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## CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

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Head: (76) Inland Revenue Department

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<u>Programme</u>: (1) Assessing Functions

<u>Controlling Officer</u>: Commissioner of Inland Revenue (TAM Tai Pang)

<u>Director of Bureau</u>: Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury

Question:

Based on the information obtained by the Inland Revenue Department (IRD) when administering the Inland Revenue Ordinance (IRO) (Cap. 112), please provide the numbers of properties solely owned and jointly owned or co-owned by individuals over the past 5 financial years using the table below (as at the end of each financial year (i.e. 31 March)):

Number of Property	Year	
- '	Number of People	
1		
2		
3		
4		
5		
6-10		
11-30		
31-50		
51-90		
91-100		
101 or above		

Based on the information obtained by the IRD when administering the IRO (Cap. 112), please provide the numbers of residential properties solely owned and jointly owned or co-owned by individuals over the past 5 financial years using the table below (as at the end of each financial year (i.e. 31 March)):

Number of Residential Property	Year		
	Number of People		
1			
2			
3			
4			
5			
6-10			
11-30			
31-50			
51-90			
91-100			
101 or above			

Based on the information obtained by the IRD when administering the IRO (Cap. 112), please provide the numbers of non-residential properties solely owned and jointly owned or co-owned by individuals over the past 5 financial years using the table below (as at the end of each financial year (i.e. 31 March)):

Number of Non-residential Property	Year		
	Number of People		
1			
2			
3			
4			
5			
6-10			
11-30			
31-50			
51-90			
91-100			
101 or above			

Asked by: Hon CHAN Pierre (LegCo internal reference no.: 122)

## Reply:

According to the information obtained by the Inland Revenue Department (IRD) in the course of performance of duties, the numbers of properties solely owned and jointly-owned or co-owned by individuals from the financial years 2015-16 to 2019-20 (as at the end of each financial year (i.e. 31 March)) are as follows:

Number of	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	
Properties Owned	Number of People (Note)					
1	1 590 447	1 604 461	1 615 719	1 629 451	1 653 963	
2	294 731	293 675	290 589	287 551	285 429	
3	89 234	89 308	87 790	86 623	86 005	
4	36 637	36 815	36 493	36 046	35 616	
5	17 340	17 587	17 444	17 276	17 263	
6 to 10	22 468	22 968	22 973	22 888	22 867	
11 to 30	6 347	6 590	6 732	6 881	6 980	
31 to 50	558	591	594	621	654	
51 to 90	236	236	243	259	260	
91 to 100	12	14	13	14	14	
101 or above	34	34	36	35	36	

In respect of the above data, since IRD does not keep separate statistics for residential and non-residential properties, the required information cannot be provided.

Note: Each individual owner of a jointly-owned or co-owned property is regarded as owning one property. Therefore, the total number of people would be larger than the total number of properties.