

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION**

Head : 42 – Electrical and Mechanical Services Department
Subhead:

Programme : (2) Mechanical Installations Safety

Controlling Officer : Director of Electrical and Mechanical Services

Director of Bureau : Secretary for Transport and Housing

Question:

For “the completed investigation of railway incidents” in 2010, please advise this committee:

- (a) The number of people affected by the railway incidents; and
- (b) The average time required to carry out the related investigation of railway incidents.

Asked by : Hon. WONG Kwok-hing

Reply :

- (a) The Electrical and Mechanical Services Department is responsible for the safety aspects of railway system and does not have statistical data on the number of people affected by such incidents. MTR is a railway system carrying 1.3 billion passenger trips annually (excluding Light Rail and cross-boundary service). We understand that 99.9% of these passengers reached their destinations within five minutes of their scheduled arrival times in 2010.
- (b) In general, the investigation for minor incidents will take a few days to complete. For major incidents, it will take a few months to complete the entire investigation process.

Signature



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