

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**FHB(FE)231****(Question Serial No. 2688)**Head: (49) Food and Environmental Hygiene DepartmentSubhead (No. & title): (000) Operational expensesProgramme: (2) Environmental Hygiene and Related ServicesControlling Officer: Director of Food and Environmental Hygiene (Miss Vivian LAU)Director of Bureau: Secretary for Food and HealthQuestion:

Please provide this Committee with the information as per the tables below. Please also advise this Committee on the details of staff establishment and expenditure for the services:

Distribution by 18 districts	Number of refuse bins	Price of refuse bins	Durability in average	Reason(s) for replacement
Central and Western				
Eastern				
Southern				
Wan Chai				
Kowloon City				
Kwun Tong				
Sham Shui Po				
Wong Tai Sin				
Yau Tsim Mong				
Isalnds				
Kwai Ching				
North				
Sai Kung				
Sha Tin				
Tai Po				
Tsuen Wan				
Tuen Mun				
Yuen Long				

Distribution by 18 districts	Number of recyclables collection bins	Price	Durability in average	Reason(s) for replacement
Central and Western				

Eastern				
Southern				
Wan Chai				
Kowloon City				
Kwun Tong				
Sham Shui Po				
Wong Tai Sin				
Yau Tsim Mong				
Isalnds				
Kwai Ching				
North				
Sai Kung				
Sha Tin				
Tai Po				
Tsuen Wan				
Tuen Mun				
Yuen Long				

Distribution by 18 districts	Number of food waste collection bins	Price	Durability in average	Reason(s) for replacement
Central and Western				
Eastern				
Southern				
Wan Chai				
Kowloon City				
Kwun Tong				
Sham Shui Po				
Wong Tai Sin				
Yau Tsim Mong				
Isalnds				
Kwai Ching				
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Sha Tin				
Tai Po				
Tsuen Wan				
Tuen Mun				
Yuen Long				

Asked by: Hon YEUNG Alvin (LegCo internal reference no.: 99)

Reply:

The number of litter containers (LCs) and recyclables collection bins (RCBs) as at 31 December 2018, broken down by district, is provided as follows –

District	Number of LCs	Number of RCBs
Central and Western	964	145
Eastern	739	64
Southern	472	71
Wan Chai	925	99
Kowloon City	784	69
Kwun Tong	775	44
Sham Shui Po	630	57
Wong Tai Sin	508	38
Yau Tsim Mong	1 030	123
Islands	561	130
Kwai Tsing	699	57
North	419	185
Sai Kung	918	198
Sha Tin	1 372	104
Tai Po	602	162
Tsuen Wan	563	93
Tuen Mun	681	102
Yuen Long	927	240

Since July 2018, the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (the Department) has taken part in a 2-year pilot project led by the Environmental Protection Department to collect and deliver the source-separated food waste generated from 40 selected public markets and cooked food centres under its management to the Organic Resources Recovery Centre Phase 1 for recycling. The work is performed by service contractors at an estimated expenditure of \$10.1 million in 2018-19. The number of food waste collection bins (FWCBs) as at 31 December 2018, broken down by relevant district, is provided as follows –

District	Number of FWCBs
Central and Western	45
Eastern	74
Southern	50
Wan Chai	36
Kowloon City	46
Sham Shui Po	34
Wong Tai Sin	46
Yau Tsim Mong	51
Kwai Tsing	42
Tsuen Wan	46

The average cost of an LC, RCB and FWCB provided by the Department is about \$700, \$4,200 and \$270 respectively. In normal circumstances, an LC or FWCB of FEHD can be used for 1 to 2 years, and an FWCB for a longer period. LCs, RCBs and FWCBs will be replaced if they are found defective or if defects (e.g. stains) cannot be restored by manual

cleansing. Collection of recyclables from RCBs is contracted out at an estimated expenditure of \$18.0 million in 2018-19. Collection of waste from LCs is part of the street cleansing services provided by the Department or its service contractors, and there is no separate breakdown on the staff establishment or expenditure.

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