



High Frequency Macroeconomic Forecast

Second Quarter 2012

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Current Quarter Model Forecast
(Percentage)

	2011			2012	
	Q3	Q4	Annual	Q1 (estimate)	Q2 (forecast)
Gross Domestic Product	4.3	3.0	5.0	2.3	3.1
Private Consumption Expenditure	9.8	7.1	8.6	4.7	3.7
Government Consumption Expenditure	1.3	2.3	1.8	2.1	2.6
Total Exports of Goods & Services	-0.7	2.4	4.1	-1.4	4.3
Total Imports of Goods & Services	1.4	3.8	4.7	-0.4	3.9
Gross Fixed Capital Formation	11.2	8.8	7.2	8.1	3.2
Unemployment Rate	3.2	3.3	3.4	3.4	3.4

Date of Forecast: March 29, 2012

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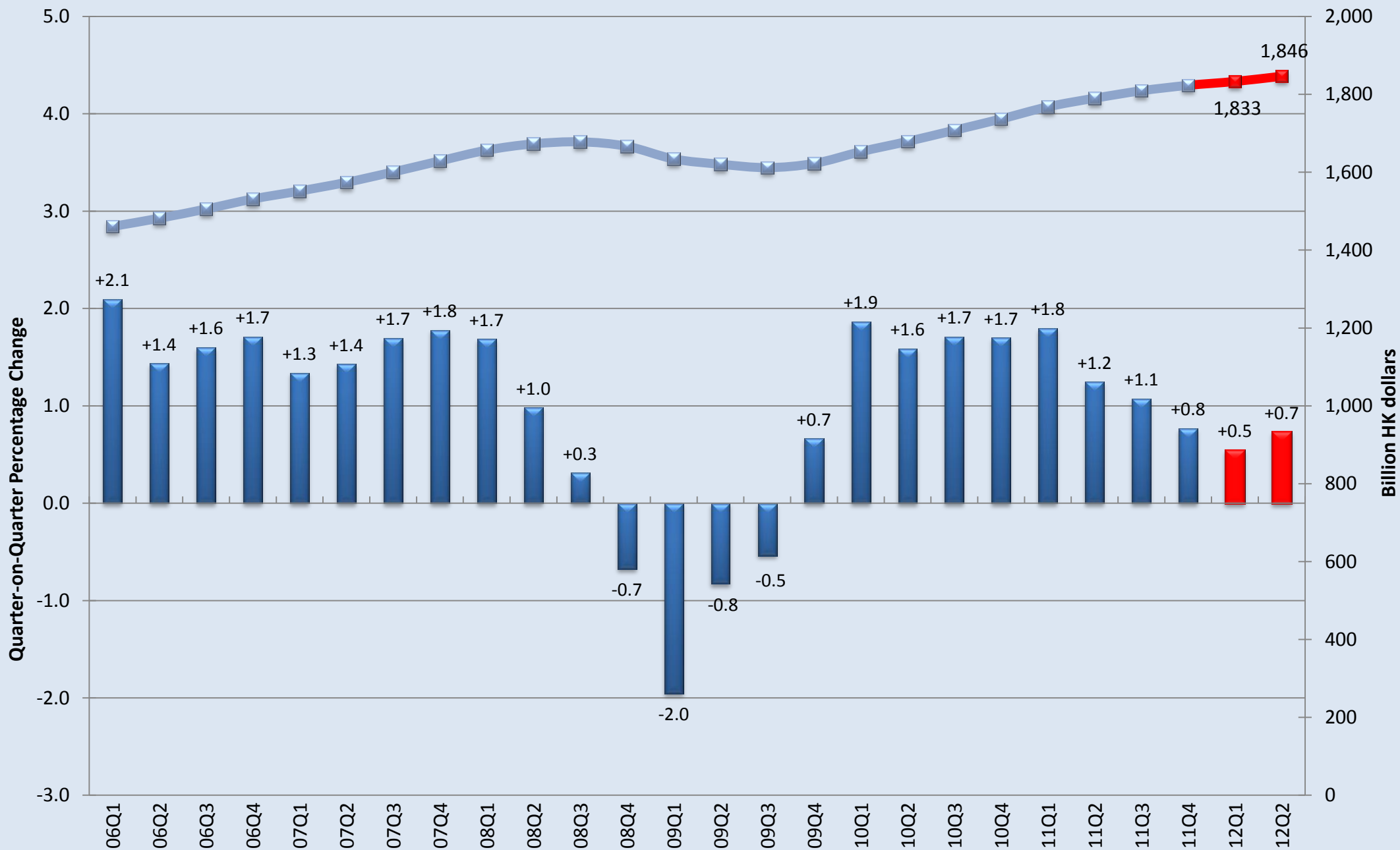
Current Quarter Model Forecast

Contribution to total GDP Growth (Percentage Points)

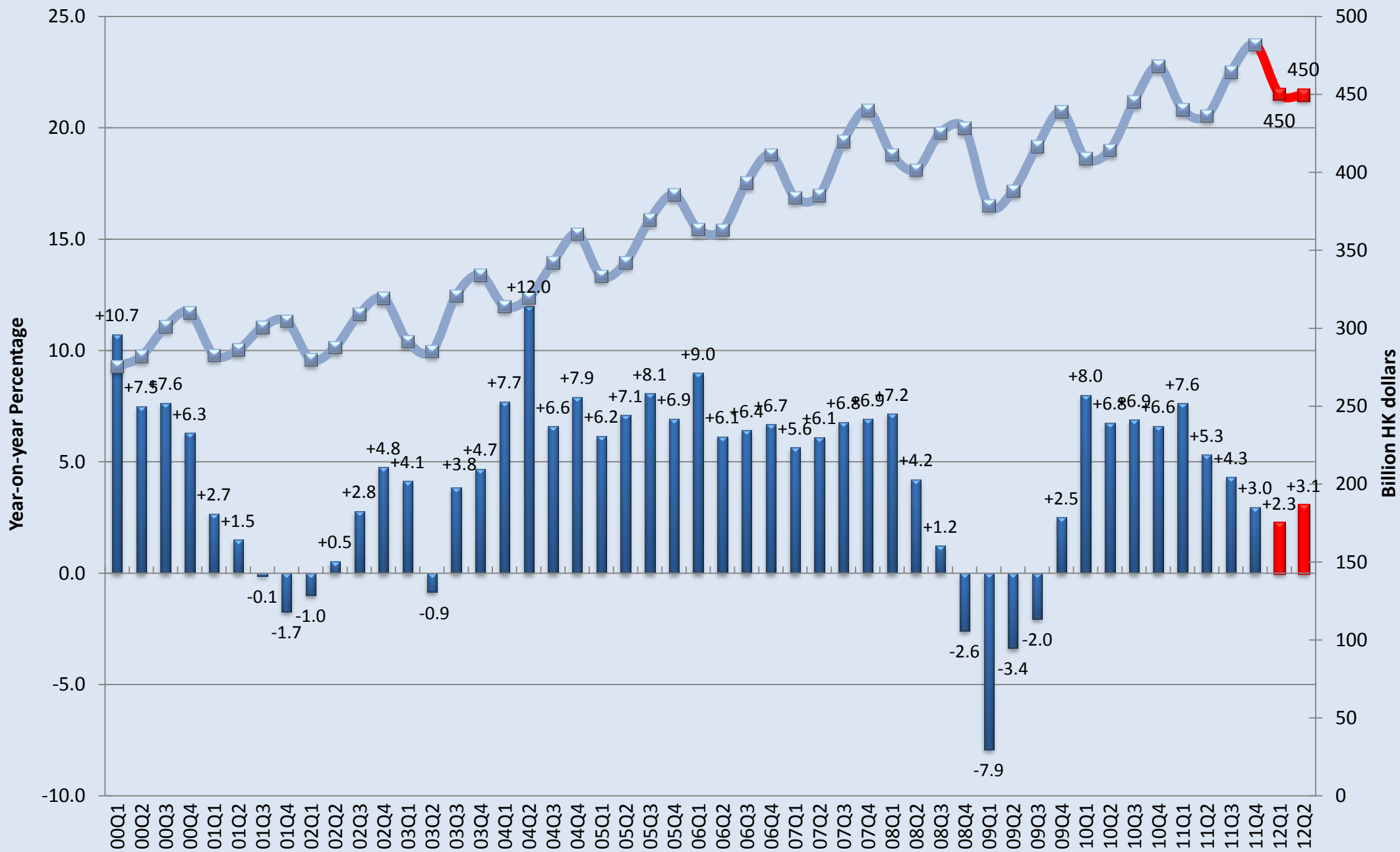
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	Q3	Q4	Annual	Q1 (estimate)	Q2 (forecast)
Gross Domestic Product	4.3	3.0	5.0	2.3	3.1
Private Consumption Expenditure	5.8	4.4	5.3	2.9	2.5
Government Consumption Expenditure	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Net Exports of Goods & Services	-4.6	-2.4	-0.8	-2.0	0.9
Gross Fixed Capital Formation	2.2	1.7	1.4	1.5	0.7
Changes in Inventories	0.7	-0.9	-1.2	-0.4	-1.2
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Real Gross Domestic Product

(Rolling Sums in 2009 Billion HKD, 4 quarters)

