

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

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Head: (49) Food and Environmental Hygiene Department

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Question:

With regard to Question Serial No. 1949 / Reply Serial No. FHB(FE)126, please further advise on the respective share of food supplied locally and imported into Hong Kong in the past 3 years (i.e. 2014, 2015 and 2016) as per the table below:

| | Quantity of local supply (tonnes) | Quantity of food imported (tonnes) by top 10 jurisdictions | | | | | | | | | |
|------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| | | Country A | Country B | Country C | Country D | Country E | Country F | Country G | Country H | Country I | Country J |
| Rice | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Vegetables | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Live cattle | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Live goats | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Live pigs | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Live chickens | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Other live poultry | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Live fish | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Chilled beef | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Frozen beef | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Chilled mutton | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Frozen mutton | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Chilled pork | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Frozen pork | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Chilled chickens | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Frozen chickens | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Chilled poultry | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Frozen poultry | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Chilled or frozen fish | | | | | | | | | | | |

Asked by: Hon HO Kai-ming

Reply:

The requested information is set out as follows –

(a) 2014

| | Quantity of local supply (tonnes) | Quantity of food imported (tonnes) by top 10 jurisdictions | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|----------------------|--------------------|--|--------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Rice | 0 | Thailand 170 070 | Vietnam 128 617 | Mainland 23 695 | Australia 7 198 | Pakistan 4 695 | USA 4 369 | Japan 1 703 | Cambodia 1 550 | Myanmar 1 421 | India 1 184 |
| Vegetables | 15 500 | Mainland 756 685 | USA 20 274 | Australia 9 277 | Taiwan 9 114 | Thailand 4 227 | New Zealand 3 842 | Japan 2 771 | India 2 529 | Korea 1 989 | Netherlands 1 250 |
| ^Live cattle | 0 | Mainland 18 602 | - | - | - | - | - | -- | - | - | - |
| ^Live goats | 0 | Mainland 5 371 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| ^Live pigs | 87 432 | Mainland 1 624 926 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| ^Live chickens | 4 000 899 | ^Mainland 912 300 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| ^Other live poultry | 0 | ^Mainland 327 056 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Live fish | 6 226 | Mainland 78 625 | Philippines 3 147 | Thailand 2 096 | Indonesia 1 760 | Taiwan 1 261 | Malaysia 1 121 | Australia 416 | Maldives 156 | Bulgaria 109 | Japan 77 |
| Chilled beef | 0 | Australia 2 991 | USA 1 890 | Mainland 1 242 | Brazil 729 | New Zealand 402 | Japan 234 | Canada 169 | Argentina 51 | Netherlands 22 | Spain 17 |
| Frozen beef | 0 | Brazil 208 964 | USA 133 878 | Canada 16 608 | Australia 11 790 | Mexico 5 538 | UK 5 030 | New Zealand 4 653 | Ireland 4 458 | Argentina 3 259 | South Africa 1 062 |
| Chilled mutton | 0 | Australia 314 | New Zealand 218 | UK 68 | France 11 | USA 7 | Spain less than 1 | - | - | - | - |
| Frozen mutton | 0 | Australia 8 402 | New Zealand 5 301 | UK 2 403 | Mainland 1 473 | Spain 292 | Ireland 255 | Chile 95 | Uruguay 62 | Brazil 54 | Argentina 34 |
| Chilled pork | 0 | Mainland 8 367 | Australia 180 | Canada 115 | Thailand 95 | USA 61 | UK 49 | France 33 | Brazil 30 | Denmark 21 | Japan 12 |
| Frozen pork | 0 | Brazil 68 373 | Mainland 52 563 | Germany 32 713 | Netherlands 18 369 | USA 15 690 | Vietnam 7 654 | Poland 7 546 | Spain 6 749 | Canada 5 603 | Belgium 2 651 |
| Chilled chickens | 0 | Mainland 39 551 | Thailand 312 | Australia 216 | Australasia & Oceania, Nesoi 96 | New Zealand 93 | France 46 | USA 6 | UK 1 | Japan less than 1 | - |
| Frozen chickens | 0 | Brazil 332 294 | USA 263 321 | Mainland 66 522 | Turkey 24 850 | Poland 20 916 | Argentina 19 241 | UK 16 828 | Netherlands 15 028 | Chile 10 374 | Canada 8 775 |
| Chilled poultry | 0 | Mainland 69 318 | Thailand 312 | Australia 216 | Australasia & Oceania, Nesoi 149 | New Zealand 93 | France 59 | Taiwan 25 | Chile 24 | USA 6 | UK 4 |
| Frozen poultry | 0 | Brazil 333 665 | USA 267 397 | Mainland 72 207 | Turkey 24 850 | Poland 23 888 | Argentina 19 241 | UK 17 836 | Netherlands 15 378 | France 13 663 | Chile 11 361 |
| Chilled and frozen fish | 55 973 | Mainland 53 861 | Norway 21 370 | Vietnam 21 246 | Taiwan 4 068 | Japan 2 877 | Chile 2 354 | Indonesia 2 295 | Canada 2 094 | USA 1 178 | Thailand 1 083 |

