

**Reasons for refusal of information requests under Part 2 of the Code  
(Requests concluded in October to December 2024)**

Public agency	Number of times the exemption provisions in Part 2 are cited (Note)															
	Para. 2.3	Para. 2.4	Para. 2.5	Para. 2.6	Para. 2.7	Para. 2.8	Para. 2.9	Para. 2.10	Para. 2.11	Para. 2.12	Para. 2.13	Para. 2.14	Para. 2.15	Para. 2.16	Para. 2.17	Para. 2.18
All registries and administrative offices of courts and tribunals for which the Judiciary Administrator has responsibility									1				1			
Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department					1			1			1					
Architectural Services Department							1						1			
Auxiliary Medical Service									2							
Buildings Department				1				1				3	6		1	
Census and Statistics Department											1					
Civil Engineering and Development Department							1							1		
Civil Service Bureau													3			
Constitutional and Mainland Affairs Bureau							1									
Correctional Services Department							1						1			
Culture, Sports and Tourism Bureau				1					1							
Department of Health												1	1	1		
Development Bureau							1						1			
Education Bureau								1			1	4	2			
Electrical and Mechanical Services Department							3				1	3				1
Environment and Ecology Bureau/Environmental Protection Department				1			1	1			1	2	1	1		
Fire Services Department	1												1			
Food and Environmental Hygiene Department				1			2					4	5			
Government Logistics Department												1		1		
Highways Department							1					1				
Home and Youth Affairs Bureau							1									
Hong Kong Police Force				1			2						1			
Housing Bureau/Housing Department/Hong Kong Housing Authority							3	1			2			2		
Immigration Department				1	1		1									
Independent Commission Against Corruption				1			1	1								
Inland Revenue Department																1
Innovation, Technology and Industry Bureau												1		1		
Labour Department				1				1				1				1
Lands Department							1	2				1				
Land Registry							1									
Leisure and Cultural Services Department							1						4			
Marine Department												2				
Offices of the Chief Secretary for Administration and the Financial Secretary				1			1									
Planning Department							1				2					
Privacy Commissioner for Personal Data							1									3
Rating and Valuation Department																1
Registration and Electoral Office							1									
Security Bureau	2												1			
Social Welfare Department												1	5			
Transport Department							2					4	1	1		
University Grants Committee Secretariat							1									
Water Supplies Department												1		1	1	7
<b>Total</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>7</b>

Note

Para. 2.3 is concerned with Defence and security

Para. 2.4 is concerned with External affairs

Para. 2.5 is concerned with Nationality, immigration and consular matters

Para. 2.6 is concerned with Law enforcement, legal proceedings and public safety

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Para. 2.7 is concerned with Damage to the environment  
Para. 2.8 is concerned with Management of the economy  
Para. 2.9 is concerned with Management and operation of the public service  
Para. 2.10 is concerned with Internal discussion and advice  
Para. 2.11 is concerned with Public employment and public appointments  
Para. 2.12 is concerned with Improper gain or advantage  
Para. 2.13 is concerned with Research, statistics and analysis  
Para. 2.14 is concerned with Third party information  
Para. 2.15 is concerned with Privacy of the individual  
Para. 2.16 is concerned with Business affairs  
Para. 2.17 is concerned with Premature requests  
Para. 2.18 is concerned with Legal restrictions

The above statistics reflect the reasons cited by agencies in decisions to refuse information requests made under the Code; possible reviews of the decisions are not captured.  
As there may be more than one reason to refuse a request, the total number of times the exemption provisions are cited may exceed the total number of refused requests.