

Statistics of Payment Cards Issued in Hong Kong for Fourth Quarter 2020⁽¹⁾

	Q4 19	Q3 20	Q4 20	Quarterly Change	Yearly Change
Total number of credit cards in circulation ('000)	19,708	19,340	19,369	+0.1%	-1.7%
Total number of credit card transactions ('000) ⁽²⁾	214,435	208,884	222,241	+6.4%	+3.6%
<i>of which</i> Retail sales	211,996	207,040	220,241	+6.4%	+3.9%
of which Hong Kong spending	178,225	181,510	193,625	+6.7%	+8.6%
Overseas spending	33,771	25,530	26,617	+4.3%	-21.2%
Cash advances	2,439	1,845	1,999	+8.4%	-18.0%
Total value of credit card transactions (\$HK Mn) ⁽²⁾	191,901	148,970	169,360	+13.7%	-11.7%
<i>of which</i> Retail sales	179,168	139,326	159,365	+14.4%	-11.1%
of which Hong Kong spending	144,775	122,064	140,781	+15.3%	-2.8%
Overseas spending	34,393	17,262	18,583	+7.7%	-46.0%
Cash advances	12,733	9,644	9,995	+3.6%	-21.5%
Total number of debit card transactions for retail sales/bill payments ('000)	46,277	36,194	38,886	+7.4%	-16.0%
Total value of debit card transactions for retail sales/bill payments (\$HK Mn)	84,689	73,167	78,252	+7.0%	-7.6%

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 Q4 2019 and Q3 2020 have been adjusted from those released in March 2020 and December 2020 respectively due to subsequent data update.