(b) 2015

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|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|----------------------|---------------------|--------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Rice | 0 | Thailand 186 833 | Vietnam 99 246 | Mainland 21 066 | Australia 7 364 | Pakistan 5 095 | Cambodia 3 520 | Japan 2 396 | India 1 221 | Myanmar 1 125 | Taiwan 798 |
| Vegetables | 15 000 | Mainland 765 533 | USA 19 794 | Australia 11 579 | Taiwan 8 805 | Thailand 5 121 | New Zealand 3 791 | Japan 2 899 | India 2 407 | Korea 1 888 | Netherlands 1 516 |
| ^Live cattle | 0 | Mainland 17 911 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| ^Live goats | 0 | Mainland 4 381 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| ^Live pigs | 85 733 | Mainland 1 583 398 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| ^Live chickens | 4 055 016 | # Mainland 61 300 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| ^Other live poultry | 0 | # Mainland 465 305 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Live fish | 5 810 | Mainland 91 195 | Philippines 2 709 | Indonesia 1 866 | Taiwan 1 807 | Thailand 1 548 | Malaysia 1 254 | Australia 596 | Japan 306 | Maldives 147 | Bulgaria 111 |
| Chilled beef | 0 | Australia 3 631 | USA 1 802 | Brazil 1 282 | Japan 415 | New Zealand 403 | Canada 195 | Argentina 38 | Netherlands 27 | UK 8 | France 8 |
| Frozen beef | 0 | Brazil 142 712 | USA 101 176 | Canada 9 414 | Australia 4 932 | Mexico 3 480 | UK 2 789 | Ireland 2 338 | Argentina 2 184 | New Zealand 2 159 | Netherlands 1 152 |
| Chilled mutton | 0 | Australia 308 | New Zealand 180 | UK 24 | France 8 | USA 4 | Korea 1 | Spain less than 1 | - | - | - |
| Frozen mutton | 0 | New Zealand 1 873 | Australia 1 595 | Mainland 1 345 | UK 783 | Ireland 76 | Spain 54 | Iceland 26 | Uruguay 23 | Hungary 12 | USA 6 |
| Chilled pork | 0 | Mainland 8 450 | Australia 220 | Canada 169 | Brazil 129 | USA 54 | France 30 | Spain 24 | Japan 23 | Thailand 13 | Korea 6 |
| Frozen pork | 0 | Brazil 73 124 | Mainland 52 136 | Germany 27 857 | USA 22 764 | Netherlands 17 719 | Poland 9 725 | Vietnam 9 176 | Canada 8 840 | Spain 7 865 | France 2 989 |
| Chilled chickens | 0 | Mainland 48 479 | Thailand 400 | Australia 230 | France 62 | Australasia & Oceania, Nesoi 35 | New Zealand 25 | Brunei Darussalam 20 | UK 2 | Namibia less than 1 | USA less than 1 |
| Frozen chickens | 0 | USA 272 204 | Brazil 244 821 | Mainland 63 305 | Poland 15 736 | Turkey 15 020 | Ireland 11 768 | Argentina 9 807 | Japan 5 837 | France 5 809 | Canada 5 553 |
| Chilled poultry | 0 | Mainland 79 565 | Thailand 423 | Australia 230 | France 79 | Poland 46 | Brunei Darussalam 43 | Australasia & Oceania, Nesoi 35 | New Zealand 25 | UK 4 | USA 1 |
| Frozen poultry | 0 | USA 279 065 | Brazil 245 630 | Mainland 66 636 | Poland 19 076 | Turkey 15 049 | UK 12 784 | France 11 153 | Argentina 9 807 | Japan 5 837 | Canada 5 632 |
| Chilled and frozen fish | 52 996 | Mainland 57 622 | Norway 19 556 | Vietnam 18 855 | Taiwan 3 921 | Indonesia 3 514 | Japan 3 509 | Canada 2 424 | USA 1 429 | India 1 083 | Australia 344 |

