

Table 1

Annual numbers of requests for information disclosure made by the Government to service providers and the nature of the information sought during the period from February 2011 to September 2014

Government department	Year (From February 2011 to September 2014)	Number of requests	Nature of the information sought (whether requests were made for providing metadata and/or content of communication)
Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department	2011	0	-
	2012	0	-
	2013	1	Metadata
	2014	0	-
Companies Registry	2011	0	-
	2012	3	Metadata
	2013	7	Metadata
	2014	1	Metadata
Customs and Excise Department	2011	562	Metadata
	2012	579	Metadata
	2013	881	Metadata
	2014	431	Metadata
Hong Kong Police Force	2011	4 073	Metadata
	2012	4 613	Metadata
	2013	4 389	Metadata
	2014	3 078	Metadata
Inland Revenue Department ^(Note)	2011	8	Cannot be provided
	2012	3	Cannot be provided
	2013	2	Cannot be provided
	2014	12	Cannot be provided
Office of the Communications Authority	2011	31	Metadata
	2012	42	Metadata
	2013	71	Metadata
	2014	55	Metadata

^{Note} Except for the information provided herein, other information cannot be provided due to the secrecy provisions under the Business Registration Ordinance (Cap. 310) and the Inland Revenue Ordinance (Cap. 112).