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Question:

Please advise on the number of Mainland processing plants supplying chilled beef to Hong Kong, the total import and average import price of Mainland chilled beef, as well as the number of inspections to the Mainland chilled beef processing plants, in each of 2012, 2013 and 2014 following the introduction of Mainland chilled beef to Hong Kong.

Asked by: Hon CHEUNG Yu-yan, Tommy (Member Question No. 10)

## Reply:

In 2012, 2013 and 2014, the number of Mainland processing plants approved for supplying chilled beef to Hong Kong was six, seven and seven respectively. According to the record of the Department, the quantity of Mainland chilled beef imported into Hong Kong was about 15 tonnes, two tonnes and 100 tonnes respectively.

According to the Census and Statistics Department, the average import price of Mainland chilled beef in 2012, 2013 and 2014 was \$34.0, \$45.6 and \$12.5 per catty respectively.

The number of inspections to the Mainland chilled beef processing plants was one in each of the past three years.