(c) 2016

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| | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Rice | 0 | Thailand 196 592 | Vietnam 86 820 | Mainland 18 644 | Australia 7 061 | Pakistan 5 333 | Cambodia 4 592 | Japan 3 163 | USA 2 908 | India 1 610 | Myanmar 1 117 |
| Vegetables | 14 200 | Mainland 789 345 | USA 18 628 | Australia 14 522 | Thailand 5 083 | Taiwan 4 987 | New Zealand 4 150 | Japan 3 298 | Korea 2 013 | India 1 898 | Netherlands 1 796 |

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| | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| ^Live cattle | 0 | Mainland 17 493 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| ^Live goats | 0 | Mainland 3 396 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| ^Live pigs | 87 948 | Mainland 1 439 568 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| ^Live chickens | 4 041 960 | * Mainland 32 000 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| ^Other live poultry | 0 | Mainland 590 598 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Live fish | 6 740 | Mainland 58 317 | Malaysia 3 012 | Philippines 2 837 | Indonesia 2 484 | Taiwan 2 443 | Thailand 1 368 | Australia 693 | Maldives 190 | Japan 169 | Vietnam 107 | |
| Chilled beef | 0 | Australia 3 669 | USA 2 306 | Brazil 758 | Japan 426 | New Zealand 393 | Canada 201 | Argentina 43 | Korea 37 | Netherlands 26 | Central and South America, Nesoi 14 | |
| Frozen beef | 0 | Brazil 194 694 | USA 96 348 | Canada 21 324 | UK 3 970 | Ireland 3 936 | Poland 3 653 | Argentina 3 330 | India 3 129 | Mexico 3 024 | Uruguay 2 654 | |
| Chilled mutton | 0 | Australia 360 | New Zealand 175 | UK 32 | France 10 | USA 1 | Korea 1 | Spain 0.6 | Bosnia and Herzegovina less than 1 | Canada less than 1 | Italy less than 1 | |
| Frozen mutton | 0 | New Zealand 1 611 | Mainland 1 171 | Australia 829 | UK 208 | Ireland 104 | USA 22 | Spain 12 | Saudi Arabia 8 | Iceland 5 | Brazil 4 | |
| Chilled pork | 0 | Mainland 7 625 | Brazil 1 123 | USA 411 | Canada 316 | Australia 309 | Spain 40 | Japan 37 | Thailand 34 | Germany 29 | France 24 | |
| Frozen pork | 0 | Brazil 121 996 | USA 52 684 | Mainland 35 003 | Germany 25 315 | Netherlands 18 978 | Poland 18 402 | Spain 17 330 | Vietnam 12 480 | Italy 4 927 | Canada 4 823 | |
| Chilled chickens | 0 | Mainland 57 446 | Australia 113 | France 54 | Brunei Darussalam 8 | New Zealand 5 | UK less than 1 | - | - | - | - | |
| Frozen chickens | 0 | USA 268 570 | Brazil 240 391 | Mainland 59 313 | Poland 15 650 | UK 13 446 | France 9 683 | Canada 9 405 | Netherlands 8 942 | Germany 7 518 | Japan 7 310 | |
| Chilled poultry | 0 | Mainland 30 715 | Australasia & Oceania, Nesoi 12 | France 9 | Brunei Darussalam 1 | USA less than 1 | Australia less than 1 | UK less than 1 | - | - | - | |
| Frozen poultry | 0 | USA 16 298 | France 5 434 | Mainland 3 476 | Poland 3 042 | Hungary 2 607 | Germany 1 825 | UK 1 575 | Brazil 1 214 | Thailand 897 | Canada 710 | |
| Chilled and frozen fish | 35 450 | Mainland 48 952 | Vietnam 19 701 | Norway 17 782 | Taiwan 4 287 | Japan 3 883 | Denmark 3 100 | Canada 2 003 | Indonesia 1 837 | New Zealand 1 512 | France 1 463 | |

Remarks:

^ The unit is heads / number instead of tonnes.

@ There was no import of live poultry from the Mainland from 28 January to 5 September 2014.

There was no import of live poultry from the Mainland from 31 December 2014 to 9 February 2015.

* There was no import of live chickens from the Mainland since 17 February 2016.

Sources:

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Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department
Census and Statistics Department

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