Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2023-24

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(Question Serial No. 1531)

<u>Head</u>: (49) Food and Environmental Hygiene Department

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

<u>Programme</u>: (3) Market Management and Hawker Control

<u>Controlling Officer</u>: Director of Food and Environmental Hygiene (Ms Irene YOUNG)

<u>Director of Bureau</u>: Secretary for Environment and Ecology

Question:

On managing licensed hawker pitches, hawker permitted places and hawker bazaars, please provide:

- (1) the number of licensed on-street fixed hawker pitches, the number of vacant hawker pitches and the relevant vacancy rate in the territory, with a breakdown by district; and
- (2) the name and year of commencement of every hawker permitted place and hawker bazaar in the territory, as well as the number of licensed hawker pitches, the number of vacant hawker pitches and the vacancy rate of every hawker permitted place and hawker bazaar.

Asked by: Hon TANG Ka-piu (LegCo internal reference no.: 30)

Reply:

- (1) The number of licensed on-street fixed hawker pitches, the number of vacant hawker pitches and the relevant vacancy rate in the territory are provided at Annex I.
- (2) The name and year of commencement of each hawker permitted place and hawker bazaar in the territory, as well as the number of licensed hawker pitches, the number of vacant hawker pitches and the vacancy rate of each hawker permitted place and hawker bazaar are provided at Annexes II and III respectively.

On-street fixed hawker pitches (as at 31 December 2022)

	Number of on-stre	T.		
District	Licensed (a)	Vacant* (b)	Vacancy rate (b) / [(a)+(b)]	
Central and Western	523	3	0.6%	
Wan Chai	460	2	0.4%	
Eastern	314	4	1.3%	
Southern	27	0	0.0%	
Islands	2	0	0.0%	
Yau Tsim	732	31	4.1%	
Mong Kok	1 259	27	2.1%	
Sham Shui Po	1 019	0	0.0%	
Kowloon City	96	1	1.0%	
Wong Tai Sin	13	0	0.0%	
Kwun Tong	58	2	3.3%	
Kwai Tsing	9	0	0.0%	
Tsuen Wan	22	0	0.0%	
Tuen Mun	13	3	18.8%	
Yuen Long	10	0	0.0%	
North	6	0	0.0%	
Tai Po	5	0	0.0%	
Shatin	5	0	0.0%	
Sai Kung	2	0	0.0%	
Total	4 575	73	1.6%	

Note:

- *1. The figures represent the numbers of on-street fixed hawker pitches (including pitches in hawker permitted places) suitable for re-allocation. They do not include pitches with a higher risk which are unsuitable for setting up stalls (such as those located within a radial distance of 6 metres in front of building staircase discharge points and within 1.5 metres of fire hydrants/located at emergency vehicular access), pitches earmarked to accommodate stalls that require relocation due to fire safety considerations, pitches absorbed in the course of rationalisation of the overall layout of hawker areas, and pitches reserved for resite commitments due to other needs.
- *2. Of the 73 on-street vacant hawker pitches, 11 have been selected by applicants who have yet to collect the licence.

Fixed hawker pitches in hawker permitted places (as at 31 December 2022)

	Serial number	Hawker permitted place	Year of commencement	Number of fixed pitches		Vacancy
District				Licensed #	Vacant *	rate
				(a)	(b)	(b) / [(a)+(b)]
Eastern	1	Kam Wa Street / Aldrich Street	1981	60	1	1.6%
	2	Mong Lung Street	1981	1	0	0%
			Sub-total	61	1	1.6%
	3	Gresson Street	1980	4	0	0%
Wan Chai	4	Tai Yuen Street	1980	71	0	0%
w an Chai	5	Cross Street / Sam Pan Street	1991	11	0	0%
	Sub-total				0	0%
	6	Findlay Road	1999	5	1	16.7%
	7	Chiu Lung Street (East)	1999	5	0	0%
Central	8	Gilman's Bazaar	1985	4	0	0%
and Western	9	Graham Street	1980	17	0	0%
western	10	Peel Street	1980	6	0	0%
	11	Wing Kut Street	1980	2	0	0%
	12	Wing On Street	1980	1	0	0%
			Sub-total	40	1	2.4%
Southern	13	Waterfall Bay Park	1980	10	0	0%
Sub-to		Sub-total	10	0	0%	
Yau Tsim	14	Reclamation Street	1981	32	0	0%
	15	Pak Hoi Street	1981	6	0	0%
	16	Temple Street	1981	231	29	11.2%
	17	Canton Road	1993	1	0	0%
	Sub-total				29	9.7%

