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Panel on Welfare Services  
Legislative Council Complex  
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Dear Sir / Madam,

### Panel on Welfare Services

The Hon Fernando CHEUNG wrote to the Panel on Welfare Services of the Legislative Council on 9 January 2013, requesting that for the Panel to discuss the item “welfare services to support the victims of domestic violence and their families” on 14 January 2013, the Administration should provide statistics on domestic violence cases handled by the Social Welfare Department.

The Social Welfare Department has compiled relevant statistics which are attached at Annex for Members’ reference.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'L. O.', written in a cursive style.

( Louis LO )  
for Secretary for Labour and Welfare

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cc. Director of Social Welfare (Attn: Mr FUNG Man-chung)

## Annex

The Central Information System on Spouse / Cohabitant Battering Cases and Sexual Violence Cases (Central Information System) managed by the Social Welfare Department (SWD) collects data of domestic violence cases received by different frontline service units, including the number of male and female victims as well as their length of residence in Hong Kong. SWD will upload the statistics of reported domestic violence cases to the department's homepage on a quarterly basis for public information.

Relevant statistical data drawn from the Central Information System are as follows:

### Number of Newly Reported Spouse / Cohabitant Battering Cases

Year	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012 (January-September)
Number of Newly Reported Cases	6 843	4 807	3 163	3 174	1 947

### Ratio of Victims by Gender

Year	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012 (January-September)
Female	5 575 (81.5%)	4 012 (83.5%)	2 643 (83.6%)	2 616 (82.4%)	1 646 (84.5%)
Male	1 268 (18.5%)	795 (16.5%)	520 (16.4%)	558 (17.6%)	301 (15.5%)

### Number of Cases with Victims Residing in Hong Kong for Less than 3 Years

Year	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012 (January-September)
Number of Cases	494 (7.2%)	448 (9.4%)	375 (11.8%)	327 (10.2%)	184 (9.4%)

The Central Information System does not have a breakdown on the number of domestic violence cases involving ethnic minority women or those which have received conditional tenancy as recommended by SWD.

In the past 5 years, the number of newly reported spouse/cohabitant battering cases handled by the Family and Child Protective Services Units of SWD is listed below:

Year	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12
Number of New Cases	2 555	2 447	2 279	2 340	2 155

At present, SWD does not have the relevant breakdown for the above cases. In order to collect relevant statistics so as to enable a more comprehensive analysis of the domestic violence problem in future, SWD will enhance relevant function of the Client Information System in 2013.