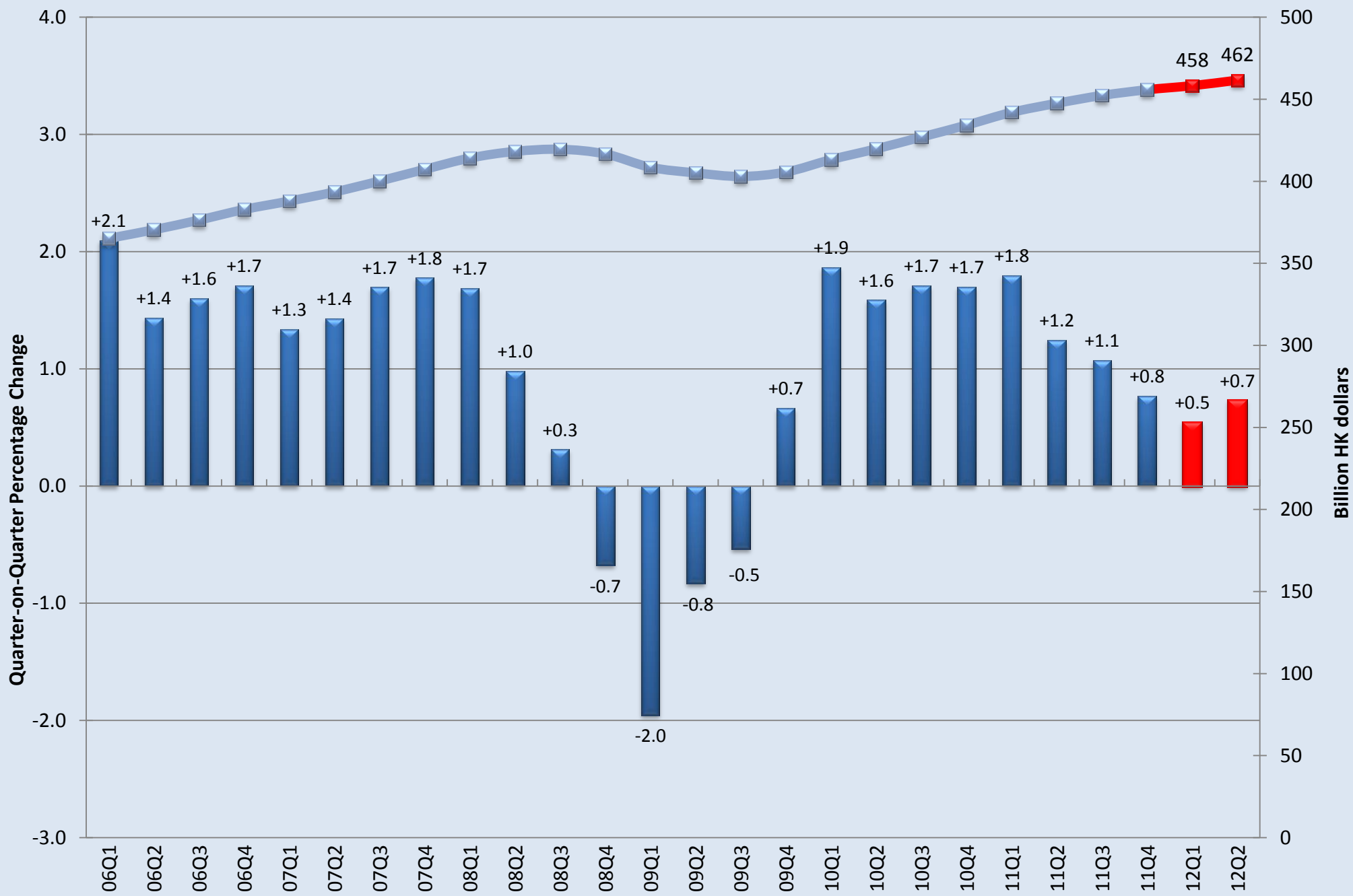


Real Gross Domestic Product (2009 Prices)

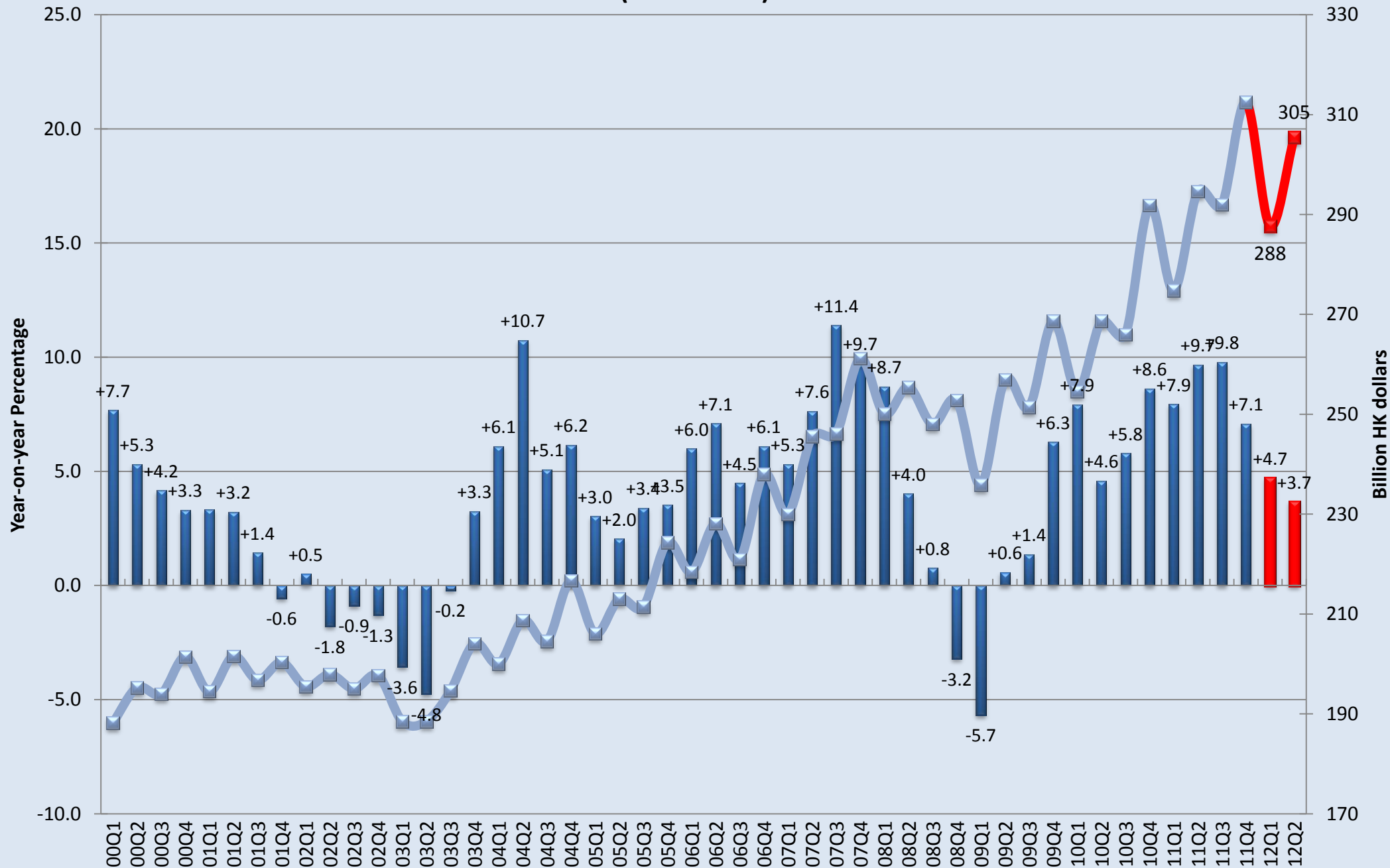


Real Gross Domestic Product

(Rolling Average in 2009 Billion HKD, 4 quarters)

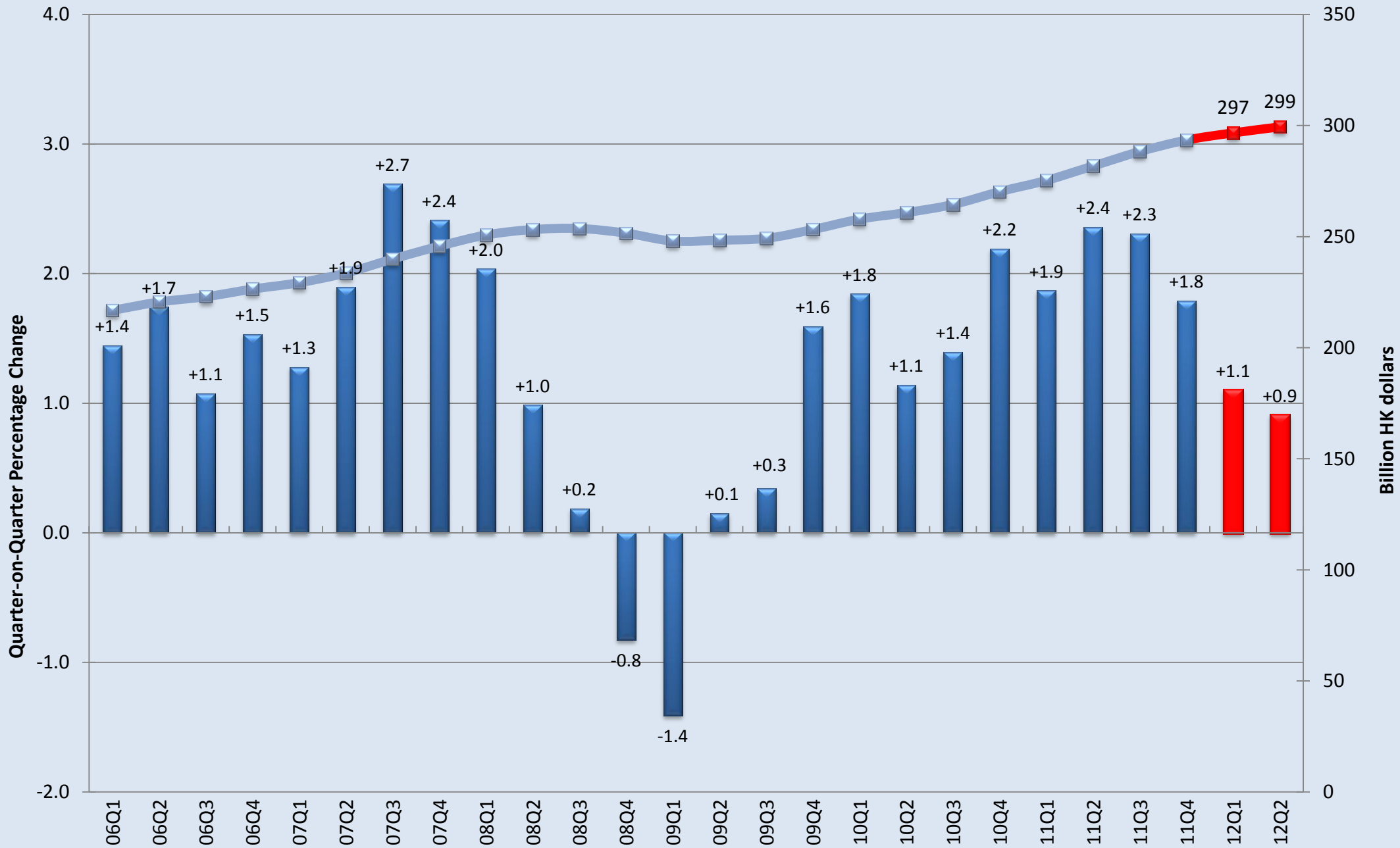


Private Consumption Expenditure (2009 Prices)



