

Marine Water Quality in Hong Kong in 2014



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Introduction

The Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) has a land area of 1,104km² and 1,651km² of marine waters. It has long coastlines, including 462km in the Kowloon Peninsula and New Territories and 727km in Hong Kong Island, Lantau Island and other small islands. Excluding Hong Kong Island and Lantau Island, there are 261 islands in the territory, each with an area greater than 500m². Its coastal waters support a variety of marine life.



Map of Hong Kong water showing different beneficial uses

To protect the marine environment of Hong Kong, the Environmental Protection Department (EPD) has initiated a comprehensive marine water quality monitoring programme since 1986. The aims and objectives of the programme are to:

- evaluate the state of coastal waters;
- monitor long-term changes in water quality;
- provide a scientific basis for planning water pollution control strategies; and
- assess compliance with the key statutory Water Quality Objectives (WQOs).

Every month, the EPD monitors the marine water quality at 76 monitoring stations and collects and examines phytoplankton samples from 25 of the stations. We also monitor the water quality of 17 typhoon shelters, marinas and dockyard across Hong Kong bimonthly. In addition, sediment samples are collected and analyzed at 60 stations, covering typhoon shelters, marinas and dockyard, twice a year.



EPD's marine monitoring vessel

"Dr. Catherine Lam"

The EPD has a dedicated marine monitoring vessel “*Dr. Catherine Lam*”. It is equipped with an advanced conductivity-temperature-depth (CTD) profiler linked to a computer-controlled rosette water sampler which takes field measurements and collects water samples simultaneously. Marine sediments are collected using a Van Veen sediment grab sampler. The water and sediment samples are analysed by EPD’s laboratory and the Government Laboratory on over 80 physical, chemical and biological parameters.

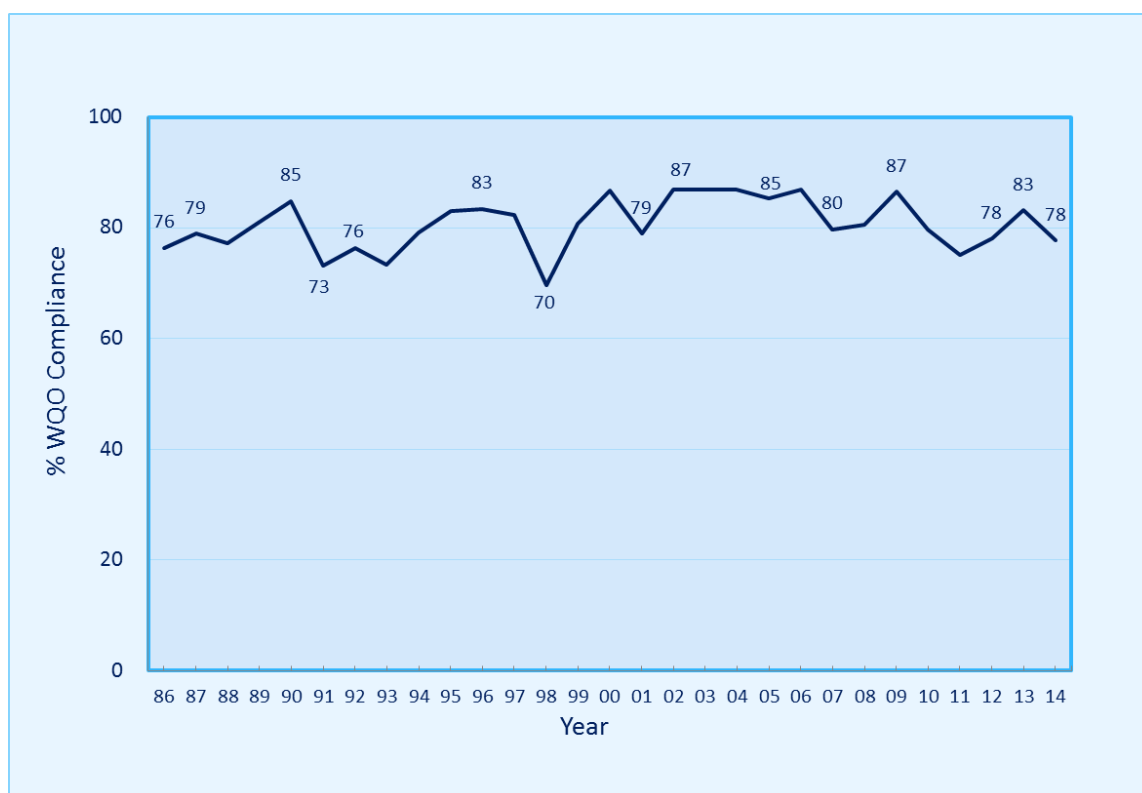


Water sampling by computer-controlled rosette water sampler

The State of Hong Kong Marine Waters in 2014

The calculation of the overall WQO compliance rate of the whole territory is based on the combined individual compliance rates of all stations with the marine WQOs for four key parameters namely Dissolved Oxygen (DO), Total Inorganic Nitrogen (TIN), Unionised Ammonia Nitrogen (NH₃-N) and *E. coli* bacteria.

The overall marine water quality compliance with the WQOs in Hong Kong was 78% in 2014, compared with 83% in 2013 and 78% in 2012.

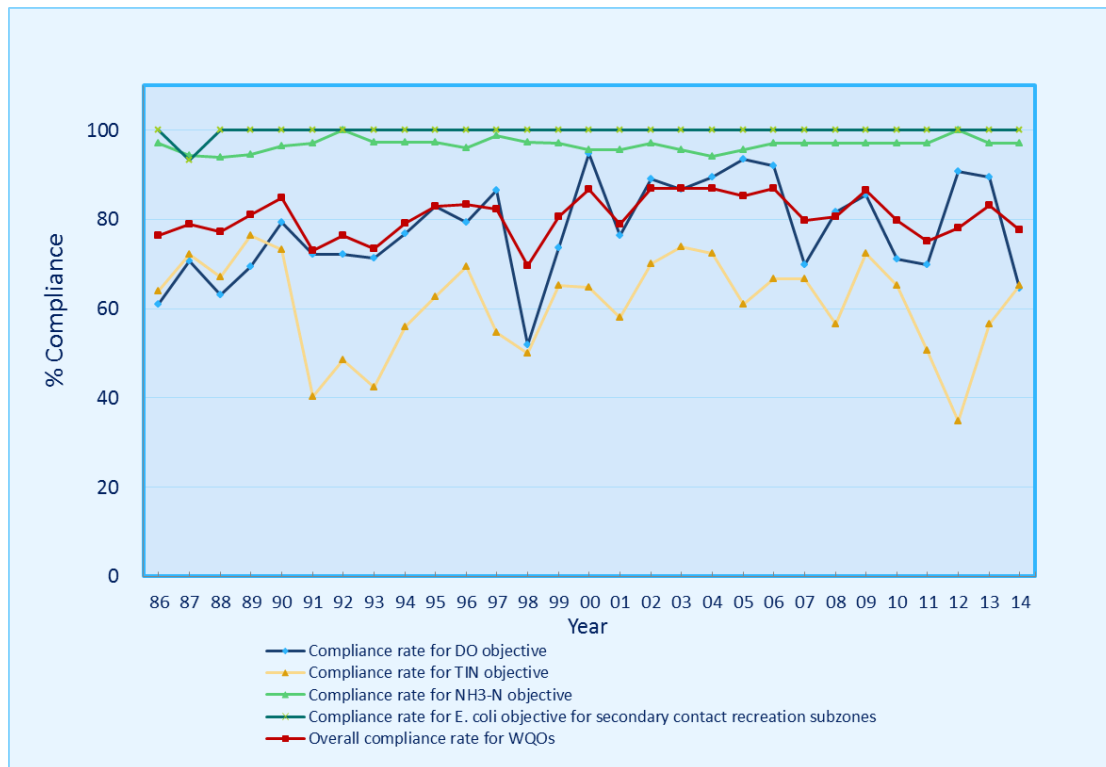


Overall compliance with the marine Water Quality Objectives
in Hong Kong, 1986-2014

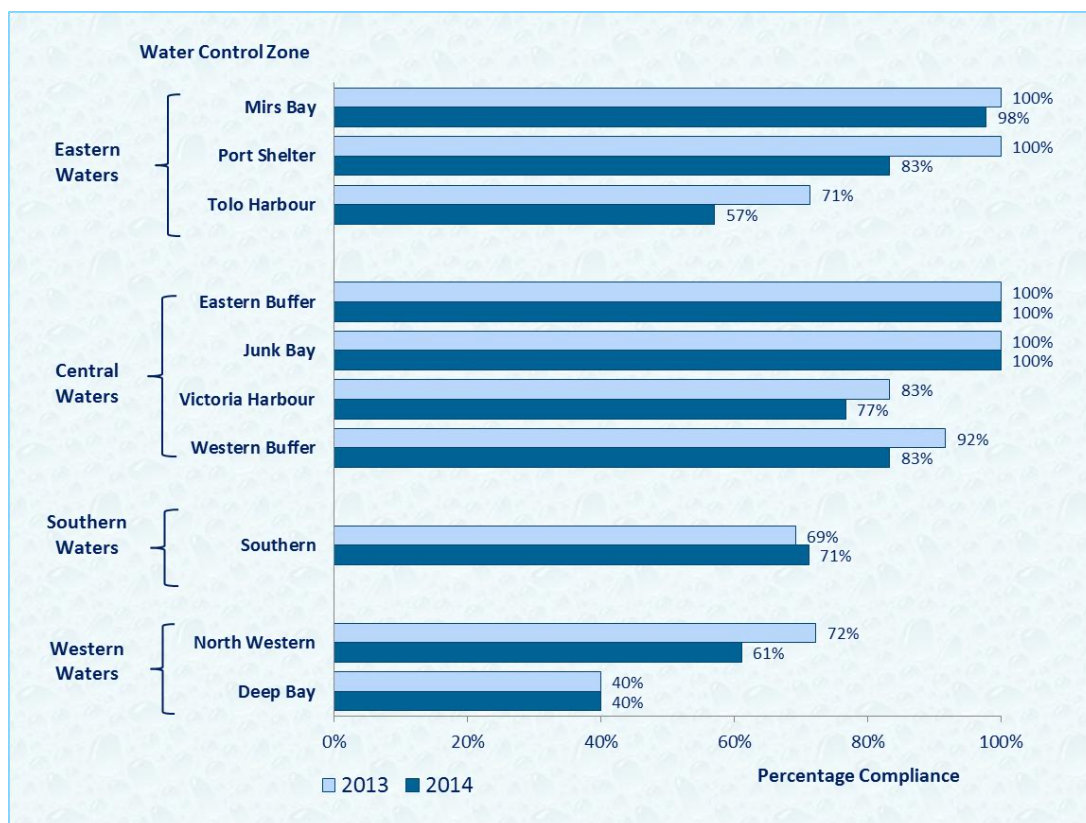
A lower overall WQO compliance rate in 2014 compared with 2013 was mainly due to the lower compliance rates with the dissolved oxygen (DO) objective from 89.5% in 2013 to 64.5% in 2014. On the other hand, compliance rates with the total inorganic nitrogen (TIN) objective increased from 34.8% in 2012 to 56.5% in 2013 and 65.2% in 2014.

Territory-wide, one Water Control Zone (WCZ) (i.e. Southern WCZs) has higher overall compliance rate, six WCZs (i.e. North Western, Western Buffer, Victoria Harbour, Tolo Harbour and Channel, Port Shelter and Mirs Bay WCZs) have lower overall compliance rate, and for the remaining three WCZs (i.e. Deep Bay, Eastern Buffer and Junk Bay WCZs) the overall

compliance rate remains unchanged.



Overall compliance rate with the WQOs and the compliance rates for the four objectives in Hong Kong, 1986-2014



Overall level of compliance with the Water Quality Objectives in the ten Water Control Zones in 2013 and 2014

The improvement of overall compliance rate in the Southern WCZ in 2014 was mainly due to higher compliance rates with the TIN objective. On the other hand, the lower compliance rates for the North Western, Western Buffer, Victoria Harbour, Tolo Harbour and Channel, Port Shelter and Mirs Bay WCZs in 2014 compared with 2013 was mainly due to a decrease in compliance with the DO objective.

Dissolved oxygen

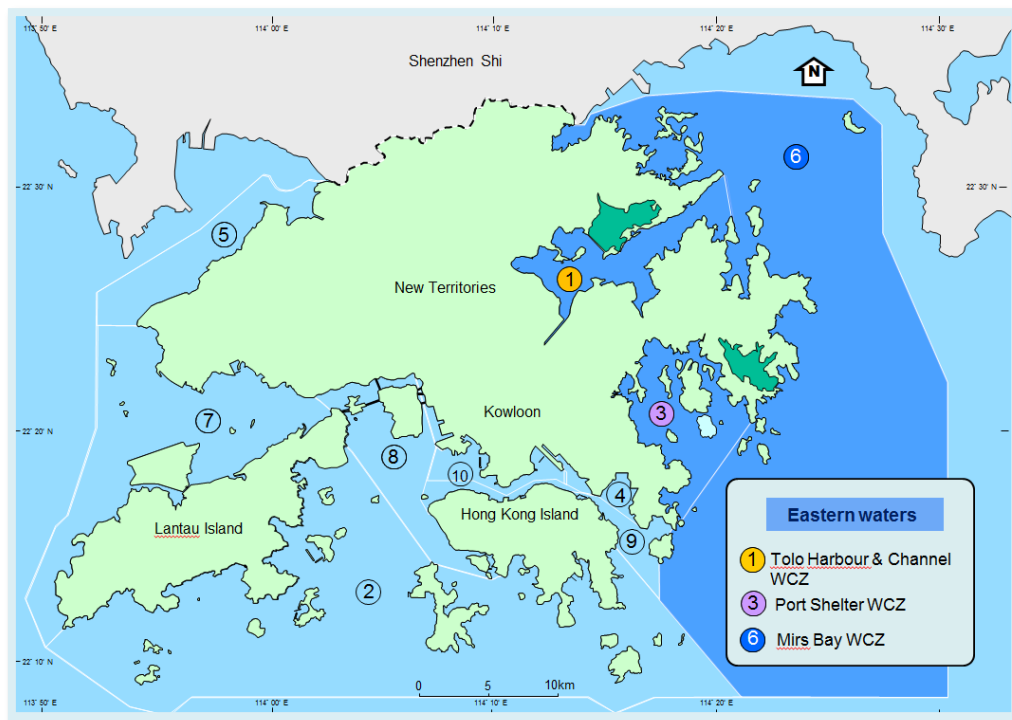
As pointed out in previous reports, the DO levels in a water body can be affected by organic pollution as well as natural factors such as temperature and stratification of the water column. High temperature can markedly reduce the solubility of oxygen in the water column, and hence the amount of dissolved oxygen level decreased in hot weather. Since 2014's monitoring data, on the basis of parameters such as organic nitrogen and 5-days Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD5), did not show any obvious sign of an increase in organic pollution in Hong Kong's waters, the lower compliance rate with the DO objective in 2014, which was mainly confined to the summer months, was likely related to the hot weather experienced during the summer months of that year. According to the Hong Kong Observatory (HK Observatory), the weather was unusually hot from June to September in 2014 with June, July and September each being the hottest June, July and September since records began in 1884¹. The decrease in dissolved oxygen level in seawater in 2014 was therefore a natural phenomenon due to the unusually high temperature in summer. Low DO was also observed during the summer months of 2011. According to the HK Observatory, in terms of mean temperature, that August was one of the three hottest months of August since records began in 1884.

¹ Hong Kong Observatory (2014) The Year's Weather – 2014 <http://www.weather.gov.hk/wxinfo/pastwx/ywx2014.htm>

The Weather of June 2014 <http://www.hko.gov.hk/wxinfo/pastwx/mws2014/mws201406.htm>

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Eastern Waters

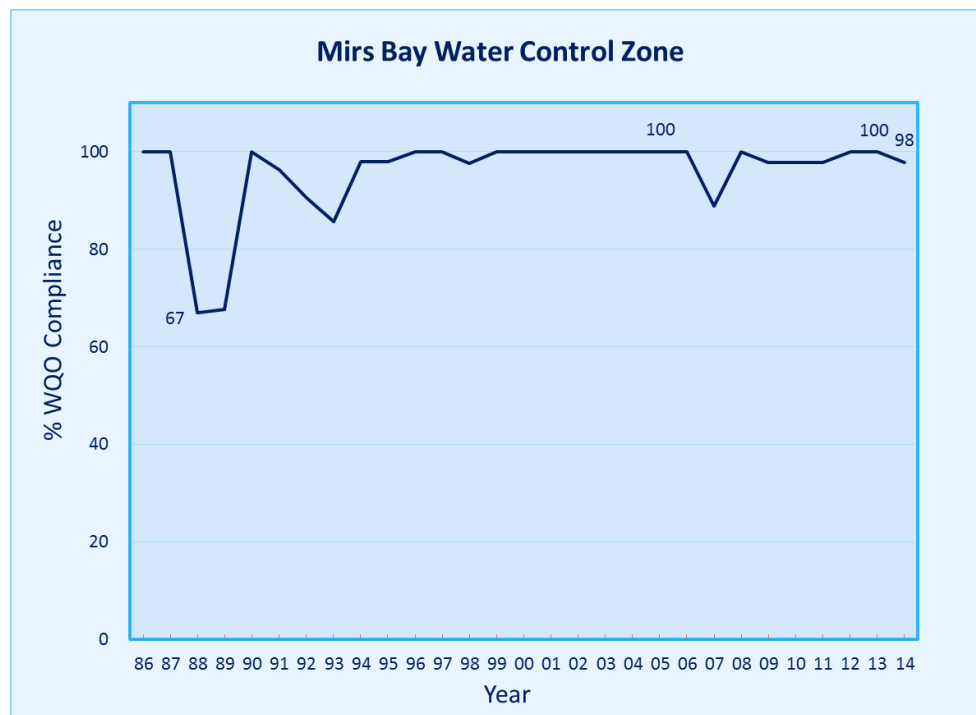


The eastern waters comprise the Mirs Bay, Port Shelter and Tolo Harbour and Channel WCZs. These waterbodies have beautiful coastlines and good water quality in general which support a diversity of marine life. Moreover, there are six gazetted beaches (Kiu Tsui, Hap Mun Bay, Trio, Silverstrand, Clear Water Bay First and Clear Water Bay Second) in Port Shelter, three marine parks (Yan Chau Tong, Hoi Ha Wan and Tung Ping Chau), 21 fish culture zones and a number of secondary contact recreation subzones located within these three WCZs.



Kiu Tsui in Port Shelter WCZ

Mirs Bay Water Control Zone

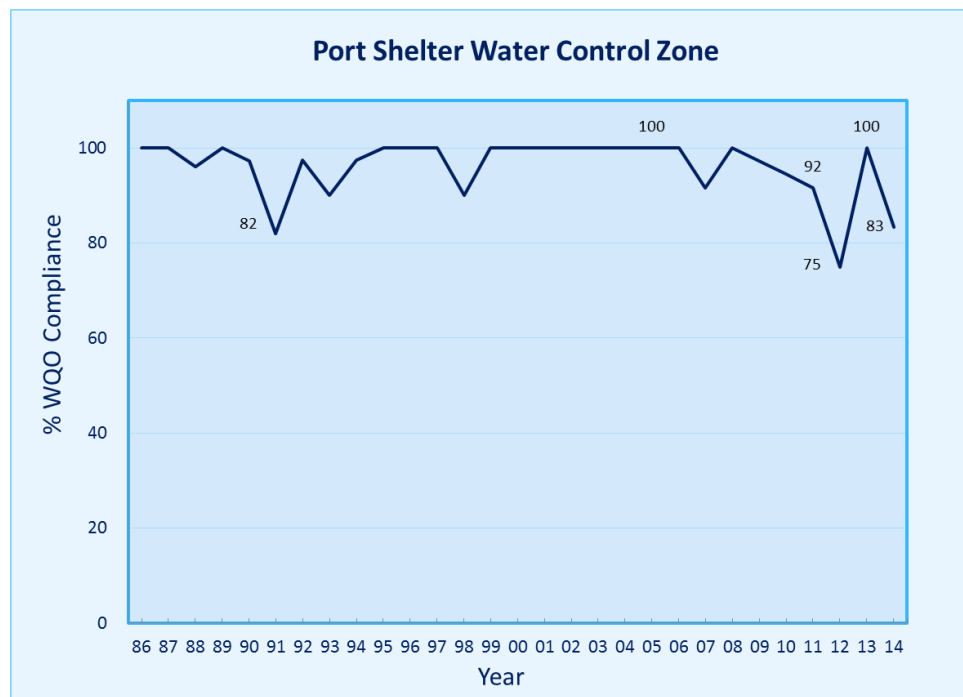


In 2014, the overall WQO compliance rate of the Mirs Bay WCZ was 98%. The water quality of the Mirs Bay WCZ was good in 2014 with high DO and low TIN levels. Moreover, the Mirs Bay WCZ also complied with the bacteriological WQO of ≤ 610 *E. coli* cfu / 100 mL (annual geometric mean) for secondary contact recreation.



Lai Chi Wo in Mirs Bay WCZ

Port Shelter Water Control Zone



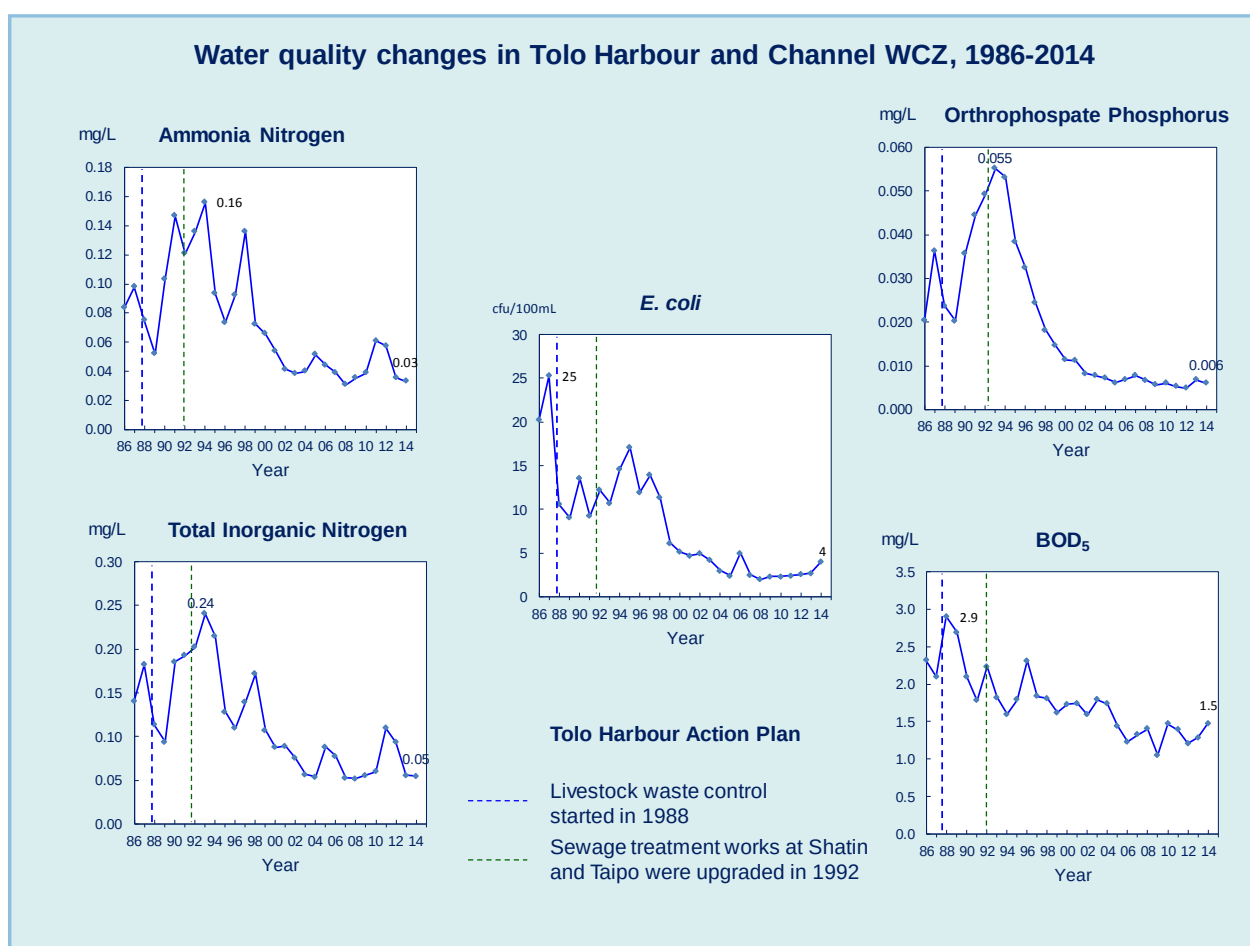
Port Shelter is a popular area for various water sports activities, including swimming, yachting, water-skiing and diving.

In 2014, the water quality of the Port Shelter WCZ was good and the overall WQO compliance rate was 83%, with full compliance with the WQOs for *E. coli*, TIN and NH₃-N.

The six gazetted beaches, which attracted 1.3 million visitors during the 2014 bathing season, complied with the water quality objective for swimming in 2014.

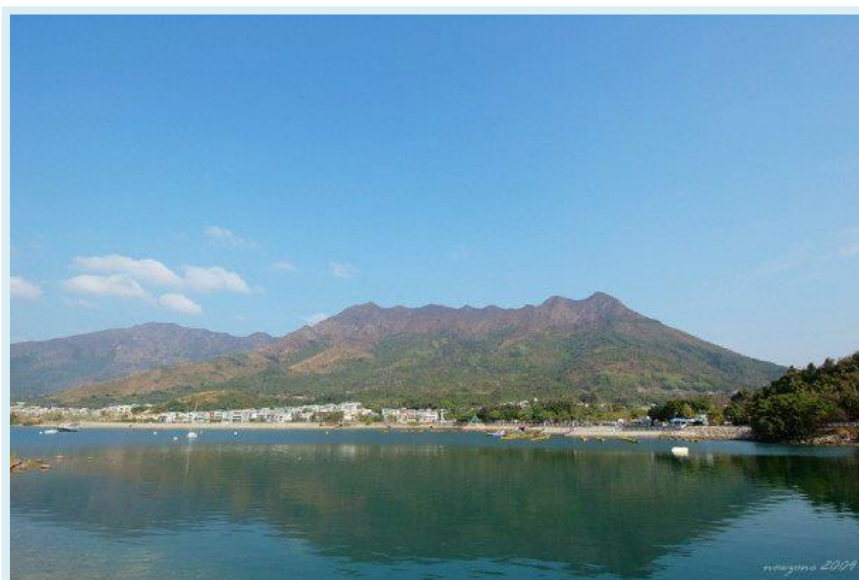
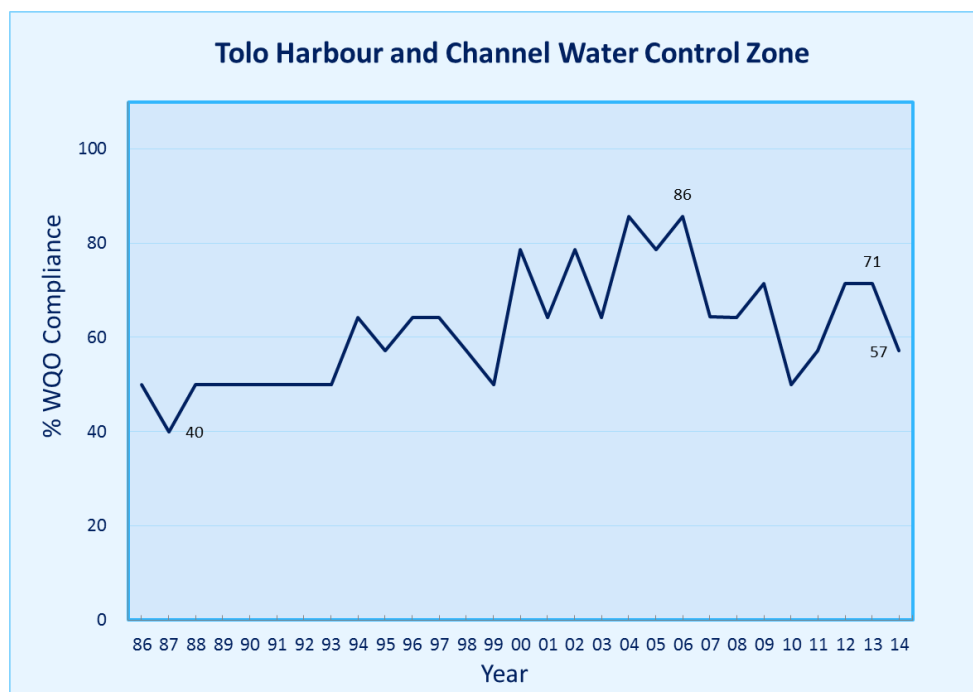
Tolo Harbour and Channel Water Control Zone

Since the implementation of the Tolo Harbour Action Plan in the mid-80s, which includes the control of livestock wastes, the improvement of sewage treatment facilities, the export of treated effluent outside Tolo Harbour and the extension of village sewerage, there has been a steady improvement in water quality in Tolo Harbour in the past decade including a decrease in the levels of 5-day Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD₅), *E. coli*, total inorganic nitrogen, ammonia nitrogen and orthophosphate phosphorus. The long term data as shown in the figures below indicated the decreasing trend of organic and nutrient loading. Moreover, Tolo Harbour is also able to comply with the bacteriological WQO of ≤ 610 *E. coli* cfu / 100 mL (annual geometric mean) for secondary contact recreation.



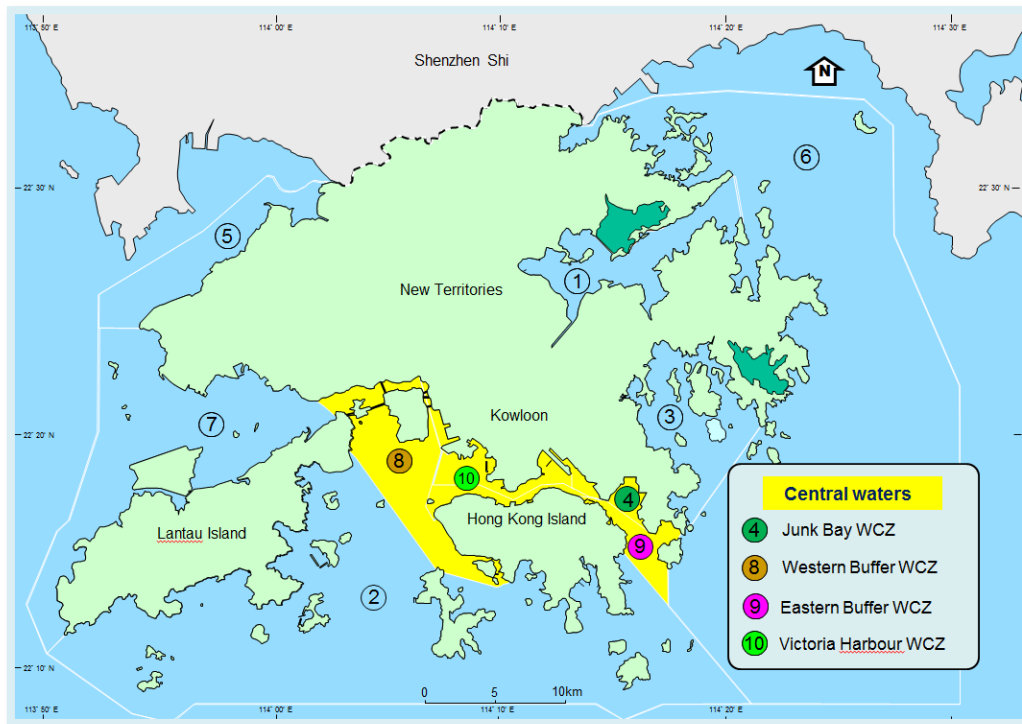
The 2014 overall WQO compliance rate of the Tolo Harbour and Channel WCZ was 57%, due to the low compliance rate with the DO objective at 14%. Since Tolo Harbour is a shallow semi-enclosed water body with low water exchange rate with Mirs Bay, the harbour's

essentially landlocked situation often leads to stratification of the water column and lower bottom DO levels particularly during the hot summer months, hence resulting in non-compliance with the DO objective in the summer months.



Tolo Harbour and Channel WCZ

Central Waters



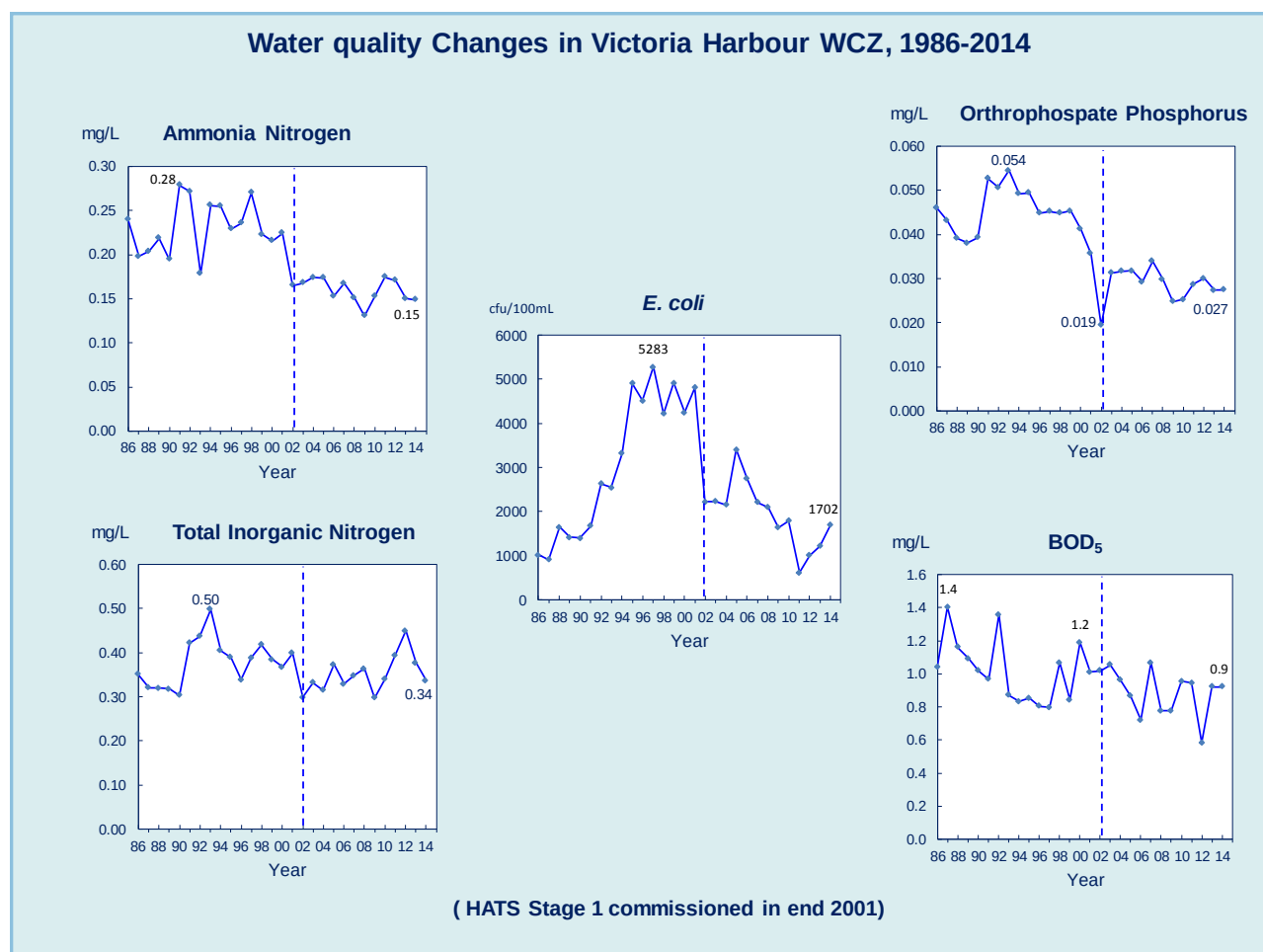
The central waters of Hong Kong, including the Victoria Harbour, Eastern Buffer, Western Buffer and Junk Bay WCZs, are important navigational channels and port areas. After the commissioning of the Stonecutters Island Sewage Treatment Works (SCISTW) under the Harbour Area Treatment Scheme (HATS) Stage 1 in end 2001, about 75% of the sewage around Victoria Harbour now receives chemically enhanced primary treatment, resulting in a 70% reduction of the pollution load (in terms of organic pollutants) into the harbour. This also leads to an improvement of water quality in the harbour which can be observed particularly in the Eastern Buffer and Junk Bay WCZs.



Victoria Harbour

Victoria Harbour Water Control Zone

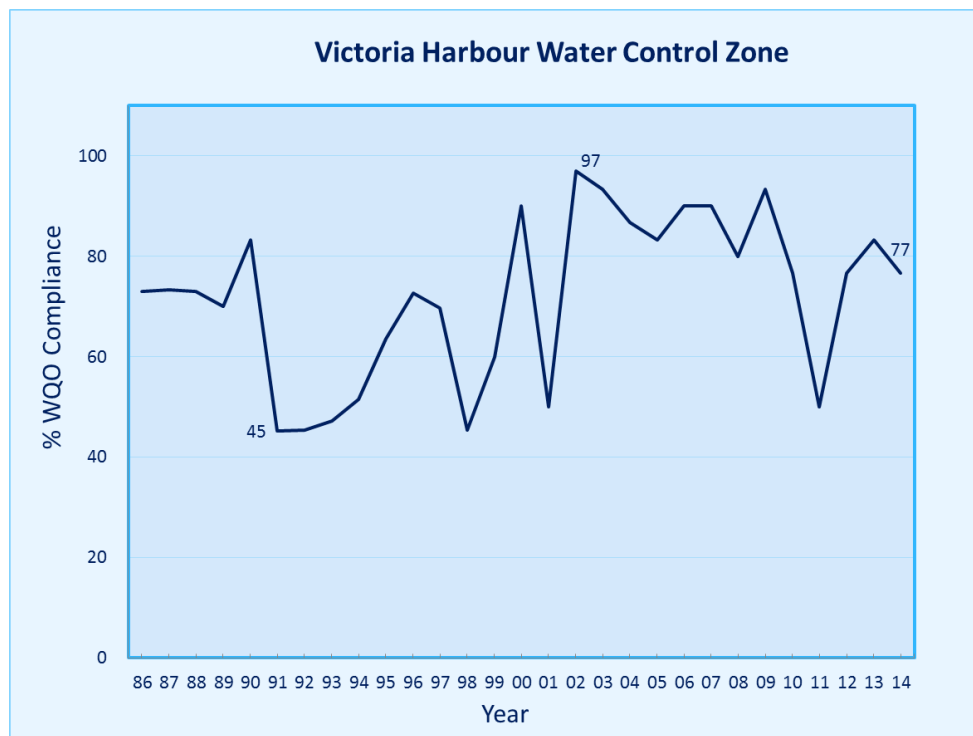
The figure below illustrates the long term trend of some important water quality parameters in Victoria Harbour since 1986 and after the implementation of the HATS Stage 1 in end 2001.



The overall WQO compliance rate of the Victoria Harbour WCZ in 2014 was 77%. Compliance with the DO objective meanwhile was 40% due to hot summer weather in 2014. Compliance rate with the TIN objective improved from 60% in 2013 to 90% in 2014. The overall annual average level of TIN in Victoria Harbour increased since 2009 and reached 0.45 mg/L in 2012, then dropped to 0.38 mg/L in 2013 and further reduced to 0.34 mg/L in 2014.

The TIN level in the Victoria Harbour WCZ could be affected by a higher background TIN level under the influence of Pearl River discharge, as reflected in the relatively high TIN level in many stations in the Northwestern and Southern WCZs, the year-to-year normal range of fluctuation of the discharge from the Tolo Harbour Effluent Export Scheme and surface run-off,

as well as the effluent discharged from the remaining preliminary treatment plants located between North Point and Central.



At present, sewage discharged from the preliminary treatment plants in North Point, Wan Chai East and Central of Hong Kong Island are still contributing to the relatively high levels of *E. coli* in central Victoria Harbour (2014 annual geometric mean of 6100 cfu/100ml at station VM5). To further improve the water quality of Victoria Harbour, the construction of HATS Stage 2A has proceeded with a view to completion and commissioning around the third quarter of 2015 (<http://www.cleanharbour.gov.hk/en/home.html>). Upon commissioning, sewage tunnels will collect the remaining 25% of the sewage currently generated daily from North Point to Ap Lei Chau in the middle and western parts of Hong Kong Island, and convey the sewage to the SCISTW for treatment.

On the other hand, the *E. coli* level in the eastern side of Victoria Harbour has markedly improved since HATS Stage I was commissioned in end 2001. The Cross Harbour Swim, suspended from 1979 because of poor water quality, has resumed since 2011 in the eastern side of the harbour.

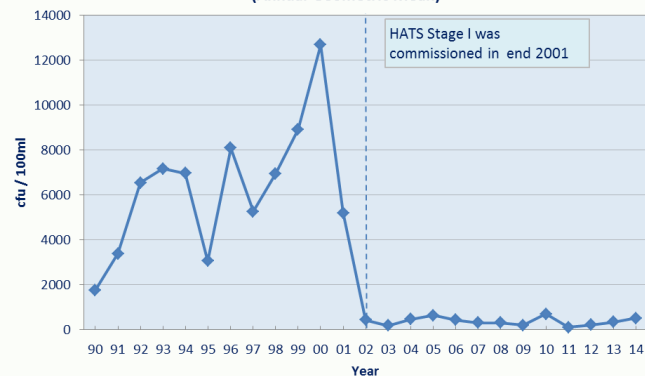
Cross Harbour Swim in Eastern Side of the Victoria Harbour

Since 2002, *E. coli* level in the eastern part of the Victoria Harbour has markedly improved.

Four annual events had been organised:

- October 2011
- October 2012
- October 2013
- October 2014

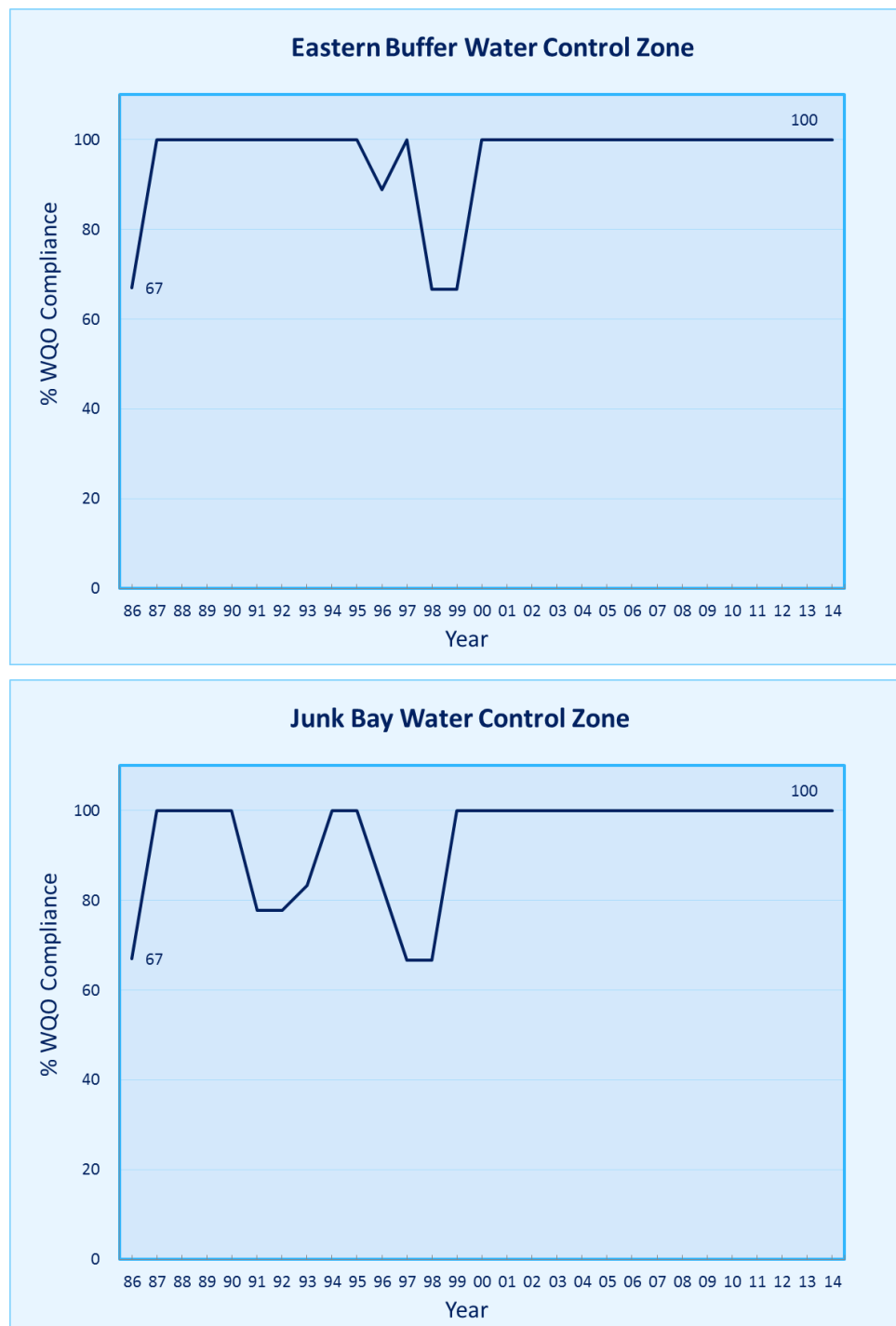
***E. coli* Level at VM1**
(Annual Geometric Mean)



About 2000 participants took part in the 2014 Cross Harbour Swim

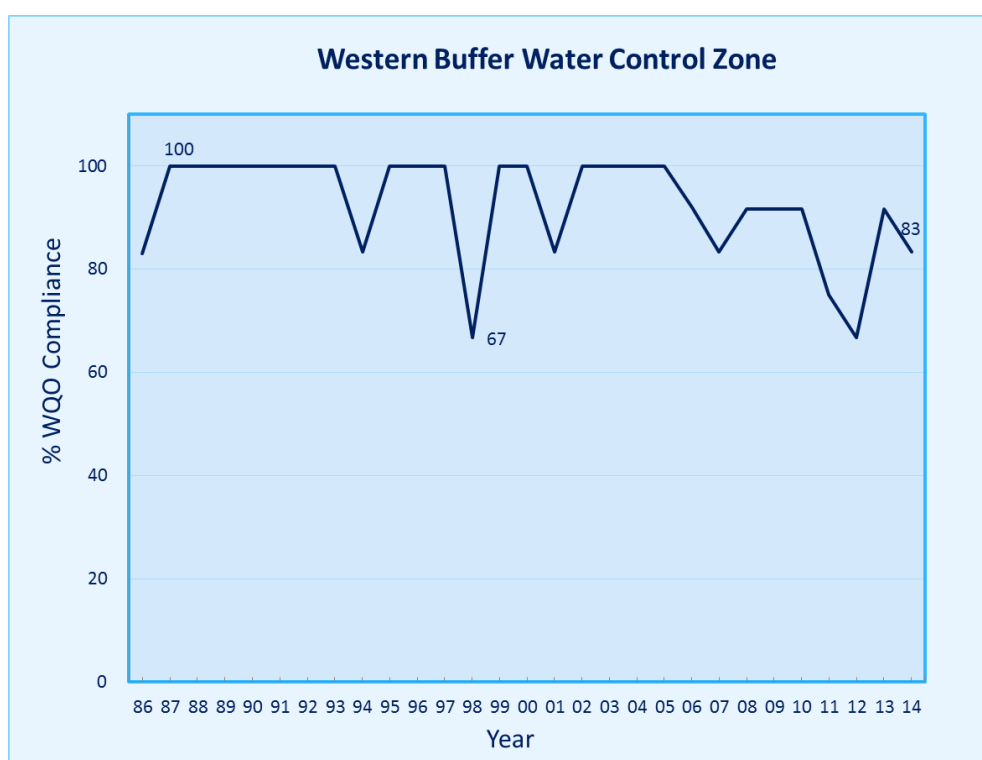
Eastern Buffer and Junk Bay Water Control Zones

Both the Eastern Buffer and Junk Bay WCZs have achieved full compliance (100%) with the WQOs in 2014. Indeed, since the implementation of HATS Stage 1 in end 2001 by which all sewage generated from Junk Bay (Tseung Kwan O), the Kowloon Peninsula and east of Hong Kong Island (Chai Wan) was diverted and treated at the SCISTW, the water quality of these two WCZs has improved markedly with increasing DO and decreasing nutrient and bacterial levels.



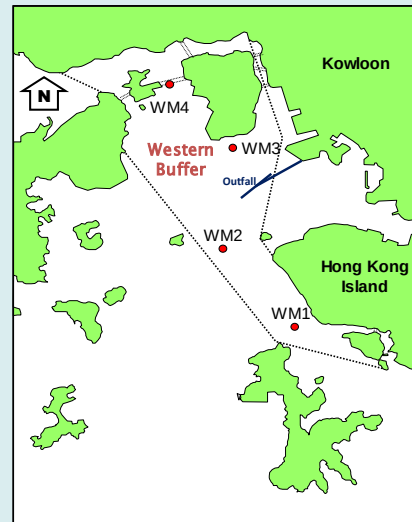
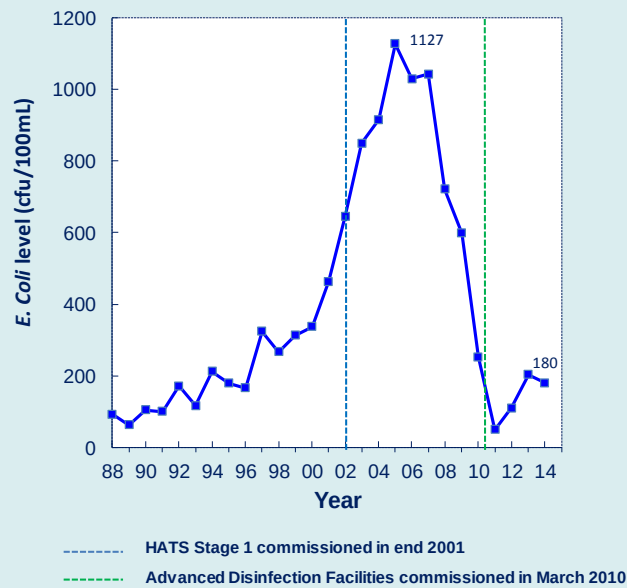
Western Buffer Water Control Zone

The Western Buffer WCZ achieved 83% overall compliance with the WQOs in 2014, with full compliance with the WQOs for TIN and NH₃-N. The overall annual average level of TIN was 0.25 mg/L in 2014, as compared with 0.33 mg/L, 0.38 mg/L and 0.32 mg/L in 2013, 2012 and 2011, respectively. Similar to the Victoria Harbour WCZ, the fluctuation of TIN levels in the Western Buffer WCZ in recent years could be influenced by the discharges of Pearl River, the year to year fluctuation of surface run-off, as well as the discharges from the five preliminary treatment plants located at Sandy Bay, Cyberport, Wah Fu, Ap Lei Chau and Aberdeen.



On the other hand, since the commissioning of the Advance Disinfection Facilities at the SCISTW in March 2010, the *E. coli* level in the WCZ decreased by over 90% in 2011, as compared with the pre-commissioning period of 2009.

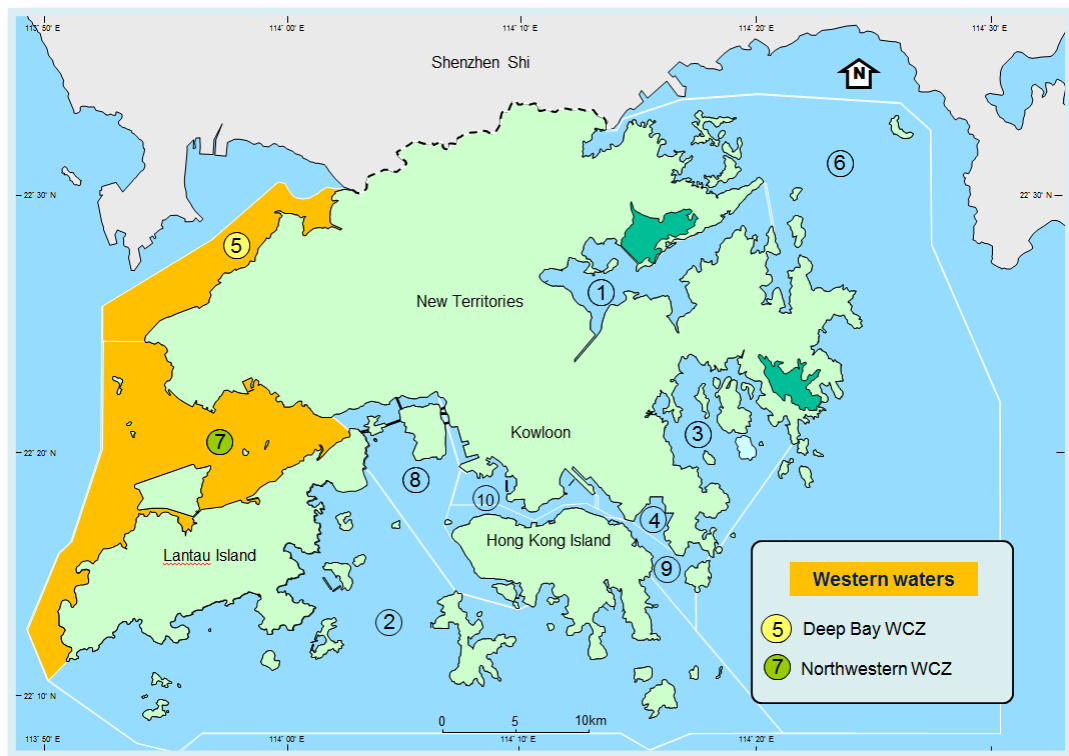
**Annual geometric mean *E. coli* levels at the Western Buffer WCZ
(4 stations, WM1- 4) from 1988 to 2014**



**Monitoring Stations in the Western Buffer
Water Control Zone**

There are 8 gazetted beaches located in Tsuen Wan District of this WCZ. In 2014, all 8 gazetted beaches complied with the water quality objective for swimming, for five consecutive years since 2010.

Western Waters



The Deep Bay and North Western WCZs are located to the west of Hong Kong. Other than local discharges, both WCZs were influenced by the discharges from Pearl River during the wet season. The Deep Bay WCZ also receives discharges from Shenzhen River all year round.

The Deep Bay WCZ includes the ecologically sensitive Mai Po and Inner Deep Bay Ramsar site, and areas of oyster culture. The Ramsar Site inside Deep Bay supports a high diversity of birds. It is an important feeding and resting ground for wintering and migratory birds, including a number of globally threatened species (e.g. Black-faced Spoonbill, Saunders's Gull and Imperial Eagle).



Mai Po in Deep Bay WCZ

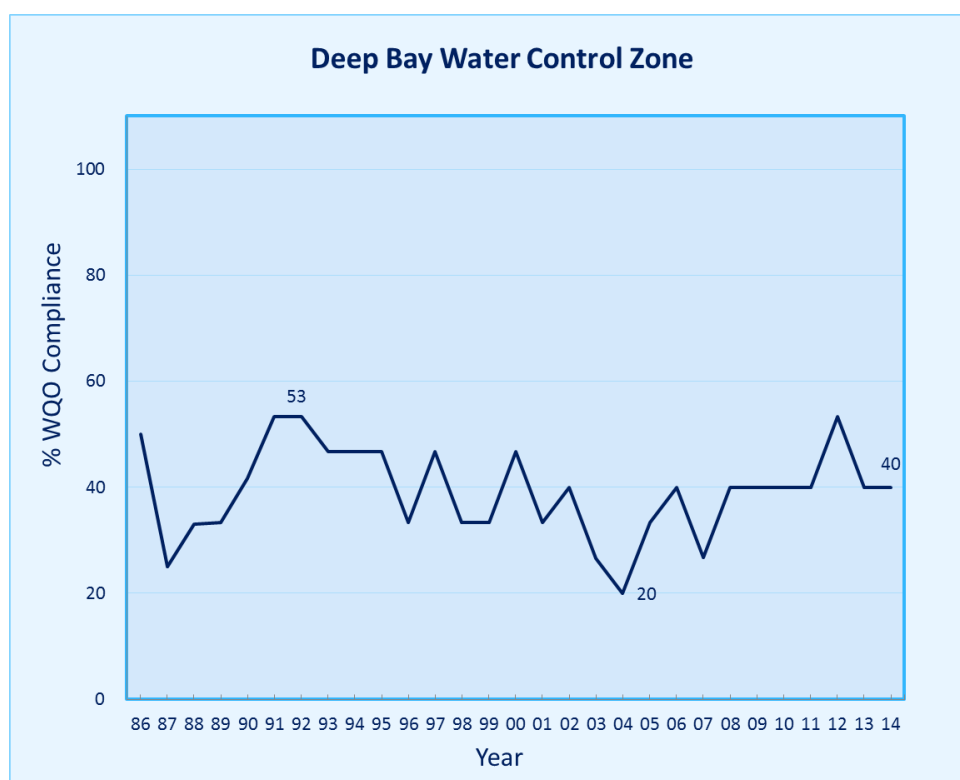
The North Western WCZ is the water body where Chinese white dolphins are commonly spotted in areas around Lantau Island, Tuen Mun, Sha Chau and Lung Kwu Chau. Sha Chau and Lung Kwu Chau Marine Park is also the only marine park located in the western waters of Hong Kong.



North Western WCZ

Deep Bay Water Control Zone

Deep Bay is shallow with depths varying from 2m at DM1 to 8m at DM5 and its sediment laden water body is impacted by pollution from both Hong Kong and Shenzhen including discharges from Shenzhen River as well as unsewered villages. The inner Deep Bay was most affected by the discharges from Shenzhen River as well as Kam Tin River, Yuen Long Creek and Tin Shui Wai Nullah.



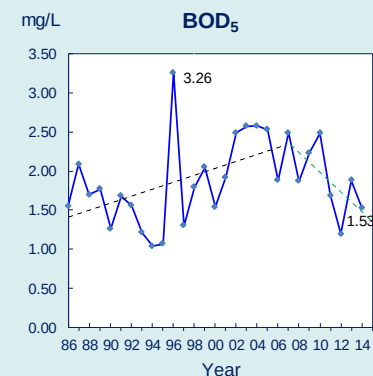
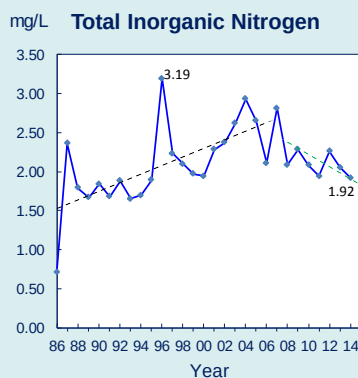
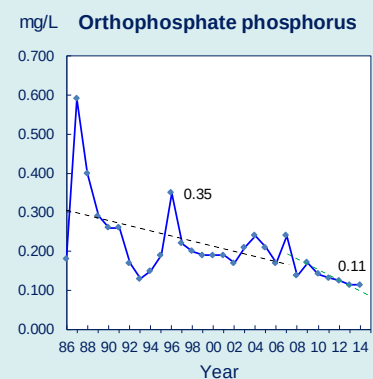
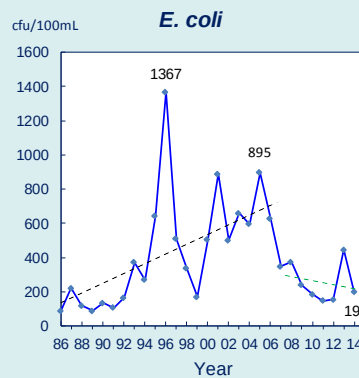
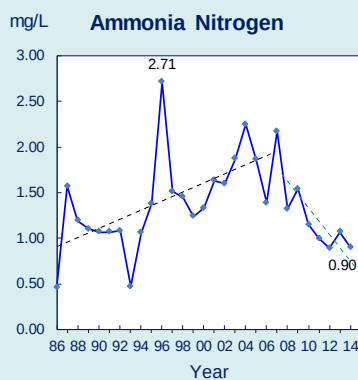
The WQO compliance rate of the Deep Bay WCZ in 2014 was 40%, same as from 2008 to 2013 except in 2012 (53%).

Similar to the previous years, the Deep Bay WCZ had relatively high nutrient levels in 2014. The TIN level in the Deep Bay inner subzone (1.5 – 3.5 mg/L) and Deep Bay outer subzone (0.9 – 1.2 mg/L) was higher than the respective TIN objective of 0.7 mg/L and 0.5 mg/L. Non-compliance with the NH₃-N objective and DO objective was also observed at two of the three stations in the Deep Bay inner subzone (DM1 and DM2).

While the TIN level in Deep Bay is still high, as a result of the collaboration with our Shenzhen counterpart in reducing pollution load, and the voluntary farm surrender schemes for poultry

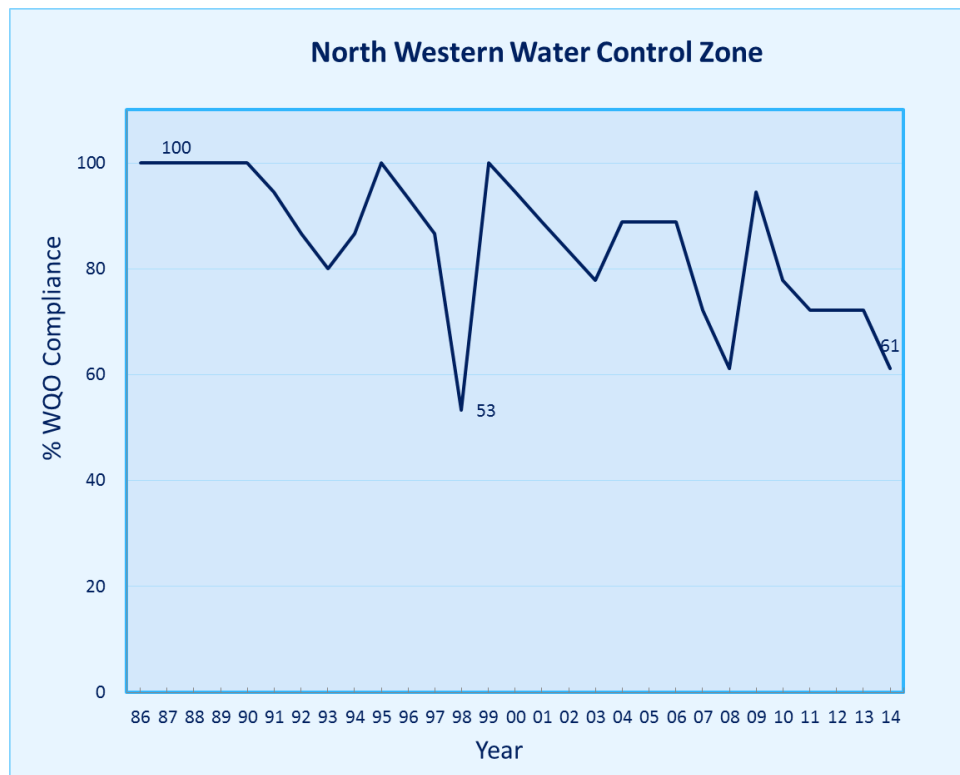
and pig farms implemented in 2005-2008, we have observed some sign of water quality improvement since mid-2000s. The declining water quality trend observed during the period 1986-2007 was reversed after 2007. A comparison of the monitoring results collected between 1997-2006 and 2007-2014 suggests that the water quality of Deep Bay has improved in terms of reduction in organic loading (i.e., BOD₅), nutrients (e.g., ammonia nitrogen, TIN and orthophosphate phosphorus) and bacterial levels.

