

105 Accident Risks

105 Accidents Involving MCAS Futenma Aircrafts (Average: Approx. 2.4accidents/year)

Total includes accident reports from the time of Okinawa's return to the Mainland until March 18, 2015.

Recent Accidents Involving Aircrafts Stationed at MCAS Futenma

(data updated March 18, 2015)

2013	Feb. 20	CH-46 Hard landing during training exercise in Thailand; 5 injured
	Apr. 2	Gas cap dropped from AH-1W on its way back to MCAS Futenma from training
	Apr. 16	CH-53E catches fire after hard landing in Korea during training
	Aug. 12	CH-53E Emergency landing at Kadena Air Base due to a warning light on control panel
2014	Jun. 17	Static Wick* dropped from MV-22 during flight training off coast *Static wick: thin metal part about the size of a pen
	Aug. 21	Gas cap dropped from AH-1W on its way back to MCAS Futenma from training
	Sep. 18	Wing bolt and gasket dropped from AH-1W on its way back to MCAS Futenma from training
2015	Jan.15	208kg worth of supplies including a missile launcher dropped off the coast of Idesuna Jima Training Area from AH-1W
	Mar. 12	Thin, aluminum part dropped from MV-22 while responding to a forest fire in the Central Training Area

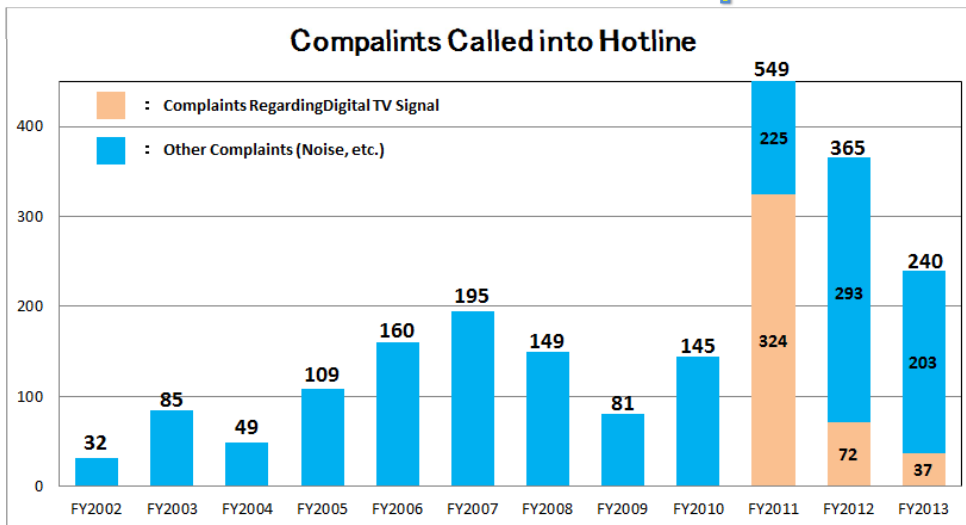
Effects on Terrestrial Digital Broadcasting (TV signal)

There have been many complaints from residents all over Ginowan City regarding the aircrafts' interception of TV signals (Terrestrial Digital Broadcasting) causing temporary loss of signal every time an aircraft flies over a residence. Upon requesting assistance from the Government of Japan, the Okinawa Defense Bureau has approved for certain parts of the city (Nodake, Futenma, Aragusuku) to obtain funded remediation work. However, the city still receives complaints from residents living in parts of the city excluded from funding. The city is continuously seeking solutions to solve the issue.

Number of Complaints Regarding Digital Broadcasting TV Signal

Fiscal Year 2011	Fiscal Year 2012	Fiscal Year 2013	2014 (as of Dec.)
324	72	37	25

After-hours Hotline for Complaints Regarding Base



Ginowan City has established a hotline to accommodate complaints made outside of our office hours.

The Hotline is a automated messaging system which staff will review the following morning and relay any messages to the mayor, U.S. military and Okinawa Defense Bureau. In the case that numerous complaints are made about the same topic, the city directly petitions to the appropriate entities.

This hotline is for those who would like to make a complaint or express concerns regarding the U.S. military bases outside of Ginowan City Office Hours

Ginowan City Military Base Hotline



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