

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**FHB(FE)297****(Question Serial No. 3655)**

Head: (49) Food and Environmental Hygiene Department

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Controlling Officer: Director of Food and Environmental Hygiene (Miss Vivian LAU)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Food and Health

Question:

With regard to licensees of non-compliant food factories, please advise this Committee of the following:

- (1) the number of verbal advice issued and prosecutions instituted in each of the past 5 years, and the number of the licensees concerned who were prosecuted more than once in the same year; and
- (2) the number of verbal advice issued and prosecutions instituted in each month of the past year, and the number of the licensees concerned who were prosecuted more than once in the same month.

Asked by: Hon CHAN Chi-chuen (Member Question No. (LegCo use): 94)

Reply:

- (1)&(2) The information sought on prosecutions instituted against licensed food factory in the past 5 years is provided as follows –

Year	Number of prosecutions
2013	726
2014	531
2015	476
2016	384
2017	578

The breakdown on the number of prosecutions instituted against licensed food factory by month for 2017 is provided below -

Month	Number of prosecutions
January	45
February	27
March	58
April	55
May	82
June	55
July	33
August	53
September	44
October	32
November	51
December	43
Total	578

The Food and Environmental Hygiene Department does not compile statistics on the number of verbal advice issued to licensed food premises, nor the number of licensee being prosecuted more than once in the same year or same month.

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