

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

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Head: (49) Food and Environmental Hygiene Department

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Controlling Officer: Director of Food and Environmental Hygiene (Donald NG)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Environment and Ecology

Question:

Regarding restaurant, factory canteen and food premises licences in 2022, 2023 and 2024, as broken down by gross floor area of the premises (not exceeding 100 square metres, exceeding 100 square metres to 200 square metres, exceeding 200 square metres to 400 square metres, exceeding 400 square metres to 700 square metres, and exceeding 700 square metres), please advise this Committee of: (1) the number of each type of licences; and (2) the number of inspections conducted by the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department, as well as the expenditure and staff establishment involved.

Asked by: Hon CHEUNG Yu-yan, Tommy (LegCo internal reference no.: 7)

Reply:

- (1) The number of each type of food business licences in the past 3 years is at Annex I. The Food and Environmental Hygiene Department does not keep a breakdown of the number of food business licences by gross floor area of the premises.
- (2) In 2022, 2023 and 2024, the number of inspections to licensed and permitted food premises conducted by the Department were 197 778, 208 923 and 220 133 respectively, and the staff establishment involved in the 3 years stayed at 337 health inspectors. As conducting inspections to licensed and permitted food premises is part of the routine duties of the above health inspectors, the Department does not keep a breakdown of the number of inspections and the expenditure involved.

**Number of Each Type of Food Business Licences (As at the end of 2022)**

<b>Type of licence District</b>	<b>General Restaurant</b>	<b>Light Refreshment Restaurant</b>	<b>Marine Restaurant</b>	<b>Food Factory</b>	<b>Fresh Provision Shop</b>	<b>Frozen Confection Factory</b>
Central and Western	1 227	593	0	629	157	21
Wan Chai	1 385	466	0	493	130	24
Eastern	738	212	4	794	233	30
Southern	256	58	2	399	115	31
Islands	356	177	0	271	73	16
Yau Tsim	1 462	536	0	518	90	32
Mong Kok	894	380	0	518	174	21
Sham Shui Po	762	250	0	707	223	22
Kowloon City	756	248	0	493	194	17
Wong Tai Sin	396	108	0	394	184	20
Kwun Tong	704	205	0	1 201	310	43
Kwai Tsing	423	123	0	1 043	187	39
Tsuen Wan	636	183	0	665	144	27
Tuen Mun	541	187	0	767	221	27
Yuen Long	794	253	0	680	269	19
North	318	70	0	308	111	11
Tai Po	324	107	0	303	113	13
Sha Tin	679	156	0	884	312	35
Sai Kung	518	136	0	399	224	26
<b>Total</b>	<b>13 169</b>	<b>4 448</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>11 466</b>	<b>3 464</b>	<b>474</b>

**Number of Each Type of Food Business Licences (As at the end of 2022)**

<b>Type of licence District</b>	<b>Bakery</b>	<b>Cold Store</b>	<b>Factory Canteen</b>	<b>Milk Factory</b>	<b>Siu Mei and Lo Mei Shop</b>	<b>Composite Food Shop</b>
Central and Western	32	0	0	0	16	0
Wan Chai	28	0	0	0	12	0
Eastern	37	0	18	0	33	0
Southern	17	2	11	0	11	0
Islands	11	4	5	0	13	0
Yau Tsim	29	0	0	0	7	1
Mong Kok	29	0	0	0	18	0
Sham Shui Po	33	1	46	0	44	0
Kowloon City	28	0	3	0	31	0
Wong Tai Sin	27	0	28	0	18	0
Kwun Tong	47	2	156	0	42	0
Kwai Tsing	41	32	83	0	31	0
Tsuen Wan	25	14	28	0	19	0
Tuen Mun	29	6	39	4	32	0
Yuen Long	34	8	9	3	41	0
North	19	6	9	1	17	1
Tai Po	16	2	5	0	21	0
Sha Tin	32	11	45	0	36	0
Sai Kung	21	0	4	0	24	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>535</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>489</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>466</b>	<b>2</b>

