

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

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Head: (49) Food and Environmental Hygiene Department

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not specified

Programme: (3) Market Management and Hawker Control

Controlling Officer: Director of Food and Environmental Hygiene (Ms Irene YOUNG)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Environment and Ecology

Question:

Regarding hawker control, please provide:

- i. the number of licences surrendered and newly issued in each of the past 3 years, with a breakdown by hawker type; and
- ii. the number of vacant hawker pitches currently available for re-allocation, with a breakdown by location.

Asked by: Hon CHAN Hoi-yan (LegCo internal reference no.: 14)

Reply:

- i. The Food and Environmental Hygiene Department did not take the initiative to repossess hawker licences in the past 3 years. However, some licences have been surrendered to the Department for various reasons. The numbers of hawker licences surrendered and issued, with a breakdown by hawker type, are provided at Annex I.
- ii. The number of vacant hawker pitches available for re-allocation, with a breakdown by location, as at 31 December 2022 is provided at Annex II.

Number of hawker licences surrendered to and issued by the Department

		Number of hawker licences surrendered to the Department ^{Note 1}			Number of hawker licences issued by the Department ^{Note 2}		
		2020	2021	2022	2020	2021	2022
Fixed Pitch Hawker Licence	Barber	0	1	0	0	0	0
	Bootblack	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Cooked Food/Light Refreshment	1	4	5	16	10	4
	Newspaper	7	3	13	0	0	0
	Tradesman	1	3	5	2	2	2
	Wall Stall	8	5	2	0	0	0
	Other Classes	148	44	42	407	140	84
	Sub-total	165	60	67	425	152	90
Itinerant Hawker Licence	Frozen Confectionary	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Mobile Van	0	0	1	0	0	0
	Newspaper	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Other Classes	2	0	0	0	0	0
	Sub-total	2	0	1	0	0	0
Total		167	60	68	425	152	90

Note 1: Including licences temporarily or permanently surrendered for reconstruction works and licences surrendered due to other reasons, but not licences surrendered due to death of licensees or transfer.

Note 2: Including licences issued in the cases of succession to and transfer of hawker licence, newly issued tradesman licences, as well as new licences collected under the Re-allocation of Vacant Fixed Hawker Pitches and Issue of New Licences scheme launched at the end of September 2019.

**Vacant hawker pitches available for re-allocation
(as at 31 December 2022)**

District		Hawker Street/Hawker Bazaar	Number of vacant hawker pitches available for allocation
Eastern		Chun Yeung Street	3
		Kam Wa Street	1
		Sub-total	4
Central and Western		Findlay Road	1
		Sub-total	1
Wan Chai		Gresson Street	1
		Tai Yuen Street	1
		Sub-total	2
Yau Tsim Mong	Yau Tsim	Canton Road	1
		Temple Street	26
		Sub-total	27
	Mongkok	Tung Choi Street	20
		Yin Chong Street	2
		Sub-total	22
Kowloon City		Pau Chung Street	1
		Sub-total	1
Kwun Tong		Hip Wo Street	1
		Mut Wah Street	1
		Sub-total	2
Tsuen Wan		Hau Tei Square Hawker Bazaar	7
		Sub-total	7
Tuen Mun		Lam Tei Market cum Hawker Bazaar	1
		The open space underneath the ramp of the footbridge adjoining San Hui Market	2
		Tak Ching Court	1
		Sub-total	4
Total			70

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