

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

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Head: (49) Food and Environmental Hygiene Department

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Question:

Please set out in tabular form the number of fixed pitch hawkers and vacant pitches, as well as the vacancy rate of fixed pitches, in each of the 18 districts in 2013, 2014 and 2015 respectively.

Asked by: Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan (Member Question No. 6)

Reply:

The information sought is provided at Annex.

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**Vacancy Rate of On-street Hawker Fixed Pitches
(other than Cooked Food Hawkers)**

District	2013 (as at 31.12.2013)			2014 (as at 31.12.2014)			2015 (as at 31.12.2015)		
	No. of Fixed Pitches (a)	No. of Vacant Pitches* (b)	Vacancy Rate ((b)/(a)+(b))	No. of Fixed Pitches (a)	No. of Vacant Pitches* (b)	Vacancy Rate ((b)/(a)+(b))	No. of Fixed Pitches (a)	No. of Vacant Pitches* (b)	Vacancy Rate ((b)/(a)+(b))
Central & Western	622	0	0%	602	19	3.1%	589	28	4.5%
Eastern	420	0	0%	396	45	10.2%	376	11	2.8%
Southern	31	0	0%	30	0	0%	30	0	0%
Wan Chai	451	0	0%	439	11	2.4%	427	17	3.8%
Islands	1	0	0%	1	0	0%	1	0	0%
Yau Tsim Mong	2 413	0	0%	2 326	128	5.2%	2 235	188	7.8%
Sham Shui Po	1 059	0	0%	1 032	42	3.9%	997	60	5.7%
Kowloon City	110	0	0%	107	1	0.9%	104	2	1.9%
Wong Tai Sin	18	0	0%	16	0	0%	17	0	0%
Kwun Tong	68	0	0%	65	0	0%	61	0	0%
Kwai Tsing	14	0	0%	14	0	0%	13	0	0%
Tsuen Wan	20	0	0%	20	0	0%	20	0	0%
Tuen Mum	8	0	0%	8	0	0%	8	0	0%
Yuen Long	18	0	0%	17	0	0%	16	0	0%
North	7	0	0%	7	0	0%	7	0	0%
Tai Po	7	0	0%	7	0	0%	6	0	0%
Sha Tin	2	0	0%	1	0	0%	1	0	0%
Sai Kung	3	0	0%	3	0	0%	3	0	0%
Total	5 272	0	0%	5 091	246	4.6%	4 911	306	5.9%

Remarks: * The figure represents the number of pitches vacated as a result of voluntary surrender of hawker licences under the Hawker Assistance Scheme. The figure does not include pitches located outside building staircase discharge points / emergency vehicular access, earmarked to accommodate stalls that require relocation due to fire safety considerations or absorbed in the course of rationalisation of the overall layout of hawker areas. Fixed-pitches vacated for other reasons and reserved for various purposes such as resite commitments are also excluded.