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<u>Director of Bureau</u>: Secretary for Food and Health

Question:

(a) Please list the number of laboratory tests conducted by the Centre for Food Safety on antibiotic residues in foods of animal origin and the number of non-compliance cases over the past 5 years.

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Number of laboratory					
tests					
Number of					
non- compliance cases					

(b) Which types of food were involved in the non-compliance cases? What were their places of origin?

Asked by: Hon CHAN Tanya (LegCo internal reference no.: 186)

Reply:

The numbers of samples of food of animal origin tested for antibiotic residues under the Centre for Food Safety's Food Surveillance Programme from 2014 to 2018 are as follows -

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Number of	2 673	2 910	2 792	2 894	2 512
samples					
tested					
Number of	0	1	2	4	6
unsatisfactory					
samples					

Of the aforementioned 13 unsatisfactory samples, 11 were aquatic products, 1 was meat product and 1 was honey. Their places of origin included Egypt, India, Mainland China, the Philippines and South Africa.

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