

**Residential Mortgage Survey
Results of Survey for November 2009**

(Value in HK\$ million)

	November 09	October 09
23 authorized institutions		
1. <u>New loans drawn down during the month</u>		
a. Value	20,873	21,129
M-o-M % change	-1.2%	-9.5%
b. Number	9,592	10,076
2. <u>New loans approved during the month</u>		
a. Value	25,750	28,969
M-o-M % change	-11.1%	-13.1%
b. Number	11,201	12,934
c. Average size	2.30	2.24
d. Loan-to-value ratio (%)	61.7	63.4
e. Contractual life (months)	265	265
f. Loans associated with co-financing schemes		
- Value	180	149
- Number	73	71
g. Type of property transaction		
- Value		
- Primary market	2,990	2,490
- Secondary market	17,281	20,736
- Refinancing	5,479	5,743
- Number		
- Primary market	533	519
- Secondary market	8,094	9,703
- Refinancing	2,574	2,712
h. New loans approved during the month but not yet drawn		
- Value	20,344	23,578
- Number	8,645	10,217
i. Number of applications (cases)	14,418	16,461
3. <u>Outstanding loans</u>		
a. Value	637,011	631,574
M-o-M % change	0.9%	0.9%
Y-o-Y % change	6.2%	5.3%
b. Loans associated with co-financing schemes		
Government-funded schemes:		
- Value	20,630	21,223
- Number	34,602	35,249
Schemes offered by the private sector:		
- Value	13,707	14,126
- Number	9,814	10,114
c. Delinquency ratio (%)		
- More than 3 months	0.04	0.04
- More than 6 months	0.02	0.02
d. Rescheduled loan ratio (%)	0.10	0.10
4. <u>Loans written off</u>		
a. Value of loans written off during the month	11	30
b. Loans written off over the past 12 months		
- Value	174	215
- As % of the average outstanding loans	*	*
5. <u>Interest rates on new loans approved during the month</u>		
a. With reference to BLR	41.0%	44.8%
(Breakdown is shown on an absolute interest rate basis)		
of which:		
Less than 2%	0.1%	0.1%
2% to less than 2.25%	33.6%	37.9%
2.25% to less than 2.5%	3.5%	3.2%
2.5% to less than 2.75%	1.1%	1.0%
2.75% to less than 3%	0.9%	0.8%
3% to less than 3.25%	0.4%	0.4%
3.25% to less than 3.5%	0.5%	0.5%
3.5% to less than 3.75%	0.4%	0.4%
3.75% to less than 4%	0.2%	0.2%
4% or more	0.3%	0.3%
b. With reference to HIBOR	56.6%	53.8%
c. Fixed rate	0.0%	0.3%
d. Others	2.4%	1.1%

Abbreviation:

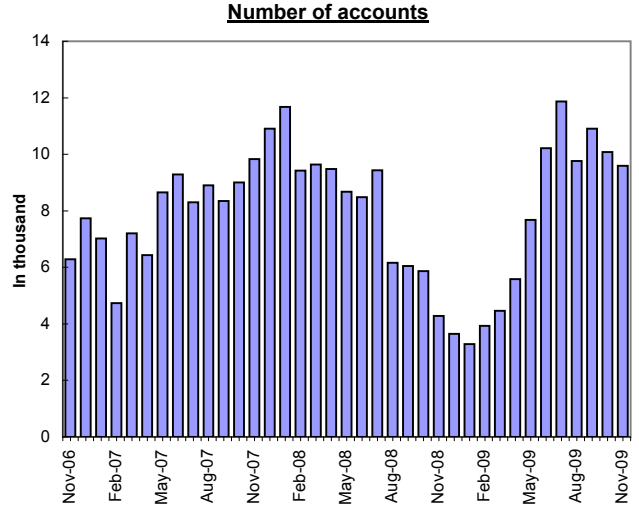
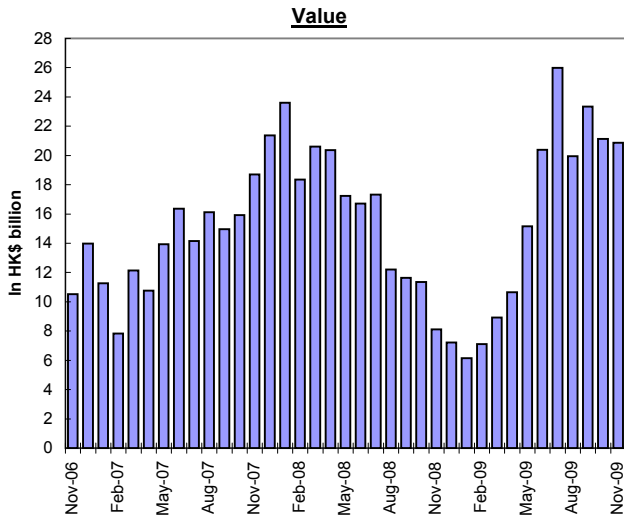
BLR refers to the best lending rate.

