

# **Composition of the Legislative Council**

The Seventh Legislative Council is composed of 90 Members, returned by the Election Committee (40), functional constituencies (30), and geographical constituencies through direct elections (20).

# Supplementary information

### (a) Members returned by the Election Committee (40)

The Election Committee comprises a total of 1 500 members who are broadly representative of different sectors and classes of the community. Each Election Committee member must select 40 candidates by ballot for the return of 40 Members for the Election Committee constituency.

# (b) Members returned by functional constituencies (30)

There are 28 constituencies, returning a total of 30 Members. With the exception of the election of the Labour constituency which shall return three Members, the election of each of the constituency shall return one Member.

Functional constituencies	Number of seats
Agriculture and Fisheries	1
Heung Yee Kuk	1
Industrial (first)	1
Industrial (second)	1
Textiles and Garment	1
Commercial (first)	1
Commercial (second)	1
Commercial (third)	1
Finance	1
Financial Services	1
Insurance	1
Real Estate and Construction	1
Transport	1
Import and Export	1
Tourism	1
Catering	1
Wholesale and Retail	1
Technology and Innovation	1
Engineering	1
Architectural, Surveying, Planning and Landscape	1
Accountancy	1



Functional constituencies	Number of seats
Legal	1
Education	1
Sports, Performing Arts, Culture and Publication	1
Medical and Health Services	1
Social Welfare	1
Labour	3
HKSAR Deputies to the NPC, HKSAR Members of the CPPCC National Committee and Representatives of Relevant National Organisations*	1
Total	30

\*Hong Kong Special Administrative Region ("HKSAR") deputies to the National People's Congress ("NPC"), HKSAR members of the National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference ("CPPCC"), and representatives of relevant national organisations

# (c) Members returned by geographical constituencies through direct elections (20)

The territories of Hong Kong are divided into 10 constituencies, returning a total of 20 Members. Each constituency shall return two Members. The boundaries of the constituencies are drawn up based on the constituency boundaries for the District Council election, and the size of the population.

Geographical constituencies	Number of seats	Districts included
Hong Kong Island East	2	Eastern District and Wan Chai District
Hong Kong Island West	2	Central and Western District, Southern District and Islands District
Kowloon East	2	Kwun Tong District and south-eastern part of Wong Tai Sin District
Kowloon West	2	Yau Tsim Mong District and Sham Shui Po District
Kowloon Central	2	Kowloon City District and north-western part of Wong Tai Sin District
New Territories South East	2	Sai Kung District and eastern part of Sha Tin District
New Territories North	2	North District and north-western part of Yuen Long District
New Territories North West	2	Tuen Mun District and south-eastern part of Yuen Long District
New Territories South West	2	Kwai Tsing District and Tsuen Wan District
New Territories North East	2	Tai Po District and western part of Sha Tin District
Total	20	

Source: Electoral Affairs Commission website (www.eac.hk/en/legco/2021lc\_boundaries\_map.htm)

#### (d) Election of the President of the Legislative Council

In accordance with Article 71 of the Basic Law, the President of the Legislative Council is elected by and from among Legislative Council Members.

#### (e) Term of office of the Legislative Council

In accordance with Article 69 of the Basic Law, the term of office of the Legislative Council is four years except the first term.

#### **Questions and answers**

Q1: How many Members are there in the Legislative Council? Please also indicate the respective numbers of Members returned by the Election Committee, functional constituencies, and geographical constituencies through direct elections.

There are 90 Members in the Legislative Council, with 40 returned by the Election Committee, 30 returned by functional constituencies, and 20 returned by geographical constituencies through direct elections.

- Q2: How are the 40 Members for the Election Committee constituency returned?
  Each Election Committee member must select 40 candidates by ballot for the return of 40 Members for the Election Committee constituency.
- Q3: How many Members are returned by each functional constituency?With the exception of the election of the Labour constituency which shall return three Members, the election of each of the constituency shall return one Member.
- Q4: How many Members are returned by each geographical constituency? Each constituency shall return two Members.

#### **Online resources**

- (a) Legislative Council in Brief
  Legislative Council Website (www.legco.gov.hk) → Education → Understand →
  Legislative Council in Brief
- (b) Animations and videos Legislative Council Website (www.legco.gov.hk) → Education → Understand → Animations and videos
- (c) Exhibition panels Legislative Council Website (www.legco.gov.hk) → Education → Understand → Exhibition panels
- (d) PowerPoint slides Legislative Council Website (www.legco.gov.hk) → Education → Teach → PowerPoint slides
- (e) Members Legislative Council Website (www.legco.gov.hk) → Members
- (f) Members Database Legislative Council Website (www.legco.gov.hk) → Visiting → Library → LegCo databases → Members Database

- (g) LegCo today Legislative Council Website (www.legco.gov.hk) → About LegCo → The Legislative Council → LegCo today
- (h) 2021 Legislative Council General Election website www.elections.gov.hk/legco2021/eng/index.html

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