Statistics of Payment Cards Issued in Hong Kong for Second Quarter 2019

		Q2 18	Q1 19	Q2 19	Quarterly Change	Yearly Change
Total number of credit cards in circulation ('000)		19,175	19,490	19,594	+0.5%	+2.2%
Total number of credit card transactions ('000)		179,363	191,616	204,941	+7.0%	+14.3%
of which	Retail sales	177,028	189,332	202,627	+7.0%	+14.5%
	of which Hong Kong spending	148,878	162,713	172,546	+6.0%	+15.9%
	Overseas spending	28,150	26,619	30,081	+13.0%	+6.9%
	Cash advances	2,335	2,284	2,314	+1.3%	-0.9%
Total value of credit card transactions (\$HK Mn)		178,573	193,200	189,841	-1.7%	+6.3%
of which	Retail sales	166,931	181,028	177,580	-1.9%	+6.4%
	of which Hong Kong spending	137,172	152,187	145,434	-4.4%	+6.0%
	Overseas spending	29,759	28,840	32,146	+11.5%	+8.0%
	Cash advances	11,642	12,172	12,261	+0.7%	+5.3%
Total number of debit card transactions for retail sales/bill payments ('000)		34,268	35,566	35,066	-1.4%	+2.3%
Total value of debit card transactions for retail sales/bill payments (\$HK Mn)		79,606	90,232	82,947	-8.1%	+4.2%

Notes:

^{1.} Please refer to Notes to Press Release for explanations of the statistics. The figures may not add up due to rounding. 2. Figures for Q2 2018 have been adjusted from those released in September 2018 due to data update subsequently.