

Statistics of Payment Cards Issued in Hong Kong for First Quarter 2013

	Q1 12	Q4 12	Q1 13	Quarterly Change	Yearly Change
Total number of credit cards in circulation ('000)	16,736	17,437	17,570	+0.8%	+5.0%
Total number of credit card transactions ('000)	103,520	115,856	110,025	-5.0%	+6.3%
<i>of which</i>					
Retail sales	102,457	114,650	108,768	-5.1%	+6.2%
Cash advances	1,063	1,206	1,257	+4.2%	+18.2%
Total value of credit card transactions (\$HK Mn)	121,172	129,901	126,201	-2.8%	+4.2%
<i>of which</i>					
Retail sales	114,683	122,210	119,405	-2.3%	+4.1%
Cash advances	6,488	7,691	6,796	-11.6%	+4.7%
Total number of debit card transactions for retail sales/bill payments ('000)	28,649	28,946	28,486	-1.6%	-0.6%
Total value of debit card transactions for retail sales/bill payments (\$HK Mn)	60,935	57,409	62,420	+8.7%	+2.4%

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