Water quality changes in Deep Bay WCZ, 1986-2014



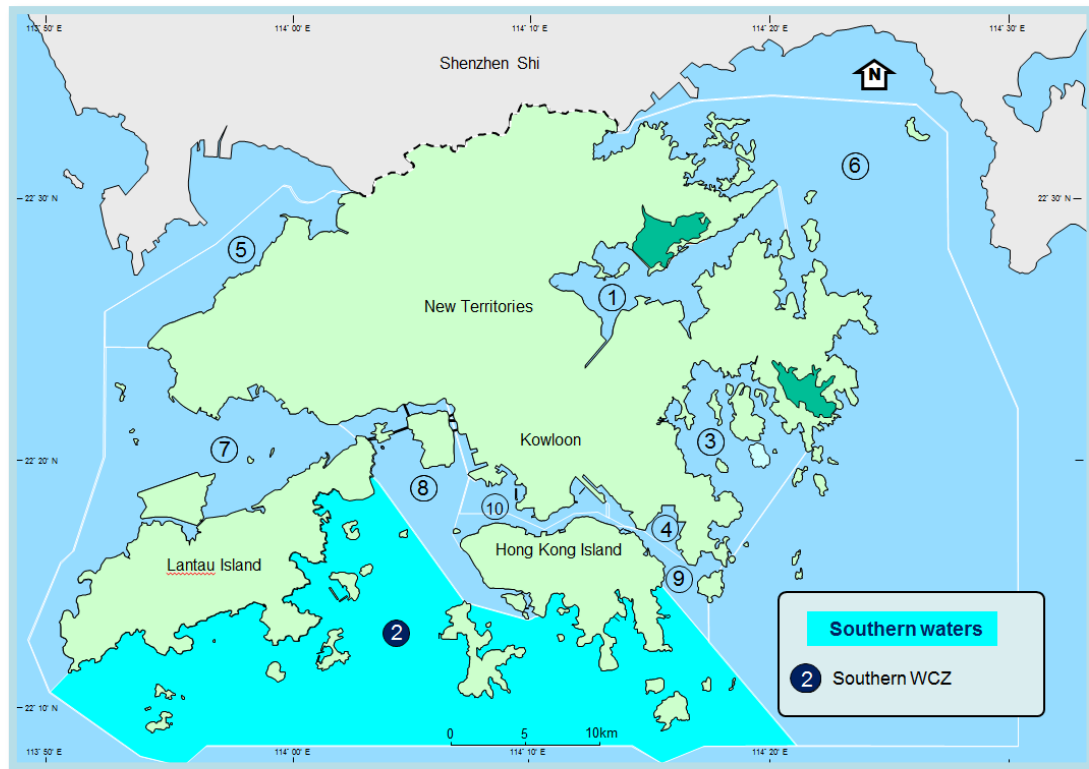
(Voluntary farm surrender schemes for poultry and pig farms were implemented in 2005-2008)

North Western Water Control Zone



In 2014, the North Western WCZ attained an overall WQO compliance rate of 61% because of lower compliance with the DO objective (50%) due to the hot summer weather. Compliance with $\text{NH}_3\text{-N}$ and TIN objectives in this WCZ was 100% and 33% respectively. The higher levels of TIN (annual mean 0.42 - 0.74 mg/L) might be associated with the higher background level of the discharges from Pearl River, and some local discharges and surface run-off from the Northwest New Territories as well as north Lantau.

Southern Waters

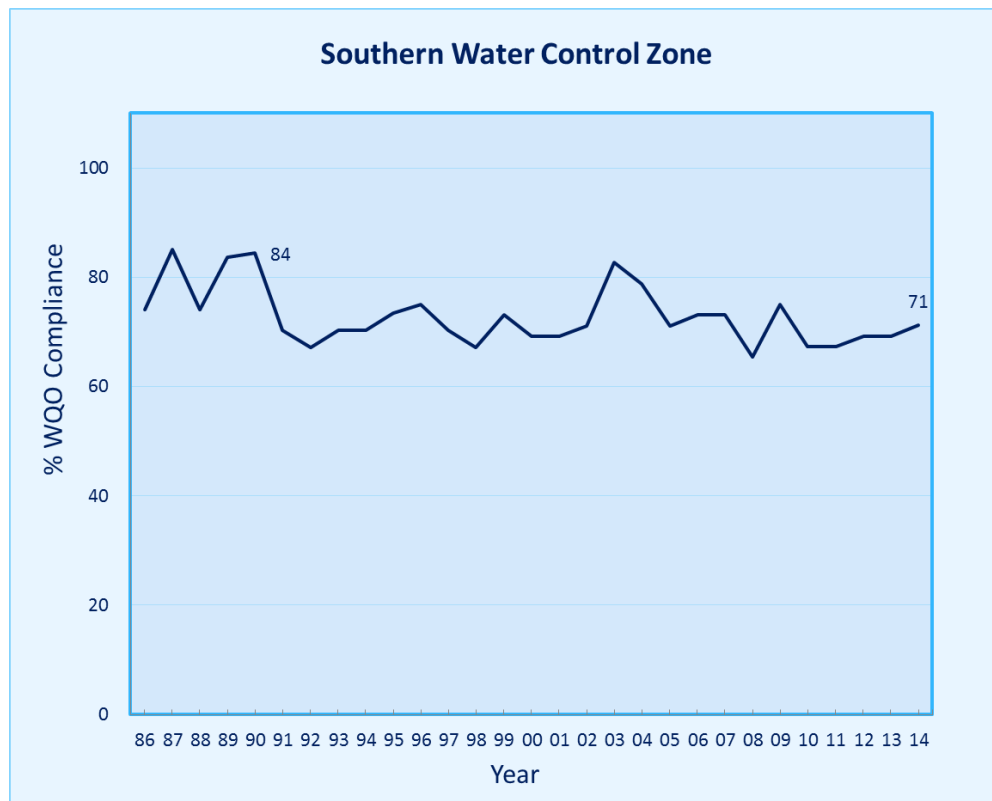


The southern waters consist of only one water control zone. The Southern WCZ stretches from Hong Kong Island south to Lantau Island and faces the South China Sea. The western part of the WCZ is influenced seasonally by the Pearl River flow and the effect diminishes gradually towards the eastern direction.

Southern Water Control Zone

The Southern WCZ attained an overall 71% compliance with the WQOs in 2014. All 16 stations in the WCZ fully complied with the $\text{NH}_3\text{-N}$ objective, but due to the higher background level of the Pearl River flow, compliance rate for the TIN objective was 13%.

The Southern WCZ also covers a number of secondary contact recreation subzones which are mainly located along the coast in Southern District (Hong Kong Island) and the outlying islands. In 2014, full compliance (100%) with the *E. coli* objective was attained in the secondary contact recreation subzones.



There are 21 gazetted beaches located in this WCZ: 12 on Hong Kong Island, 5 on Lantau Island, 2 on Lamma Island and 2 on Cheung Chau. In 2014, all 21 gazetted beaches in the southern waters complied with the water quality objective for swimming.



Shek O in Southern WCZ

Sediment Quality and Levels of Toxic Substances in Hong Kong

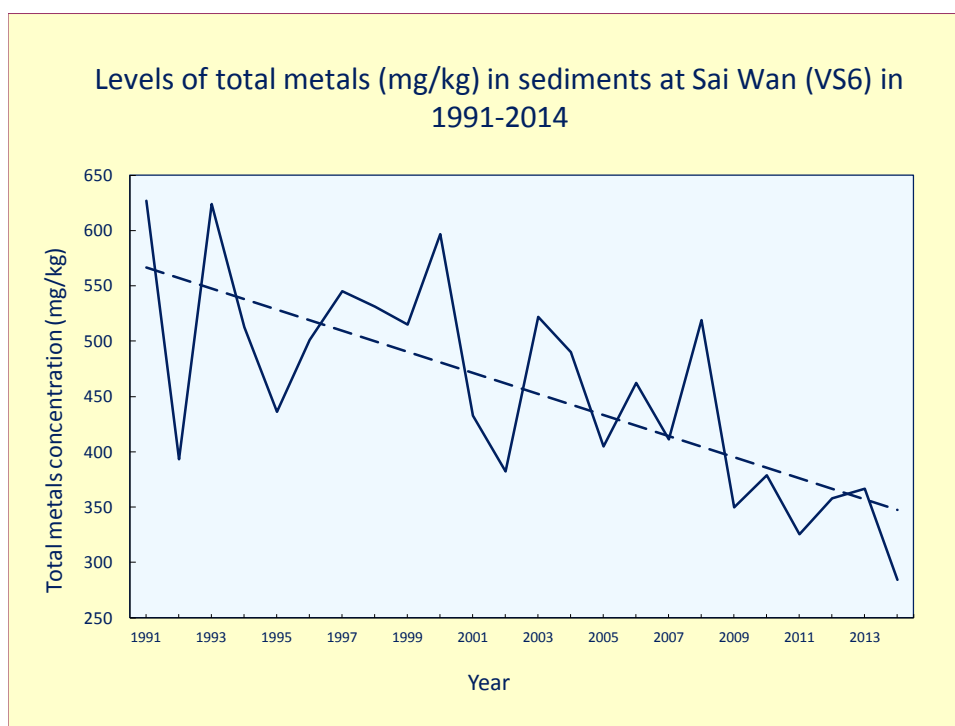


Sediment sampling

Sea bottom sediments are the ultimate sink of pollutants in the marine environment, and are also home to a wide variety of benthic organisms. The quality of marine sediments can therefore reflect the health of the marine environment as a whole.

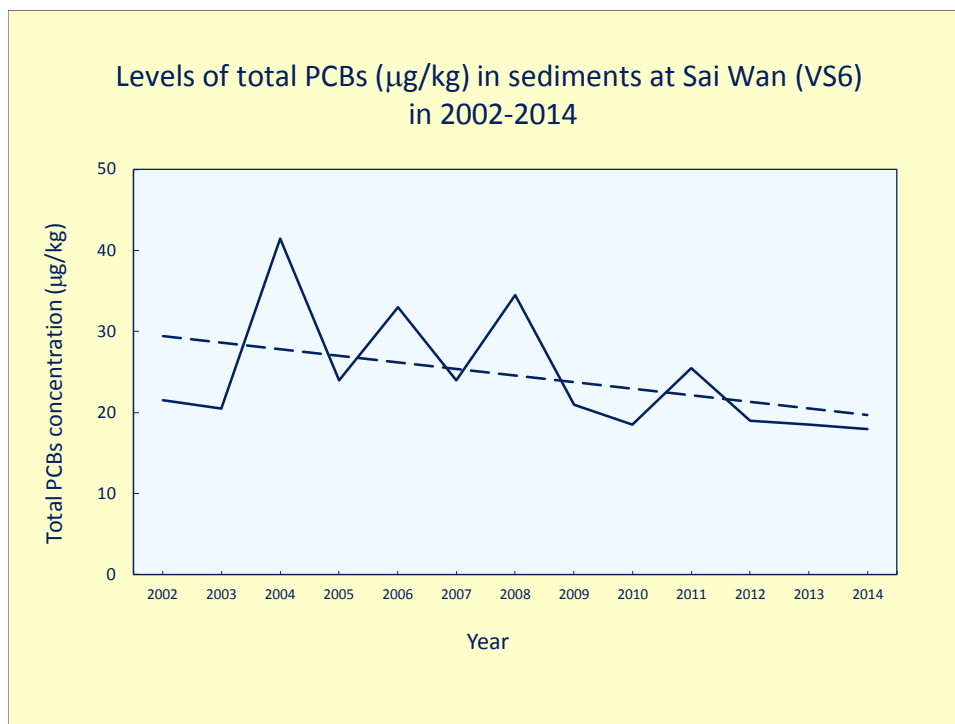
Since the implementation of the marine monitoring programme in 1986, elevated levels of selected heavy metals, in particular copper and silver, could often be detected in the sediments of

Victoria Harbour and Tsuen Wan Bay. This was attributed to previous industrial pollution sources in the 60s to 80s before pollution control legislation was introduced. Nevertheless, through EPD's efforts in enforcing relevant pollution control ordinances, i.e. the Water Pollution Control Ordinance and Waste Disposal Ordinance, and the removal of various industrial pollution sources, we observe a general decreasing trend of total metals in sediments at stations in Victoria Harbour such as VS6 since 1991.



Note : Total metals include cadmium, chromium, copper, mercury, nickel, lead, silver and zinc

With regard to trace organic pollutants such as polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), they were generally present at low concentrations except for one station in western Victoria Harbour (VS6). The higher levels of PCB at VS6 could be related to the discharges from industries in the past as well as contamination from the waste incineration facility in Kennedy Town which ceased operation in 1993 and was demolished in 2007. Similar to metals, a gradual decreasing trend of total PCBs in sediment could also be observed at VS6 since 2002.



Note : Total PCBs were calculated based on the definition in the 2002 Technical Circular 'ETWB (W) No. 34/2002 Management of Dredged / Excavated Sediment'

The EPD has been conducting a toxic substances monitoring programme since 2004 based on three-year cycles. The first two years of the cycle would focus on samples collected from the natural marine environment, i.e. water, sediment, biota and the third year on potential pollution sources as well as rivers. For the first two years of each cycle, 10 marine water and 10 sediment as well as a number of marine biota samples were collected from different locations throughout the territory. The data collected would serve as baseline information for long-term comparison.

The baseline results collected so far show that the levels of toxic substances in the Hong Kong marine environment were generally low as compared with other areas of the Pearl River Estuary, and were largely within the range reported for coastal waters of the Mainland and

other countries. In general, the levels of toxic substances in marine water, sediment and biota met local and international standards i.e. USA, Canada, European Union, Australia and Japan for the protection of marine life and human health. Nevertheless, elevated levels of some chemicals such as heavy metals were found in marine sediments at some localised “hot spots” areas associated with historical pollution, as well as nonylphenol in sediment at areas near the discharge points of the preliminary treatment plants in central Victoria Harbour. The details of the programme and the summary of the major findings can be found at the following link: <http://wqrc.epd.gov.hk/en/water-quality/toxic.aspx>

Typhoon Shelters in Hong Kong



To Kwa Wan Typhoon Shelter

Typhoon shelters in Hong Kong are used by small to medium vessels as protection against strong winds and rough sea conditions particularly during the typhoon season. For this reason, typhoon shelters are often semi-enclosed water bodies and vulnerable to pollution from both land and sea. Hong Kong has 17 typhoon shelters (TSs), marinas and dockyard. Some of these

are located adjacent to populated residential and/or industrial areas, e.g. Causeway Bay TS

and Kwun Tong TS. Others are located in outlying islands or far away from the urban areas, e.g. Cheung Chau TS and Shuen Wan TS.

In 2014, the EPD monitored the water quality of the 17 typhoon shelters, marinas and dockyard around Hong Kong. Similar to 2013, the three typhoon shelters located in Sai Kung, namely Yim Tin Tsai TS, Hebe Haven TS and Sai Kung TS also had lower TIN levels (0.06 – 0.10 mg/L) and *E. coli* counts (1 – 160 cfu/100mL). In general, the water quality of typhoon shelters in Victoria Harbour, i.e. Kwun Tong TS, Causeway Bay TS and New Yau Ma Tei TS, was higher in TIN levels (0.37 – 2.00 mg/L) and *E. coli* counts (1600 – 2600 cfu/100mL) compared with those located farther away from the urban areas, such as Tuen Mun TS, Cheung Chau TS, Hei Ling Chau TS and Aberdeen TS (TIN levels: 0.16 – 0.68 mg/L; *E. coli* counts: 2 – 1100 cfu/100mL). Nevertheless, the water quality of all typhoon shelters in Hong Kong as a whole was improving in general during the last decade.

Regarding sediment quality, the sediments of some typhoon shelters located in Victoria Harbour were often contaminated by heavy metals due to historical discharges from the nearby industries. During the period from 2010-2014, the sediment in Kwun Tong TS recorded the highest levels of total heavy metals (i.e. cadmium, chromium, copper, mercury, nickel, lead, silver and zinc) amongst the typhoon shelters in Hong Kong.

For trace organic pollutants, To Kwa Wan TS had the highest level of polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) as compared with other typhoon shelters in 2014. The presence of PAHs in To Kwa Wan TS could be attributed to contamination from the old industrial areas in San Po Kong and possibly the old Kai Tak Airport which ceased operation in July 1998.

Phytoplankton and Red Tides in Hong Kong

In many coastal waters, the increase in nutrients (mainly nitrogen, phosphorus and silica) can lead to higher phytoplankton biomass and changes in phytoplankton population with diatoms gradually replaced by dinoflagellates and other minor phytoplankton (e.g. small flagellates). It is generally recognized that over-enrichment of a water body with nutrients encourages the growth of phytoplankton and therefore increases the risk of eutrophication. Under suitable conditions (including nutrients, water temperature, sunlight and wind speed), phytoplankton can reproduce very quickly and very high numbers of phytoplankton cells may be found in a water body. This phenomenon is called algal bloom, also known as red tide. Some algal blooms are associated with the production of toxins that have harmful effects on fish and shellfish. Some non-toxic blooms may cause harm through their accumulated biomass which can affect co-occurring organisms. These events are known as Harmful Algal Blooms (HABs). Red tides can also deplete oxygen in the water when the dead algae decompose and cause massive fish kills. Phytoplankton and red tide monitoring therefore forms an essential part of water quality management.



Eucampia cornuta (Diatom)

The EPD conducts monitoring of phytoplankton at 25 stations covering nine Water Control Zones (WCZs) in Hong Kong marine waters. Monthly samples are collected and analyzed. Changes and trends in phytoplankton with regard to their composition and densities are identified. A total of 91 phytoplankton species was recorded in Hong Kong waters in 2014. Of these, 51 were diatoms (56%), 25 were dinoflagellates (28%) and 15 were from other minor algal groups (17%). Of the samples examined in 2014, diatoms constituted the largest component of phytoplankton in all the WCZs in terms of species number. In terms of cell density, diatoms formed the largest component of phytoplankton in most WCZs (i.e. Mirs Bay WCZ, Tolo Harbour & Channel WCZ, Port Shelter WCZ, Eastern Buffer WCZ, Victoria Harbour WCZ and Southern WCZ), indicating that the water quality in these areas remains good with diatom as the dominant group. In the western waters (i.e. Deep Bay, North Western and Western Buffer), other minor phytoplankton groups constitute the largest component of phytoplankton in terms of cell density, indicating serious over enrichment of nutrients in these areas. The most dominant diatoms were *Chaetoceros spp.* which constituted 15-47% of the diatom population in each WCZ. The most abundant dinoflagellates were *Gymnodinium spp.* comprising 9-42% of the dinoflagellate populations in each WCZ. In 2014, the total

phytoplankton densities were generally higher at some stations in the Tolo Harbour & Channel, inner Mirs Bay and Southern WCZs than those in the other WCZs. The densities of diatoms, dinoflagellates and other minor phytoplankton group followed a similar pattern as the total phytoplankton density.

Red tides and algal blooms are natural phenomena which occur seasonally in both polluted and unpolluted waters. In Hong Kong, red tides occur more commonly in semi-enclosed bays (e.g. Tolo Harbour) with low tidal flushing rate. A total of 889 red tides were recorded in Hong Kong waters between 1980 and 2014. Locally, red tides occur more frequently in the eastern (72%) and southern (18%) waters. From 1980 to 2014, some 347 (39%) of the 889 red tides occurred in the Tolo Harbour and Channel WCZ, 151 (17%) in the Mirs Bay WCZ, 156 (18%) in the Southern WCZ and 140 (16%) in the Port Shelter WCZ. The most common red tide species in Hong Kong waters was the dinoflagellate *Noctiluca scintillans*, which accounted for 31% of the reported red tides between 1980 and 2014. Historically, red tides increased significantly in the 80s and reached a peak in 1988, when a total of 88 incidents were reported. Since the mid 90s, red tides fluctuated between 8 and 45 incidents per year. In 2014, a total of 23 red tides were recorded in Hong Kong waters. Of these, 9 occurred in the Tolo Harbour & Channel, 7 in Port Shelter, 5 in Southern, one in Western Buffer and one in North Western. These incidents involved 20 red tide species and their distribution is set out below. Most of them are non-toxic species commonly found in Hong Kong waters. However, *Phaeocystis globosa*, *Heterosigma akashiwo* and *Chattonella marina* can cause fish kills based on studies or local experience. *Prorocentrum minimum* can be harmful to shellfish. *Pseudo-nitzschia delicatissima* and *Pseudo-nitzschia pungens* are suspected toxic species which are associated with the production of toxins of ASP (Amnesic Shellfish Poisoning) that have harmful effects on fish and shellfish. No fish kill was recorded in Hong Kong waters in 2014.

Distribution of red tide species in 2014

Tolo Harbour & Channel WCZ

Noctiluca scintillans

Heterosigma akashiwo

Prorocentrum minimum

Gonyaulax polygramma

Thalassiosira pseudonana

Teleaulax acuta

Scrippsiella trochoidea

Akashiwo sanguinea

Haematococcus pluvialis

Chattonella sp. 0310

Chattonella marina

Port Shelter WCZ

Phaeocystis globose

Cochlodinium cf. *geminatum*

Noctiluca scintillans

Gonyaulax polygramma

Mesodinium rubrum

Southern WCZ

Eucampia zodiacus

Guinardia delicatula

Dactyliosolen phuketensis

Akashiwo sanguinea

Heterosigma akashiwo

Pseudo-nitzschia delicatissima

Noctiluca scintillans

Western Buffer WCZ

Prorocentrum minimum

Pseudo-nitzschia delicatissima

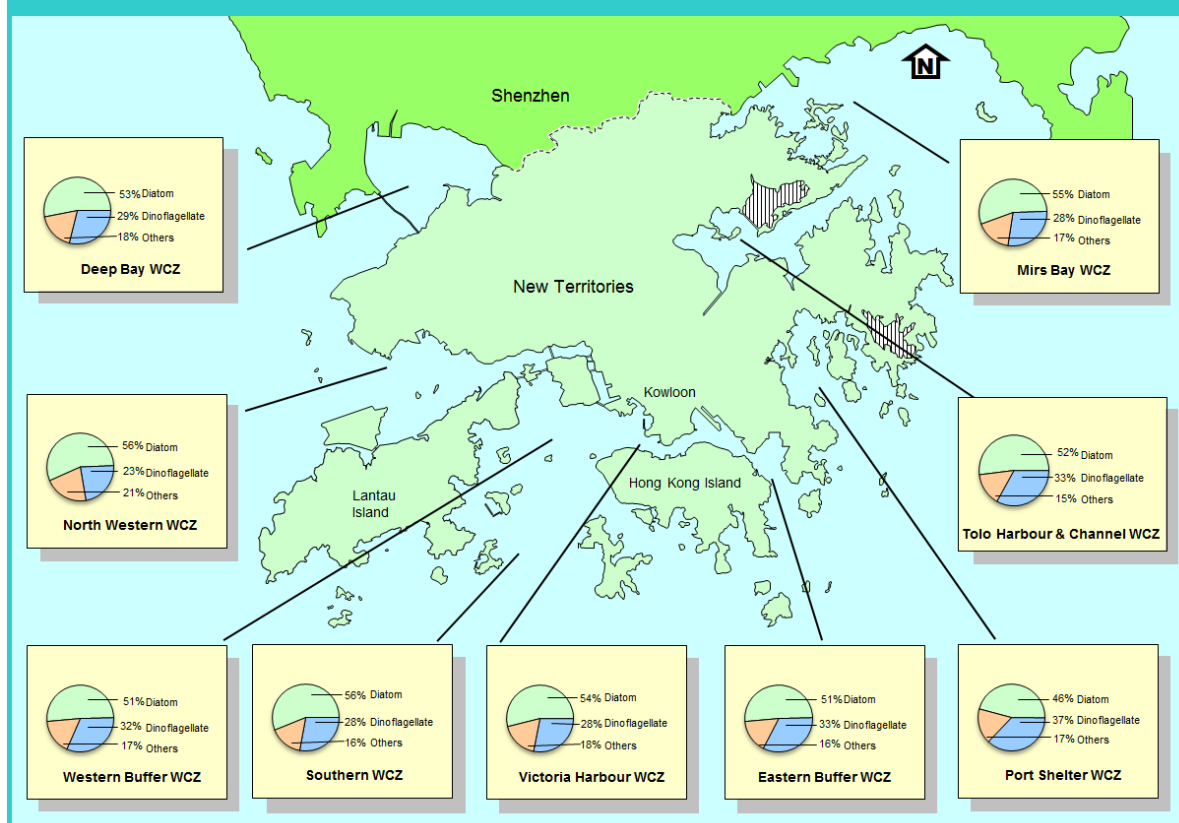
Pseudo-nitzschia pungens

Skeletonema costatum

North Western WCZ

Heterosigma akashiwo

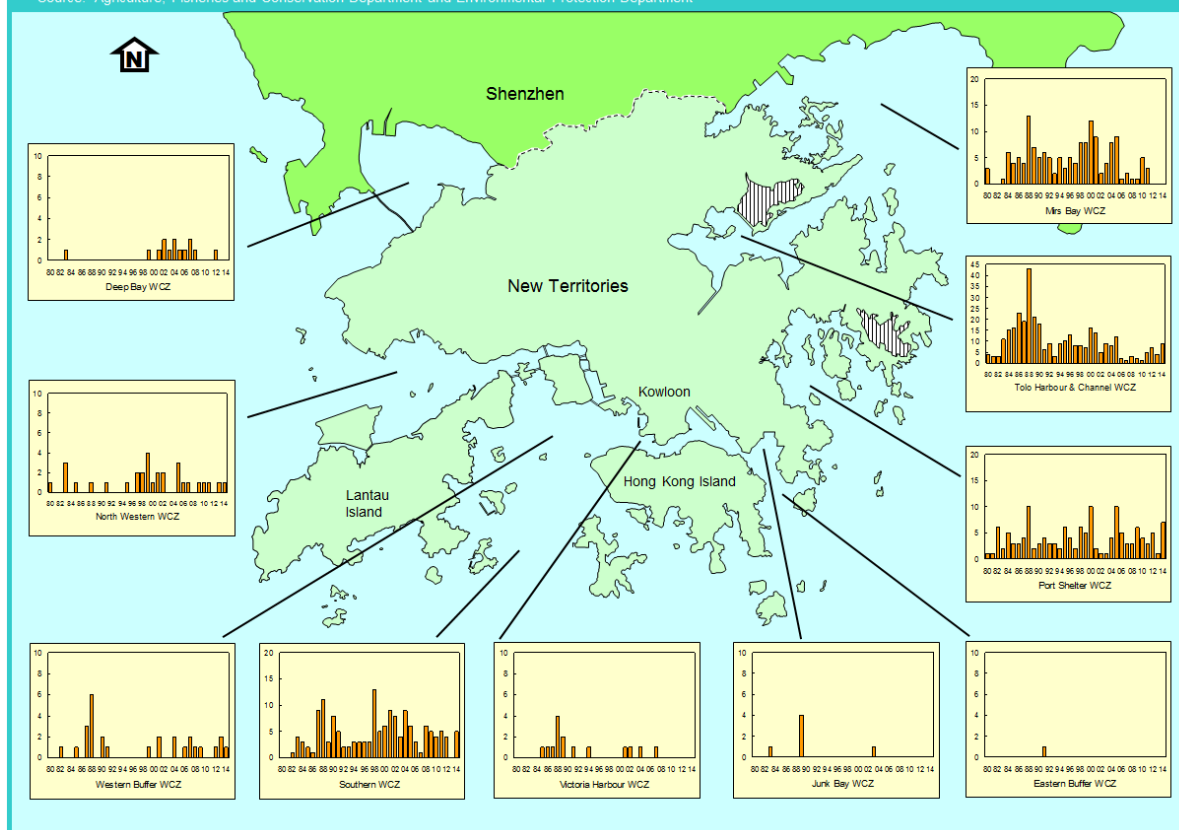
Percentage contribution of phytoplankton groups to the total number of species in the nine Water Control Zones (2014)

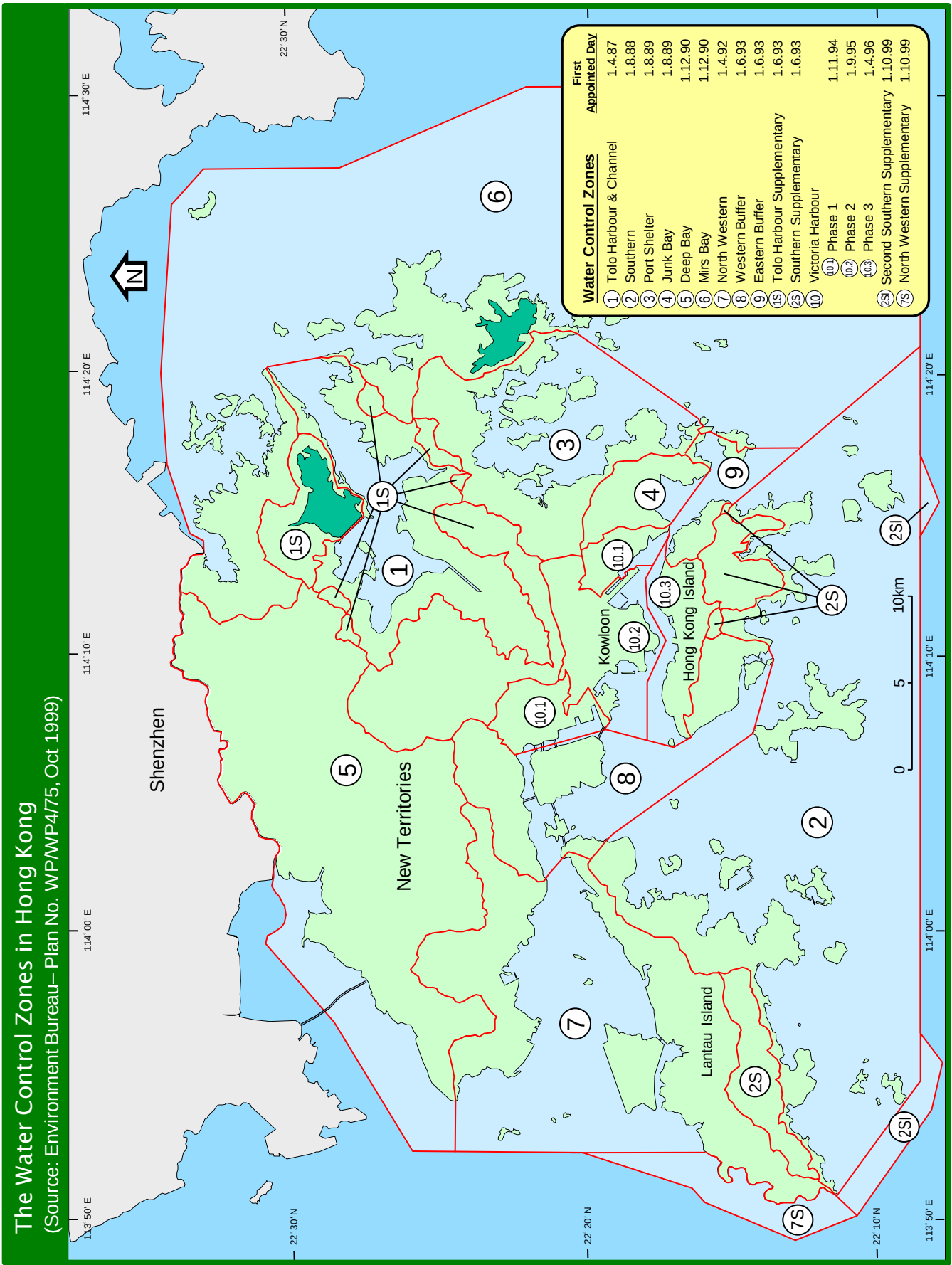


Note : Others refer to minor phytoplankton groups which mainly include *Cyanophyta* and *Chrysophyta*.

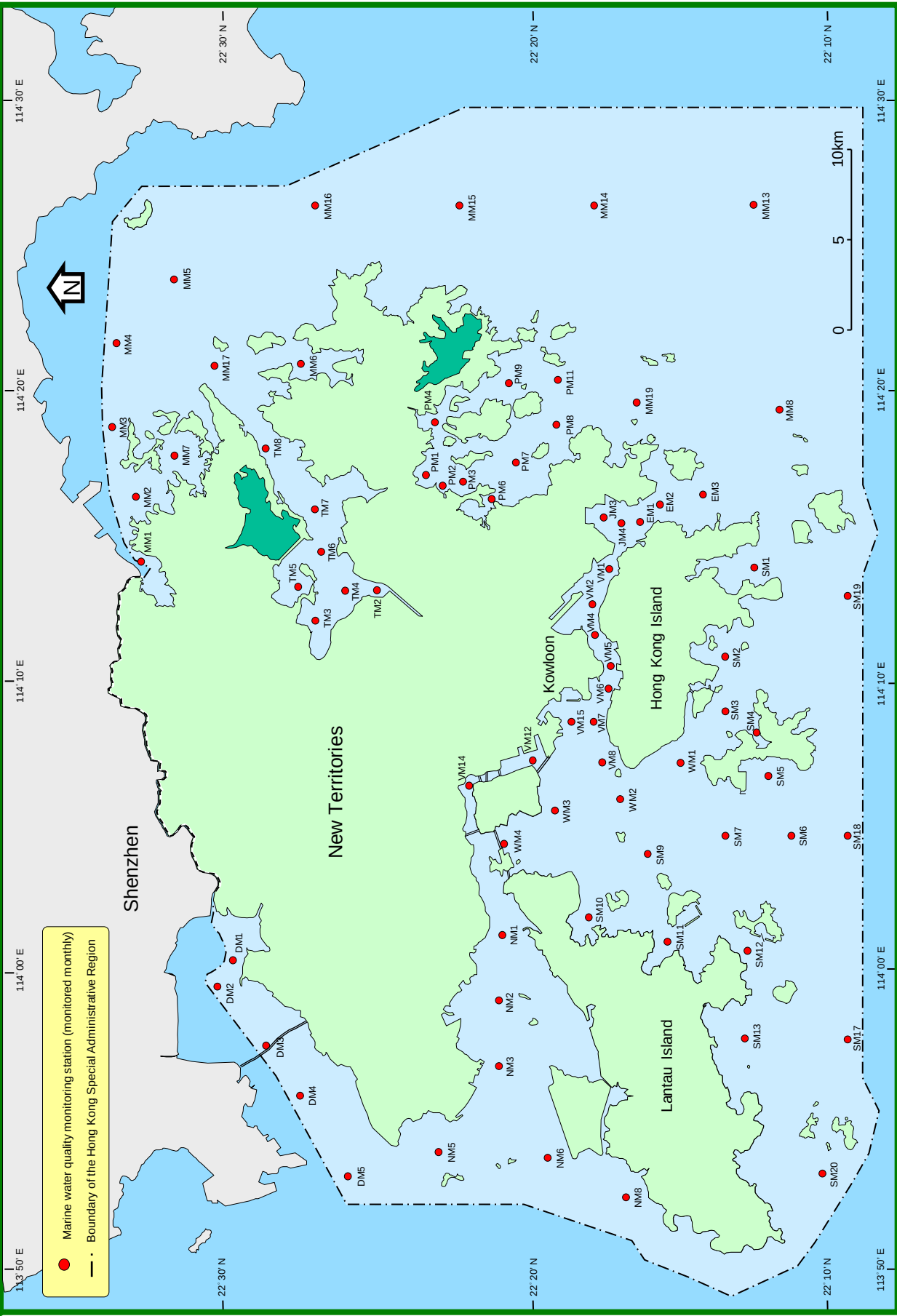
Frequency of red tides in 10 Water Control Zones in Hong Kong, 1980 - 2014

Source : Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department and Environmental Protection Department

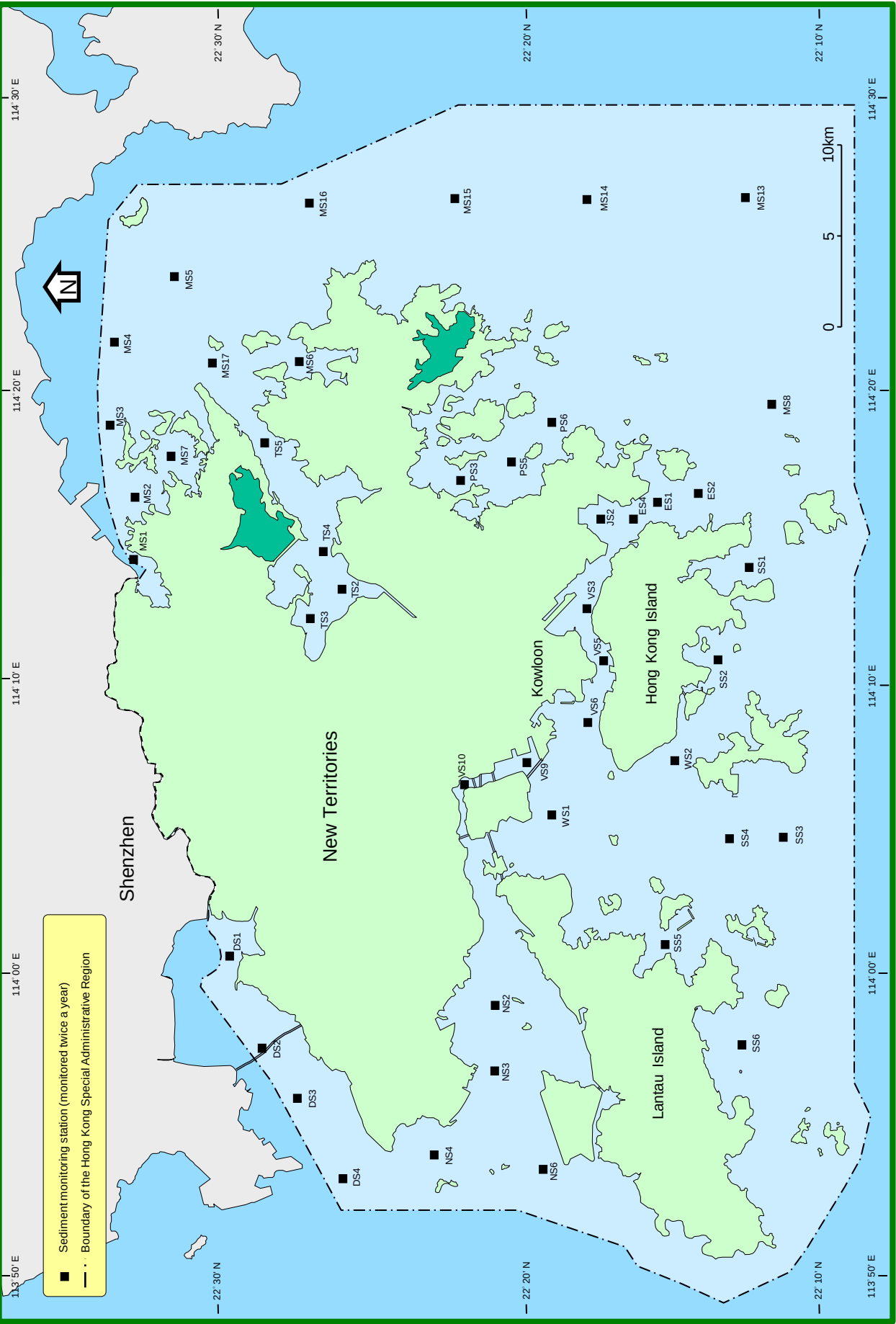


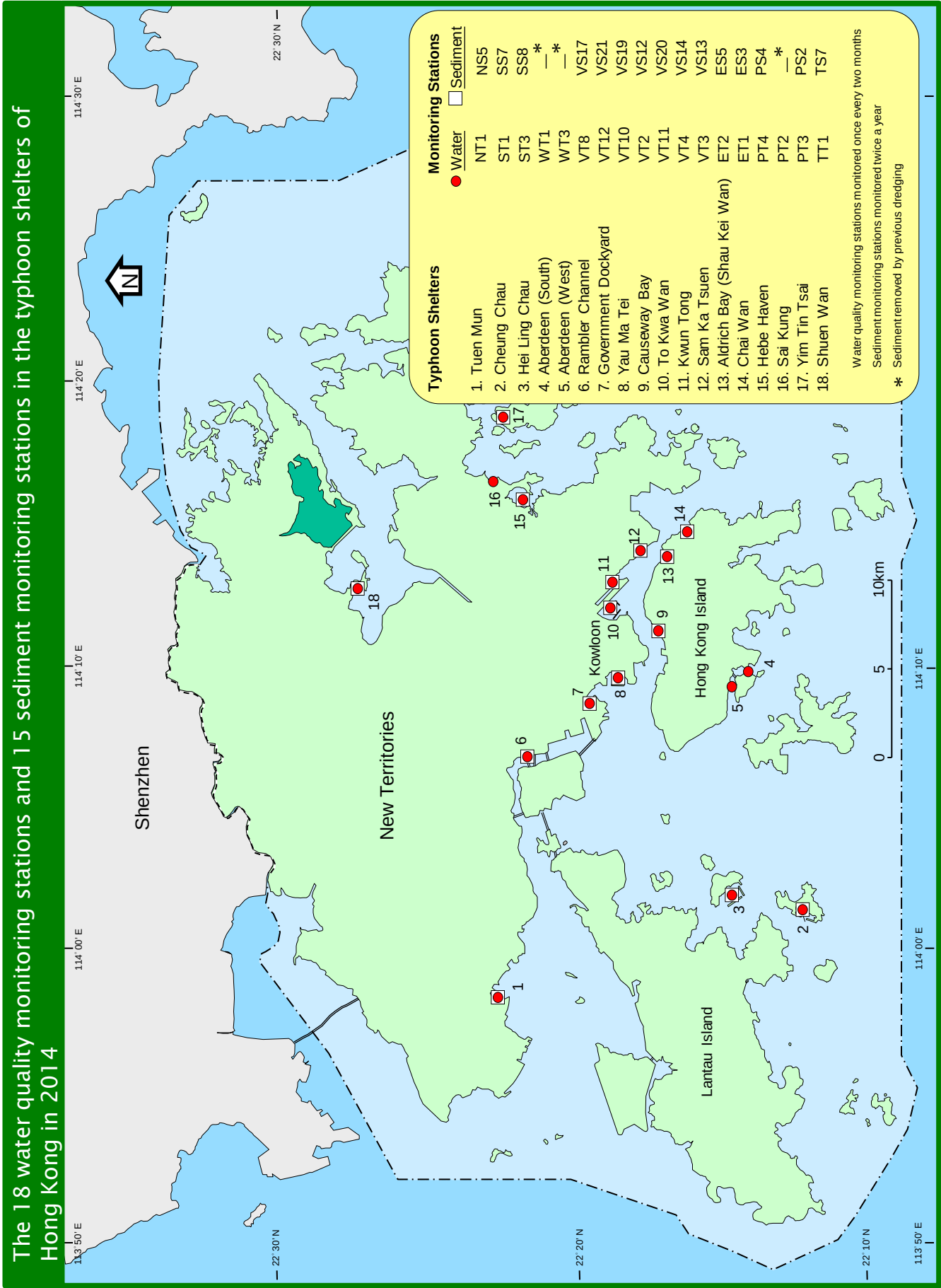


The 76 water quality monitoring stations in the open waters of Hong Kong in 2014



The 45 sediment monitoring stations in the open waters of Hong Kong in 2014



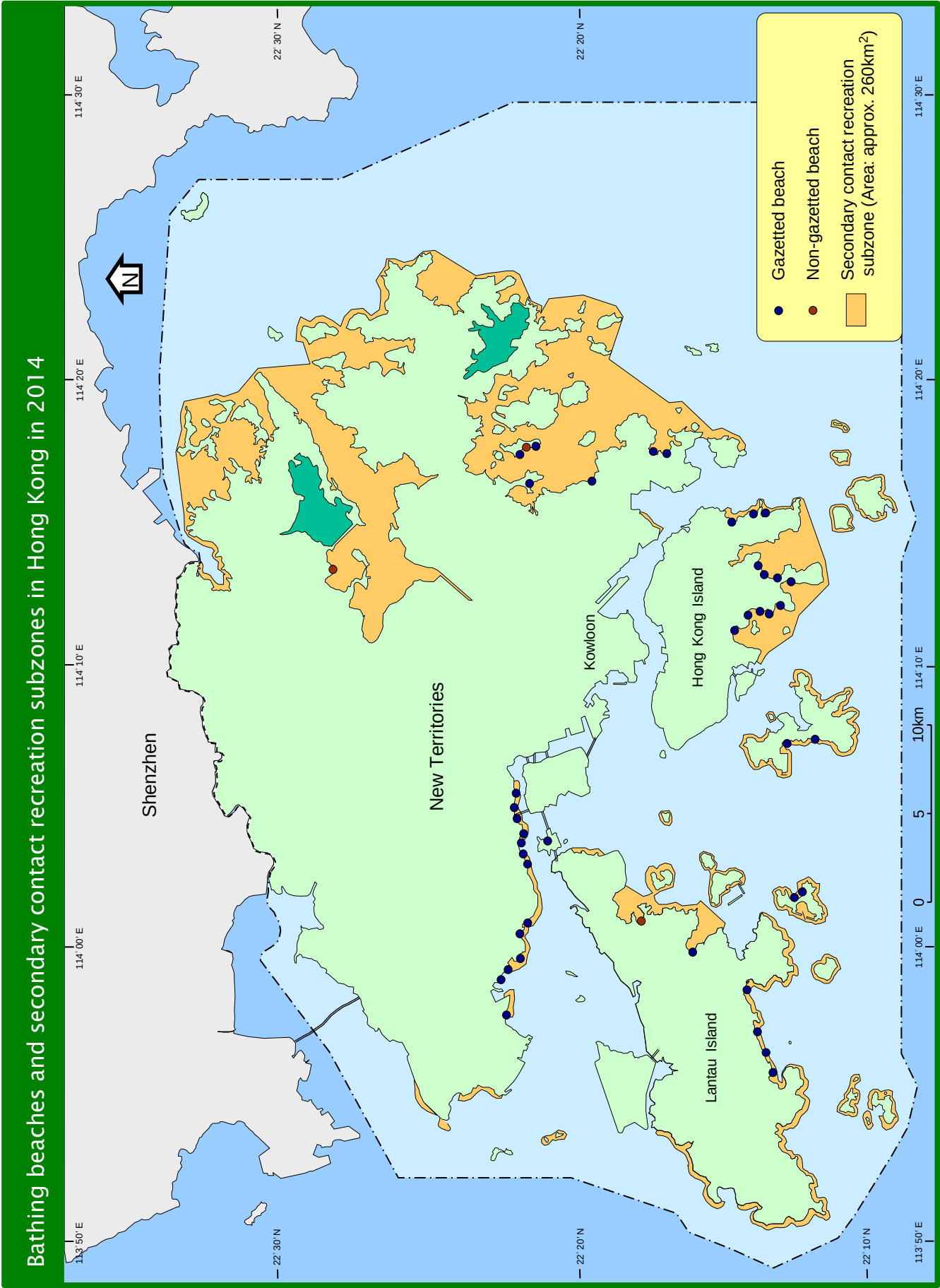


Location of marine water and sediment monitoring stations

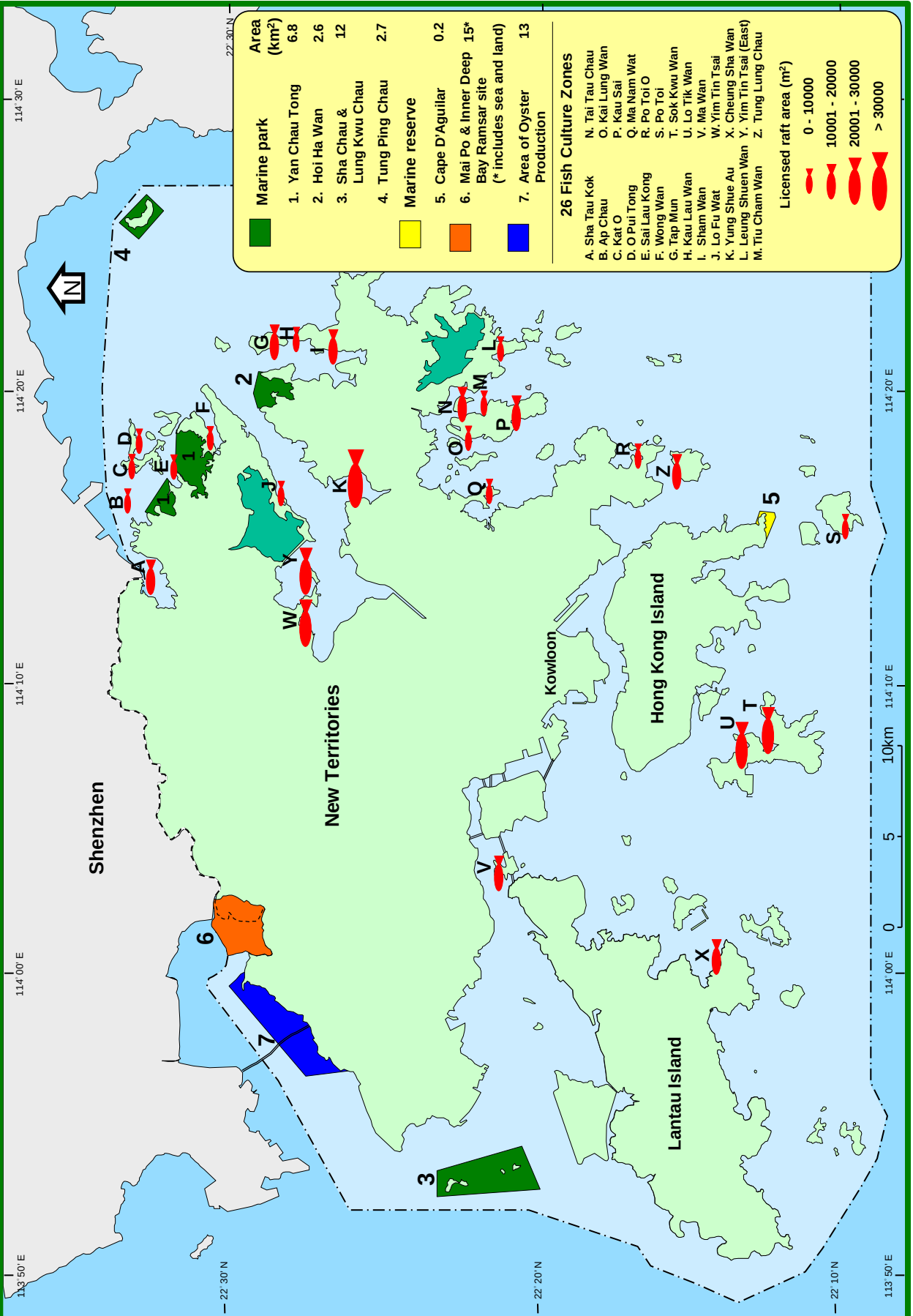
Water Control Zone	Station		Location		Depth (m)
	Water	Sediment	Latitude	Longitude	approx.
Tolo Harbour and Channel	TM2		22° 24.744' N	114° 13.085' E	4
	TM3	TS3	22° 26.857' N	114° 12.181' E	7
	TM4	TS2	22° 25.964' N	114° 13.176' E	8
	TM5		22° 27.426' N	114° 13.456' E	4
	TM6	TS4	22° 26.631' N	114° 14.506' E	12
	TM7		22° 26.907' N	114° 16.057' E	11
	TM8	TS5	22° 28.392' N	114° 18.003' E	22
	*TT1	*TS7	22° 27.270' N	114° 12.717' E	6
Southern Water	SM1	SS1	22° 12.738' N	114° 13.885' E	14
	SM2	SS2	22° 13.447' N	114° 10.691' E	14
	SM3		22° 13.527' N	114° 8.980' E	33
	SM4		22° 12.758' N	114° 8.315' E	11
	SM5		22° 12.141' N	114° 6.728' E	8
	SM6	SS3	22° 11.500' N	114° 4.743' E	14
	SM7	SS4	22° 13.740' N	114° 4.473' E	8
	SM9		22° 16.420' N	114° 4.024' E	8
	SM10		22° 18.125' N	114° 1.919' E	5
	SM11	SS5	22° 15.443' N	114° 1.078' E	8
	SM12		22° 12.861' N	114° 0.869' E	7
	SM13	SS6	22° 12.957' N	113° 57.724' E	6
	SM17		22° 9.211' N	113° 57.727' E	12
	SM18		22° 9.211' N	114° 4.746' E	21
	SM19		22° 9.211' N	114° 13.077' E	24
	SM20		22° 10.448' N	113° 52.932' E	7
	*ST1	*SS7	22° 12.517' N	114° 1.493' E	5
	*ST3	*SS8	22° 14.734' N	114° 1.928' E	6
Port Shelter	PM1		22° 23.242' N	114° 17.145' E	6
	PM2		22° 22.643' N	114° 16.687' E	8
	PM3	PS3	22° 22.156' N	114° 16.910' E	13
	PM4		22° 22.940' N	114° 18.819' E	6
	PM6		22° 21.102' N	114° 16.213' E	11
	PM7	PS5	22° 20.453' N	114° 17.703' E	17
	PM8	PS6	22° 19.168' N	114° 18.745' E	20
	PM9		22° 20.529' N	114° 20.196' E	15
	PM11		22° 19.240' N	114° 20.163' E	21
	*PT2		22° 22.798' N	114° 16.540' E	3
	*PT3	*PS2	22° 22.790' N	114° 18.400' E	6
Junk Bay	*PT4	*PS4	22° 21.728' N	114° 15.879' E	5
	JM3	JS2	22° 17.490' N	114° 15.657' E	10
Deep Bay	JM4		22° 16.873' N	114° 15.378' E	16
	DM1	DS1	22° 29.769' N	114° 0.644' E	2
	DM2		22° 30.454' N	113° 59.549' E	2
	DM3	DS2	22° 28.600' N	113° 57.551' E	3
	DM4	DS3	22° 27.335' N	113° 55.937' E	4
North Western	DM5	DS4	22° 25.561' N	113° 53.388' E	8
	NM1		22° 20.877' N	114° 1.286' E	34
	NM2	NS2	22° 21.130' N	113° 58.815' E	11
	NM3	NS3	22° 21.324' N	113° 56.783' E	14
	NM5	NS4	22° 23.051' N	113° 53.972' E	20
	NM6	NS6	22° 19.281' N	113° 53.908' E	5
	NM8		22° 16.695' N	113° 51.886' E	8
	*NT1	*NS5	22° 22.475' N	113° 58.353' E	4
Mirs Bay	MM1	MS1	22° 32.984' N	114° 14.271' E	6
	MM2	MS2	22° 32.626' N	114° 16.648' E	11
	MM3	MS3	22° 33.714' N	114° 18.615' E	16
	MM4	MS4	22° 33.817' N	114° 21.483' E	18
	MM5	MS5	22° 31.233' N	114° 23.633' E	20
	MM6	MS6	22° 27.334' N	114° 20.997' E	12
	MM7	MS7	22° 31.409' N	114° 17.824' E	13
	MM8	MS8	22° 12.021' N	114° 19.345' E	31
	MM13	MS13	22° 13.000' N	114° 26.920' E	28
	MM14	MS14	22° 17.560' N	114° 26.920' E	25
	MM15	MS15	22° 22.120' N	114° 26.920' E	24
	MM16	MS16	22° 26.670' N	114° 26.920' E	22
	MM17	MS17	22° 30.192' N	114° 20.960' E	17
Western Buffer	MM19		22° 15.921' N	114° 19.411' E	28
	WM1	WS2	22° 15.044' N	114° 7.363' E	35
	WM2		22° 17.074' N	114° 5.730' E	13
	WM3	WS1	22° 19.203' N	114° 5.826' E	20
	WM4		22° 20.940' N	114° 4.256' E	26
	*WT1		22° 14.494' N	114° 9.737' E	7
Eastern Buffer	*WT3		22° 14.811' N	114° 8.918' E	10
	EM1	ES4	22° 16.506' N	114° 15.335' E	16
	EM2	ES1	22° 15.732' N	114° 15.971' E	21
	EM3	ES2	22° 14.237' N	114° 16.144' E	21
	*ET1	*ES3	22° 16.203' N	114° 14.624' E	6
Victoria Harbour	*ET2	*ES5	22° 17.078' N	114° 13.783' E	12
	VM1		22° 17.280' N	114° 13.839' E	38
	VM2		22° 17.862' N	114° 12.619' E	12
		VS3	22° 17.631' N	114° 12.526' E	8
	VM4		22° 17.860' N	114° 11.654' E	12
	VM5		22° 17.266' N	114° 10.510' E	11
		VS5	22° 17.077' N	114° 10.600' E	8
	VM6		22° 17.371' N	114° 9.665' E	14
	VM7	VS6	22° 17.771' N	114° 8.416' E	10
	VM8		22° 17.564' N	114° 7.175' E	11
	VM12	VS9	22° 19.757' N	114° 7.278' E	14
	VM14	VS10	22° 21.935' N	114° 6.527' E	11
	VM15		22° 18.579' N	114° 8.539' E	13
	*VT2	*VS12	22° 17.194' N	114° 11.304' E	5
	*VT3	*VS13	22° 17.448' N	114° 14.250' E	5
	*VT4	*VS14	22° 18.734' N	114° 12.814' E	6
	*VT8	*VS17	22° 21.360' N	114° 6.867' E	5
	*VT10	*VS19	22° 18.590' N	114° 9.430' E	5
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	*VT12	*VS21	22° 19.429' N	114° 8.587' E	5

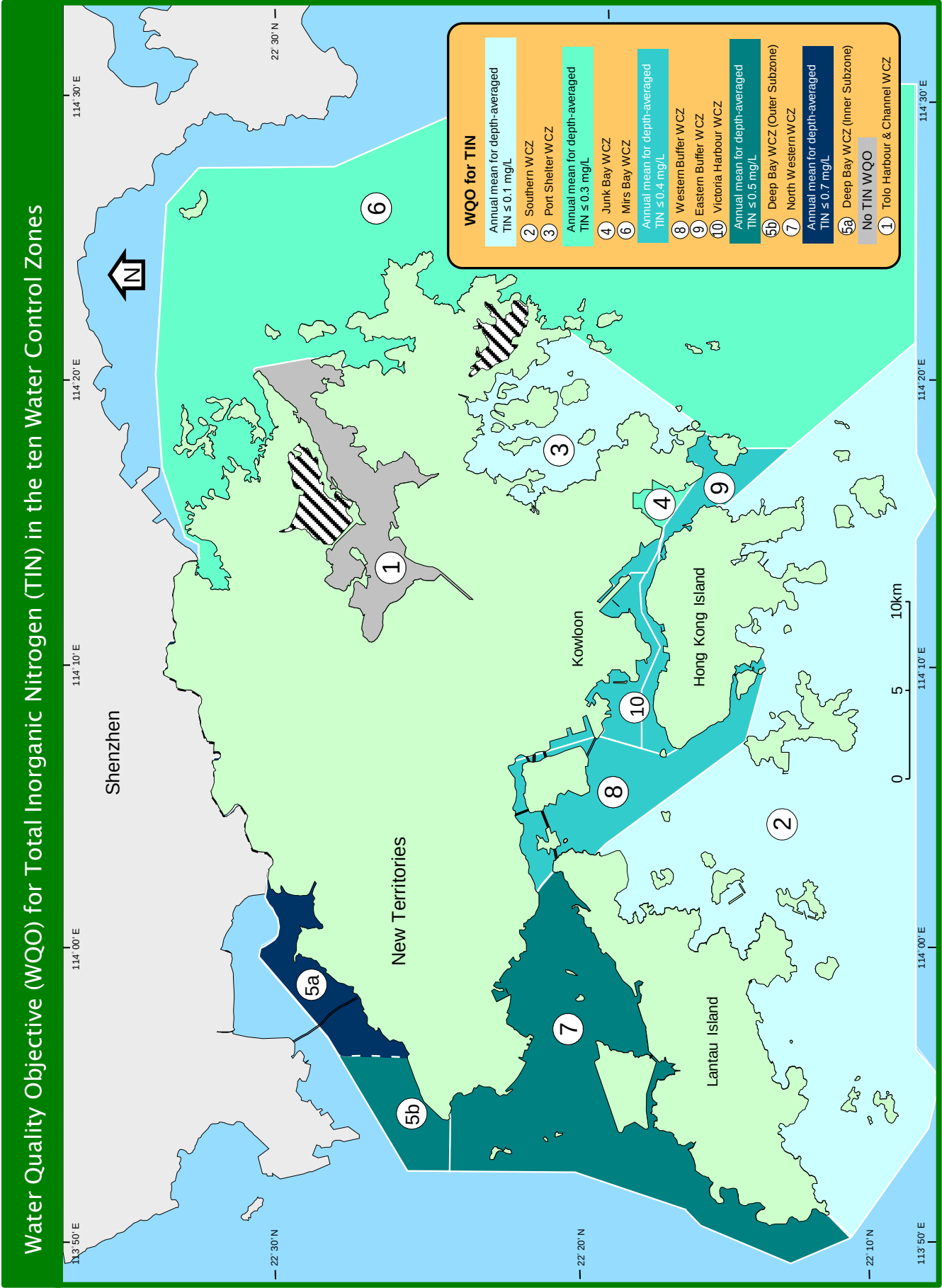
Note : 1. All locations are based on WGS84 datum

2. Water quality and sediment monitoring stations in typhoon shelters are marked with an asterisk *



Fish and shellfish culture zones and marine conservation sites in Hong Kong in 2014 (source: Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department)





Summary of Water Quality Objectives (WQOs) for marine waters of Hong Kong

Parameter	Water Quality Objective	Water Control Zone (WCZ) / Part(s) of zone / Subzone to which the WQO applies
Aesthetic Appearance	There should be no objectionable odours or discolouration of the water Tarry residues, floating wood, articles made of glass, plastic, rubber or of any other substances should be absent Mineral oil should not be visible on the surface. Surfactants should not give rise to a lasting foam. There should be no recognisable sewage-derived debris. Floating, submerged and semi-submerged objects of a size likely to interfere with the free movement of vessels, or cause damage to vessels, should be absent. The waters should not contain substances which settle to form objectionable deposits.	All WCZs (whole zone)
Dissolved Oxygen (bottom)	Not less than 2 mg/L for 90% of samples ;	Marine waters of all WCZs except Tolo Harbour & Channel WCZ
Dissolved Oxygen (Depth-averaged)	Not less than 4 mg/L for 90% of samples ;	Marine waters of all WCZs except Tolo Harbour & Channel WCZ
Dissolved Oxygen (bottom)	Not less than 2mg/L	Harbour Subzone in Tolo Harbour & Channel WCZ
	Not less than 3mg/L	Buffer Subzone in Tolo Harbour & Channel WCZ
	Not less than 4mg/L	Channel Subzone in Tolo Harbour & Channel WCZ
Dissolved Oxygen (surface to 2m above bottom)	Not less than 4mg/L	Harbour Subzone and Buffer Subzone in Tolo Harbour & Channel WCZ
Dissolved Oxygen (all depths)	Not less than 4mg/L	Channel Subzone in Tolo Harbour & Channel WCZ
Nutrients	Annual mean depth-averaged total inorganic nitrogen not to exceed 0.1 mg/L	Marine waters of Southern WCZ and Port Shelter WCZ
	Annual mean depth-averaged total inorganic nitrogen not to exceed 0.3 mg/L	Marine waters of Mirs Bay WCZ, Junk Bay WCZ, North Western WCZ (Castle Peak Subzone)
	Annual mean depth-averaged total inorganic nitrogen not to exceed 0.4 mg/L	Marine waters of Eastern Buffer WCZ, Western Buffer WCZ, Victoria Harbour WCZ
	Annual mean depth-averaged total inorganic nitrogen not to exceed 0.5 mg/L	Marine waters of Deep Bay WCZ (Outer Subzone) and North Western WCZ (Whole zone except Castle Peak Subzone)
	Annual mean depth-averaged total inorganic nitrogen not to exceed 0.7 mg/L	Marine waters of Deep Bay WCZ (Inner Subzone)
Unionised ammonia	Annual mean not to exceed 0.021 mg/L	All WCZs (whole zone) except Tolo Harbour & Channel WCZ
<i>E. coli</i>	Annual geometric mean not to exceed 610 cfu/100mL	Secondary contact recreation subzones in Tolo Harbour & Channel WCZ, Southern WCZ, Port Shelter WCZ, Mirs Bay WCZ, Deep Bay WCZ, North Western WCZ, Western Buffer WCZ
	Annual geometric mean not to exceed 610 cfu/100mL	Fish culture subzones in Tolo Harbour & Channel WCZ, Southern WCZ, Port Shelter WCZ, Junk Bay WCZ, Mirs Bay WCZ, Deep Bay WCZ, Eastern Buffer WCZ, Western Buffer WCZ
pH	To be in the range 6.5 – 8.5, change due to waste discharge not to exceed 0.2	Marine waters of all WCZs except Tolo Harbour & Channel WCZ
	Change due to waste discharge not to be greater than ± 0.5	Harbour Subzone in Tolo Harbour & Channel WCZ
	Change due to waste discharge not to be greater than ± 0.3	Buffer Subzone in Tolo Harbour & Channel WCZ
	Change due to waste discharge not to be greater than ± 0.1	Channel Subzone in Tolo Harbour & Channel WCZ
Salinity	Change due to waste discharge not to exceed 10% of natural ambient level	All WCZs (Whole zone) except Tolo Harbour & Channel WCZ
	Change due to waste discharge not to be greater than ± 3 ppt	Tolo Harbour & Channel WCZ
Temperature	Change due to waste discharge not to exceed 2°C	All WCZs (Whole zone) except Tolo Harbour & Channel WCZ
	Change due to waste discharge not to exceed 1°C	Tolo Harbour & Channel WCZ
Suspended solids	Waste discharge not to raise the natural ambient level by 30% nor cause the accumulation of suspended solids which may adversely affect aquatic communities	Marine waters of all WCZs except Tolo Harbour & Channel WCZ
Toxicants	Not to be present at levels producing significant toxic effect	All WCZs (Whole zone)
Chlorophyll- <i>a</i>	Not to exceed 20mg/m ³ (µg/L) calculated as running arithmetic mean of 5 daily measurements for any location and depth	Harbour Subzone in Tolo Harbour & Channel WCZ
	Not to exceed 10mg/m ³ (µg/L) calculated as running arithmetic mean of 5 daily measurements for any location and depth	Buffer Subzone in Tolo Harbour & Channel WCZ
	Not to exceed 6mg/m ³ (µg/L) calculated as running arithmetic mean of 5 daily measurements for any location and depth	Channel Subzone in Tolo Harbour & Channel WCZ

Sediment Quality Criteria for the Classification of Sediments¹

Contaminants	Lower Chemical Exceedance Level (LCEL)	Upper Chemical Exceedance Level (UCEL)
Metals (<i>mg/kg dry weight</i>)		
Cadmium (Cd)	1.5	4
Chromium (Cr)	80	160
Copper (Cu)	65	110
Mercury (Hg)	0.5	1
Nickel (Ni) ²	40	40
Lead (Pb)	75	110
Silver (Ag)	1	2
Zinc (Zn)	200	270
Metalloid (<i>mg/kg dry weight</i>)		
Arsenic (As)	12	42
Organic-PAHs (<i>µg/kg dry weight</i>)		
Low Molecular Weight PAHs ³	550	3160
High Molecular Weight PAHs ⁴	1700	9600
Organic-non-PAHs (<i>µg/kg dry weight</i>)		
Total PCBs	23	180
Organometallics (<i>mg TBT/L in Interstitial water</i>)		
Tributyltin ²	0.15	0.15

Footnote: 1 The table is extracted from Appendix A of WBTC (W) No. 34/2002 Management of Dredged / Excavated Sediment (<http://www.devb-wb.gov.hk>).

