

## Land Registry releases statistics for October

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The Land Registry today (November 4) released its statistics for October 2019.

## Land registration

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- \* The number of sale and purchase agreements for all building units received for registration in October was 5,075 (+24.1 per cent compared with September 2019 but -5.6 per cent compared with October 2018)
- \* The 12-month moving average for October was 5,932 (0.4 per cent below the 12-month moving average for September 2019 and 18.1 per cent below that for October 2018)
- \* The total consideration for sale and purchase agreements in October was \$65.6 billion (+80.2 per cent compared with September 2019 and +44.0 per cent compared with October 2018)
- \* Among the sale and purchase agreements, 4,001 were for residential units (+16.1 per cent compared with September 2019 but -5.7 per cent compared with October 2018)
- \* The total consideration for sale and purchase agreements in respect of residential units was \$40.7 billion (+47.1 per cent compared with September 2019 and +5.5 per cent compared with October 2018)

Statistics on sales of residential units do not include sale and purchase agreements relating to sales of units under the Home Ownership Scheme, the Private Sector Participation Scheme and the Tenants Purchase Scheme unless the premium of the unit concerned has been paid after the sale restriction period.

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 have also been 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.

## Land search

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- \* The number of searches of land registers made by the public in October was 428,731 (+3.9 per cent compared with September 2019 but -3.8 per cent compared with October 2018)

The statistics cover searches made at the counter, through the self-service terminals and via the Integrated Registration Information System Online Services.

**THE LAND REGISTRY**  
**Consolidated Monthly Statistics in respect of deeds received**  
**for registration in the Land Registry**

Month : October 2019

Item	Nature of Deeds	Number of Deeds received for registration			Consideration (nearest \$ million)		
		Urban	New Territories	Total	Urban	New Territories	Total
1.	Agreements for Sale and Purchase of Building Units	2,545 ( 2,931 )	2,530 ( 2,635 )	5,075 ( 5,566 )	48,176	17,417	65,593
2.	Agreements for Sale and Purchase of Land	3	244	247	649	813	1,462
	Sub-total (1) + (2)	2,548	2,774	5,322	48,825	18,230	67,055
3.	Assignments of Building Units	6,581 ( 6,870 )	2,962 ( 3,126 )	9,543 ( 9,996 )	56,673	16,667	73,340
4.	Assignments of Land	7	435	442	671	1,130	1,801
	Sub-total (3) + (4)	6,588	3,397	9,985	57,344	17,797	75,141
5.	Building Mortgages/Building Legal Charges	0	0	0			
6.	Other Mortgages/Legal Charges	7,733	5,046	12,779			
	Sub-total (5) + (6)	7,733	5,046	12,779			
7.	Receipts/Discharges/Releases	4,430	5,294	9,724			
8.	Leases/Tenancy Agreements	188	129	317			
9.	Exclusion Orders	0	0	0			
10.	Others	4,674	4,168	8,842			
	Total	26,161	20,808	46,969			

