GDP estimate released by the Government on 23 February 2011 and the revised figure of consolidated surplus/deficit forecasted for the year.

<b>Civil service</b>		
	<b>31 Dec 2010</b>	<b>30 Jun 2011</b>
Establishment	165 071	165 897
Strength	158 273	158 884
	<b>2009-2010</b>	<b>2010-2011</b>
Staff-related expenditure (HK\$ billion)	71.1	72.6
As a % of government operating expenditure	30.3%	30.3%
<b>Fiscal reserves (HK\$ billion)</b>		
	<b>31 Jul 2010</b>	<b>31 Jul 2011</b>
Fiscal reserves	510.8	588.3
<b>Exchange Fund (HK\$ billion)</b>		
	<b>31 Jul 2010</b>	<b>31 Jul 2011</b>
Total assets	2,232.1	2,491.0
Total liabilities	1,676.6	1,867.4
Accumulated surplus	555.5	623.6
<b>Foreign currency reserves</b>		
	<b>31 Jul 2010</b>	<b>31 Jul 2011<sup>#</sup></b>
Foreign currency reserves (US\$ billion)	260.7	278.8
<b>External merchandise trade statistics (HK\$ billion)</b>		
	<b>2010</b>	<b>Jan – Jul 2011</b>
Total exports	3,031.0	1,903.4
Imports	3,364.8	2,138.8
Trade balance	-333.8	-235.4

Remark : <sup>#</sup> Provisional figures.

<b>External merchandise trade by main country/territory (HK\$ billion)</b>		
	<b>2010</b>	<b>Jan – Jul 2011</b>
<b><i>Total exports</i></b>		
The Mainland	1,598.2 (52.7%)	1,002.1 (52.6%)
The United States	332.1 (11.0%)	182.1 (9.6%)
Japan	127.6 (4.2%)	74.9 (3.9%)
<i>Total (plus other countries and territories)</i>	<i>3,031.0 (100%)</i>	<i>1,903.4 (100%)</i>
<b><i>Imports</i></b>		
The Mainland	1,529.8 (45.5%)	954.5 (44.6%)
Japan	308.2 (9.2%)	180.3 (8.4%)
The United States	179.2 (5.3%)	117.8 (5.5%)
<i>Total (plus other countries and territories)</i>	<i>3,364.8 (100%)</i>	<i>2,138.8 (100%)</i>
<b><i>Trade balance</i></b>		
The United States	+152.9	+64.3
The Mainland	+68.4	+47.6
Japan	-180.6	-105.4
<i>Overall (all countries and territories)</i>	<i>-333.8</i>	<i>-235.4</i>
<b>Trade in services (HK\$ billion)</b>		
	<b>2010<sup>#</sup></b>	<b>Apr – Jun 2011<sup>#</sup></b>
Exports of services	826.9	215.5
Imports of services	395.2	102.7
Trade balance	431.7	112.8

Remark : <sup>#</sup> Provisional figures.

<b>Tourism</b>		
<i>Visitor arrivals by country/territory of residence</i>		
	<b>2010</b>	<b>Jan – Jul 2011</b>
The Mainland	22 684 388 (63.0%)	15 374 692 (66.4%)
Taiwan	2 164 750 (6.0%)	1 270 219 (5.5%)
Japan	1 316 618 (3.7%)	698 353 (3.0%)
The United States	1 171 419 (3.3%)	693 438 (3.0%)
South Korea	891 024 (2.5%)	587 227 (2.5%)
Macau	780 388 (2.2%)	461 116 (2.0%)
The United Kingdom	515 693 (1.4%)	293 286 (1.3%)
<i>Total (plus visitors from other countries and territories)</i>	<i>36 030 331 (100%)</i>	<i>23 170 569 (100%)</i>
<i>Per capita spending of overnight visitors by country/territory of residence (HK\$)</i>		
	<b>2009</b>	<b>2010</b>
The Mainland	6,620	7,453
The United Kingdom	4,902	6,924
The United States	4,872	6,274
Japan	3,976	5,213
Taiwan	5,117	5,197
South Korea	3,733	4,643
Macau	3,069	3,824
<i>Overall (all overnight visitors)</i>	<i>5,770</i>	<i>6,728</i>

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