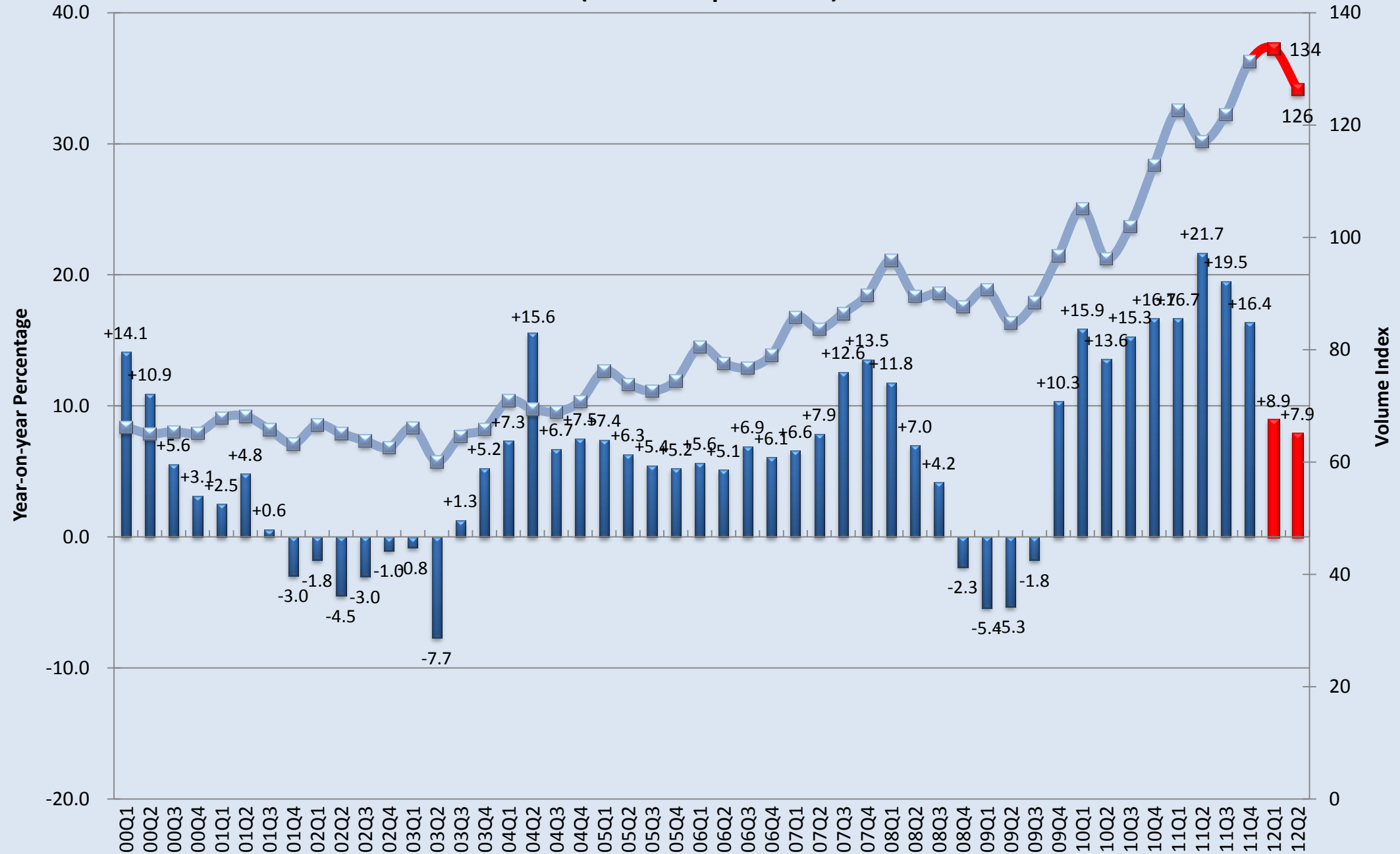
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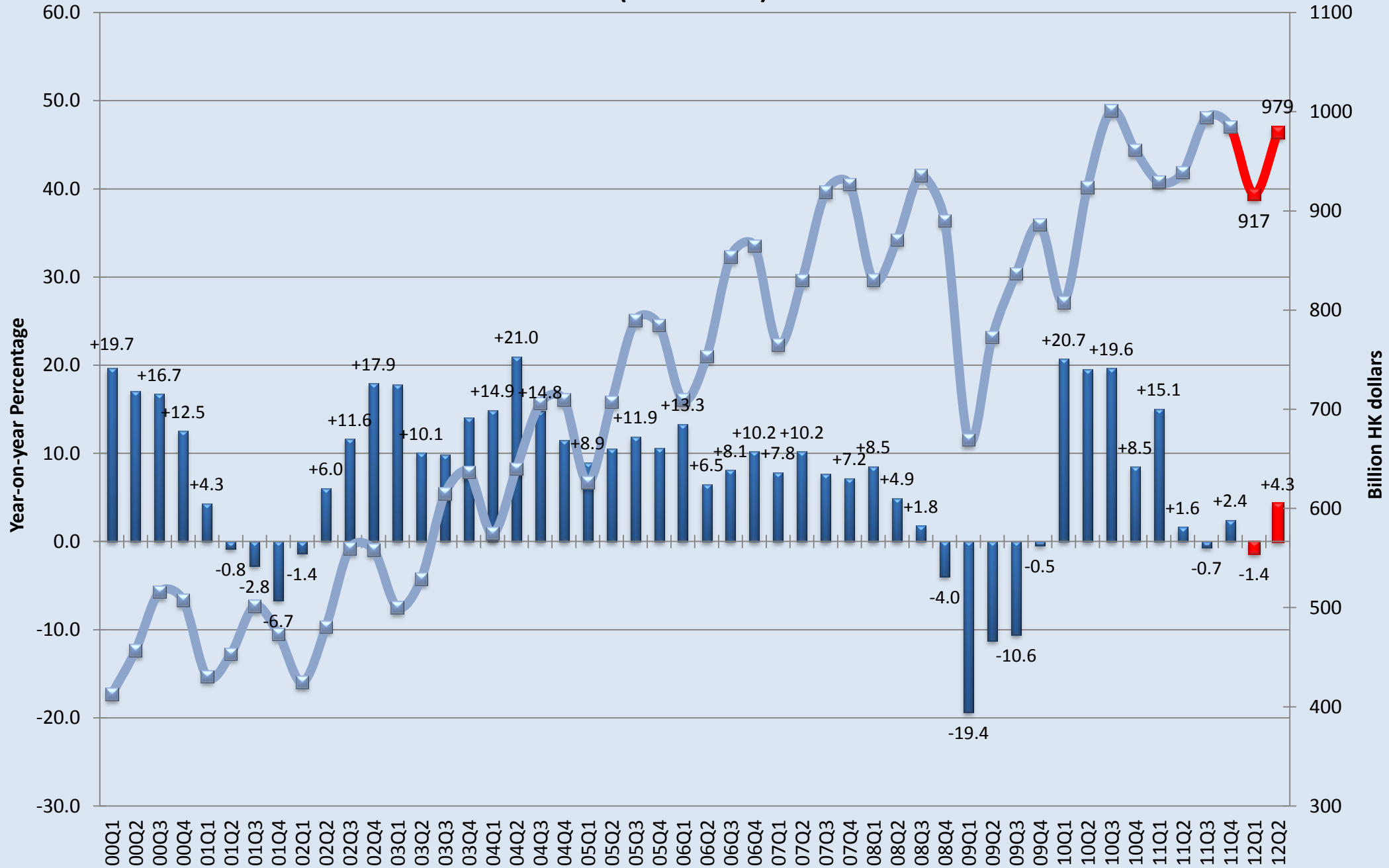


Retail Sales Volume

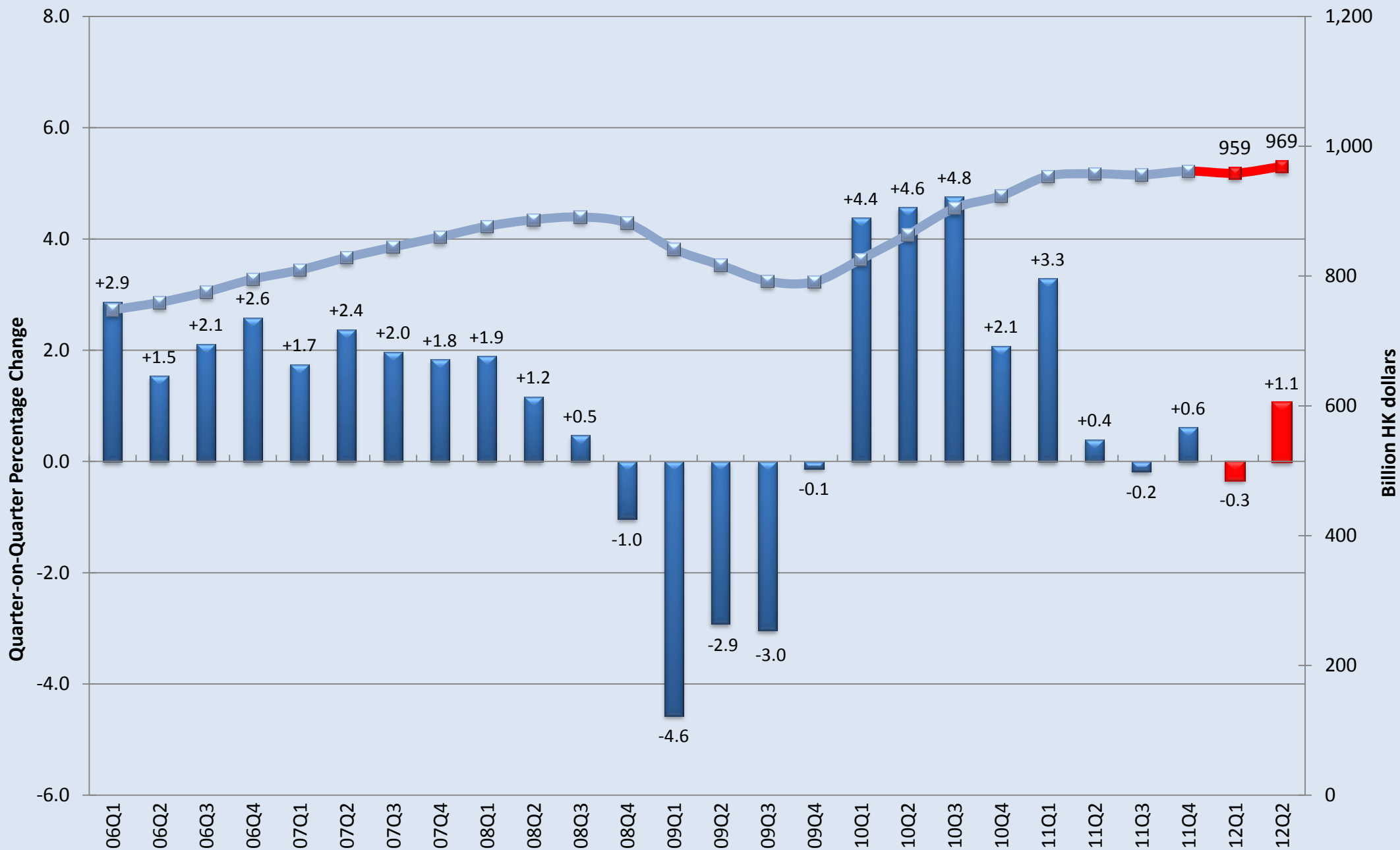
(Oct 09 - Sep 10 = 100)



