

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

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Director of Bureau: Secretary for Food and Health

Question:

Regarding “fixed pitch hawkers” under the indicator “licensed hawkers”, the actual number in 2020 increased by 201 as compared to that in 2019. Of these increased number of hawkers, how many are related to re-allocation of 435 vacant fixed hawker pitches and issuing of new licences? Please set out in the table below the number of licensed hawkers currently trading in hawker bazaars and fixed-pitch hawker areas respectively.

District	Location of fixed hawker pitches	Number of vacant fixed hawker pitches available for allocation	Number of fixed hawker pitches selected through re-allocation	Number of licensed hawkers before re-allocation of 435 vacant fixed hawker pitches and issuing of new licences	Number of licensed hawkers increased due to re-allocation of 435 vacant fixed hawker pitches and issuing of new licences
Eastern	Chun Yeung Street				
	Marble Street				
	Kam Wa Street				
	Tai Tak Street				
	Subtotal				
Central and Western	Pottinger Street				
	Graham Street				
	Peel Street				
	Upper Lascar Row				
	Aberdeen Street				
	Douglas Lane				
	Elgin Street				
	Unnamed lane connecting Pedder Street and Theatre Lane				
	Gilman's Bazaar				
	Findlay Road				
	Subtotal				

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Wan Chai	Gresson Street				
	Cross Street				
	Tai Yuen Street				
	Jardine's Crescent				
	Wun Sha Street				
	Subtotal				
Yau Tsim	Reclamation Street				
	Canton Road				
	Bowring Street				
	Temple Street				
	Pitt Street				
	Subtotal				
Mong Kok	Tung Choi Street				
	Canton Road				
	Fife Street				
	Yin Chong Street				
	Ki Lung Street				
	Poplar Street				
	Nelson Street				
	Nam Tau Street				
	Subtotal				
Sham Shui Po	Wing Lung Street				
	Fat Tseung Street				
	Cheung Fat Street				
	Fuk Wing Street				
	Pei Ho Street				
	Apliu Street				
	Ki Lung Street				
	Subtotal				
Kowloon City	Pau Chung Street				
	Subtotal				
Tsuen Wan	Hau Tei Square Hawker Bazaar				
	Subtotal				
	Total				

Asked by: Hon KWOK Wai-keung (LegCo internal reference no.: 36)

Reply:

The Food and Environmental Hygiene Department launched the scheme of Re-allocation of Fixed Hawker Pitches and Issue of New Licences (the scheme) at the end of September 2019. Under the scheme, 435 vacant fixed hawker pitches located at 7 districts were

opened for application by persons who were interested in the hawking business and able to meet the required conditions. As at 1 March 2021, all the above 435 vacant fixed hawker pitches have been allocated to the successful applicants, who will operate at the pitches after a licence is granted. The information sought is provided in the table below:

District	Location of fixed hawker pitches	Number of vacant fixed hawker pitches available for allocation	Number of fixed hawker pitches selected through re-allocation	Number of licensed hawkers before re-allocation of 435 vacant fixed hawker pitches and issuing of new licences (As at 31 December 2019)	Number of licensed hawkers increased due to re-allocation of 435 vacant fixed hawker pitches and issuing of new licences (As at 1 March 2021) ¹
Eastern	Chun Yeung Street	1	1	74	1
	Marble Street	11	11	69	11
	Kam Wa Street	6	6	85	6
	Tai Tak Street	4	4	21	4
	Subtotal	22	22	249	22
Central and Western	Pottinger Street	3	3	35	3
	Graham Street	6	6	42	6
	Peel Street	4	4	24	2
	Upper Lascar Row	1	1	11	1
	Aberdeen Street	1	1	12	1
	Douglas Lane	1	1	3	1
	Elgin Street	2	2	11	1
	Unnamed lane connecting Pedder Street and Theatre Lane	1	1	19	1
	Gilman's Bazaar	1	1	3	1
	Findlay Road	2	2	4	0
	Subtotal	22	22	164	17
Wan Chai	Gresson Street	7	7	39	6
	Cross Street	2	2	67	2
	Tai Yuen Street	3	3	74	3
	Jardine's Crescent	22	22	142	22
	Wun Sha Street	26	26	8	23
	Subtotal	60	60	330	56
Yau Tsim	Reclamation Street	22	22	172	20
	Canton Road	14	14	12	11
	Bowring Street	5	5	85	5
	Temple Street	70	70	232	60
	Pitt Street	2	2	6	2
	Subtotal	113	113	507	98
Mong Kok	Tung Choi Street	29	29	487	27
	Canton Road	31	31	251	24
	Fife Street	8	8	19	8
	Yin Chong Street	4	4	65	4
	Ki Lung Street	5	5	6	4
	Poplar Street	3	3	4	3
	Nelson Street	3	3	43	3

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	Nam Tau Street	1	1	1	1
	Subtotal	84	84	876	74
Sham Shui Po	Wing Lung Street	37	37	38	36
	Fat Tseung Street	6	6	30	6
	Cheung Fat Street	14	14	42	14
	Fuk Wing Street	1	1	36	1
	Pei Ho Street	1	1	146	1
	Apliu Street	4	4	206	4
	Ki Lung Street	2	2	124	2
	Subtotal	65	65	622	64
Kowloon City	Pau Chung Street	18	18	42	18
	Subtotal	18	18	42	18
Tsuen Wan	Hau Tei Square Hawker Bazaar	51	51	90	46
	Subtotal	51	51	90	46
	Total	435	435	2 880	395

¹ The figures do not include 19 hawker licences that have been granted but are subsequently surrendered and 1 hawker licence that has not been renewed after the expiry date. Besides, they do not include 20 licences which are yet to be issued although the pitch selection process has been completed.

The number of hawker licences will change due to various reasons and is not limited to the effect of the scheme. For example, the voluntary surrender of licence by licence holders, death of licensees as well as changes in hawker licensees at venues outside the above table will also affect the number of licences. Overall speaking, the number of hawker licences for fixed hawker pitches in 2020 increased by 201 as compared to that in 2019.

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