## Statistics of Payment Cards Issued in Hong Kong for Fourth Quarter 2016

	Q4 15	Q3 16	Q4 16	Quarterly Change	Yearly Change
Total number of credit cards in circulation ('000)	19,044	19,205	19,184	-0.1%	+0.7%
Total number of credit card transactions ('000)  of which Retail sales	136,891 134,106	144,755 142,186	•	+4.8% +4.9%	+10.8% +11.2%
of which Hong Kong spending	115,260	•	•	+3.3%	+7.2%
Overseas spending	18,846	22,559	•	+13.2%	+35.5%
Cash advances	2,785	2,569	2,584	+0.6%	-7.2%
Total value of credit card transactions (\$HK Mn)	160,775	150,697	167,236	+11.0%	+4.0%
of which Retail sales	147,465	138,514	•	+12.0%	+5.2%
of which Hong Kong spending Overseas spending	124,839	· ·	•	+14.8% -0.5%	+4.1% +11.3%
Cash advances	22,625 13,310	12,183	•	-0.5%	-8.9%
Total number of debit card transactions for retail sales/bill payments ('000)	33,311	32,067	34,771	+8.4%	+4.4%
Total value of debit card transactions for retail sales/bill payments (\$HK Mn)	71,585	66,768	74,350	+11.4%	+3.9%

Note 1: Please refer to Notes to Press Release for explanations of the statistics.

Note 2: The figures of "Total number of credit card transactions ('000)", "Total value of credit card transaction (\$HK Mn) and "Cash advances" of Q4 15 and Q3 16 had been adjusted due to reclassification of data by a credit card scheme operator.