**Number of Each Type of Food Business Licences (As at the end of 2023)**

<b>Type of licence District</b>	<b>General Restaurant</b>	<b>Light Refreshment Restaurant</b>	<b>Marine Restaurant</b>	<b>Food Factory</b>	<b>Fresh Provision Shop</b>	<b>Frozen Confection Factory</b>
Central and Western	1 235	609	0	631	150	20
Wan Chai	1 408	469	0	493	128	25
Eastern	736	208	4	835	242	33
Southern	255	62	1	395	110	29
Islands	352	176	0	282	86	19
Yau Tsim	1 491	545	0	506	89	37
Mong Kok	901	382	0	487	157	23
Sham Shui Po	743	250	0	653	211	20
Kowloon City	761	264	0	508	189	19
Wong Tai Sin	397	109	0	417	190	20
Kwun Tong	701	205	0	1 181	300	44
Kwai Tsing	435	135	0	1 118	190	43
Tsuen Wan	644	189	0	715	145	27
Tuen Mun	543	197	0	788	209	27
Yuen Long	792	258	0	688	266	21
North	323	70	0	303	103	11
Tai Po	325	115	0	313	122	14
Sha Tin	726	173	0	910	329	40
Sai Kung	511	143	0	403	221	26
<b>Total</b>	<b>13 279</b>	<b>4 559</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>11 626</b>	<b>3 437</b>	<b>498</b>

**Number of Each Type of Food Business Licences (As at the end of 2023)**

<b>Type of licence District</b>	<b>Bakery</b>	<b>Cold Store</b>	<b>Factory Canteen</b>	<b>Milk Factory</b>	<b>Siu Mei and Lo Mei Shop</b>	<b>Composite Food Shop</b>
Central and Western	29	0	0	0	12	0
Wan Chai	26	0	0	0	11	0
Eastern	35	0	17	0	32	0
Southern	15	2	11	0	11	0
Islands	11	4	5	0	10	0
Yau Tsim	28	0	0	0	8	1
Mong Kok	26	0	0	0	20	0
Sham Shui Po	31	0	42	0	33	0
Kowloon City	29	0	3	0	28	0
Wong Tai Sin	26	0	28	0	19	0
Kwun Tong	46	2	157	0	41	0
Kwai Tsing	40	35	80	0	31	0
Tsuen Wan	27	15	26	0	14	0
Tuen Mun	22	6	40	4	31	0
Yuen Long	31	9	9	3	39	0
North	16	7	10	1	14	0
Tai Po	14	2	5	0	18	0
Sha Tin	34	11	44	0	38	0
Sai Kung	19	0	4	0	25	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>505</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>481</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>435</b>	<b>1</b>

**Number of Each Type of Food Business Licences (As at the end of 2024)**

<b>Type of licence District</b>	<b>General Restaurant</b>	<b>Light Refreshment Restaurant</b>	<b>Marine Restaurant</b>	<b>Food Factory</b>	<b>Fresh Provision Shop</b>	<b>Frozen Confection Factory</b>
Central and Western	1 213	611	0	619	136	18
Wan Chai	1 362	468	0	507	119	35
Eastern	720	208	4	819	216	36
Southern	265	67	1	385	102	27
Islands	348	181	0	292	80	22
Yau Tsim	1 461	541	0	480	82	37
Mong Kok	893	375	0	482	143	26
Sham Shui Po	736	251	0	628	190	21
Kowloon City	770	279	0	521	158	21
Wong Tai Sin	395	113	0	414	186	20
Kwun Tong	684	201	0	1 215	279	47
Kwai Tsing	428	134	0	1 125	176	43
Tsuen Wan	637	190	0	739	140	31
Tuen Mun	553	203	0	758	190	26
Yuen Long	797	259	0	691	253	26
North	314	74	0	289	94	12
Tai Po	328	116	0	320	119	13
Sha Tin	737	180	0	902	312	43
Sai Kung	483	138	0	375	187	23
<b>Total</b>	<b>13 124</b>	<b>4 589</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>11 561</b>	<b>3 162</b>	<b>527</b>

**Number of Each Type of Food Business Licences (As at the end of 2024)**

<b>Type of licence District</b>	<b>Bakery</b>	<b>Cold Store</b>	<b>Factory Canteen</b>	<b>Milk Factory</b>	<b>Siu Mei and Lo Mei Shop</b>	<b>Composite Food Shop</b>
Central and Western	23	0	0	0	16	0
Wan Chai	27	0	0	0	11	0
Eastern	30	0	16	0	30	0
Southern	14	2	10	0	11	0
Islands	11	4	7	0	10	0
Yau Tsim	28	0	0	0	5	1
Mong Kok	24	0	3	0	16	0
Sham Shui Po	32	0	43	0	29	0
Kowloon City	26	0	3	0	26	0
Wong Tai Sin	22	0	28	0	18	0
Kwun Tong	40	2	154	0	39	0
Kwai Tsing	37	38	73	0	28	0
Tsuen Wan	26	15	26	0	13	0
Tuen Mun	21	6	42	4	24	0
Yuen Long	27	8	9	3	37	0
North	16	6	10	1	12	0
Tai Po	12	1	5	0	16	0
Sha Tin	30	10	43	0	36	0
Sai Kung	17	0	4	0	22	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>463</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>476</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>399</b>	<b>1</b>