

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

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Head: (49) Food and Environmental Hygiene Department

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Programme: (3) Market Management and Hawker Control

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Director of Bureau: Secretary for Food and Health

Question:

- a) Please set out the number of prosecutions instituted against unlicensed hawkers by the Hawker Control Teams, the number of successful prosecution cases and the locations (by administrative district of District Council) in each of the past 3 years.
- b) Please set out the number of complaints against the Hawker Control Teams by year and nature of complaints in each of the past 3 years.

Asked by: Hon SHIU Ka-chun (Member Question No. (LegCo use): 246)

Reply:

- a) Information on the number of prosecutions and convictions against unlicensed hawkers and the locations in each of the past 3 years is provided at Annex I. Further detailed breakdown is not readily available.
- b) Information on the number of complaints against the Hawker Control Teams in each of the past 3 years, with a breakdown by year and nature is provided at Annex II.

Number of prosecutions and convictions against unlicensed hawkers

Calendar year	Number of prosecutions	Number of convictions
2015	23 054	23 473
2016	15 310	14 372
2017	6 402	6 270

Note : Prosecutions instituted in a year may not be convicted in the same year.

Number of prosecutions against unlicensed hawkers in 18 districts over the past 3 years

District	2015	2016	2017
Central and Western	994	680	328
Wan Chai	2 009	1 186	729
Eastern	2 261	1 079	841
Southern	709	562	301
Islands	221	91	76
Yau Tsim Mong	3 712	2 641	1 103
Sham Shui Po	2 234	1 866	521
Kowloon City	1 085	648	137
Wong Tai Sin	878	624	63
Kwun Tong	370	398	203
Kwai Tsing	768	681	274
Tsuen Wan	1 876	1 083	121
Tuen Mun	545	502	412
Yuen Long	3 435	2 013	587
North	720	664	438
Tai Po	781	277	41
Shatin	320	237	159
Sai Kung	136	78	68
Total	23 054	15 310	6 402

Number of complaints against the Hawker Control Teams in the past 3 years

Nature of Complaint	Number of Complaints		
	2015	2016	2017
Abuse of government resources	1	8	3
Conflict of interest	0	1	2
Falsification of documents	1	1	1
Improper / Non-performance of duty	121	186	169
Improper wearing of uniform and improper behavior of staff	72	127	124
Undesirable manner	159	169	164
Total	354	492	463

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