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

**THE LAND REGISTRY**  
**Comparison of Monthly Statistics**

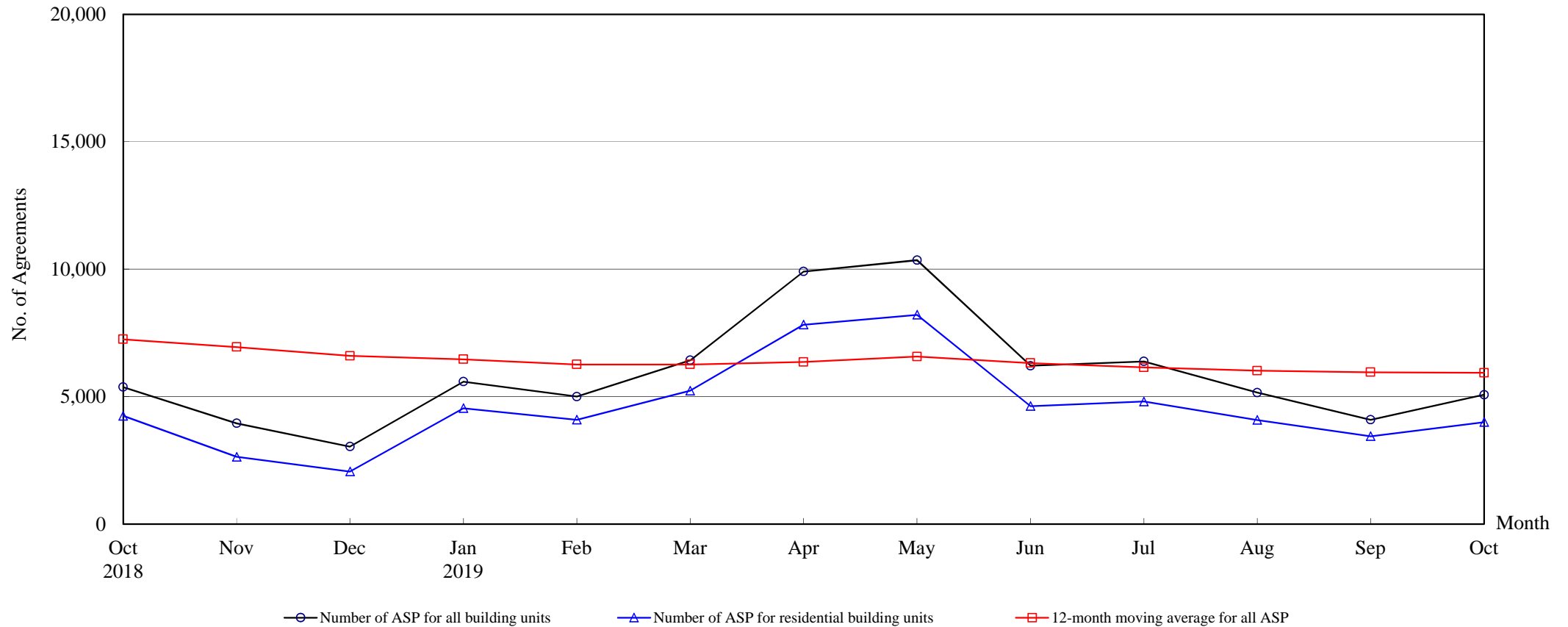
Month : October 2019

Item	2019 October	2019 September	2018 October	October 2019 Increase (+) or Decrease (-) as compared with			
				September 2019		October 2018	
				No. or Consideration	Percentage	No. or Consideration	Percentage
<b>1. Agreements for Sale and Purchase of Building Units</b>							
(a) No.	5,075	4,090	5,374	+ 985	+ 24.1	- 299	- 5.6
(b) Consideration	65,593	36,400	45,536	+ 29,193	+ 80.2	+ 20,057	+ 44.0
<b>2. Agreements for Sale and Purchase of Land</b>							
(a) No.	247	213	251	+ 34	+ 16.0	- 4	- 1.6
(b) Consideration	1,462	1,413	1,774	+ 49	+ 3.5	- 312	- 17.6
<b>Sub-total of (1) + (2)</b>							
(a) No.	5,322	4,303	5,625	+ 1,019	+ 23.7	- 303	- 5.4
(b) Consideration	67,055	37,813	47,310	+ 29,242	+ 77.3	+ 19,745	+ 41.7
<b>3. Assignments of Building Units</b>							
(a) No.	9,543	7,419	9,579	+ 2,124	+ 28.6	- 36	- 0.4
(b) Consideration	73,340	57,708	67,554	+ 15,632	+ 27.1	+ 5,786	+ 8.6
<b>4. Assignments of Land</b>							
(a) No.	442	354	501	+ 88	+ 24.9	- 59	- 11.8
(b) Consideration	1,801	2,188	2,523	- 387	- 17.7	- 722	- 28.6
<b>Sub-total of (3) + (4)</b>							
(a) No.	9,985	7,773	10,080	+ 2,212	+ 28.5	- 95	- 0.9
(b) Consideration	75,141	59,896	70,077	+ 15,245	+ 25.5	+ 5,064	+ 7.2
<b>5. No. of Building Mortgages/Building Legal Charges</b>	0	1	2	- 1	- 100.0	- 2	- 100.0
<b>6. No. of Other Mortgages/Legal Charges</b>	12,779	10,374	11,397	+ 2,405	+ 23.2	+ 1,382	+ 12.1
<b>Sub-total of (5) + (6)</b>	12,779	10,375	11,399	+ 2,404	+ 23.2	+ 1,380	+ 12.1
<b>7. No. of Receipts/Discharges/Releases</b>	9,724	9,165	9,844	+ 559	+ 6.1	- 120	- 1.2
<b>8. No. of Public Search</b>	428,731	412,646	445,881	+ 16,085	+ 3.9	- 17,150	- 3.8