2 When the LCEL and UCEL for a contaminant are the same, the contaminant level is considered to have exceeded UCEL if it is greater than the value shown.

3 Low molecular weight PAHs include acenaphthene, acenaphthylene, anthracene, fluorene, naphthalene, and phenanthrene.

4 High molecular weight PAHs include benzo[a]anthracene, benzo[a]pyrene, chrysene, dibenzo[a,h]anthracene, fluoranthene, pyrene, benzo[b]fluoranthene, benzo[k]fluoranthene, indeno[1,2,3-c,d]pyrene and benzo[g,h,i]perylene.

5 Total PCBs include 18 congeners: PCB 8, 18, 28, 44, 52, 66, 77, 101, 105, 118, 126, 128, 138, 153, 169, 170, 180, 187.

Summary of marine water quality parameters

Parameter		Unit	Reporting Limit	Sampling Depth	Standard Method / Techniques used ²⁰	Analysed by
Physical and Aggregate Properties	Temperature ¹	°C	0.1	Depth Profiling ¹⁰	Instrumental (thermistor), SEACAT19+ CTD and Water Quality Profiler	MMT/EPD ¹⁵
	Salinity ^{1,8}	-	0.1	Depth Profiling	Instrumental (electrical conductivity), SEACAT19+ CTD and Water Quality Profiler	MMT/EPD
	Dissolved Oxygen ¹	mg/L % saturation ⁹	0.1 1	Depth Profiling	Instrumental (membrane electrode), SBE23Y dissolved oxygen sensor linked to SEACAT19+ CTD and Water Quality Profiler	MMT/EPD
	Turbidity ²	NTU	0.1	Depth Profiling	Instrumental (nephelometric / infrared back scattering), OBS-3 turbidity sensor linked to SEACAT 19+ CTD and Water Quality Profiler	MMT/EPD
	pH ¹	-	0.1	Depth Profiling	Instrumental (electrode/metric), SBE18 pH sensor linked to SEACAT19 + CTD and Water Quality Profiler	MMT/EPD
	Secchi Disc Depth ²	m	0.1	---	Manual	MMT/EPD
	Suspended Solids ²	mg/L	0.5	S,M,B ¹¹	In-house method GL-PH-23 based on APHA 22ed 2540D (weighing)	GL ¹⁸
	Volatile Suspended Solids ³	mg/L	0.5	S,M,B	In-house method GL-PH-23 based on APHA 22ed 2540E (weighing)	GL
Aggregate Organic Constituents	5-day Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD ₅) ⁴	mg/L	0.1	S,M,B	In-house method based on APHA 20ed 5210B	EML/EPD ¹⁶
Nutrients and Inorganic Constituents	Ammonia Nitrogen ⁵	mg/L	0.005	S,M,B	In-house method GL-IN-15 based on ASTM D3590-11 B (FIA)	GL
	Unionised Ammonia ⁵	mg/L	0.001	S,M,B	By calculation ¹²	MMT/EPD
	Nitrite Nitrogen ⁵	mg/L	0.002	S,M,B	In-house method GL-IN-18 based on APHA 22ed 4500-NO ₂ ⁻ B (FIA)	GL
	Nitrate Nitrogen ⁵	mg/L	0.002	S,M,B	In-house method GL-IN-18 based on APHA 22ed 4500-NO ₃ ⁻ I (FIA)	GL
	Total Inorganic Nitrogen ⁵	mg/L	0.01	S,M,B	By calculation ¹³	MMT/EPD
	Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen ⁵ (soluble; soluble & particulate)	mg/L	0.05	S,M,B	In-house methods GL-IN-14 and GL-IN-15 respectively based on ASTM D3590-11 B (FIA)	GL
	Total Nitrogen ⁵	mg/L	0.05	S,M,B	By calculation ¹³	MMT/EPD
	Orthophosphate Phosphorus ⁵	mg/L	0.002	S,M,B	In-house method GL-IN-16 based on APHA 22ed 4500-P G (FIA)	GL
	Total Phosphorus ⁵ (soluble; soluble & particulate)	mg/L	0.02	S,M,B	In-house methods GL-IN-14 and GL-IN-16 respectively based on ASTM D515-88 B (FIA)	GL
Biological and Microbiological Examination	Silica (as SiO ₂) (soluble) ⁵	mg/L	0.05	S,M,B	In-house method GL-IN-17 based on APHA 22ed 4500-SiO ₂ F (FIA)	GL
	Chlorophyll-a ⁶	µg/L	0.2	S,M,B	In-house method GL-OR-34 based on APHA 20ed 10200H 2 (spectrophotometric)	GL
	<i>Escherichia coli</i> (<i>E. coli</i>) ⁷	cfu/100mL	1	S,M,B	In-house method, membrane filtration with CHROMagar Liquid <i>E. coli</i> -coliform culture ¹⁴	EML/EPD
	Faecal Coliforms ⁷	cfu/100mL	1	S,M,B	In-house method, membrane filtration with CHROMagar Liquid <i>E. coli</i> -coliform culture ¹⁴	EML/EPD
	Phytoplankton	cell/mL	1	S	In-house method, 10 ml settled sub-sample using plankton chamber and inverted microscope ¹⁹	WSL/EPD ¹⁷

Note: 1 Indicate general oceanographic conditions of marine water

2 Low transparency and light penetration would affect aesthetic value and photosynthesis in marine water

3 Indicate the amount of particulate organic matters in marine water

4 Indicate the amount of organic pollutants in marine water

5 Major nutrients (nitrogen, phosphorus, silica) promoting algal growth in marine water

6 Indicate the amount of algal biomass in marine water

7 Sewage bacteria indicate the extent of faecal pollution in marine water

8 Measuring and reporting of Salinity (S) are based on the Practical Salinity Scale and International Equation of State of Seawater (UNESCO Technical Papers in Marine Science No. 30 (1981) ; No. 36 (1981) and No. 45 (1985))

9 Percent saturation of dissolved oxygen is calculated from dissolved oxygen in mg/L based on Weiss R.F. (1970); The solubility of nitrogen, oxygen and argon in water and seawater. Deep Sea Res. Vol. 17, pp.721-735

10 Depth profiling – continuous measurements at downcast are processed and presented at 1m intervals from 1m below the surface to 1m above the seabed

11 If water depth is 6m or above, sampling is taken at three depths during upcast: S – 1m below water surface; M – mid-depth of water column; B – 1m above seabed. If water depth is 4 to 5 m, "M" is skipped; If water depth is 3m or less, "M" and "B" are skipped.

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16 EML/EPD – Environmental Microbiology Laboratory, Water Policy and Science Group, Environmental Protection Department.

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Summary of marine sediment¹ parameters

	Parameter	Unit ²	Reporting Limit	Standard Method / Techniques used ⁸	Analysed by
Physical and Aggregate Properties	Particle Size Fractionation	% w/w	1	In-house method, sieving and weighing ; 8 fractions : >4000 µm, <4000µm, <2000µm, <1000µm, <500µm, <250µm, <125µm and <63µm	MMT/EPD ⁶
	Electrochemical Potential ⁴	mV	1	Instrumental, Orion Model 250A pH/Redox Meter (electrodeometric)	MMT/EPD
	Total Solids (TS) ³	% w/w	0.1	In-house method GL-PH-22 based on APHA 20ed 2540G (weighing)	GL ⁷
	Total Volatile Solids (TVS) ³	% TS	0.1	In-house method GL-PH-22 based on APHA 20ed 2540G (weighing)	GL
	Dry Wet Ratio	-	0.01	In-house method GL-PH-22 based on APHA 20ed 2540G (weighing)	GL
Aggregate Organic Constituents ³	Chemical Oxygen Demand (COD)	mg/kg	2	In-house method GL-OR-47 based on ASTM D1252-00 A (open reflux)	GL
	Total Carbon (TC)	% w/w	0.1	In-house method GL-OR-33 based on APHA 20ed 5310 B (combustion - IR)	GL
Nutrients and Inorganic Constituents ³	Ammonia Nitrogen (NH ₄ -N)	mg/kg	0.05	In-house method GL-IN-19 based on ASTM D3590-11 B (FIA)	GL
	Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen (TKN)	mg/kg	0.5	In-house methods GL-IN-14 and GL-IN-15 respectively based on ASTM D3590-11 B (FIA)	GL
	Total Phosphorus	mg/kg	0.2	In-house methods GL-IN-14 and GL-IN-16 respectively based on ASTM D515-88 B (FIA)	GL
	Total Sulphide	mg/kg	0.2	In-house method GL-IN-45 based on APHA 20ed 4500-S ² A&D (spectrophotometric)	GL
	Total Cyanide	mg/kg	0.1	In-house method GL-IN-44 based on APHA 20ed 4500-CN A&E (distillation and amperometric)	GL
Metals & Metalloids ⁵	Aluminium (Al)	mg/kg	1	In-house methods GL-TE-60 and GL-TE-64 respectively based on USEPA methods 6010B (ICP-AES) and 6020 (ICP-MS)	GL
	Arsenic (As)	mg/kg	0.1	In-house methods GL-TE-64 and GL-TE-66 based on USEPA method 6020 (ICP-MS)	GL
	Barium (Ba)	mg/kg	0.2	In-house methods GL-TE-60 and GL-TE-64 respectively based on USEPA methods 6010B (ICP-AES) and 6020 (ICP-MS)	GL
	Boron (B)	mg/kg	5	In-house methods GL-TE-60 and GL-TE-64 respectively based on USEPA methods 6010B (ICP-AES) and 6020 (ICP-MS)	GL
	Cadmium (Cd)	mg/kg	0.1	In-house method GL-TE-64 based on USEPA method 6020 (ICP-MS)	GL
	Chromium (Cr)	mg/kg	0.2	In-house methods GL-TE-60 and GL-TE-64 respectively based on USEPA methods 6010B (ICP-AES) and 6020 (ICP-MS)	GL
	Copper (Cu)	mg/kg	0.2	In-house methods GL-TE-60 and GL-TE-64 respectively based on USEPA methods 6010B (ICP-AES) and 6020 (ICP-MS)	GL
	Iron (Fe)	mg/kg	5	In-house methods GL-TE-60 and GL-TE-64 respectively based on USEPA methods 6010B (ICP-AES) and 6020 (ICP-MS)	GL
	Lead (Pb)	mg/kg	0.2	In-house methods GL-TE-60 and GL-TE-64 respectively based on USEPA methods 6010B (ICP-AES) and 6020 (ICP-MS)	GL
	Manganese (Mn)	mg/kg	1	In-house methods GL-TE-60 and GL-TE-64 respectively based on USEPA methods 6010B (ICP-AES) and 6020 (ICP-MS)	GL
	Mercury (Hg)	mg/kg	0.05	In-house methods GL-TE-64 and GL-TE-66 based on USEPA method 6020 (ICP-MS)	GL
	Nickel (Ni)	mg/kg	0.2	In-house methods GL-TE-60 and GL-TE-64 respectively based on USEPA methods 6010B (ICP-AES) and 6020 (ICP-MS)	GL
	Silver (Ag)	mg/kg	0.2	In-house method GL-TE-64 based on USEPA method 6020 (ICP-MS)	GL
	Vanadium (V)	mg/kg	0.1	In-house methods GL-TE-60 and GL-TE-64 respectively based on USEPA methods 6010B (ICP-AES) and 6020 (ICP-MS)	GL
	Zinc (Zn)	mg/kg	0.2	In-house methods GL-TE-60 and GL-TE-64 respectively based on USEPA methods 6010B (ICP-AES) and 6020 (ICP-MS)	GL
Trace Organic Compounds	Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs)				
	18 PCB congeners : PCB 8, 18, 28, 44, 52, 66, 77, 101, 105, 118, 126, 128, 138, 153, 169, 170, 180, 187	µg/kg	2	In-house method GL-OR-25 based on Reference Method for the Analysis of Polychlorinated Biphenyls, Environmental Protection Series: Report EPS 1/RM/31, March 1997, Environment Canada (GC-MS)	GL
	Polyaromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs)				
	- Acenaphthene	µg/kg	50	In-house method GL-OR-15 based on USEPA method 610, 1984 (UV-FLUO)	GL
	- Acenaphthylene	µg/kg	50	In-house method GL-OR-15 based on USEPA method 610, 1984 (UV-FLUO)	GL
	- Naphthalene	µg/kg	60	In-house method GL-OR-15 based on USEPA method 610, 1984 (UV-FLUO)	GL
	- Fluorene	µg/kg	10	In-house method GL-OR-15 based on USEPA method 610, 1984 (UV-FLUO)	GL
	- Phenanthrene	µg/kg	5	In-house method GL-OR-15 based on USEPA method 610, 1984 (UV-FLUO)	GL
	- Anthracene	µg/kg	5	In-house method GL-OR-15 based on USEPA method 610, 1984 (UV-FLUO)	GL
	- Fluoranthene	µg/kg	5	In-house method GL-OR-15 based on USEPA method 610, 1984 (UV-FLUO)	GL
	- Pyrene	µg/kg	5	In-house method GL-OR-15 based on USEPA method 610, 1984 (UV-FLUO)	GL
	- Benzo(a)anthracene	µg/kg	3	In-house method GL-OR-15 based on USEPA method 610, 1984 (UV-FLUO)	GL
	- Chrysene	µg/kg	5	In-house method GL-OR-15 based on USEPA method 610, 1984 (UV-FLUO)	GL
	- Benzo(b)fluoranthene	µg/kg	1	In-house method GL-OR-15 based on USEPA method 610, 1984 (UV-FLUO)	GL
	- Benzo(k)fluoranthene	µg/kg	1	In-house method GL-OR-15 based on USEPA method 610, 1984 (UV-FLUO)	GL
	- Benzo(a)pyrene	µg/kg	1	In-house method GL-OR-15 based on USEPA method 610, 1984 (UV-FLUO)	GL
	- Dibenzo(a,h)anthracene	µg/kg	5	In-house method GL-OR-15 based on USEPA method 610, 1984 (UV-FLUO)	GL
	- Benzo(ghi)perylene	µg/kg	1	In-house method GL-OR-15 based on USEPA method 610, 1984 (UV-FLUO)	GL
	- Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene	µg/kg	5	In-house method GL-OR-15 based on USEPA method 610, 1984 (UV-FLUO)	GL

- Note: 1 Birge-Ekman (0.023sq.m) grab / Van Veen (0.1sq.m) grab / Smith-McIntyre (0.1sq.m) grab is employed to collect sediment samples from the top 10cm of seabed.
- 2 All parameters are reported on a dry weight basis unless otherwise stated.
- 3 Determinants are reported on a wet weight basis.
- 4 Electrochemical potential (Eh) is measured "on-site" at 3cm below the surface of freshly collected sediment samples (Reference : Handbook of Techniques for Aquatic Sediment Sampling. By A. Mudrock & S.D. MacKnight, 1994, CRC Press).
- 5 Digestion procedure for metals and metalloids in sediment follows Government Laboratory's in-house method GL-TE-51.
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Summary of water quality statistics for the Mirs Bay WCZ in 2014

	Starling Inlet	Crooked Island	Port Island	Mirs Bay North			
Parameter	MM1	MM2	MM7	MM17	MM3	MM4	MM5
Number of samples	12	12	12	12	12	12	12
Temperature (°C)	23.7 (16.3 - 29.8)	23.3 (16.4 - 30.0)	23.2 (16.0 - 29.6)	22.9 (15.5 - 29.4)	23.0 (16.1 - 29.5)	22.9 (15.5 - 29.2)	22.8 (15.8 - 29.2)
Salinity	31.8 (27.5 - 33.7)	32.1 (28.7 - 33.5)	32.1 (28.9 - 33.4)	32.3 (29.9 - 33.5)	32.3 (30.4 - 33.6)	32.4 (30.8 - 33.7)	32.5 (30.5 - 33.7)
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	6.5 (4.3 - 10.1)	6.3 (4.4 - 7.6)	6.3 (4.3 - 7.6)	6.3 (4.3 - 7.8)	6.3 (3.4 - 8.1)	6.3 (3.5 - 7.9)	6.4 (4.3 - 8.5)
Bottom	6.6 (4.6 - 9.7)	5.6 (2.5 - 8.0)	6.0 (2.4 - 8.2)	5.7 (1.0 - 8.3)	5.7 (1.3 - 8.4)	5.8 (1.1 - 8.2)	5.6 (0.6 - 8.3)
Dissolved Oxygen (% Saturation)	92 (68 - 135)	88 (68 - 100)	88 (60 - 103)	87 (63 - 104)	88 (50 - 106)	87 (53 - 104)	89 (64 - 112)
Bottom	92 (71 - 128)	77 (36 - 99)	83 (34 - 106)	78 (15 - 107)	78 (19 - 106)	79 (17 - 105)	76 (8 - 106)
pH	8.0 (7.7 - 8.3)	8.0 (7.7 - 8.2)	8.0 (7.7 - 8.2)	8.0 (7.7 - 8.2)	8.0 (7.7 - 8.2)	8.0 (7.7 - 8.3)	8.0 (7.7 - 8.2)
Secchi Disc Depth (m)	2.3 (1.2 - 3.0)	2.8 (1.5 - 4.5)	3.4 (1.2 - 5.5)	3.7 (1.8 - 6.0)	3.1 (1.7 - 5.0)	3.5 (2.0 - 6.1)	3.3 (1.5 - 4.8)
Turbidity (NTU)	2.0 (0.9 - 5.8)	1.6 (0.6 - 4.1)	1.5 (0.3 - 3.7)	1.2 (0.3 - 4.3)	2.2 (0.7 - 6.6)	1.8 (0.6 - 3.8)	2.0 (0.8 - 5.3)
Suspended Solids (mg/L)	2.9 (1.0 - 7.3)	2.2 (0.6 - 6.2)	2.4 (0.7 - 8.0)	1.9 (0.7 - 3.9)	4.8 (0.8 - 18.2)	2.4 (0.7 - 4.0)	2.5 (0.7 - 6.2)
5-day Biochemical Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	1.1 (0.2 - 2.3)	0.9 (0.3 - 1.6)	1.0 (0.5 - 2.2)	1.1 (0.3 - 3.2)	1.0 (0.2 - 3.2)	1.0 (0.2 - 2.5)	0.8 (0.3 - 2.2)
Ammonia Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.049 (0.008 - 0.105)	0.040 (0.010 - 0.079)	0.038 (0.009 - 0.083)	0.032 (<0.005 - 0.073)	0.037 (0.006 - 0.058)	0.027 (0.006 - 0.047)	0.026 (<0.005 - 0.047)
Unionised Ammonia (mg/L)	0.002 (<0.001 - 0.006)	0.002 (<0.001 - 0.003)	0.002 (<0.001 - 0.004)	0.002 (<0.001 - 0.007)	0.002 (<0.001 - 0.005)	0.001 (<0.001 - 0.003)	0.001 (<0.001 - 0.002)
Nitrite Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.014 (<0.002 - 0.069)	0.012 (0.003 - 0.058)	0.009 (<0.002 - 0.031)	0.007 (<0.002 - 0.013)	0.009 (0.002 - 0.019)	0.009 (<0.002 - 0.026)	0.009 (<0.002 - 0.023)
Nitrate Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.046 (0.003 - 0.102)	0.023 (0.003 - 0.040)	0.017 (0.002 - 0.041)	0.020 (<0.002 - 0.058)	0.024 (<0.002 - 0.063)	0.021 (<0.002 - 0.049)	0.024 (<0.002 - 0.071)
Total Inorganic Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.11 (0.02 - 0.21)	0.07 (0.03 - 0.11)	0.06 (0.01 - 0.15)	0.06 (<0.01 - 0.11)	0.07 (<0.01 - 0.12)	0.06 (<0.01 - 0.10)	0.06 (<0.01 - 0.12)
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.23 (0.11 - 0.30)	0.20 (0.11 - 0.26)	0.19 (0.09 - 0.35)	0.21 (0.08 - 0.42)	0.20 (0.09 - 0.33)	0.21 (0.09 - 0.52)	0.16 (0.10 - 0.23)
Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.29 (0.14 - 0.42)	0.23 (0.13 - 0.31)	0.22 (0.12 - 0.41)	0.23 (0.13 - 0.44)	0.23 (0.17 - 0.36)	0.24 (0.14 - 0.55)	0.19 (0.16 - 0.23)
Orthophosphate Phosphorus (mg/L)	0.008 (0.002 - 0.019)	0.007 (0.002 - 0.018)	0.009 (0.003 - 0.027)	0.007 (0.003 - 0.013)	0.009 (0.003 - 0.022)	0.008 (0.003 - 0.019)	0.008 (0.003 - 0.014)
Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	0.03 (0.02 - 0.04)	0.02 (<0.02 - 0.03)	0.02 (<0.02 - 0.05)	0.02 (<0.02 - 0.04)	0.03 (<0.02 - 0.04)	0.02 (<0.02 - 0.03)	0.02 (<0.02 - 0.03)
Silica (as SiO ₂) (mg/L)	0.88 (0.29 - 1.33)	0.81 (0.29 - 1.57)	0.83 (0.09 - 1.93)	0.72 (0.06 - 1.20)	0.82 (0.07 - 1.49)	0.77 (0.05 - 1.37)	0.80 (0.06 - 1.46)
Chlorophyll-a (µg/L)	5.5 (0.5 - 11.0)	3.3 (0.4 - 8.4)	3.6 (0.8 - 9.3)	4.0 (0.5 - 17.3)	3.3 (0.5 - 14.3)	3.4 (0.3 - 14.0)	3.1 (0.3 - 13.3)
<i>E.coli</i> (count/100mL)	14 (2 - 3100)	2 (<1 - 58)	1 (<1 - 12)	1 (<1 - 7)	1 (<1 - 18)	1 (<1 - 5)	1 (<1 - 22)
Faecal Coliforms (count/100mL)	32 (3 - 6300)	3 (<1 - 220)	2 (<1 - 50)	2 (<1 - 26)	3 (<1 - 87)	2 (<1 - 12)	2 (<1 - 64)

Note : 1. Unless otherwise specified, data presented are depth-averaged (A) values calculated by taking the means of three depths: Surface (S), Mid-depth (M), Bottom (B).

2. Data presented are annual arithmetic means of the depth-averaged results except for *E. coli* and faecal coliforms which are annual geometric means.

3. Data in brackets indicate the ranges.

Summary of water quality statistics for the Mirs Bay WCZ in 2014 (continued)

Parameter	Ninepin Group MM19	Waglan Island MM8	Mirs Bay (South) MM13	Mirs Bay (Central) MM14 MM15		Long Harbour MM16 MM6	
Number of samples	12	12	12	12	12	12	12
Temperature (°C)	22.9 (16.9 - 28.5)	23.0 (16.8 - 28.4)	23.4 (16.9 - 28.2)	23.2 (16.8 - 28.3)	23.0 (16.7 - 28.4)	22.9 (16.3 - 28.4)	22.9 (15.5 - 29.3)
Salinity	33.0 (32.2 - 33.6)	32.5 (29.9 - 33.8)	32.8 (31.0 - 34.3)	33.1 (32.0 - 34.4)	33.1 (31.9 - 34.0)	32.9 (31.9 - 33.9)	32.2 (29.8 - 33.4)
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	5.8 (3.6 - 7.9)	6.2 (3.9 - 8.4)	6.2 (4.3 - 7.6)	6.2 (4.6 - 7.6)	6.1 (4.3 - 8.1)	6.1 (4.1 - 7.8)	6.5 (4.5 - 8.4)
Bottom	5.6 (2.2 - 7.8)	5.7 (2.9 - 8.1)	5.9 (3.2 - 8.0)	5.9 (3.0 - 8.1)	5.8 (2.3 - 8.1)	5.6 (1.0 - 8.2)	6.1 (2.4 - 8.7)
Dissolved Oxygen (% Saturation)	81 (49 - 100)	87 (56 - 106)	88 (61 - 109)	87 (63 - 100)	85 (63 - 103)	85 (62 - 102)	90 (67 - 104)
Bottom	77 (32 - 100)	79 (41 - 102)	82 (46 - 103)	82 (42 - 103)	80 (33 - 103)	77 (15 - 104)	84 (34 - 108)
pH	8.0 (7.7 - 8.2)	8.0 (7.7 - 8.2)	8.0 (7.7 - 8.2)	8.0 (7.7 - 8.2)	8.0 (7.7 - 8.2)	8.0 (7.6 - 8.2)	8.0 (7.7 - 8.2)
Secchi Disc Depth (m)	3.8 (2.4 - 5.5)	3.9 (2.2 - 8.5)	4.7 (1.5 - 11.0)	4.4 (2.2 - 9.0)	4.7 (2.0 - 10.0)	4.3 (2.1 - 8.5)	3.7 (2.0 - 6.0)
Turbidity (NTU)	2.0 (0.9 - 5.6)	2.0 (0.7 - 3.5)	1.9 (0.3 - 3.4)	1.6 (0.4 - 2.5)	1.5 (1.0 - 2.7)	1.5 (0.4 - 3.4)	1.0 (0.4 - 4.1)
Suspended Solids (mg/L)	2.1 (1.0 - 3.5)	3.0 (0.8 - 7.1)	2.5 (0.8 - 3.8)	2.4 (1.1 - 4.1)	2.1 (1.1 - 5.2)	1.8 (0.7 - 3.9)	1.3 (0.5 - 2.6)
5-day Biochemical Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	0.6 (0.2 - 1.9)	0.5 (0.1 - 1.3)	0.5 (<0.1 - 2.0)	0.5 (<0.1 - 1.0)	0.4 (0.2 - 0.7)	0.6 (0.1 - 1.7)	1.0 (0.5 - 3.2)
Ammonia Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.016 (<0.005 - 0.045)	0.013 (0.005 - 0.035)	0.015 (<0.005 - 0.036)	0.014 (<0.005 - 0.034)	0.013 (<0.005 - 0.027)	0.015 (0.005 - 0.029)	0.027 (0.008 - 0.046)
Unionised Ammonia (mg/L)	<0.001 (<0.001 - 0.003)	<0.001 (<0.001 - 0.003)	<0.001 (<0.001 - 0.002)	<0.001 (<0.001 - 0.002)	<0.001 (<0.001 - 0.001)	<0.001 (<0.001 - 0.002)	0.001 (<0.001 - 0.002)
Nitrite Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.012 (0.002 - 0.022)	0.016 (0.002 - 0.043)	0.012 (0.002 - 0.024)	0.011 (0.002 - 0.026)	0.008 (0.002 - 0.023)	0.008 (0.002 - 0.016)	0.005 (<0.002 - 0.013)
Nitrate Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.054 (0.004 - 0.107)	0.090 (0.004 - 0.235)	0.057 (0.004 - 0.127)	0.049 (0.002 - 0.120)	0.042 (<0.002 - 0.096)	0.036 (0.003 - 0.079)	0.016 (<0.002 - 0.035)
Total Inorganic Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.08 (0.02 - 0.14)	0.12 (0.01 - 0.31)	0.08 (0.01 - 0.18)	0.07 (<0.01 - 0.15)	0.06 (0.01 - 0.13)	0.06 (0.01 - 0.10)	0.05 (0.02 - 0.07)
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.13 (0.07 - 0.19)	0.14 (0.09 - 0.27)	0.14 (0.06 - 0.28)	0.15 (0.06 - 0.27)	0.14 (0.06 - 0.23)	0.15 (0.08 - 0.23)	0.17 (0.12 - 0.24)
Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.19 (0.08 - 0.31)	0.25 (0.10 - 0.45)	0.21 (0.07 - 0.39)	0.21 (0.06 - 0.41)	0.19 (0.06 - 0.34)	0.20 (0.11 - 0.28)	0.19 (0.15 - 0.27)
Orthophosphate Phosphorus (mg/L)	0.010 (0.007 - 0.016)	0.010 (0.005 - 0.017)	0.009 (0.004 - 0.017)	0.009 (0.004 - 0.016)	0.009 (0.005 - 0.014)	0.009 (0.005 - 0.015)	0.007 (0.002 - 0.015)
Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	0.02 (<0.02 - 0.03)	0.02 (<0.02 - 0.03)	0.02 (<0.02 - 0.03)	0.02 (<0.02 - 0.03)	0.02 (<0.02 - 0.03)	0.02 (<0.02 - 0.03)	0.02 (<0.02 - 0.03)
Silica (as SiO ₂) (mg/L)	0.76 (0.25 - 1.17)	0.78 (0.16 - 1.23)	0.63 (0.10 - 1.13)	0.67 (0.15 - 1.20)	0.68 (0.27 - 1.17)	0.69 (0.31 - 1.21)	0.73 (0.06 - 1.20)
Chlorophyll-a (µg/L)	1.3 (0.2 - 2.5)	2.1 (0.3 - 7.2)	2.1 (0.3 - 8.5)	1.9 (<0.2 - 6.3)	1.2 (<0.2 - 2.2)	1.5 (0.3 - 2.9)	2.6 (0.3 - 6.3)
<i>E. coli</i> (count/100mL)	1 (<1 - 4)	1 (<1 - 3)	1 (<1 - 3)	1 (<1 - 2)	1 (<1 - 1)	1 (<1 - 1)	1 (<1 - 8)
Faecal Coliforms (count/100mL)	2 (<1 - 15)	2 (<1 - 9)	2 (<1 - 39)	2 (<1 - 12)	1 (<1 - 2)	2 (<1 - 7)	2 (<1 - 36)

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Summary of water quality statistics for the Port Shelter WCZ in 2014

Parameter	Inner Port Shelter				Hebe Haven
	PM1	PM2	PM3	PM4	PM6
Number of samples	12	12	12	12	12
Temperature (°C)	23.5 (14.3 - 30.9)	23.3 (15.4 - 30.3)	22.9 (15.1 - 29.7)	23.4 (14.6 - 30.8)	22.9 (15.1 - 29.9)
Salinity	31.7 (28.3 - 33.5)	32.0 (29.7 - 33.4)	32.3 (29.7 - 33.6)	31.7 (27.8 - 33.7)	32.1 (30.1 - 33.4)
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	6.7 (4.0 - 8.9)	6.5 (4.2 - 9.9)	6.3 (3.1 - 8.9)	6.7 (4.8 - 8.1)	6.3 (2.9 - 7.9)
Bottom	6.8 (3.7 - 11.1)	6.3 (2.3 - 10.5)	5.7 (0.3 - 9.6)	6.8 (4.2 - 9.7)	5.7 (0.2 - 8.0)
Dissolved Oxygen (% Saturation)	93 (64 - 121)	90 (65 - 133)	86 (47 - 119)	93 (77 - 110)	87 (43 - 106)
Bottom	93 (53 - 149)	87 (35 - 140)	78 (4 - 126)	94 (64 - 130)	77 (3 - 104)
pH	8.0 (7.8 - 8.3)	8.0 (7.7 - 8.3)	8.0 (7.6 - 8.2)	8.0 (7.7 - 8.3)	8.0 (7.6 - 8.2)
Secchi Disc Depth (m)	3.0 (1.8 - 4.1)	2.8 (1.3 - 5.0)	3.1 (1.8 - 5.0)	2.9 (1.1 - 4.0)	2.6 (1.4 - 4.0)
Turbidity (NTU)	1.2 (0.3 - 2.7)	2.4 (0.5 - 14.5)	1.1 (0.3 - 2.4)	1.3 (0.4 - 3.0)	1.3 (0.6 - 3.3)
Suspended Solids (mg/L)	2.4 (0.9 - 8.1)	2.4 (0.8 - 5.2)	2.1 (0.8 - 4.2)	2.4 (0.9 - 5.5)	2.2 (0.8 - 4.3)
5-day Biochemical Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	1.0 (0.2 - 2.2)	1.0 (0.2 - 1.9)	0.8 (0.3 - 1.5)	1.0 (0.5 - 1.5)	0.9 (0.3 - 1.7)
Ammonia Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.024 (0.007 - 0.042)	0.039 (0.010 - 0.105)	0.031 (0.011 - 0.084)	0.022 (0.007 - 0.042)	0.034 (0.010 - 0.075)
Unionised Ammonia (mg/L)	0.001 (<0.001 - 0.003)	0.002 (<0.001 - 0.006)	0.001 (<0.001 - 0.005)	<0.001 (<0.001 - 0.002)	0.001 (<0.001 - 0.004)
Nitrite Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.004 (<0.002 - 0.011)	0.005 (0.002 - 0.014)	0.006 (<0.002 - 0.012)	0.004 (<0.002 - 0.009)	0.005 (<0.002 - 0.010)
Nitrate Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.022 (<0.002 - 0.071)	0.024 (0.002 - 0.091)	0.026 (<0.002 - 0.071)	0.022 (<0.002 - 0.076)	0.029 (<0.002 - 0.057)
Total Inorganic Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.05 (0.01 - 0.11)	0.07 (0.01 - 0.15)	0.06 (0.02 - 0.15)	0.05 (0.01 - 0.10)	0.07 (0.01 - 0.14)
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.21 (0.16 - 0.35)	0.21 (0.09 - 0.37)	0.21 (0.11 - 0.36)	0.20 (0.09 - 0.32)	0.21 (0.11 - 0.32)
Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.24 (0.17 - 0.42)	0.24 (0.10 - 0.42)	0.24 (0.12 - 0.39)	0.22 (0.10 - 0.36)	0.24 (0.14 - 0.37)
Orthophosphate Phosphorus (mg/L)	0.006 (0.003 - 0.009)	0.008 (0.003 - 0.027)	0.008 (0.003 - 0.025)	0.006 (0.002 - 0.009)	0.008 (0.003 - 0.025)
Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	0.02 (<0.02 - 0.03)	0.03 (<0.02 - 0.05)	0.02 (<0.02 - 0.05)	0.02 (<0.02 - 0.04)	0.02 (<0.02 - 0.05)
Silica (as SiO ₂) (mg/L)	0.84 (0.10 - 2.05)	0.81 (0.16 - 2.27)	0.73 (0.14 - 2.00)	0.77 (0.13 - 1.87)	0.87 (0.10 - 2.30)
Chlorophyll-a (µg/L)	2.7 (0.6 - 6.0)	2.8 (0.4 - 7.2)	2.7 (0.6 - 8.0)	3.4 (0.5 - 7.4)	2.9 (0.2 - 6.6)
<i>E. coli</i> (count/100mL)	2 (<1 - 1400)	7 (1 - 420)	2 (<1 - 7)	1 (<1 - 2)	2 (1 - 8)
Faecal Coliforms (count/100mL)	5 (<1 - 2800)	30 (2 - 970)	3 (1 - 22)	3 (1 - 19)	6 (1 - 34)

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Summary of water quality statistics of the Port Shelter WCZ in 2014 (continued)

Parameter	Outer Port Shelter		Rocky Harbour	Bluff Island
	PM7	PM8	PM9	PM11
Number of samples	12	12	12	12
Temperature (°C)	22.7 (15.6 - 28.4)	22.5 (15.7 - 28.0)	22.6 (14.7 - 28.9)	22.4 (15.5 - 27.9)
Salinity	32.5 (30.5 - 33.7)	32.6 (30.9 - 33.8)	32.6 (31.0 - 33.8)	32.8 (31.3 - 33.8)
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	6.2 (3.1 - 8.0)	6.3 (3.4 - 8.0)	6.4 (3.1 - 8.1)	6.3 (3.1 - 8.1)
Bottom	5.6 (1.2 - 8.1)	5.7 (0.6 - 8.2)	6.0 (1.7 - 8.4)	5.7 (0.9 - 8.2)
Dissolved Oxygen (% Saturation)	86 (45 - 106)	87 (51 - 107)	88 (47 - 108)	87 (46 - 102)
Bottom	76 (18 - 103)	77 (8 - 101)	82 (23 - 110)	77 (14 - 103)
pH	8.0 (7.7 - 8.2)	8.0 (7.7 - 8.2)	8.0 (7.7 - 8.2)	8.0 (7.7 - 8.2)
Secchi Disc Depth (m)	3.3 (1.2 - 5.0)	3.3 (2.1 - 5.0)	3.3 (1.8 - 5.2)	3.7 (2.1 - 6.2)
Turbidity (NTU)	1.3 (0.3 - 4.1)	1.5 (0.5 - 3.2)	1.3 (0.4 - 3.2)	1.3 (0.5 - 2.6)
Suspended Solids (mg/L)	1.9 (0.7 - 3.9)	2.1 (0.8 - 4.2)	2.3 (0.9 - 6.6)	1.8 (0.7 - 3.5)
5-day Biochemical Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	0.9 (0.2 - 4.3)	0.7 (<0.1 - 2.0)	0.7 (0.3 - 1.6)	0.7 (0.2 - 1.7)
Ammonia Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.026 (0.010 - 0.043)	0.022 (0.007 - 0.041)	0.024 (0.007 - 0.042)	0.020 (0.007 - 0.034)
Unionised Ammonia (mg/L)	0.001 (<0.001 - 0.003)	<0.001 (<0.001 - 0.003)	<0.001 (<0.001 - 0.002)	<0.001 (<0.001 - 0.003)
Nitrite Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.007 (0.002 - 0.018)	0.010 (0.002 - 0.019)	0.008 (0.002 - 0.020)	0.008 (0.002 - 0.018)
Nitrate Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.031 (0.002 - 0.068)	0.035 (0.002 - 0.073)	0.034 (<0.002 - 0.096)	0.031 (0.002 - 0.088)
Total Inorganic Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.06 (0.01 - 0.12)	0.07 (0.02 - 0.11)	0.07 (0.02 - 0.14)	0.06 (0.02 - 0.13)
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.20 (0.15 - 0.26)	0.17 (0.09 - 0.25)	0.18 (0.11 - 0.25)	0.17 (0.08 - 0.29)
Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.24 (0.16 - 0.28)	0.21 (0.14 - 0.27)	0.22 (0.15 - 0.27)	0.21 (0.11 - 0.30)
Orthophosphate Phosphorus (mg/L)	0.008 (0.003 - 0.019)	0.008 (0.004 - 0.012)	0.008 (0.004 - 0.015)	0.008 (0.005 - 0.015)
Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	0.03 (<0.02 - 0.04)	0.02 (<0.02 - 0.03)	0.02 (<0.02 - 0.03)	0.02 (<0.02 - 0.03)
Silica (as SiO ₂) (mg/L)	0.72 (0.14 - 1.77)	0.74 (0.16 - 1.30)	0.75 (0.09 - 1.47)	0.72 (0.12 - 1.23)
Chlorophyll-a (µg/L)	2.2 (0.3 - 5.5)	1.9 (0.2 - 6.7)	2.0 (0.4 - 10.0)	2.1 (0.2 - 6.4)
<i>E.coli</i> (count/100mL)	1 (<1 - 1)	1 (<1 - 1)	1 (<1 - 1)	1 (<1 - 1)
Faecal Coliforms (count/100mL)	1 (<1 - 4)	1 (<1 - 5)	2 (<1 - 5)	2 (<1 - 4)

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Summary of water quality statistics for the Tolo Harbour WCZ in 2014

Parameter	Harbour Subzone			Buffer Subzone		Channel Subzone	
	TM2	TM3	TM4	TM5	TM6	TM7	TM8
Number of samples	12	12	12	12	12	12	12
Temperature (°C)	24.2 (15.4 - 30.3)	23.9 (15.4 - 29.9)	23.8 (15.4 - 30.0)	24.6 (15.4 - 31.0)	23.4 (15.6 - 29.8)	23.4 (15.5 - 29.7)	23.0 (15.5 - 29.4)
Salinity	29.7 (24.1 - 32.3)	30.6 (25.2 - 32.6)	30.7 (26.0 - 32.6)	30.5 (24.5 - 32.7)	31.3 (27.7 - 32.9)	31.7 (28.4 - 33.0)	32.2 (29.4 - 33.2)
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	6.8 (4.0 - 10.0)	6.8 (4.7 - 9.4)	6.8 (4.7 - 8.8)	7.1 (5.0 - 10.1)	6.5 (3.1 - 8.5)	6.4 (3.3 - 8.3)	5.9 (2.6 - 7.7)
Bottom	7.7 (6.3 - 10.0)	6.4 (2.0 - 9.8)	5.9 (2.1 - 9.5)	7.3 (5.2 - 9.0)	5.2 (0.2 - 8.6)	5.5 (0.3 - 9.5)	5.3 (0.5 - 8.3)
Dissolved Oxygen (% Saturation)	97 (61 - 144)	95 (74 - 122)	95 (71 - 121)	101 (77 - 149)	90 (46 - 115)	90 (50 - 109)	82 (39 - 102)
Bottom	109 (79 - 143)	89 (27 - 125)	83 (29 - 121)	103 (80 - 129)	72 (3 - 109)	76 (5 - 120)	72 (6 - 103)
pH	8.0 (7.8 - 8.3)	8.1 (7.7 - 8.4)	8.0 (7.8 - 8.4)	8.1 (7.8 - 8.6)	8.0 (7.8 - 8.3)	8.1 (7.7 - 8.3)	8.0 (7.7 - 8.3)
Secchi Disc Depth (m)	2.3 (1.3 - 3.0)	2.5 (1.3 - 3.5)	2.3 (1.0 - 4.0)	2.5 (1.6 - 3.5)	2.6 (2.0 - 4.0)	3.0 (1.8 - 4.5)	3.6 (2.0 - 7.0)
Turbidity (NTU)	1.1 (0.5 - 1.7)	1.1 (0.6 - 2.4)	1.1 (0.5 - 1.7)	1.2 (0.6 - 2.8)	1.1 (0.4 - 2.2)	1.0 (0.3 - 2.9)	1.1 (0.3 - 2.1)
Suspended Solids (mg/L)	2.8 (0.8 - 8.5)	3.3 (1.3 - 9.6)	3.0 (1.0 - 10.5)	4.1 (0.7 - 23.0)	2.7 (1.2 - 10.3)	2.1 (0.6 - 8.0)	2.1 (0.8 - 6.3)
5-day Biochemical Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	1.9 (0.6 - 3.8)	1.8 (0.8 - 3.4)	1.8 (0.8 - 2.9)	1.6 (0.7 - 2.9)	1.3 (0.7 - 2.3)	1.0 (0.4 - 2.2)	1.0 (0.2 - 1.7)
Ammonia Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.038 (0.007 - 0.090)	0.042 (0.012 - 0.105)	0.037 (0.007 - 0.079)	0.027 (0.006 - 0.082)	0.035 (0.007 - 0.069)	0.027 (0.007 - 0.056)	0.027 (0.010 - 0.057)
Unionised Ammonia (mg/L)	0.002 (<0.001 - 0.005)	0.002 (<0.001 - 0.005)	0.001 (<0.001 - 0.003)	0.001 (<0.001 - 0.003)	0.001 (<0.001 - 0.004)	0.001 (<0.001 - 0.002)	0.001 (<0.001 - 0.003)
Nitrite Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.003 (<0.002 - 0.007)	0.003 (<0.002 - 0.005)	0.004 (<0.002 - 0.007)	0.003 (<0.002 - 0.004)	0.004 (<0.002 - 0.012)	0.005 (<0.002 - 0.030)	0.006 (0.002 - 0.030)
Nitrate Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.032 (0.003 - 0.146)	0.022 (0.004 - 0.095)	0.018 (<0.002 - 0.070)	0.013 (<0.002 - 0.053)	0.012 (<0.002 - 0.036)	0.010 (0.002 - 0.021)	0.015 (0.002 - 0.064)
Total Inorganic Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.07 (0.02 - 0.21)	0.07 (0.02 - 0.14)	0.06 (0.02 - 0.14)	0.04 (0.01 - 0.12)	0.05 (0.02 - 0.09)	0.04 (0.01 - 0.08)	0.05 (0.01 - 0.09)
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.29 (0.19 - 0.42)	0.29 (0.21 - 0.40)	0.28 (0.21 - 0.41)	0.25 (0.16 - 0.35)	0.27 (0.19 - 0.39)	0.22 (0.16 - 0.33)	0.19 (0.12 - 0.27)
Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.33 (0.19 - 0.45)	0.31 (0.21 - 0.47)	0.31 (0.21 - 0.48)	0.26 (0.16 - 0.35)	0.28 (0.19 - 0.40)	0.23 (0.16 - 0.37)	0.21 (0.16 - 0.31)
Orthophosphate Phosphorus (mg/L)	0.005 (<0.002 - 0.007)	0.005 (0.002 - 0.006)	0.005 (0.002 - 0.010)	0.005 (0.002 - 0.008)	0.007 (0.003 - 0.022)	0.007 (0.003 - 0.023)	0.008 (0.005 - 0.018)
Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	0.03 (<0.02 - 0.04)	0.03 (<0.02 - 0.04)	0.03 (<0.02 - 0.04)	0.02 (<0.02 - 0.04)	0.02 (<0.02 - 0.04)	0.02 (<0.02 - 0.04)	0.02 (<0.02 - 0.03)
Silica (as SiO ₂) (mg/L)	0.98 (0.06 - 2.10)	0.82 (0.06 - 1.51)	0.84 (0.18 - 1.51)	0.80 (0.08 - 1.80)	0.82 (0.10 - 1.67)	0.74 (0.05 - 1.80)	0.76 (0.12 - 1.47)
Chlorophyll-a (µg/L)	10.0 (2.0 - 30.2)	7.2 (1.1 - 16.7)	7.0 (1.2 - 13.7)	5.2 (0.8 - 9.3)	5.5 (1.3 - 14.2)	3.6 (0.5 - 9.6)	2.9 (1.1 - 5.0)
<i>E. coli</i> (count/100mL)	28 (<1 - 3200)	14 (1 - 260)	9 (<1 - 150)	2 (<1 - 3)	3 (<1 - 52)	1 (<1 - 3)	1 (<1 - 2)
Faecal Coliforms (count/100mL)	240 (2 - 8200)	72 (4 - 1100)	42 (1 - 790)	7 (1 - 34)	14 (<1 - 180)	5 (<1 - 29)	2 (<1 - 9)

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Summary of water quality statistics for the Southern WCZ in 2014

Parameter	Hong Kong Island (South)			East Lamma Channel	
	SM1	SM2	SM19	SM3	SM4
Number of samples	12	12	12	12	12
Temperature (°C)	23.1 (16.2 - 28.8)	23.1 (16.4 - 28.8)	22.9 (16.1 - 28.8)	22.9 (16.5 - 28.8)	23.2 (16.6 - 28.8)
Salinity	32.5 (30.9 - 33.4)	32.3 (30.3 - 33.4)	32.6 (30.2 - 33.5)	32.6 (31.5 - 33.3)	32.0 (29.7 - 33.2)
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	6.5 (5.3 - 8.0)	6.3 (4.5 - 7.7)	6.4 (4.8 - 7.9)	6.2 (4.2 - 7.8)	6.5 (4.5 - 7.8)
Bottom	6.4 (3.2 - 8.2)	6.3 (2.9 - 8.1)	6.1 (2.7 - 8.2)	6.1 (2.4 - 8.2)	6.5 (2.6 - 8.5)
Dissolved Oxygen (% Saturation)	90 (82 - 99)	88 (66 - 100)	90 (72 - 105)	86 (63 - 97)	90 (70 - 109)
Bottom	88 (47 - 104)	86 (43 - 107)	84 (39 - 103)	83 (35 - 105)	90 (38 - 122)
pH	8.0 (7.8 - 8.2)	8.0 (7.7 - 8.2)	8.0 (7.7 - 8.3)	7.9 (7.7 - 8.2)	8.0 (7.7 - 8.2)
Secchi Disc Depth (m)	3.2 (2.5 - 4.5)	3.1 (2.1 - 5.0)	3.3 (1.8 - 4.5)	3.2 (2.0 - 6.0)	3.1 (2.2 - 4.0)
Turbidity (NTU)	2.2 (0.7 - 5.6)	3.1 (0.6 - 9.5)	3.1 (1.2 - 6.8)	3.0 (0.8 - 6.4)	3.1 (0.7 - 13.1)
Suspended Solids (mg/L)	2.2 (0.9 - 3.9)	2.9 (1.0 - 7.2)	3.6 (1.1 - 7.2)	3.2 (1.1 - 5.4)	3.0 (1.0 - 7.0)
5-day Biochemical Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	0.7 (<0.1 - 2.0)	0.9 (0.3 - 1.7)	0.7 (0.3 - 1.6)	0.7 (0.3 - 1.3)	0.9 (0.3 - 2.0)
Ammonia Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.024 (0.009 - 0.052)	0.038 (0.009 - 0.109)	0.019 (0.012 - 0.029)	0.038 (0.009 - 0.088)	0.055 (0.010 - 0.147)
Unionised Ammonia (mg/L)	0.001 (<0.001 - 0.003)	0.002 (<0.001 - 0.006)	<0.001 (<0.001 - 0.002)	0.001 (<0.001 - 0.004)	0.002 (<0.001 - 0.008)
Nitrite Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.011 (0.003 - 0.019)	0.016 (0.006 - 0.026)	0.014 (0.003 - 0.026)	0.017 (0.003 - 0.029)	0.020 (0.008 - 0.031)
Nitrate Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.055 (0.005 - 0.122)	0.070 (0.008 - 0.167)	0.063 (<0.002 - 0.207)	0.065 (<0.002 - 0.131)	0.084 (0.005 - 0.207)
Total Inorganic Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.09 (0.02 - 0.19)	0.12 (0.03 - 0.30)	0.10 (0.02 - 0.26)	0.12 (0.01 - 0.24)	0.16 (0.02 - 0.38)
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.18 (0.11 - 0.31)	0.19 (0.13 - 0.31)	0.18 (0.13 - 0.36)	0.22 (0.14 - 0.48)	0.22 (0.15 - 0.33)
Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.24 (0.14 - 0.45)	0.27 (0.16 - 0.50)	0.26 (0.17 - 0.60)	0.30 (0.17 - 0.63)	0.32 (0.19 - 0.56)
Orthophosphate Phosphorus (mg/L)	0.008 (0.004 - 0.016)	0.009 (0.003 - 0.016)	0.008 (0.004 - 0.015)	0.009 (0.005 - 0.014)	0.009 (0.004 - 0.017)
Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	0.02 (<0.02 - 0.03)	0.02 (<0.02 - 0.03)	0.02 (<0.02 - 0.03)	0.03 (<0.02 - 0.03)	0.02 (0.02 - 0.03)
Silica (as SiO ₂) (mg/L)	0.67 (0.25 - 1.43)	0.73 (0.12 - 1.30)	0.70 (0.39 - 1.50)	0.83 (0.16 - 1.53)	0.78 (0.09 - 1.40)
Chlorophyll-a (µg/L)	2.5 (0.4 - 6.9)	4.3 (0.4 - 8.9)	2.7 (0.4 - 10.5)	3.7 (0.5 - 9.7)	5.3 (0.3 - 17.9)
<i>E. coli</i> (count/100mL)	2 (<1 - 8)	42 (2 - 190)	1 (<1 - 3)	42 (5 - 320)	18 (3 - 330)
Faecal Coliforms (count/100mL)	3 (<1 - 19)	73 (4 - 330)	2 (<1 - 18)	78 (7 - 470)	38 (4 - 490)

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Summary of water quality statistics for the Southern WCZ in 2014 (continued)

Parameter	West Lamma Channel				
	SM5	SM6	SM7	SM9	SM18
Number of samples	12	12	12	12	12
Temperature (°C)	23.7 (16.5 - 28.9)	23.3 (16.4 - 28.9)	23.6 (16.3 - 29.8)	23.7 (16.7 - 28.5)	23.2 (16.4 - 28.8)
Salinity	31.6 (27.2 - 33.4)	31.9 (28.8 - 33.3)	31.1 (27.8 - 33.1)	30.7 (26.6 - 33.2)	32.4 (30.2 - 33.5)
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	7.0 (4.7 - 9.1)	6.7 (5.1 - 7.7)	7.1 (4.4 - 10.2)	6.2 (3.8 - 7.8)	6.4 (3.5 - 7.8)
Bottom	6.5 (3.0 - 8.3)	6.0 (0.3 - 8.2)	7.2 (4.3 - 11.1)	6.1 (3.9 - 7.9)	5.8 (2.1 - 8.1)
Dissolved Oxygen (% Saturation)	99 (72 - 139)	95 (79 - 111)	100 (68 - 157)	87 (58 - 114)	90 (52 - 106)
Bottom	90 (45 - 110)	83 (4 - 110)	101 (67 - 166)	85 (59 - 109)	80 (30 - 102)
pH	8.0 (7.7 - 8.3)	8.0 (7.7 - 8.2)	8.0 (7.6 - 8.4)	7.9 (7.5 - 8.1)	8.0 (7.7 - 8.2)
Secchi Disc Depth (m)	2.6 (1.5 - 3.5)	2.8 (2.0 - 4.5)	2.6 (1.5 - 4.5)	2.7 (1.8 - 3.5)	3.0 (2.0 - 4.0)
Turbidity (NTU)	3.0 (0.7 - 7.0)	2.8 (0.7 - 6.2)	3.1 (0.7 - 6.2)	3.3 (0.4 - 9.5)	3.3 (1.0 - 7.5)
Suspended Solids (mg/L)	4.1 (1.0 - 8.3)	3.6 (1.3 - 6.5)	4.5 (1.4 - 7.4)	6.3 (1.1 - 16.4)	3.6 (1.0 - 6.6)
5-day Biochemical Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	1.0 (0.2 - 2.8)	0.9 (0.2 - 1.8)	1.3 (0.2 - 3.2)	0.8 (<0.1 - 1.9)	0.7 (0.2 - 1.5)
Ammonia Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.031 (0.007 - 0.090)	0.033 (0.005 - 0.083)	0.064 (<0.005 - 0.237)	0.106 (0.030 - 0.237)	0.021 (0.008 - 0.044)
Unionised Ammonia (mg/L)	0.002 (<0.001 - 0.005)	0.001 (<0.001 - 0.004)	0.003 (<0.001 - 0.012)	0.003 (<0.001 - 0.011)	0.001 (<0.001 - 0.003)
Nitrite Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.021 (0.006 - 0.056)	0.022 (0.005 - 0.052)	0.028 (0.003 - 0.056)	0.042 (0.006 - 0.110)	0.015 (0.005 - 0.037)
Nitrate Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.097 (0.003 - 0.447)	0.104 (0.005 - 0.423)	0.135 (<0.002 - 0.403)	0.175 (0.057 - 0.337)	0.077 (<0.002 - 0.283)
Total Inorganic Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.15 (0.02 - 0.57)	0.16 (0.02 - 0.54)	0.23 (0.01 - 0.69)	0.32 (0.14 - 0.55)	0.11 (0.02 - 0.36)
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.21 (0.09 - 0.49)	0.21 (0.12 - 0.46)	0.26 (0.14 - 0.53)	0.29 (0.22 - 0.37)	0.17 (0.13 - 0.34)
Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.33 (0.16 - 0.99)	0.34 (0.18 - 0.94)	0.42 (0.24 - 0.99)	0.50 (0.30 - 0.65)	0.27 (0.15 - 0.66)
Orthophosphate Phosphorus (mg/L)	0.008 (0.004 - 0.014)	0.008 (0.003 - 0.015)	0.011 (0.002 - 0.021)	0.018 (0.002 - 0.033)	0.008 (0.003 - 0.014)
Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	0.03 (<0.02 - 0.04)	0.03 (<0.02 - 0.04)	0.03 (<0.02 - 0.04)	0.04 (0.03 - 0.05)	0.02 (<0.02 - 0.03)
Silica (as SiO ₂) (mg/L)	0.79 (0.17 - 1.44)	0.88 (0.07 - 1.90)	1.03 (0.07 - 2.37)	1.20 (0.17 - 2.53)	0.72 (0.13 - 1.53)
Chlorophyll-a (µg/L)	5.4 (0.3 - 19.3)	6.3 (0.3 - 17.8)	9.1 (0.5 - 29.7)	5.5 (0.6 - 19.0)	3.3 (0.4 - 14.7)
<i>E. coli</i> (count/100mL)	1 (<1 - 3)	1 (<1 - 3)	3 (<1 - 44)	23 (1 - 160)	1 (<1 - 3)
Faecal Coliforms (count/100mL)	2 (<1 - 29)	2 (<1 - 16)	5 (<1 - 64)	43 (1 - 360)	2 (<1 - 20)

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Summary of water quality statistics for the Southern WCZ in 2014 (continued)

Parameter	Lantau Island (East)		Lantau Island (South)			Soko Islands
	SM10	SM11	SM12	SM13	SM17	SM20
Number of samples	12	12	12	12	12	12
Temperature (°C)	24.1 (16.7 - 29.6)	24.1 (16.7 - 29.1)	24.1 (16.5 - 29.4)	24.2 (16.4 - 29.7)	23.9 (16.0 - 29.9)	24.0 (16.3 - 29.8)
Salinity	30.4 (26.7 - 33.2)	30.6 (27.3 - 33.2)	30.8 (26.9 - 33.2)	30.9 (26.7 - 33.3)	31.3 (26.9 - 33.4)	30.2 (23.0 - 33.4)
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	6.5 (3.9 - 9.9)	6.5 (4.1 - 9.4)	6.7 (5.2 - 8.7)	6.7 (5.2 - 9.5)	6.8 (5.1 - 8.1)	6.8 (4.8 - 8.4)
Bottom	7.1	6.3	6.8	7.0	6.8	6.9
	(4.3 - 10.4)	(2.5 - 9.3)	(5.3 - 8.1)	(5.5 - 9.6)	(3.7 - 8.5)	(4.9 - 8.3)
Dissolved Oxygen (% Saturation)	93 (60 - 149)	92 (62 - 137)	95 (80 - 126)	96 (79 - 145)	97 (77 - 119)	95 (74 - 128)
Bottom	100	88	95	99	95	98
	(65 - 157)	(37 - 136)	(81 - 118)	(83 - 145)	(54 - 111)	(76 - 125)
pH	7.9 (7.5 - 8.1)	7.9 (7.5 - 8.2)	8.0 (7.7 - 8.2)	8.0 (7.7 - 8.2)	8.0 (7.8 - 8.2)	8.0 (7.7 - 8.1)
Secchi Disc Depth (m)	2.3 (1.5 - 3.0)	2.4 (1.5 - 3.5)	2.6 (1.8 - 3.5)	2.7 (2.0 - 3.5)	3.0 (2.0 - 4.0)	2.9 (1.8 - 8.0)
Turbidity (NTU)	3.2 (1.2 - 5.8)	3.5 (0.9 - 8.7)	4.8 (0.8 - 12.6)	3.1 (0.7 - 7.0)	2.4 (0.6 - 5.2)	3.6 (0.8 - 7.9)
Suspended Solids (mg/L)	4.7 (2.0 - 10.0)	5.0 (1.6 - 12.0)	6.3 (1.9 - 20.3)	4.1 (1.0 - 10.7)	3.1 (1.6 - 8.1)	5.2 (1.1 - 10.7)
5-day Biochemical Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	1.1 (<0.1 - 4.2)	1.2 (<0.1 - 3.5)	1.0 (<0.1 - 1.5)	1.0 (<0.1 - 1.8)	0.9 (<0.1 - 2.1)	0.7 (<0.1 - 1.6)
Ammonia Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.100 (0.011 - 0.285)	0.109 (0.019 - 0.237)	0.088 (0.021 - 0.213)	0.076 (0.020 - 0.250)	0.039 (0.008 - 0.157)	0.053 (0.016 - 0.200)
Unionised Ammonia (mg/L)	0.004 (<0.001 - 0.013)	0.004 (0.001 - 0.012)	0.003 (0.001 - 0.012)	0.003 (0.001 - 0.014)	0.002 (<0.001 - 0.009)	0.002 (<0.001 - 0.011)
Nitrite Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.035 (0.007 - 0.089)	0.033 (0.008 - 0.082)	0.031 (0.006 - 0.078)	0.027 (0.005 - 0.060)	0.021 (<0.002 - 0.048)	0.032 (0.004 - 0.068)
Nitrate Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.160 (0.063 - 0.420)	0.159 (0.049 - 0.373)	0.147 (0.032 - 0.333)	0.135 (0.040 - 0.410)	0.108 (0.003 - 0.410)	0.170 (0.010 - 0.587)
Total Inorganic Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.30 (0.15 - 0.76)	0.30 (0.09 - 0.66)	0.27 (0.08 - 0.59)	0.24 (0.10 - 0.71)	0.17 (0.01 - 0.62)	0.26 (0.04 - 0.86)
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.29 (0.21 - 0.38)	0.31 (0.20 - 0.47)	0.28 (0.15 - 0.45)	0.25 (0.15 - 0.37)	0.19 (0.13 - 0.25)	0.21 (0.12 - 0.29)
Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.49 (0.37 - 0.83)	0.50 (0.32 - 0.74)	0.45 (0.27 - 0.68)	0.41 (0.24 - 0.83)	0.31 (0.20 - 0.69)	0.41 (0.17 - 0.95)
Orthophosphate Phosphorus (mg/L)	0.016 (0.002 - 0.032)	0.017 (0.005 - 0.028)	0.015 (0.002 - 0.027)	0.012 (0.002 - 0.024)	0.008 (0.002 - 0.014)	0.010 (0.003 - 0.018)
Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	0.05 (0.03 - 0.14)	0.04 (0.03 - 0.05)	0.03 (<0.02 - 0.05)	0.03 (<0.02 - 0.04)	0.02 (<0.02 - 0.03)	0.02 (<0.02 - 0.03)
Silica (as SiO ₂) (mg/L)	1.20 (0.17 - 3.00)	1.29 (0.06 - 2.87)	1.14 (0.06 - 2.30)	1.06 (0.06 - 2.50)	0.77 (0.07 - 1.86)	1.15 (0.09 - 2.90)
Chlorophyll-a (µg/L)	8.4 (0.8 - 30.0)	9.7 (0.9 - 35.7)	6.3 (1.3 - 23.7)	4.9 (1.0 - 14.3)	4.3 (0.6 - 11.1)	4.6 (0.6 - 15.6)
<i>E.coli</i> (count/100mL)	4 (<1 - 27)	2 (<1 - 10)	14 (1 - 170)	4 (1 - 27)	1 (<1 - 8)	1 (<1 - 4)
Faecal Coliforms (count/100mL)	10 (<1 - 76)	5 (<1 - 96)	35 (2 - 630)	11 (1 - 240)	3 (<1 - 56)	3 (<1 - 36)

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Summary of water quality statistics of the Victoria Harbour WCZ in 2014

