

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY****DEVB(PL)320****(Question Serial No. 6906)**

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Question:

In connection with industrial buildings (domestic), please provide the numbers of inspections, prosecutions and tenants involved, as well as court convictions and tenants involved in the past five years, broken down by district.

Asked by: Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung (Member Question No. 474)

Reply:

Insofar as premises (including sub-divided flats) used for domestic purpose in industrial buildings (IBs) are concerned, apart from responding to reports, the Buildings Department (BD) has been taking enforcement actions to eradicate such premises in an orderly and systematic manner through large scale operations since April 2012. The BD does not compile statistics on the number of tenants involved in prosecution and conviction cases. Information on the geographical distribution of premises inspected in IBs, prosecutions instigated against failure to comply with removal orders or discontinuation orders, and convictions for the past five years is set out below -

District	No. of premises in IBs inspected	No. of prosecutions instigated against non-compliance with removal orders/ discontinuation orders <sup>(1)</sup>	No. of convictions <sup>(1)</sup>
Eastern	16	0	0
Southern	2	0	0
Wong Tai Sin	75	0	0
Kwun Tong	192	0	0
Yau Tsim Mong	93	0	0
Sham Shui Po	82	0	0
Kowloon City	59	14	12

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Sha Tin	65	0	0
Tsuen Wan	200	17	16
Tuen Mun	158	0	0
Kwai Tsing	109	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>1 051</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>28</b>

Note<sup>(1)</sup>: The number of prosecutions/convictions does not necessarily correspond to the premises in IBs inspected in the same period.

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