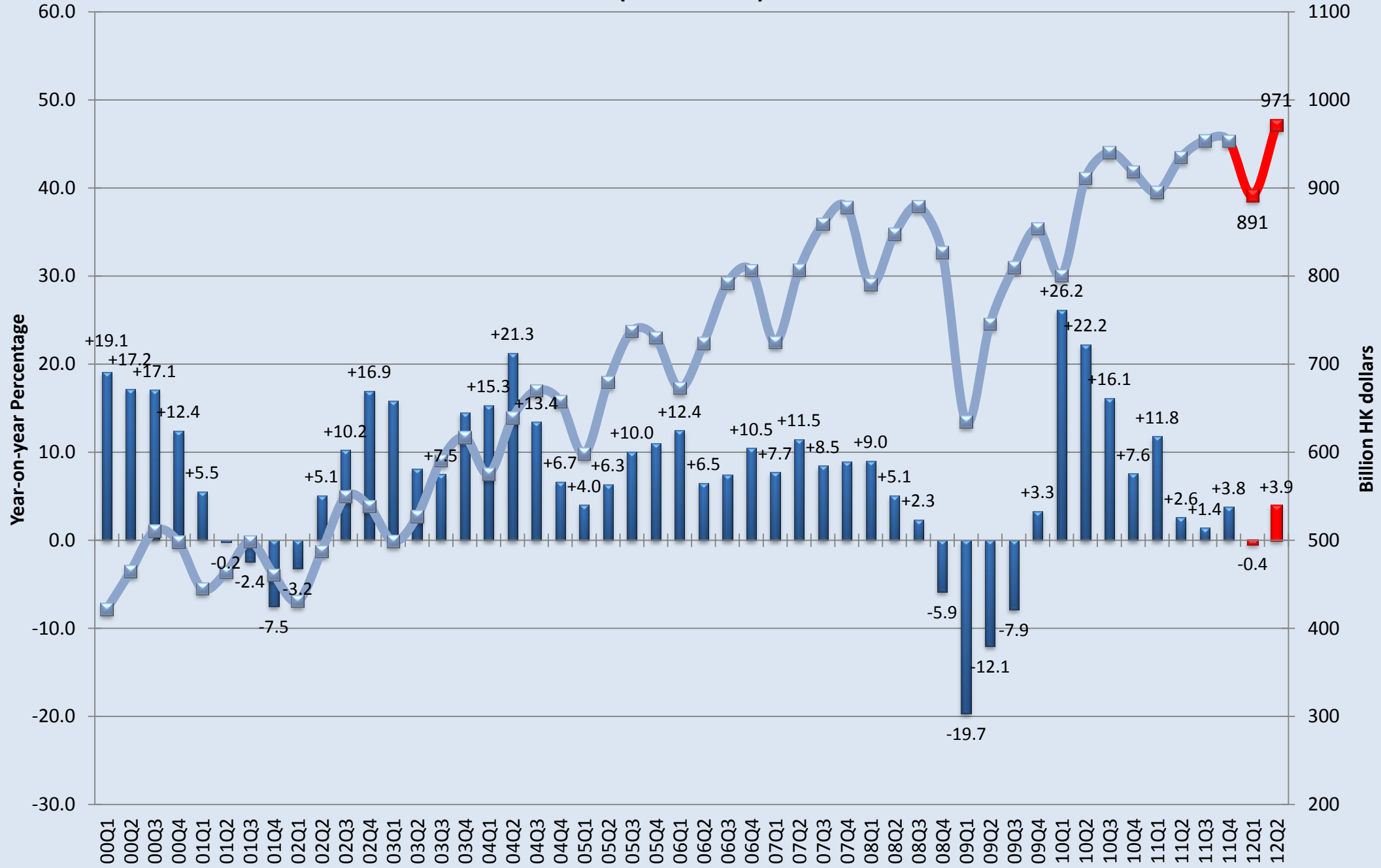
Total Exports of Goods & Services (2009 Prices)



Exports of Goods & Services (Rolling Average in 2009 Billion HKD, 4 quarters)