Parameter	Victoria Harbour (East)		Victoria Harbour (Central)		
	VM1	VM2	VM4	VM5	VM6
Number of samples	12	12	12	12	12
Temperature (°C)	22.4 (16.1 - 29.1)	22.9 (16.2 - 29.0)	22.9 (16.2 - 29.0)	23.0 (16.2 - 29.0)	23.0 (16.2 - 29.0)
Salinity	32.4 (30.5 - 33.4)	31.8 (28.0 - 33.2)	31.7 (27.6 - 33.2)	31.3 (27.3 - 33.1)	31.5 (28.5 - 33.1)
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	5.7 (2.5 - 8.2)	5.5 (3.2 - 8.0)	5.3 (3.3 - 7.6)	5.4 (3.4 - 7.5)	5.2 (2.9 - 7.4)
Bottom	5.7 (2.1 - 8.2)	5.2 (1.2 - 8.1)	5.0 (0.6 - 8.1)	5.0 (2.4 - 8.1)	5.0 (0.4 - 7.8)
Dissolved Oxygen (% Saturation)	78 (37 - 102)	76 (48 - 99)	73 (49 - 94)	74 (51 - 93)	72 (43 - 93)
Bottom	77 (30 - 103)	71 (17 - 100)	68 (8 - 101)	68 (35 - 100)	68 (5 - 97)
pH	7.9 (7.5 - 8.2)	7.9 (7.5 - 8.2)	7.9 (7.5 - 8.2)	7.8 (7.5 - 8.2)	7.8 (7.5 - 8.1)
Secchi Disc Depth (m)	2.9 (2.0 - 4.0)	2.6 (1.5 - 3.5)	2.5 (1.5 - 4.0)	2.5 (1.5 - 4.0)	2.6 (2.0 - 4.0)
Turbidity (NTU)	2.7 (0.6 - 4.7)	2.0 (0.6 - 3.7)	2.1 (0.4 - 5.6)	2.7 (1.3 - 6.0)	2.1 (1.1 - 3.2)
Suspended Solids (mg/L)	4.3 (0.9 - 12.2)	3.0 (1.5 - 5.8)	3.3 (0.8 - 9.9)	3.7 (1.7 - 8.9)	3.1 (1.6 - 5.0)
5-day Biochemical Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	0.7 (0.1 - 1.9)	1.0 (0.5 - 2.8)	1.3 (0.2 - 4.6)	1.4 (0.4 - 3.8)	1.0 (0.4 - 2.1)
Ammonia Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.064 (0.025 - 0.113)	0.120 (0.041 - 0.237)	0.127 (0.048 - 0.257)	0.176 (0.053 - 0.297)	0.173 (0.051 - 0.260)
Unionised Ammonia (mg/L)	0.002 (<0.001 - 0.003)	0.003 (<0.001 - 0.006)	0.003 (<0.001 - 0.007)	0.004 (<0.001 - 0.007)	0.004 (<0.001 - 0.007)
Nitrite Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.020 (0.009 - 0.043)	0.025 (0.011 - 0.052)	0.027 (0.011 - 0.055)	0.032 (0.010 - 0.077)	0.031 (0.009 - 0.072)
Nitrate Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.114 (0.062 - 0.203)	0.135 (0.071 - 0.240)	0.139 (0.085 - 0.246)	0.163 (0.084 - 0.340)	0.160 (0.076 - 0.290)
Total Inorganic Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.20 (0.12 - 0.33)	0.28 (0.17 - 0.48)	0.29 (0.16 - 0.51)	0.37 (0.18 - 0.56)	0.36 (0.19 - 0.56)
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.22 (0.12 - 0.34)	0.30 (0.15 - 0.42)	0.32 (0.17 - 0.46)	0.40 (0.24 - 0.58)	0.37 (0.23 - 0.53)
Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.36 (0.21 - 0.49)	0.46 (0.27 - 0.65)	0.49 (0.27 - 0.66)	0.59 (0.37 - 0.85)	0.56 (0.37 - 0.75)
Orthophosphate Phosphorus (mg/L)	0.019 (0.013 - 0.029)	0.025 (0.016 - 0.039)	0.027 (0.018 - 0.043)	0.031 (0.018 - 0.044)	0.032 (0.019 - 0.042)
Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	0.03 (0.02 - 0.05)	0.04 (0.02 - 0.06)	0.04 (0.03 - 0.06)	0.06 (0.04 - 0.07)	0.05 (0.03 - 0.06)
Silica (as SiO ₂) (mg/L)	0.91 (0.19 - 1.80)	0.91 (0.15 - 1.93)	0.97 (0.19 - 2.07)	1.08 (0.18 - 2.50)	1.08 (0.20 - 2.37)
Chlorophyll-a (µg/L)	3.2 (0.2 - 12.2)	3.7 (0.2 - 16.2)	3.8 (0.3 - 16.0)	4.9 (0.5 - 24.3)	4.2 (0.3 - 21.8)
<i>E. coli</i> (count/100mL)	520 (120 - 9700)	2700 (320 - 8600)	3500 (860 - 19000)	6100 (1100 - 30000)	3500 (740 - 12000)
Faecal Coliforms (count/100mL)	1100 (150 - 23000)	5500 (400 - 23000)	8600 (1600 - 27000)	15000 (2400 - 62000)	8000 (2400 - 28000)

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Summary of water quality statistics of the Victoria Harbour WCZ in 2014 (continued)

Parameter	Victoria Harbour (West)		Stonecutters Island	Rambler Channel	
	VM7	VM8	VM15	VM12	VM14
Number of samples	12	12	12	12	12
Temperature (°C)	23.2 (16.2 - 28.7)	23.3 (16.5 - 28.8)	23.1 (16.4 - 29.0)	23.3 (16.6 - 28.7)	23.4 (16.5 - 28.9)
Salinity	31.7 (28.6 - 33.3)	31.9 (28.7 - 33.4)	31.3 (27.0 - 33.1)	31.3 (28.5 - 33.1)	30.5 (26.2 - 32.9)
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	5.3 (3.5 - 6.8)	5.7 (3.4 - 7.8)	5.3 (3.9 - 7.0)	5.3 (3.2 - 7.2)	5.1 (3.0 - 6.7)
Bottom	5.3 (3.7 - 7.2)	6.0 (3.2 - 7.9)	4.6 (0.4 - 7.2)	5.4 (3.0 - 7.4)	5.4 (3.0 - 7.0)
Dissolved Oxygen (% Saturation)	73 (52 - 87)	79 (50 - 98)	73 (57 - 88)	73 (47 - 92)	70 (44 - 86)
Bottom	73 (53 - 91)	84 (47 - 99)	62 (5 - 90)	75 (44 - 94)	75 (43 - 90)
pH	7.8 (7.6 - 8.1)	7.9 (7.6 - 8.2)	7.8 (7.5 - 8.1)	7.9 (7.6 - 8.1)	7.9 (7.6 - 8.1)
Secchi Disc Depth (m)	2.8 (2.0 - 4.0)	2.7 (1.8 - 4.0)	2.4 (1.8 - 3.5)	2.5 (1.5 - 4.0)	2.5 (1.8 - 3.0)
Turbidity (NTU)	2.8 (1.3 - 4.5)	3.7 (1.4 - 7.3)	3.0 (1.6 - 5.8)	4.1 (1.9 - 12.2)	3.0 (1.9 - 5.0)
Suspended Solids (mg/L)	4.2 (1.8 - 6.9)	4.9 (1.0 - 9.8)	4.1 (2.1 - 9.1)	5.5 (1.8 - 17.7)	3.6 (1.7 - 5.1)
5-day Biochemical Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	0.9 (0.5 - 1.7)	0.7 (0.5 - 1.3)	0.9 (0.4 - 2.2)	0.7 (0.4 - 1.3)	0.6 (0.2 - 1.4)
Ammonia Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.172 (0.105 - 0.293)	0.129 (0.063 - 0.203)	0.184 (0.096 - 0.246)	0.185 (0.094 - 0.343)	0.157 (0.045 - 0.353)
Unionised Ammonia (mg/L)	0.005 (0.002 - 0.009)	0.004 (0.002 - 0.009)	0.005 (0.001 - 0.008)	0.005 (0.002 - 0.011)	0.004 (<0.001 - 0.008)
Nitrite Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.031 (0.011 - 0.068)	0.030 (0.009 - 0.072)	0.032 (0.010 - 0.061)	0.039 (0.008 - 0.085)	0.051 (0.007 - 0.137)
Nitrate Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.156 (0.079 - 0.313)	0.126 (0.048 - 0.327)	0.165 (0.087 - 0.270)	0.176 (0.064 - 0.327)	0.235 (0.058 - 0.457)
Total Inorganic Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.36 (0.22 - 0.57)	0.29 (0.13 - 0.48)	0.38 (0.25 - 0.57)	0.40 (0.26 - 0.68)	0.44 (0.23 - 0.86)
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.37 (0.27 - 0.53)	0.28 (0.16 - 0.44)	0.38 (0.29 - 0.51)	0.35 (0.25 - 0.54)	0.31 (0.19 - 0.50)
Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.56 (0.39 - 0.81)	0.44 (0.22 - 0.61)	0.57 (0.43 - 0.80)	0.57 (0.42 - 0.88)	0.60 (0.42 - 1.01)
Orthophosphate Phosphorus (mg/L)	0.030 (0.016 - 0.038)	0.021 (0.013 - 0.031)	0.032 (0.020 - 0.041)	0.029 (0.012 - 0.040)	0.028 (0.017 - 0.036)
Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	0.05 (0.03 - 0.06)	0.04 (0.03 - 0.05)	0.05 (0.04 - 0.06)	0.05 (0.03 - 0.06)	0.05 (0.03 - 0.07)
Silica (as SiO ₂) (mg/L)	1.09 (0.26 - 2.13)	1.02 (0.21 - 2.17)	1.12 (0.18 - 2.43)	1.21 (0.16 - 2.37)	1.45 (0.20 - 3.20)
Chlorophyll-a (µg/L)	2.7 (0.3 - 9.3)	3.0 (0.4 - 12.5)	4.1 (0.3 - 18.3)	2.5 (0.4 - 15.0)	1.9 (0.3 - 9.0)
<i>E. coli</i> (count/100mL)	3900 (450 - 18000)	1000 (270 - 11000)	1600 (480 - 6100)	860 (91 - 21000)	370 (150 - 1100)
Faecal Coliforms (count/100mL)	8800 (1400 - 35000)	2100 (420 - 21000)	3900 (1200 - 13000)	2100 (180 - 49000)	1000 (390 - 3700)

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Summary of water quality statistics for the Eastern Buffer WCZ in 2014

Parameter	Chai Wan	Tathong Channel	
	EM1	EM2	EM3
Number of samples	12	12	12
Temperature (°C)	23.0 (17.1 - 29.1)	23.0 (17.0 - 29.2)	22.9 (17.0 - 28.8)
Salinity	32.5 (31.2 - 33.5)	32.5 (31.2 - 33.5)	32.6 (30.9 - 33.5)
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	5.9 (4.1 - 7.9)	6.1 (4.5 - 7.6)	6.2 (4.2 - 8.2)
Bottom	5.9 (2.8 - 8.5)	5.9 (2.9 - 8.5)	5.9 (3.0 - 8.8)
Dissolved Oxygen (% Saturation)	83 (59 - 105)	85 (67 - 104)	86 (61 - 105)
Bottom	81 (40 - 110)	82 (41 - 110)	80 (42 - 113)
pH	7.9 (7.4 - 8.3)	8.0 (7.4 - 8.3)	8.0 (7.5 - 8.3)
Secchi Disc Depth (m)	2.9 (2.0 - 4.5)	3.1 (1.6 - 5.0)	3.3 (1.5 - 6.0)
Turbidity (NTU)	2.6 (0.7 - 7.1)	2.3 (0.7 - 3.9)	2.3 (0.8 - 6.0)
Suspended Solids (mg/L)	3.6 (0.9 - 9.7)	4.5 (0.8 - 12.1)	4.0 (0.7 - 10.2)
5-day Biochemical Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	0.8 (0.2 - 2.1)	0.9 (0.2 - 3.3)	0.9 (0.3 - 2.5)
Ammonia Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.051 (0.024 - 0.111)	0.040 (0.018 - 0.098)	0.027 (0.015 - 0.077)
Unionised Ammonia (mg/L)	0.002 (<0.001 - 0.005)	0.001 (<0.001 - 0.004)	0.001 (<0.001 - 0.004)
Nitrite Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.016 (0.002 - 0.047)	0.014 (0.002 - 0.046)	0.012 (0.002 - 0.033)
Nitrate Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.078 (0.017 - 0.123)	0.071 (0.008 - 0.115)	0.061 (<0.002 - 0.112)
Total Inorganic Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.15 (0.05 - 0.24)	0.13 (0.04 - 0.24)	0.10 (0.03 - 0.16)
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.20 (0.09 - 0.31)	0.19 (0.08 - 0.33)	0.16 (0.08 - 0.24)
Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.29 (0.11 - 0.45)	0.27 (0.09 - 0.47)	0.23 (0.08 - 0.35)
Orthophosphate Phosphorus (mg/L)	0.013 (0.007 - 0.026)	0.012 (0.005 - 0.027)	0.010 (0.005 - 0.018)
Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	0.03 (<0.02 - 0.03)	0.03 (<0.02 - 0.04)	0.02 (<0.02 - 0.03)
Silica (as SiO ₂) (mg/L)	0.63 (0.09 - 1.40)	0.63 (0.10 - 1.40)	0.63 (0.13 - 1.21)
Chlorophyll-a (µg/L)	4.4 (<0.2 - 13.8)	3.5 (0.4 - 8.7)	3.0 (0.4 - 7.3)
<i>E.coli</i> (count/100mL)	93 (2 - 3900)	29 (2 - 830)	7 (<1 - 210)
Faecal Coliforms (count/100mL)	210 (2 - 6200)	73 (3 - 2500)	20 (<1 - 640)

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Summary of water quality statistics for the Western Buffer WCZ in 2014

Parameter	Hong Kong Island (West)		Tsing Yi (South)	Tsing Yi (West)
	WM1	WM2	WM3	WM4
Number of samples	12	12	12	12
Temperature (°C)	23.0 (16.4 - 28.8)	23.3 (16.5 - 28.7)	23.2 (16.6 - 28.8)	23.2 (16.4 - 28.8)
Salinity	32.7 (31.0 - 33.5)	31.9 (29.3 - 33.3)	31.8 (29.4 - 33.1)	31.7 (28.7 - 33.2)
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	6.2 (3.1 - 7.7)	5.9 (3.2 - 8.0)	5.7 (3.5 - 7.4)	5.5 (3.1 - 7.0)
Bottom	6.2 (2.5 - 8.2)	6.1 (3.0 - 8.0)	5.9 (2.6 - 7.8)	5.8 (2.5 - 7.9)
Dissolved Oxygen (% Saturation)	87 (45 - 101)	82 (47 - 100)	80 (51 - 94)	76 (46 - 90)
Bottom	87 (35 - 105)	85 (43 - 103)	82 (38 - 99)	81 (36 - 99)
pH	7.9 (7.7 - 8.2)	7.9 (7.6 - 8.2)	7.9 (7.6 - 8.1)	7.9 (7.6 - 8.2)
Secchi Disc Depth (m)	3.2 (1.5 - 5.0)	3.1 (1.6 - 4.5)	2.7 (2.0 - 4.0)	2.8 (1.7 - 4.0)
Turbidity (NTU)	3.7 (1.0 - 6.7)	2.6 (1.0 - 4.6)	3.8 (1.5 - 7.6)	4.7 (1.6 - 14.6)
Suspended Solids (mg/L)	5.0 (1.6 - 16.0)	3.7 (1.6 - 11.3)	5.4 (2.3 - 15.3)	6.6 (2.1 - 16.0)
5-day Biochemical Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	0.6 (0.3 - 1.2)	0.7 (0.3 - 1.1)	0.7 (0.3 - 1.1)	0.7 (0.3 - 2.9)
Ammonia Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.039 (0.011 - 0.086)	0.093 (0.024 - 0.180)	0.135 (0.045 - 0.270)	0.108 (0.038 - 0.210)
Unionised Ammonia (mg/L)	0.001 (<0.001 - 0.004)	0.003 (<0.001 - 0.006)	0.004 (0.001 - 0.009)	0.003 (<0.001 - 0.007)
Nitrite Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.018 (0.004 - 0.033)	0.031 (0.005 - 0.091)	0.033 (0.006 - 0.079)	0.038 (0.005 - 0.101)
Nitrate Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.071 (0.010 - 0.137)	0.132 (0.036 - 0.310)	0.141 (0.043 - 0.313)	0.161 (0.047 - 0.333)
Total Inorganic Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.13 (0.05 - 0.22)	0.26 (0.13 - 0.42)	0.31 (0.17 - 0.48)	0.31 (0.17 - 0.51)
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.25 (0.09 - 1.14)	0.24 (0.14 - 0.33)	0.30 (0.18 - 0.47)	0.26 (0.14 - 0.40)
Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.34 (0.16 - 1.27)	0.41 (0.29 - 0.57)	0.48 (0.29 - 0.68)	0.45 (0.30 - 0.69)
Orthophosphate Phosphorus (mg/L)	0.012 (0.006 - 0.017)	0.017 (0.007 - 0.025)	0.021 (0.010 - 0.033)	0.019 (0.006 - 0.027)
Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	0.02 (<0.02 - 0.04)	0.03 (0.02 - 0.05)	0.04 (0.03 - 0.05)	0.04 (0.03 - 0.05)
Silica (as SiO ₂) (mg/L)	0.77 (0.12 - 1.60)	1.03 (0.12 - 2.43)	1.09 (0.14 - 2.37)	1.17 (0.11 - 2.70)
Chlorophyll-a (µg/L)	2.7 (0.9 - 7.3)	2.8 (0.4 - 9.3)	2.2 (0.5 - 11.1)	2.2 (0.2 - 11.6)
<i>E. coli</i> (count/100mL)	66 (13 - 340)	160 (5 - 7800)	580 (86 - 4000)	170 (77 - 300)
Faecal Coliforms (count/100mL)	150 (45 - 550)	300 (6 - 15000)	1200 (200 - 9200)	340 (160 - 700)

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Summary of water quality statistics for the Junk Bay WCZ in 2014

Junk Bay		
Parameter	JM3	JM4
Number of samples	12	12
Temperature (°C)	23.2 (17.3 - 29.1)	23.0 (17.2 - 29.0)
Salinity	32.4 (30.9 - 33.5)	32.6 (31.6 - 33.5)
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	6.1 (4.0 - 7.8)	5.9 (4.3 - 7.4)
Bottom	5.9 (2.7 - 8.6)	5.8 (2.7 - 8.4)
Dissolved Oxygen (% Saturation)	85 (59 - 100)	82 (62 - 101)
Bottom	83 (40 - 111)	80 (38 - 109)
pH	7.9 (7.4 - 8.2)	7.9 (7.4 - 8.3)
Secchi Disc Depth (m)	3.1 (1.0 - 5.0)	3.0 (1.4 - 5.0)
Turbidity (NTU)	1.9 (0.7 - 7.1)	2.5 (0.9 - 4.3)
Suspended Solids (mg/L)	1.8 (0.7 - 2.5)	3.3 (1.2 - 8.5)
5-day Biochemical Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	1.3 (0.5 - 2.8)	1.0 (0.5 - 1.9)
Ammonia Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.051 (0.021 - 0.096)	0.049 (0.026 - 0.083)
Unionised Ammonia (mg/L)	0.002 (<0.001 - 0.004)	0.002 (<0.001 - 0.004)
Nitrite Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.016 (0.003 - 0.049)	0.015 (0.003 - 0.045)
Nitrate Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.079 (0.024 - 0.133)	0.070 (0.020 - 0.115)
Total Inorganic Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.15 (0.05 - 0.21)	0.13 (0.06 - 0.21)
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.21 (0.11 - 0.35)	0.21 (0.09 - 0.30)
Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.30 (0.15 - 0.45)	0.30 (0.12 - 0.41)
Orthophosphate Phosphorus (mg/L)	0.012 (0.005 - 0.026)	0.012 (0.007 - 0.025)
Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	0.03 (<0.02 - 0.04)	0.03 (0.02 - 0.04)
Silica (as SiO ₂) (mg/L)	0.58 (0.07 - 1.37)	0.63 (0.08 - 1.40)
Chlorophyll-a (µg/L)	5.1 (0.4 - 15.0)	4.4 (0.6 - 9.5)
<i>E.coli</i> (count/100mL)	92 (7 - 670)	100 (11 - 890)
Faecal Coliforms (count/100mL)	210 (19 - 1500)	240 (17 - 2400)

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Summary of water quality statistics for the Deep Bay WCZ in 2014

Parameter	Inner Deep Bay			Outer Deep Bay	
	DM1	DM2	DM3	DM4	DM5
Number of samples	12	12	12	12	12
Temperature (°C)	24.2 (14.3 - 32.1)	24.4 (14.5 - 31.9)	24.4 (15.1 - 32.0)	24.2 (15.4 - 30.7)	24.1 (16.3 - 30.7)
Salinity	15.5 (3.5 - 24.4)	17.5 (5.6 - 25.8)	21.2 (10.7 - 29.4)	22.7 (14.8 - 30.5)	25.7 (15.3 - 33.0)
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	3.7 (1.3 - 6.1)	4.6 (2.6 - 6.8)	5.5 (4.1 - 7.3)	5.5 (3.8 - 7.4)	5.8 (4.1 - 7.3)
Bottom	N.M.	N.M.	N.M.	5.6 (3.6 - 7.4)	5.7 (3.6 - 7.2)
Dissolved Oxygen (% Saturation)	48 (18 - 73)	60 (36 - 81)	73 (60 - 88)	75 (55 - 89)	79 (62 - 94)
Bottom	N.M.	N.M.	N.M.	75 (53 - 91)	78 (53 - 97)
pH	7.4 (7.1 - 7.7)	7.5 (7.3 - 7.9)	7.7 (7.5 - 7.9)	7.8 (7.5 - 8.0)	7.9 (7.7 - 8.1)
Secchi Disc Depth (m)	1.3 (0.7 - 1.7)	1.2 (0.7 - 2.0)	1.3 (0.4 - 2.0)	1.4 (0.9 - 2.0)	1.6 (0.7 - 2.0)
Turbidity (NTU)	29.5 (12.6 - 48.2)	20.5 (10.3 - 40.2)	10.2 (5.4 - 15.1)	11.0 (3.1 - 26.1)	7.5 (2.4 - 18.8)
Suspended Solids (mg/L)	46.2 (15.0 - 95.0)	23.0 (13.0 - 41.0)	15.5 (4.9 - 53.0)	12.8 (2.9 - 47.5)	6.3 (2.4 - 10.6)
5-day Biochemical Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	3.1 (1.6 - 6.7)	2.4 (0.8 - 6.7)	1.0 (0.4 - 2.7)	0.6 (<0.1 - 1.2)	0.6 (0.1 - 1.4)
Ammonia Nitrogen (mg/L)	2.080 (0.930 - 4.500)	1.410 (0.330 - 2.800)	0.536 (0.069 - 1.700)	0.282 (0.019 - 0.850)	0.194 (0.024 - 0.657)
Unionised Ammonia (mg/L)	0.026 (0.006 - 0.077)	0.025 (0.005 - 0.076)	0.014 (0.001 - 0.045)	0.006 (<0.001 - 0.011)	0.005 (<0.001 - 0.011)
Nitrite Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.367 (0.170 - 0.560)	0.291 (0.100 - 0.570)	0.184 (0.055 - 0.350)	0.155 (0.036 - 0.360)	0.124 (0.016 - 0.283)
Nitrate Nitrogen (mg/L)	1.030 (0.380 - 2.500)	0.918 (0.460 - 1.800)	0.759 (0.410 - 1.100)	0.730 (0.245 - 1.100)	0.561 (0.104 - 1.030)
Total Inorganic Nitrogen (mg/L)	3.48 (2.36 - 5.74)	2.61 (1.56 - 3.75)	1.48 (0.84 - 3.07)	1.17 (0.56 - 2.24)	0.88 (0.24 - 1.82)
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen (mg/L)	2.78 (1.00 - 6.00)	1.94 (0.79 - 3.90)	0.85 (0.24 - 2.40)	0.51 (0.16 - 1.20)	0.39 (0.16 - 0.95)
Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	4.17 (2.43 - 6.80)	3.15 (2.02 - 4.85)	1.79 (1.12 - 3.77)	1.39 (0.78 - 2.59)	1.08 (0.40 - 2.11)
Orthophosphate Phosphorus (mg/L)	0.213 (0.110 - 0.320)	0.183 (0.110 - 0.260)	0.093 (0.045 - 0.180)	0.047 (0.032 - 0.070)	0.033 (0.015 - 0.050)
Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	0.31 (0.18 - 0.50)	0.27 (0.17 - 0.41)	0.13 (0.08 - 0.24)	0.07 (0.05 - 0.10)	0.05 (0.03 - 0.07)
Silica (as SiO ₂) (mg/L)	7.53 (4.70 - 12.00)	6.46 (2.90 - 11.00)	4.31 (1.40 - 8.50)	3.50 (0.92 - 5.30)	2.82 (0.45 - 5.00)
Chlorophyll-a (µg/L)	6.4 (1.7 - 17.0)	7.6 (1.8 - 31.0)	4.7 (0.4 - 18.0)	1.7 (<0.2 - 5.9)	2.6 (0.4 - 15.7)
<i>E. coli</i> (count/100mL)	1300 (72 - 140000)	380 (36 - 7800)	37 (<1 - 840)	90 (19 - 600)	170 (23 - 450)
Faecal Coliforms (count/100mL)	3600 (150 - 250000)	1000 (81 - 14000)	110 (5 - 2700)	180 (42 - 1400)	370 (62 - 950)

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4. N.M. – not measured.

Summary of water quality statistics for the North Western WCZ in 2014

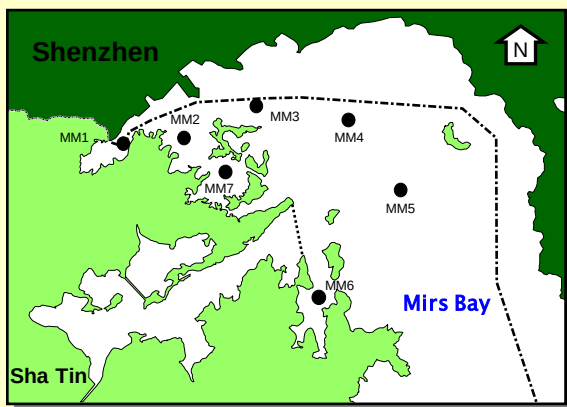
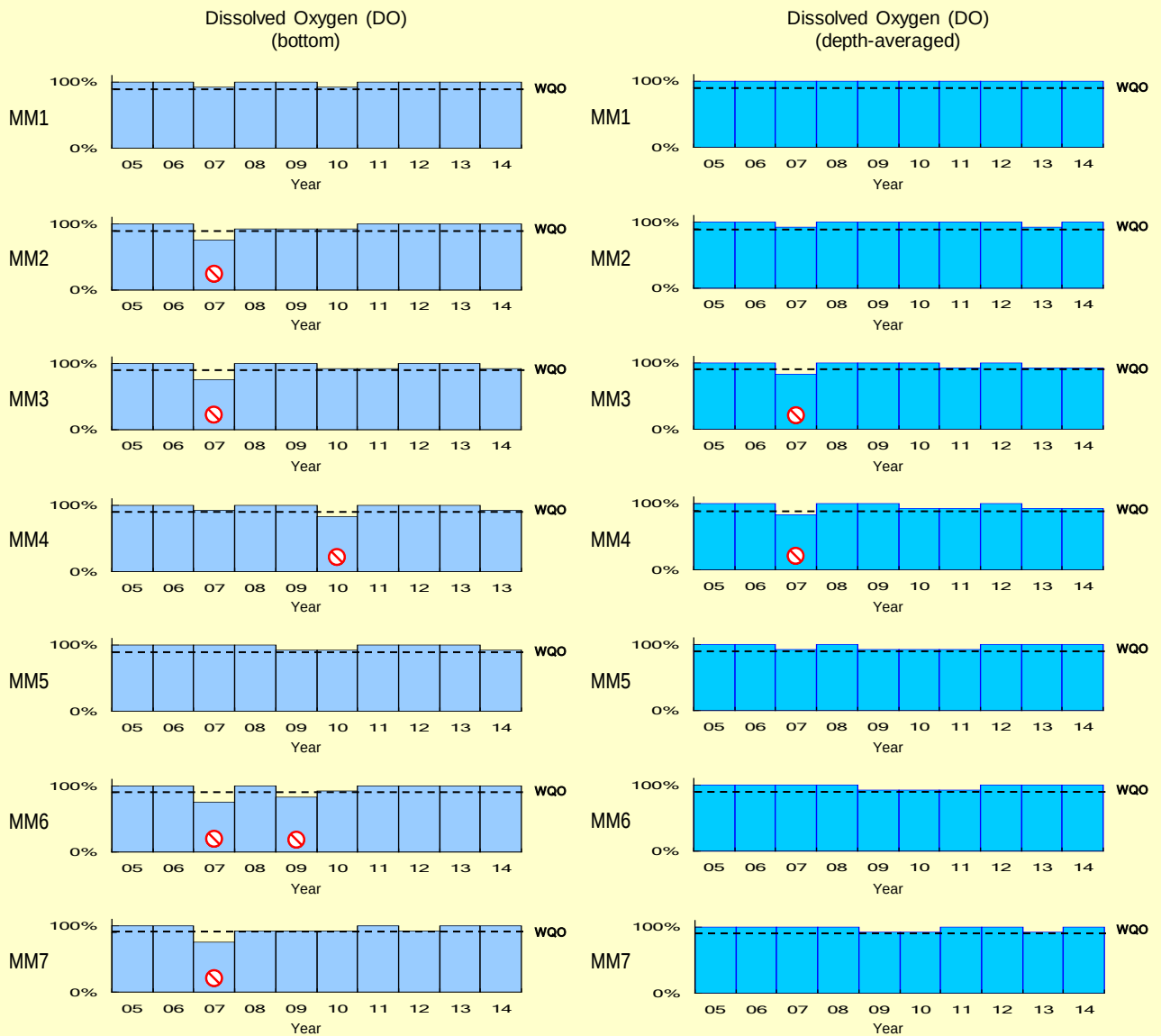
	Lantau Island	Pearl Island	Pillar Point	Urmston Road	Chek Lap Kok	
	(North)				(North)	(West)
Parameter	NM1	NM2	NM3	NM5	NM6	NM8
Number of samples	12	12	12	12	12	12
Temperature (°C)	23.4 (17.2 - 28.9)	23.9 (17.2 - 29.0)	23.9 (17.3 - 28.9)	24.0 (17.3 - 29.0)	24.3 (17.1 - 30.2)	23.8 (17.1 - 29.0)
Salinity	30.2 (25.2 - 32.3)	28.3 (19.5 - 32.4)	28.0 (19.7 - 32.4)	27.1 (20.4 - 32.2)	25.3 (10.1 - 32.5)	28.5 (18.6 - 32.9)
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	5.6 (3.2 - 8.5)	5.8 (3.8 - 8.3)	5.8 (3.8 - 9.0)	5.7 (3.9 - 9.8)	6.3 (4.4 - 8.3)	6.2 (4.3 - 9.0)
Bottom	5.4 (1.9 - 9.5)	5.7 (3.2 - 9.5)	5.7 (2.9 - 9.9)	5.6 (2.8 - 9.5)	6.3 (4.2 - 9.2)	5.8 (0.8 - 9.4)
Dissolved Oxygen (% Saturation)	77 (46 - 108)	80 (55 - 106)	80 (55 - 114)	77 (57 - 125)	86 (63 - 107)	85 (62 - 115)
Bottom	75 (27 - 121)	79 (47 - 120)	79 (42 - 126)	77 (41 - 121)	86 (61 - 116)	80 (12 - 121)
pH	7.9 (7.6 - 8.0)	7.9 (7.5 - 8.1)	7.9 (7.5 - 8.1)	7.8 (7.4 - 8.1)	7.9 (7.4 - 8.1)	8.0 (7.6 - 8.1)
Secchi Disc Depth (m)	2.8 (1.6 - 5.0)	2.5 (1.0 - 5.0)	2.5 (1.3 - 5.0)	2.3 (1.4 - 4.5)	2.2 (1.2 - 4.0)	2.1 (1.2 - 3.0)
Turbidity (NTU)	4.8 (0.7 - 17.0)	3.6 (1.0 - 7.9)	5.8 (0.9 - 20.3)	6.3 (2.3 - 14.7)	7.0 (1.2 - 28.8)	7.3 (3.0 - 14.3)
Suspended Solids (mg/L)	6.6 (1.1 - 25.7)	4.3 (1.5 - 12.3)	7.6 (2.0 - 30.0)	6.8 (2.8 - 20.7)	8.6 (2.6 - 44.0)	9.0 (2.1 - 26.7)
5-day Biochemical Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	0.7 (0.4 - 1.7)	0.8 (0.4 - 1.8)	0.8 (0.4 - 2.1)	0.8 (0.4 - 2.1)	1.0 (0.4 - 2.0)	0.8 (0.4 - 1.5)
Ammonia Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.093 (0.031 - 0.176)	0.107 (0.014 - 0.260)	0.108 (0.006 - 0.277)	0.122 (0.005 - 0.297)	0.091 (<0.005 - 0.243)	0.041 (0.006 - 0.094)
Unionised Ammonia (mg/L)	0.003 (0.001 - 0.006)	0.003 (<0.001 - 0.008)	0.003 (<0.001 - 0.008)	0.004 (<0.001 - 0.008)	0.003 (<0.001 - 0.008)	0.002 (<0.001 - 0.004)
Nitrite Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.058 (0.023 - 0.115)	0.081 (0.024 - 0.233)	0.091 (0.022 - 0.263)	0.108 (0.022 - 0.323)	0.108 (0.016 - 0.270)	0.067 (0.011 - 0.163)
Nitrate Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.268 (0.067 - 0.603)	0.394 (0.051 - 0.967)	0.426 (0.056 - 0.997)	0.480 (0.047 - 1.010)	0.544 (0.044 - 1.370)	0.364 (0.014 - 1.180)
Total Inorganic Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.42 (0.15 - 0.71)	0.58 (0.12 - 1.13)	0.63 (0.14 - 1.18)	0.71 (0.13 - 1.26)	0.74 (0.10 - 1.51)	0.47 (0.04 - 1.28)
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.27 (0.18 - 0.41)	0.30 (0.17 - 0.44)	0.29 (0.17 - 0.42)	0.31 (0.19 - 0.47)	0.28 (0.14 - 0.44)	0.20 (0.13 - 0.35)
Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.59 (0.36 - 0.86)	0.78 (0.33 - 1.32)	0.81 (0.33 - 1.40)	0.89 (0.31 - 1.48)	0.93 (0.25 - 1.72)	0.63 (0.21 - 1.47)
Orthophosphate Phosphorus (mg/L)	0.021 (0.010 - 0.032)	0.023 (0.008 - 0.041)	0.025 (0.008 - 0.043)	0.028 (0.008 - 0.050)	0.022 (0.006 - 0.041)	0.015 (0.006 - 0.030)
Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	0.04 (<0.02 - 0.07)	0.04 (<0.02 - 0.05)	0.04 (<0.02 - 0.06)	0.05 (<0.02 - 0.06)	0.04 (<0.02 - 0.07)	0.03 (<0.02 - 0.06)
Silica (as SiO ₂) (mg/L)	1.59 (<0.05 - 3.33)	2.08 (<0.05 - 4.60)	2.23 (<0.05 - 4.80)	2.42 (0.05 - 4.93)	2.71 (0.05 - 6.53)	1.93 (0.05 - 5.87)
Chlorophyll-a (µg/L)	2.0 (0.4 - 6.4)	2.3 (0.3 - 7.1)	2.7 (0.3 - 11.0)	3.3 (0.3 - 14.3)	3.8 (0.5 - 13.7)	3.8 (0.3 - 12.3)
<i>E.coli</i> (count/100mL)	300 (36 - 2200)	71 (7 - 850)	110 (8 - 1100)	190 (10 - 4100)	22 (4 - 180)	3 (<1 - 11)
Faecal Coliforms (count/100mL)	570 (99 - 3900)	150 (24 - 1500)	230 (18 - 2300)	400 (16 - 6800)	48 (6 - 260)	7 (1 - 35)

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Levels of compliance with key Water Quality Objectives in the Mirs Bay WCZ

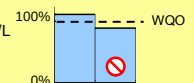


Dissolved Oxygen (DO)

1. Bottom

WQO: 90% sample with bottom DO ≥ 2 mg/L

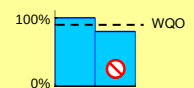
■ % sample with bottom DO ≥ 2 mg/L



2. Depth-averaged

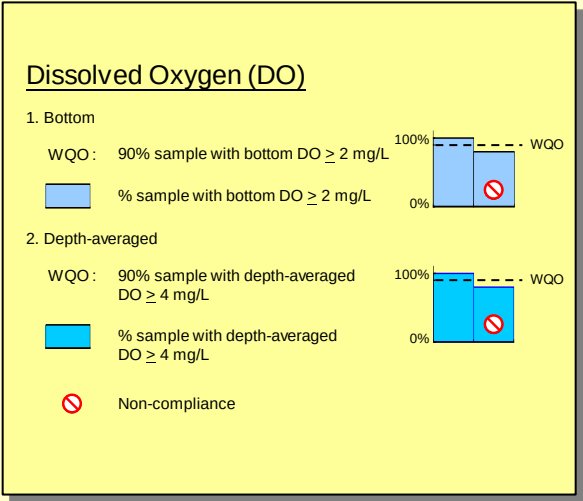
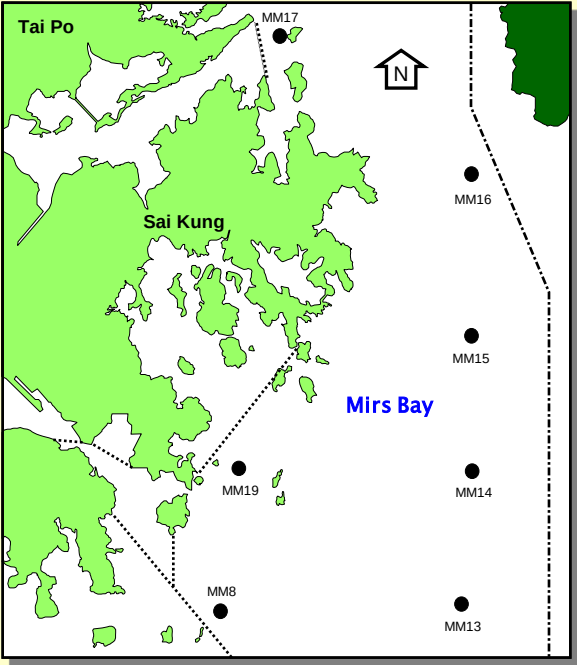
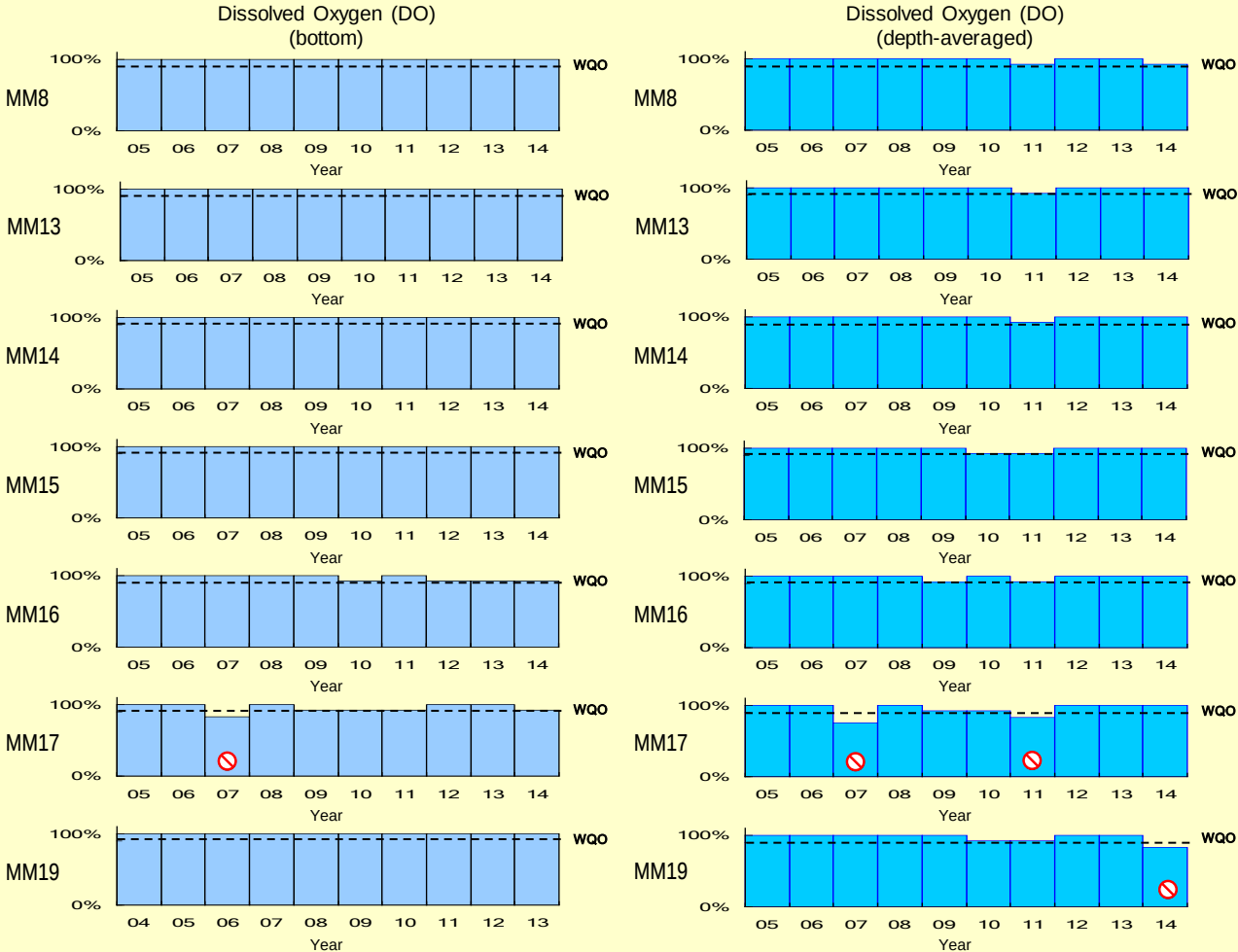
WQO: 90% sample with depth-averaged DO ≥ 4 mg/L

■ % sample with depth-averaged DO ≥ 4 mg/L

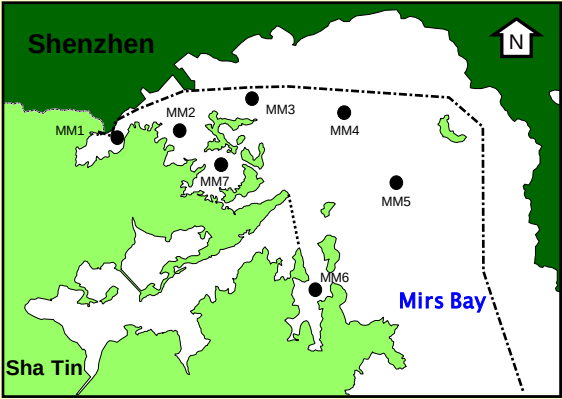
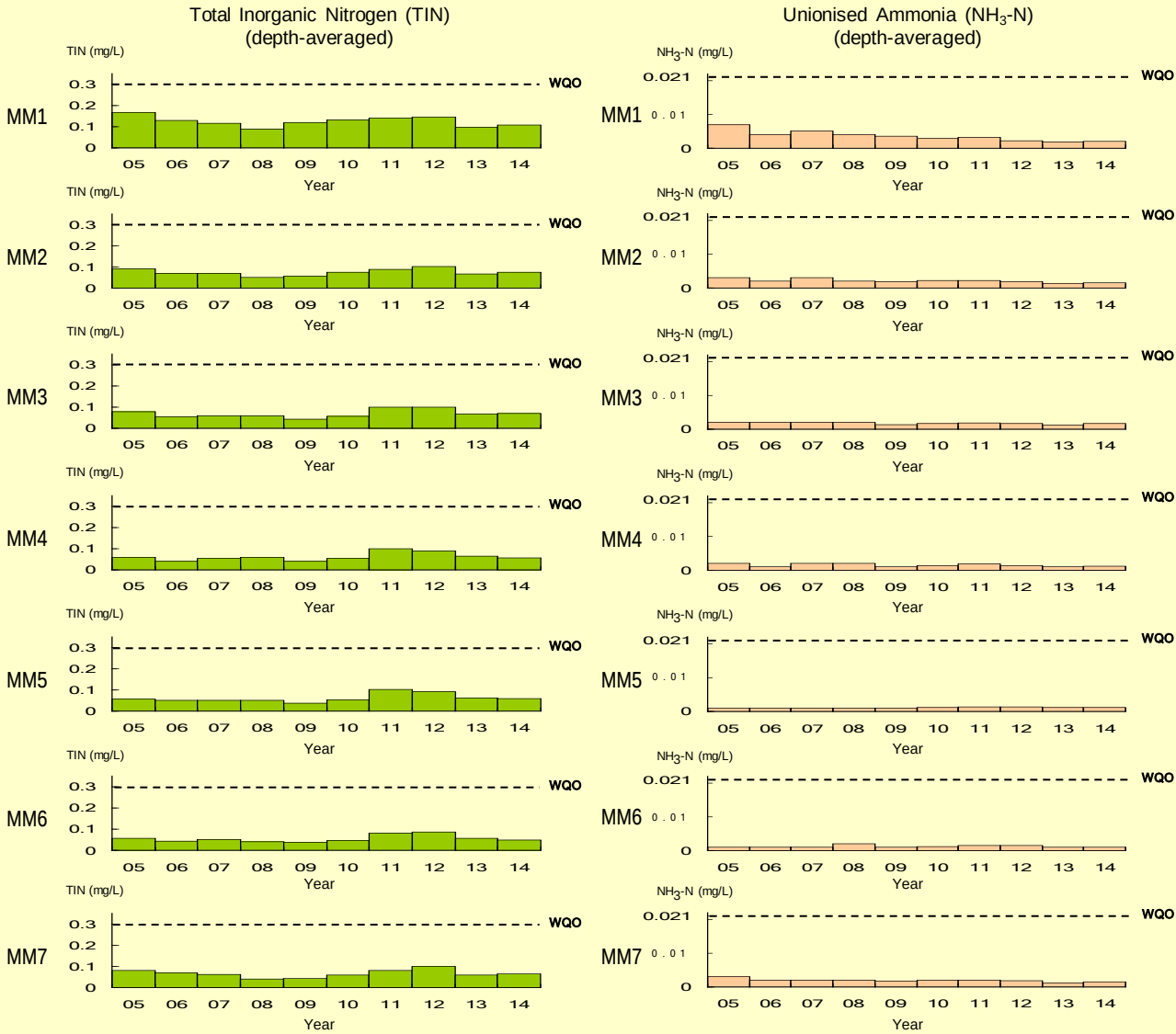


Non-compliance

Levels of compliance with key Water Quality Objectives in the Mirs Bay WCZ (continued)



Levels of compliance with key Water Quality Objectives in the Mirs Bay WCZ (continued)



Total Inorganic Nitrogen (TIN)

WQO: annual mean for depth-averaged TIN ≤ 0.3 mg/L

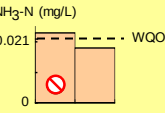
annual mean for depth-averaged TIN



Unionised Ammonia (NH₃-N)

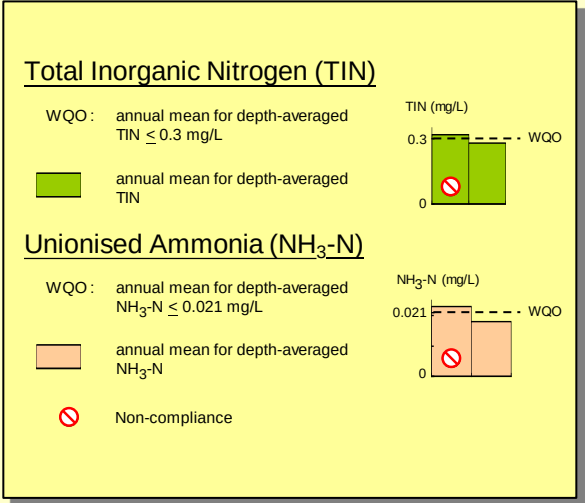
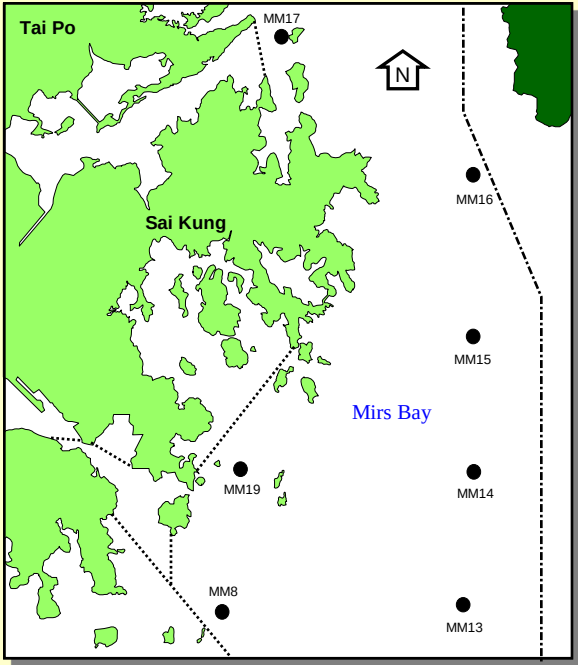
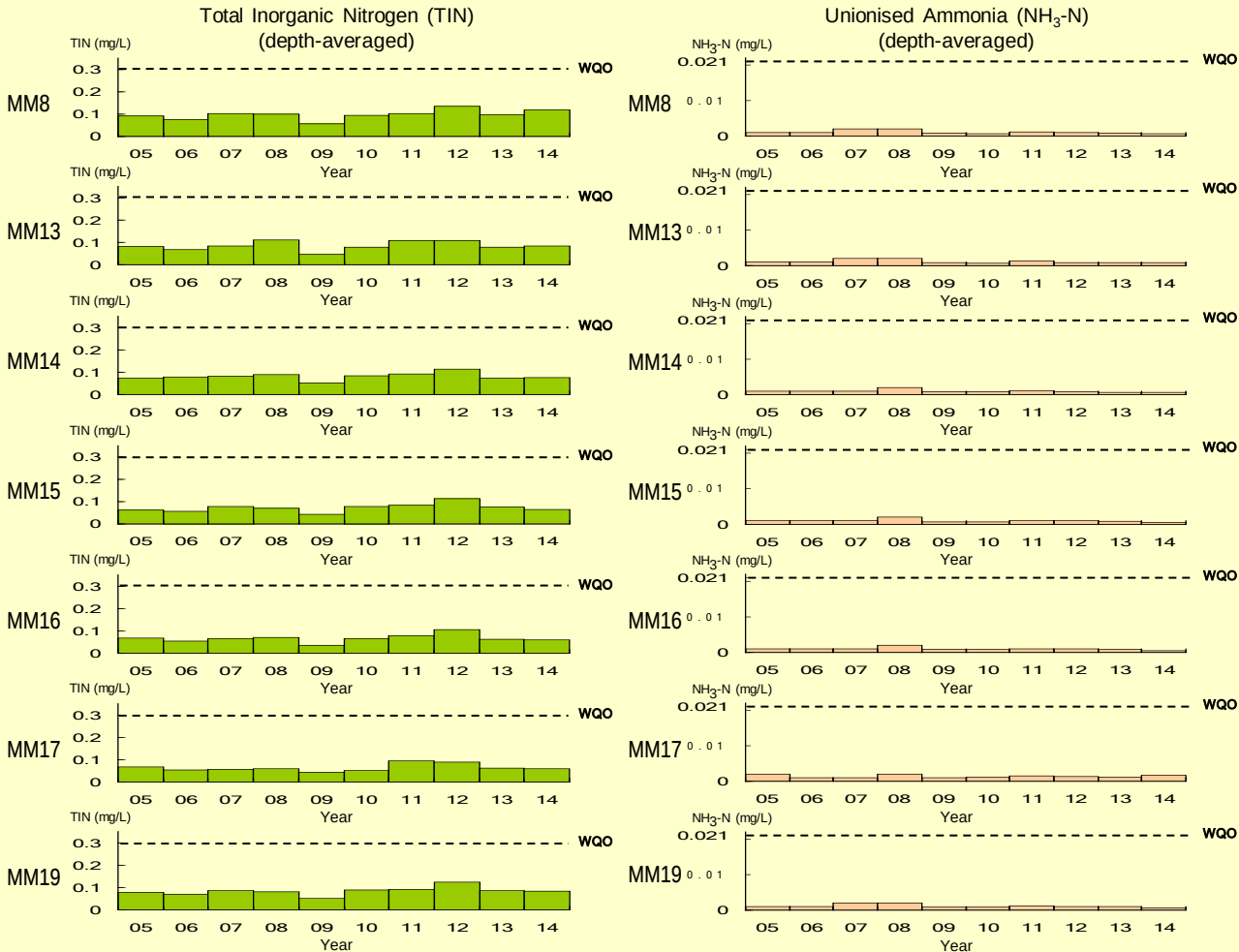
WQO: annual mean for depth-averaged NH₃-N ≤ 0.021 mg/L

annual mean for depth-averaged NH₃-N



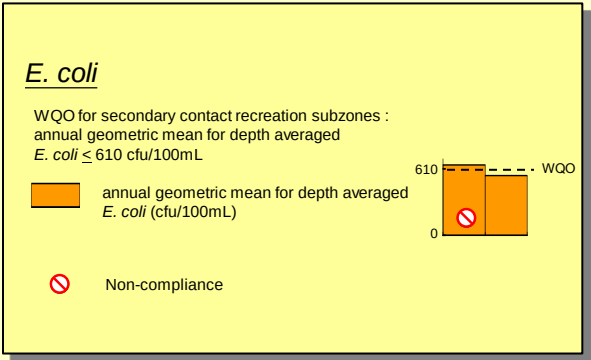
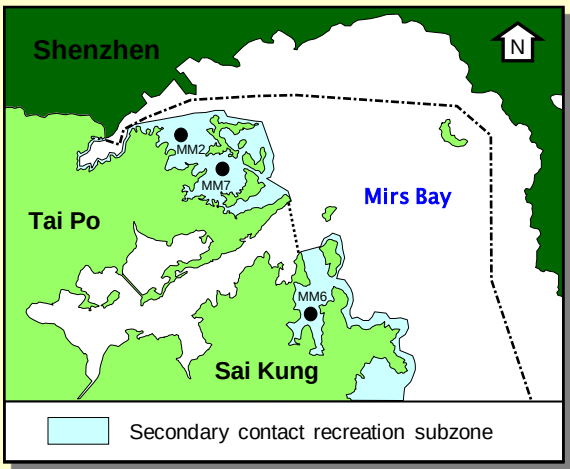
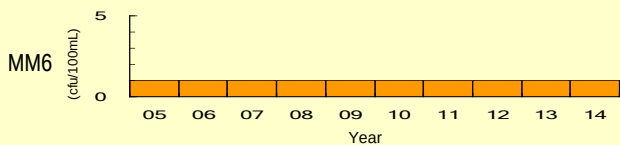
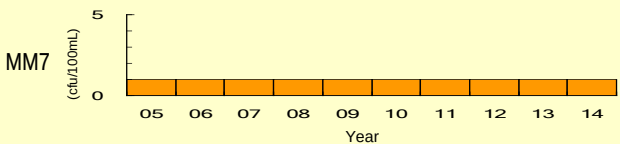
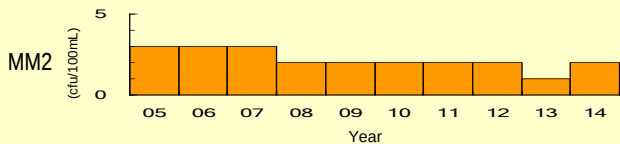
Non-compliance

Levels of compliance with key Water Quality Objectives in the Mirs Bay WCZ (continued)

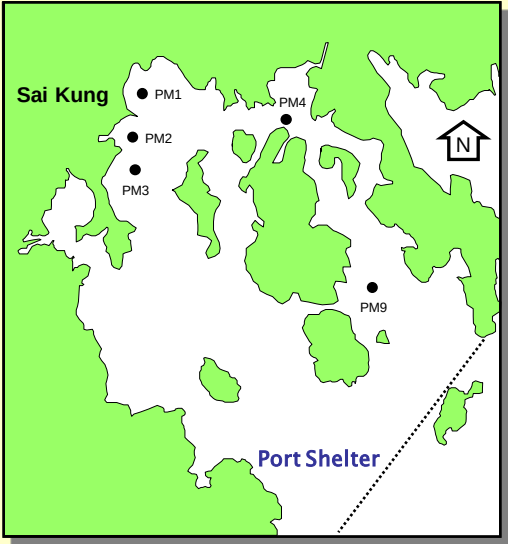
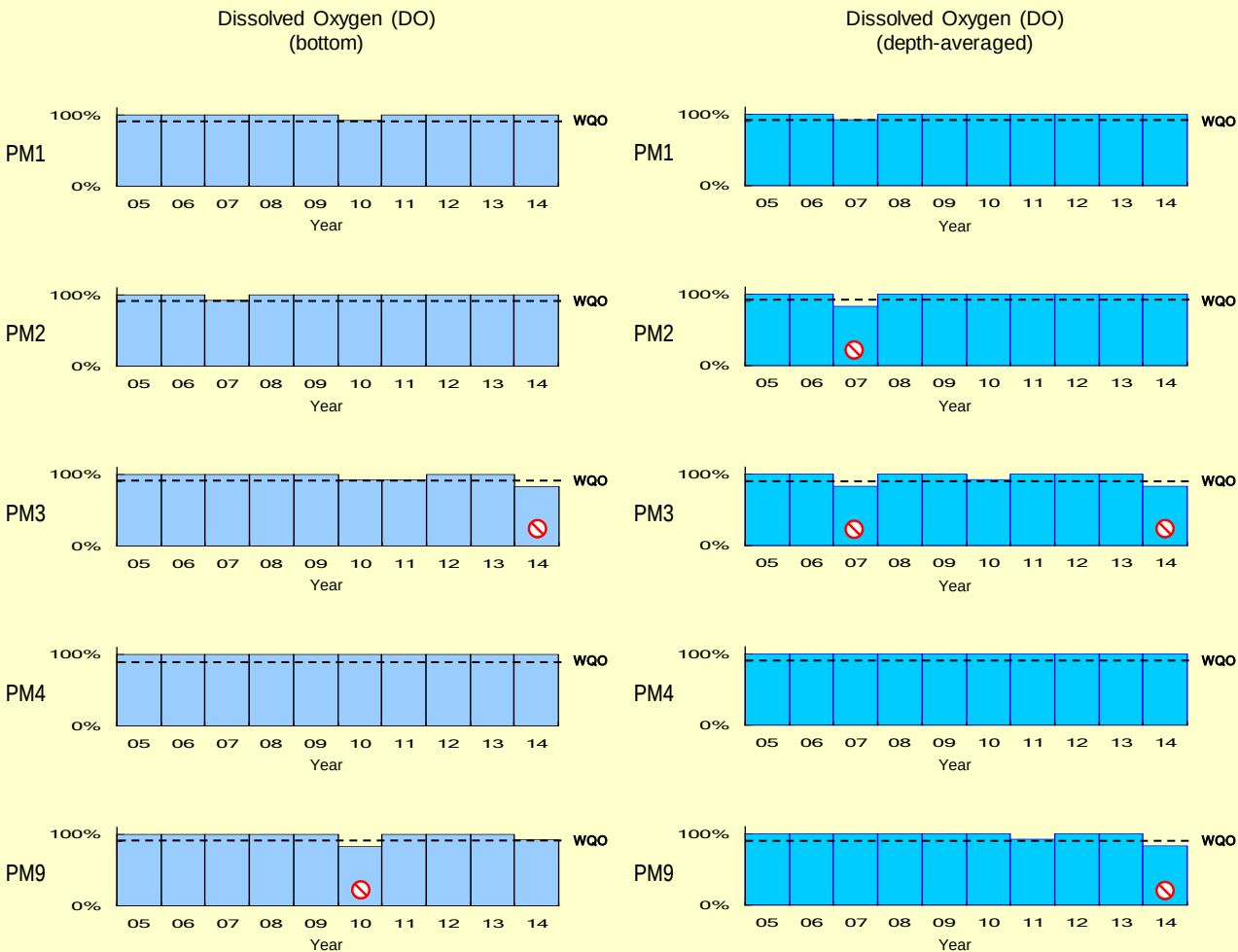


Levels of compliance with key Water Quality Objectives in the Mirs Bay WCZ (continued)

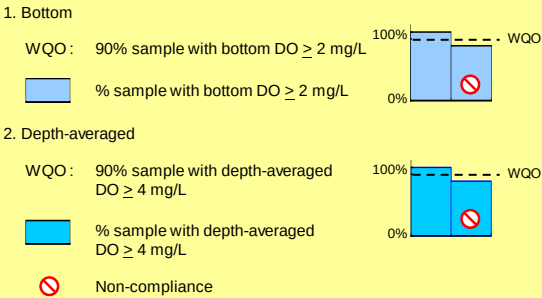
E. coli
(annual geometric mean)



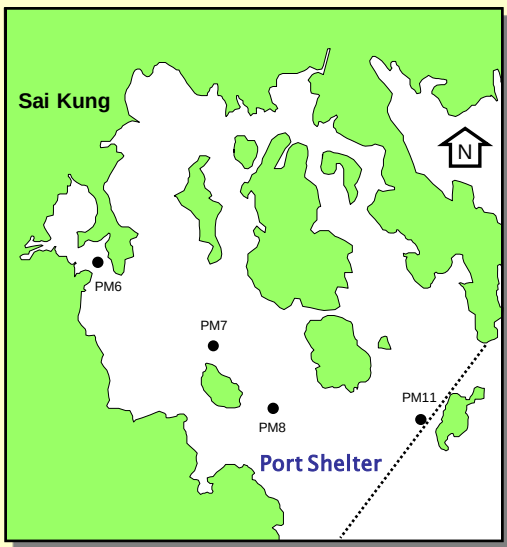
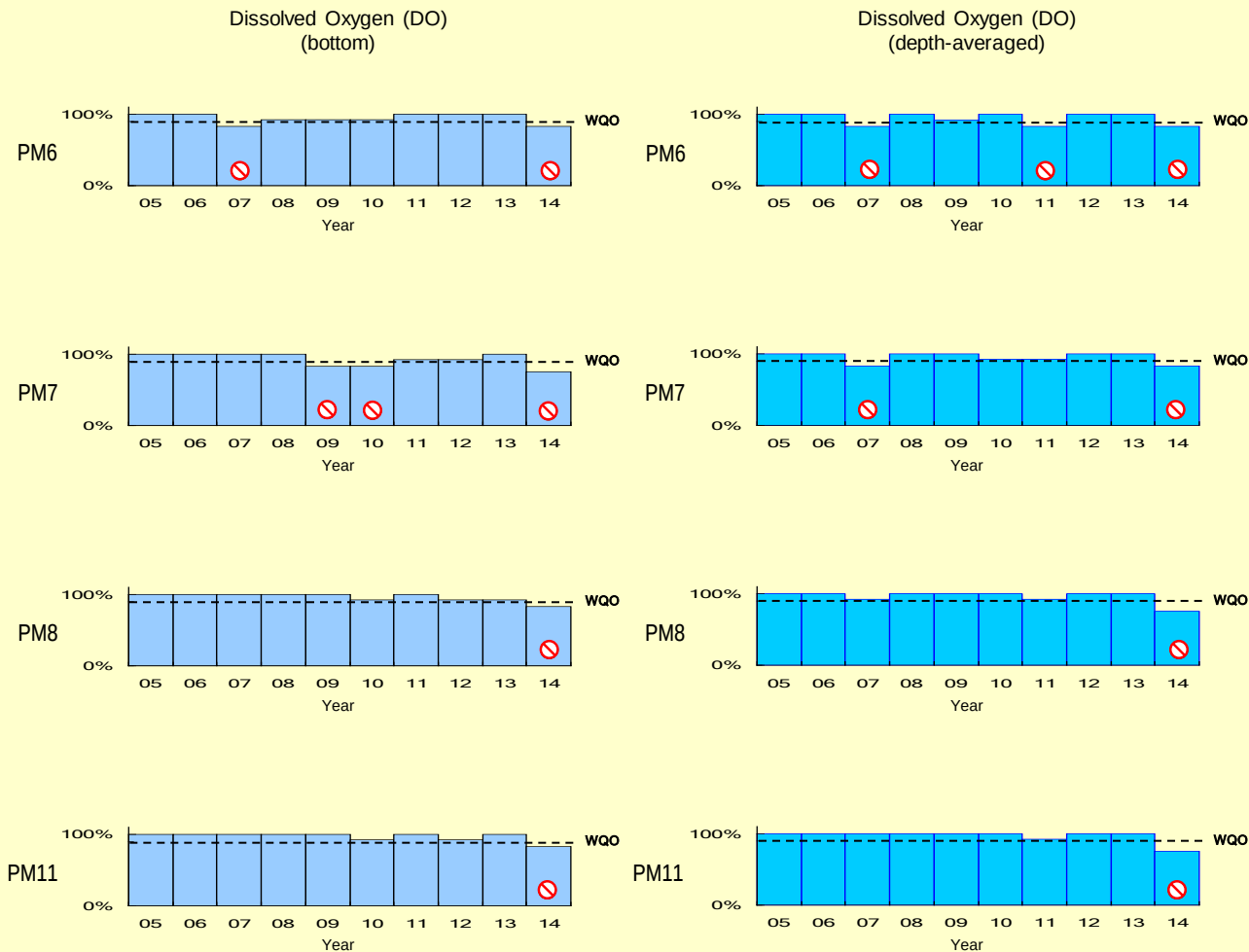
Levels of compliance with key Water Quality Objectives in the Port Shelter WCZ



Dissolved Oxygen (DO)



Levels of compliance with key Water Quality Objectives in the Port Shelter WCZ (continued)

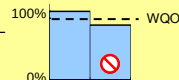


Dissolved Oxygen (DO)

