

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION**

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Question:

Please set out in tabular form the number of public market traders who have surrendered their hawker licences and moved into public markets to continue their business under the then concessionary arrangements.

Asked by: Hon. LEONG Kah-kit, Alan

Reply:

As at 31 December 2010, there were 12 267 market stall tenancies in public markets. The information sought is provided as follows:

1.	Number of market stall tenancies let out through the Itinerant Hawker Licences Voluntary Surrender Scheme	:	238
2.	Number of market stall tenancies let out through restricted auctions [See Note]	:	5 205
3.	Number of market stall tenancies let out through open auctions	:	6 824
	Total	:	<u>12 267</u>

Note : Restricted auctions of market stalls with concessionary upset prices are held for various reasons, e.g.

- (i) relocation of on-street hawkers into temporary or permanent public markets;
- (ii) relocation of tenants/hawkers due to decommissioning of markets/hawker bazaars into permanent public markets; and
- (iii) relocation of tenants within the same market due to improvement works.

We do not have information on the number of stall tenants who were former licensed hawkers.

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