

Table 1

Number of admissions to psychiatric wards of the Hospital Authority (HA)  
through various means

Year	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14 (Provisional figures)
Number of admissions for which the “Application for reception as a voluntary patient” (the application forms) were completed and lodged by the patients themselves	8 960	9 250	9 300	9 920	10 330
Number of admissions for which the application forms were completed and lodged by the patients’ guardians	130	120	110	140	120
Number of admissions for observation under section 31 of the Mental Health Ordinance (Cap. 136)	2 600	2 400	2 360	2 510	2 590

Note: Figures are rounded to the nearest 10

Table 2

The number of complaints about being misled into giving consent for admission to  
psychiatric wards of the HA

Cluster/Year	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Hong Kong East and Hong Kong West Clusters*	-	1	2	3	2
Kowloon East and Kowloon Central Clusters#	-	-	-	-	2
Kowloon West Cluster	-	5	2	3	5
New Territories East Cluster	3	3	3	3	7
New Territories West Cluster	-	2	-	-	-
Total (No. of appeals lodged to the HA’s Public Complaints Committee)@	3 (0)	11 (3)	7 (3)	9 (1)	16 (2)

\* Most of the inpatient psychiatric services of the Hong Kong West Cluster are supported by the Hong Kong East Cluster.

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@ The appeals may not be lodged in the same year.