1. Bottom

WQO: 90% sample with bottom DO $\geq$ 2 mg/L

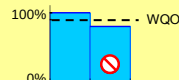
Blue bar: % sample with bottom DO $\geq$ 2 mg/L



2. Depth-averaged

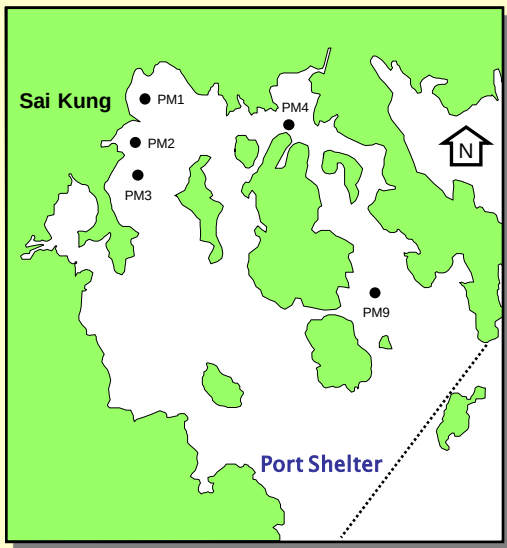
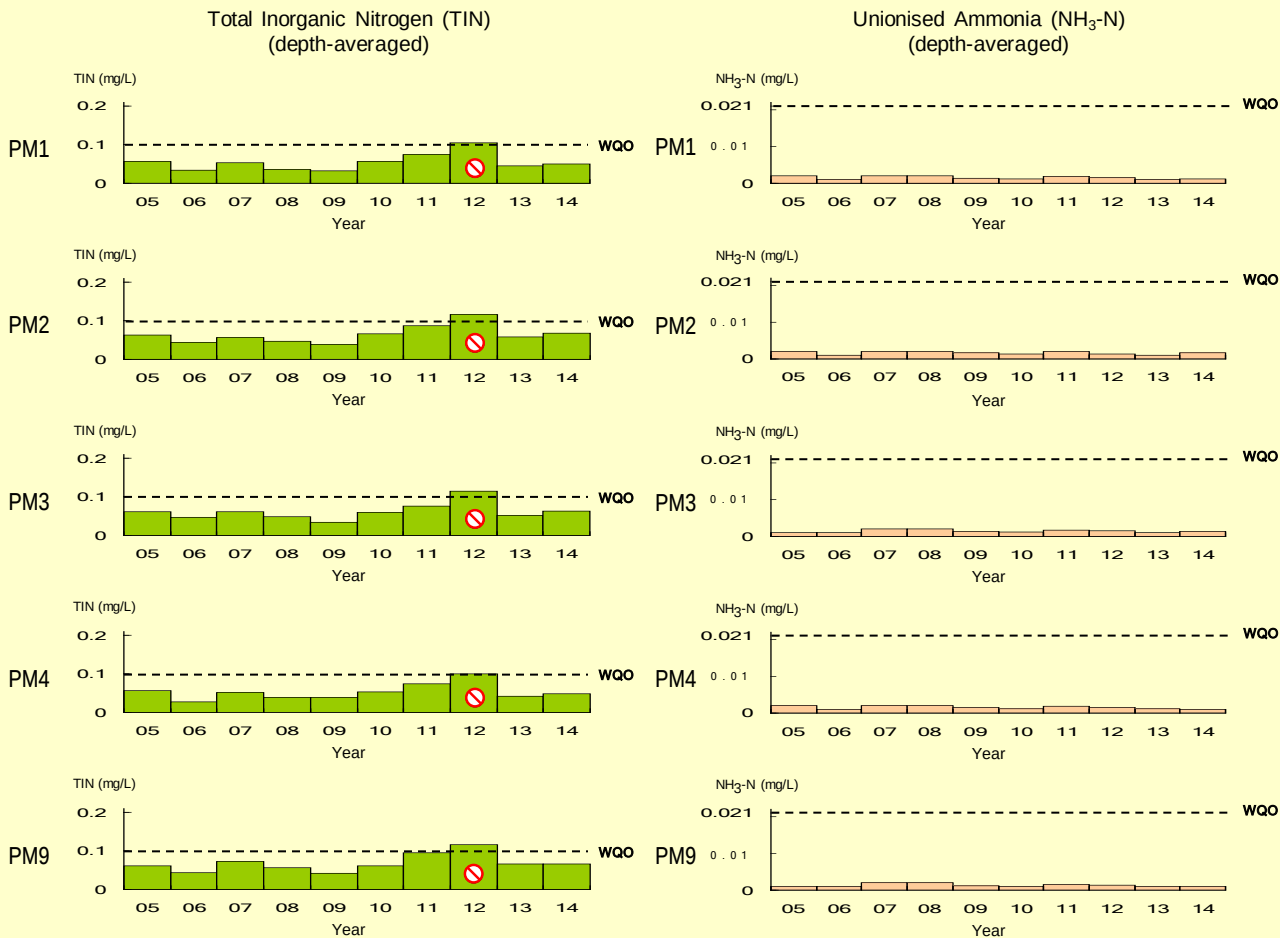
WQO: 90% sample with depth-averaged DO $\geq$ 4 mg/L

Blue bar: % sample with depth-averaged DO $\geq$ 4 mg/L



Red circle with slash: Non-compliance

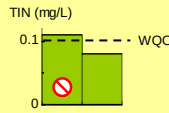
Levels of compliance with key Water Quality Objectives in the Port Shelter WCZ (continued)



Total Inorganic Nitrogen (TIN)

WQO: annual mean for depth-averaged TIN ≤ 0.1 mg/L

■ annual mean for depth-averaged TIN



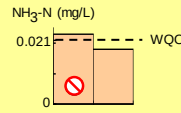
Unionised Ammonia (NH₃-N)

WQO: annual mean for depth-averaged NH₃-N ≤ 0.021 mg/L

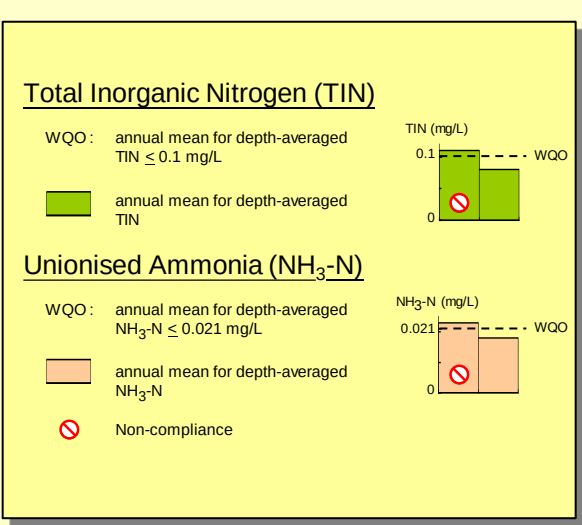
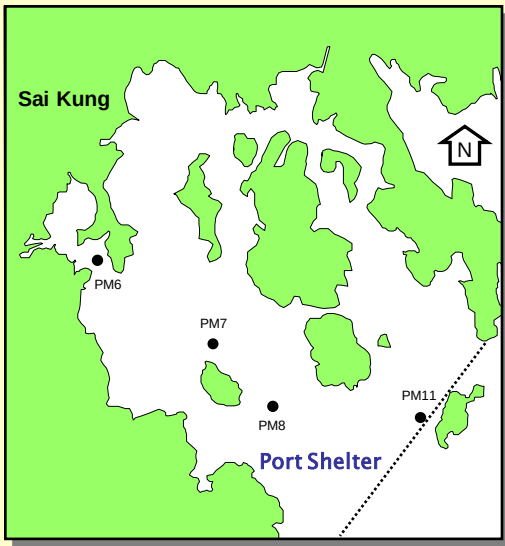
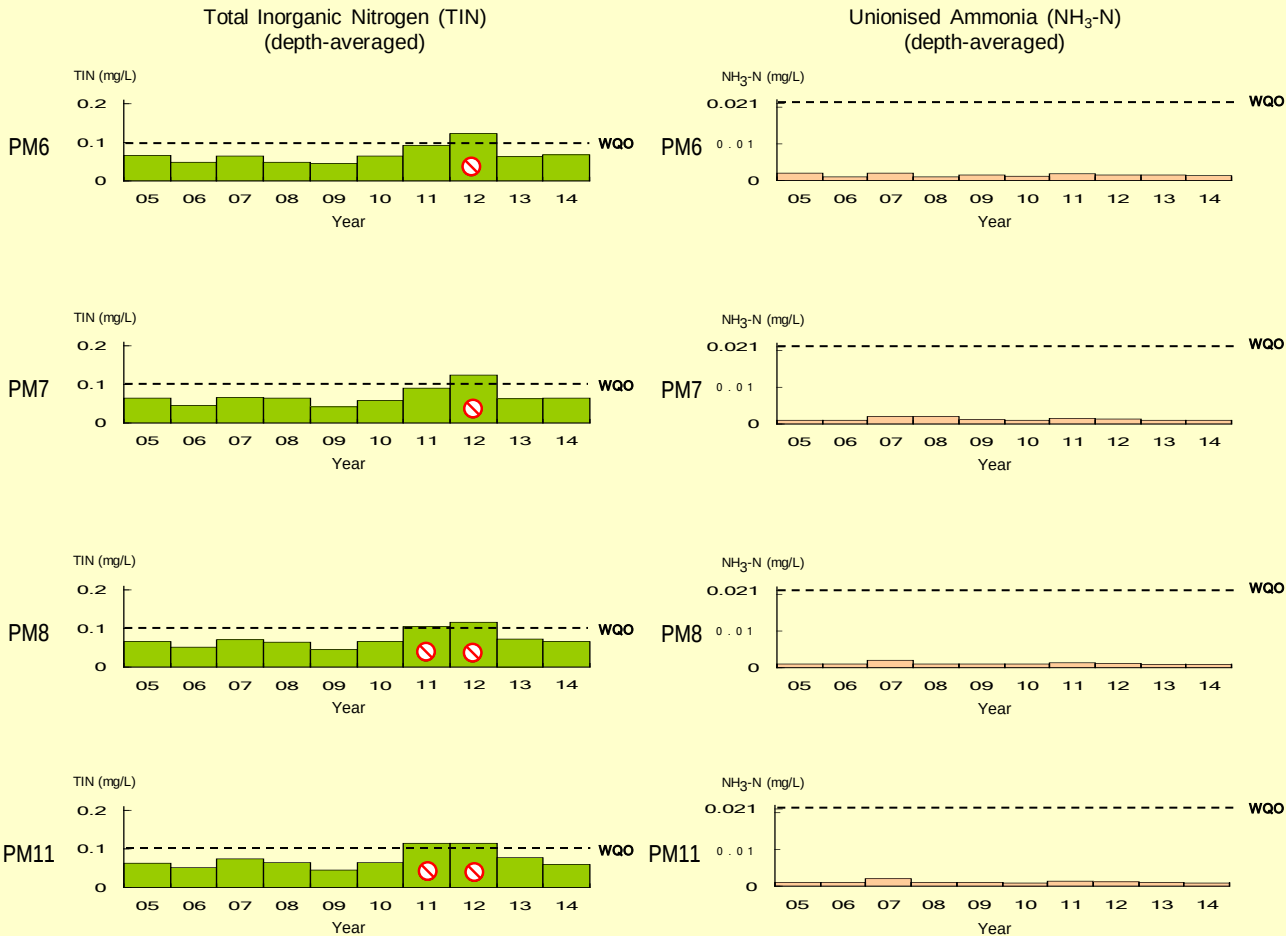
■ annual mean for depth-averaged NH₃-N



Non-compliance

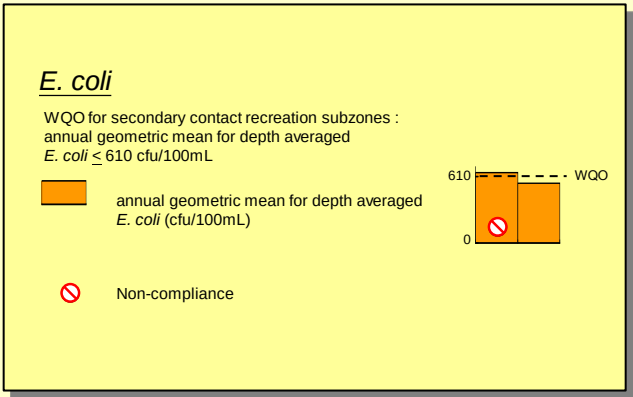
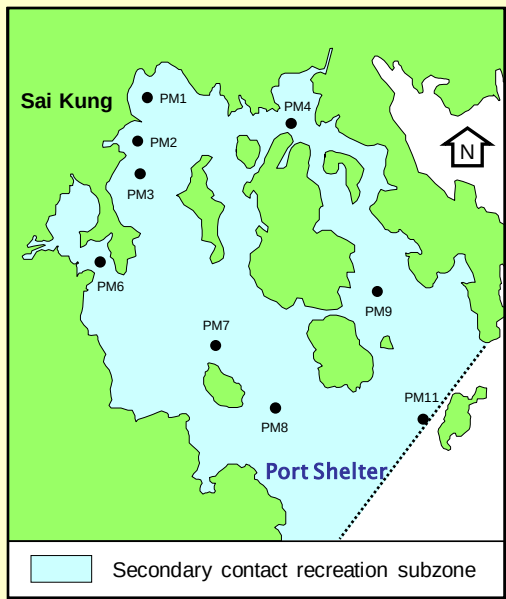
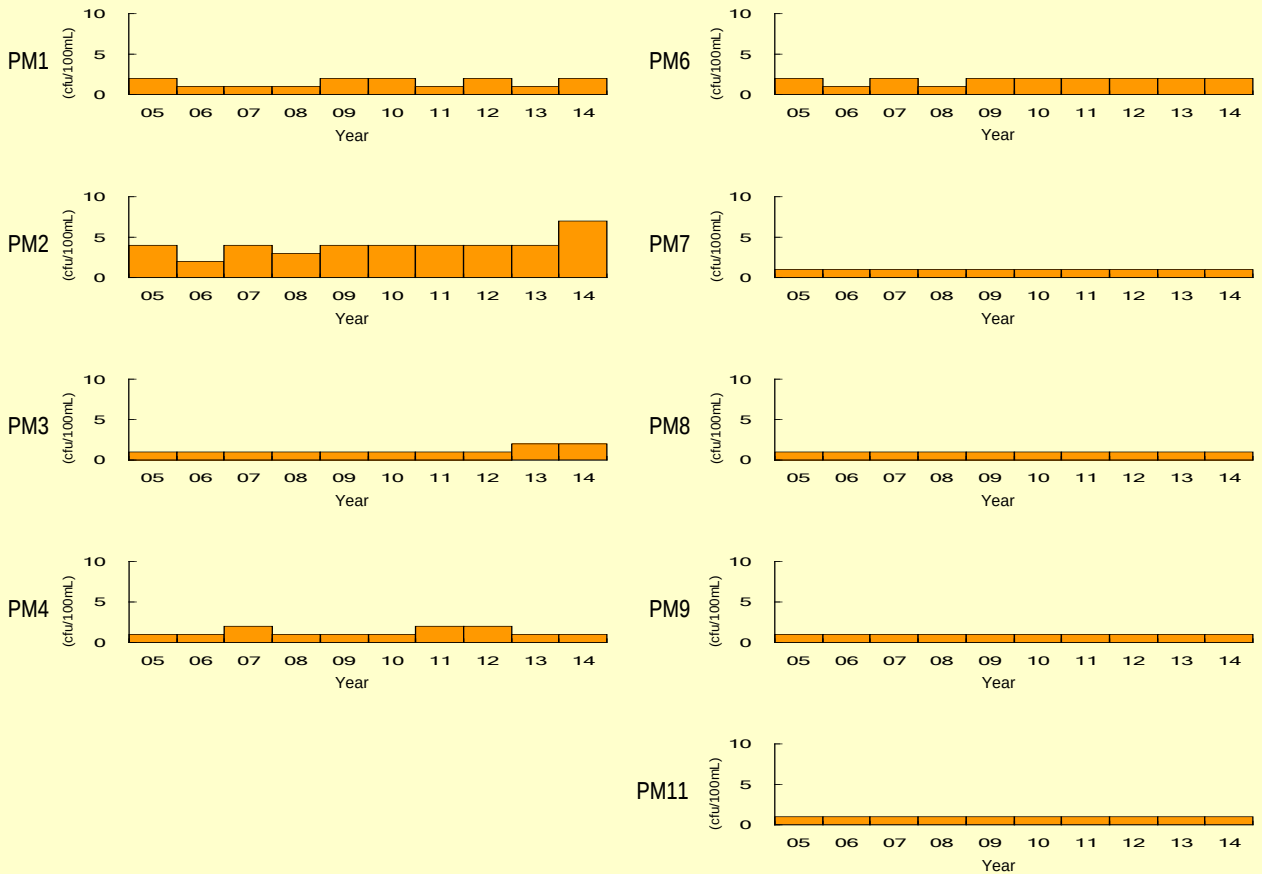


Levels of compliance with key Water Quality Objectives in the Port Shelter WCZ (continued)

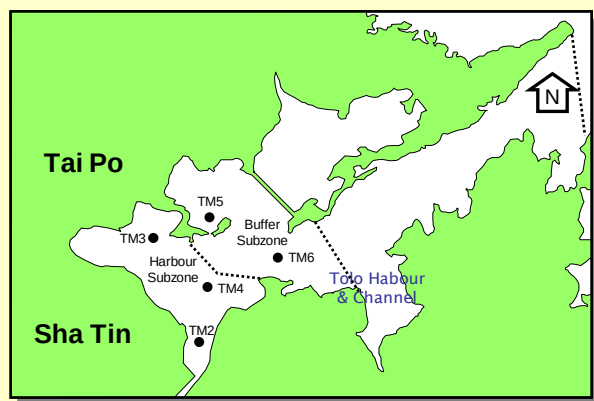
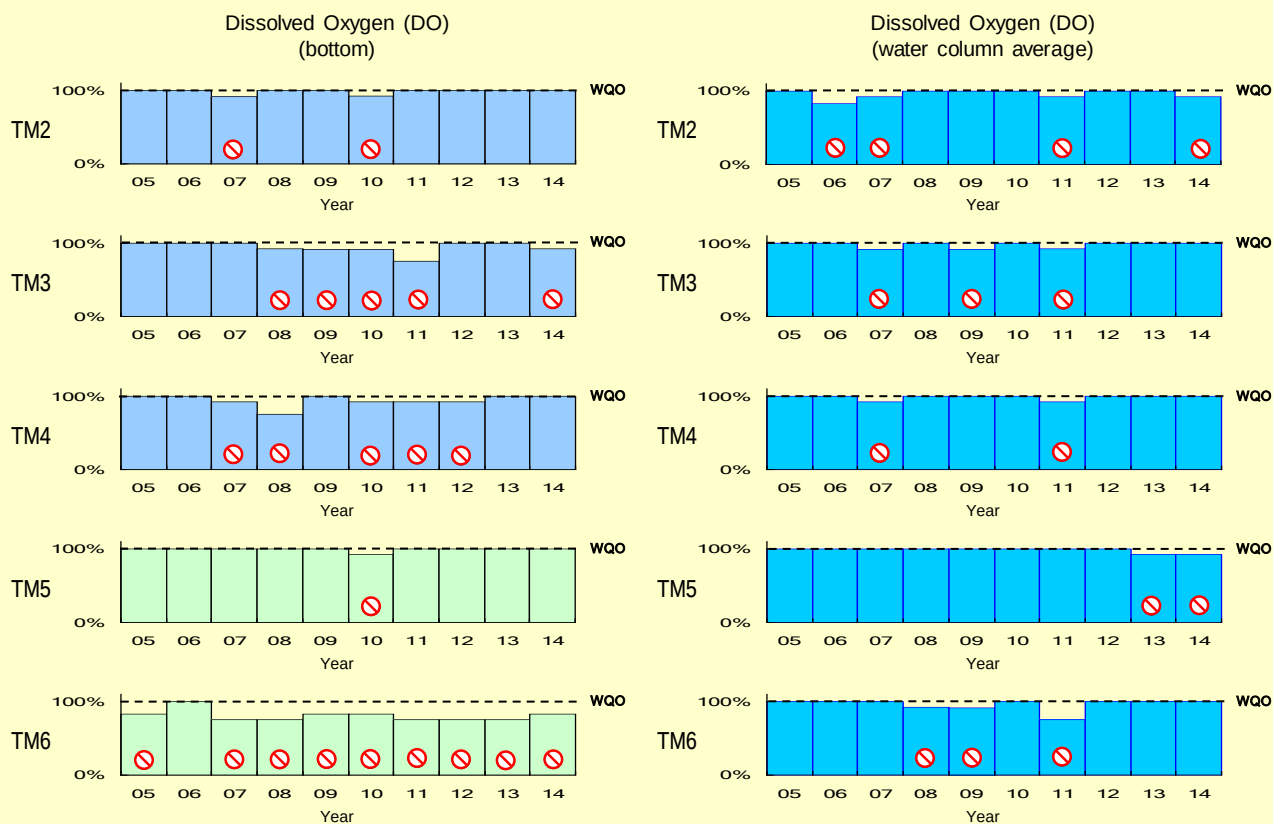


Levels of compliance with key Water Quality Objectives in the Port Shelter WCZ (continued)

E. coli
(annual geometric mean)



Levels of compliance with key Water Quality Objectives in the Tolo Harbour and Channel WCZ



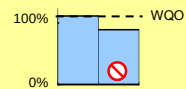
Dissolved Oxygen (DO)

Harbour Subzone (TM2 - TM4)

1. Bottom

WQO : 100% sample with bottom DO ≥ 2 mg/L

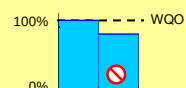
% sample with bottom DO ≥ 2 mg/L



2. Water column average (surface to 2m above bottom)

WQO : 100% sample with water column average DO ≥ 4 mg/L

% sample with water column average DO ≥ 4 mg/L

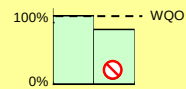


Buffer Subzone (TM5 - TM6)

1. Bottom

WQO : 100% sample with bottom DO ≥ 3 mg/L

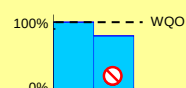
% sample with bottom DO ≥ 3 mg/L



2. Water column average (surface to 2m above bottom)

WQO : 100% sample with water column average DO ≥ 4 mg/L

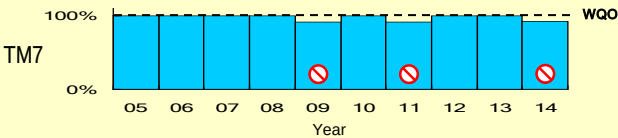
% sample with water column average DO ≥ 4 mg/L



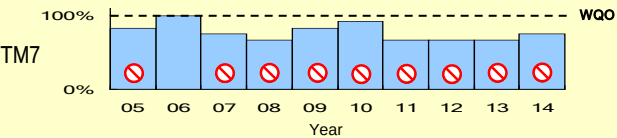
Non-compliance

Levels of compliance with key Water Quality Objectives in the Tolo Harbour and Channel WCZ (continued)

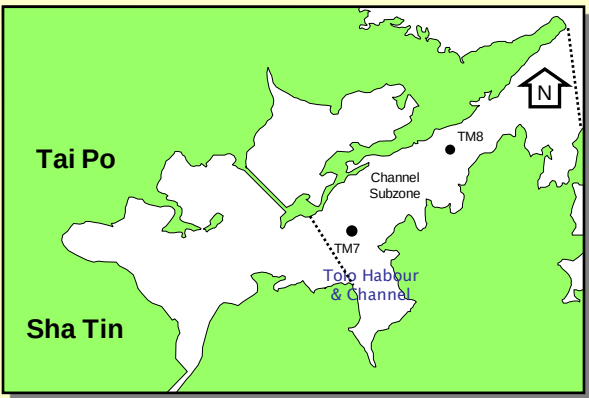
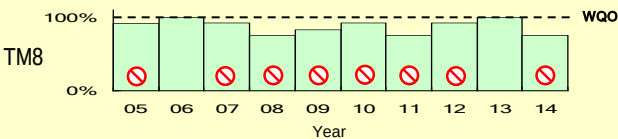
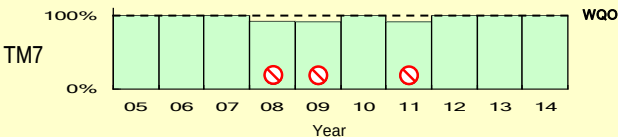
Dissolved Oxygen (DO) (surface)



Dissolved Oxygen (DO) (bottom)



Dissolved Oxygen (DO) (middle)



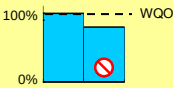
Dissolved Oxygen (DO)

Channel Subzone (TM7 - TM8)

1. Surface

WQO : 100% sample with surface DO $\geq$ 4 mg/L

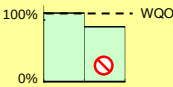
% sample with surface DO $\geq$ 4 mg/L



2. Middle

WQO : 100% sample with middle DO $\geq$ 4 mg/L

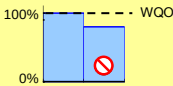
% sample with middle DO $\geq$ 4 mg/L



3. Bottom

WQO : 100% sample with bottom DO $\geq$ 4 mg/L

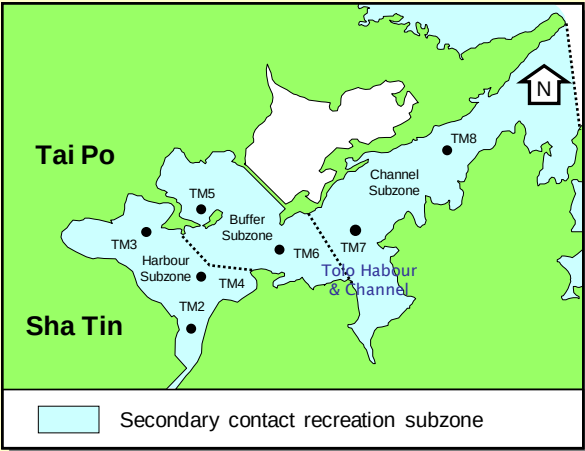
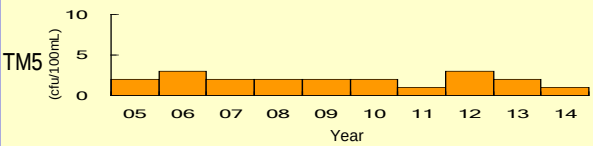
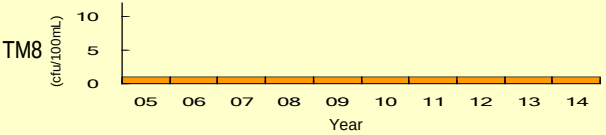
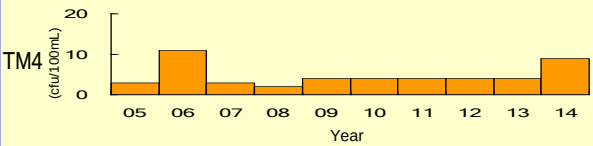
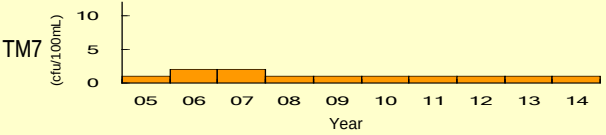
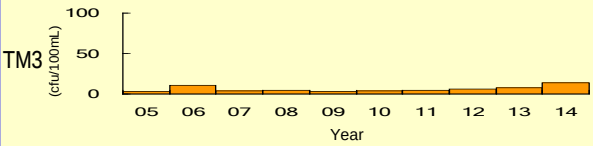
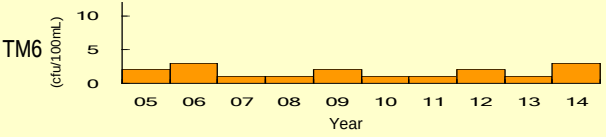
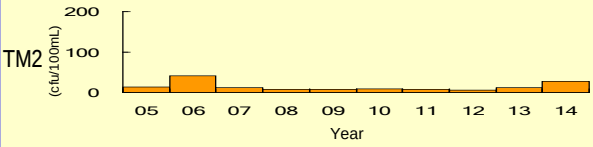
% sample with bottom DO $\geq$ 4 mg/L



Non-compliance

Levels of compliance with key Water Quality Objectives in the Tolo Harbour and Channel WCZ (continued)

E. coli
(annual geometric mean)



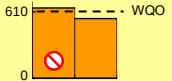
E. coli

WQO for secondary contact recreation subzones :
annual geometric mean for depth averaged
E. coli ≤ 610 cfu/100mL

annual geometric mean for depth averaged
E. coli (cfu/100mL)



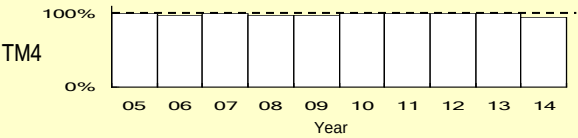
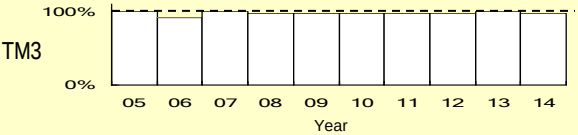
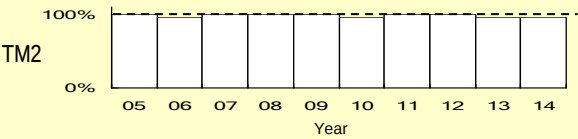
Non-compliance



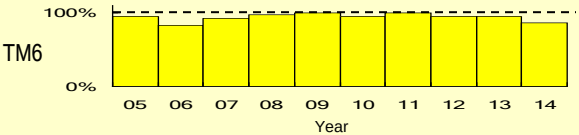
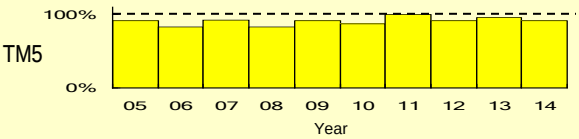
Levels of chlorophyll-a in the Tolo Harbour and Channel WCZ

Chlorophyll-a

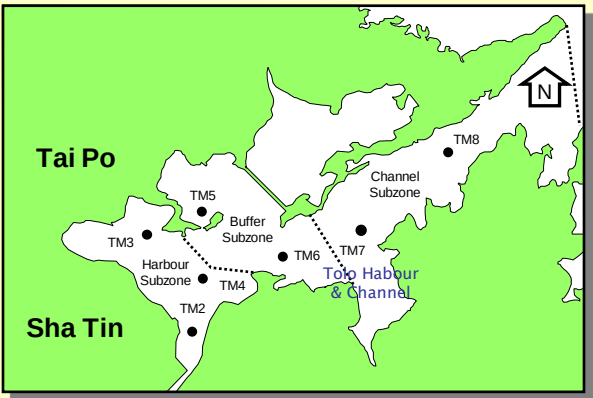
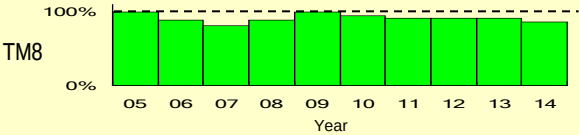
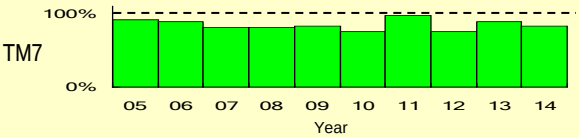
1. Harbour Subzone



2. Buffer Subzone



3. Channel Subzone



Chlorophyll-a

1. Harbour Subzone

% sample (S, M, B) with Chlorophyll-a ≤ 20 µg/L
WQO: Chlorophyll-a ≤ 20 µg/L

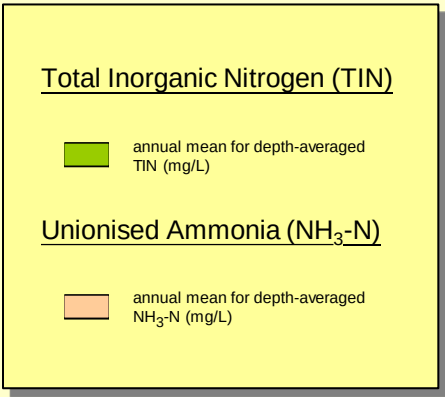
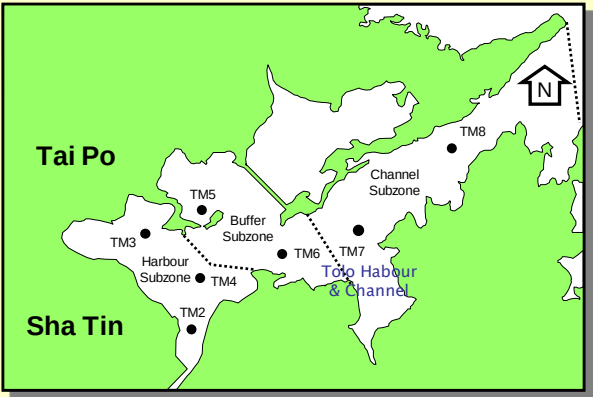
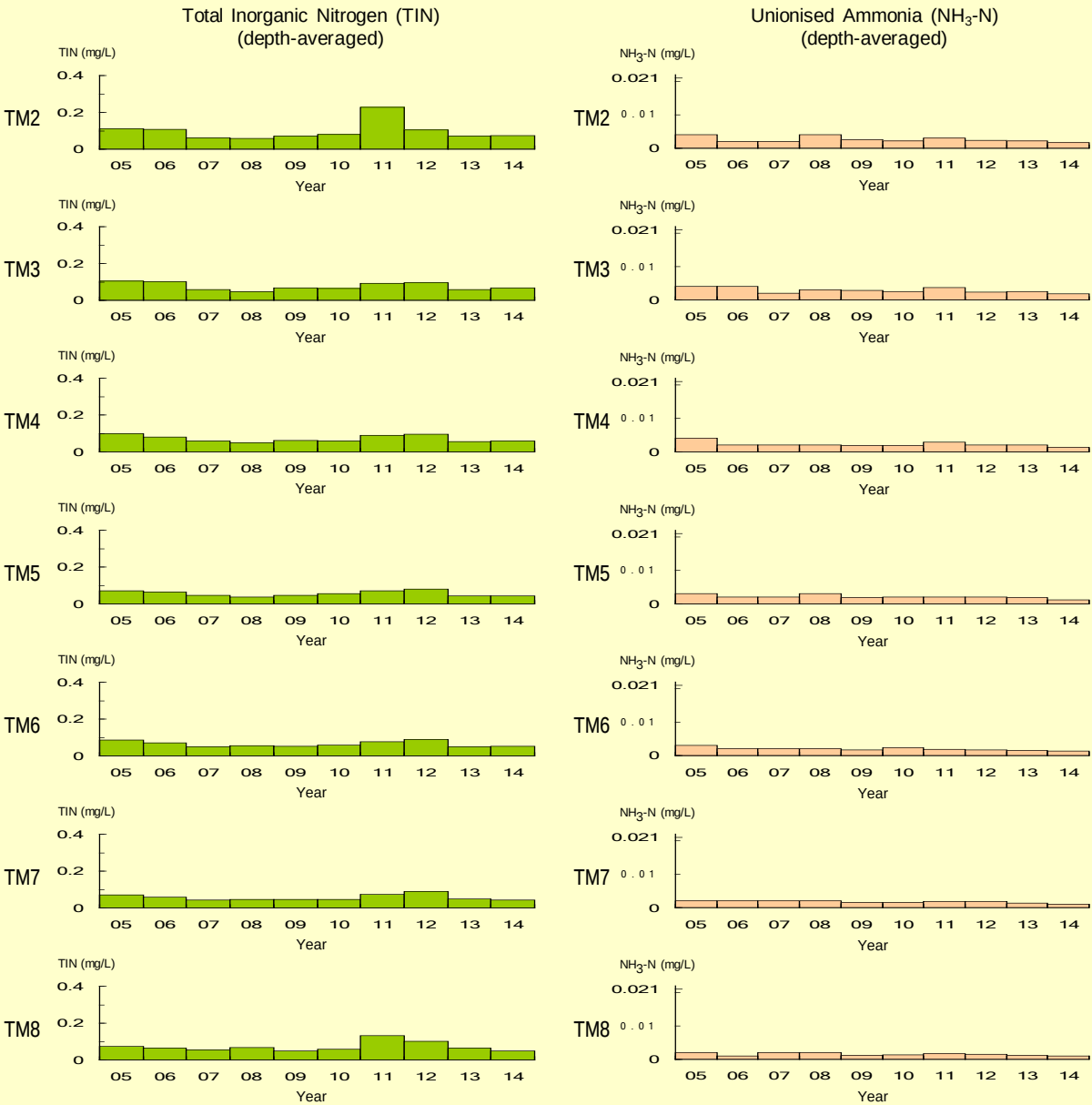
2. Buffer Subzone

% sample (S, M, B) with Chlorophyll-a ≤ 10 µg/L
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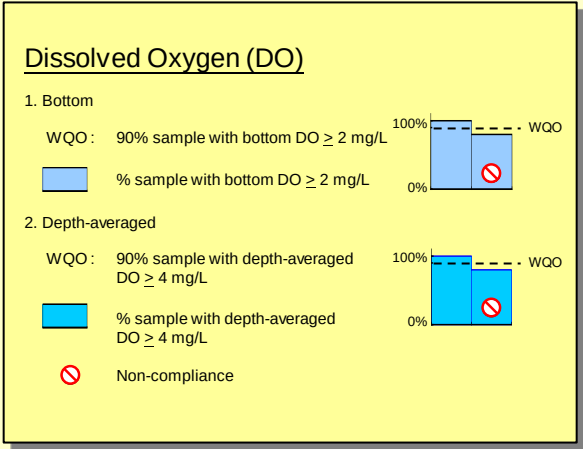
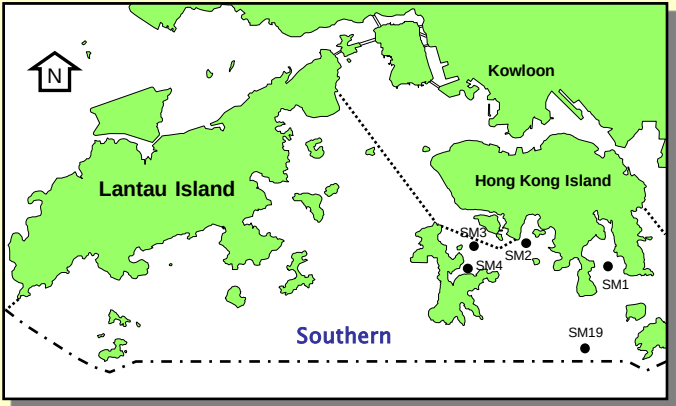
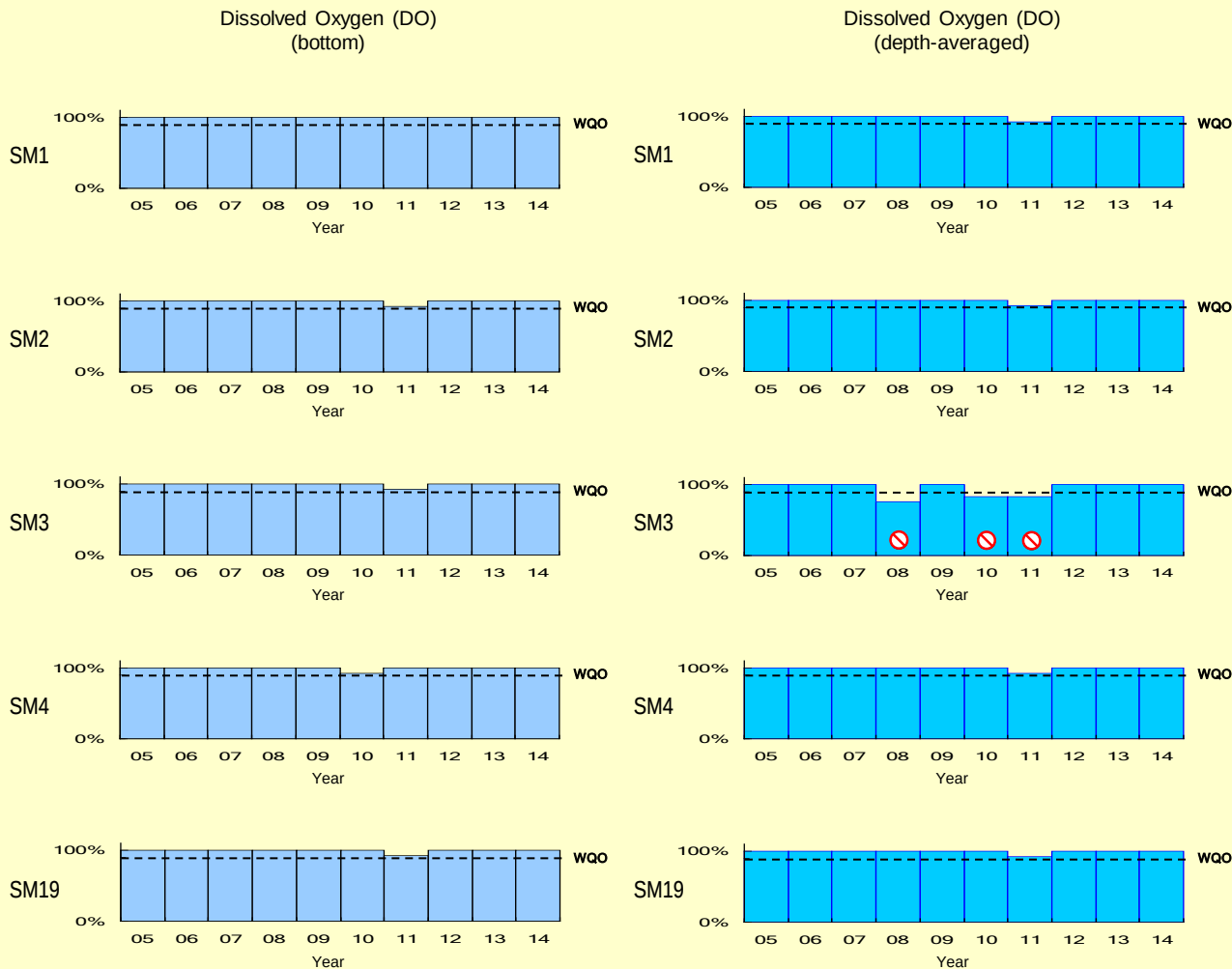
3. Channel Subzone

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WQO: Chlorophyll-a ≤ 6 µg/L

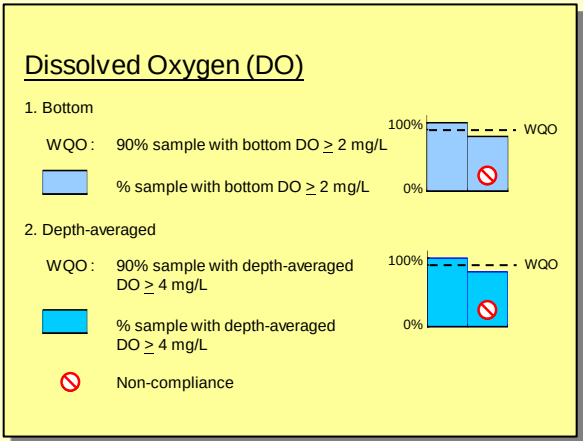
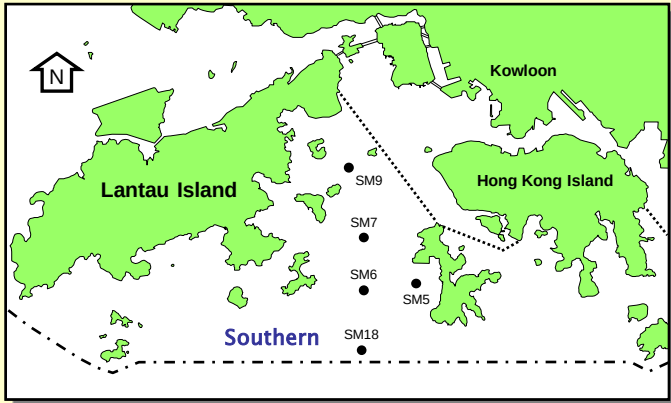
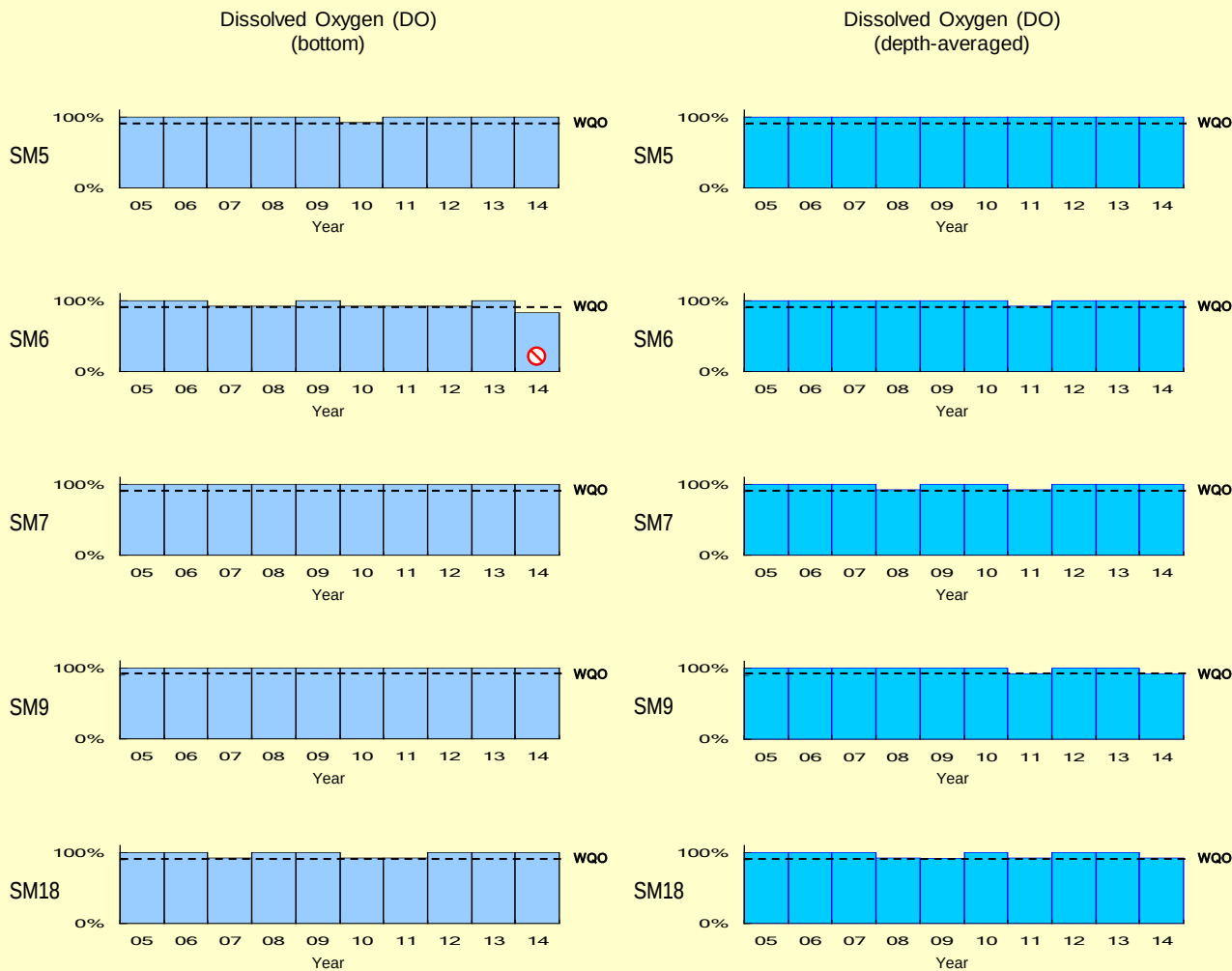
Levels of total inorganic nitrogen and unionised ammonia in the Tolo Harbour and Channel WCZ



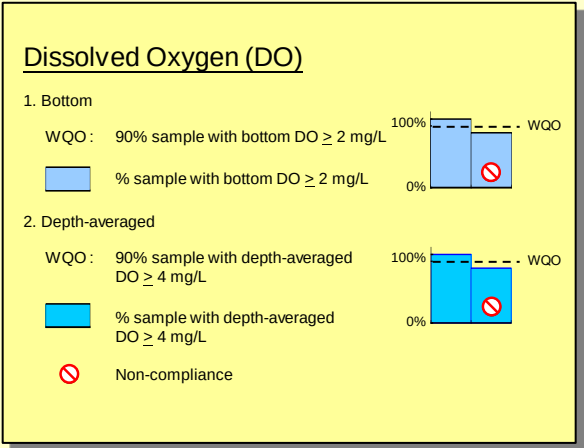
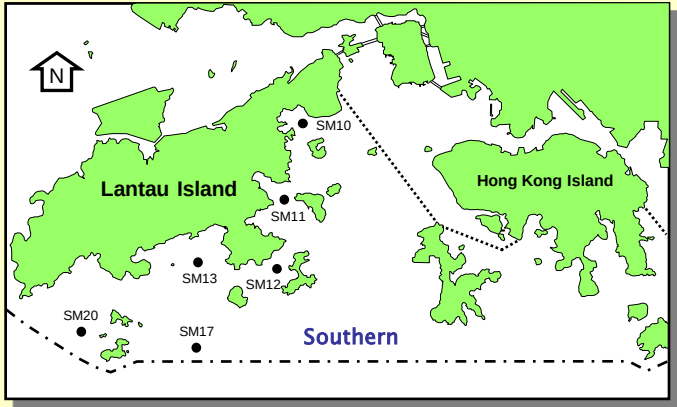
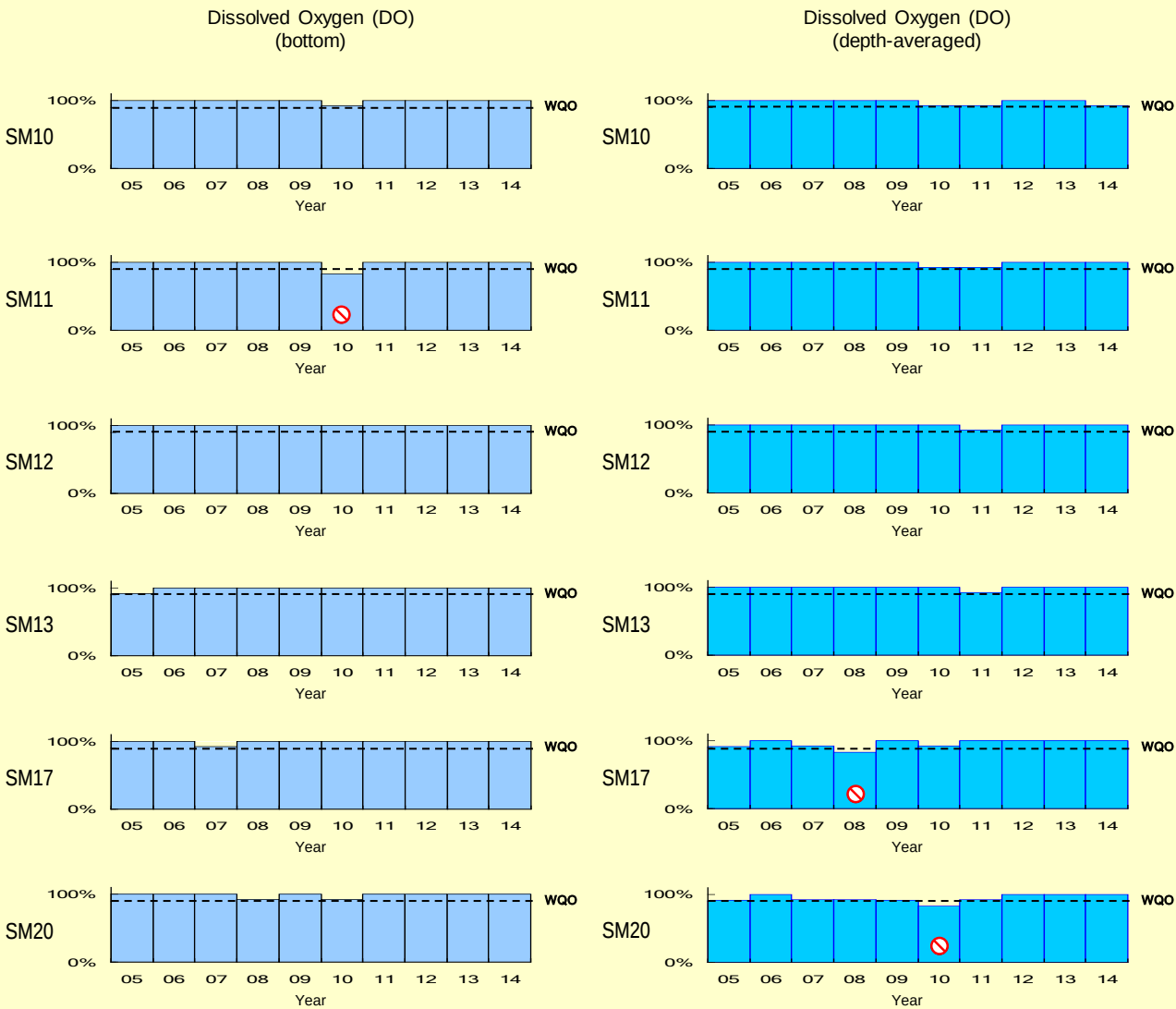
Levels of compliance with key Water Quality Objectives in the Southern W CZ



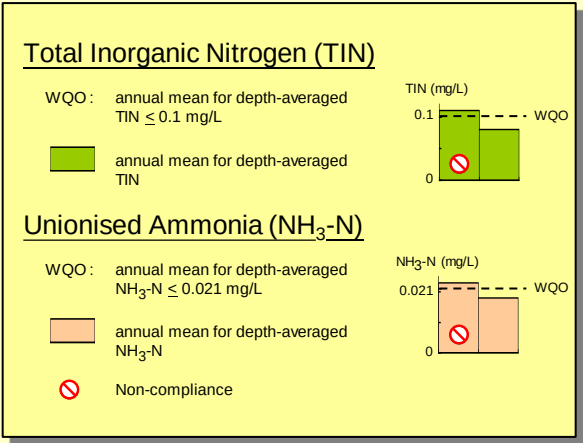
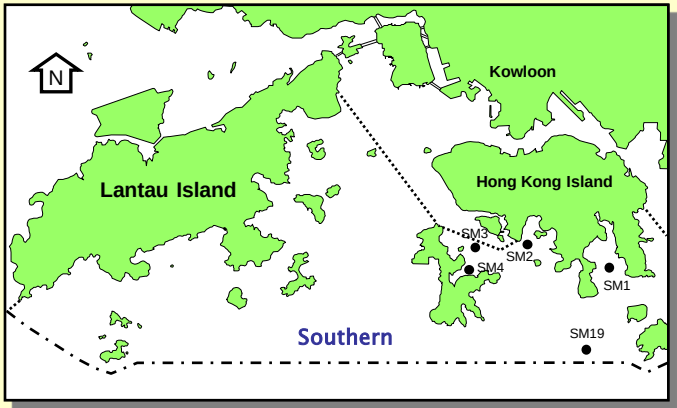
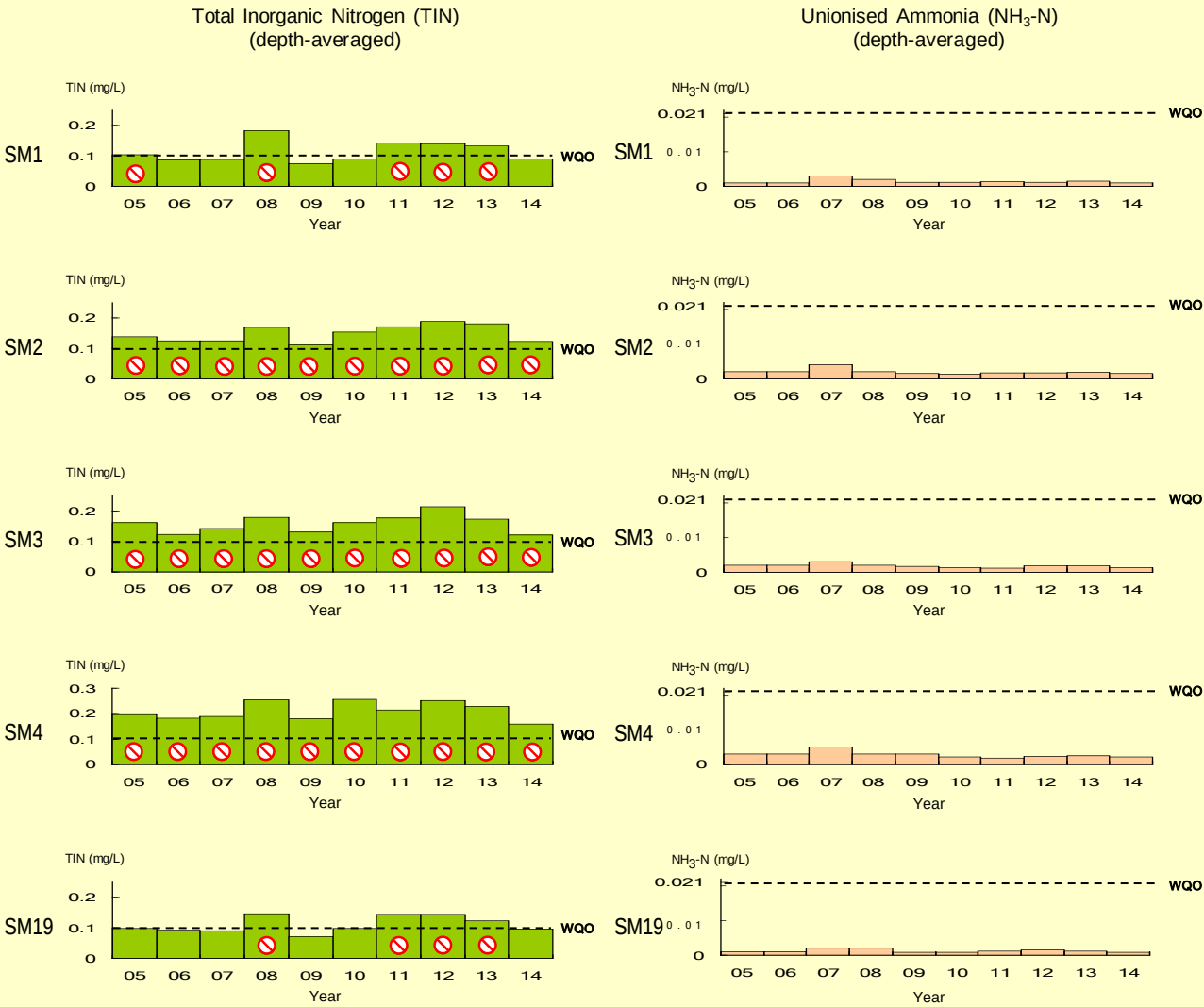
Levels of compliance with key Water Quality Objectives in the Southern WCZ (continued)



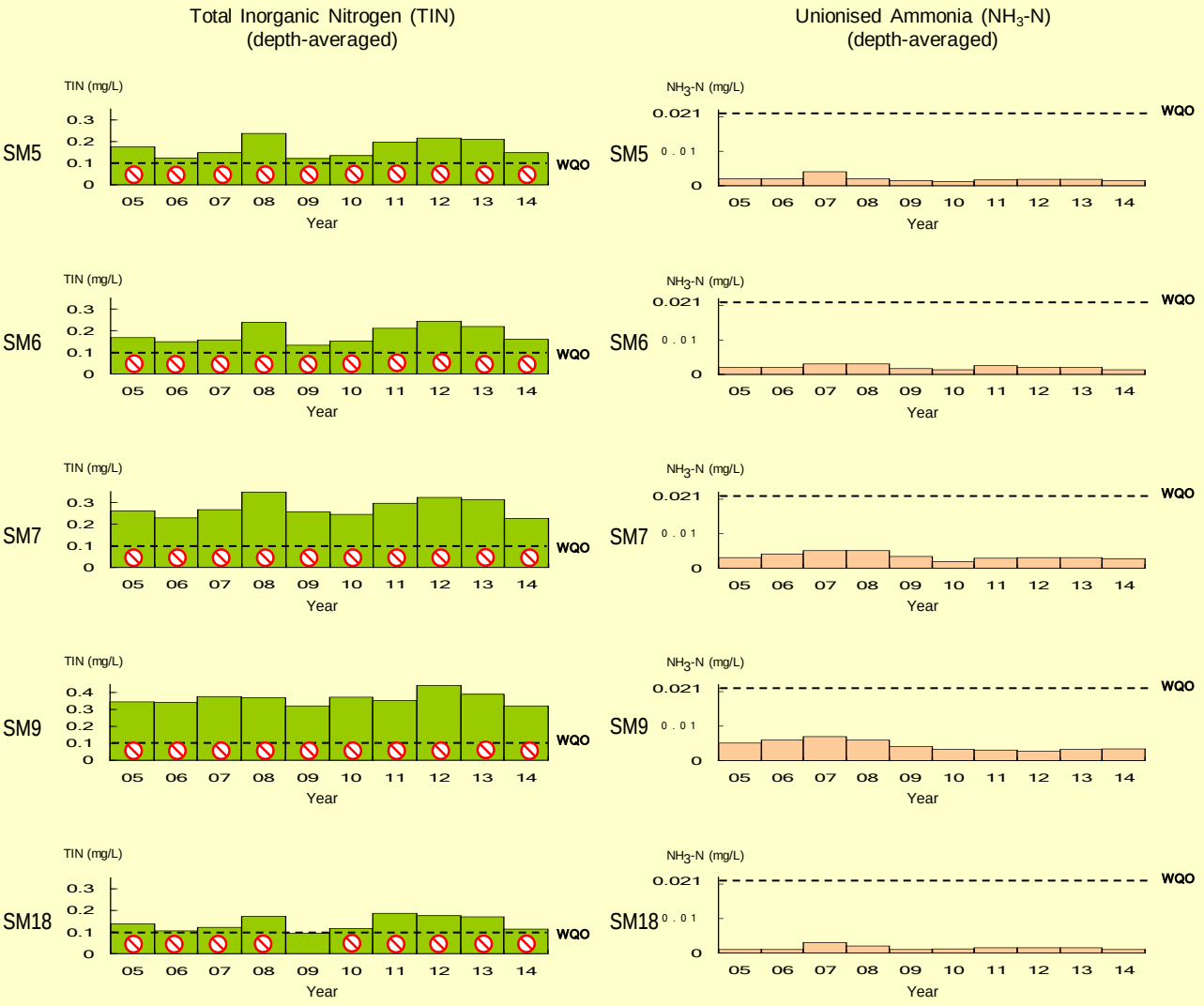
Levels of compliance with key Water Quality Objectives in the Southern WCZ (continued)