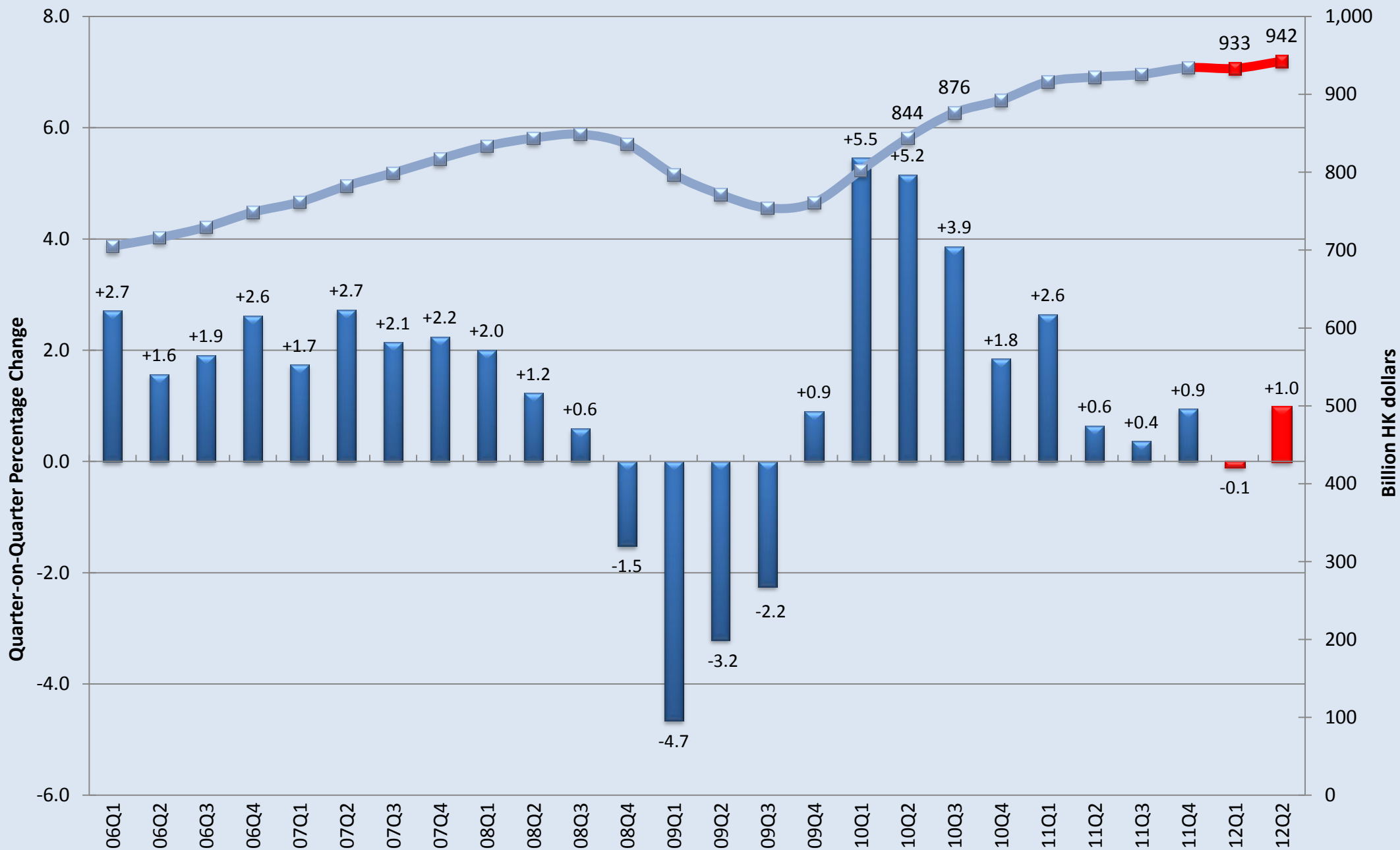


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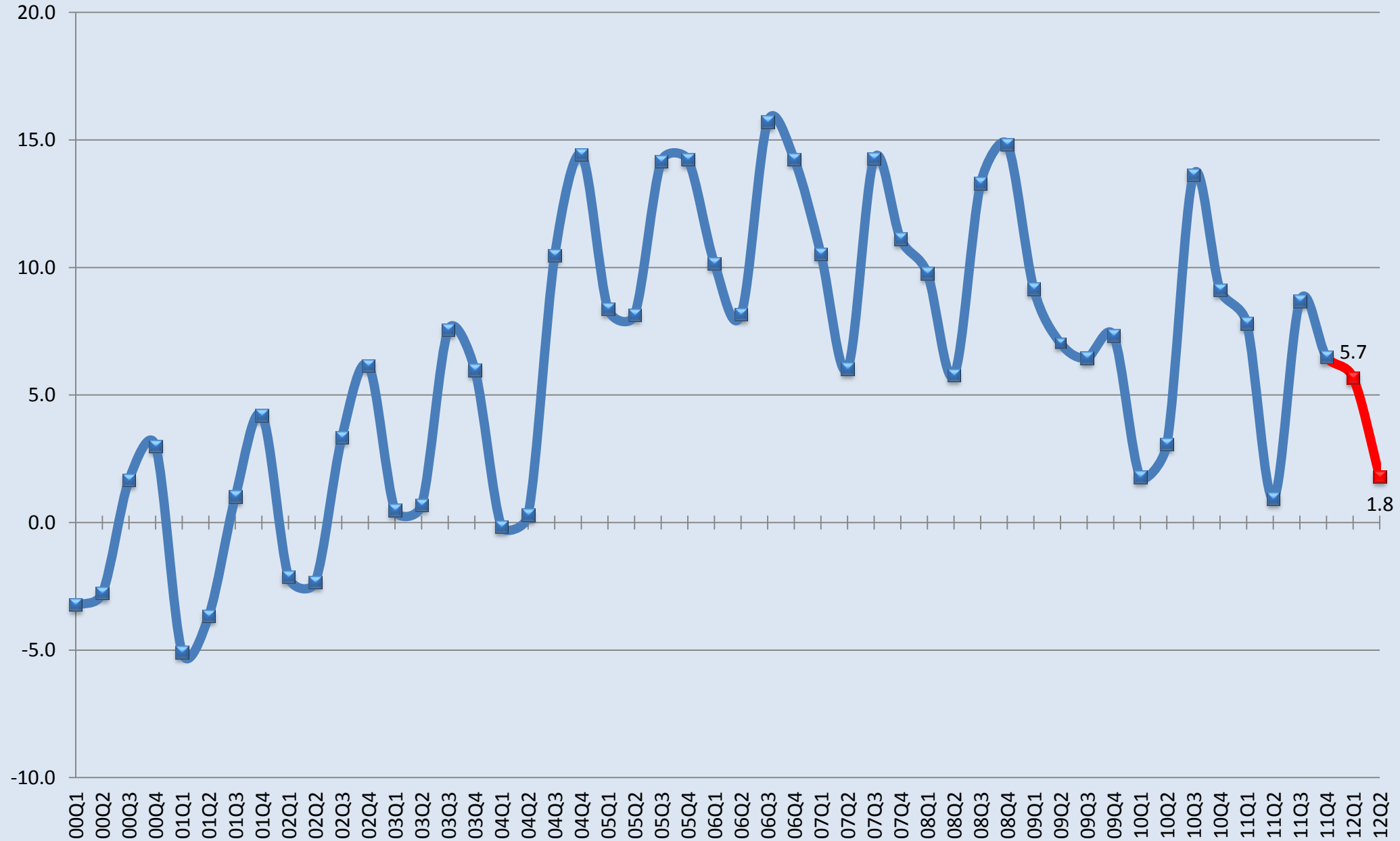


Imports of Goods & Services

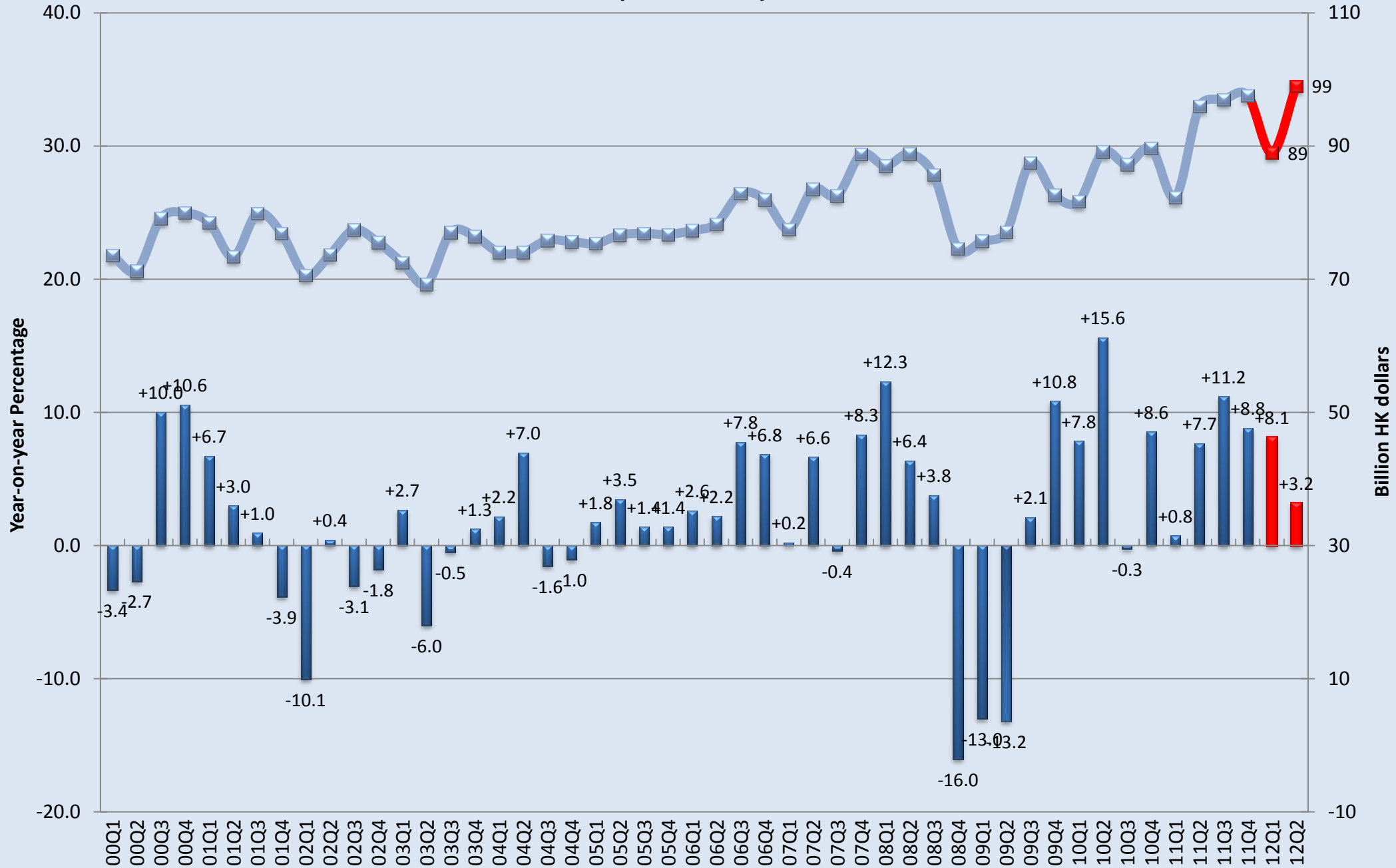
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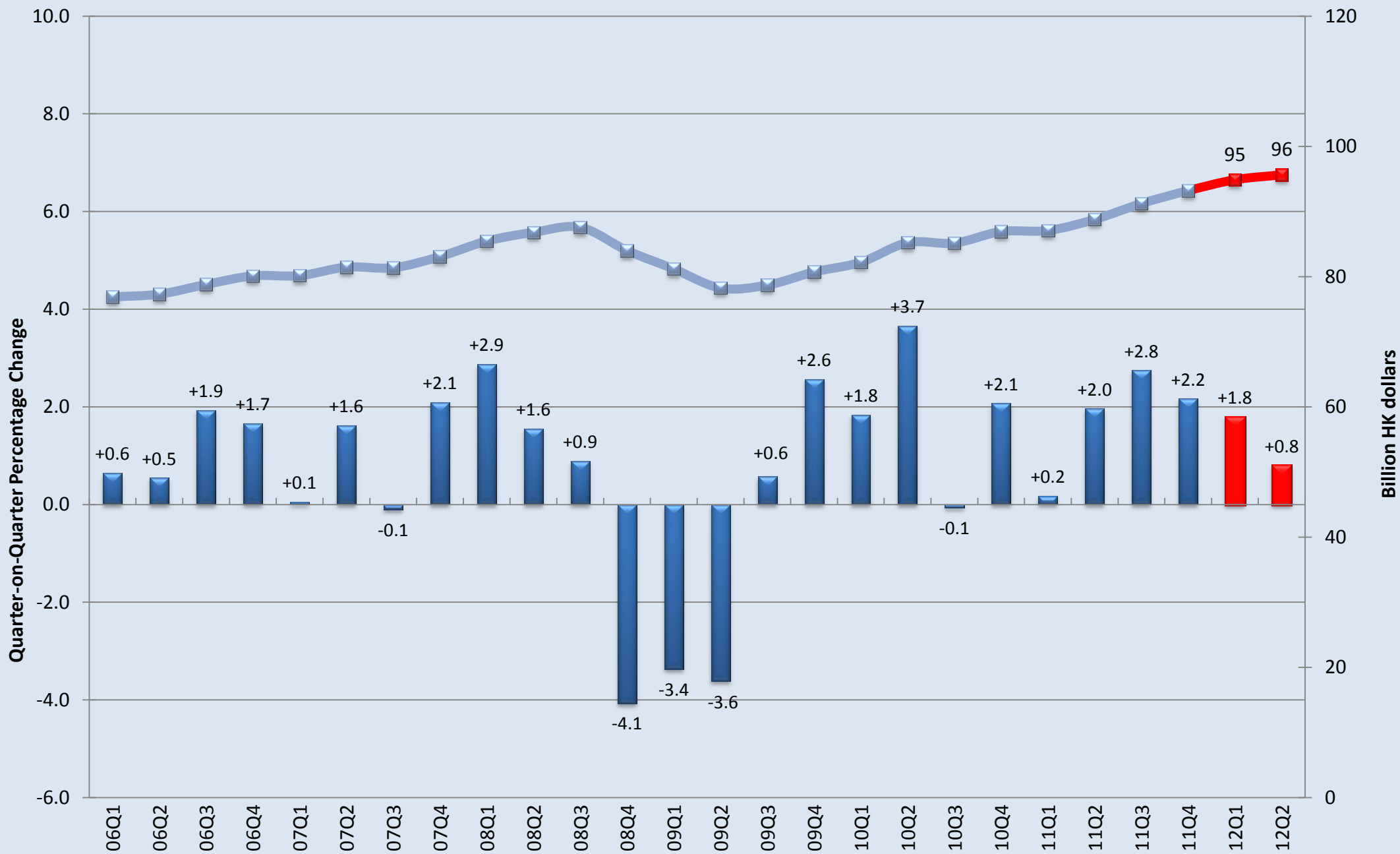
External Trade Balance of Goods and Services (Percentage of GDP, 2009 HK Dollars)



