

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO  
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Question:

For the suspension and cancellation of food business licence, what is the respective number of licence suspensions and cancellations in 2008 and 2009?

Among the cases of licence cancellation, how many appeals were allowed and the licences were ultimately not cancelled in 2008 and 2009 respectively?

Asked by: Hon. LI Wah-ming, Fred

Reply:

In 2008 and 2009, 219 and 164 food business licences were suspended, while 17 and 10 were cancelled.

In 2008 and 2009, there were respectively 15 and 11 appeals against food business licence cancellation. Of the 15 appeal cases in 2008, the Licensing Appeals Board allowed three (i.e. the licence was not cancelled). Of the 11 appeal cases in 2009, seven were heard with one allowed, while four are pending hearing.

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