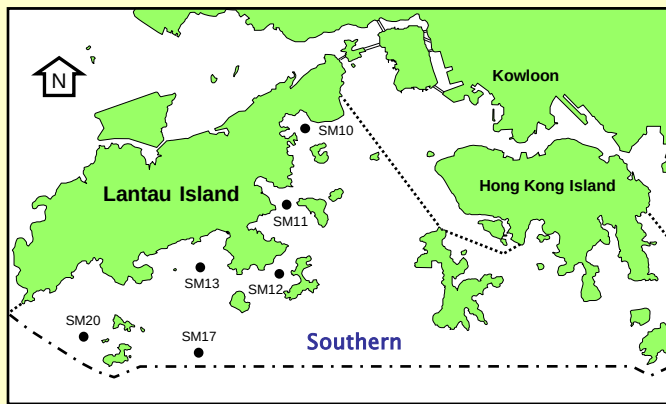
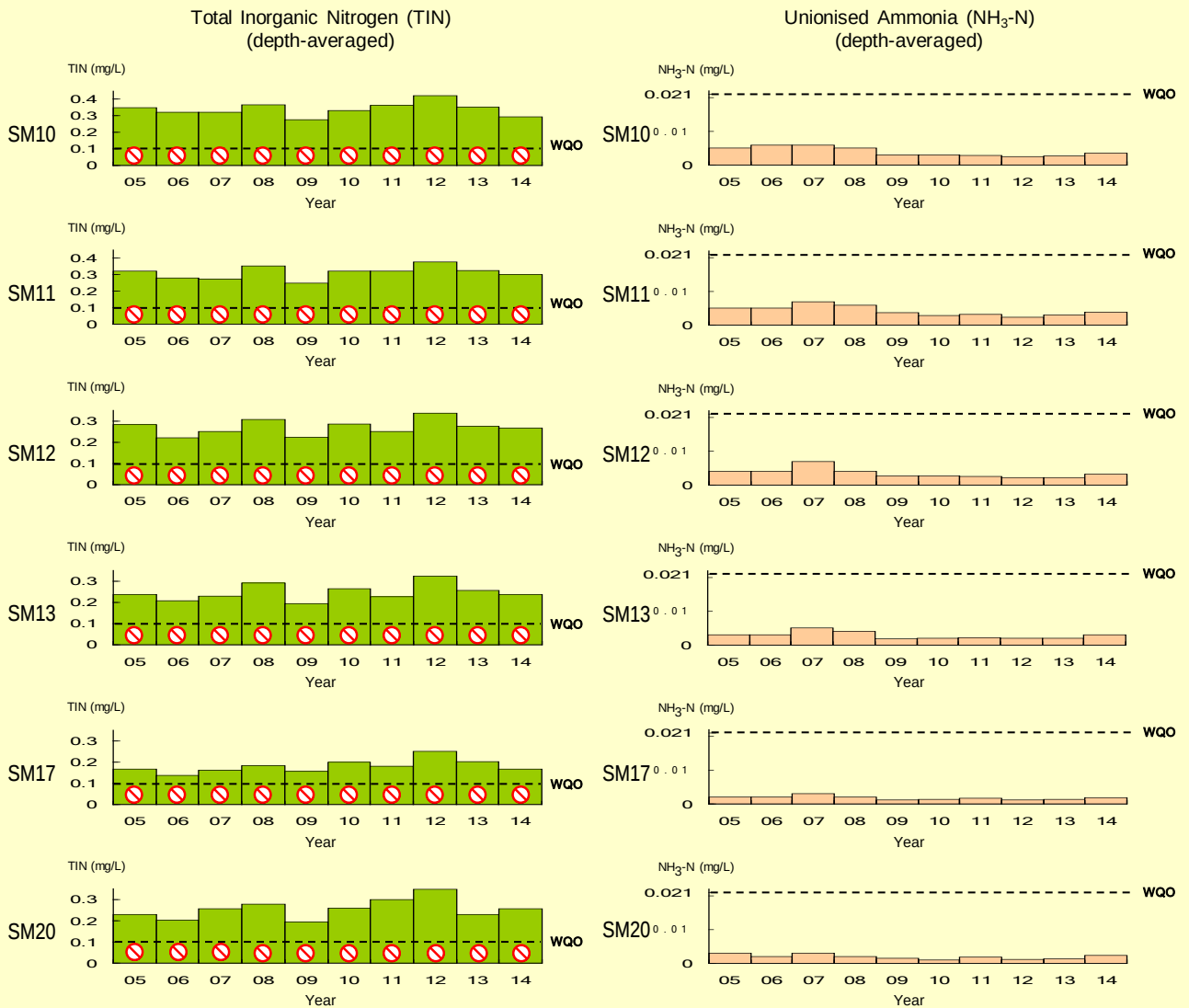
Levels of compliance with key Water Quality Objectives in the Southern WCZ (continued)



Levels of compliance with key Water Quality Objectives in the Southern WCZ (continued)



Levels of compliance with key Water Quality Objectives in the Southern WCZ (continued)



Total Inorganic Nitrogen (TIN)

WQO : annual mean for depth-averaged
TIN ≤ 0.1 mg/L

■ annual mean for depth-averaged
TIN

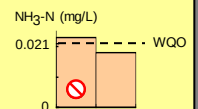


Unionised Ammonia (NH₃-N)

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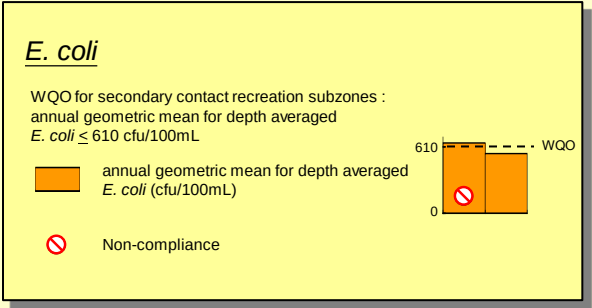
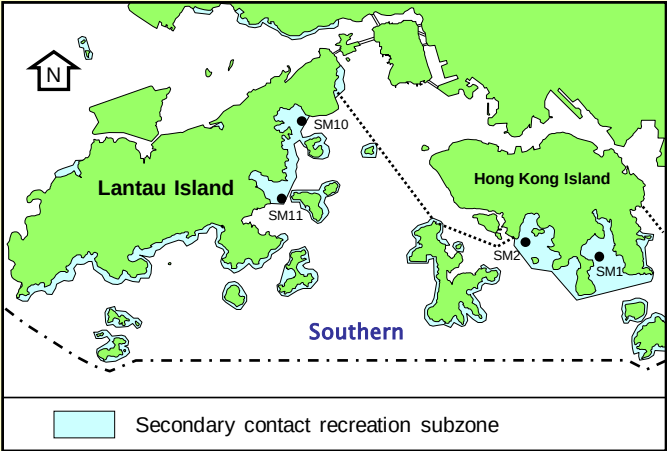
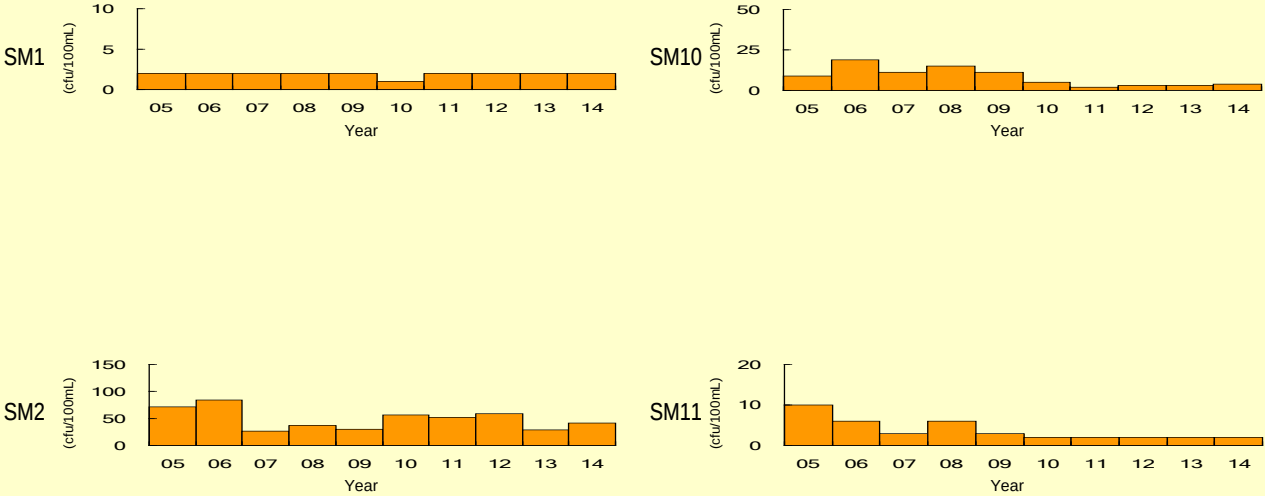
■ annual mean for depth-averaged
NH₃-N

⊘ Non-compliance

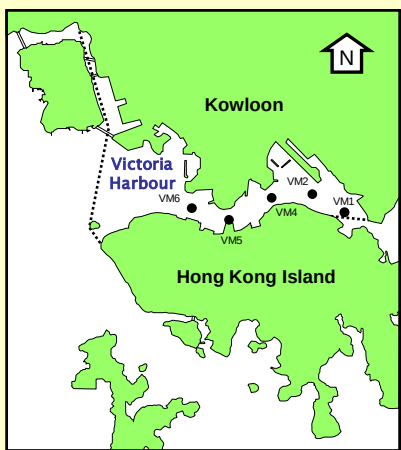
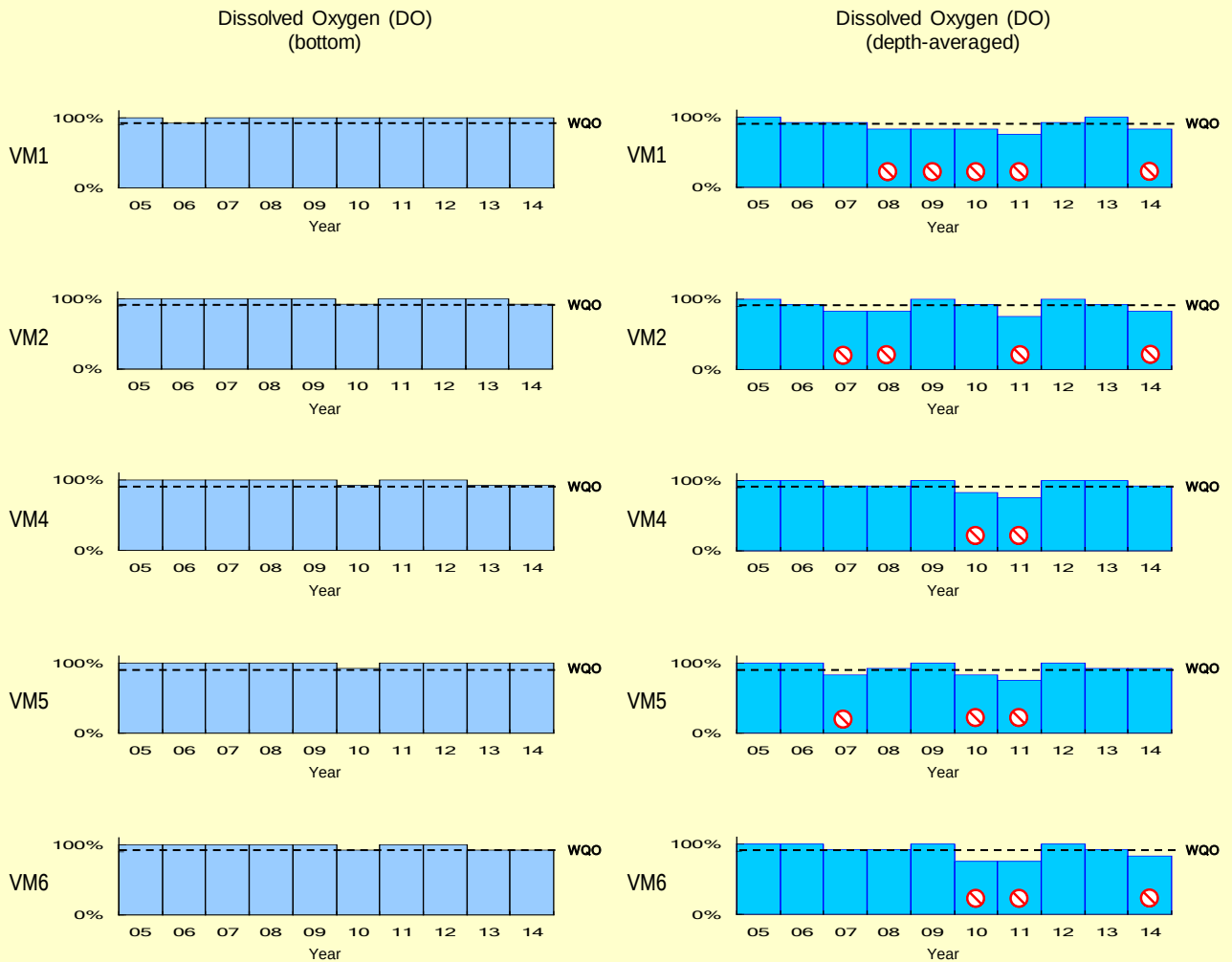


Levels of compliance with key Water Quality Objectives in the Southern WCZ (continued)

E. coli
(annual geometric mean)



Levels of compliance with key Water Quality Objectives in the Victoria Harbour WCZ

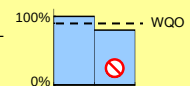


Dissolved Oxygen (DO)

1. Bottom

WQO : 90% sample with bottom DO ≥ 2 mg/L

■ % sample with bottom DO ≥ 2 mg/L



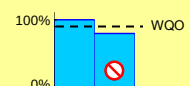
2. Depth-averaged

WQO : 90% sample with depth-averaged DO ≥ 4 mg/L

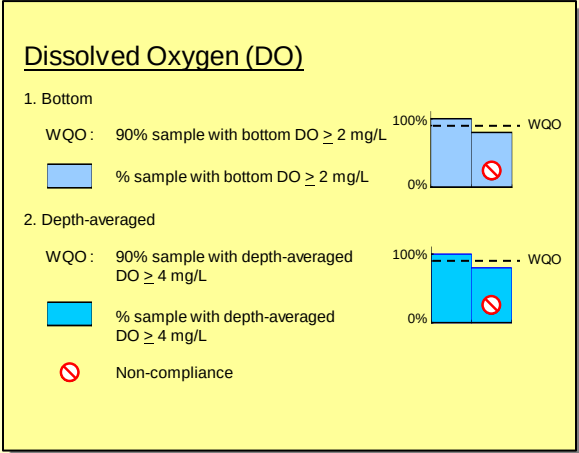
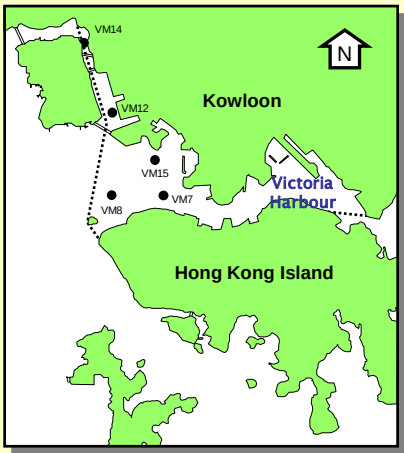
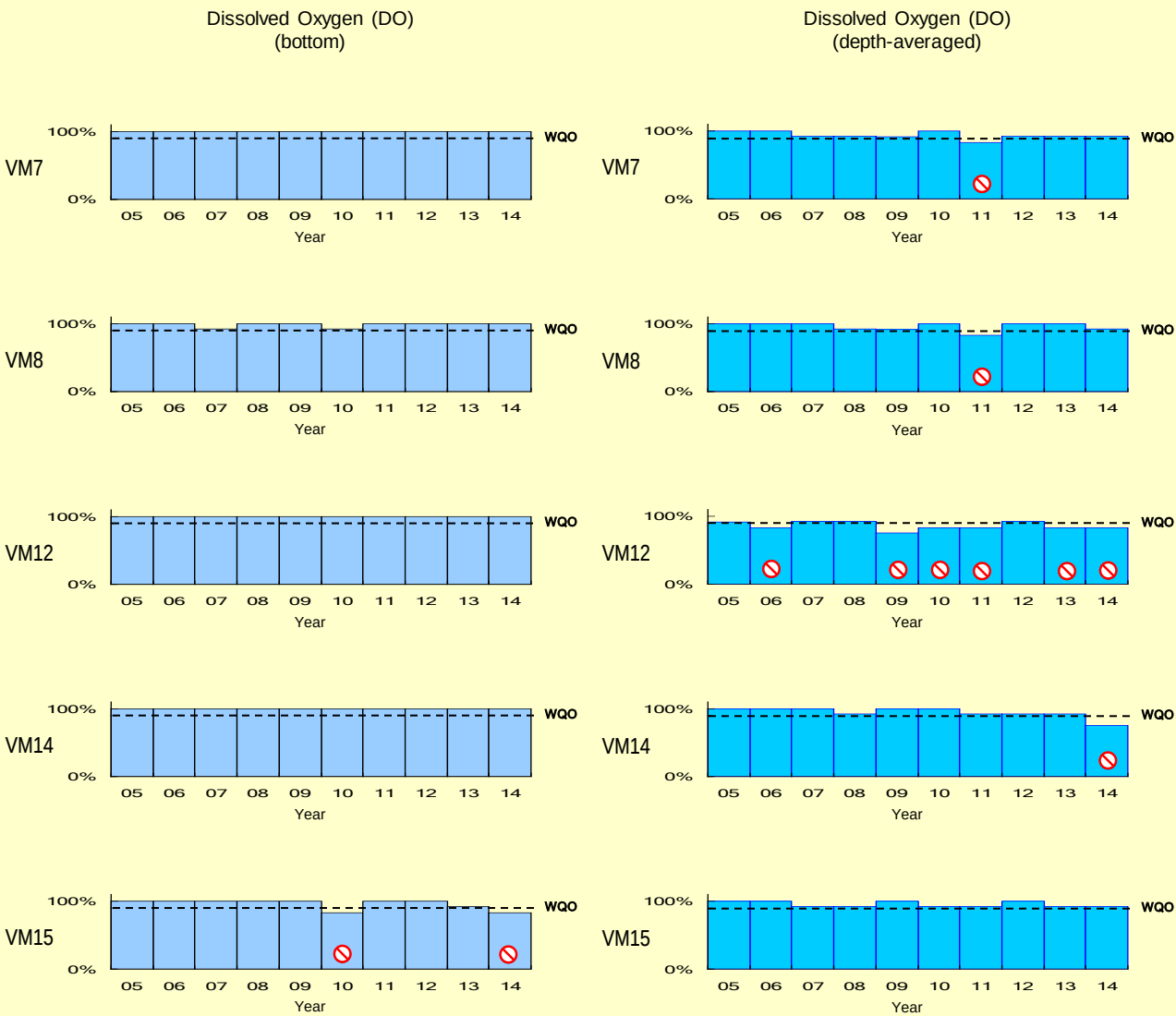
■ % sample with depth-averaged DO ≥ 4 mg/L



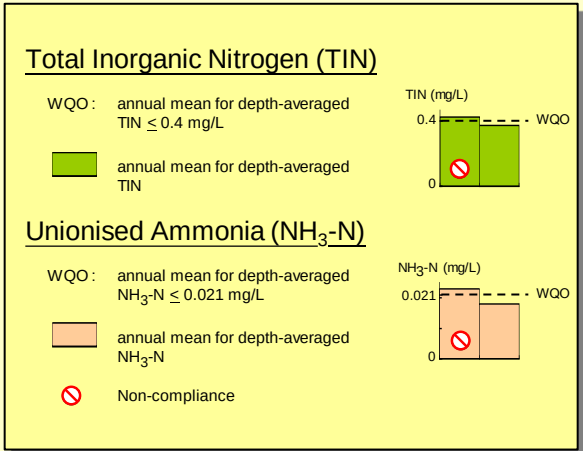
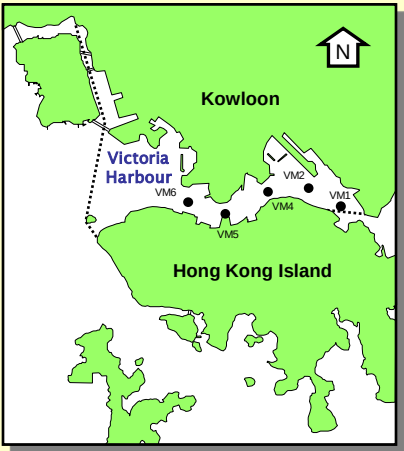
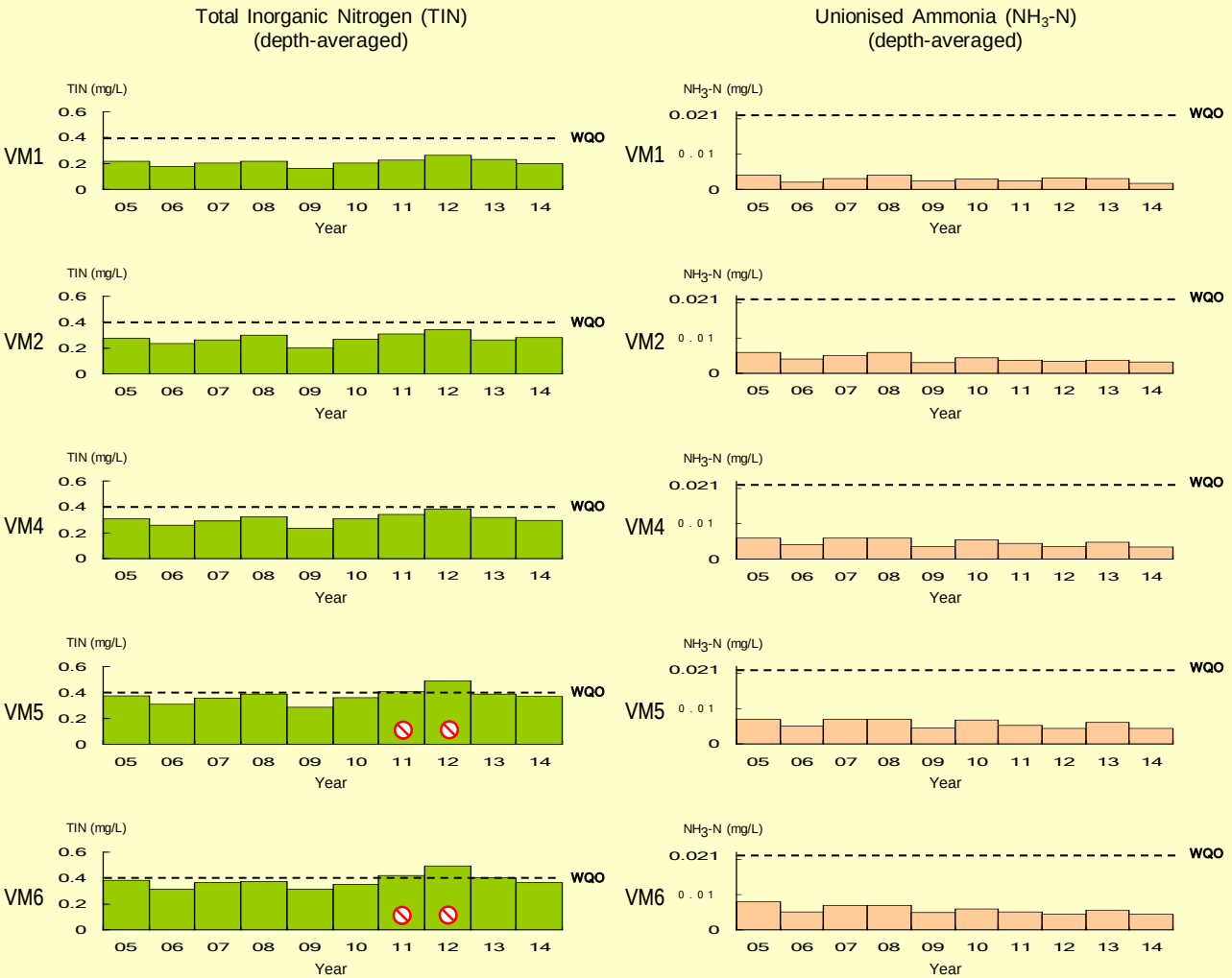
Non-compliance



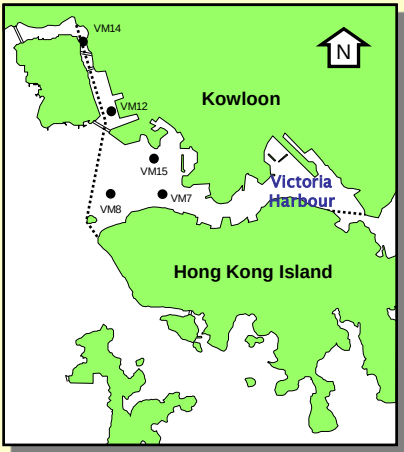
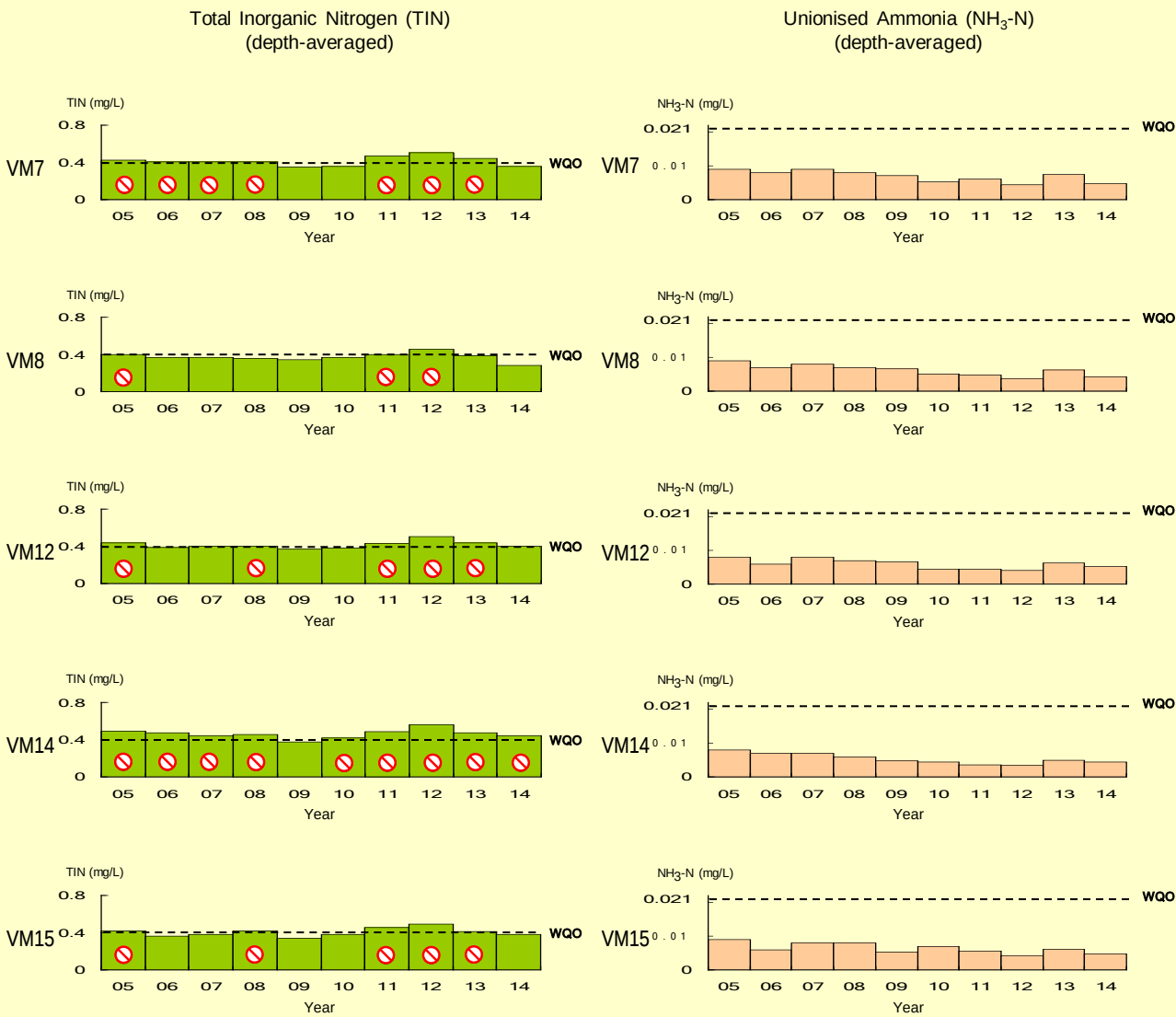
Levels of compliance with key Water Quality Objectives in the Victoria Harbour WCZ (continued)



Levels of compliance with key Water Quality Objectives in the Victoria Harbour WCZ (continued)



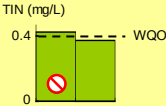
Levels of compliance with key Water Quality Objectives in the Victoria Harbour WCZ (continued)



Total Inorganic Nitrogen (TIN)

WQO: annual mean for depth-averaged TIN ≤ 0.4 mg/L

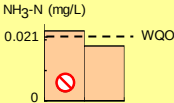
annual mean for depth-averaged TIN



Unionised Ammonia (NH₃-N)

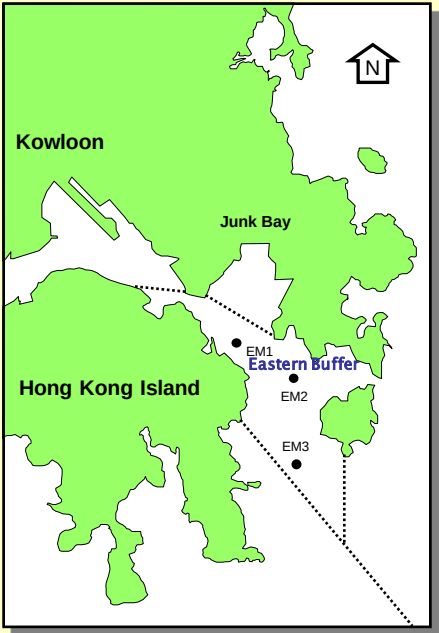
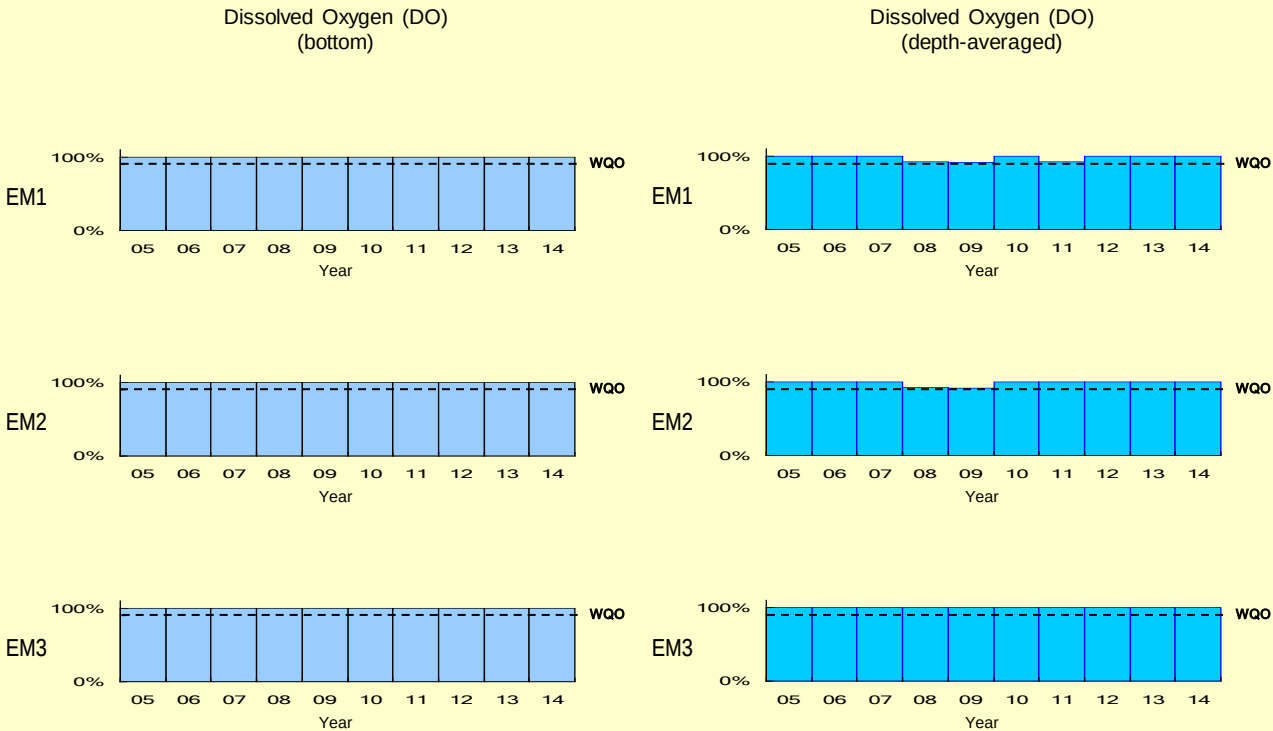
WQO: annual mean for depth-averaged NH₃-N ≤ 0.021 mg/L

annual mean for depth-averaged NH₃-N



Non-compliance

Levels of compliance with key Water Quality Objectives in the Eastern Buffer WCZ

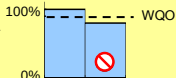


Dissolved Oxygen (DO)

1. Bottom

WQO: 90% sample with bottom DO ≥ 2 mg/L

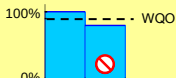
% sample with bottom DO ≥ 2 mg/L



2. Depth-averaged

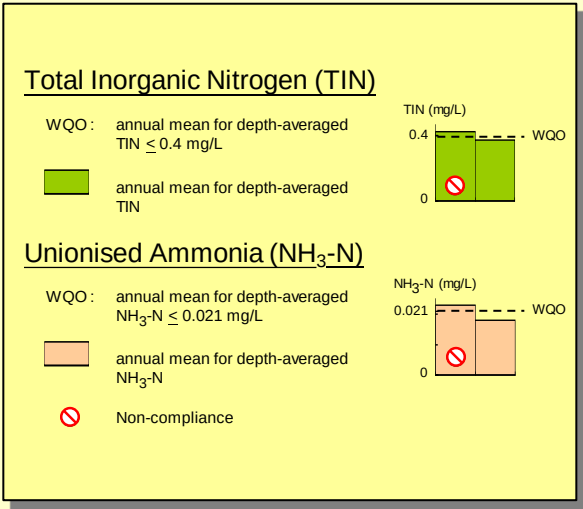
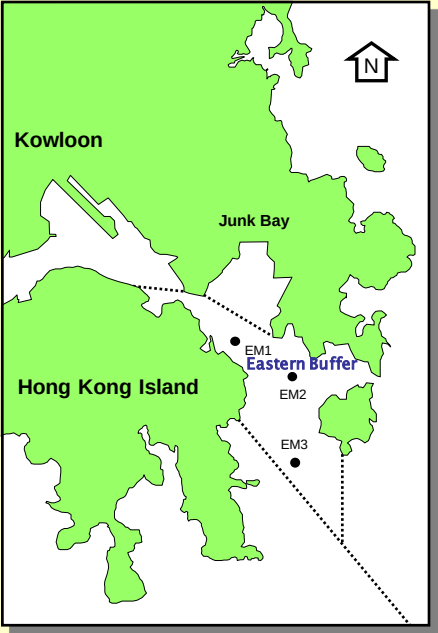
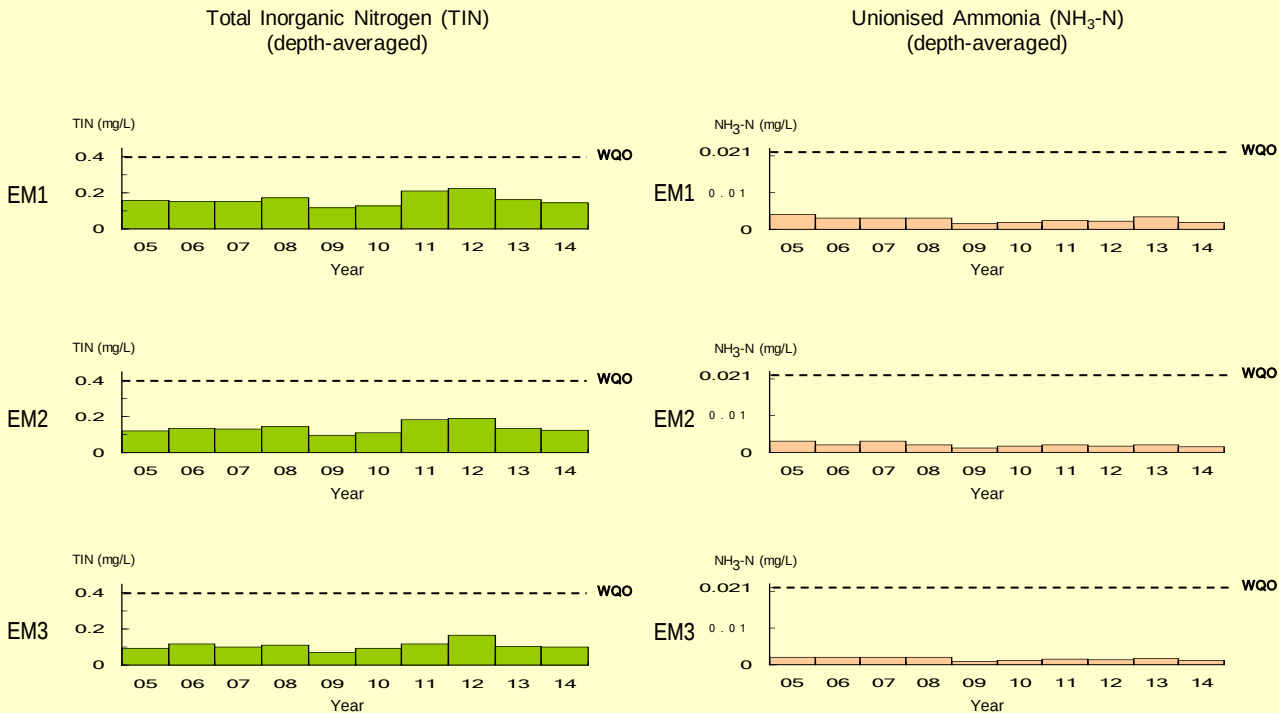
WQO: 90% sample with depth-averaged DO ≥ 4 mg/L

% sample with depth-averaged DO ≥ 4 mg/L

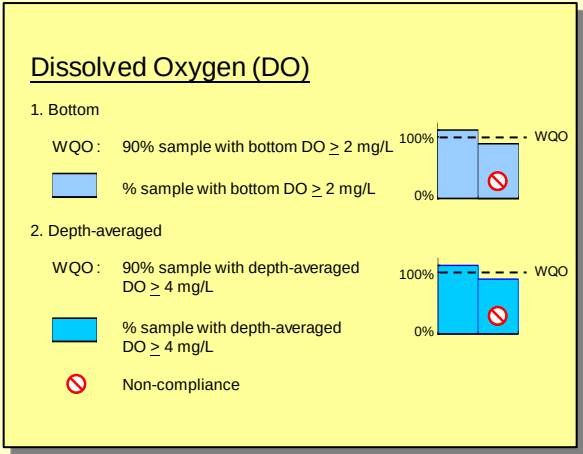
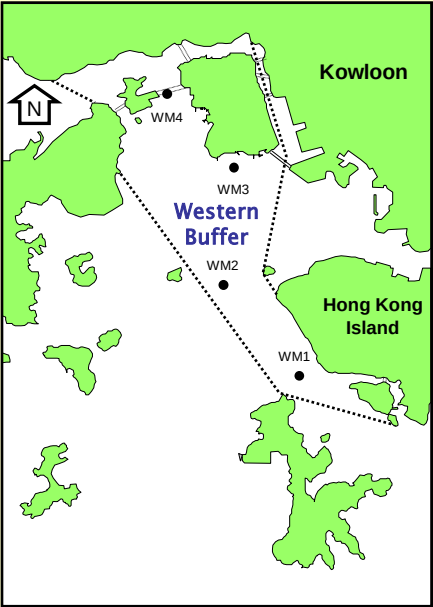
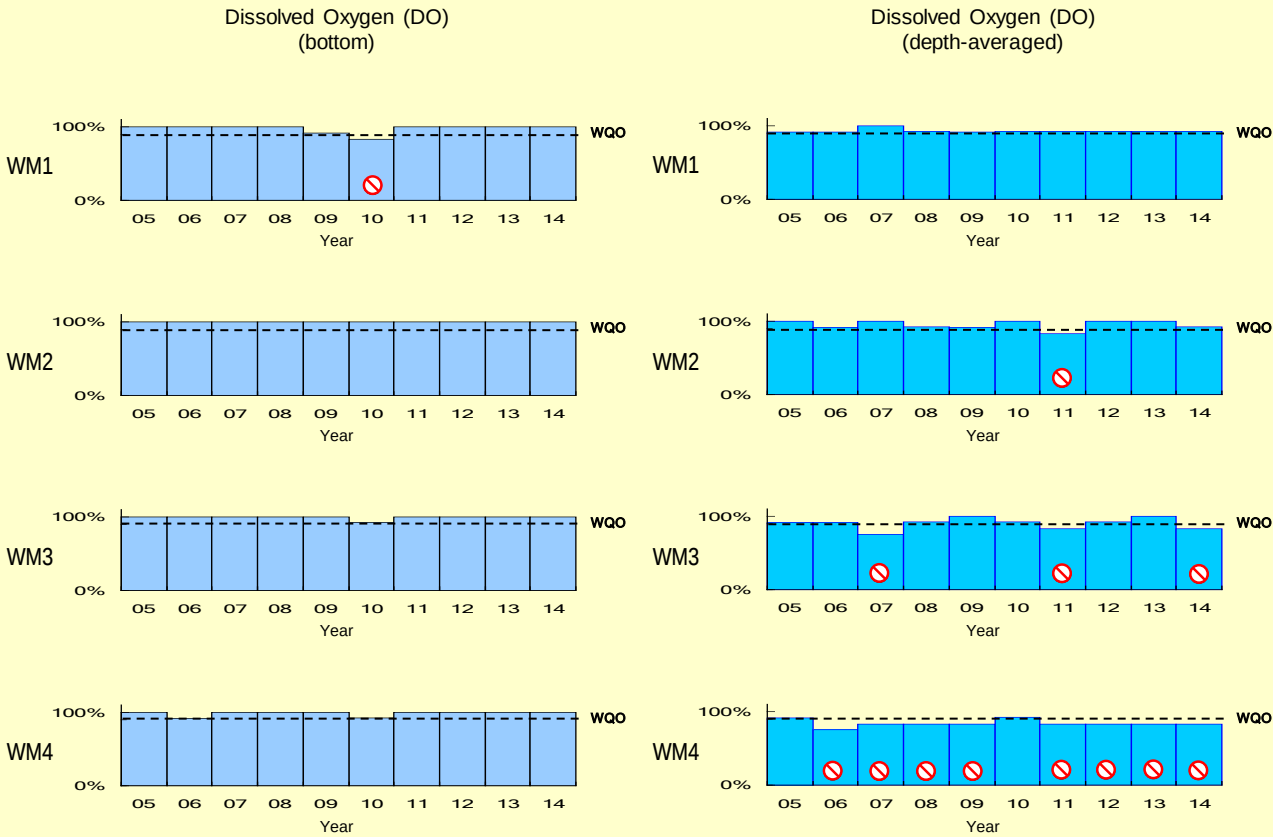


Non-compliance

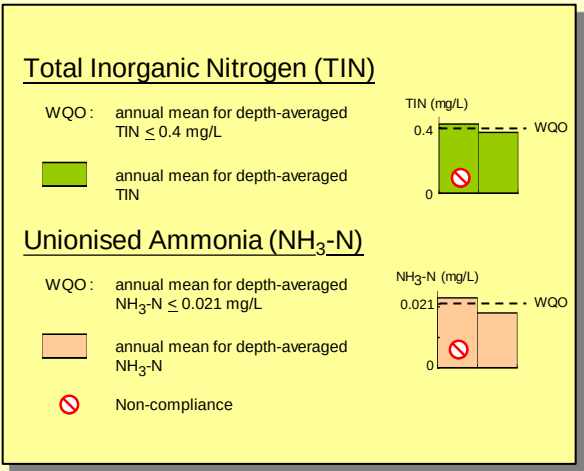
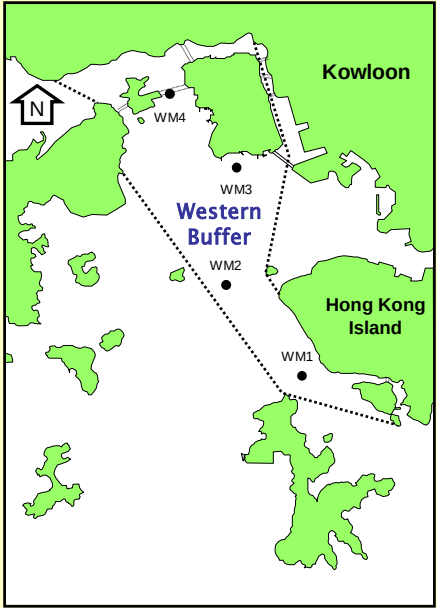
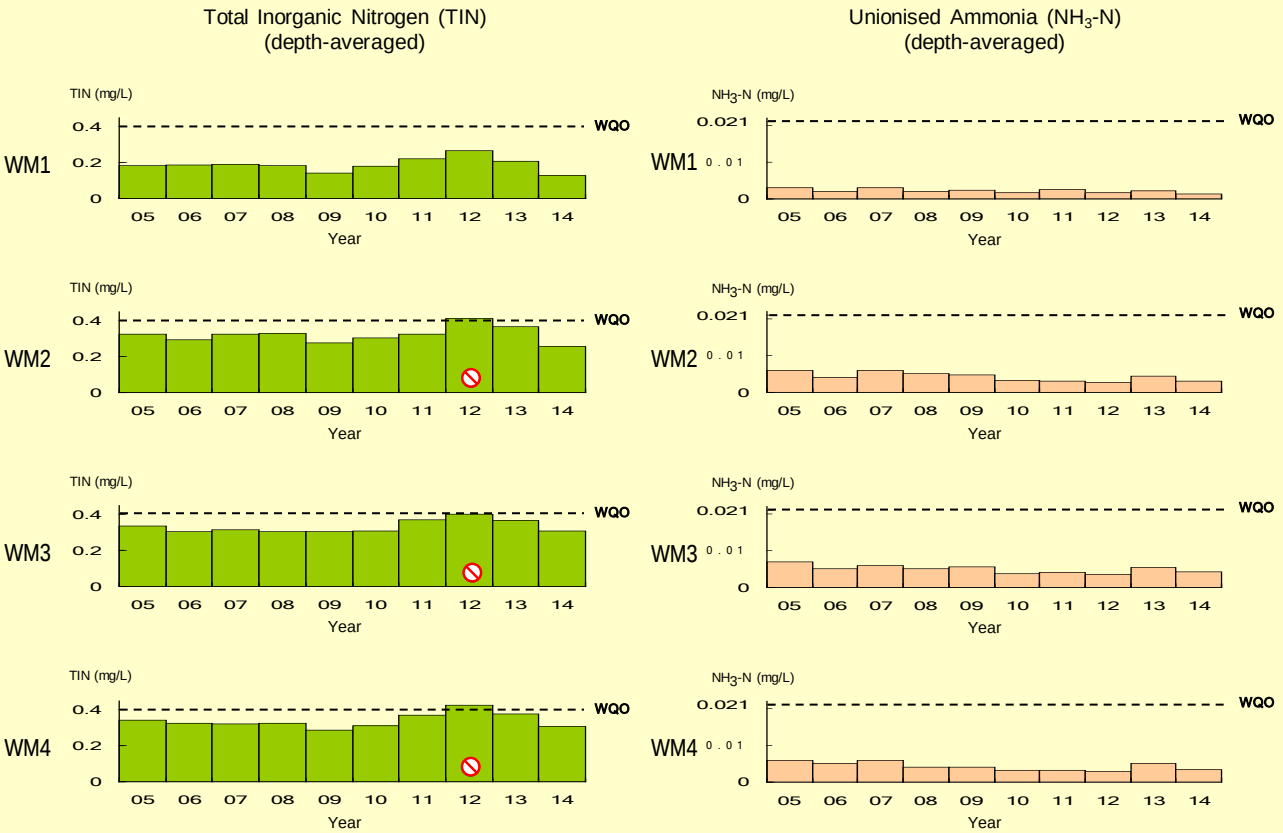
Levels of compliance with key Water Quality Objectives in the Eastern Buffer WCZ (continued)



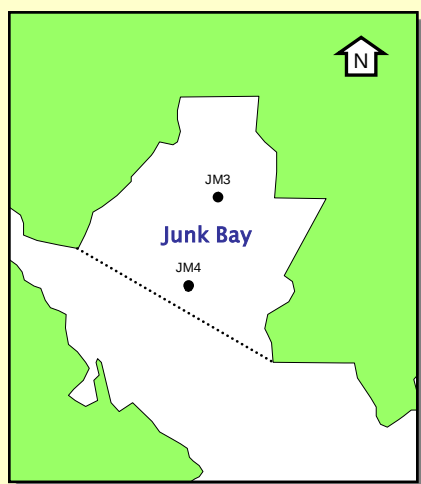
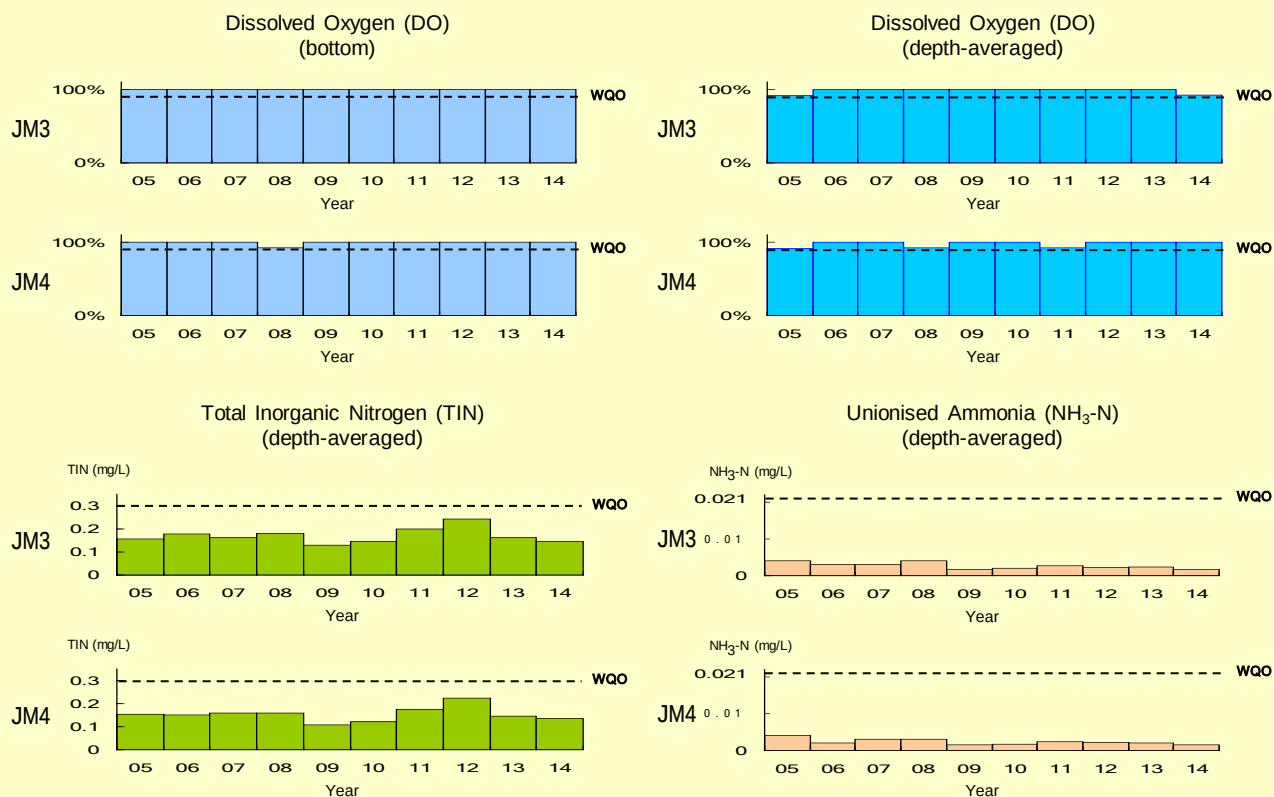
Levels of compliance with key Water Quality Objectives in the Western Buffer W CZ



Levels of compliance with key Water Quality Objectives in the Western Buffer WCZ (continued)



Levels of compliance with key Water Quality Objectives in the Junk Bay WCZ

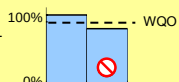


Dissolved Oxygen (DO)

1. Bottom

WQO: 90% sample with bottom DO ≥ 2 mg/L

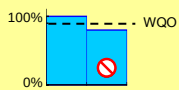
% sample with bottom DO ≥ 2 mg/L



2. Depth-averaged

WQO: 90% sample with depth-averaged DO ≥ 4 mg/L

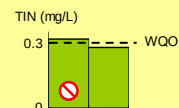
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Total Inorganic Nitrogen (TIN)

WQO: annual mean for depth-averaged TIN ≤ 0.3 mg/L

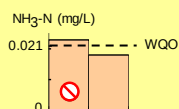
annual mean for depth-averaged TIN



Unionised Ammonia (NH₃-N)

WQO: annual mean for depth-averaged NH₃-N ≤ 0.021 mg/L

annual mean for depth-averaged NH₃-N



Non-compliance

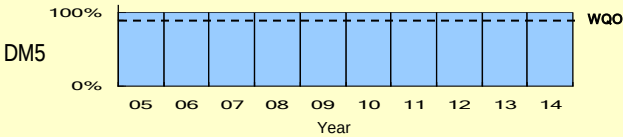
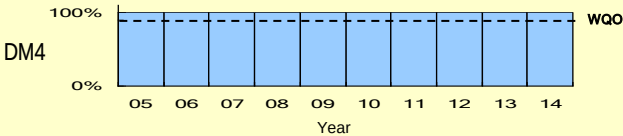
Levels of compliance with key Water Quality Objectives in the Deep Bay WCZ

Dissolved Oxygen (DO)
(bottom)

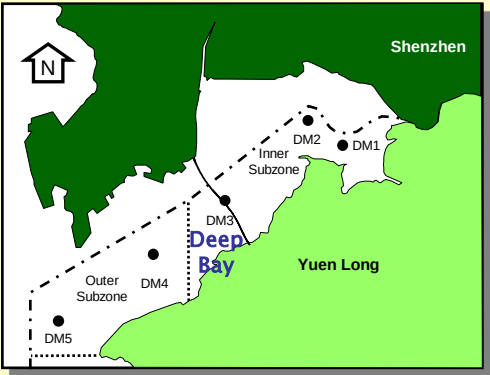
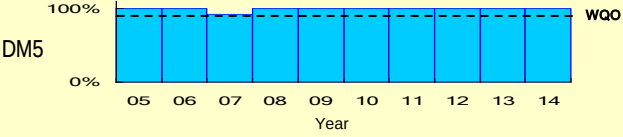
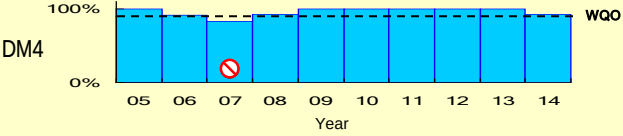
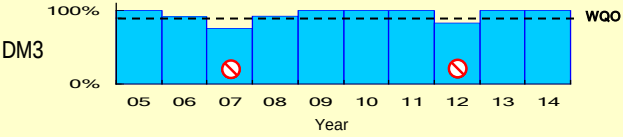
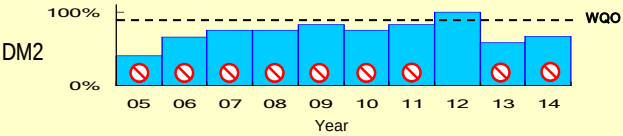
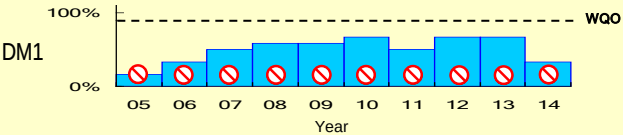
DM1 DO (bottom) not measured, water depth $\leq 3\text{m}$

DM2 DO (bottom) not measured, water depth $\leq 3\text{m}$

DM3 DO (bottom) not measured, water depth $\leq 3\text{m}$



Dissolved Oxygen (DO)
(depth-averaged)

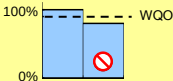


Dissolved Oxygen (DO)

1. Bottom

WQO: 90% sample with bottom DO $\geq 2\text{ mg/L}$

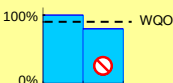
% sample with bottom DO $\geq 2\text{ mg/L}$



2. Depth-averaged

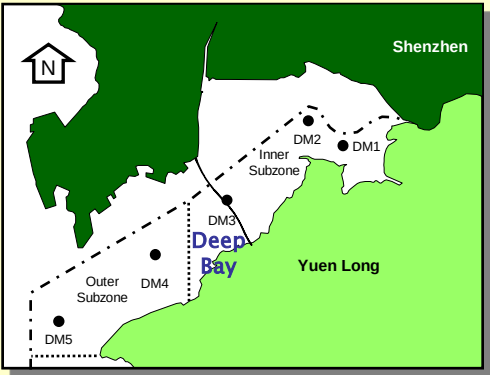
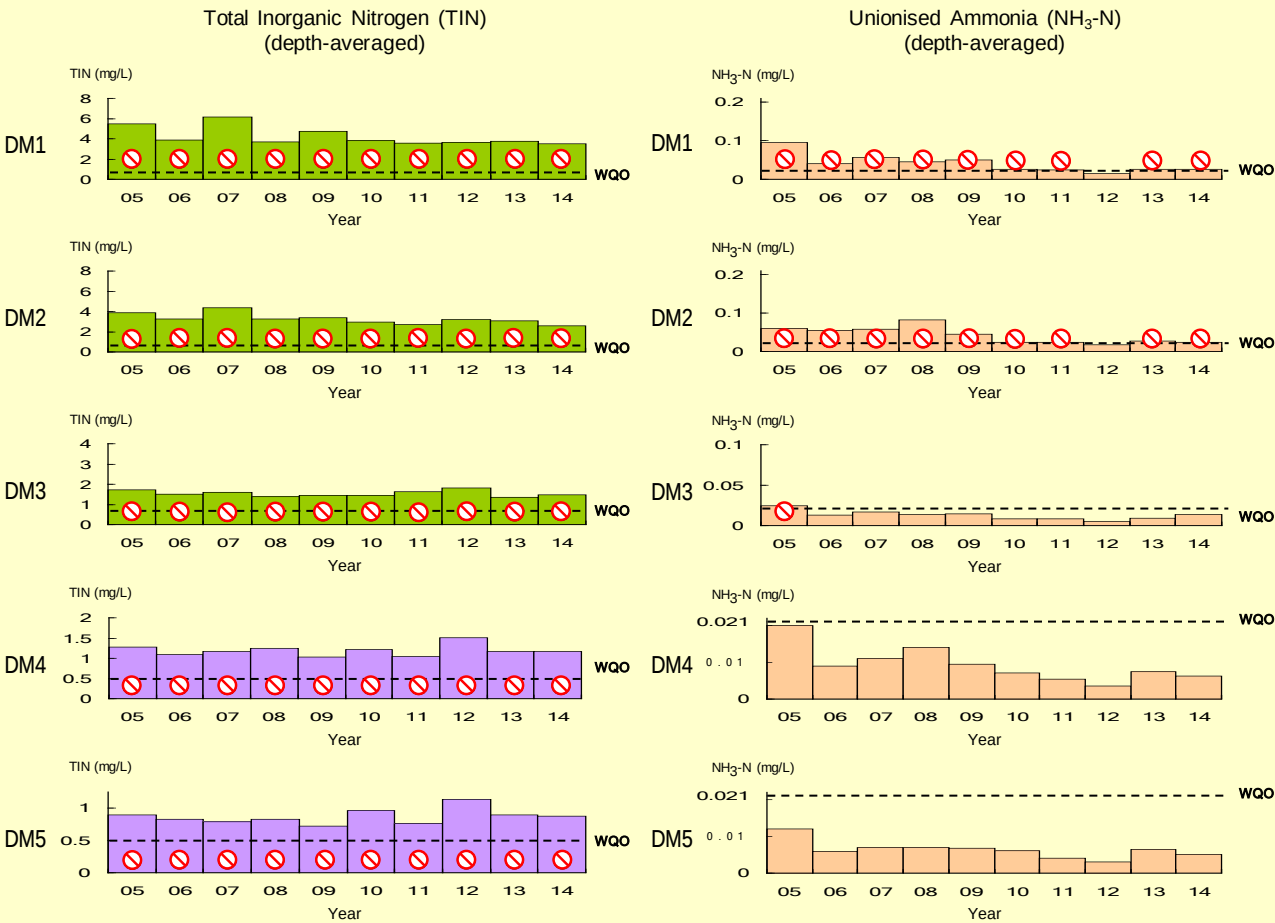
WQO: 90% sample with depth-averaged DO $\geq 4\text{ mg/L}$

% sample with depth-averaged DO $\geq 4\text{ mg/L}$



Non-compliance

Levels of compliance with key Water Quality Objectives in the Deep Bay WCZ (continued)

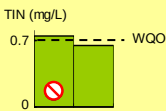


Total Inorganic Nitrogen (TIN)

Inner Subzone (DM1 - DM3)

WQO: annual mean for depth-averaged TIN ≤ 0.7 mg/L

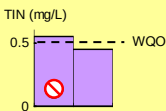
annual mean for depth-averaged TIN



Outer Subzone (DM4 - DM5)

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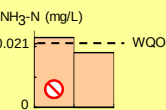
annual mean for depth-averaged TIN



Unionised Ammonia (NH₃-N)

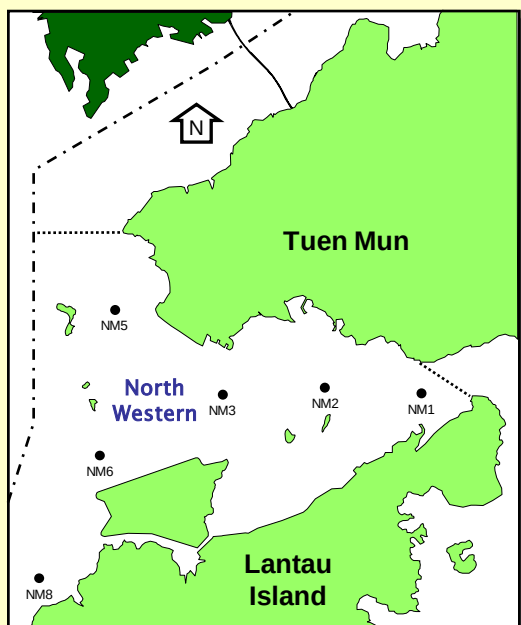
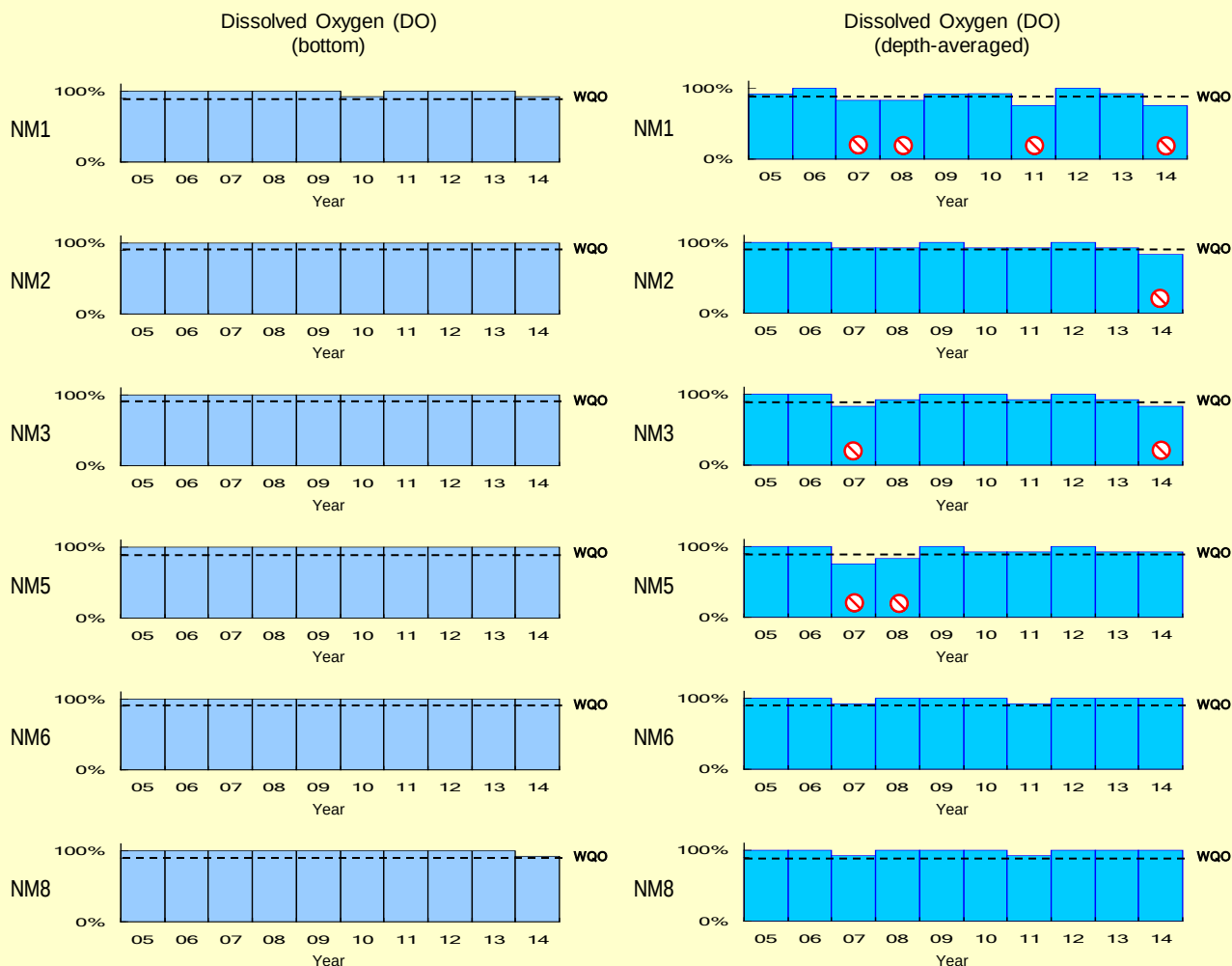
WQO: annual mean for depth-averaged NH₃-N ≤ 0.021 mg/L

annual mean for depth-averaged NH₃-N



Non-compliance

Levels of compliance with key Water Quality Objectives in the North Western WCZ

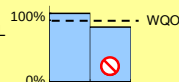


Dissolved Oxygen (DO)

