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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 2015, 2016 and 2017 respectively.

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Reply:

The information sought is provided at Annex.

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

| District | 2015 (as at 31.12.2015) | | | 2016 (as at 31.12.2016) | | | 2017 (as at 31.12.2017) | | |
|-------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| | 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 | 589 | 28 | 4.5% | 578 | 28 | 4.6% | 564 | 28 | 4.7% |
| Eastern | 376 | 11 | 2.8% | 329 | 13 | 3.8% | 322 | 16 | 4.7% |
| Southern | 30 | 0 | 0% | 30 | 0 | 0% | 29 | 0 | 0% |
| Wan Chai | 427 | 17 | 3.8% | 421 | 19 | 4.3% | 419 | 20 | 4.6% |
| Islands | 1 | 0 | 0% | 1 | 0 | 0% | 1 | 0 | 0% |
| Yau Tsim Mong | 2 235 | 188 | 7.8% | 2 147 | 169 | 7.3% | 2 046 | 219 | 9.7% |
| Sham Shui Po | 997 | 60 | 5.7% | 991 | 56 | 5.3% | 989 | 60 | 5.7% |
| Kowloon City | 104 | 2 | 1.9% | 98 | 6 | 5.8% | 95 | 5 | 5.0% |
| Wong Tai Sin | 17 | 0 | 0% | 17 | 0 | 0% | 16 | 0 | 0% |
| Kwun Tong | 61 | 0 | 0% | 60 | 0 | 0% | 60 | 0 | 0% |
| Kwai Tsing | 13 | 0 | 0% | 11 | 0 | 0% | 9 | 0 | 0% |
| Tsuen Wan | 20 | 0 | 0% | 18 | 0 | 0% | 17 | 0 | 0% |
| Tuen Mun | 8 | 0 | 0% | 8 | 0 | 0% | 11 | 0 | 0% |
| Yuen Long | 16 | 0 | 0% | 14 | 0 | 0% | 14 | 0 | 0% |
| North | 7 | 0 | 0% | 6 | 0 | 0% | 6 | 0 | 0% |
| Tai Po | 6 | 0 | 0% | 6 | 0 | 0% | 6 | 0 | 0% |
| Sha Tin | 1 | 0 | 0% | 1 | 0 | 0% | 1 | 0 | 0% |
| Sai Kung | 3 | 0 | 0% | 2 | 0 | 0% | 2 | 0 | 0% |
| Total | 4 911 | 306 | 5.9% | 4 738 | 291 | 5.8% | 4 607 | 348 | 7.0% |

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, absorbed in the course of rationalisation of the overall layout of hawker areas and merged in Hawker Permitted Places due to power supply considerations. Fixed-pitches vacated for other reasons and reserved for various purposes such as resite commitments are also excluded.

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