

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**DEVB(PL)113****(Question Serial No. 2615)**

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Question:

Please inform the Committee:

1. What was the number of cases involving retail and wholesale activities in industrial units in breach of lease conditions against which the Lands Department (Lands D) took land control actions? Please provide a breakdown by 18 districts in each of the past three years.
2. What was the number of cases involving retail and wholesale activities in residential units in breach of lease conditions against which Lands D took land control actions? Please provide a breakdown by 18 districts in each of the past three years.

Asked by: Hon WU Chi-wai (Member Question No. 55)Reply:

1. The Lands Department (Lands D) does not have readily available information on the number of lease enforcement actions taken against retail and wholesale activities in industrial units. The available statistics regarding lease enforcement actions taken against non-conforming uses (including non-conforming uses in the form of retail and wholesale activities) in industrial buildings in all the 12 District Lands Offices (DLOs) in the past three years (2013 to 2015) are as follows:

DLO	Number of cases with lease enforcement action taken against non-conforming uses in industrial buildings		
	2013	2014	2015
Hong Kong East	6	20	34
Hong Kong West & South	24	6	5
Kowloon East	61	35	44
Kowloon West	40	18	18
Islands	0	0	0
North	0	0	17

DLO	Number of cases with lease enforcement action taken against non-conforming uses in industrial buildings		
	2013	2014	2015
Sai Kung	0	0	0
Sha Tin	22	25	5
Tuen Mun	9	8	5
Tai Po	0	0	2
Tsuen Wan & Kwai Tsing	46	97	42
Yuen Long	0	0	0
Total	208	209	172

2. Lands D does not have readily available information on the number of lease enforcement actions taken against retail and wholesale activities in residential units. The available statistics regarding lease enforcement actions taken against non-conforming uses (including but not limited to non-conforming uses in the form of retail and wholesale activities) in non-industrial buildings (including residential buildings) in all the 12 DLOs in the past three years (2013 to 2015) are as follows:

DLO	Number of cases with lease enforcement action taken against non-conforming uses in non-industrial buildings		
	2013	2014	2015
Hong Kong East	25	35	15
Hong Kong West & South	21	31	14
Kowloon East	27	12	7
Kowloon West	11	3	5
Islands	5	0	0
North	0	0	1
Sai Kung	0	0	0
Sha Tin	0	0	0
Tuen Mun	0	0	0
Tai Po	0	0	0
Tsuen Wan & Kwai Tsing	8	25	10
Yuen Long	0	0	0
Total	97	106	52

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