

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO  
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Question:

In 2010, the number of prosecutions taken against unlicensed food premises further increased by 17%. What are the reasons for the rise? Will additional resources be required to strengthen the work in this respect?

Asked by: Hon. TAM Yiu-chung

Reply:

The increase in the number of prosecutions against unlicensed food premises in 2010 was mainly due to more cases of business commencing operation before the grant of licence. We will continue to take stringent enforcement actions against unlicensed food premises within existing resources.

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