

Land Registry releases statistics for April

The Land Registry today (May 4) released its statistics for April 2021.

Land registration

- * The number of sale and purchase agreements for all building units received for registration in April was 9,150 (+0.9 per cent compared with March 2021 and +88.0 per cent compared with April 2020)
- * The 12-month moving average for April was 7,309 (5.1 per cent above the 12-month moving average for March 2021 and 33.9 per cent above that for April 2020)
- * The total consideration for sale and purchase agreements in April was \$85.1 billion (+9.1 per cent compared with March 2021 and +122.0 per cent compared with April 2020)
- * Among the sale and purchase agreements, 7,325 were for residential units (-1.6 per cent compared with March 2021 but +78.6 per cent compared with April 2020)
- * The total consideration for sale and purchase agreements in respect of residential units was \$71.6 billion (+3.2 per cent compared with March 2021 and +112.1 per cent compared with April 2020)

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

- * The number of searches of land registers made by the public in April was 485,937 (-10.2 per cent compared with March 2021 but +29.3 per cent compared with April 2020)

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

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

Month : April 2021

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	4,008 (4,436)	5,142 (5,412)	9,150 (9,848)	48,011	37,119	85,130
2.	Agreements for Sale and Purchase of Land	8	192	200	1,542	2,609	4,151
	Sub-total (1) + (2)	4,016	5,334	9,350	49,553	39,728	89,281
3.	Assignments of Building Units	3,519 (3,791)	4,281 (4,541)	7,800 (8,332)	29,477	24,939	54,416
4.	Assignments of Land	5	309	314	658	1,548	2,206
	Sub-total (3) + (4)	3,524	4,590	8,114	30,135	26,487	56,622
5.	Building Mortgages/Building Legal Charges	1	7	8			
6.	Other Mortgages/Legal Charges	2,920	3,746	6,666			
	Sub-total (5) + (6)	2,921	3,753	6,674			
7.	Receipts/Discharges/Releases	3,213	3,945	7,158			
8.	Leases/Tenancy Agreements	257	124	381			
9.	Exclusion Orders	0	0	0			
10.	Others	4,118	3,678	7,796			
	Total	18,049	21,424	39,473			

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

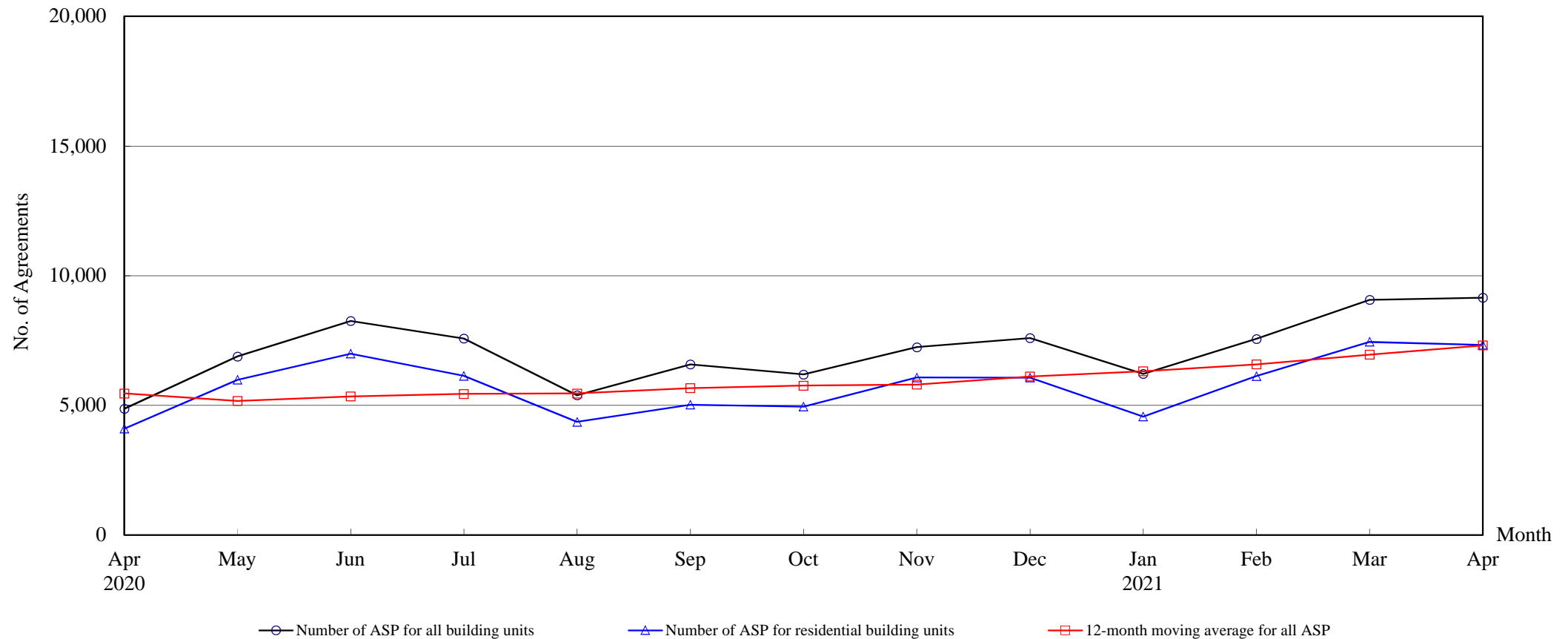
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Comparison of Monthly Statistics

