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Dear Mr CHAN,

**LegCo Panel on Food Safety and Environmental Hygiene
Review of Small Volume Exemption Fees**

When the LegCo Panel on Food Safety and Environmental Hygiene discussed the captioned matter at its meeting held on 10 December 2013, members requested the Administration to provide a breakdown on the number of the food products being exempted under the Small Volume Exemption (SVE) Scheme by food groups. Our reply is set out below:-

As at 31 December 2013, there are 16 491 food products with valid Small Volume Exemption in the market. The concerned food groups and the corresponding numbers of products are shown in the Annex.

Yours sincerely,

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Annex

**Number of Products with Small Volume Exemptions by Food Groups
(As at 31 December 2013)**

No.	Food Group	Number of Products with Small Volume Exemptions (SVE)	Percentage (%) of All Products with SVE
1	Bakery Wares and Chinese Pastry	2 449	14.85
2	Sugars and Sweets	2 066	12.53
3	Salts, Condiments and Sauces	1 676	10.17
4	Non-alcoholic Beverages	1 544	9.36
5	Cereals and Grains Products	1 260	7.64
6	Supplementary Food	1 036	6.29
7	Vegetables and Fruits	858	5.20
8	Snacks	787	4.77
9	Fish	561	3.40
10	Soups	533	3.23
11	Meat	399	2.42
12	Main Dishes	353	2.14
13	Milk and Dairy Products	310	1.88
14	Fats, Oils and Fat Emulsions	287	1.74
15	Molluscs and Other Edible Aquatic Animals	274	1.66
16	Desserts	266	1.61
17	Legumes	244	1.48
18	Nuts and Seeds	244	1.48
19	Frozen Confections	129	0.78
20	Others	1215	7.37
	Total	16 491	100.00