

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

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Question:

In respect of the monitoring of the safety of food supplied to Hong Kong, please provide information on the following:

- (a) the number of Mainland production farms approved for exporting food to Hong Kong, with a breakdown by province and type of food exported, such as vegetables, fruits, live pigs, live cattle, live chickens, freshwater fish, etc.;
- (b) the number of inspections conducted by the Department to these production farms in each of the past three years (i.e. from 2013-14 to 2015-16); and
- (c) whether any policy has been examined to encourage farms to become production farms approved for exporting food to Hong Kong so as to increase the sources of food supply.

Asked by: Hon Steven HO Chun-yin (Member Question No. 6)

Reply:

- (a) Information on the types and number of registered Mainland farms eligible for exporting foods to Hong Kong by location as at 31 December 2015 is given below –

Province or cities	Vegetable Farms	Orchard	Poultry Farms	Pig Farms	Cattle Farms	Goat Farms	Aquatic Food Animal Farms
<b>Guangdong</b>	113		24	92	2		80
<b>Shenzhen</b>	2			1			
<b>Zhuhai</b>	1		9	5			4
<b>Anhui</b>		12		1	1		14
<b>Beijing</b>	3				5		

Province or cities	Vegetable Farms	Orchard	Poultry Farms	Pig Farms	Cattle Farms	Goat Farms	Aquatic Food Animal Farms
<b>Chongqing</b>	1			1			
<b>Fujian</b>	2	76					
<b>Gansu</b>	9				3		
<b>Guangxi</b>	4			7			1
<b>Guizhou</b>	3				1		
<b>Hainan</b>	15		1	2			
<b>Hebei</b>	15	176			2		
<b>Heilongjiang</b>		8			1		
<b>Henan</b>	14	12		18			
<b>Hubei</b>	13	17		14	2		23
<b>Hunan</b>	32	32		39			10
<b>Jiangsu</b>	30						21
<b>Jiangxi</b>	9			25	1		10
<b>Jilin</b>		2		2	1		
<b>Liaoning</b>	5	213					
<b>Neimongol</b>	2				5		
<b>Ningxia</b>	23	1					
<b>Ningbo</b>		8		1			
<b>Qinghai</b>					1		
<b>Shaanxi</b>		630			5		
<b>Shandong</b>	79	624					
<b>Shanxi</b>	2				3		
<b>Shanghai</b>	13			7			2
<b>Sichuan</b>	3						
<b>Tianjin</b>	1				1		
<b>Xiamen</b>	8			1			
<b>Xinjiang</b>		35					
<b>Yunnan</b>	34	513				1	
<b>Zhejiang</b>	14	104		1			9
<b>Total no. of registered farms and plants</b>	450	2463	34	217	34	1	174

(b) Information on the types and number of Mainland farms inspected in the past 3 years is given below–

Calendar Year	Vegetable Farms	Orchards	Poultry Farms	Pig Farms	Cattle Farms	Goat Farms	Aquatic Food Animal Farms	Total
2013	16	0	29	13	7	0	21	86
2014	17	3	29	8	5	0	7	69

2015	13	3	22	14	6	0	9	67
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- (c) The Government is committed to ensuring an adequate and stable food supply to Hong Kong. In this connection, the Government has been working closely with the Mainland authorities to maintain the stability, quality and safety of food products supplied to Hong Kong. We will continue with our efforts on this front.

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