

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
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Question:

Up to the end of 2008, how many people have filed their tax returns through the internet? What is the percentage of these cases out of the total number of tax returns received?

Asked by: Hon. LAU Wong-fat

Reply:

Up to 28 February 2009, the number of tax returns lodged electronically is around 200 000 (or 8.9% of the total number of individual tax returns and property tax returns received for the 2007-08 year of assessment). This represents a growth of 57 500 cases (or 40%) over the same period of the previous year.

Signature _____

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Post Title Commissioner of Inland Revenue

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