	Serial number	Hawker permitted place	Year of commencement	Number of fixed pitches		Vacancy
District				Licensed #	Vacant*	rate
				(a)	(b)	(b) / [(a)+(b)]
	18	Wing Lung Street	1975	45	0	0%
	19	Fat Tseung Street	1975	16	0	0%
	20	Cheung Fat Street	1975	16	0	0%
Sham Shui	21	Apliu Street	1978	40	0	0%
Po	22	Fuk Wing Street	1993	37	0	0%
	23	Kweilin Street	1993	58	0	0%
	24	Ki Lung Street	1993	84	0	0%
	25	Pei Ho Street	1993	26	0	0%
	26	Tai Nan Street	1993	55	0	0%
Sub-total				377	0	0%
	27	Tung Choi Street	1979	484	25	4.9%
Mong Kok	28	Cheung Wong Road	1979	2	0	0%
	29	Nelson Street	1979	44	0	0%
	30	Nam Tau Street	1979	1	0	0%
Sub-total			531	25	4.5%	
Total			1 375	56	3.9%	

Note:

- # Including all licensed pitches in hawker permitted places.
- *1. The figures represent the numbers of hawker pitches in hawker permitted places suitable for re-allocation. They do not include pitches with a higher risk which are unsuitable for setting up stalls (such as those located within a radial distance of 6 metres in front of building staircase discharge points and within 1.5 metres of fire hydrants/located at emergency vehicular access), pitches earmarked to accommodate stalls that require relocation due to fire safety considerations, pitches absorbed in the course of rationalisation of the overall layout of hawker areas, and pitches reserved for resite commitments due to other needs.
- *2. Of the 56 vacant hawker pitches located in hawker permitted places, 8 have been selected by applicants who have yet to collect the licence.

Fixed hawker pitches in hawker bazaars (as at 31 December 2022)

I)ictrict	Serial	Hawker bazaar*	Year of commencement	Number of fixed pitches		Vacancy Rate
	number		(Year of	Licensed	Vacant	(b) /
			commencement after overhaul)	(a)	(b)	[(a)+(b)]
Southern	1	Stanley Market Open Space Hawker Bazaar	1972	20	8	28.6%
Yau Tsim	2	Haiphong Road Temporary Cooked Food Hawker Bazaar	1978 (2020)	12	0	0%
	3	Woosung Street Temporary Cooked Food Hawker Bazaar	1984 (2021)	11	7	38.9%
	4	Yau Ma Tei Temporary Jade Hawker Bazaar ^	2020	316	33	9.5%
Kwun Tong	5	Lai Yip Street Cooked Food Hawker Bazaar	1976	2	8	80.0%
	6	Yue Man Hawker Bazaar	2021	112	23	17.0 %
Tsuen Wan	7	Hau Tei Square Hawker Bazaar	1980 (2013)	146	23	13.6 %
Kwai Tsing	8	Kwai Wing Road Cooked Food Hawker Bazaar	1972	4	16	80.0%
Tuen Mun	9	Lam Tei Market cum Hawker Bazaar	1969	2	2	50.0%
		625	120	16.1%		

Note:

- * Excluding Reclamation Street Cooked Food Hawker Bazaar and Yen Chow Street Temporary Hawker Bazaar which were closed in the third quarter of 2022 and the first quarter of 2023 respectively.
- ^ To make way for the Central Kowloon Route works of the Highways Department, Yau Ma Tei Jade Hawker Bazaar has been relocated to Yau Ma Tei Temporary Jade Hawker Bazaar in Shanghai Street and commenced operation in October 2020.