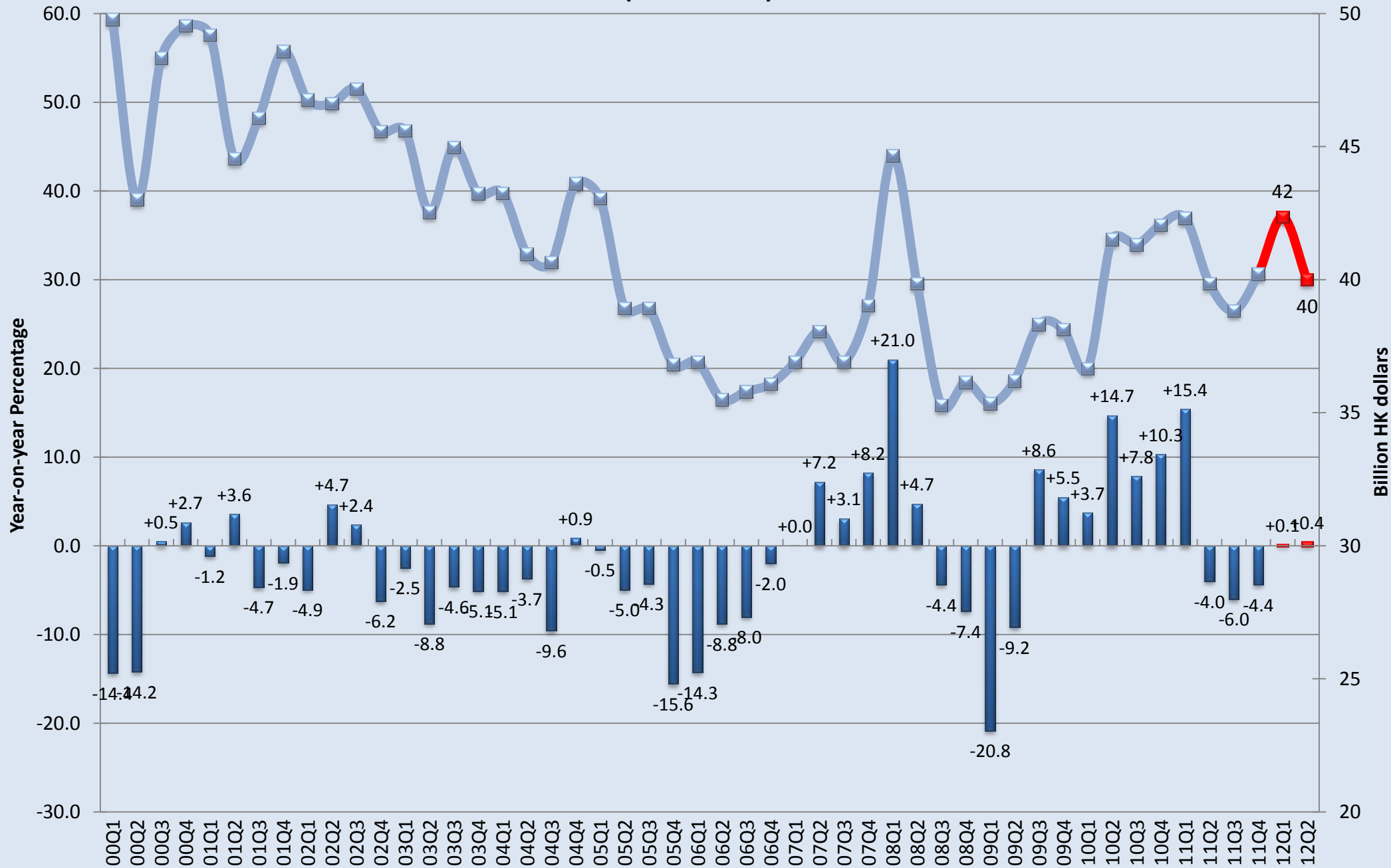
Gross Domestic Fixed Capital Formation (2009 Prices)



Gross Domestic Fixed Capital Formation (Rolling Average in 2009 Billion HKD, 4 quarters)

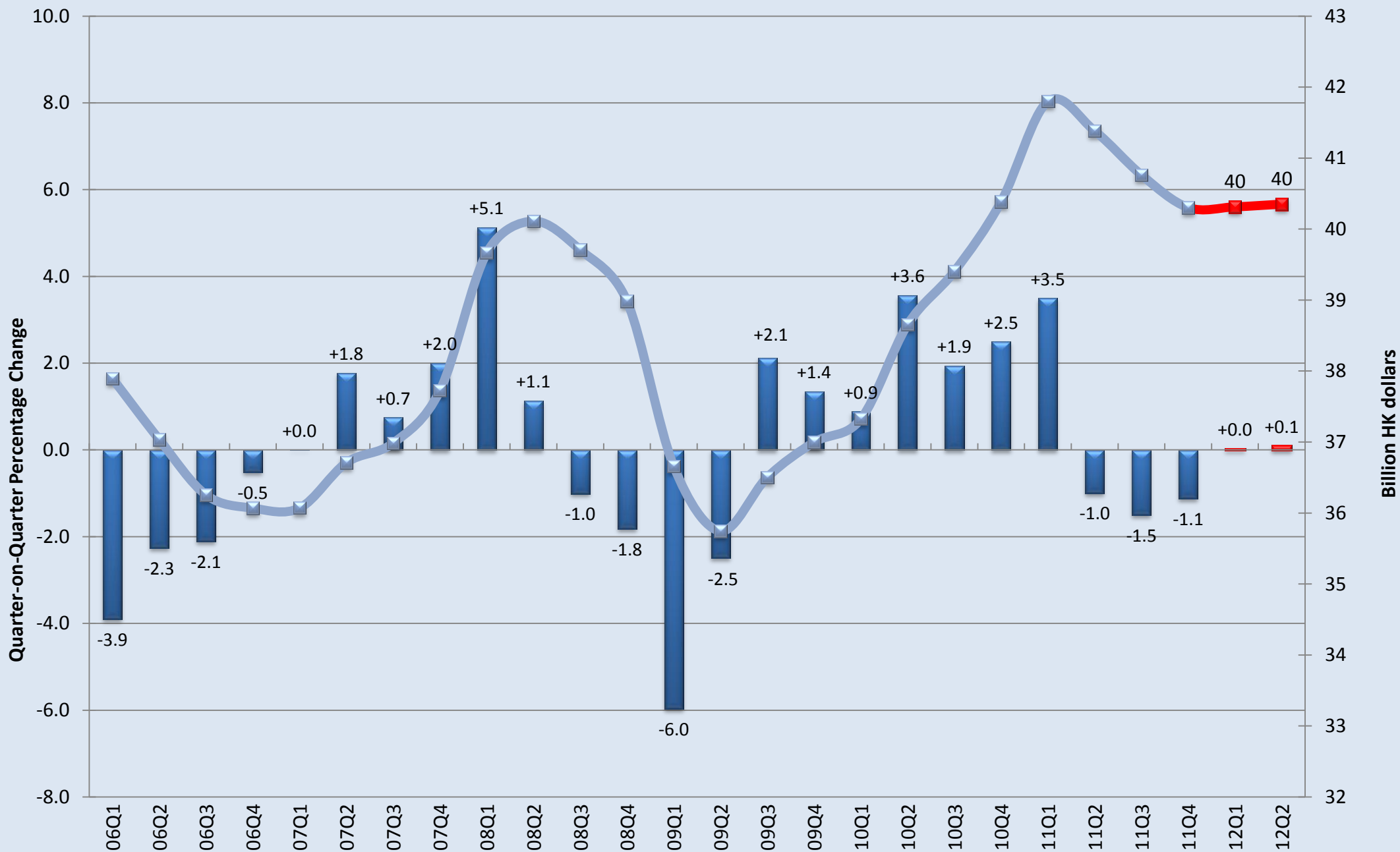


Investment in Land and Construction (2009 Prices)

