



Year	1986	1991	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
No.	247	1234	1008	1190	2247	2326	2064	2347	2303	2705	1974	1900	2228

Year	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
No.	3824	4287	4222	5656	6878	7529	6166	6818	6029	13158	11811	11880

Operational Definitions

The number of public meetings including notified public meetings, public processions approved, notified public procession, non-notifiable public meetings and non-notifiable public processions. Figures for non-notifiable public meetings and non-notifiable public processions are first maintained since December 1997.

Footnote

Figures for 1983, 1987 and 1992 are collected from Royal Hong Kong Police Force.

Figures after 1997 are collected from Hong Kong Police Force.

Remarks: There is no legal definition of 'demonstration' in the Public Order Ordinance (POO) Cap.245. On the contrary, the definitions of 'Public Meeting' and 'Public Procession' have been stipulated in S.2 of POO. S. 7 of the POO requires meetings of more than 50 persons in public or more than 500 persons in private to be notified. S. 13 of the POO requires that processions of more than 30 persons must be notified and the Commissioner must in turn notify the organiser that he has, or has not, any objections. The figures opposite include public meetings and public processions both notifiable and non-notifiable.