

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO  
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Question:

In 2012, the Buildings Department (BD) instigated 2 104 prosecutions against failure to comply with removal orders against unauthorised building works (UBWs) in existing buildings. Would the Administration please provide the distribution of the buildings in these prosecutions by districts, and the number of prosecutions which involved rural areas in the New Territories.

Asked by:      Hon. LAU Wong-fat

Reply:

The distribution of the premises involved in the prosecutions instigated by the Buildings Department (BD) against failure to comply with removal orders against unauthorised building works (UBWs) by districts in 2012 is as follows:

<b>Area</b>	<b>Districts</b>	<b>No. of prosecutions instigated</b>
New Territories	Islands	2
	North	22
	Sai Kung	16
	Sha Tin	31
	Tai Po	49
	Tsuen Wan	54
	Tuen Mun	71
	Yuen Long	89
	Kwai Tsing	68
	<i>Sub-total</i>	<i>402</i>

Hong Kong	Central and Western	202
	Wan Chai	74
	Eastern	182
	Southern	13
	<i>Sub-total</i>	<i>471</i>
Kowloon	Kowloon City	426
	Kwun Tong	104
	Yau Tsim Mong	367
	Sham Shui Po	289
	Wong Tai Sin	45
	<i>Sub-total</i>	<i>1 231</i>
<b>Total:</b>		<b>2 104</b>

We do not keep separate statistics on the number of prosecutions which involved UBWs in rural areas in the New Territories.

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