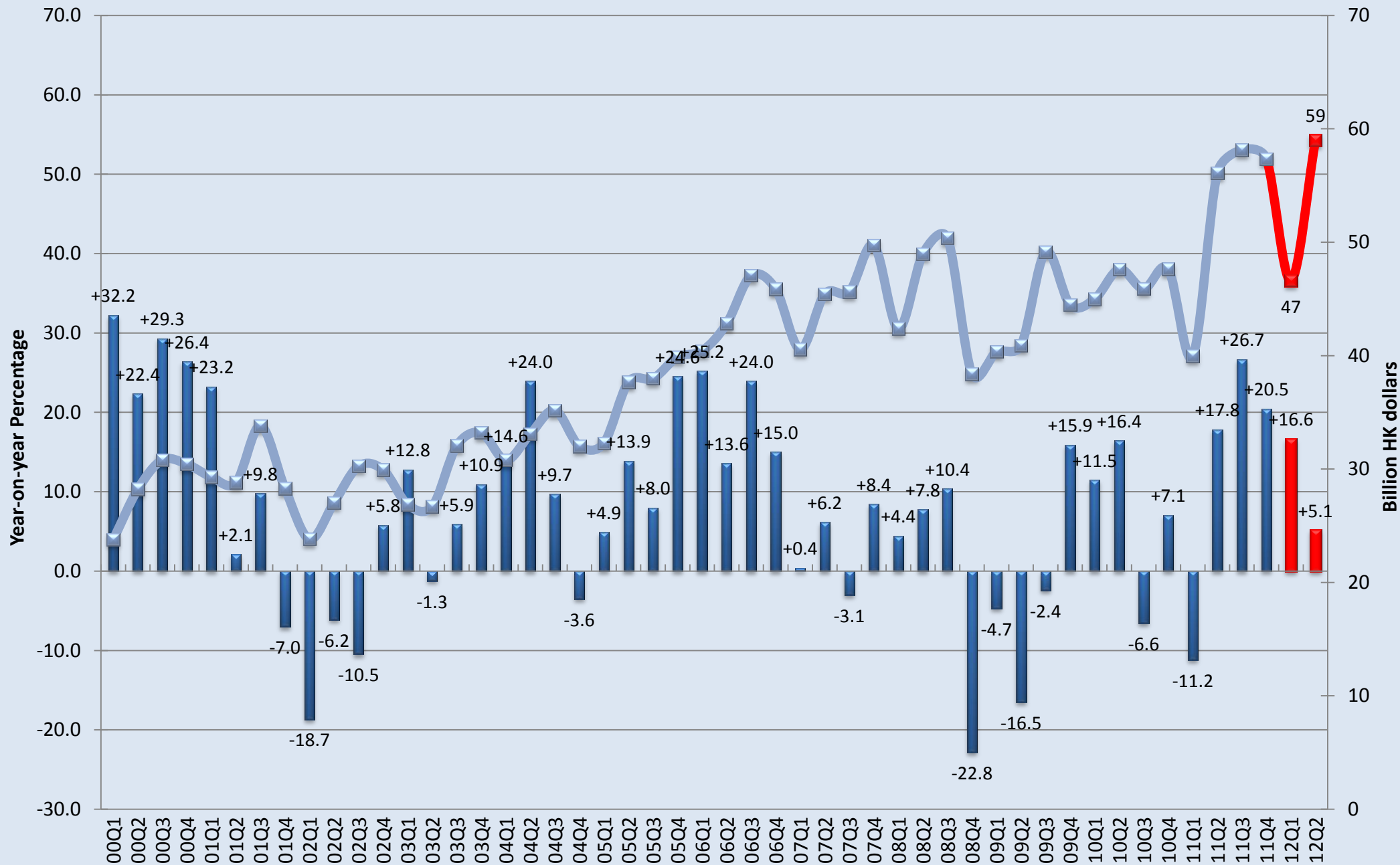


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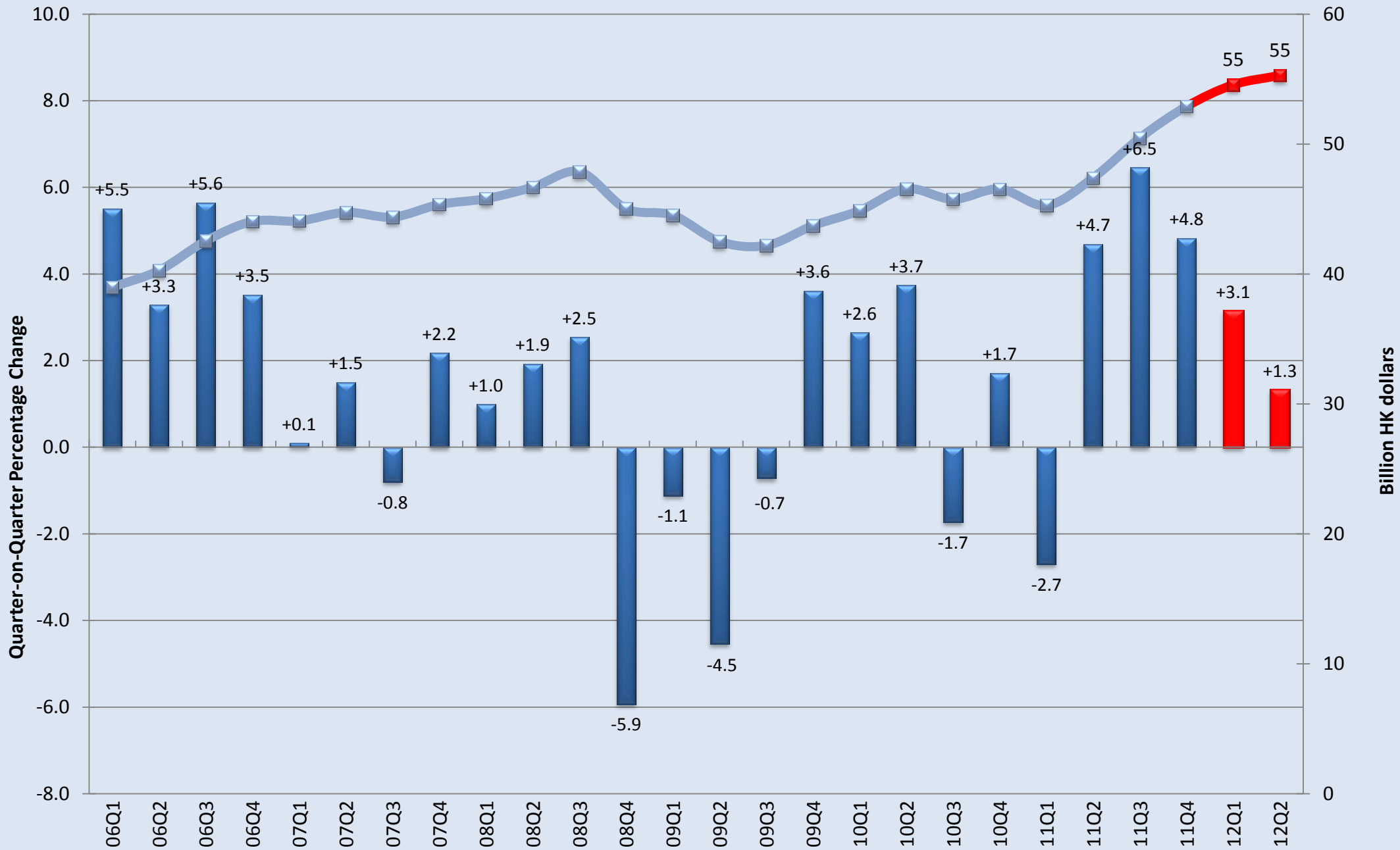


Investment in Machinery, Equipment & Computer Software (2009 Prices)