Month : April 2021

Item	2021 April	2021 March	2020 April	April 2021 Increase (+) or Decrease (-) as compared with			
				March 2021		April 2020	
				No. or Consideration	Percentage	No. or Consideration	Percentage
1. Agreements for Sale and Purchase of Building Units							
(a) No.	9,150	9,067	4,866	+ 83	+ 0.9	+ 4,284	+ 88.0
(b) Consideration	85,130	78,025	38,351	+ 7,105	+ 9.1	+ 46,779	+ 122.0
2. Agreements for Sale and Purchase of Land							
(a) No.	200	218	149	- 18	- 8.3	+ 51	+ 34.2
(b) Consideration	4,151	4,177	905	- 26	- 0.6	+ 3,246	+ 358.7
Sub-total of (1) + (2)							
(a) No.	9,350	9,285	5,015	+ 65	+ 0.7	+ 4,335	+ 86.4
(b) Consideration	89,281	82,202	39,256	+ 7,079	+ 8.6	+ 50,025	+ 127.4
3. Assignments of Building Units							
(a) No.	7,800	7,627	5,157	+ 173	+ 2.3	+ 2,643	+ 51.3
(b) Consideration	54,416	56,539	37,556	- 2,123	- 3.8	+ 16,860	+ 44.9
4. Assignments of Land							
(a) No.	314	339	256	- 25	- 7.4	+ 58	+ 22.7
(b) Consideration	2,206	6,333	1,373	- 4,127	- 65.2	+ 833	+ 60.7
Sub-total of (3) + (4)							
(a) No.	8,114	7,966	5,413	+ 148	+ 1.9	+ 2,701	+ 49.9
(b) Consideration	56,622	62,872	38,929	- 6,250	- 9.9	+ 17,693	+ 45.4
5. No. of Building Mortgages/Building Legal Charges	8	4	2	+ 4	+ 100.0	+ 6	+ 300.0
6. No. of Other Mortgages/Legal Charges	6,666	6,695	6,270	- 29	- 0.4	+ 396	+ 6.3
Sub-total of (5) + (6)	6,674	6,699	6,272	- 25	- 0.4	+ 402	+ 6.4
7. No. of Receipts/Discharges/Releases	7,158	7,693	5,364	- 535	- 7.0	+ 1,794	+ 33.4
8. No. of Public Search	485,937	541,242	375,802	- 55,305	- 10.2	+ 110,135	+ 29.3

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 April 2020 to April 2021



Number of Sale and Purchase Agreements of building units

Year	2020										2021			
Month	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	
Number of ASP for all building units	4,866	6,885	8,254	7,576	5,390	6,581	6,189	7,241	7,596	6,212	7,561	9,067	9,150	
Number of ASP for residential building units ⁽¹⁾	4,102	5,984	6,987	6,133	4,358	5,024	4,951	6,070	6,067	4,562	6,125	7,444	7,325	
12-month moving average for all ASP ⁽²⁾	5,457	5,168	5,339	5,438	5,457	5,665	5,758	5,803	6,110	6,313	6,576	6,952	7,309	

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.

Table 5**THE LAND REGISTRY****Number of Sale and Purchase Agreements of residential building units and total consideration
from April 2020 to April 2021**

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)	
2020	4	11	0	50	1	79	2	842	21	2,476	60	644	16	4,102	33,733	
	5	9	0	61	1	99	2	1,029	17	3,647	61	1,139	19	5,984	52,745	
	6	14	0	66	1	111	2	1,159	17	4,382	63	1,255	18	6,987	64,795	
	7	21	0	62	1	114	2	860	14	3,468	57	1,608	26	6,133	59,494	
	8	12	0	50	1	110	3	876	20	2,396	55	914	21	4,358	40,207	
	9	6	0	59	1	129	3	1,004	20	2,910	58	916	18	5,024	43,406	
	10	15	0	45	1	91	2	826	17	3,058	62	916	19	4,951	50,053	
	11	17	0	77	1	128	2	980	16	3,224	53	1,644	27	6,070	58,110	
	12	17	0	82	1	106	2	820	14	3,240	53	1,802	30	6,067	58,746	
	2021	1	17	0	67	1	113	2	846	19	2,577	56	942	21	4,562	39,742
		2	16	0	52	1	115	2	994	16	3,563	58	1,385	23	6,125	56,934
		3	14	0	87	1	110	1	1,257	17	4,262	57	1,714	23	7,444	69,348
4		20	0	58	1	114	2	1,142	16	4,339	59	1,652	23	7,325	71,550	

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: April 2021

Item	District	Sale and Purchase Agreements of Building Units	
		No. of Transactions	Consideration (nearest \$million)
1.	Hong Kong	1,399	22,955
2.	Kowloon	2,609	25,056
3.	Islands	229	1,762
4.	North	251	1,629
5.	Sai Kung	911	6,964
6.	Shatin	858	6,914
7.	Tai Po	414	3,454
8.	Tsuen Wan	999	6,950
9.	Tuen Mun	758	4,818
10.	Yuen Long	722	4,628
	Total	9,150	85,130