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Question:

Please set out in tabular form the sighting of an Unidentified Flying Object (UFO) in the 18 districts in Hong Kong recorded by the Hong Kong Observatory in the past 5 years. Which district and which time slot have recorded the highest number of UFO sightings?

Asked by: Hon CHAN Chi-chuen (LegCo internal reference no.: 308)

Reply:

The Hong Kong Observatory received a total of 88 reports of Unidentified Flying Object (UFO) from members of the public from 2014 to 2018. The breakdown of reports each year by districts is shown in Annex A, and the breakdown by time slots is shown in Annex B. Sai Kung is the district with the highest number of UFO sightings (i.e. 9 reports of such sightings). The time slot from 6:00 p.m. to 7:59 p.m. has the highest number of UFO sightings (i.e. 19 reports of such sightings).

Number of sightings of Unidentified Flying Object (UFO) by members of the public from 2014 to 2018 by districts

		Sub-total of				
District	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	each
						district in 2014-2018
Hong Kong Island – Eastern	2	1	1	_	_	4
Hong Kong Island – Wan Chai	3	-	1	1	-	5
Hong Kong Island – Central and	_	2	1	_	2	5
Western	-		1		2	
Hong Kong Island – Southern	1	-	1	1	-	3
Kowloon East – Kwun Tong	-	-	-	-	2	2
Kowloon East – Wong Tai Sin	1	-	ı	-	-	1
Kowloon West – Yau Tsim Mong	-	-	2	-	-	2
Kowloon West – Kowloon City	-	1	ı	-	2	3
Kowloon West – Sham Shui Po	-	1	-	1	1	3
New Territories East – Sai Kung	-	-	3	2	4	9
New Territories East – Sha Tin	2	1	-	-	2	5
New Territories East – Tai Po	-	-	-	1	-	1
New Territories East – North	1	-	1	2	1	5
New Territories West –	1	3		1		5
Kwai Tsing	1	3		1	_	J
New Territories West –	2	-	-	3	3	8
Tsuen Wan						
New Territories West –	2		1		2	5
Tuen Mun	2	_	1	_	2	3
New Territories West –	1	1	1	1	2	6
Yuen Long		1		1		_
New Territories West – Islands	1	-	3	-	1	5
Others (District not mentioned in	4	_	4	1	2	11
reports)		_				11
Sub-total of all districts each year	21	10	19	14	24	-
Total	88					

Number of sightings of Unidentified Flying Object (UFO) by members of the public from 2014 to 2018 by time of the day

		Ca	Sub-total of each				
Time Slot	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	time slot in	
						2014-2018	
00:00 - 01:59	2	1	ı	ı	ı	3	
02:00 - 03:59	-	-	2	1	ı	2	
04:00 - 05:59	-	-	ı	ı	ı	0	
06:00 - 07:59	1	1	-	1	1	4	
08:00 - 09:59	1	1	-	2	1	5	
10:00 - 11:59	1	-	1	-	-	2	
12:00 - 13:59	1	1	-	-	-	2	
14:00 - 15:59	-	-	2	-	1	3	
16:00 - 17:59	4	2	1	2	6	15	
18:00 - 19:59	1	1	8	5	4	19	
20:00 - 21:59	2	3	1	-	2	8	
22:00 - 23:59	3	-	-	1	5	9	
Others (Time not	5		4	3	4	16	
mentioned in reports)	J	-	4	3	4	10	
Sub-total of all	21	10	19	14	24		
time slots each year	41	10	19	14	<i>2</i> 4	-	
Total	88						