HIBOR refers to Hong Kong interbank offered rate.

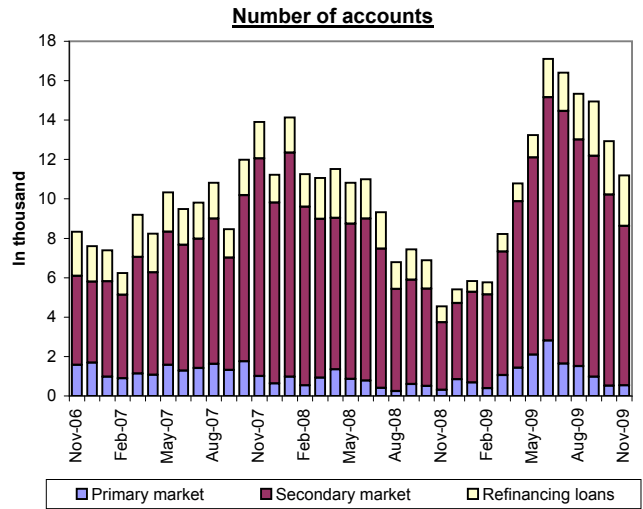
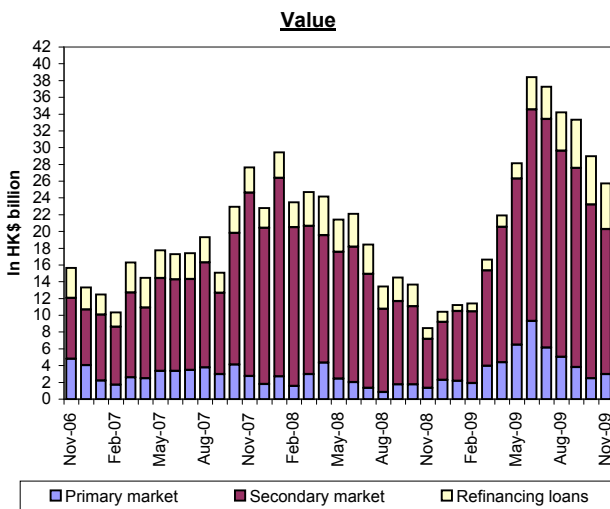
* less than 0.05%

Residential Mortgage Loans in Hong Kong
(23 authorized institutions)

New Loans Drawn Down During the Month



New Loans Approved During the Month



Residential Mortgage Survey

Notes to Annex

1. The Residential Mortgage Survey is a continuous monthly survey covering 23 authorized institutions in the banking industry.
2. **Residential mortgage loans** (RMLs) in this survey are loans (including refinancing loans) to private individuals for the purchase of residential properties, including uncompleted units, but other than those properties under the Home Ownership Scheme, the Private Sector Participation Scheme and the Tenants Purchase Scheme.
3. **Gross new loans made** are new mortgage loans drawn down during the surveyed month.
4. **New loans approved** are mortgage loans approved during the surveyed month. The loans can either be drawn down in the same month or in the following months. Loans that are approved but not yet drawn, which have implications for the amount of gross new loans made in the following months, are shown under the item "New loans approved during the month but not yet drawn".
5. **Delinquency ratio** is measured by a ratio of total amount of overdue loans to total outstanding loans.
6. **Rescheduled loan ratio** is measured by a ratio of total amount of rescheduled loans to total outstanding loans.
7. **Co-financing schemes** refer to those schemes that involve the provision of top-up finance by property developer(s) or other co-financier(s) in addition to mortgage loans advanced by authorized institutions. For loans associated with co-financing schemes, only the portion of loans advanced by reporting institutions is included in this survey.
8. **Average loan-to-value ratio and average contractual life** for new loans approved during the surveyed month are average figures weighted by the amount of new loans approved during the surveyed month by individual reporting institutions.
9. **Loans written off** over the past 12 months as a percentage of the average outstanding loans is calculated as: total value of loans written off during the past 12-month period as a percentage of the average outstanding loan value over the 12-month period [i.e. (opening + closing) ÷ 2].