

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

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Head: (49) Food and Environmental Hygiene Department

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not specified

Programme: (2) Environmental Hygiene and Related Services

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

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Food and Health

Question:

With regard to the deployment of manpower and the costs and expenditure of the Cleansing Sections of the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department, please inform this Committee of the present scope of work of the Cleansing Sections of the Department and the contractors in various districts as well as the costs and expenditure involved, including:

- (a) the number of in-house cleansing workers (day shift);
- (b) the number of in-house cleansing workers (night shift);
- (c) the number of outsourced cleansing workers (day shift);
- (d) the number of outsourced cleansing workers (night shift);
- (e) the daily average total amount of refuse collected in the service areas of the Department (day shift);
- (f) the daily average total amount of refuse collected in the service areas of the Department (night shift);
- (g) the daily average total amount of refuse collected in the service areas of the contractors (day shift);
- (h) the daily average total amount of refuse collected in the service areas of the contractors (night shift);
- (i) the names of the contractors;
- (j) the prices of the outsourced service contracts awarded;
- (k) the estimated service prices set out in the tenders for the outsourced service contracts;
- (l) whether the prices offered are the lowest among all tenders received in the tendering exercise;
- (m) the committed wages paid to the cleansing workers under the outsourced service contracts awarded; and
- (n) the respective service areas of the contractors and the Department (please provide the relevant map(s)).

(please set out the information in the table below)

New Territories	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)	(k)	(l)	(m)	(n)
Kwai Tsing District														
North District														
Sai Kung District														
Sha Tin District														
Tai Po District														
Tsuen Wan District														
Tuen Mun District														
Yuen Long District														

Kowloon	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)	(k)	(l)	(m)	(n)
Kowloon City District														
Kwun Tong District														
Sham Shui Po District														
Wong Tai Sin District														
Mong Kok District														
Yau Tsim District														

Hong Kong Island	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)	(k)	(l)	(m)	(n)
Islands District														
Central & Western District														
Eastern District														
Southern District														
Wan Chai District														

Asked by: Hon CHU Hoi-dick (LegCo internal reference no.: 1038)

Reply:

- (a)-(d) The Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (FEHD) and its contractors provide public cleansing services including street sweeping, street washing, gully emptying, waste collection and other public cleansing services such as recyclable collection, shoreline cleansing and desludging services, etc. The number of in-house cleansing workmen and outsourced cleansing workmen engaged in public cleansing services with breakdown by district is provided at Annex I. Further breakdown by working shift is not available.
- (e)-(h) FEHD and its contractors are responsible for collection of household waste. The amount of refuse collected by in-house staff and contractors is provided at Annex II. Further breakdown by working shift is not available.
- (i), (j) & (n) The information of the name of the successful tenderer, nature, duration and contract value of non-public works outsourced contracts awarded by FEHD involving employment of non-skilled workers is uploaded onto the website of the Government Logistics Department:  
[https://www.gldpcms.gov.hk/etb\\_prod/jsp\\_public/sm/ssm00407r.jsp](https://www.gldpcms.gov.hk/etb_prod/jsp_public/sm/ssm00407r.jsp)
- Service areas of the contracts awarded are stated in the Contract Award Notices of the above website. Maps showing the service areas of the contracts are included in relevant tender documents if required.
- (k) It is not appropriate to disclose the required information as it would compromise FEHD's position in the tendering exercises.
- (l) Of the street cleansing service contracts awarded in the last 3 years, about 60% of them offered a price which was the lowest among the tenders received.
- (m) For the public cleansing contracts in force as at 31 December 2018, the average monthly wages of the non-skilled workers ranged from \$8,556 to \$15,200.

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**In-house and Outsourced Cleansing Workmen**

<b>District</b>	<b>Number of in-house cleansing workmen</b>	<b>Number of outsourced cleansing workmen</b>
Central & Western	82	635
Eastern	85	352
Southern	86	209
Wan Chai	81	506
Kowloon City	76	433
Kwun Tong	55	374
Sham Shui Po	94	459
Wong Tai Sin	46	195
Mong Kok	61	408
Yau Tsim	107	291
Kwai Tsing	94	287
North	204	486
Sai Kung	138	344
Sha Tin	145	406
Tai Po	143	286
Tsuen Wan	86	340
Tuen Mun	129	268
Yuen Long	193	556
Islands	151	271
Cross-district	5	262

## Amount of Refuse Collected by FEHD

<b>District</b>	<b>Amount of refuse collected by in-house staff (in tonnes)</b>	<b>Amount of refuse collected by cleansing contractors (in tonnes)</b>
Central & Western	36 644	66 056
Eastern	49 826	75 551
Southern	74 252	6 393
Wan Chai	-	83 589
Kowloon City	-	96 820
Kwun Tong	-	156 869
Sham Shui Po	80 892	43 857
Wong Tai Sin	-	101 591
Mong Kok	296	94 132
Yau Tsim	35 975	52 594
Kwai Tsing	38 950	81 694
North	60 326	49 548
Sai Kung	54 554	61 847
Sha Tin	51 034	109 801
Tai Po	-	87 712
Tsuen Wan	-	97 465
Tuen Mun	-	142 360
Yuen Long	-	216 794
Islands	11 131	41 821