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Question:

- i. What was the overall expenditure of the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department on public markets in each of the past 5 years? What major work did such expenditure cover?
- ii. What are the number of stalls, occupancy rate and number of vacant stalls at present? How many stall tenants surrendered their tenancies in the past year? What is the expenditure on managing the public markets across the territory? Please provide the information in respect of all public markets across the territory with a breakdown by District Council district.
- iii. Which public markets are expected to be closed by the Department? What are the relevant details, timetable for closure and land uses after the closure of these markets?
- iv. What is the specific work in taking forward the redevelopment of Ngau Tau Kok Market and Kowloon City Market? Is the Department identifying more suitable markets for overhaul or redevelopment? If yes, what are the details?

Asked by: Hon CHAN Hoi-yau (LegCo internal reference no.: 44)

Reply:

- i. The overall expenditure of the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (FEHD) on public markets in the past 5 financial years is tabulated as follows:

Financial year	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26 (Revised estimate)
Overall expenditure (\$ billion)	1.069	1.080	1.091	1.178	1.138

The relevant expenditure mainly covers staff emoluments and related expenses, as well as expenses on cleansing and security, repair and maintenance, and electricity tariff.

- ii. FEHD does not keep a separate breakdown of the management expenditure of individual public markets. Other information sought is set out in Annex.

- iii. As for market closure, FEHD is carrying out the relevant preparatory work for the following projects:
- (a) Consolidation of Centre Street Market and Sai Ying Pun Market to vacate the former for the planning of medical and healthcare-related facilities. Following consultation with the relevant committee of Central and Western District Council and having considered the views of tenants and stakeholders, FEHD plans to close Centre Street Market in the second quarter of 2026; and
 - (b) Closure of Kwun Chung Market for conversion to an urban sports centre under the Leisure and Cultural Services Department. Following consultation with Yau Tsim Mong District Council, FEHD is discussing the specific arrangements with the market tenants.
- iv. FEHD is carrying out the preparatory work for the overhaul or redevelopment projects for Ngau Tau Kok Market and Kowloon City Market, etc. under the Market Modernisation Programme (MMP). For Ngau Tau Kok Market, FEHD has maintained communication with the market tenants and relevant stakeholders to collect their views on the mode of implementation of the project. Having regard to the views collected, FEHD is studying the feasibility and potential technical options in collaboration with the Architectural Services Department, and will continue to maintain communication with the stakeholders. As for Kowloon City Market, the Urban Renewal Authority (URA) plans to re-provision the market and other public facilities to the proposed government Joint-user Complex at Carpenter Road in Kowloon City. To dovetail with the development plan of the URA, FEHD has maintained close liaison with the stakeholders (including market tenants) to collect their views, in order to make arrangements for matters such as stall relocation.

FEHD will continue to identify other suitable markets for projects of various scales under the MMP. Apart from the above-mentioned Ngau Tau Kok Market and Kowloon City Market, ongoing projects include stall enhancement works in Ap Lei Chau Market Cooked Food Centre, Luen Wo Hui Market Cooked Food Centre and Yue Wan Market Cooked Food Centre, as well as minor refurbishment or improvement works in Nam Long Shan Road Cooked Food Market.

**Number of stalls, occupancy rate, number of frozen stalls
and number of stalls with tenancy surrendered in public markets**

District	Name of public market	As at 31 December 2025			Number of stalls with tenancy surrendered in 2025 ^c
		Number of stalls	Occupancy rate ^a	Number of vacant stalls (of which frozen ^b)	
Eastern	Yue Wan Market	380	79%	80(80)	27
	Chai Wan Market	174	78%	39(38)	6
	Kut Shing Street Cooked Food Market	11	82%	2(2)	0
	Java Road Market	194	63%	72(25)	20
	Electric Road Market	99	60%	40(40)	0
	Sai Wan Ho Market	260	88%	31(4)	33
	Quarry Bay Market	94	53%	44(44)	7
	North Point Market	37	78%	8(8)	4
	Aldrich Bay Market	71	68%	23(8)	9
Wan Chai	Bowrington Road Market	281	84%	46(46)	30
	Tang Lung Chau Market	34	74%	9(9)	0
	Wong Nai Chung Market	69	77%	16(0)	7
	Lockhart Road Market	165	83%	28(2)	10
	Wan Chai Market	50	96%	2(0)	4
	Causeway Bay Market	51	92%	4(4)	4
Central and Western	Sheung Wan Market	223	87%	29(2)	27
	Sai Ying Pun Market	93	77%	21(12)	10
	Centre Street Market	46	70%	14(14)	1
	Smithfield Market	216	97%	7(1)	9
	Shek Tong Tsui Market	151	84%	24(6)	11
	Queen Street Cooked Food Market	11	100%	0(0)	0
Southern	Aberdeen Market	137	87%	18(0)	29
	Nam Long Shan Road Cooked Food Market	28	61%	11(11)	0
	Tin Wan Market	180	94%	11(0)	18
	Yue Kwong Road Market	183	75%	45(0)	18
	Ap Lei Chau Market	63	97%	2(0)	3
	Stanley Waterfront Mart	20	0%	20(0)	4

