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Question (Member Question No. 626):

Please provide a breakdown by 18 District Council districts of the volume of sewage collected and treated, and the expenditure and manpower involved each year over the past 5 years in Hong Kong.

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Reply:

The annual volume of sewage collected and treated by Drainage Services Department over the past 5 years are summarized below. Since the sewage catchments of the treatment facilities do not totally match with the boundaries of the District Councils, we do not have a breakdown by District Council districts of the volume of sewage treated. Figures showing the volume of sewage treated in the table below are listed under three regions, namely, Hong Kong & Outlying Islands, Kowloon and New Territories.

Region Year	Hong Kong & Outlying Islands (million m³)	Kowloon (million m³)	New Territories (million m³)	Total (million m³)
2009	254	456	268	978
2010	260	454	264	978
2011	266	451	262	979
2012	276	460	271	1 007
2013	272	464	277	1 013

The overall annual expenditure on operation and maintenance and manpower involved in sewage collection and treatment over the past 5 financial years are summarized below. Given the sewage treatment facilities and connected sewerage systems are closely linked and of different scales, the Department has shared resources and a breakdown by districts of the manpower and expenditure in relation to “sewage collection” and “sewage treatment” is not available.

Year	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14 Revised estimate
Operation & Maintenance Expenditure (\$ million)	1,109.4	1,172.4	1,203.5	1,249.3	1,279.9
Manpower (number of staff)	941	919	936	944	947