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

## The Land Registry

**Chart showing the number of Sale and Purchase Agreements of building units from October 2018 to October 2019**



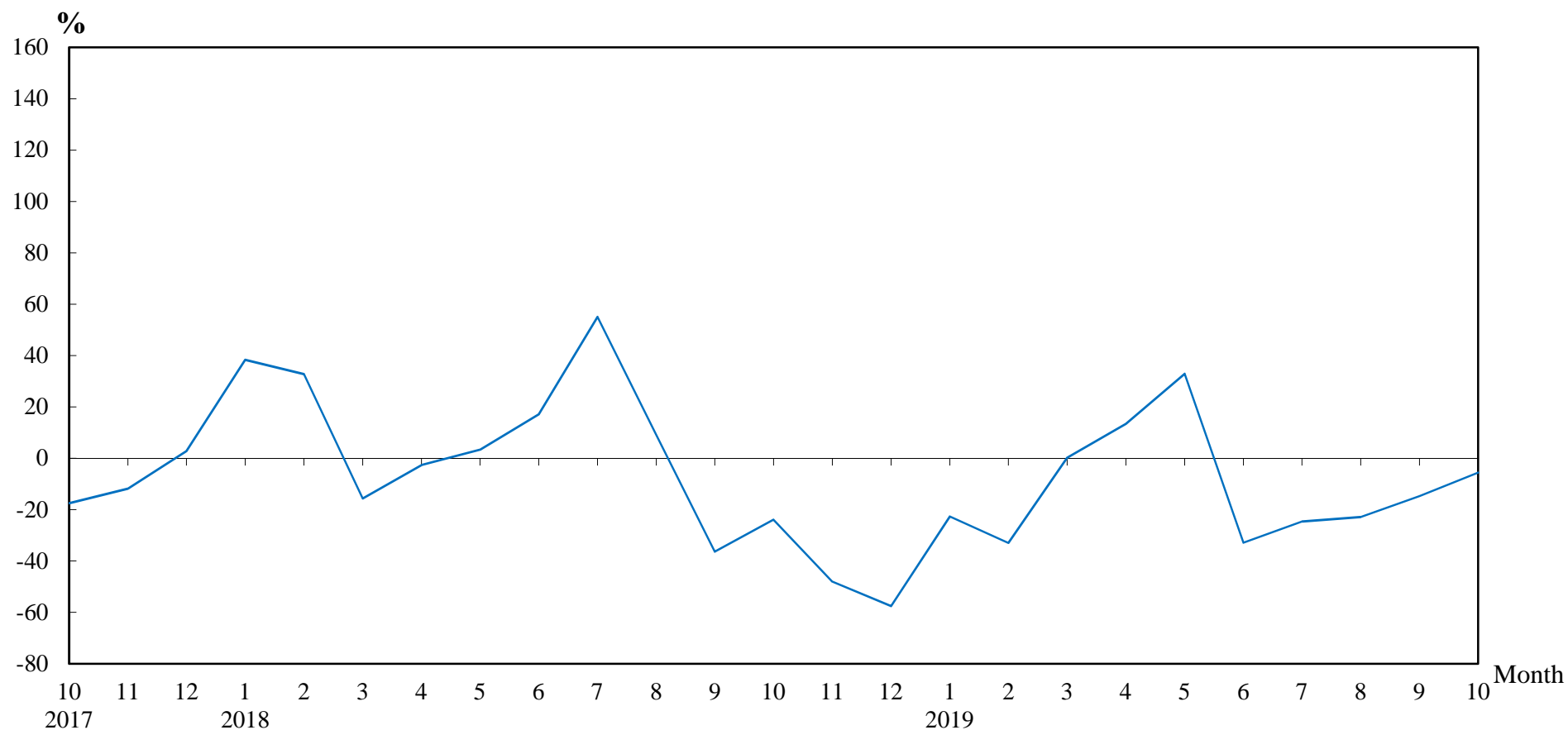
### Number of Sale and Purchase Agreements of building units