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Islands	Tai O Market	24	75%	6(0)	10
	Peng Chau Market	18	78%	4(0)	2
	Mui Wo Market	35	83%	6(0)	7
	Cheung Chau Market	240	87%	32(0)	43
	Mui Wo Cooked Food Market	20	100%	0(0)	0
	Cheung Chau Cooked Food Market	17	94%	1(1)	0
	FEHD Sunlight Market	36	78%	8(0)	8
Kwun Tong	Ngau Tau Kok Market	422	72%	118(118)	50
	Shui Wo Street Market	296	85%	43(3)	14
	Tsun Yip Cooked Food Market	56	95%	3(0)	0
	Sze Shan Street Cooked Food Market	16	69%	5(0)	0
	Tung Yuen Street Cooked Food Market	8	100%	0(0)	0
	Lei Yue Mun Market	20	90%	2(0)	0
Kowloon City	To Kwa Wan Market	267	84%	44(0)	19
	Kowloon City Market	527	80%	104(104)	49
	Hung Hom Market	224	94%	14(0)	8
	On Ching Road Flower Market	13	77%	3(0)	3
Wong Tai Sin	Ngau Chi Wan Market	400	84%	63(0)	16
	Tai Shing Street Market	443	85%	66(1)	28
	Sheung Fung Street Market	83	89%	9(0)	8
Yau Tsim Mong	Fa Yuen Street Market	178	84%	29(0)	17
	Mong Kok Cooked Food Market	14	93%	1(0)	1
	Tai Kok Tsui Market	135	87%	17(0)	13
	Haiphong Road Temporary Market	77	74%	20(2)	6
	Kwun Chung Market	218	62%	82(82)	1
	Yau Ma Tei Market	144	72%	40(2)	6
Sham Shui Po	Po On Road Market	438	81%	85(1)	33
	Pei Ho Street Market	234	89%	26(0)	20
	Tung Chau Street Temporary Market	176	86%	25(0)	15
	Lai Wan Market	30	100%	0(0)	5

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Kwai Tsing	Wing Fong Street Market	109	76%	26(0)	14
	Ka Ting Cooked Food Market	14	64%	5(0)	0
	Wo Yi Hop Road Cooked Food Market	18	50%	9(9)	2
	North Kwai Chung Market	205	79%	44(44)	21
	Cheung Tat Road Cooked Food Market	12	58%	5(5)	2
	Kwai Shun Street Cooked Food Market	11	82%	2(1)	0
	Tsing Yi Market	74	92%	6(0)	4
Tsuen Wan	Yeung Uk Road Market	306	87%	40(40)	12
	Heung Che Street Market	225	88%	26(1)	32
	Chai Wan Kok Cooked Food Market	32	66%	11(8)	3
	Tsuen Wan Market	358	84%	59(4)	38
	Sham Tseng Temporary Market	29	86%	4(4)	1
Tuen Mun	Lam Tei Market	7	100%	0(0)	0
	Hung Cheung Cooked Food Market	11	73%	3(3)	2
	Kin Wing Cooked Food Market	17	100%	0(0)	0
	San Hui Market	321	93%	23(0)	21
	Yan Oi Market	108	92%	9(0)	9
	Tsing Yeung Cooked Food Market	18	83%	3(3)	3

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Yuen Long	Kam Tin Market	40	100%	0(0)	0
	Lau Fau Shan Market	25	48%	13(13)	5
	Kik Yeung Road Cooked Food Market	14	100%	0(0)	0
	Tai Kiu Market	368	90%	38(0)	38
	Tai Tong Road Cooked Food Market	18	100%	0(0)	0
	Kin Yip Street Cooked Food Market	14	100%	0(0)	1
	Hung Shui Kiu Temporary Market	172	41%	102(102)	7
	Tung Yick Market	407	37%	255(255)	13
	FEHD Skylight Market	40	100%	0(0)	0
North	Sha Tau Kok Market	66	95%	3(0)	3
	Shek Wu Hui Market	393	95%	20(0)	28
	Kwu Tung Market Shopping Centre	98	99%	1(1)	4
	Luen Wo Hui Market	355	95%	19(4)	18
Tai Po	Tai Po Hui Market	313	98%	5(4)	13
	Plover Cove Road Market	244	73%	66(52)	17
Sai Kung	Sai Kung Market	209	87%	28(0)	17
Sha Tin	Sha Tin Market	172	93%	12(0)	14
	Tai Wai Market	184	98%	4(0)	5
	Fo Tan Cooked Food Market (East)	24	100%	0(0)	2
	Fo Tan Cooked Food Market (West)	15	60%	6(6)	5

^a Occupancy rate is the percentage of let-out stalls out of the total number of stalls in a market. The degree of activity of let-out stalls varies.

^b Stalls set aside for designated purposes (such as for use by government departments or for supporting stall repair or improvement works, etc.).

^c Including the number of stalls for which the tenant applied for surrender of tenancy, as well as the number of stalls with the tenant deceased, the tenancy transferred/succeeded and the tenancy given up after the original tenant has successfully bid for other market stalls.

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