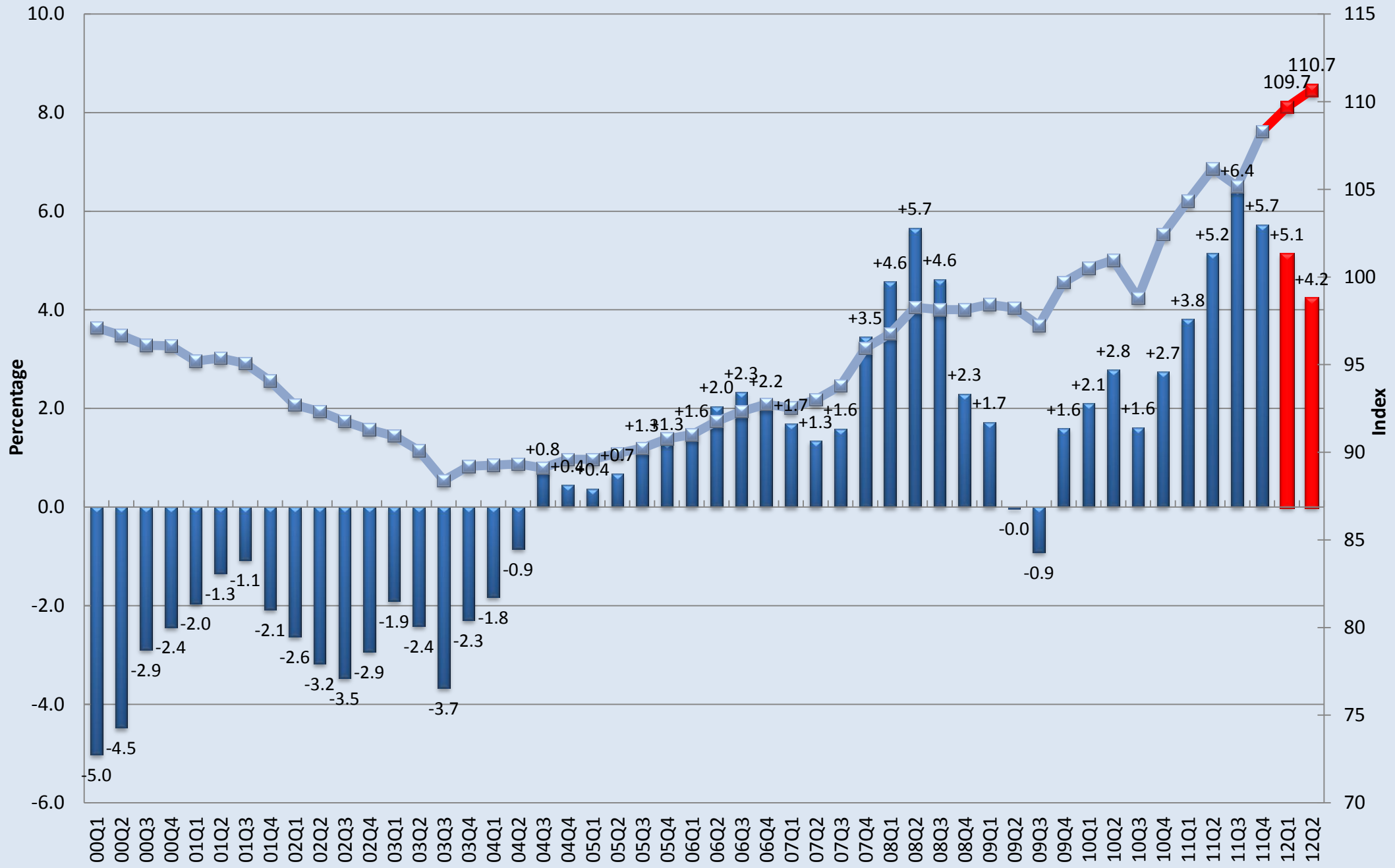


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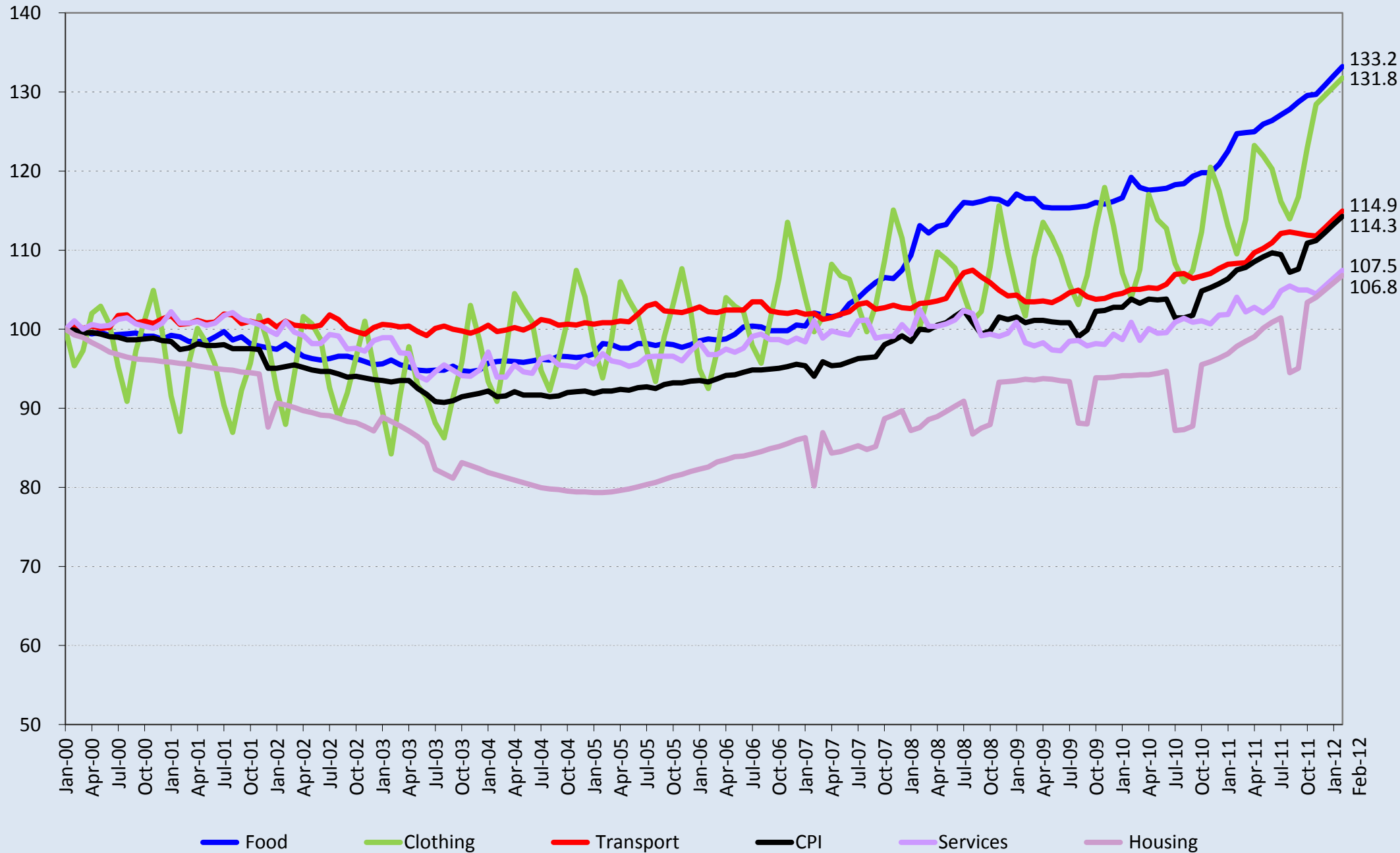


Consumer Price Index (10/09-09/10=100)

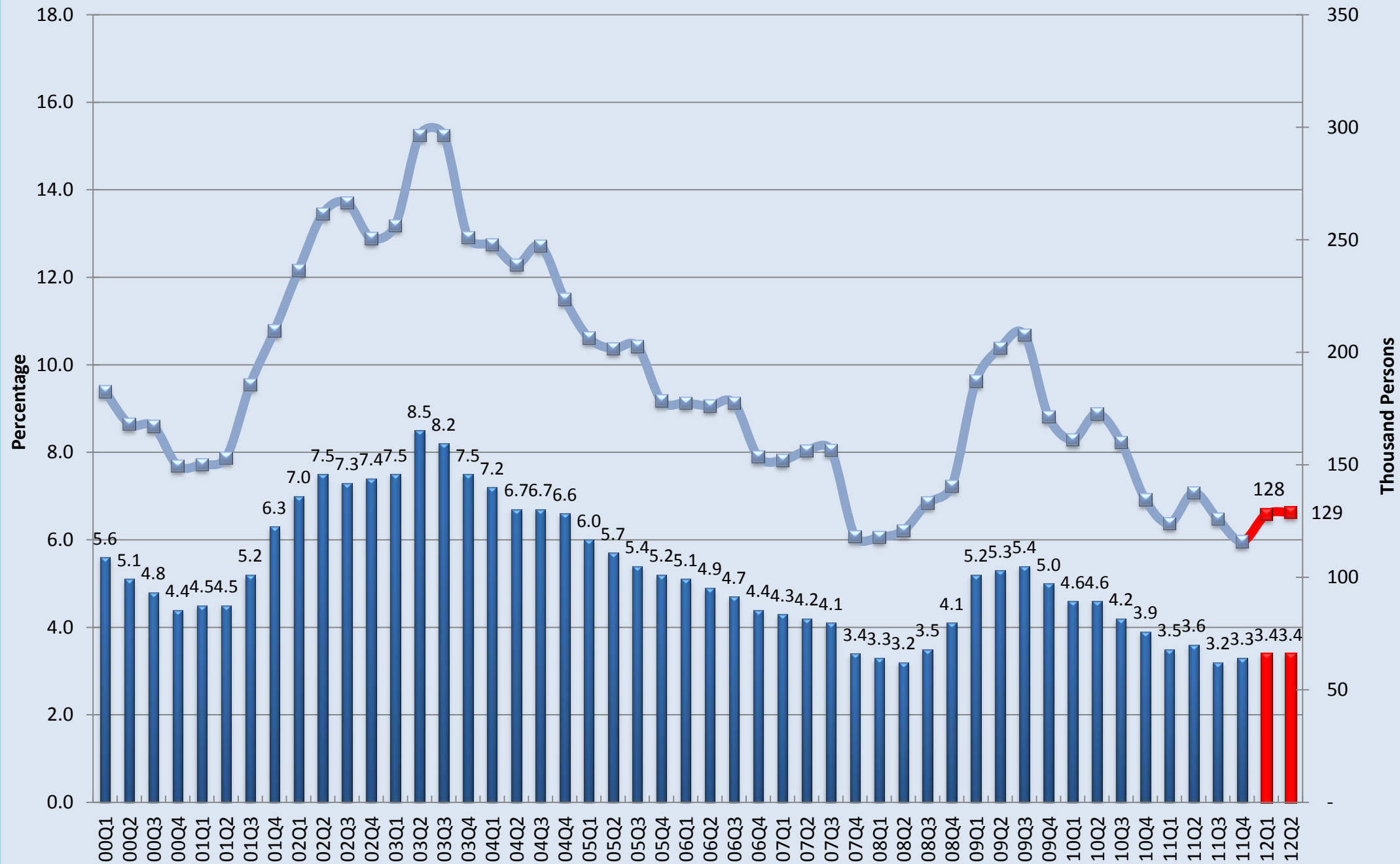


Composite Consumer Price Index

(Jan 2000 = 100)

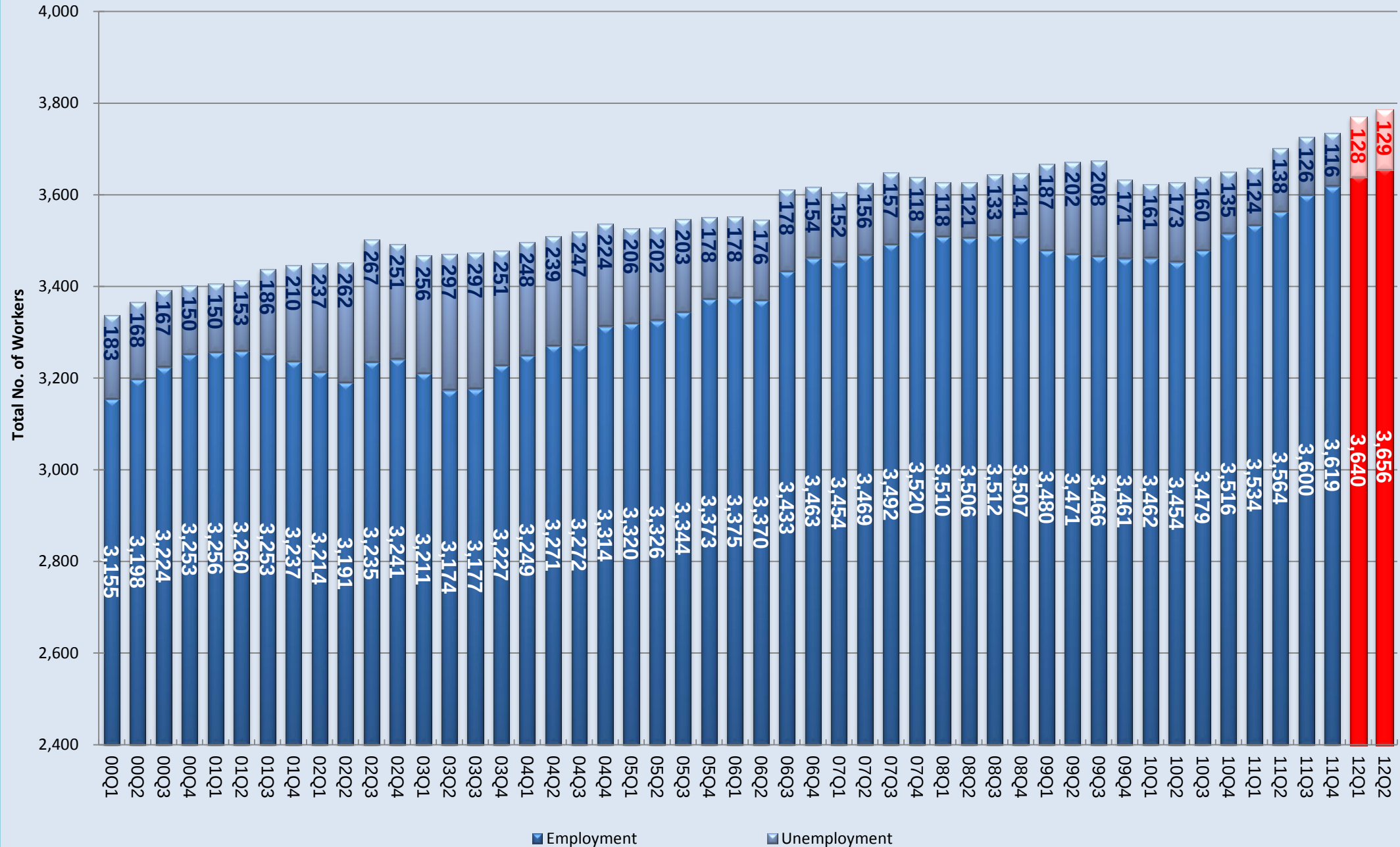


Unemployment



Workers Vs Jobs

(in thousands)



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