

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

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Head: (49) Food and Environmental Hygiene Department

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Programme: (3) Market Management and Hawker Control

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Question:

One of the aims of the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department is to enhance viability of existing public markets. Fast and convenient, electronic payment can promote smart city development at the same time. Regarding electronic payment in markets in the past 3 years, (a) please set out in tabular form the number of stalls currently in operation in each public market.

(b) please set out in tabular form the number of stalls currently in operation in each public market which have installed electronic payment devices.

(c) please set out in tabular form the respective number of stalls in each public market which have installed Octopus, WeChat Pay, AlipayHK or other electronic payment apps.

(d) what are the expenditure and manpower involved in the promotion and implementation of electronic payment in markets?

(e) has the Department assessed the effectiveness of promoting and implementing electronic payment in markets? If yes, what are the outcomes? If no, what are the reasons?

Asked by: Hon TIEN Puk-sun, Michael (LegCo internal reference no.: 1)

Reply:

(a) to (c) The number of stalls in operation in each public market under the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department, the number of stalls installed with contactless payment facilities, as well as the types of contactless payment facilities installed are provided in Annex.

(d) To promote contactless payment in public markets and increase its utilisation, the Department has earlier launched 2 rounds of subsidy scheme under the Anti-epidemic Fund. A one-off subsidy of \$5,000 was provided for eligible market stall tenants. In November and December 2024, the Department also conducted promotional activities in 21 public markets to promote contactless payment and encourage the use by members of the public through the distribution of souvenirs. The expenditure for the promotional activities was about \$490,000. The work involved was absorbed by the manpower for daily management of public markets.

The Department does not keep a breakdown of the manpower for the promotion of contactless payment.

- (e) Under the above 2 rounds of subsidy scheme, a total of 3 180 applications relating to market stalls were approved. Besides, stall tenants in new public markets and overhauled or redeveloped public markets under the Market Modernisation Programme, which currently include FEHD Skylight Market in Tin Shui Wai commissioned at the end of 2020, Sunlight Market in Tung Chung commissioned in March 2023, as well as Aberdeen Market and Lai Wan Market which were overhauled and re-opened in March 2023 and February 2024 respectively, are required to provide at least 1 type of contactless payment facility according to the terms and conditions of the tenancy agreement. For the new public markets to be provided in the future, we plan to require, through the terms and conditions of the tenancy agreement, stall tenants to provide at least 2 types of contactless payment facilities, one for tap-to-pay and the other for e-wallet payment. As for the existing market stalls, the Department is pleased to see that consumers are served by a multiplicity of payment options, and market stall tenants will also be prompted to use contactless payment means for transactions through market forces.

**Number of public market stalls and  
number of stalls with contactless payment facilities installed**

Serial number	Name of market	As at 31 December 2024				
		Number of let-out stalls	Number of contactless payment facilities installed			
			WeChat Pay	Alipay	Octopus	Other contactless payment facilities <sup>Note</sup>
1	Yue Wan Market	323	23	32	0	0
2	Chai Wan Market	141	20	18	19	2
3	Kut Shing Street Cooked Food Market	9	0	1	0	0
4	Java Road Market	133	56	59	23	6
5	Electric Road Market	59	8	14	6	0
6	Sai Wan Ho Market	249	13	16	11	4
7	Quarry Bay Market	55	11	8	4	2
8	North Point Market	34	19	18	15	0
9	Aldrich Bay Market	51	29	22	4	2
10	Bowrington Road Market	248	34	39	14	0
11	Tang Lung Chau Market	25	3	5	0	2
12	Wong Nai Chung Market	55	12	9	4	4
13	Lockhart Road Market	125	21	21	2	2
14	Wan Chai Market	49	4	6	3	3
15	Causeway Bay Market	49	2	0	0	0
16	Sheung Wan Market	199	42	22	7	3
17	Sai Ying Pun Market	77	16	12	1	4
18	Centre Street Market	33	10	8	0	12
19	Smithfield Market	207	44	20	6	6
20	Shek Tong Tsui Market	131	17	9	1	4
21	Queen Street Cooked Food Market	11	3	1	2	0
22	Aberdeen Market	114	46	57	67	40
23	Nam Long Shan Road Cooked Food Market	17	2	2	1	0
24	Tin Wan Market	147	19	28	5	1
25	Yue Kwong Road Market	144	1	3	1	1
26	Ap Lei Chau Market	61	2	3	2	0
27	Stanley Waterfront Mart	4	2	2	2	3

