

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY****FHB(FE)307****(Question Serial No. 4563)**

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Question:

Please set out in tabular form the number of "food factories" which are issued with a "food factory licence" and located in a shopping mall, with a breakdown by type of business.

Asked by: Hon KWOK Ka-ki (LegCo internal reference no.: 144)

Reply:

The information sought is provided as follows:

<b>Business Type</b>	<b>Number of food factory licences</b>
Takeaway fast food shops	3 319
Manufacture of bakery products	940
Processing of frozen/chilled/fresh food commodities	453
Manufacture of cooked food for wholesale	327
Manufacture of lunch/meal boxes	219
Others*	3 795
<b>Total</b>	<b>9 053</b>

\* The figure denotes the number of food factories manufacturing or processing other types of food items such as bean curds, Chinese puddings, sauces, flour products, prepackaged drinks, ice, as well as distilled and mineral water, etc.

The Food and Environmental Hygiene Department does not keep statistics on the number of licensed food factories with a breakdown by building type.

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