

**LegCo Panel on Home Affairs
Subcommittee to study discrimination
on the ground of sexual orientation**

Statistics relating to Buggery Offences

The Administration's relevant database system captures statistics on buggery cases reported, viz. sections 118A–G of the Crimes Ordinance (Cap. 200), as one category. Please refer to the table below for relevant statistics –

Number of reported cases under sections 118A-G of Crimes Ordinance, Cap. 200:

	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001 (Jan- Jun)	Total
No. of reported cases	7	10	13	2	6	9	47
Sex of victim	M: 4 F: 3	M: 5 F: 5	M: 9 F: 4	M: 2 F: 0	M: 4 F: 2	M: 6 F: 3	M: 30 F: 17
Among the above, No. of reported cases in which the victims were of 16 or above but under 21	2	3	2	2	3	2	14
Sex of victim	M: 0 F: 2	M: 2 F: 1	M: 2 F: 0	M: 2 F: 0	M: 1 F: 2	M: 1 F: 1	M: 8 F: 6

(M : Male Victim; F: Female Victim)

2. The database therefore falls short of maintaining a specific breakdown of statistics on prosecution cases against a man who committed buggery with another man at the age of 16-21. However, according to separate records kept, there were two convicted cases of homosexual buggery with a man under 21 under section 118C(a) since 1996. The victims in these two cases were below 16.

3. The relevant statistics above are provided for the Subcommittee's reference. Justification for retention of section 118C has been provided in our paper issued to the Subcommittee on the subject [Paper No. CB(2)2000/00-01(01)].