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

Question:

In respect of monitoring of the safety of food supplied to Hong Kong, please advise on:

- (a) the number of Mainland production farms approved for supplying food to Hong Kong over the past 5 years, with a breakdown by province and type of food exported, such as vegetables, fruits, live pigs, live cattle, live chickens and freshwater fish, and the number of farms removed from the list of registered production farms for supplying food to Hong Kong; and
- (b) the number of inspections conducted by the Department to these farms, fish ponds, etc. in the past 5 years, with information on the samples collected for testing, the tests conducted and the test results.

Asked by: Hon KWOK Ka-ki (LegCo internal reference no.: 154)

Reply:

(a) Information on the types and number of registered Mainland farms eligible for export of food to Hong Kong from 2015 to 2019 is set out as follows:

Year	Vegetable farm	Orchard	Poultry farm	Pig farm	Cattle farm	Goat farm	Aquatic animal farm	Total
2015	450	2 463	34	217	34	1	174	3 373
2016	442	2 978	34	213	36	1	191	3 895
2017	458	2 978	28	173	38	3	150	3 828
2018	458	3 384	29	154	36	3	122	4 186
2019	517	3 384	25	120	24	5	137	4 212

The number of the aforementioned Mainland farms, with a breakdown by geographical location, as at 31 December 2019 is as follows:

Province/City/ Autonomous Region	Vegetable farm	Orchard	Poultry farm	Pig farm	Cattle farm	Goat farm	Aquatic animal farm
Anhui	3	6	-	-	1	-	-
Beijing	5	1	-	-	-	-	-
Chongqing	2	11	-	-	-	-	-
Fujian	6	209	-	-	-	-	-
Gansu	6	180	-	-	3	1	-
Guangdong, Shenzhen and Zhuhai	134	86	23	55	1	1	109
Guangxi	8	35	-	10	-	-	1
Guizhou	12	21	-	1	1	-	-
Hainan	7	36	2	3	-	1	5
Hebei	17	170	-	-	2	-	-
Heilongjiang	-	17	-	-	-	-	-
Henan	9	15	-	11	-	-	-
Hubei	13	21	-	6	2	1	3
Hunan	80	54	-	20	-	-	14
Jiangsu	14	7	-	-	-	-	2
Jiangxi	9	27	-	12	-	-	-
Jilin	-	3	-	-	-	-	-
Liaoning	5	245	-	-	-	-	1
Neimongol	4	-	-	-	2	-	-
Ningxia	23	2	-	-	1	-	-
Shaanxi	-	433	-	-	6	-	-
Shandong	75	575	-	-	-	-	-
Shanxi	3	233	-	1	4	-	-
Shanghai	13	5	-	1	-	-	-
Sichuan	3	109	-	-	-	-	-
Tianjin	1	2	-	-	1	-	-
Xiamen	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Xinjiang	-	106	-	-	-	-	-

Xizang	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Yunnan	48	714	-	-	-	1	-
Province/City/ Autonomous Region	Vegetable farm	Orchard	Poultry farm	Pig farm	Cattle farm	Goat farm	Aquatic animal farm
Zhejiang	16	60	-	-	-	-	2
Total	517	3 384	25	120	24	5	137

(b) Information on the types and number of Mainland farms inspected in the past 5 years is set out as follows:

Year	Vegetable farm	Orchard	Poultry farm	Pig farm	Cattle farm	Goat farm	Aquatic animal farm	Total
2015	13	3	22	14	6	0	9	67
2016	9	3	25	19	3	1	5	65
2017	18	1	25	8	4	0	7	63
2018	7	4	16	7	7	0	13	54
2019	12	1	18	11	7	0	9	58

The Centre for Food Safety of the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department does not take samples during these inspections but samples of food are collected at the import, wholesale and retail levels for testing under a risk-based approach to safeguard food safety.