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Question:

In connection with rooftop structures, 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: Hon CHEUNG Chiu-hung, Fernando (Member Question No. (LegCo use): 2735)

Reply:

The Buildings Department (BD) takes enforcement action against unauthorised building works (UBWs) on rooftops in response to public reports and through its large scale operations. BD does not compile statistics on the number of tenants involved in prosecution and conviction cases or maintain separate statistics on the number of inspections made in connection with rooftop UBWs. The geographical distribution of prosecution and conviction cases in connection with non-compliance with removal orders for rooftop UBWs from January 2013 to December 2017 is as follows –

<b>District</b>	<b>No. of prosecutions</b>	<b>No. of convictions<sup>(1)</sup></b>
Central and Western	97	78
Wan Chai	99	49
Eastern	238	186
Southern	19	13
Islands	41	15
Wong Tai Sin	91	82
Kwun Tong	206	174
Yau Tsim Mong	384	268

<b>District</b>	<b>No. of prosecutions</b>	<b>No. of convictions<sup>(1)</sup></b>
Sham Shui Po	147	112
Kowloon City	266	213
North	129	56
Sha Tin	99	77
Tai Po	121	74
Sai Kung	104	87
Tsuen Wan	192	161
Tuen Mun	102	77
Yuen Long	252	159
Kwai Tsing	128	88
<b>Total</b>	<b>2 715</b>	<b>1 969</b>

Note <sup>(1)</sup>: The figures do not necessarily correspond to the prosecutions instigated in the same period.

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