1. Bottom

WQO : 90% sample with bottom DO $\geq$ 2 mg/L

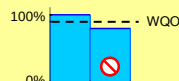
% sample with bottom DO $\geq$ 2 mg/L



2. Depth-averaged

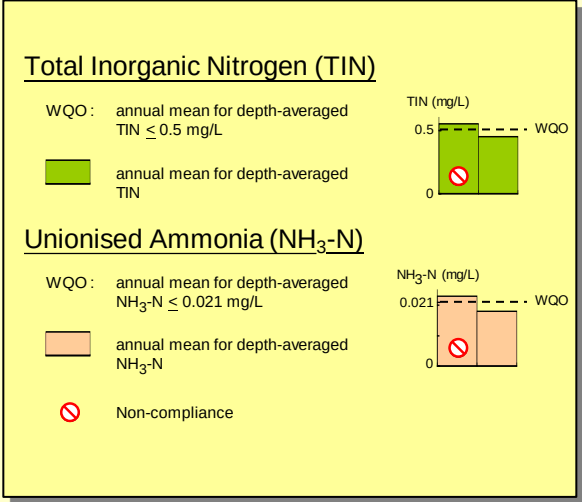
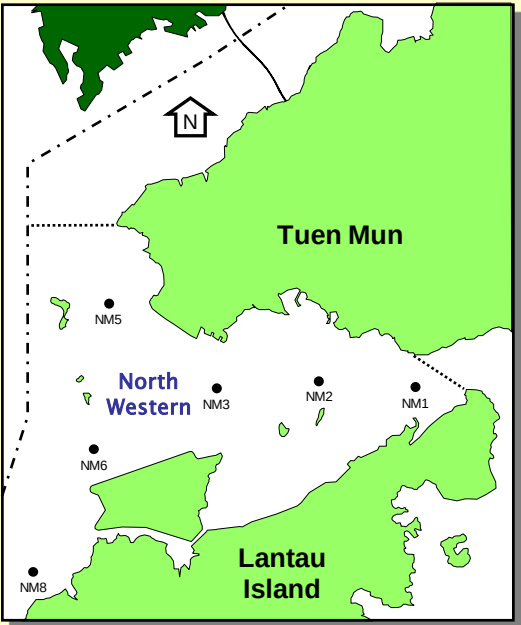
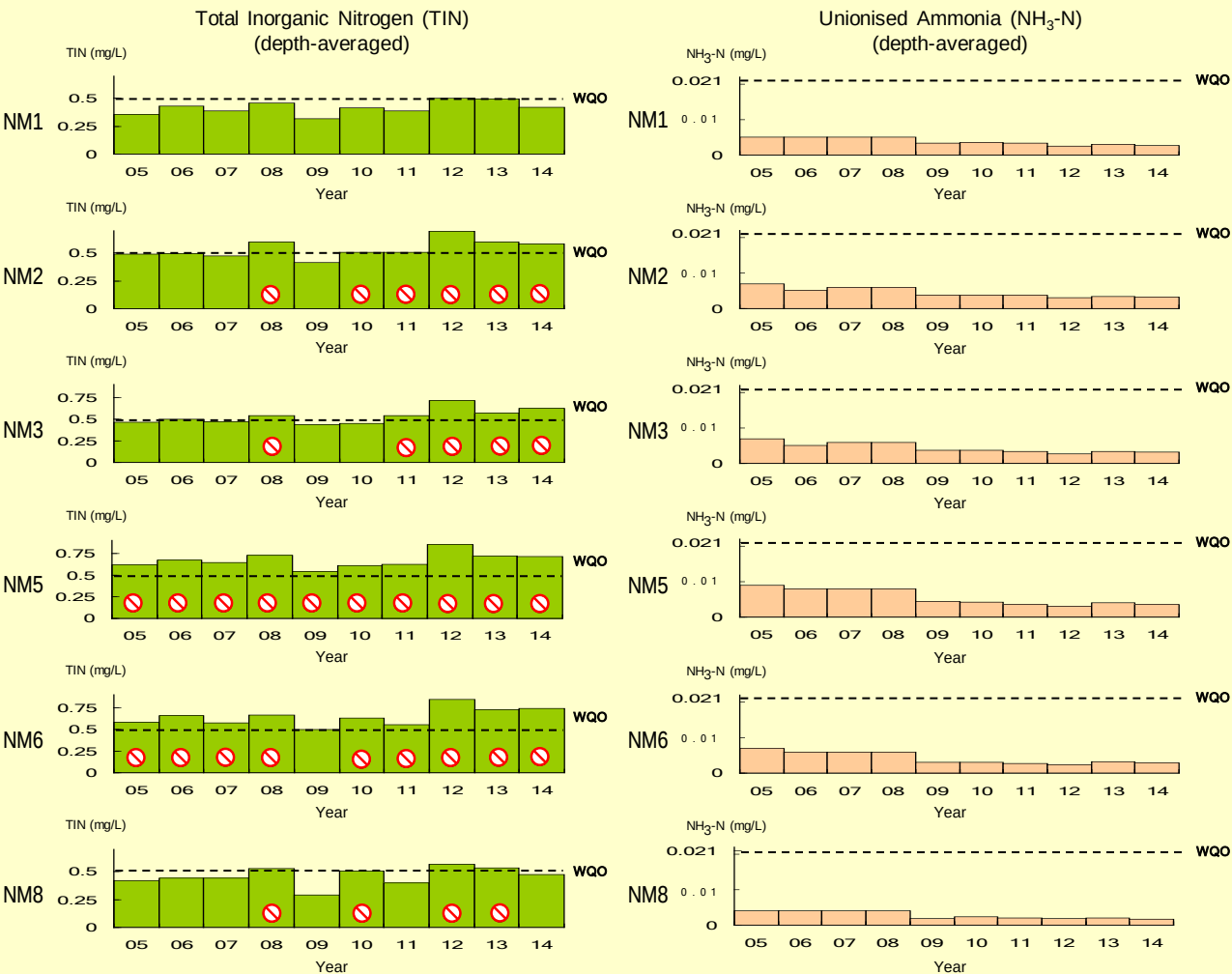
WQO : 90% sample with depth-averaged DO $\geq$ 4 mg/L

% sample with depth-averaged DO $\geq$ 4 mg/L



Non-compliance

Levels of compliance with key Water Quality Objectives in the North Western WCZ (continued)



Results of the Seasonal Kendall Test for water quality trends in the Mirs Bay WCZ, 1991 – 2014								
Monitoring Station		MM1	MM2	MM3	MM4	MM5	MM6	MM7
Monitoring Period		1991 2014	1991 2014	1991 2014	1991 2014	1991 2014	1991 2014	1991 2014
Parameter	Water Depth							
Temperature (°C)	Surface	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Salinity	Surface	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	Surface	↓	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dissolved Oxygen (%)	Surface	↓	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
pH	Surface	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓
	Middle	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓
	Bottom	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓
	Average	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓
Secchi disc depth (m)		↑	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓
Turbidity (NTU)	Surface	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Suspended Solids (mg/L)	Surface	-	↑	↑	↑	↑	-	-
	Middle	-	↑	↑	↑	↑	-	↑
	Bottom	-	-	↑	↑	-	-	-
	Average	↓	-	↑	↑	-	-	↑
Volatile suspended solids (mg/L)	Surface	-	↑	↑	↑	-	-	↑
	Middle	-	↑	↑	↑	-	-	↑
	Bottom	-	-	↑	↑	-	-	↑
	Average	-	-	↑	↑	-	-	↑
5-day Biochemical Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	Surface	↓	-	-	-	-	↓	-
	Middle	↓	-	-	-	-	↓	-
	Bottom	↓	-	↓	-	-	↓	-
	Average	↓	-	-	-	-	↓	-
Ammonia nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↓	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	↓	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	↓	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	↓	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unionised Ammonia (mg/L)	Surface	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓
	Middle	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓
	Bottom	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓
	Average	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓
Nitrite nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	↑	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nitrate nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↑	↑	↑	↑	↑	-	-
	Middle	↑	↑	↑	↑	↑	-	-
	Bottom	↑	↑	↑	↑	↑	-	-
	Average	↑	↑	↑	-	↑	-	-
Total inorganic nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Kjeldahl nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↓	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	↓	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	↓	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	↓	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↓	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	↓	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	↓	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	↓	-	-	-	-	-	-
Orthophosphate phosphorus (mg/L)	Surface	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓
	Middle	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓
	Bottom	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓
	Average	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓
Total phosphorus (mg/L)	Surface	↓	-	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓
	Middle	↓	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	↓	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓
Silica (mg/L)	Surface	-	↓	-	-	-	↓	↓
	Middle	-	-	-	-	-	↓	↓
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-	↓	↓
	Average	-	-	-	-	-	↓	↓
Chlorophyll-a (µg/L)	Surface	-	↑	↑	↑	↑	-	↑
	Middle	-	↑	↑	↑	↑	-	↑
	Bottom	-	↑	↑	↑	↑	↑	↑
	Average	-	↑	↑	↑	↑	↑	↑
<i>E. coli</i> (cfu/100mL)	Surface	↓	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	↓	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	↓	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	↓	-	-	-	-	-	-
Faecal coliforms (cfu/100mL)	Surface	↓	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	↓	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	↓	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	↓	-	-	-	-	-	-

Note: 1. Results of the Seasonal Kendall Test statistically significant at $p < 0.05$
 2. - indicates no significant trend
 3. ↑ significant increase
 4. ↓ significant decrease

Results of the Seasonal Kendall Test for water quality trends in the Mirs Bay WCZ, 1986 – 2014 (continued)								
Monitoring Station		MM8	MM13	MM14	MM15	MM16	MM17	MM19
Monitoring Period		1991 2014	1991 2014	1994 2014	1994 2014	1994 2014	1986 2014	2001 2014
Parameter	Water Depth							
Temperature (°C)	Surface	↗	-	-	-	-	↗	-
	Middle	-	-	-	-	-	↗	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-	↗	-
	Average	-	-	-	-	-	↗	-
Salinity	Surface	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	Surface	↘	-	-	-	-	↘	-
	Middle	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dissolved Oxygen (%)	Surface	↗	-	-	-	-	↗	-
	Middle	-	↗	-	-	-	↗	-
	Bottom	-	↗	-	-	-	↗	-
	Average	-	↗	-	-	-	↗	-
pH	Surface	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Average	-	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
Secchi disc depth (m)		-	↘	↘	-	↘	↘	↘
Turbidity (NTU)	Surface	-	-	-	-	-	-	↘
	Middle	-	-	-	-	-	-	↘
	Bottom	-	-	↘	↘	-	-	↘
	Average	-	-	↘	↘	-	-	↘
Suspended Solids (mg/L)	Surface	-	↘	-	-	-	↘	-
	Middle	-	↘	-	-	-	↘	-
	Bottom	-	↘	-	-	-	↘	-
	Average	-	↘	-	-	-	↘	↘
Volatile suspended solids (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5-day Biochemical Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	-	↘	-	↘	-
	Middle	↘	↘	↘	↘	-	↘	-
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘	-	↘	-
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↘	-	↘	↘
Ammonia nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unionised Ammonia (mg/L)	Surface	↘	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	↘	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	↘	↘	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	↘	↘	-	-	-	-	-
Nitrite nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	↗	-	-	-	-	-
Nitrate nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↗	-	-	-	-	-	↗
	Middle	↗	-	↗	-	↗	↗	↗
	Bottom	↗	-	↗	-	↗	↗	↗
	Average	↗	-	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
Total inorganic nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	-	-	-	-	↗
	Middle	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-	↗	-
	Average	-	-	-	-	-	↗	-
Total Kjeldahl nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	-	-	-	↘	↗
	Middle	-	↘	-	-	-	↘	↗
	Bottom	-	↘	-	-	-	↘	↗
	Average	-	↘	-	-	-	↘	↗
Total nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	-	-	-	↘	↗
	Middle	-	-	-	-	-	↘	↗
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-	↘	↗
	Average	-	-	-	-	-	↘	↗
Orthophosphate phosphorus (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	-
	Middle	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	-
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	-
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	-
Total phosphorus (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	-	-	-	↘	-
	Middle	↘	↘	-	-	-	↘	-
	Bottom	↘	↘	-	-	-	↘	-
	Average	↘	↘	-	-	-	↘	-
Silica (mg/L)	Surface	-	↘	-	-	-	↘	↗
	Middle	-	↘	-	-	-	↘	↗
	Bottom	-	↘	-	-	-	↘	↗
	Average	-	↘	-	-	-	↘	↗
Chlorophyll- <i>a</i> (µg/L)	Surface	-	-	↘	↘	-	↗	-
	Middle	-	-	↘	↘	-	↗	-
	Bottom	-	-	↘	↘	-	↗	-
	Average	-	-	↘	↘	-	↗	↘
<i>E. coli</i> (cfu/100mL)	Surface	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Faecal coliforms (cfu/100mL)	Surface	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Note: 1. Results of the Seasonal Kendall Test statistically significant at $p < 0.05$
 2. - indicates no significant trend
 3. ↗ significant increase
 4. ↘ significant decrease

Results of the Seasonal Kendall Test for water quality trends in the Port Shelter WCZ, 1986 – 2014

Monitoring Station		PM1	PM2	PM3	PM4	PM6	PM7	PM8	PM9	PM11
Monitoring Period		1986 2014	1986 2014	1986 2014	1986 2014	1986 2014	1986 2014	1986 2014	1986 2014	1993 2014
Parameter	Water Depth									
Temperature (°C)	Surface	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	↗	-	↗	-	↗	↗	↗	↗	-
	Bottom	↗	-	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	-
	Average	↗	-	↗	-	↗	↗	↗	↗	-
Salinity	Surface	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	-	↗	-	↗	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	↗	↗	-	↗	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dissolved Oxygen (%)	Surface	-	-	-	-	↗	↗	↗	-	-
	Middle	↗	↗	↗	↗	-	-	-	↗	-
	Bottom	↗	↗	↗	↗	-	-	-	↗	-
	Average	↗	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
pH	Surface	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
Secchi disc depth (m)		↗	↗	-	-	↗	-	-	↘	↘
Turbidity (NTU)	Surface	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Suspended Solids (mg/L)	Surface	-	↘	↘	-	↘	↘	↘	↘	-
	Middle	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	-
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	-
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	-
Volatile suspended solids (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5-day Biochemical Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	Surface	-	↘	-	-	↘	-	↘	-	↘
	Middle	-	-	-	-	↘	-	↘	-	↘
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Average	-	↘	-	-	↘	-	↘	-	↘
Ammonia nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unionised Ammonia (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
Nitrite nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-	-	↗	-	↗
	Average	-	-	-	-	-	-	↗	-	↗
Nitrate nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Average	-	-	-	-	-	↗	↗	↗	↗
Total inorganic nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Average	-	-	-	-	-	↗	↗	↗	↗
Total Kjeldahl nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	-
	Middle	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	-
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	-
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	-
Total nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	-
	Middle	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	-
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	-
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	-
Orthophosphate phosphorus (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
Total phosphorus (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
Silica (mg/L)	Surface	-	↘	-	-	-	↘	↘	↘	-
	Middle	↘	↘	↘	↘	-	↘	↘	↘	-
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘	-	↘	↘	↘	-
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↘	-	↘	↘	↘	-
Chlorophyll- <i>a</i> (µg/L)	Surface	↗	-	↗	↗	-	↗	↗	↗	-
	Middle	↗	↗	↗	↗	-	↗	↗	↗	-
	Bottom	↗	↗	↗	↗	-	↗	↗	↗	-
	Average	↗	-	↗	↗	-	↗	↗	↗	-
<i>E. coli</i> (cfu/100mL)	Surface	-	↘	-	-	↘	-	-	-	-
	Middle	-	↘	-	-	↘	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	↘	-	-	↘	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	↘	-	-	↘	-	-	-	-
Faecal coliforms (cfu/100mL)	Surface	-	-	-	-	↘	-	-	-	-
	Middle	-	↘	-	-	↘	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	↘	-	-	↘	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	↘	-	-	↘	-	-	-	-

Note: 1. Results of the Seasonal Kendall Test statistically significant at $p < 0.05$
 2. - indicates no significant trend
 3. ↗ significant increase
 4. ↘ significant decrease

Results of the Seasonal Kendall Test for water quality trends in the Tolo Harbour and Channel WCZ, 1986 - 2014

Monitoring Station		TM2	TM3	TM4	TM5	TM6	TM7	TM8
Monitoring Period		1986 2014	1986 2014	1986 2014	1988 2014	1986 2014	1988 2014	1986 2014
Parameter	Water Depth							
Temperature (°C)	Surface	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Middle	NA	↗	↗	NA	↗	↗	↗
	Bottom	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Average	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
Salinity	Surface	↗	-	-	-	-	↗	↗
	Middle	NA	-	-	NA	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	↗	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	Surface	-	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	NA	↘	↘	NA	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	↗	-	-	↗	↗	↗	-
	Average	↗	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dissolved Oxygen (%)	Surface	-	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	NA	-	-	NA	↗	-	↗
	Bottom	↗	↘	↘	↘	↗	↘	↘
	Average	↗	-	-	-	-	-	-
pH	Surface	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	NA	↘	↘	NA	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
Secchi disc depth (m)		↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	-
Turbidity (NTU)	Surface	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	NA	-	-	NA	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Suspended Solids (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	NA	↘	↘	NA	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	-	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
Volatile suspended solids (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	NA	↘	↘	NA	-	-	↘
	Bottom	↘	-	↘	↘	-	-	↘
	Average	↘	-	↘	↘	-	-	↘
5-day Biochemical Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	NA	↘	↘	NA	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	-	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
Ammonia nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	NA	↘	↘	NA	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
Unionised Ammonia (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	NA	↘	↘	NA	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
Nitrite nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	↘	-	↘	-	-
	Middle	NA	↘	↘	NA	-	-	-
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	-	↘	-	-
	Average	↘	↘	↘	-	↘	-	-
Nitrate nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	↘	-	↘	-	-
	Middle	NA	↘	↘	NA	↘	-	-
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	-
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	-
Total inorganic nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	NA	↘	↘	NA	↘	↘	-
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	-
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	-
Total Kjeldahl nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	NA	↘	↘	NA	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
Total nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	NA	↘	↘	NA	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
Orthophosphate phosphorus (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	NA	↘	↘	NA	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
Total phosphorus (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	NA	↘	↘	NA	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
Silica (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	NA	-	-	NA	-	↘	↘
	Bottom	-	↘	-	-	-	↘	-
	Average	-	↘	-	-	-	↘	-
Chlorophyll- <i>a</i> (µg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	↘	-	↘	-	-
	Middle	NA	-	↘	NA	-	↘	↘
	Bottom	-	-	↘	-	-	↘	↘
	Average	↘	-	↘	-	-	↘	↘
<i>E. coli</i> (cfu/100mL)	Surface	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	-	-
	Middle	NA	↘	↘	NA	↘	-	-
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	-	-
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	-	-
Faecal coliforms (cfu/100mL)	Surface	↘	-	-	-	↘	-	-
	Middle	NA	↘	↘	NA	↘	-	-
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	-	-
	Average	↘	↘	↘	-	↘	-	-

Note: 1. Results of the Seasonal Kendall Test statistically significant at $p < 0.05$

2. - indicates no significant trend

3. NA (Not Applicable) indicates the measurement was not made due to shallow water

4. ↗ significant increase

5. ↘ significant decrease

Results of the Seasonal Kendall Test for water quality trends in the Southern WCZ, 1986 - 2014

Monitoring Station		SM1	SM2	SM3	SM4	SM5	SM6	SM7	SM9
Monitoring Period		1986 I 2014	1986 I 2014	1986 I 2014	1986 I 2014	1986 I 2014	1986 I 2014	1986 I 2014	1988 I 2014
Parameter	Water Depth								
Temperature (°C)	Surface	-	-	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Middle	↗	↗						
	Bottom	-	-	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Average	↗	-	-	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
Salinity	Surface	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	↗
	Middle	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	Average	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dissolved Oxygen (%)	Surface		-	-	-	-	-	-	
	Middle	↗	-	-	-	-	-	-	↗
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	↗
	Average		-	-	-	-	-	-	
pH	Surface	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘		↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
Secchi disc depth (m)		-	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
Turbidity (NTU)	Surface	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Suspended Solids (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	↘	↘	-	-	-	↘
	Middle	-	-	-	↘	-	-	-	↘
	Bottom	-	-	-	↘	-	-	-	↘
	Average	-	-	-	↘	-	-	-	↘
Volatile suspended solids (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5-day Biochemical Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	↘
	Average	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ammonia nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	-	↗	-	-	-	↗
	Middle	-	-	-	↗	-	-	-	↗
	Bottom	-	-	-	↗	-	-	-	↗
	Average	-	-	-	↗	-	-	-	↗
Unionised Ammonia (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	↘	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	↘	↘	↘	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	↘	↘	↘	-	-	-	-	-
Nitrite nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Middle	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Bottom	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Average	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
Nitrate nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Middle	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Bottom	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Average	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
Total inorganic nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	-	↗	↗	↗	-	-	↗	↗
	Middle	-	↗	↗	↗	-	-	↗	↗
	Bottom	-	↗	↗	↗	↗	-	↗	↗
	Average	-	↗	↗	↗	↗	-	↗	↗
Total Kjeldahl nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	-	↘	-
	Middle	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	-	↘	-
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	-	↘	-
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	-	↘	-
Total nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	↘	↘	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	↘	↘	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	↘	↘	-	-	-	-	-	-
Orthophosphate phosphorus (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
Total phosphorus (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	-	-	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
Silica (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chlorophyll-a (µg/L)	Surface	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	↗
	Middle	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	↗
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	↗
	Average	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	↗
<i>E. coli</i> (cfu/100mL)	Surface	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	↘	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Faecal coliforms (cfu/100mL)	Surface	-	↗	↗	↗	-	-	-	-
	Middle	-	-	↗	↗	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	↗	↗	↗	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	↗	↗	↗	-	-	-	-

Note: 1. Results of the Seasonal Kendall Test statistically significant at $p < 0.05$
 2. - indicates no significant trend
 3. ↗ significant increase
 4. ↘ significant decrease

Results of the Seasonal Kendall Test for water quality trends in the Southern WCZ, 1986 - 2014 (continued)									
Monitoring Station		SM10	SM11	SM12	SM13	SM17	SM18	SM19	SM20
Monitoring Period		1986 I 2014	1986 I 2014	1986 I 2014	1986 I 2014	1989 I 2014	1989 I 2014	1989 I 2014	1999 I 2014
Parameter	Water Depth								
Temperature (°C)	Surface	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	-	-
	Middle	NA	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	-	-
	Bottom	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	-	-
	Average	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	-	-
Salinity	Surface	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	NA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	NA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dissolved Oxygen (%)	Surface	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	NA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	↗	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
pH	Surface	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	NA	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
Secchi disc depth (m)		↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	-	↘
Turbidity (NTU)	Surface	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	↘
	Middle	NA	-	-	-	-	-	-	↘
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	↘
	Average	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	↘
Suspended Solids (mg/L)	Surface	↘	-	-	-	-	↘	-	↘
	Middle	NA	-	-	-	-	↘	-	↘
	Bottom	↘	-	-	-	-	↘	-	↘
	Average	↘	↘	-	-	-	-	-	↘
Volatile suspended solids (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	NA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5-day Biochemical Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	↘	-	-	-	-	↘
	Middle	NA	-	↘	-	-	-	↘	↘
	Bottom	-	↘	↘	↘	-	-	-	↘
	Average	-	-	↘	↘	-	-	-	↘
Ammonia nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	NA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	↗	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	↗	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unionised Ammonia (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	-	↘	↘	-	↘	-
	Middle	NA	-	-	-	↘	-	↘	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	↘	-	↘	-
	Average	-	-	-	-	↘	-	↘	-
Nitrite nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Middle	NA	↗	↗	↗	↗	-	↗	↗
	Bottom	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	-	↗	↗
	Average	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	-	↗	↗
Nitrate nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	-	-	↗
	Middle	NA	↗	↗	↗	↗	-	-	↗
	Bottom	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	-	↗	↗
	Average	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	-	↗	↗
Total inorganic nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	-	-	↗
	Middle	NA	↗	↗	↗	↗	-	-	↗
	Bottom	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	-	-	↗
	Average	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	-	-	↗
Total Kjeldahl nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	↘	-	-	-	-	↗
	Middle	NA	↘	↘	-	-	-	-	↗
	Bottom	↘	-	↘	-	-	-	-	↗
	Average	↘	-	↘	-	-	-	-	↗
Total nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	↗
	Middle	NA	-	-	-	-	-	-	↗
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	↗
	Average	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	↗
Orthophosphate phosphorus (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	-
	Middle	NA	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	-
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	-
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	-
Total phosphorus (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	-
	Middle	NA	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	-
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	-
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	-
Silica (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	-	-	-	↘	-	-
	Middle	NA	-	-	-	-	↘	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-	↘	-	-
	Average	-	-	-	-	-	↘	-	-
Chlorophyll- <i>a</i> (µg/L)	Surface	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	-	-	↘
	Middle	NA	-	↗	↗	↗	-	-	↘
	Bottom	↗	-	↗	-	↗	-	-	↘
	Average	↗	-	↗	-	↗	-	-	↘
<i>E. coli</i> (cfu/100mL)	Surface	↘	↘	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	NA	↘	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	↘	↘	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	↘	↘	-	-	-	-	-	-
Faecal coliforms (cfu/100mL)	Surface	↘	↘	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	NA	↘	↗	↗	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	↘	↘	↗	↗	-	-	-	-
	Average	↘	↘	-	↗	-	-	-	-

Note: 1. Results of the Seasonal Kendall Test statistically significant at $p < 0.05$

2. - indicates no significant trend

3. NA (Not Applicable) indicates the measurement was not made due to shallow water

4. ↗ significant increase

5. ↘ significant decrease

Results of the Seasonal Kendall Test for water quality trends in the Victoria Harbour WCZ, 1986 – 2014						
Monitoring Station		VM1	VM2	VM4	VM5	VM6
Monitoring Period		1988 I 2014	1988 I 2014	1988 I 2014	1986 I 2014	1988 I 2014
Parameter	Water Depth					
Temperature (°C)	Surface	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Middle	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Bottom	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Average	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
Salinity	Surface	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	↗	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	↗	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	-	-	-	-
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	Surface	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Middle	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Bottom	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Average	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
Dissolved Oxygen (%)	Surface	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Middle	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Bottom	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Average	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
pH	Surface	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
Secchi disc depth (m)		↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
Turbidity (NTU)	Surface	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	-	-	-	-
Suspended Solids (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
Volatile suspended solids (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
5-day Biochemical Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
Ammonia nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
Unionised Ammonia (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
Nitrite nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	-	↗	↗
	Middle	↘	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	-	-	-	-
Nitrate nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Middle	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Bottom	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Average	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
Total inorganic nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	↘	-	↘
	Middle	↘	↘	↘	-	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	-	↘
	Average	↘	↘	↘	-	↘
Total Kjeldahl nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
Total nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
Orthophosphate phosphorus (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
Total phosphorus (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
Silica (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	-	-	-	-
Chlorophyll- <i>a</i> (µg/L)	Surface	-	-	↗	-	-
	Middle	-	↗	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	-	-	-	-
<i>E. coli</i> (cfu/100mL)	Surface	↘	↘	↘	↗	-
	Middle	↘	↘	↘	-	-
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	-	-
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↗	-
Faecal coliforms (cfu/100mL)	Surface	↘	↘	-	↗	↗
	Middle	↘	↘	-	↗	↗
	Bottom	↘	↘	-	↗	↗
	Average	↘	↘	-	↗	↗

Note: 1. Results of the Seasonal Kendall Test statistically significant at $p < 0.05$
 2. - indicates no significant trend
 3. ↗ significant increase
 4. ↘ significant decrease

Results of the Seasonal Kendall Test for water quality trends in the Victoria Harbour WCZ, 1986 – 2014 (continued)						
Monitoring Station		VM7	VM8	VM12	VM14	VM15
Monitoring Period		1986 I 2014	1986 I 2014	1986 I 2014	1986 I 2014	1993 I 2014
Parameter	Water Depth					
Temperature (°C)	Surface	↗	↗	↗	↗	-
	Middle	↗	↗	↗	↗	-
	Bottom	↗	↗	↗	↗	-
	Average	↗	↗	↗	↗	-
Salinity	Surface	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	-	-	-	-
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	Surface	↗	-	↗	-	-
	Middle	↗	-	↗	↗	↗
	Bottom	↗	-	↗	↗	↗
	Average	↗	-	↗	↗	↗
Dissolved Oxygen (%)	Surface	↗	-	↗	↗	↗
	Middle	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Bottom	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Average	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
pH	Surface	↘	↘	↘	↘	-
	Middle	↘	↘	↘	↘	-
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↘	-
Secchi disc depth (m)		↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
Turbidity (NTU)	Surface	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	-	-	-	-
Suspended Solids (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	-	↘	↘
	Middle	↘	↘	-	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘	-	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘	-	↘	↘
Volatile suspended solids (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	-	↘	↘
	Middle	↘	↘	-	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘	-	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘	-	↘	↘
5-day Biochemical Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	↘	↘	-
	Middle	-	-	↘	↘	-
	Bottom	-	-	↘	↘	-
	Average	-	-	↘	↘	-
Ammonia nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↗	-	↘	↘
	Middle	↘	↗	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↗	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↗	↘	↘	↘
Unionised Ammonia (mg/L)	Surface	↘	-	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
Nitrite nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Middle	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Bottom	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Average	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
Nitrate nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Middle	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Bottom	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Average	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
Total inorganic nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	-	↗	-	↗	-
	Middle	-	↗	-	↗	-
	Bottom	-	↗	-	↗	-
	Average	-	↗	-	↗	-
Total Kjeldahl nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
Total nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↘	-	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
Orthophosphate phosphorus (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
Total phosphorus (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
Silica (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	-	↘	-
	Middle	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	-	-	-	-
Chlorophyll- <i>a</i> (µg/L)	Surface	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	-	-	-	-
<i>E. coli</i> (cfu/100mL)	Surface	↗	↗	-	↘	↘
	Middle	↗	↗	-	↘	↘
	Bottom	↗	↗	-	↘	↘
	Average	↗	↗	-	↘	↘
Faecal coliforms (cfu/100mL)	Surface	↗	↗	-	↘	↘
	Middle	↗	↗	-	-	-
	Bottom	↗	↗	-	-	-
	Average	↗	↗	-	-	-

Note: 1. Results of the Seasonal Kendall Test statistically significant at $p < 0.05$
 2. - indicates no significant trend
 3. ↗ significant increase
 4. ↘ significant decrease

Results of the Seasonal Kendall Test for water quality trends in the Eastern Buffer WCZ, 1986 – 2014				
Monitoring Station		EM1	EM2	EM3
Monitoring Period		1986 I 2014	1986 I 2014	1988 I 2014
Parameter	Water Depth			
Temperature (°C)	Surface	↗	↗	↗
	Middle	↗	↗	↗
	Bottom	↗	↗	↗
	Average	↗	↗	↗
Salinity	Surface	-	-	-
	Middle	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-
	Average	-	-	-
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	Surface	↗	↗	-
	Middle	↗	↗	-
	Bottom	↗	↗	-
	Average	↗	↗	-
Dissolved Oxygen (%)	Surface	↗	↗	-
	Middle	↗	↗	-
	Bottom	↗	↗	-
	Average	↗	↗	-
pH	Surface	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘	↘
Secchi disc depth (m)		↗	-	-
Turbidity (NTU)	Surface	-	-	-
	Middle	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-
	Average	-	-	-
Suspended Solids (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	-
	Middle	↘	↘	-
	Bottom	↘	↘	-
	Average	↘	↘	-
Volatile suspended solids (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	-
	Middle	-	-	-
	Bottom	↘	-	-
	Average	↘	-	-
5-day Biochemical Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	-
	Middle	↘	↘	-
	Bottom	↘	↘	-
	Average	↘	↘	-
Ammonia nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘	↘
Unionised Ammonia (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘	↘
Nitrite nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	-
	Middle	↘	↘	-
	Bottom	↘	↘	-
	Average	↘	↘	-
Nitrate nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	-
	Middle	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-
	Average	-	-	-
Total inorganic nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	-
	Middle	↘	↘	-
	Bottom	↘	↘	-
	Average	↘	↘	-
Total Kjeldahl nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘	↘
Total nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘	↘
Orthophosphate phosphorus (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘	↘
Total phosphorus (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘	↘
Silica (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	-
	Middle	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-
	Average	-	-	-
Chlorophyll- <i>a</i> (µg/L)	Surface	-	-	-
	Middle	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-
	Average	-	-	-
<i>E. coli</i> (cfu/100mL)	Surface	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘	↘
Faecal coliforms (cfu/100mL)	Surface	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘	↘
Note: 1. Results of the Seasonal Kendall Test statistically significant at $p < 0.05$				
2. - indicates no significant trend				
3. ↗ significant increase				
4. ↘ significant decrease				

Results of the Seasonal Kendall Test for water quality trends in the Western Buffer WCZ, 1986 – 2014					
Monitoring Station		WM1	WM2	WM3	WM4
Monitoring Period		1988 I 2014	1988 I 2014	1986 I 2014	1986 I 2014
Parameter	Water Depth				
Temperature (°C)	Surface	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Middle	-	↗	-	↗
	Bottom	-	↗	↗	↗
	Average	-	↗	↗	↗
Salinity	Surface	↗	-	-	-
	Middle	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	-
	Average	↗	-	-	-
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	-	-
	Middle	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	-	-	-
Dissolved Oxygen (%)	Surface	-	-	-	-
	Middle	-	-	↗	-
	Bottom	-	↗	↗	-
	Average	-	-	-	-
pH	Surface	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↘
Secchi disc depth (m)		↗	↗	↗	↗
Turbidity (NTU)	Surface	-	-	-	-
	Middle	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	-	-	-
Suspended Solids (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	-	↘	↘	-
	Bottom	↗	↘	↘	-
	Average	-	↘	↘	-
Volatile suspended solids (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	↘	-
	Middle	-	-	-	↘
	Bottom	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	-	↘	-
5-day Biochemical Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	-	-
	Middle	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	-	-	-
Ammonia nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	-	↗	-	↗
	Middle	-	↗	-	↗
	Bottom	↘	-	-	-
	Average	-	↗	-	↗
Unionised Ammonia (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	-	-
	Middle	↘	-	↘	-
	Bottom	↘	-	↘	↘
	Average	↘	-	↘	↘
Nitrite nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Middle	-	↗	↗	↗
	Bottom	-	↗	-	↗
	Average	↗	↗	↗	↗
Nitrate nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Middle	-	↗	↗	↗
	Bottom	-	↗	↗	↗
	Average	-	↗	↗	↗
Total inorganic nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	-	↗	↗	↗
	Middle	-	↗	-	↗
	Bottom	-	↗	↗	↗
	Average	-	↗	↗	↗
Total Kjeldahl nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↘
Total nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↘	-	-	-
	Middle	↘	↘	-	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	-	↘	-
Orthophosphate phosphorus (mg/L)	Surface	↘	-	↘	↘
	Middle	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↘
Total phosphorus (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↘
Silica (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	-	-
	Middle	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	-	-	-
Chlorophyll- <i>a</i> (µg/L)	Surface	-	-	-	-
	Middle	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	↗	-	-	-
	Average	-	-	-	-
<i>E. coli</i> (cfu/100mL)	Surface	-	↗	↗	-
	Middle	-	↗	↗	↗
	Bottom	↘	↗	↗	↗
	Average	-	↗	↗	↗
Faecal coliforms (cfu/100mL)	Surface	-	↗	↗	↗
	Middle	-	↗	↗	↗
	Bottom	-	↗	↗	↗
	Average	-	↗	↗	↗

Note: 1. Results of the Seasonal Kendall Test statistically significant at $p < 0.05$
 2. - indicates no significant trend
 3. ↗ significant increase
 4. ↘ significant decrease

Results of the Seasonal Kendall Test for water quality trends in the Junk Bay WCZ, 1986 – 2014			
Monitoring Station		JM3	JM4
Monitoring Period		1986 I 2014	1986 I 2014
Parameter	Water Depth		
Temperature (°C)	Surface	↗	↗
	Middle		
	Bottom	↗	↗
	Average	↗	
Salinity	Surface	-	-
	Middle	-	-
	Bottom	-	-
	Average	-	-
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	Surface	-	
	Middle	↗	↗
	Bottom	↗	↗
	Average	↗	↗
Dissolved Oxygen (%)	Surface	↗	↗
	Middle	↗	↗
	Bottom	↗	↗
	Average	↗	↗
pH	Surface	↘	↘
	Middle	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘
Secchi disc depth (m)		↗	↗
Turbidity (NTU)	Surface	-	-
	Middle	-	-
	Bottom	-	-
	Average	-	-
Suspended Solids (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘
	Middle	↘	↘
	Bottom	-	↘
	Average	↘	↘
Volatile suspended solids (mg/L)	Surface	-	-
	Middle	-	-
	Bottom	-	-
	Average	-	-
5-day Biochemical Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	Surface	-	-
	Middle	-	-
	Bottom	↘	-
	Average	-	-
Ammonia nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘
	Middle	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘
Unionised Ammonia (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘
	Middle	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘
Nitrite nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	-	-
	Middle	-	-
	Bottom	-	↘
	Average	-	↘
Nitrate nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	-	↗
	Middle	↗	↗
	Bottom	↗	↗
	Average	↗	↗
Total inorganic nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘
	Middle	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘
Total Kjeldahl nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘
	Middle	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘
Total nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘
	Middle	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘
Orthophosphate phosphorus (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘
	Middle	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘
Total phosphorus (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘
	Middle	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘
Silica (mg/L)	Surface	-	-
	Middle	-	-
	Bottom	-	-
	Average	-	-
Chlorophyll- <i>a</i> (µg/L)	Surface	-	-
	Middle	-	-
	Bottom	-	-
	Average	-	-
<i>E. coli</i> (cfu/100mL)	Surface	↘	↘
	Middle	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘
Faecal coliforms (cfu/100mL)	Surface	-	↘
	Middle	-	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘
	Average	-	↘
Note: 1. Results of the Seasonal Kendall Test statistically significant at $p < 0.05$ 2. - indicates no significant trend 3. ↗ significant increase 4. ↘ significant decrease			

Results of the Seasonal Kendall Test for water quality trends in the Deep Bay WCZ, 1986 - 2014

Monitoring Station		DM1	DM2	DM3	DM4	DM5
Monitoring Period		1986 I 2014	1986 I 2014	1986 I 2014	1986 I 2014	1991 I 2014
Parameter	Water Depth					
Temperature (°C)	Surface	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Middle	NA	NA	NA	NA	↗
	Bottom	NA	NA	NA	↗	↗
	Average	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
Salinity	Surface	↘	↘	-	-	-
	Middle	NA	NA	NA	NA	↘
	Bottom	NA	NA	NA	-	↘
	Average	↘	↘	-	-	-
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	Surface	-	↘	↘	↘	-
	Middle	NA	NA	NA	NA	-
	Bottom	NA	NA	NA	↘	-
	Average	-	↘	↘	↘	-
Dissolved Oxygen (%)	Surface	-	↘	↘	↘	-
	Middle	NA	NA	NA	NA	-
	Bottom	NA	NA	NA	↘	-
	Average	-	↘	↘	↘	-
pH	Surface	↘	↘	↘	NA	↘
	Middle	NA	NA	NA	↘	↘
	Bottom	NA	NA	NA	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
Secchi disc depth (m)		-	-	-	-	-
Turbidity (NTU)	Surface	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	NA	NA	NA	NA	-
	Bottom	NA	NA	NA	-	↘
	Average	-	-	-	-	↘
Suspended Solids (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	-	-	↘
	Middle	NA	NA	NA	NA	↘
	Bottom	NA	NA	NA	-	↘
	Average	-	-	-	-	↘
Volatile suspended solids (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	NA	NA	NA	NA	-
	Bottom	NA	NA	NA	-	-
	Average	-	-	-	-	-
5-day Biochemical Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	Surface	↗	↗	-	-	-
	Middle	NA	NA	NA	NA	-
	Bottom	NA	NA	NA	-	-
	Average	↗	↗	-	-	-
Ammonia nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	-	↗	↗
	Middle	NA	NA	NA	↗	↗
	Bottom	NA	NA	NA	↗	↗
	Average	-	-	-	↗	-
Unionised Ammonia (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	NA	NA	NA	NA	-
	Bottom	NA	NA	NA	-	-
	Average	-	-	-	-	-
Nitrite nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Middle	NA	NA	NA	NA	↗
	Bottom	NA	NA	NA	↗	↗
	Average	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
Nitrate nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	↗	↗	↗
	Middle	NA	NA	NA	↗	↗
	Bottom	NA	NA	↗	↗	↗
	Average	-	-	↗	↗	↗
Total inorganic nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	-	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Middle	NA	NA	NA	NA	↗
	Bottom	NA	NA	NA	↗	↗
	Average	-	↗	↗	↗	↗
Total Kjeldahl nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	NA	NA	NA	NA	-
	Bottom	NA	NA	NA	-	-
	Average	-	-	-	-	-
Total nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	-	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Middle	NA	NA	NA	NA	↗
	Bottom	NA	NA	NA	↗	-
	Average	-	↗	↗	↗	↗
Orthophosphate phosphorus (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	-	↗	-
	Middle	NA	NA	NA	NA	-
	Bottom	NA	NA	NA	-	-
	Average	↘	↘	-	-	-
Total phosphorus (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	↘	-	↘
	Middle	NA	NA	NA	NA	↘
	Bottom	NA	NA	NA	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
Silica (mg/L)	Surface	↗	↗	-	-	-
	Middle	NA	NA	NA	NA	-
	Bottom	NA	NA	NA	-	-
	Average	↗	↗	-	-	-
Chlorophyll- <i>a</i> (µg/L)	Surface	-	↗	-	-	-
	Middle	NA	NA	NA	NA	↗
	Bottom	NA	NA	NA	-	↗
	Average	-	↗	-	-	↗
<i>E. coli</i> (cfu/100mL)	Surface	-	-	-	↗	-
	Middle	NA	NA	NA	↗	-
	Bottom	NA	NA	NA	↗	-
	Average	-	-	-	↗	-
Faecal coliforms (cfu/100mL)	Surface	-	-	-	↗	-
	Middle	NA	NA	NA	NA	-
	Bottom	NA	NA	NA	↗	-
	Average	-	-	-	↗	-

Note: 1. Results of the Seasonal Kendall Test statistically significant at $p < 0.05$

2. - indicates no significant trend

3. NA (Not Applicable) indicates the measurement was not made due to shallow water

4. ↗ significant increase

5. ↘ significant decrease

Results of the Seasonal Kendall Test for water quality trends in the North Western WCZ, 1986 – 2014							
Monitoring Station		NM1	NM2	NM3	NM5	NM6	NM8
Monitoring Period		1988 I 2014	1986 I 2014	1986 I 2014	1988 I 2014	1991 I 2014	1999 I 2014
Parameter	Water Depth						
Temperature (°C)	Surface	-	-	↗	↗	-	-
	Middle	-	-	↗	↗	↗	-
	Bottom	-	-	↗	↗	↗	-
	Average	-	-	↗	↗	-	-
Salinity	Surface	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	-	↘	-	-
	Middle	-	-	-	↘	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	↘	-	-
	Average	-	-	-	↘	-	-
Dissolved Oxygen (%)	Surface	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	-	-	-	-	-
pH	Surface	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
Secchi disc depth (m)		↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
Turbidity (NTU)	Surface	-	↘	-	-	-	↘
	Middle	-	↘	-	-	-	↘
	Bottom	-	↘	-	-	-	↘
	Average	-	↘	-	-	-	↘
Suspended Solids (mg/L)	Surface	-	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	-	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	-	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Average	-	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
Volatile suspended solids (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	-	-	-	-	-
5-day Biochemical Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	↘	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	↘	-	-	-	-
Ammonia nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↗	↗	↗	↗	-	-
	Middle	↗	↗	↗	↗	-	-
	Bottom	↗	↗	↗	↗	-	-
	Average	↗	↗	↗	↗	-	-
Unionised Ammonia (mg/L)	Surface	↘	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	↘	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	↘	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	↘	-	-	-	-	-
Nitrite nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Middle	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Bottom	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Average	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
Nitrate nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Middle	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Bottom	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Average	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
Total inorganic nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Middle	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Bottom	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Average	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
Total Kjeldahl nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	↘	-	↘	-
	Middle	↘	↘	↘	-	↘	-
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	-	↘	-
	Average	↘	↘	↘	-	↘	-
Total nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	-	↗	-	↗	-	↗
	Middle	-	↗	-	↗	-	↗
	Bottom	-	↗	-	↗	-	↗
	Average	-	↗	-	↗	-	↗
Orthophosphate phosphorus (mg/L)	Surface	↘	-	-	-	↘	-
	Middle	↘	↘	-	-	↘	-
	Bottom	↘	↘	-	-	↘	-
	Average	↘	↘	-	-	↘	-
Total phosphorus (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	-
	Middle	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	-
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	-
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	-
Silica (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	-	-	-	↗
	Middle	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chlorophyll- <i>a</i> (µg/L)	Surface	-	-	-	-	↗	-
	Middle	-	-	-	↗	↗	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	↗	↗	-
	Average	-	-	-	↗	↗	-
<i>E. coli</i> (cfu/100mL)	Surface	-	↘	↘	↗	-	-
	Middle	-	↘	↘	↗	-	-
	Bottom	-	↘	↘	↗	-	-
	Average	-	↘	↘	↗	-	-
Faecal coliforms (cfu/100mL)	Surface	-	↘	-	↗	-	-
	Middle	-	↘	-	↗	-	-
	Bottom	-	↘	-	↗	-	-
	Average	-	↘	-	↗	-	-

Note: 1. Results of the Seasonal Kendall Test statistically significant at $p < 0.05$
 2. - indicates no significant trend
 3. ↗ significant increase
 4. ↘ significant decrease

Summary statistics for bottom sediment quality in the Tolo Harbour and Channel and Southern WCZs, 2010 – 2014

Parameter	Tolo Harbour and Channel				Hong Kong Island		West Lamma Channel	
	Harbour Subzone		Buffer Subzone	Channel Subzone	(South)			
	TS2	TS3	TS4	TS5	SS1	SS2	SS3	SS4
Number of samples	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Particle Size Fractionation <63µm (% w/w)	71 (59 - 83)	84 (71 - 98)	69 (54 - 88)	90 (84 - 97)	69 (54 - 95)	78 (62 - 90)	74 (66 - 87)	85 (62 - 98)
Electrochemical Potential (mV)	-279 (-377 - -179)	-288 (-377 - -165)	-275 (-376 - -128)	-312 (-379 - -239)	-209 (-433 - -82)	-223 (-443 - -88)	-207 (-419 - -64)	-211 (-424 - -68)
Total Solids (% w/w)	37 (31 - 47)	33 (28 - 43)	41 (31 - 61)	31 (28 - 37)	59 (56 - 62)	49 (45 - 54)	50 (40 - 54)	44 (42 - 51)
Total Volatile Solids (% w/w)	9.0 (6.8 - 11.0)	9.1 (6.2 - 11.0)	8.5 (4.7 - 10.0)	10.2 (9.4 - 11.0)	5.3 (3.9 - 6.2)	6.5 (5.9 - 7.2)	6.3 (5.6 - 7.5)	7.0 (6.0 - 9.5)
Chemical Oxygen Demand (mg/kg)	20600 (17000 - 24000)	18300 (15000 - 21000)	16300 (14000 - 18000)	16400 (13000 - 19000)	9190 (7700 - 11000)	11300 (9100 - 14000)	12900 (9400 - 17000)	12200 (9600 - 16000)
Total Carbon (% w/w)	0.8 (0.7 - 1.1)	0.7 (0.6 - 0.8)	1.0 (0.8 - 1.3)	0.9 (0.8 - 1.0)	0.9 (0.8 - 1.0)	0.7 (0.6 - 0.8)	0.9 (0.6 - 1.1)	0.7 (0.6 - 1.1)
Ammonical Nitrogen (mg/kg)	6.20 (1.70 - 12.00)	4.14 (<0.05 - 7.70)	5.55 (1.30 - 14.00)	13.21 (7.90 - 25.00)	5.91 (2.20 - 16.00)	3.81 (<0.05 - 7.50)	4.78 (0.33 - 8.90)	3.92 (1.50 - 8.80)
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen (mg/kg)	580 (440 - 780)	560 (440 - 690)	610 (400 - 740)	730 (610 - 940)	420 (340 - 500)	500 (360 - 600)	430 (320 - 530)	500 (380 - 610)
Total Phosphorus (mg/kg)	170 (160 - 210)	160 (140 - 190)	180 (160 - 220)	200 (180 - 250)	250 (200 - 290)	230 (170 - 290)	220 (150 - 260)	220 (190 - 250)
Total Sulphide (mg/kg)	150 (49 - 330)	100 (17 - 160)	120 (20 - 270)	110 (38 - 190)	26 (5 - 65)	30 (1 - 65)	26 (3 - 55)	31 (0 - 73)
Total Cyanide (mg/kg)	0.2 (0.1 - 0.2)	0.2 (0.1 - 0.2)	0.2 (0.1 - 0.3)	0.2 (0.1 - 0.3)	<0.1 (<0.1 - 0.1)	<0.1 (<0.1 - 0.1)	<0.1 (<0.1 - 0.1)	0.1 (<0.1 - 0.2)
Arsenic (mg/kg)	9.3 (7.7 - 11.0)	9.5 (6.6 - 11.0)	7.6 (6.0 - 9.3)	6.1 (5.3 - 6.9)	6.7 (6.1 - 7.4)	8.7 (6.8 - 10.0)	6.7 (4.7 - 8.4)	7.9 (6.2 - 9.9)
Cadmium (mg/kg)	0.6 (0.3 - 0.9)	0.6 (0.3 - 0.8)	0.4 (0.2 - 0.5)	0.3 (0.2 - 0.4)	<0.1 (<0.1 - 0.1)	0.1 (<0.1 - 0.1)	<0.1 (<0.1 - 0.1)	<0.1 (<0.1 - 0.1)
Chromium (mg/kg)	23 (15 - 27)	23 (14 - 29)	22 (16 - 27)	33 (26 - 37)	21 (18 - 23)	29 (27 - 32)	28 (21 - 39)	34 (26 - 39)
Copper (mg/kg)	32 (19 - 41)	35 (21 - 49)	21 (14 - 35)	21 (18 - 29)	9 (8 - 11)	19 (15 - 21)	16 (12 - 25)	29 (18 - 35)
Lead (mg/kg)	80 (46 - 96)	87 (50 - 110)	59 (36 - 91)	47 (35 - 54)	25 (22 - 28)	33 (20 - 37)	31 (20 - 46)	39 (25 - 46)
Mercury (mg/kg)	0.11 (<0.05 - 0.38)	0.09 (<0.05 - 0.30)	0.08 (<0.05 - 0.30)	0.08 (<0.05 - 0.30)	0.05 (<0.05 - 0.07)	0.08 (0.05 - 0.13)	0.10 (0.06 - 0.17)	0.13 (0.09 - 0.21)
Nickel (mg/kg)	14 (9 - 16)	14 (9 - 18)	15 (11 - 17)	24 (20 - 26)	15 (14 - 17)	20 (17 - 22)	19 (15 - 26)	21 (17 - 24)
Silver (mg/kg)	0.4 (0.2 - 0.6)	0.5 (0.3 - 0.6)	0.2 (<0.2 - 0.3)	0.2 (<0.2 - 0.3)	<0.2 (<0.2 - <0.2)	0.2 (<0.2 - 0.3)	<0.2 (<0.2 - <0.2)	0.3 (<0.2 - 0.4)
Zinc (mg/kg)	210 (130 - 270)	250 (140 - 360)	130 (82 - 150)	120 (100 - 140)	60 (51 - 68)	88 (82 - 98)	79 (67 - 120)	100 (92 - 120)
Total Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs) (µg/kg) ⁽³⁾	18 (18 - 18)	18 (18 - 18)	18 (18 - 18)	18 (18 - 18)	18 (18 - 18)	18 (18 - 18)	18 (18 - 18)	18 (18 - 18)
Low Molecular Weight Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs) (µg/kg) ⁽⁴⁾	100 (90 - 170)	110 (90 - 240)	99 (90 - 110)	110 (90 - 160)	96 (90 - 120)	100 (90 - 150)	99 (90 - 130)	110 (90 - 160)
High Molecular Weight Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs) (µg/kg) ^{(5) (6)}	49 (16 - 69)	45 (28 - 69)	40 (17 - 54)	56 (41 - 73)	54 (20 - 230)	89 (27 - 280)	61 (22 - 130)	120 (46 - 210)

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Summary statistics for bottom sediment quality in the Southern, Junk Bay and Deep Bay WCZs, 2010 – 2014

	Lantau Island		Junk Bay	Inner Deep Bay		Outer Deep Bay	
Parameter	(East) SS5	(South) SS6	JS2	DS1	DS2	DS3	DS4
Number of samples	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Particle Size Fractionation <63µm (%w/w)	92 (82 - 96)	67 (52 - 86)	91 (80 - 99)	53 (34 - 72)	71 (52 - 86)	79 (44 - 94)	62 (41 - 81)
Electrochemical Potential (mV)	-221 (-408 - -88)	-173 (-292 - -71)	-203 (-395 - -75)	-261 (-401 - -92)	-244 (-420 - -52)	-254 (-396 - -115)	-256 (-398 - -93)
Total Solids (%w/w)	39 (33 - 43)	64 (60 - 68)	42 (40 - 48)	51 (45 - 61)	50 (42 - 55)	49 (43 - 61)	54 (48 - 62)
Total Volatile Solids (%w/w)	7.4 (5.9 - 8.5)	3.7 (3.4 - 4.0)	7.1 (5.8 - 9.9)	5.7 (3.3 - 7.1)	6.7 (5.6 - 8.4)	6.7 (4.9 - 9.2)	6.0 (4.7 - 8.2)
Chemical Oxygen Demand (mg/kg)	12600 (9800 - 17000)	8500 (5900 - 18000)	13000 (8900 - 16000)	17100 (11000 - 22000)	14700 (12000 - 18000)	11700 (9300 - 16000)	12200 (7400 - 15000)
Total Carbon (%w/w)	0.6 (0.5 - 0.7)	0.5 (0.4 - 0.6)	0.7 (0.6 - 0.8)	0.7 (0.5 - 0.8)	0.7 (0.5 - 1.3)	0.6 (0.5 - 0.9)	0.6 (0.5 - 0.7)
Ammonical Nitrogen (mg/kg)	8.83 (<0.05 - 14.00)	5.47 (1.40 - 13.00)	5.10 (0.14 - 9.00)	58.17 (3.10 - 260.00)	5.80 (0.14 - 21.00)	4.39 (0.10 - 23.00)	3.59 (0.09 - 9.20)
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen (mg/kg)	550 (390 - 660)	380 (280 - 710)	550 (430 - 660)	580 (430 - 780)	440 (270 - 680)	410 (260 - 590)	360 (110 - 560)
Total Phosphorus (mg/kg)	200 (150 - 230)	200 (180 - 240)	210 (180 - 230)	310 (200 - 370)	260 (140 - 420)	230 (160 - 310)	190 (60 - 270)
Total Sulphide (mg/kg)	48 (11 - 93)	3 (1 - 7)	48 (15 - 81)	190 (14 - 370)	42 (2 - 260)	20 (10 - 39)	26 (2 - 140)
Total Cyanide (mg/kg)	0.1 (<0.1 - 0.2)	0.1 (<0.1 - 0.3)	0.1 (<0.1 - 0.2)	0.2 (<0.1 - 0.3)	0.2 (0.1 - 0.3)	0.2 (<0.1 - 0.2)	0.2 (<0.1 - 0.2)
Arsenic (mg/kg)	7.4 (5.8 - 8.0)	5.9 (4.4 - 9.0)	7.7 (6.8 - 8.6)	8.8 (6.1 - 12.0)	12.8 (8.6 - 17.0)	12.0 (8.8 - 14.0)	10.6 (8.5 - 15.0)
Cadmium (mg/kg)	<0.1 (<0.1 - 0.1)	<0.1 (<0.1 - <0.1)	0.1 (0.1 - 0.2)	0.3 (0.2 - 0.5)	0.2 (0.1 - 0.6)	0.1 (<0.1 - 0.2)	0.1 (<0.1 - 0.2)
Chromium (mg/kg)	37 (25 - 45)	21 (17 - 29)	42 (29 - 47)	39 (21 - 57)	39 (28 - 45)	38 (27 - 44)	31 (23 - 38)
Copper (mg/kg)	35 (26 - 44)	11 (8 - 14)	73 (55 - 88)	57 (22 - 90)	46 (28 - 73)	45 (25 - 61)	32 (13 - 53)
Lead (mg/kg)	48 (32 - 53)	25 (19 - 36)	47 (31 - 55)	46 (27 - 61)	57 (34 - 120)	44 (29 - 59)	38 (24 - 48)
Mercury (mg/kg)	0.14 (0.11 - 0.16)	0.06 (<0.05 - 0.11)	0.23 (0.18 - 0.29)	0.13 (0.07 - 0.26)	0.13 (0.09 - 0.19)	0.11 (0.06 - 0.14)	0.09 (<0.05 - 0.13)
Nickel (mg/kg)	23 (17 - 26)	13 (11 - 19)	21 (15 - 23)	22 (13 - 31)	22 (16 - 29)	24 (17 - 28)	19 (14 - 25)
Silver (mg/kg)	0.4 (0.2 - 0.5)	<0.2 (<0.2 - <0.2)	1.4 (0.9 - 1.9)	0.6 (0.3 - 1.1)	0.4 (<0.2 - 1.1)	0.3 (<0.2 - 0.5)	0.2 (<0.2 - 0.3)
Zinc (mg/kg)	130 (85 - 150)	59 (46 - 99)	140 (97 - 150)	200 (100 - 270)	160 (110 - 270)	120 (87 - 150)	100 (64 - 110)
Total Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs) (µg/kg) ⁽³⁾	18 (18 - 18)	18 (18 - 18)	18 (18 - 18)	18 (18 - 18)	18 (18 - 18)	18 (18 - 18)	18 (18 - 18)
Low Molecular Weight Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs) (µg/kg) ^{(4) (6)}	120 (90 - 200)	100 (90 - 160)	120 (96 - 250)	160 (95 - 540)	110 (90 - 150)	99 (90 - 120)	110 (90 - 210)
High Molecular Weight Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs) (µg/kg) ^{(5) (6)}	94 (51 - 190)	30 (20 - 92)	310 (130 - 430)	730 (76 - 4100)	110 (23 - 360)	76 (36 - 110)	57 (20 - 93)

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Summary statistics for bottom sediment quality in the Port Shelter and Mirs Bay W CZs, 2010 – 2014

	Inner Port Shelter	Outer Port Shelter	Starling Inlet	Crooked Island	Port Island	Mirs Bay		
						(North)		
Parameter	PS3	PS5	PS6	MS1	MS2	MS7	MS17	MS3
Number of samples	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Particle Size Fractionation <63µm (% w/w)	84	59	73	90	94	93	90	70
	(12 - 95)	(24 - 85)	(48 - 89)	(82 - 98)	(85 - 99)	(86 - 98)	(80 - 97)	(13 - 91)
Electrochemical Potential (mV)	-230	-221	-223	-208	-216	-314	-170	-191
	(-399 - -39)	(-407 - -21)	(-400 - -65)	(-395 - -106)	(-399 - -105)	(-396 - -235)	(-388 - -63)	(-395 - -95)
Total Solids (% w/w)	36	49	50	39	33	30	34	48
	(32 - 40)	(39 - 62)	(38 - 55)	(36 - 45)	(32 - 36)	(26 - 35)	(29 - 41)	(36 - 61)
Total Volatile Solids (% w/w)	11.2	8.3	8.0	7.6	8.7	10.5	9.2	6.7
	(10.0 - 13.0)	(5.5 - 10.0)	(6.4 - 9.4)	(6.7 - 8.4)	(7.6 - 10.0)	(9.0 - 15.0)	(8.4 - 10.0)	(3.1 - 8.9)
Chemical Oxygen Demand (mg/kg)	16400	11000	11400	14100	14500	15700	13500	12000
	(10000 - 20000)	(7400 - 14000)	(9600 - 14000)	(11000 - 17000)	(11000 - 18000)	(13000 - 21000)	(8400 - 18000)	(9900 - 14000)
Total Carbon (% w/w)	1.2	1.7	1.3	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.8
	(1.0 - 1.4)	(1.0 - 3.7)	(0.9 - 1.6)	(0.5 - 0.8)	(0.6 - 0.8)	(0.7 - 0.9)	(0.6 - 1.1)	(0.6 - 1.3)
Ammonical Nitrogen (mg/kg)	6.40	7.48	12.26	5.85	6.96	9.94	7.08	8.09
	(0.14 - 11.00)	(2.70 - 11.00)	(0.40 - 60.00)	(0.13 - 10.00)	(0.07 - 14.00)	(7.30 - 13.00)	(0.23 - 11.00)	(1.40 - 25.00)
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen (mg/kg)	660	580	620	530	610	670	690	500
	(310 - 850)	(340 - 710)	(450 - 770)	(350 - 620)	(460 - 770)	(530 - 800)	(580 - 880)	(250 - 610)
Total Phosphorus (mg/kg)	200	200	230	180	180	190	210	180
	(160 - 240)	(120 - 280)	(190 - 280)	(140 - 200)	(150 - 210)	(170 - 210)	(190 - 280)	(100 - 220)
Total Sulphide (mg/kg)	32	24	33	45	50	62	38	37
	(10 - 69)	(9 - 35)	(4 - 98)	(3 - 88)	(1 - 150)	(1 - 180)	(1 - 88)	(1 - 170)
Total Cyanide (mg/kg)	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.1	<0.1
	(<0.1 - 0.2)	(<0.1 - 0.2)	(<0.1 - 0.2)	(<0.1 - 0.2)	(<0.1 - 0.2)	(0.1 - 0.2)	(<0.1 - 0.2)	(<0.1 - 0.1)
Arsenic (mg/kg)	5.5	4.6	5.9	8.3	7.3	6.7	6.2	5.7
	(3.6 - 6.1)	(3.2 - 5.7)	(5.2 - 7.2)	(7.1 - 9.5)	(6.0 - 8.6)	(5.8 - 7.8)	(5.1 - 7.0)	(3.8 - 7.3)
Cadmium (mg/kg)	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	0.2	0.3	0.3	<0.1	<0.1
	(<0.1 - 0.1)	(<0.1 - <0.1)	(<0.1 - <0.1)	(0.1 - 0.3)	(0.1 - 0.4)	(<0.1 - 0.5)	(<0.1 - 0.1)	(<0.1 - <0.1)
Chromium (mg/kg)	24	21	24	27	33	33	32	26
	(16 - 29)	(14 - 28)	(20 - 28)	(19 - 32)	(27 - 37)	(27 - 38)	(26 - 35)	(21 - 35)
Copper (mg/kg)	19	10	11	24	21	20	15	11
	(10 - 26)	(6 - 15)	(9 - 14)	(17 - 32)	(19 - 24)	(13 - 26)	(12 - 17)	(7 - 17)
Lead (mg/kg)	34	27	31	45	45	41	42	29
	(21 - 44)	(18 - 34)	(24 - 40)	(34 - 54)	(34 - 50)	(27 - 47)	(34 - 47)	(20 - 42)
Mercury (mg/kg)	0.08	0.05	0.05	0.06	0.06	0.07	0.05	<0.05
	(0.06 - 0.10)	(<0.05 - 0.06)	(<0.05 - 0.06)	(<0.05 - 0.07)	(<0.05 - 0.07)	(0.05 - 0.10)	(<0.05 - 0.06)	(<0.05 - <0.05)
Nickel (mg/kg)	16	15	17	17	22	23	23	18
	(11 - 19)	(10 - 20)	(15 - 21)	(12 - 20)	(18 - 25)	(18 - 25)	(18 - 25)	(13 - 23)
Silver (mg/kg)	0.2	<0.2	<0.2	0.6	0.3	0.2	0.2	<0.2
	(<0.2 - 0.3)	(<0.2 - 0.2)	(<0.2 - <0.2)	(0.3 - 1.1)	(0.2 - 0.4)	(<0.2 - 0.3)	(<0.2 - 0.3)	(<0.2 - <0.2)
Zinc (mg/kg)	85	64	67	94	100	96	90	67
	(55 - 100)	(43 - 83)	(51 - 100)	(69 - 110)	(87 - 110)	(82 - 110)	(75 - 99)	(52 - 89)
Total Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs) (µg/kg) ⁽³⁾	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18
	(18 - 18)	(18 - 18)	(18 - 18)	(18 - 18)	(18 - 18)	(18 - 18)	(18 - 18)	(18 - 18)
Low Molecular Weight Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs) (µg/kg) ⁽⁴⁾	120	97	110	110	120	130	110	100
	(90 - 230)	(90 - 110)	(90 - 200)	(90 - 200)	(90 - 210)	(90 - 220)	(90 - 180)	(90 - 130)
High Molecular Weight Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs) (µg/kg) ^{(5) (6)}	67	36	37	48	52	77	42	31
	(32 - 160)	(18 - 78)	(18 - 91)	(29 - 90)	(32 - 81)	(31 - 170)	(31 - 65)	(18 - 65)

