



Routine Food Surveillance Results (First Quarter 2018)

Civic Municipal Affairs Bureau Food Safety Centre

Routine Food Surveillance for first Quarter 2018

- The Centre conducted the food surveillance and sampling plan based on the types of food circulating in Macao.
- The Centre collected a total of 794 samples in the first quarter of 2018.



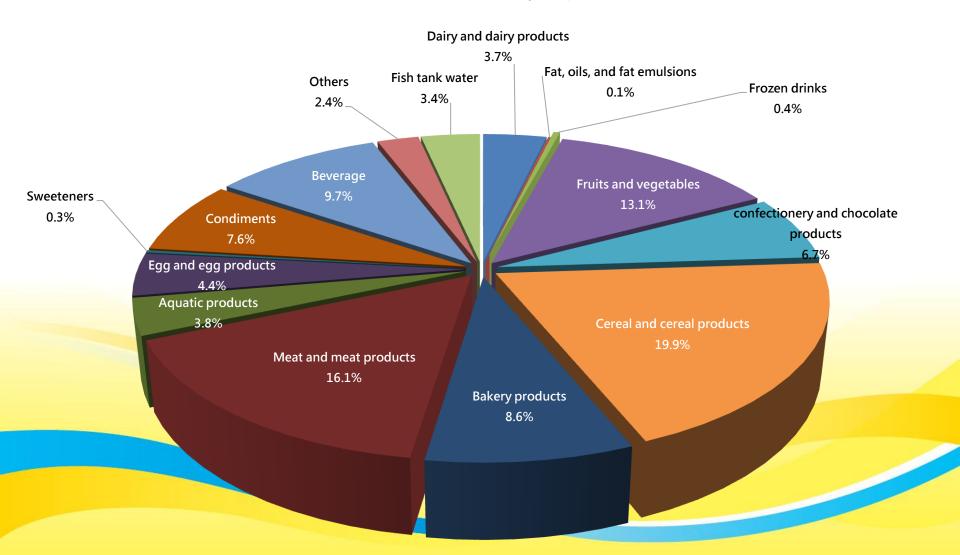
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• Samples were collected from local supermarkets, grocery stores, department stores, restaurants, take-away shops, etc.



Types of samples

(Types of samples included various ready-to-eat foods, beverages, groceries, snacks, etc., a total of 794 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, nitrite, melamine, Sudan red, chlortetracycline, terramycin, tetracycline, spectinomycin, tylosin, methyl paraben Ethyl p-hydroxybenzoate, sulphur dioxide, 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
Shrimp	3-amino-2-oxazolidinone(AOZ) (Nitrofuran Metabolites)	Detected



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:
 - Check the source and distribution of related foods.
 - ✓ Re-check.
 - There is no abnormality in the results of the re-check.

Advice for Trade

- Purchase foods and ingredients from reputable suppliers. Do not buy food from unknown sources.
- Purchase fresh and hygienic foods. Avoid to buy spoilage or organoleptic foods.
- Keep all the purchase and sale records for product tracing by the competent government authorities whenever necessary.
- 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.



