



# Routine Food Surveillance Results (Second Quarter 2018)

Civic Municipal Affairs Bureau
Food Safety Centre

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- The Centre conducted the food surveillance and sampling plan based on the types of food circulating in Macao.
- The Centre collected a total of 788 samples in the second quarter of 2018.





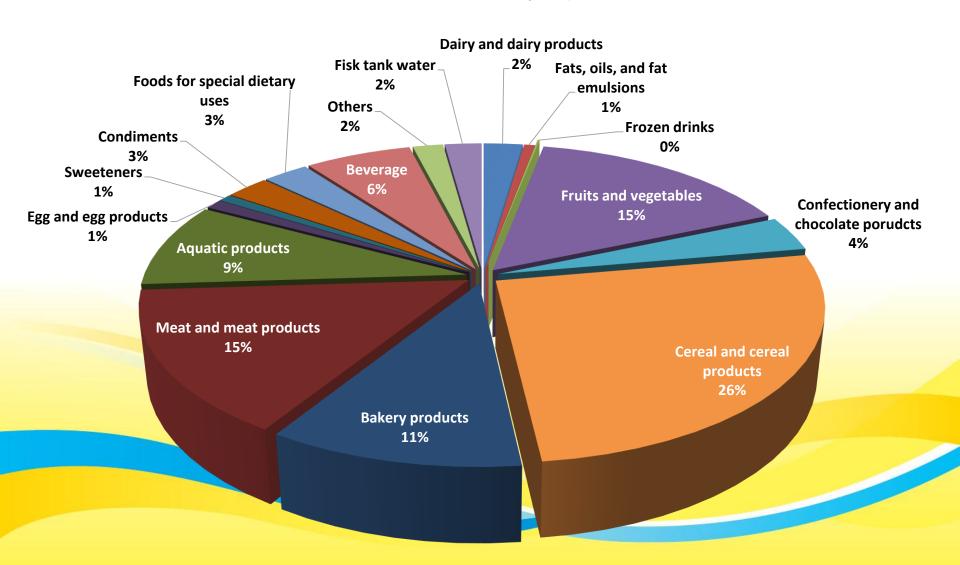
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• Samples were collected from local supermarkets, grocery stores, department stores, restaurants, take-away shops, etc.



## Types of samples

(Types of samples included various ready-to-eat foods, beverages, groceries, snacks, etc., a total of 788 samples)



# Types of food

Food category	Food example	
Meat and meat products :	Luncheon meat, spiced pork cubes, ham, meatball, Siu-Mei, Lo-Mei, marinated pig's ear, pork chop, dried pork, etc.	
Cereal and cereal products :	White rice, brown rice, rice vermicelli, rice and wheat noodle, pasta, etc.	
Beverage:	Bottled water, bottle beverage, pre-packed drinks, homemade beverages, etc.	
Fruits and vegetables :	Salad, pre-cut fruits, bean products, etc.	
Bakery products :	Bread, cake, tart, pastries, etc.	
Aquatic products :	Sashimi, seafood salad, steamed fish, fish ball, etc.	
Condiments :	Salad dressing, sweet and sour sauce, curry sauce, satay sauce, chicken powder, etc.	
Frozen drinks :	Sorbet, popsicles, ice-cream, ice cream drink, etc.	
Fats, oils, and fat emulsions	Corn oil, olive oil, blended oil, etc.	
Dairy and dairy products :	Milk powder, milk, cheese, cheesecake, etc.	
Egg and egg products :	Scramble egg, omelet, steamed egg, egg products, etc.	
Confectionery and chocolate products :	Soft candy, hard candy, chocolate, etc.	
Others:	Cheese flavored rings, potato chips, prawn chips, etc.	

### Types of test

#### **■** Microbiological analysis

(Pathogen) e.g. Staphylococcus aureus, Salmonella, Vibro Cholerae, Listeria monocytogenes, Bacillus subtilis, Clostridium perfringens, and Campylobacter etc.

#### Chemical analysis

Benzoic acid, sorbic acid, lead, cadmium, total mercury, total arsenic, aluminium, sulphur dioxide, boric acid, salicylic acid, etc.

#### Radiation level analysis

Iodine-131, Caesium-134, Caesium-137

#### **Test results**

- The overall satisfactory rate was 99.9%.
- 1 food sample was found to be unsatisfactory.

### **Test results**

• The results showed that one sample failed the test.

Sample	Testing item	Result
Engawa Sashimi	Listeria monocytogens	Detected in 25 g/ml samples



# Follow-up and Preventive Actions

- Upon receiving the test results, follow-up actions have been taken on the unsatisfactory sample in order to safeguard food safety:
  - ✓ Request the respective shops to stop selling the affected products.
  - ✓ Check the source and distribution of related foods.
  - ✓ Inform the suppliers and the retailers to stop selling the affected batch of the products.
  - Request the manufacturers to check the food source and production processes.
  - ✓ Re-check.
  - ✓ Publish press release.

#### **Advice for Trade**

- Purchase foods and ingredients from reputable suppliers. Do not buy food from unknown sources.
- Keep all the purchase and sale records for product tracing by the competent government authorities whenever necessary.
- Increase food safety awareness of food handlers. Store and handle food properly. Raw food and cooked food must be stored and prepared separately to avoid cross-contamination.
- Do not purchase or sell any food products if there is any doubt about its hygiene and safety.

#### **Advice for Consumers**

- Buy foods from reliable, reputable, hygienic and licensed stores or food establishments.
- Eat and purchase fresh, non-abnormal and well-prepared aquatic products and foods.
- Do not purchase or eat any food if there is any doubt about its safety or quality.

