

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO  
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Question:

Please advise on the number of samples taken from various Fresh Food Wholesale Markets for testing in each of the past three years (i.e. in 2009, 2010 and 2011), with a breakdown by food type and market, as well as the number of samples with testing results exceeding the safety levels.

Asked by: Hon. WONG Yung-kan

Reply:

The number of food samples taken from North District Temporary Wholesale Market for Agricultural Products, Cheung Sha Wan and Western Wholesale Food Markets in 2009 to 2011 are as follows -

Wholesale Food Market	Food category	Number of food samples taken		
		2009	2010	2011
North District Temporary Wholesale Market for Agricultural Products	vegetable	35	7	9
Cheung Sha Wan Wholesale Food Market	vegetable	839	860	1 032
	poultry egg	51	131	116
	aquatic product	17	26	18
Western Wholesale Food Market	vegetable	415	433	941
	fruit	1 339	1 205	1 208
	poultry egg	37	89	116
	aquatic product	26	20	20
Total		2 759	2 771	3 460

In each of the above-mentioned three years, there was one sample each from Cheung Sha Wan Wholesale Food Market and Western Wholesale Food Market found not meeting safety standards. Samples taken at North District Temporary Wholesale Market for Agricultural Products were all satisfactory.

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