

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
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Question:

Please set out in tabular form information on the following:

- (a) the number of public markets with an occupancy rate of less than 50% at present; and
- (b) the staffing cost of each of these markets.

Asked by: Hon. LEONG Kah-kit, Alan

Reply:

The information sought is provided as follows:

- (a) As at 31 December 2010, there were seven public markets with an occupancy rate of less than 50%, two of which were pending closure, another two were undergoing consolidation from two storeys into one and the remaining three were undergoing improvement works.
- (b) As staff resources for public markets are allocated on a district basis, there is no cost breakdown by individual markets.

Signature _____

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