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Head: (49) Food and Environmental Hygiene Department

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<u>Programme</u>: (1) Food Safety and Public Health

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<u>Director of Bureau</u>: Secretary for Food and Health

Question:

Please provide information on the quantity of cow's milk produced locally, and, of which, the quantity of raw milk supplied from local livestock farms, in each of the past five years.

Asked by: Hon CHEUNG Chiu-hung, Fernando (Member Question No. 622)

Reply:

All local milk factories manufacturing milk or milk beverage are subject to licensing by the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (the Department). In 2014, there are seven licensed milk factories. The Department does not keep information on the quantity of cow's milk produced by the licensed milk factories. According to the Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department, there is, in 2014, one local farm licensed under the Dairies Regulations (Cap. 139D) to maintain a dairy. This local dairy farm supplied 7 424 kg and 1 609 kg of raw milk in 2010 and 2011 respectively. It did not supply any raw milk from 2012 to 2014.