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28	Tai O Market	24	0	0	0	0
29	Peng Chau Market	15	1	0	1	0
30	Mui Wo Market	33	3	2	1	7
31	Cheung Chau Market	229	35	27	29	12
32	Mui Wo Cooked Food Market	20	3	9	0	1
33	Cheung Chau Cooked Food Market	16	5	6	4	0
34	FEHD Sunlight Market	29	18	22	23	16
35	Ngau Tau Kok Market	355	109	24	7	14
36	Shui Wo Street Market	250	84	39	6	3
37	Yee On Street Market	28	12	11	3	0
38	Tsun Yip Cooked Food Market	53	30	33	22	26
39	Sze Shan Street Cooked Food Market	11	6	6	6	6
40	Tung Yuen Street Cooked Food Market	8	0	0	0	0
41	Lei Yue Mun Market	18	4	5	5	2
42	To Kwa Wan Market	223	114	77	8	10
43	Kowloon City Market	463	107	105	35	0
44	Hung Hom Market	213	36	40	27	2
45	On Ching Road Flower Market	13	0	0	0	0
46	Ngau Chi Wan Market	332	50	10	11	4
47	Tai Shing Street Market	383	107	107	108	12
48	Sheung Fung Street Market	73	17	0	0	8
49	Fa Yuen Street Market	140	17	17	4	0
50	Mong Kok Cooked Food Market	11	5	6	7	0
51	Tai Kok Tsui Market	125	76	51	47	6
52	Po On Road Market	356	42	26	28	1
53	Pei Ho Street Market	211	38	26	44	4
54	Tung Chau Street Temporary Market	152	42	9	0	5
55	Lai Wan Market	29	7	14	16	10
56	Haiphong Road Temporary Market	58	25	25	14	4

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57	Kwun Chung Market	137	8	49	17	0
58	Yau Ma Tei Market	109	16	23	8	0
59	Wing Fong Street Market	86	21	21	13	4
60	Ka Ting Cooked Food Market	9	3	3	3	3
61	Wo Yi Hop Road Cooked Food Market	11	0	1	6	0
62	North Kwai Chung Market	177	6	14	8	6
63	Cheung Tat Road Cooked Food Market	9	5	0	0	0
64	Kwai Shun Street Cooked Food Market	9	1	3	2	0
65	Tsing Yi Market	68	21	26	24	20
66	Yeung Uk Road Market	268	44	9	3	8
67	Heung Che Street Market	211	60	11	0	5
68	Chai Wan Kok Cooked Food Market	24	8	0	0	0
69	Tsuen Wan Market	298	38	21	15	19
70	Sham Tseng Temporary Market	20	5	4	0	7
71	Lam Tei Market	6	3	3	3	3
72	Hung Cheung Cooked Food Market	8	1	0	0	1
73	Kin Wing Cooked Food Market	17	1	1	1	0
74	San Hui Market	305	45	31	24	1
75	Yan Oi Market	98	6	5	1	1
76	Tsing Yeung Cooked Food Market	16	4	1	1	0
77	Kam Tin Market	40	0	1	2	0
78	Lau Fau Shan Market	16	0	0	0	0
79	Kik Yeung Road Cooked Food Market	14	3	2	0	0
80	Tai Kiu Market	345	29	34	26	0
81	Tai Tong Road Cooked Food Market	18	3	4	2	1
82	Kin Yip Street Cooked Food Market	14	1	0	1	0
83	Hung Shui Kiu Temporary Market	78	6	4	0	1

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84	Tung Yick Market	162	19	9	0	0
85	FEHD Skylight Market	40	32	34	12	6
86	Sha Tau Kok Market	64	0	0	0	0
87	Shek Wu Hui Market	373	71	66	39	2
88	Kwu Tung Market Shopping Centre	89	3	0	2	0
89	Luen Wo Hui Market	338	145	117	54	4
90	Tai Po Hui Market	311	28	26	18	6
91	Plover Cove Road Market	180	7	14	9	1
92	Sai Kung Market	181	58	51	15	2
93	Sha Tin Market	163	37	38	17	4
94	Tai Wai Market	176	31	31	8	5
95	Fo Tan (East) Cooked Food Market	24	1	2	2	0
96	Fo Tan (West) Cooked Food Market	14	3	2	0	0
	<b>Total</b>	<b>11 147</b>	<b>2 225</b>	<b>1 793</b>	<b>992</b>	<b>364</b>

Note: Including Faster Payment System, UnionPay QuickPass, BoC Pay, PayMe or Tap & Go.

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