

Capital Markets Statistics

(HK\$ million, unless otherwise specified)

	Hong Kong dollar debt market				Equity market		
	Outstanding amount ^{1,2}			New issues other than Exchange Fund bills & notes	Hang Seng Index ¹ (31/7/64=100)	Total stock market capitalization ^{1,3}	Funds raised ^{3,4}
	Exchange Fund bills & notes	Other debt instruments	Total				
1996	91,850	195,552	287,402	72,374	13,451.45	3,475,965	100,018
1997	101,650	253,048	354,698	100,870	10,722.76	3,202,630	247,577
1998	97,450	301,223	398,673	100,888	10,048.58	2,661,713	38,257
1999	101,874	341,871	443,745	155,110	16,962.10	4,734,764	149,704
2000	108,602	363,496	472,098	180,625	15,095.53	4,862,440	467,337
2001	113,750	380,068	493,818	152,051	11,397.21	3,946,306	64,428
2002	117,476	415,387	532,863	180,084	9,321.29	3,611,319	110,513
2003	120,152	437,612	557,764	170,472	12,575.94	5,547,847	213,760
2004	122,579	485,325	607,904	170,837	14,230.14	6,695,893	281,800
2005	126,709	537,020	663,729	187,337	14,876.43	8,179,937	301,701
2004 Q2	121,239	460,764	582,003	43,283	12,285.75	5,555,244	167,800
Q3	121,887	473,706	595,593	40,949	13,120.03	5,960,551	11,786
Q4	122,579	485,325	607,904	43,899	14,230.14	6,695,893	55,119
2005 Q1	123,226	497,660	620,886	51,648	13,516.88	6,571,413	33,008
Q2	124,330	519,717	644,047	62,123	14,201.06	6,958,703	91,735
Q3	125,396	538,190	663,586	42,566	15,428.52	7,616,176	64,899
Q4	126,709	537,020	663,729	31,000	14,876.43	8,179,937	112,059
2006 Q1	127,853	556,121	683,974	63,880	15,805.04	9,416,000	32,763

1. End of period figure.

2. At face value.

3. Main Board and Growth Enterprise Market (GEM).

4. Includes initial public offers, private placements, and right issues, etc.

Economic Statistics

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	Nominal GDP	Real GDP (at constant 2000 market prices)	Government consolidated balance ¹	Composite CPI (10/2004-09/2005 =100)	Unemployment rate ²	Current account balance	Foreign currency reserves ³ (US\$ billion)
1996	1,229,481	1,156,923	25,678	98.8	2.8	—	63.8
1997	1,365,024	1,216,102	86,866	104.5	2.2	-59,836	92.8
1998	1,292,764	1,149,662	-23,241	107.5	4.7	19,421	89.6
1999	1,266,702	1,195,624	9,952	103.2	6.2	79,535	96.3
2000	1,314,789	1,314,789	-7,833	99.4	4.9	54,494	107.6
2001	1,298,813	1,323,167	-63,331	105.7	5.1	76,315	111.2
2002	1,276,757	1,347,495	-61,688	102.4	7.3	96,800	111.9
2003	1,233,983	1,390,610	-40,128	99.8	7.9	128,240	118.4
2004	1,291,568	1,510,182	21,356	99.4	6.8	122,491	123.6
2005	1,382,052	1,619,984	13,957	100.3	5.6	157,692	124.3
2004 Q2	310,738	361,487	-17,041	99.4	6.8	4,504	120.8
Q3	328,381	387,610	-5,656	99.2	6.8	50,895	118.4
Q4	345,149	404,909	19,934	99.8	6.6	57,976	123.6
2005 Q1	321,429	377,589	24,119	99.7	6.1	32,750	122.4
Q2	331,296	387,621	-16,723	100.1	5.7	32,029	122.0
Q3	355,932	419,379	-28,735	100.4	5.5	43,367	122.7
Q4	373,395	435,394	39,500	101.0	5.3	49,547	124.3
2006 Q1	346,594	408,606	19,915	101.3	5.2	N.A.	125.8

1. Fiscal year begins on 1 April.

2. Percent of labour force (seasonally adjusted).

3. End of period figure.

— Not applicable.

N.A. Not available.