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Head: (30) Correctional Services Department

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<u>Programme</u>: (1) Prison Management

<u>Controlling Officer</u>: Commissioner of Correctional Services (YAU Chi-chiu)

<u>Director of Bureau</u>: Secretary for Security

Question:

Please provide the budgets for prison management in the past 5 years and the coming financial year. What are the respective monthly unit costs for detaining a young offender in Training Centre, Detention Centre and Rehabilitation Centre?

Asked by: Hon CHEUNG Chiu-hung, Fernando (Member Question No. 148)

Reply:

The expenditures and estimates for Prison Management from 2010-11 to 2015-16 are set out below:

Year	\$ million
2010-11 (Actual expenditure)	1,998.5
2011-12 (Actual expenditure)	2,119.1
2012-13 (Actual expenditure)	2,243.6
2013-14 (Actual expenditure)	2,355.2
2014-15 (Revised estimate)	2,515.5
2015-16 (Estimate)	2,556.6

Apart from detaining persons in custody, the daily operation of the Correctional Services Department includes other related work and services that are not institution-specific, e.g. escort of persons in custody to and from courts and hospitals, and provision of medical, welfare and aftercare services, etc. As such, it is difficult to accurately calculate the cost of detaining a person in custody at a particular type of correctional facility. The average daily penal population at correctional facilities in the past 5 years were as follows:

Year	Average daily penal population (persons)
2010	10 073
2011	9 658
2012	9 247
2013	9 206
2014	8 797