Year	2018			2019									
Month	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct
Number of ASP for all building units	5,374	3,953	3,038	5,589	4,999	6,428	9,911	10,353	6,211	6,380	5,159	4,090	5,075
Number of ASP for residential building units <sup>(1)</sup>	4,243	2,635	2,060	4,543	4,089	5,231	7,822	8,208	4,627	4,805	4,084	3,447	4,001
12-month moving average for all ASP <sup>(2)</sup>	7,247	6,943	6,599	6,463	6,259	6,260	6,357	6,571	6,317	6,144	6,016	5,957	5,932

Note : (1) Statistics on sales of residential units do not include sales of units under the Home Ownership Scheme, the Private Sector Participation Scheme and the Tenants Purchase Scheme unless the premium of the unit concerned has been paid after the sale restriction period.

(2) 12-month moving average is calculated by dividing the sum of the figures of the previous 12 months by 12.

**The Land Registry**  
**Year-on-year Rate of Change in the Number of Sale and Purchase Agreements**



**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
2017	5,220	5,615	7,605	8,984	7,536	7,902	5,461	6,130	7,540	7,063	7,601	7,158
2018	7,223	7,456	6,415	8,741	7,788	9,252	8,466	6,688	4,799	5,374	3,953	3,038
2019	5,589	4,999	6,428	9,911	10,353	6,211	6,380	5,159	4,090	5,075		

**Table 5****THE LAND REGISTRY****Number of Sale and Purchase Agreements of residential building units and total consideration  
from October 2018 to October 2019**

Year / Month		Range of Consideration ( \$ million )												Total	
		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			
		No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	Consideration (\$ million)
2018	10	26	1	54	1	114	3	692	16	2,648	62	709	17	4,243	38,571
	11	18	1	63	2	108	4	656	25	1,313	50	477	18	2,635	26,020
	12	31	2	47	2	90	4	571	28	916	44	405	20	2,060	24,076
2019	1	18	0	58	1	110	2	801	18	1,957	43	1,599	35	4,543	44,924
	2	14	0	36	1	92	2	888	22	2,433	60	626	15	4,089	36,079
	3	8	0	64	1	147	3	1,142	22	2,784	53	1,086	21	5,231	45,870
	4	24	0	53	1	144	2	1,404	18	4,548	58	1,649	21	7,822	70,101
	5	25	0	87	1	138	2	1,413	17	4,729	58	1,816	22	8,208	78,447
	6	23	0	65	1	120	3	920	20	2,474	53	1,025	22	4,627	45,330
	7	23	0	89	2	200	4	896	19	2,560	53	1,037	22	4,805	44,070
	8	19	0	88	2	254	6	720	18	2,220	54	783	19	4,084	36,582
	9	12	0	81	2	95	3	684	20	2,011	58	564	16	3,447	27,662
	10	19	0	62	2	106	3	677	17	2,264	57	873	22	4,001	40,688

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

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

Month: October 2019

Item	District	Sale and Purchase Agreements of Building Units	
		No. of Transactions	Consideration (nearest \$million)
1.	Hong Kong	658	23,181
2.	Kowloon	1,887	24,995
3.	Islands	112	723
4.	North	128	757
5.	Sai Kung	454	4,331
6.	Shatin	360	2,737
7.	Tai Po	131	1,030
8.	Tsuen Wan	568	4,394
9.	Tuen Mun	400	1,633
10.	Yuen Long	377	1,812
	<b>Total</b>	<b>5,075</b>	<b>65,593</b>