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Summary statistics for bottom sediment quality in the Mirs Bay WCZ, 2010 – 2014

Parameter	Mirs Bay (North)		Long Harbour	Waglan Island	Mirs Bay (South)		Mirs Bay (Central)	
	MS4	MS5	MS6	MS8	MS13	MS14	MS15	MS16
Number of samples	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Particle Size Fractionation <63µm (% w/w)	88 (69 - 95)	85 (77 - 93)	93 (83 - 97)	87 (52 - 97)	92 (83 - 97)	91 (75 - 99)	91 (86 - 98)	80 (64 - 95)
Electrochemical Potential (mV)	-174 (-392 - -68)	-154 (-383 - -95)	-234 (-373 - -115)	-160 (-366 - -79)	-178 (-360 - -59)	-179 (-389 - -88)	-184 (-384 - -106)	-179 (-380 - -99)
Total Solids (% w/w)	38 (34 - 42)	41 (35 - 45)	32 (28 - 36)	46 (38 - 51)	49 (44 - 51)	50 (47 - 52)	51 (44 - 54)	54 (49 - 61)
Total Volatile Solids (% w/w)	8.2 (7.3 - 9.4)	7.6 (6.6 - 10.0)	10.3 (9.3 - 12.0)	6.6 (5.8 - 7.4)	6.3 (5.7 - 7.7)	5.9 (5.1 - 6.6)	6.1 (5.4 - 6.7)	5.9 (4.7 - 6.8)
Chemical Oxygen Demand (mg/kg)	12700 (11000 - 15000)	12100 (9500 - 14000)	15000 (12000 - 17000)	10000 (8600 - 12000)	8910 (7100 - 10000)	8190 (5200 - 10000)	8360 (5700 - 10000)	8900 (6300 - 11000)
Total Carbon (% w/w)	0.7 (0.6 - 0.8)	0.7 (0.6 - 0.8)	0.9 (0.7 - 1.2)	0.6 (0.5 - 0.7)	0.6 (0.5 - 0.6)	0.5 (0.5 - 0.6)	0.6 (0.5 - 0.6)	0.7 (0.6 - 0.8)
Ammonical Nitrogen (mg/kg)	6.85 (0.21 - 22.00)	6.23 (<0.05 - 12.00)	9.21 (5.70 - 11.00)	3.92 (1.70 - 7.30)	2.63 (0.68 - 9.30)	2.53 (0.12 - 6.30)	3.18 (0.18 - 7.60)	3.71 (2.00 - 7.70)
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen (mg/kg)	600 (440 - 730)	580 (450 - 670)	730 (640 - 810)	480 (360 - 550)	460 (320 - 550)	470 (380 - 550)	490 (420 - 560)	440 (240 - 540)
Total Phosphorus (mg/kg)	200 (150 - 240)	210 (180 - 240)	210 (190 - 220)	210 (180 - 240)	230 (160 - 260)	240 (190 - 270)	240 (210 - 270)	230 (160 - 280)
Total Sulphide (mg/kg)	15 (3 - 51)	20 (1 - 66)	39 (3 - 83)	14 (6 - 30)	8 (2 - 14)	10 (2 - 35)	8 (2 - 17)	10 (4 - 17)
Total Cyanide (mg/kg)	<0.1 (<0.1 - 0.1)	0.1 (<0.1 - 0.2)	0.2 (<0.1 - 0.2)	0.1 (<0.1 - 0.2)	0.1 (<0.1 - 0.2)	<0.1 (<0.1 - 0.1)	0.1 (<0.1 - 0.2)	<0.1 (<0.1 - 0.1)
Arsenic (mg/kg)	6.7 (5.8 - 7.8)	6.8 (6.3 - 7.3)	6.0 (5.2 - 6.5)	7.3 (6.7 - 7.9)	7.6 (6.3 - 8.7)	7.3 (5.6 - 8.7)	6.8 (4.9 - 8.1)	6.5 (5.2 - 9.9)
Cadmium (mg/kg)	<0.1 (<0.1 - <0.1)	<0.1 (<0.1 - <0.1)	0.1 (<0.1 - 0.1)	<0.1 (<0.1 - <0.1)	<0.1 (<0.1 - <0.1)	<0.1 (<0.1 - <0.1)	<0.1 (<0.1 - <0.1)	<0.1 (<0.1 - <0.1)
Chromium (mg/kg)	32 (29 - 36)	29 (24 - 32)	31 (28 - 34)	31 (28 - 33)	30 (24 - 34)	29 (19 - 33)	28 (19 - 35)	26 (18 - 40)
Copper (mg/kg)	14 (10 - 16)	13 (10 - 16)	17 (14 - 20)	13 (10 - 18)	12 (9 - 17)	11 (6 - 16)	11 (7 - 16)	9 (6 - 14)
Lead (mg/kg)	35 (29 - 39)	37 (26 - 42)	40 (32 - 45)	33 (30 - 37)	31 (25 - 35)	30 (21 - 34)	29 (22 - 33)	28 (22 - 31)
Mercury (mg/kg)	0.05 (<0.05 - 0.06)	0.05 (<0.05 - 0.06)	0.06 (<0.05 - 0.08)	0.05 (<0.05 - 0.06)	0.05 (<0.05 - 0.07)	<0.05 (<0.05 - <0.05)	<0.05 (<0.05 - <0.05)	<0.05 (<0.05 - 0.05)
Nickel (mg/kg)	23 (19 - 24)	21 (17 - 24)	23 (19 - 25)	22 (20 - 24)	22 (20 - 23)	21 (14 - 23)	20 (13 - 24)	18 (12 - 28)
Silver (mg/kg)	<0.2 (<0.2 - <0.2)	<0.2 (<0.2 - <0.2)	<0.2 (<0.2 - <0.2)	<0.2 (<0.2 - <0.2)	<0.2 (<0.2 - <0.2)	<0.2 (<0.2 - <0.2)	<0.2 (<0.2 - <0.2)	<0.2 (<0.2 - <0.2)
Zinc (mg/kg)	80 (71 - 90)	81 (66 - 90)	98 (91 - 110)	77 (71 - 81)	75 (62 - 84)	70 (52 - 81)	67 (50 - 74)	61 (48 - 77)
Total Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs) (µg/kg) ⁽³⁾	18 (18 - 18)	18 (18 - 18)	18 (18 - 18)	18 (18 - 18)	18 (18 - 18)	18 (18 - 18)	18 (18 - 18)	18 (18 - 18)
Low Molecular Weight Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs) (µg/kg) ⁽⁴⁾	110 (90 - 210)	93 (90 - 100)	110 (90 - 140)	130 (90 - 260)	140 (90 - 330)	110 (90 - 200)	110 (90 - 220)	98 (90 - 130)
High Molecular Weight Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs) (µg/kg) ^{(5) (6)}	43 (28 - 82)	33 (26 - 53)	57 (29 - 85)	64 (27 - 310)	43 (27 - 91)	30 (17 - 49)	28 (20 - 34)	25 (18 - 42)

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Summary statistics for bottom sediment quality in the North Western and Western Buffer WCs, 2010 – 2014

	Pearl Island	Pillar Point	Urmston Road	Chek Lap Kok (North)	Tsing Yi (South)	Hong Kong Island (West)
Parameter	NS2	NS3	NS4	NS6	WS1	WS2
Number of samples	10	10	10	10	10	10
Particle Size Fractionation <63µm (% w/w)	65 (18 - 90)	61 (20 - 95)	61 (13 - 95)	70 (29 - 90)	76 (62 - 90)	86 (74 - 97)
Electrochemical Potential (mV)	-166 (-380 - -57)	-185 (-390 - -42)	-226 (-428 - -83)	-178 (-380 - -57)	-236 (-398 - -88)	-184 (-347 - -58)
Total Solids (% w/w)	47 (39 - 59)	50 (40 - 62)	53 (43 - 65)	57 (42 - 67)	46 (44 - 50)	45 (43 - 47)
Total Volatile Solids (% w/w)	6.5 (4.9 - 9.2)	6.6 (4.9 - 9.6)	5.8 (4.2 - 7.1)	5.1 (3.3 - 7.2)	6.6 (6.2 - 7.3)	6.4 (5.4 - 7.6)
Chemical Oxygen Demand (mg/kg)	11600 (9900 - 14000)	12400 (9400 - 15000)	12700 (9100 - 17000)	11900 (8600 - 15000)	14100 (12000 - 16000)	11800 (9400 - 14000)
Total Carbon (% w/w)	0.8 (0.5 - 1.3)	0.7 (0.5 - 1.2)	0.6 (0.5 - 0.8)	0.7 (0.4 - 1.2)	0.7 (0.6 - 0.8)	0.6 (0.5 - 0.6)
Ammonical Nitrogen (mg/kg)	4.19 (0.05 - 8.20)	5.22 (0.05 - 15.00)	3.49 (0.11 - 7.90)	3.13 (0.07 - 17.00)	7.62 (0.17 - 15.00)	3.75 (0.30 - 6.70)
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen (mg/kg)	400 (310 - 580)	400 (250 - 570)	380 (260 - 600)	340 (180 - 510)	480 (400 - 590)	490 (350 - 620)
Total Phosphorus (mg/kg)	190 (150 - 230)	200 (160 - 240)	200 (140 - 260)	180 (100 - 260)	200 (180 - 250)	200 (140 - 240)
Total Sulphide (mg/kg)	40 (1 - 190)	52 (0 - 130)	62 (2 - 220)	18 (0 - 51)	97 (4 - 160)	28 (5 - 72)
Total Cyanide (mg/kg)	0.2 (<0.1 - 0.3)	0.1 (<0.1 - 0.2)	0.2 (<0.1 - 0.3)	0.1 (<0.1 - 0.2)	0.2 (<0.1 - 0.2)	0.1 (<0.1 - 0.2)
Arsenic (mg/kg)	8.8 (4.5 - 11.0)	11.0 (8.4 - 14.0)	10.9 (8.1 - 15.0)	11.8 (7.1 - 17.0)	8.1 (6.8 - 8.8)	7.9 (7.2 - 8.9)
Cadmium (mg/kg)	0.1 (<0.1 - 0.1)	0.1 (<0.1 - 0.1)	0.1 (<0.1 - 0.1)	0.1 (<0.1 - 0.2)	0.1 (<0.1 - 0.2)	<0.1 (<0.1 - <0.1)
Chromium (mg/kg)	32 (14 - 41)	33 (19 - 44)	31 (23 - 47)	29 (17 - 40)	37 (25 - 58)	34 (27 - 40)
Copper (mg/kg)	34 (13 - 49)	31 (13 - 45)	30 (17 - 51)	19 (9 - 34)	49 (31 - 68)	26 (18 - 33)
Lead (mg/kg)	37 (20 - 45)	39 (26 - 51)	37 (29 - 53)	34 (20 - 47)	38 (29 - 46)	36 (24 - 41)
Mercury (mg/kg)	0.11 (<0.05 - 0.16)	0.11 (0.07 - 0.15)	0.09 (0.06 - 0.14)	0.08 (<0.05 - 0.13)	0.22 (0.10 - 0.88)	0.13 (0.07 - 0.47)
Nickel (mg/kg)	19 (9 - 23)	20 (11 - 24)	19 (13 - 27)	18 (11 - 23)	19 (14 - 23)	21 (17 - 25)
Silver (mg/kg)	0.3 (<0.2 - 0.5)	0.3 (<0.2 - 0.4)	0.2 (<0.2 - 0.4)	<0.2 (<0.2 - 0.2)	0.7 (0.4 - 1.3)	0.3 (<0.2 - 0.4)
Zinc (mg/kg)	100 (50 - 120)	100 (63 - 130)	99 (78 - 130)	79 (42 - 110)	110 (83 - 140)	97 (79 - 110)
Total Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs) (µg/kg) ⁽³⁾	18 (18 - 18)	18 (18 - 18)	18 (18 - 18)	18 (18 - 18)	18 (18 - 18)	18 (18 - 18)
Low Molecular Weight Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs) (µg/kg) ⁽⁴⁾	120 (90 - 340)	140 (90 - 500)	120 (90 - 240)	100 (90 - 150)	110 (90 - 170)	110 (90 - 180)
High Molecular Weight Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs) (µg/kg) ^{(5) (6)}	93 (39 - 150)	160 (41 - 690)	80 (24 - 130)	35 (17 - 64)	240 (100 - 570)	89 (24 - 220)

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Summary statistics for bottom sediment quality in the Eastern Buffer and Victoria Harbour W CZs, 2010 – 2014

Parameter	Eastern Buffer			Victoria Harbour			Rambler Channel	
	Chai Wan ES1	Tathong Channel ES2	ES4	(East) VS3	(Central) VS5	(West) VS6	VS9	VS10
Number of samples	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Particle Size Fractionation <63µm (%w/w)	60 (33 - 94)	63 (41 - 82)	52 (31 - 73)	72 (46 - 91)	86 (69 - 97)	67 (32 - 97)	72 (31 - 87)	77 (48 - 88)
Electrochemical Potential (mV)	-194 (-381 - -63)	-183 (-380 - -83)	-196 (-389 - -75)	-286 (-463 - -218)	-338 (-438 - -260)	-275 (-392 - -150)	-238 (-382 - -110)	-233 (-350 - -78)
Total Solids (%w/w)	58 (50 - 69)	56 (49 - 63)	58 (50 - 66)	46 (38 - 60)	38 (33 - 44)	49 (37 - 60)	44 (40 - 54)	42 (36 - 48)
Total Volatile Solids (%w/w)	5.7 (3.7 - 9.0)	5.7 (4.1 - 8.5)	5.5 (3.7 - 6.7)	6.6 (4.8 - 8.6)	8.4 (6.7 - 10.0)	7.0 (4.1 - 9.6)	6.3 (5.1 - 7.9)	7.7 (6.7 - 9.4)
Chemical Oxygen Demand (mg/kg)	10500 (8400 - 14000)	9460 (7100 - 13000)	12600 (9300 - 24000)	17000 (12000 - 20000)	21500 (18000 - 26000)	17600 (12000 - 23000)	14300 (12000 - 16000)	17300 (12000 - 30000)
Total Carbon (%w/w)	1.2 (0.8 - 1.6)	0.9 (0.7 - 1.2)	1.1 (0.8 - 2.2)	0.7 (0.6 - 0.8)	0.9 (0.6 - 1.0)	1.0 (0.6 - 1.9)	0.7 (0.5 - 0.8)	0.8 (0.5 - 1.3)
Ammonical Nitrogen (mg/kg)	4.56 (0.32 - 14.00)	4.85 (<0.05 - 19.00)	5.96 (0.80 - 12.00)	9.29 (0.89 - 22.00)	27.03 (8.10 - 70.00)	8.84 (0.11 - 18.00)	12.74 (4.50 - 24.00)	5.18 (0.37 - 22.00)
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen (mg/kg)	400 (220 - 460)	440 (300 - 650)	460 (290 - 560)	540 (400 - 700)	690 (570 - 810)	500 (390 - 700)	470 (250 - 550)	510 (460 - 650)
Total Phosphorus (mg/kg)	190 (110 - 230)	210 (170 - 240)	190 (120 - 240)	200 (160 - 250)	210 (170 - 250)	220 (180 - 240)	200 (130 - 260)	210 (180 - 250)
Total Sulphide (mg/kg)	37 (13 - 94)	20 (1 - 47)	110 (12 - 620)	200 (4 - 460)	390 (210 - 620)	220 (18 - 340)	140 (4 - 250)	80 (5 - 180)
Total Cyanide (mg/kg)	<0.1 (<0.1 - 0.1)	<0.1 (<0.1 - 0.1)	0.1 (<0.1 - 0.2)	0.2 (<0.1 - 0.2)	0.2 (<0.1 - 0.3)	0.2 (<0.1 - 0.2)	0.1 (<0.1 - 0.2)	0.2 (<0.1 - 0.3)
Arsenic (mg/kg)	5.3 (3.6 - 6.2)	6.0 (4.5 - 9.5)	5.7 (4.2 - 7.6)	7.4 (4.3 - 11.0)	7.7 (6.7 - 8.4)	7.7 (6.0 - 9.1)	7.4 (4.4 - 8.8)	8.1 (6.6 - 9.5)
Cadmium (mg/kg)	<0.1 (<0.1 - <0.1)	0.1 (<0.1 - 0.2)	0.1 (<0.1 - 0.4)	0.3 (0.2 - 0.4)	0.7 (0.4 - 0.9)	0.3 (<0.1 - 0.4)	0.2 (<0.1 - 0.3)	0.5 (0.2 - 0.9)
Chromium (mg/kg)	22 (14 - 30)	25 (17 - 49)	30 (24 - 39)	35 (19 - 51)	49 (38 - 61)	34 (24 - 45)	38 (30 - 45)	58 (43 - 67)
Copper (mg/kg)	25 (15 - 36)	19 (9 - 54)	52 (39 - 100)	88 (40 - 140)	140 (110 - 190)	77 (28 - 100)	61 (10 - 81)	140 (110 - 180)
Lead (mg/kg)	26 (15 - 35)	26 (18 - 38)	34 (25 - 61)	44 (29 - 59)	64 (55 - 72)	62 (29 - 100)	37 (25 - 42)	59 (37 - 99)
Mercury (mg/kg)	0.12 (0.08 - 0.21)	0.08 (<0.05 - 0.17)	0.21 (0.09 - 0.50)	0.28 (0.13 - 0.52)	0.45 (0.34 - 0.52)	0.68 (0.18 - 2.00)	0.23 (<0.05 - 0.86)	0.24 (0.09 - 0.75)
Nickel (mg/kg)	13 (9 - 18)	17 (12 - 31)	16 (13 - 21)	17 (10 - 24)	23 (18 - 28)	17 (13 - 23)	21 (17 - 24)	24 (17 - 28)
Silver (mg/kg)	0.4 (0.2 - 0.6)	0.2 (<0.2 - 0.4)	1.3 (0.6 - 4.2)	2.2 (1.1 - 3.6)	4.3 (2.4 - 7.9)	1.7 (0.3 - 3.0)	1.1 (<0.2 - 1.8)	3.0 (1.9 - 5.6)
Zinc (mg/kg)	66 (48 - 87)	68 (40 - 120)	110 (69 - 260)	140 (85 - 190)	260 (200 - 330)	150 (91 - 200)	120 (67 - 140)	190 (140 - 350)
Total Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs) (µg/kg) ⁽³⁾	18 (18 - 18)	18 (18 - 18)	18 (18 - 19)	18 (18 - 19)	20 (18 - 29)	20 (18 - 33)	18 (18 - 19)	19 (18 - 29)
Low Molecular Weight Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs) (µg/kg) ⁽⁴⁾	120 (90 - 210)	100 (90 - 150)	110 (90 - 160)	120 (93 - 180)	150 (100 - 240)	240 (110 - 700)	110 (93 - 170)	130 (94 - 250)
High Molecular Weight Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs) (µg/kg) ^{(5) (6)}	210 (48 - 840)	91 (31 - 300)	430 (110 - 1800)	530 (180 - 960)	770 (510 - 1100)	1300 (180 - 3000)	160 (31 - 240)	370 (100 - 810)

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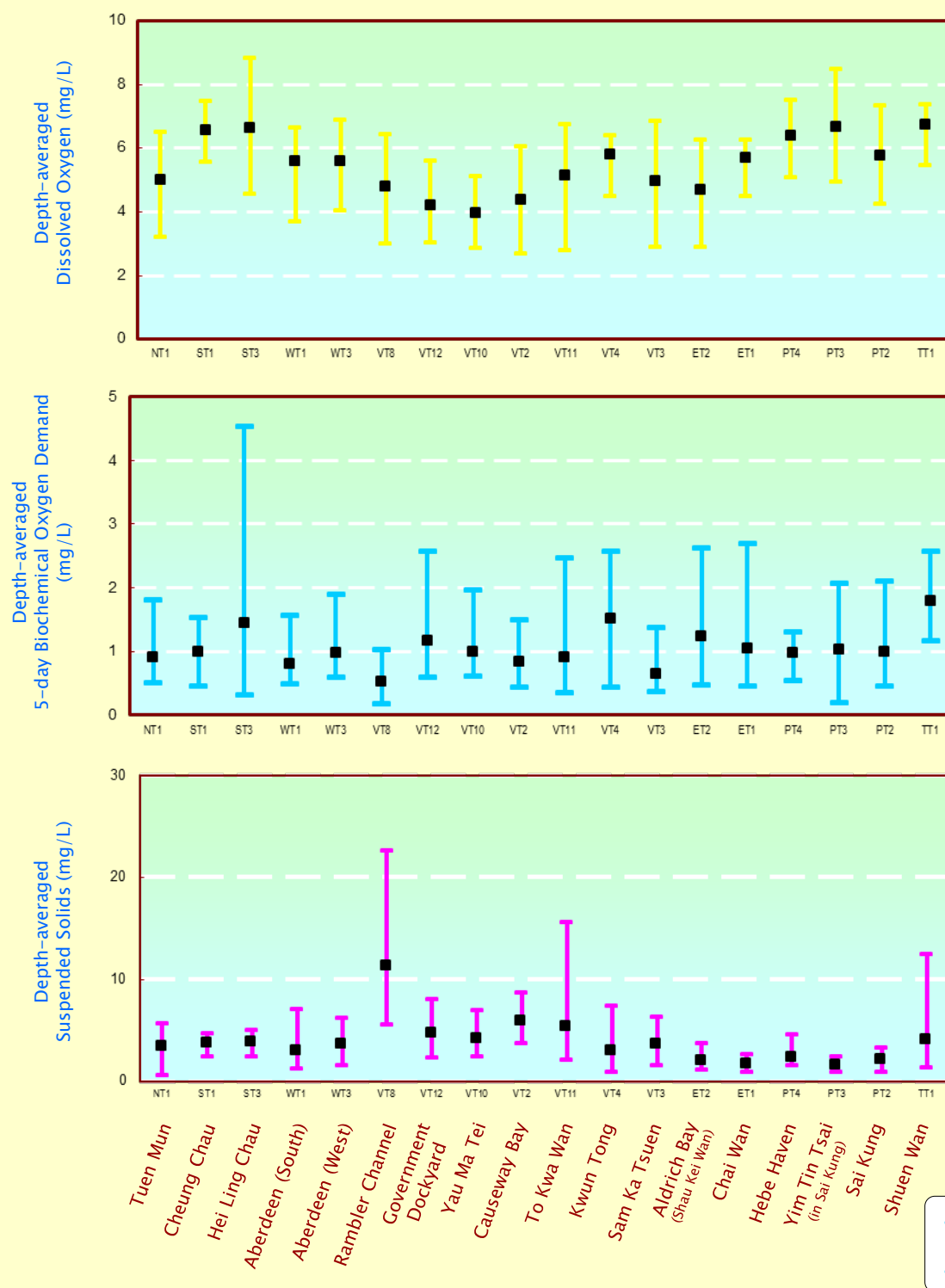
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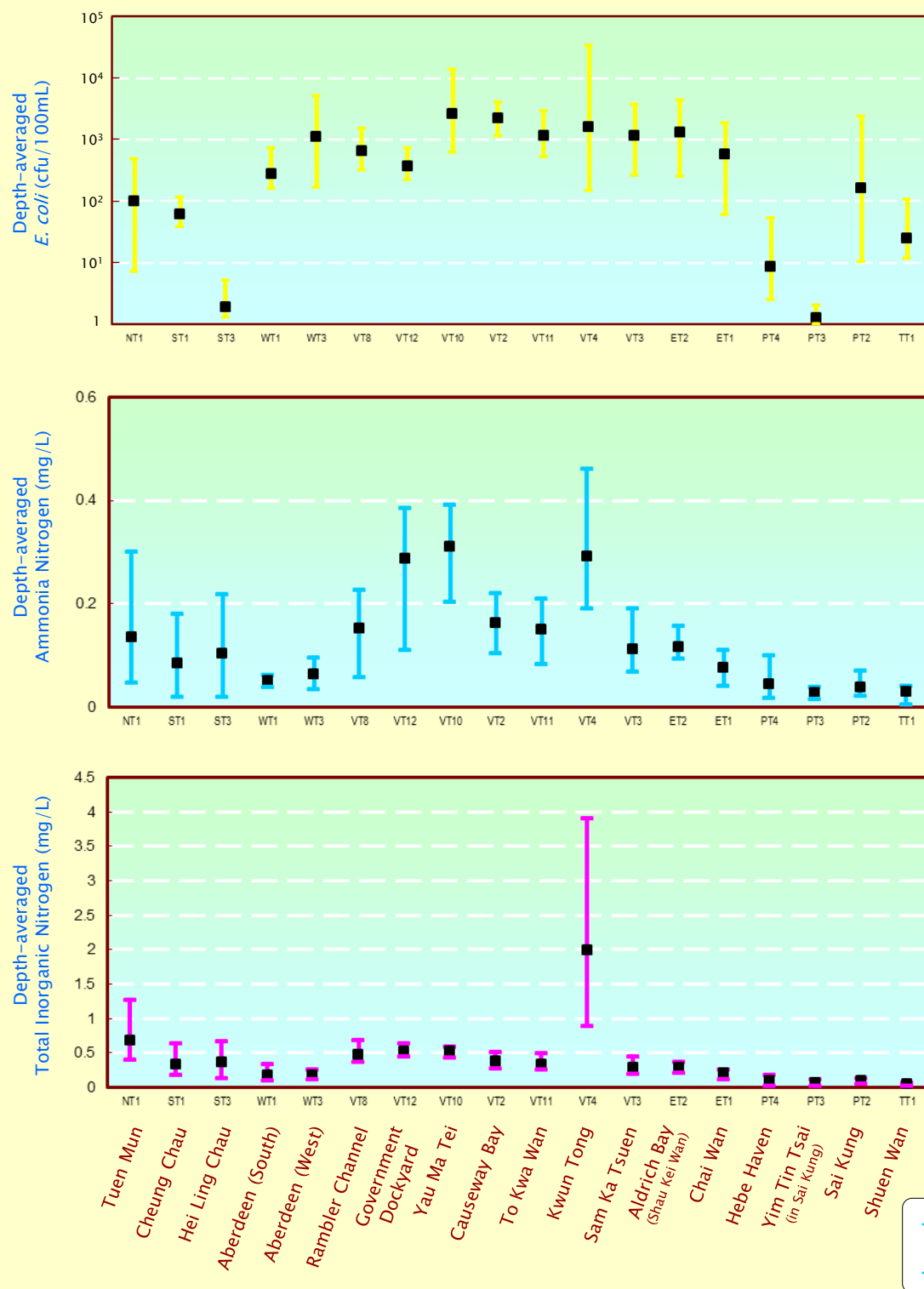
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Water quality of typhoon shelters in Hong Kong in 2014



Water quality of typhoon shelters in Hong Kong in 2014 (continued)



Results of the Seasonal Kendall Test for water quality trends in typhoon shelters, 1986 – 2014

Monitoring Station		NT1	ST1	ST3	WT3	WT1	VT8	VT10	VT2	VT11
Monitoring Period		1986 I 2014	1986 I 2014	2000 I 2014	1986 I 2014	1986 I 2014	1986 I 2014	1993 I 2014	1986 I 2014	1994 I 2014
Parameter	Water Depth									
Temperature (°C)	Surface	↗	↗	-	-	-	↗	↗	↗	-
	Middle	NA	-	-	-	-	↗	↗	↗	-
	Bottom	NA	↗	-	-	-	↗	-	↗	-
	Average	↗	↗	-	-	-	↗	-	↗	-
Salinity	Surface	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	NA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	NA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	Surface	↗	-	-	-	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Middle	NA	-	-	-	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Bottom	NA	-	-	-	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Average	↗	-	-	-	-	↗	↗	↗	↗
Dissolved Oxygen (%)	Surface	↗	-	-	-	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Middle	NA	↗	-	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Bottom	NA	↗	-	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Average	↗	-	-	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
pH	Surface	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	-	-	-
	Middle	NA	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	-	-	-
	Bottom	NA	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	-	-	-
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	-	-	-
Secchi disc depth (m)		-	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	-
Turbidity (NTU)	Surface	-	↘	↘	↘	↘	-	-	-	-
	Middle	NA	↘	↘	↘	↘	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	NA	↘	↘	↘	↘	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	↘	↘	↘	↘	-	-	-	-
Suspended Solids (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	-	↘	↘	↘	↘	-	↘
	Middle	NA	↘	-	↘	↘	↘	↘	-	↘
	Bottom	NA	-	↘	-	↘	↘	↘	-	↘
	Average	↘	-	-	-	↘	↘	↘	-	↘
Total volatile solids (mg/L)	Surface	↘	-	-	↘	↘	↘	↘	-	-
	Middle	NA	-	-	↘	↘	↘	↘	-	-
	Bottom	NA	↘	-	↘	↘	↘	↘	-	-
	Average	↘	-	-	↘	↘	↘	↘	-	-
5-day Biochemical Oxygen Demand	Surface	↘	-	-	-	-	↘	-	↘	-
	Middle	NA	-	-	-	-	↘	-	↘	-
	Bottom	NA	-	-	-	-	↘	-	↘	-
	Average	↘	-	-	-	-	↘	-	↘	-
Ammonia nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↘	-	-	-	-	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	NA	-	-	-	-	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	NA	-	-	-	-	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	-	-	-	-	↘	↘	↘	↘
Unionised Ammonia(mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	-	↘	↘
	Middle	NA	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	-	↘	↘
	Bottom	NA	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	-	↘	↘
Nitrite nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↗	↗	↗	-	-	↗	-	-	↗
	Middle	NA	-	↗	-	-	↗	↗	-	↗
	Bottom	NA	-	↗	-	-	↗	↗	-	↗
	Average	↗	-	↗	-	-	↗	↗	-	↗
Nitrate nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↗	↗	↗	-	-	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Middle	NA	↗	↗	-	-	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Bottom	NA	↗	↗	-	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗
	Average	↗	↗	↗	-	-	↗	↗	↗	↗
Total inorganic nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	↗	-	-	-	↘	↘	-
	Middle	NA	-	-	-	-	-	↘	↘	-
	Bottom	NA	-	-	-	-	-	↘	↘	-
	Average	↘	-	↗	-	-	-	↘	↘	-
Total Kjeldahl nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↘	-	-	-	-	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	NA	-	-	-	-	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	NA	-	-	-	-	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	-	-	-	-	↘	↘	↘	↘
Total nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	↗	-	-	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	NA	-	↗	-	-	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	NA	-	↗	-	-	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Average	-	-	↗	-	-	↘	↘	↘	↘
Orthophosphate phosphorus (mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	-	-	-	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	NA	↘	-	-	-	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	NA	-	-	-	-	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	-	-	-	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
Total phosphorus (mg/L)	Surface	↘	-	-	-	-	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	NA	-	-	-	-	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	NA	-	-	-	-	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	-	-	-	-	↘	↘	↘	↘
Silica (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	NA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	NA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chlorophyll- <i>a</i> (µg/L)	Surface	-	-	-	-	-	↗	-	-	-
	Middle	NA	-	-	-	-	-	↗	-	-
	Bottom	NA	-	-	-	-	-	↗	-	-
	Average	-	-	-	-	-	-	↗	-	-
E. coli (cfu/100mL)	Surface	↘	↘	-	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	NA	↘	-	-	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	NA	↘	-	-	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	↘	-	-	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
Faecal coliforms (cfu/100mL)	Surface	↘	-	-	-	↘	-	↘	↘	↘
	Middle	NA	-	↘	-	↘	-	↘	↘	↘
	Bottom	NA	-	↘	-	↘	-	↘	↘	↘
	Average	↘	-	-	-	↘	-	↘	↘	↘

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Results of the Seasonal Kendall Test for water quality trends in typhoon shelters, 1986 – 2014 (continued)

Monitoring Station		VT12	VT4	VT3	ET2	ET1	PT4	PT3	PT2	TT1
Monitoring Period		2000 I	1987 I	1986 I	1993 I	1986 I	1986 I	1986 I	1986 I	1986 I
		2014	2014	2014	2014	2014	2014	2014	2014	2014
Parameter	Water Depth									
Temperature (°C)	Surface	↗	-	↗	-	↗	-	-	-	↗
	Middle	-			-	↗	NA	-	NA	-
	Bottom	-	↗	↗	-	↗	↗	-	-	-
	Average	-		↗	-	↗	-	-	-	-
Salinity	Surface	↘	-	-	-	-	NA	-	NA	-
	Middle	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	Surface	-	↗	↗	↗	-	-	-	-	↘
	Middle	-	↗	↗	↗	↗	NA	↗	NA	-
	Bottom	-	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	-	-	-
	Average	-	↗	↗	↗	-	-	-	-	-
Dissolved Oxygen (%)	Surface	-	↗	↗	↗	-	NA	↗	-	↘
	Middle	-	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	NA	-
	Bottom	-	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	-	↗	-
	Average	-	↗	↗	↗	-	-	-	↗	-
pH	Surface	-	↗	↘	↘	↘	NA	↘	NA	↘
	Middle	-	↗	↘	↘	↘	NA	↘	NA	↘
	Bottom	-	↗	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
	Average	-	↗	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘
Secchi disc depth (m)		↘	↗	↗	↗	↗	↗	-	↘	↘
Turbidity (NTU)	Surface	↘	↘	-	-	-	NA	↘	NA	-
	Middle	-	↘	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Bottom	↘	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	↘	↘	-	-	-	-	-	↘	-
Suspended Solids (mg/L)	Surface	-	↘	↘	↘	-	NA	-	NA	↘
	Middle	-	↘	↘	↘	-	-	-	-	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	-	-	↘
	Average	-	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	-	-	↘
Total volatile solids (mg/L)	Surface	-	↘	↘	↘	-	NA	-	NA	↘
	Middle	-	↘	↘	↘	↘	NA	-	NA	↘
	Bottom	-	↘	↘	↘	↘	-	-	-	↘
	Average	-	↘	↘	↘	-	-	-	-	↘
5-day Biochemical Oxygen Demand	Surface	-	↘	↘	↘	-	NA	-	NA	↘
	Middle	-	↘	↘	↘	-	-	-	-	↘
	Bottom	-	↘	↘	↘	-	-	-	-	↘
	Average	↗	↘	↘	↘	-	↘	-	↘	↘
Ammonia nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	-	↘	↘	↘	-	NA	-	NA	↘
	Middle	-	↘	↘	↘	-	-	-	-	↘
	Bottom	-	↘	↘	↘	-	-	-	-	↘
	Average	-	↘	↘	↘	-	-	-	-	↘
Unionised Ammonia(mg/L)	Surface	↘	↘	↘	↘	-	↘	-	↘	↘
	Middle	↘	↘	↘	↘	-	NA	-	NA	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	-	-	-	↘
	Average	-	↘	↘	↘	-	-	-	↘	↘
Nitrite nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	↗	↗	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	-	↗	-	-	-	NA	-	NA	-
	Bottom	-	↗	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	↗	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nitrate nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	-	↗	↗	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle	↗	↗	↗	-	↗	NA	↗	NA	-
	Bottom	-	↗	↗	-	↗	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	↗	↗	-	↗	-	-	-	-
Total inorganic nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	-	-	↘	↘	-	NA	↗	NA	↘
	Middle	-	↘	↘	↘	-	-	-	-	↘
	Bottom	-	↘	↘	↘	-	-	-	-	↘
	Average	-	↘	↘	↘	-	-	-	-	↘
Total Kjeldahl nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	-	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↗	NA	↘
	Middle	-	↘	↘	↘	↘	NA	↗	NA	↘
	Bottom	-	↘	↘	↘	-	-	↗	-	↘
	Average	-	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	↗	-	↘
Total nitrogen (mg/L)	Surface	-	↘	↘	↘	-	NA	↗	NA	↘
	Middle	-	↘	↘	↘	-	-	↗	-	↘
	Bottom	-	↘	↘	↘	-	-	↗	-	↘
	Average	-	↘	↘	↘	-	↘	↗	-	↘
Orthophosphate phosphorus (mg/L)	Surface	-	↘	↘	↘	↘	NA	-	NA	↘
	Middle	-	↘	↘	↘	↘	-	-	-	↘
	Bottom	-	↘	↘	↘	↘	-	-	-	↘
	Average	-	↘	↘	↘	↘	-	-	-	↘
Total phosphorus (mg/L)	Surface	-	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	-	-	↘
	Middle	-	↘	↘	↘	↘	NA	-	NA	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘	↘	-	-	-	↘
	Average	-	↘	↘	↘	↘	-	-	-	↘
Silica (mg/L)	Surface	-	↘	-	↘	-	↗	-	NA	-
	Middle	-	↘	-	↘	-	NA	-	NA	-
	Bottom	-	↘	-	↘	-	-	-	-	-
	Average	-	↘	-	↘	-	-	-	-	-
Chlorophyll- <i>a</i> (µg/L)	Surface	-	↗	↗	-	-	NA	-	NA	↘
	Middle	-	↗	↗	-	-	-	-	-	↘
	Bottom	↗	↗	↗	-	-	-	-	-	↘
	Average	-	↗	↗	-	-	-	-	-	↘
E. coli (cfu/100mL)	Surface	-	↘	↘	↘	-	↘	-	↘	↘
	Middle	-	↘	↘	↘	-	NA	-	NA	↘
	Bottom	-	↘	↘	↘	-	-	-	-	↘
	Average	-	↘	↘	↘	-	↘	-	↘	↘
Faecal coliforms (cfu/100mL)	Surface	-	↘	↘	↘	-	NA	-	NA	↘
	Middle	-	↘	↘	↘	-	-	-	-	↘
	Bottom	↘	↘	↘	↘	-	-	-	-	↘
	Average	-	↘	↘	↘	-	↘	-	↘	↘

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Summary of water quality statistics for typhoon shelters in 2014

Parameter	Tuen Mun NT1	Cheung Chau ST1	Hei Ling Chau ST3	Aberdeen (South) WT1	Aberdeen (West) WT3	Rambler Channel VT8
Number of samples	6	6	6	6	6	6
Temperature (°C)	24.2 (17.3 - 30.3)	24.3 (17.4 - 29.6)	24.1 (17.3 - 29.2)	22.9 (16.3 - 28.4)	23.1 (16.4 - 28.5)	23.8 (17.4 - 29.0)
Salinity	26.7 (13.4 - 31.5)	30.0 (24.6 - 33.0)	30.0 (25.7 - 32.8)	32.2 (28.7 - 33.5)	32.1 (27.9 - 33.4)	30.3 (24.4 - 32.7)
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	5.0 (3.2 - 6.5)	6.5 (5.6 - 7.5)	6.6 (4.6 - 8.8)	5.6 (3.7 - 6.6)	5.6 (4.0 - 6.9)	4.8 (3.0 - 6.4)
Bottom	N.M.	6.6 (5.0 - 7.6)	6.7 (4.4 - 9.0)	5.9 (3.9 - 7.7)	5.9 (4.6 - 7.4)	5.1 (3.5 - 6.7)
Dissolved Oxygen (% Saturation)	68 (48 - 82)	93 (82 - 112)	93 (70 - 129)	77 (57 - 86)	77 (63 - 86)	66 (46 - 82)
Bottom	N.M.	92 (78 - 103)	94 (68 - 131)	81 (57 - 98)	82 (68 - 92)	71 (53 - 85)
pH	7.8 (7.5 - 8.0)	8.0 (7.6 - 8.2)	8.0 (7.6 - 8.3)	7.9 (7.6 - 8.2)	7.9 (7.7 - 8.1)	7.8 (7.4 - 8.0)
Secchi Disc Depth (m)	1.8 (1.5 - 2.0)	1.8 (1.0 - 2.3)	2.2 (1.4 - 2.8)	2.9 (1.8 - 4.5)	3.0 (2.0 - 4.0)	1.8 (1.2 - 2.5)
Turbidity (NTU)	3.3 (2.3 - 4.5)	3.2 (1.9 - 5.0)	3.1 (2.5 - 3.8)	2.5 (0.8 - 4.1)	2.5 (1.5 - 3.8)	7.9 (3.6 - 20.6)
Suspended Solids (mg/L)	3.3 (0.6 - 5.6)	3.7 (2.4 - 4.7)	3.8 (2.3 - 5.0)	2.9 (1.2 - 7.0)	3.5 (1.6 - 6.1)	11.2 (5.5 - 22.6)
5-day Biochemical Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	0.9 (0.5 - 1.8)	1.0 (0.5 - 1.5)	1.4 (0.3 - 4.5)	0.8 (0.5 - 1.6)	1.0 (0.6 - 1.9)	0.5 (0.2 - 1.0)
Ammonia Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.136 (0.046 - 0.300)	0.084 (0.018 - 0.180)	0.103 (0.019 - 0.217)	0.051 (0.038 - 0.061)	0.063 (0.035 - 0.096)	0.152 (0.057 - 0.225)
Unionised Ammonia (mg/L)	0.004 (0.001 - 0.007)	0.003 (0.002 - 0.009)	0.004 (0.001 - 0.011)	0.002 (<0.001 - 0.002)	0.002 (0.001 - 0.003)	0.004 (<0.001 - 0.007)
Nitrite Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.079 (0.028 - 0.130)	0.034 (0.014 - 0.049)	0.038 (0.020 - 0.071)	0.019 (0.003 - 0.038)	0.017 (0.004 - 0.030)	0.063 (0.020 - 0.140)
Nitrate Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.462 (0.200 - 1.100)	0.211 (0.084 - 0.413)	0.215 (0.064 - 0.397)	0.098 (0.039 - 0.240)	0.084 (0.028 - 0.193)	0.251 (0.150 - 0.513)
Total Inorganic Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.68 (0.39 - 1.26)	0.33 (0.18 - 0.63)	0.36 (0.12 - 0.66)	0.17 (0.10 - 0.33)	0.16 (0.11 - 0.26)	0.47 (0.36 - 0.68)
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.32 (0.19 - 0.46)	0.25 (0.14 - 0.41)	0.29 (0.21 - 0.39)	0.19 (0.10 - 0.27)	0.23 (0.14 - 0.29)	0.31 (0.22 - 0.44)
Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.86 (0.64 - 1.48)	0.50 (0.24 - 0.87)	0.54 (0.31 - 0.84)	0.30 (0.20 - 0.55)	0.33 (0.25 - 0.52)	0.63 (0.48 - 0.82)
Orthophosphate Phosphorus (mg/L)	0.030 (0.021 - 0.033)	0.015 (0.006 - 0.024)	0.018 (0.005 - 0.029)	0.011 (0.003 - 0.016)	0.013 (0.003 - 0.020)	0.029 (0.020 - 0.036)
Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	0.05 (0.04 - 0.06)	0.03 (0.03 - 0.05)	0.04 (0.03 - 0.05)	0.03 (<0.02 - 0.04)	0.03 (0.02 - 0.03)	0.05 (0.05 - 0.08)
Silica (as SiO ₂) (mg/L)	2.58 (1.20 - 5.80)	1.17 (0.28 - 1.93)	1.23 (0.06 - 2.33)	0.85 (0.29 - 1.50)	0.78 (0.36 - 1.37)	1.69 (0.87 - 2.80)
Chlorophyll-a (µg/L)	2.3 (<0.2 - 5.7)	7.3 (0.7 - 21.0)	11.1 (0.7 - 31.3)	3.2 (0.4 - 14.3)	3.8 (0.4 - 17.3)	1.7 (0.3 - 5.3)
<i>E.coli</i> (count/100mL)	99 (7 - 470)	60 (37 - 110)	2 (1 - 5)	280 (150 - 710)	1100 (160 - 4900)	650 (320 - 1500)
Faecal Coliforms (count/100mL)	520 (40 - 2200)	180 (110 - 260)	5 (1 - 16)	520 (240 - 1600)	2300 (440 - 12000)	1600 (480 - 3400)

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4. N.M. – not measured.

Summary of water quality statistics for typhoon shelters in 2014

Parameter	Government Dockyard VT12	Yau Ma Tei VT10	Causeway Bay VT2	To Kwa Wan VT11	Kwun Tong VT4	Sam Ka Tsuen VT3
Number of samples	6	6	6	6	6	6
Temperature (°C)	23.8 (17.3 - 29.1)	23.7 (17.3 - 28.8)	23.4 (17.0 - 28.5)	23.3 (16.8 - 28.5)	23.6 (17.1 - 29.0)	23.1 (16.7 - 28.5)
Salinity	30.7 (24.9 - 32.7)	31.0 (25.3 - 33.0)	31.3 (26.6 - 33.0)	31.7 (27.6 - 33.3)	29.7 (26.8 - 32.0)	32.1 (29.3 - 33.2)
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	4.2 (3.0 - 5.6)	3.9 (2.9 - 5.1)	4.4 (2.7 - 6.1)	5.1 (2.8 - 6.8)	5.8 (4.5 - 6.4)	4.9 (2.9 - 6.8)
Bottom	4.3 (2.9 - 5.5)	4.0 (2.7 - 5.7)	4.5 (2.8 - 6.7)	5.1 (3.0 - 7.2)	5.4 (2.8 - 7.0)	5.1 (3.0 - 7.0)
Dissolved Oxygen (% Saturation)	59 (47 - 84)	55 (43 - 66)	60 (41 - 76)	71 (43 - 85)	81 (64 - 97)	68 (44 - 86)
Bottom	60 (44 - 70)	55 (42 - 72)	62 (43 - 85)	70 (46 - 91)	76 (42 - 107)	70 (45 - 89)
pH	7.7 (7.3 - 8.1)	7.7 (7.3 - 8.1)	7.8 (7.4 - 8.0)	7.8 (7.4 - 8.1)	7.8 (7.5 - 8.0)	7.9 (7.4 - 8.0)
Secchi Disc Depth (m)	2.0 (1.2 - 2.5)	2.0 (1.3 - 2.5)	1.8 (1.3 - 2.0)	2.1 (1.6 - 2.5)	1.8 (0.4 - 2.5)	2.3 (1.4 - 3.0)
Turbidity (NTU)	3.3 (2.3 - 6.3)	2.9 (2.1 - 4.3)	3.9 (2.6 - 5.5)	3.5 (1.8 - 8.1)	1.9 (0.8 - 3.9)	2.4 (1.5 - 3.6)
Suspended Solids (mg/L)	4.7 (2.3 - 8.1)	4.1 (2.4 - 7.0)	5.8 (3.7 - 8.7)	5.3 (2.0 - 15.5)	3.0 (0.9 - 7.3)	3.5 (1.5 - 6.3)
5-day Biochemical Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	1.2 (0.6 - 2.6)	1.0 (0.6 - 2.0)	0.8 (0.4 - 1.5)	0.9 (0.4 - 2.5)	1.5 (0.4 - 2.6)	0.7 (0.4 - 1.4)
Ammonia Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.288 (0.110 - 0.385)	0.310 (0.203 - 0.390)	0.162 (0.103 - 0.220)	0.151 (0.082 - 0.210)	0.291 (0.190 - 0.460)	0.111 (0.069 - 0.190)
Unionised Ammonia (mg/L)	0.006 (0.003 - 0.009)	0.007 (0.003 - 0.014)	0.004 (0.002 - 0.006)	0.004 (0.002 - 0.007)	0.007 (0.002 - 0.011)	0.003 (0.001 - 0.006)
Nitrite Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.038 (0.018 - 0.053)	0.040 (0.014 - 0.074)	0.035 (0.012 - 0.069)	0.030 (0.008 - 0.065)	0.095 (0.051 - 0.163)	0.029 (0.017 - 0.052)
Nitrate Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.188 (0.140 - 0.300)	0.176 (0.115 - 0.297)	0.173 (0.115 - 0.297)	0.157 (0.110 - 0.250)	1.610 (0.530 - 3.330)	0.144 (0.085 - 0.257)
Total Inorganic Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.51 (0.44 - 0.62)	0.53 (0.42 - 0.59)	0.37 (0.26 - 0.50)	0.34 (0.25 - 0.48)	2.00 (0.89 - 3.90)	0.29 (0.18 - 0.44)
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.52 (0.32 - 0.63)	0.54 (0.40 - 0.74)	0.36 (0.28 - 0.47)	0.34 (0.27 - 0.38)	0.63 (0.52 - 0.90)	0.28 (0.22 - 0.35)
Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.74 (0.61 - 0.86)	0.75 (0.57 - 0.92)	0.56 (0.45 - 0.65)	0.53 (0.45 - 0.65)	2.33 (1.21 - 4.34)	0.45 (0.38 - 0.59)
Orthophosphate Phosphorus (mg/L)	0.043 (0.013 - 0.059)	0.039 (0.023 - 0.050)	0.030 (0.012 - 0.046)	0.028 (0.013 - 0.044)	0.356 (0.183 - 0.703)	0.025 (0.012 - 0.047)
Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	0.07 (0.03 - 0.10)	0.07 (0.05 - 0.08)	0.05 (0.03 - 0.07)	0.05 (0.03 - 0.07)	0.43 (0.24 - 0.87)	0.04 (0.04 - 0.07)
Silica (as SiO ₂) (mg/L)	1.24 (0.30 - 2.20)	1.19 (0.53 - 2.30)	1.23 (0.65 - 2.20)	1.07 (0.45 - 2.23)	2.36 (1.30 - 4.17)	1.11 (0.51 - 2.10)
Chlorophyll-a (µg/L)	5.4 (0.8 - 12.7)	3.0 (0.3 - 8.0)	2.1 (0.6 - 5.7)	2.8 (0.4 - 10.8)	9.3 (1.1 - 20.3)	2.0 (0.4 - 6.3)
<i>E. coli</i> (count/100mL)	360 (220 - 690)	2600 (600 - 14000)	2300 (1100 - 3900)	1100 (510 - 2900)	1600 (150 - 33000)	1200 (250 - 3700)
Faecal Coliforms (count/100mL)	990 (420 - 4600)	6200 (810 - 42000)	5600 (2300 - 12000)	2000 (830 - 4700)	3900 (260 - 83000)	2700 (780 - 6300)

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Parameter	Aldrich Bay (Shau Kei Wan) ET2	Chai Wan ET1	Hebe Haven PT4	Yim Tin Tsai PT3	Sai Kung PT2	Shuen Wan TT1
Number of samples	6	6	6	6	6	6
Temperature (°C)	22.8 (17.3 - 27.1)	23.1 (17.4 - 28.5)	23.7 (16.4 - 30.8)	23.8 (16.2 - 30.8)	24.0 (16.3 - 30.4)	24.2 (16.1 - 30.1)
Salinity	31.6 (29.4 - 33.3)	31.7 (29.5 - 33.2)	30.8 (26.6 - 33.0)	31.2 (28.3 - 33.3)	30.5 (24.5 - 33.1)	30.7 (27.4 - 32.6)
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	4.7 (2.9 - 6.3)	5.7 (4.5 - 6.3)	6.4 (5.1 - 7.5)	6.6 (4.9 - 8.5)	5.8 (4.2 - 7.3)	6.7 (5.5 - 7.4)
Bottom	4.5 (1.6 - 7.0)	5.7 (4.7 - 7.0)	6.7 (4.8 - 7.9)	6.7 (4.9 - 9.0)	7.6 (7.6 - 7.6)	6.6 (1.9 - 8.8)
Dissolved Oxygen (% Saturation)	64 (44 - 80)	79 (68 - 91)	89 (78 - 107)	92 (78 - 106)	80 (67 - 91)	96 (78 - 115)
Bottom	61 (23 - 89)	79 (69 - 89)	93 (74 - 108)	92 (73 - 111)	95 (95 - 95)	93 (26 - 116)
pH	7.8 (7.5 - 8.0)	7.9 (7.7 - 8.1)	8.0 (7.8 - 8.1)	8.1 (7.8 - 8.3)	8.0 (7.7 - 8.2)	8.0 (7.7 - 8.3)
Secchi Disc Depth (m)	3.2 (1.0 - 5.0)	2.8 (1.2 - 4.0)	2.2 (1.3 - 3.0)	2.6 (1.5 - 3.0)	2.2 (1.5 - 2.7)	2.3 (1.5 - 3.0)
Turbidity (NTU)	1.7 (0.9 - 2.9)	1.5 (0.5 - 2.4)	1.6 (0.8 - 2.6)	1.3 (0.4 - 2.2)	2.7 (1.1 - 6.6)	1.9 (1.1 - 3.8)
Suspended Solids (mg/L)	2.0 (1.1 - 3.7)	1.7 (0.8 - 2.6)	2.3 (1.5 - 4.5)	1.5 (0.9 - 2.3)	2.1 (0.9 - 3.2)	4.0 (1.3 - 12.4)
5-day Biochemical Oxygen Demand (mg/L)	1.2 (0.5 - 2.6)	1.0 (0.5 - 2.7)	1.0 (0.5 - 1.3)	1.0 (0.2 - 2.1)	1.0 (0.5 - 2.1)	1.8 (1.2 - 2.6)
Ammonia Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.116 (0.094 - 0.157)	0.077 (0.040 - 0.110)	0.044 (0.017 - 0.100)	0.027 (0.014 - 0.038)	0.038 (0.022 - 0.070)	0.030 (<0.005 - 0.041)
Unionised Ammonia (mg/L)	0.003 (0.001 - 0.005)	0.003 (0.001 - 0.005)	0.002 (<0.001 - 0.004)	0.001 (<0.001 - 0.003)	0.002 (<0.001 - 0.004)	0.001 (<0.001 - 0.002)
Nitrite Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.021 (0.011 - 0.037)	0.016 (0.007 - 0.022)	0.005 (<0.002 - 0.008)	0.003 (<0.002 - 0.005)	0.004 (<0.002 - 0.006)	0.003 (<0.002 - 0.006)
Nitrate Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.140 (0.102 - 0.220)	0.112 (0.056 - 0.150)	0.051 (<0.002 - 0.108)	0.030 (<0.002 - 0.084)	0.044 (0.012 - 0.090)	0.012 (0.007 - 0.020)
Total Inorganic Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.28 (0.21 - 0.35)	0.21 (0.11 - 0.26)	0.10 (0.02 - 0.18)	0.06 (0.02 - 0.11)	0.09 (0.04 - 0.12)	0.04 (0.01 - 0.06)
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.28 (0.17 - 0.32)	0.24 (0.14 - 0.29)	0.24 (0.14 - 0.38)	0.20 (0.12 - 0.23)	0.18 (<0.05 - 0.25)	0.29 (0.18 - 0.38)
Total Nitrogen (mg/L)	0.44 (0.33 - 0.58)	0.36 (0.30 - 0.41)	0.30 (0.17 - 0.43)	0.23 (0.15 - 0.31)	0.23 (0.10 - 0.33)	0.30 (0.19 - 0.40)
Orthophosphate Phosphorus (mg/L)	0.023 (0.017 - 0.032)	0.015 (0.007 - 0.028)	0.007 (<0.002 - 0.013)	0.006 (0.002 - 0.010)	0.007 (0.002 - 0.012)	0.005 (0.003 - 0.008)
Total Phosphorus (mg/L)	0.04 (0.04 - 0.05)	0.03 (0.02 - 0.04)	0.02 (<0.02 - 0.03)	0.02 (<0.02 - 0.02)	0.02 (<0.02 - 0.03)	0.03 (0.02 - 0.03)
Silica (as SiO ₂) (mg/L)	0.87 (0.54 - 1.35)	0.76 (0.18 - 1.46)	1.16 (0.71 - 2.70)	0.86 (0.51 - 1.67)	0.97 (0.60 - 1.50)	0.79 (0.07 - 1.95)
Chlorophyll-a (µg/L)	2.6 (0.2 - 10.9)	3.9 (0.7 - 12.7)	3.7 (0.3 - 7.8)	3.2 (0.4 - 7.7)	3.1 (<0.2 - 13.0)	8.1 (3.8 - 16.0)
<i>E. coli</i> (count/100mL)	1300 (240 - 4200)	590 (58 - 1800)	9 (2 - 52)	1 (<1 - 2)	160 (10 - 2300)	25 (12 - 100)
Faecal Coliforms (count/100mL)	3000 (460 - 14000)	1200 (99 - 4400)	40 (7 - 250)	3 (<1 - 15)	610 (74 - 4100)	71 (19 - 200)

Note : 1. Unless otherwise specified, data presented are depth-averaged (A) values calculated by taking the means of three depths: Surface (S), Mid-depth (M), Bottom (B).

2. Data presented are annual arithmetic means of the depth-averaged results except for *E. coli* and faecal coliforms which are annual geometric means.

3. Data in brackets indicate the ranges.

Summary statistics of bottom sediment quality of typhoon shelters, 2010- 2014

Parameter	Tuen Mun NS5	Cheung Chau SS7	Hei Ling Chau SS8	Rambler Channel VS17	Government Dockyard VS21	Yau Ma Tei VS19	Causeway Bay VS12
Number of samples	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Particle Size Fractionation <63µm (%w/w)	74 (53 - 92)	91 (78 - 98)	97 (92 - 99)	82 (66 - 99)	88 (57 - 99)	79 (55 - 92)	84 (66 - 99)
Electrochemical Potential (mV)	-250 (-366 - -92)	-254 (-465 - -74)	-232 (-403 - -79)	-259 (-376 - -144)	-297 (-396 - -162)	-324 (-405 - -106)	-288 (-389 - -193)
Total Solids (%w/w)	44 (36 - 53)	36 (28 - 46)	36 (32 - 40)	41 (37 - 47)	36 (30 - 44)	52 (47 - 59)	47 (36 - 68)
Total Volatile Solids (%w/w)	7.1 (5.5 - 9.2)	7.5 (6.2 - 11.0)	7.7 (6.4 - 8.6)	7.8 (6.7 - 9.0)	7.3 (6.2 - 9.2)	6.6 (5.2 - 7.6)	7.2 (3.8 - 9.4)
Chemical Oxygen Demand (mg/kg)	18200 (13000 - 27000)	14700 (13000 - 17000)	11450 (8900 - 14000)	20100 (16000 - 24000)	15100 (13000 - 20000)	13800 (12000 - 17000)	19200 (10000 - 26000)
Total Carbon (%w/w)	0.7 (0.5 - 0.9)	0.6 (0.5 - 0.8)	0.5 (0.4 - 0.6)	1.0 (0.7 - 1.3)	0.5 (0.4 - 0.6)	1.0 (0.8 - 1.4)	0.9 (0.6 - 1.1)
Ammonical Nitrogen (mg/kg)	10.1 (2.2 - 27.0)	9.0 (1.3 - 23.0)	8.2 (1.0 - 18.0)	6.7 (1.1 - 13.0)	9.6 (2.7 - 22.0)	20.1 (4.1 - 32.0)	12.8 (1.9 - 30.0)
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen (mg/kg)	460 (270 - 580)	510 (440 - 680)	540 (390 - 650)	550 (400 - 710)	430 (350 - 520)	460 (350 - 590)	550 (300 - 750)
Total Phosphorus (mg/kg)	220 (150 - 290)	220 (170 - 420)	190 (150 - 230)	220 (170 - 260)	180 (170 - 190)	220 (170 - 280)	210 (130 - 310)
Total Sulphide (mg/kg)	120 (13 - 340)	87 (0 - 330)	72 (9 - 390)	290 (76 - 540)	130 (20 - 350)	130 (3 - 190)	180 (41 - 410)
Total Cyanide (mg/kg)	0.2 (<0.1 - 0.3)	0.2 (0.1 - 0.2)	0.1 (<0.1 - 0.2)	0.3 (<0.1 - 0.5)	0.1 (<0.1 - 0.2)	0.1 (<0.1 - 0.2)	0.2 (<0.1 - 0.2)
Arsenic (mg/kg)	8.9 (7.2 - 10.0)	7.1 (5.9 - 9.3)	6.7 (5.7 - 7.6)	9.0 (7.9 - 10.0)	7.7 (4.7 - 8.5)	4.9 (4.2 - 5.5)	7.0 (3.8 - 9.0)
Cadmium (mg/kg)	0.3 (0.2 - 0.6)	0.1 (<0.1 - 0.2)	0.1 (<0.1 - 0.1)	0.8 (0.5 - 1.8)	0.3 (0.3 - 0.5)	0.3 (0.1 - 0.5)	0.5 (0.1 - 0.9)
Chromium (mg/kg)	34 (28 - 42)	41 (31 - 48)	37 (33 - 43)	140 (69 - 330)	42 (28 - 47)	31 (22 - 36)	44 (17 - 66)
Copper (mg/kg)	52 (31 - 67)	82 (56 - 110)	34 (30 - 37)	240 (150 - 730)	150 (89 - 190)	59 (35 - 94)	130 (37 - 230)
Lead (mg/kg)	49 (27 - 69)	46 (33 - 58)	46 (40 - 50)	74 (54 - 92)	47 (33 - 55)	41 (24 - 82)	64 (27 - 120)
Mercury (mg/kg)	0.10 (0.07 - 0.17)	0.14 (0.10 - 0.22)	0.12 (0.09 - 0.13)	0.23 (0.16 - 0.33)	0.21 (0.17 - 0.24)	0.16 (<0.05 - 0.21)	0.56 (0.19 - 0.84)
Nickel (mg/kg)	19 (14 - 23)	20 (16 - 24)	23 (20 - 25)	50 (26 - 160)	22 (19 - 25)	19 (15 - 22)	19 (7 - 25)
Silver (mg/kg)	1.7 (0.9 - 3.2)	0.3 (<0.2 - 0.4)	0.4 (0.2 - 0.5)	4.5 (2.8 - 12.0)	1.5 (1.1 - 1.8)	1.0 (0.5 - 1.6)	2.9 (0.4 - 7.4)
Zinc (mg/kg)	170 (110 - 260)	140 (110 - 170)	120 (100 - 130)	290 (210 - 400)	210 (110 - 250)	140 (98 - 200)	200 (71 - 310)
Total Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs) (µg/kg) ⁽³⁾	18 (18 - 18)	18 (18 - 21)	18 (18 - 18)	38 (22 - 76)	20 (18 - 29)	18 (18 - 20)	37 (18 - 80)
Low Molecular Weight Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs) (µg/kg) ^{(4) (6)}	120 (90 - 310)	110 (90 - 190)	110 (90 - 190)	200 (110 - 510)	130 (98 - 280)	110 (90 - 170)	160 (94 - 290)
High Molecular Weight Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs) (µg/kg) ^{(5) (6)}	260 (76 - 970)	170 (100 - 460)	87 (63 - 110)	2000 (320 - 5400)	260 (110 - 490)	310 (120 - 930)	630 (250 - 920)

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3 Total PCBs results are derived from the summation of 18 congeners. If the concentration of a congener is below report limit (RL), the result will be taken as 0.5xRL in the calculation.

4 Low molecular weight polyaromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) include 6 congeners of molecular weight below 200, namely : Acenaphthene, Acenaphthylene, Anthracene, Fluorene, Naphthalene and Phenanthrene.

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6 Low and high molecular weight PAHs results are derived from the summation of the corresponding congeners. If the concentration of a congener is below report limit (RL), the result will be taken as 0.5xRL in the calculation.

Summary statistics of bottom sediment quality of typhoon shelters, 2010- 2014 (continued)

Parameter	To Kwa Wan VS20	Kwun Tong VS14	Sam Ka Tsuen VS13	Aldrich Bay (Shau Kei Wan) ES5	Chai Wan ES3	Hebe Haven PS4	Yim Tin Tsai PS2	Shuen Wan TS7
Number of samples	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Particle Size Fractionation <63µm (%w/w)	80 (58 - 99)	83 (69 - 92)	81 (60 - 88)	89 (81 - 98)	89 (83 - 96)	88 (75 - 97)	80 (67 - 92)	69 (45 - 100)
Electrochemical Potential (mV)	-313 (-398 - -65)	-329 (-394 - -223)	-283 (-404 - -84)	-354 (-400 - -289)	-283 (-389 - -136)	-238 (-396 - -21)	-214 (-398 - -30)	-296 (-392 - -201)
Total Solids (%w/w)	43 (36 - 48)	34 (28 - 40)	38 (36 - 42)	31 (25 - 37)	39 (35 - 44)	41 (36 - 46)	46 (42 - 50)	40 (28 - 52)
Total Volatile Solids (%w/w)	9.5 (6.0 - 16.0)	10.4 (8.4 - 12.0)	9.6 (8.6 - 11.0)	8.9 (7.8 - 10.0)	7.9 (6.7 - 8.7)	9.2 (8.2 - 10.0)	9.7 (8.8 - 11.0)	7.7 (5.5 - 11.0)
Chemical Oxygen Demand (mg/kg)	27200 (19000 - 41000)	23500 (16000 - 32000)	23300 (17000 - 28000)	18800 (14000 - 22000)	21400 (16000 - 30000)	22000 (19000 - 24000)	16200 (12000 - 19000)	21400 (19000 - 25000)
Total Carbon (%w/w)	1.4 (0.8 - 2.8)	1.0 (0.8 - 1.8)	1.0 (0.7 - 1.3)	0.7 (0.5 - 0.9)	0.9 (0.8 - 1.0)	1.0 (0.7 - 1.2)	1.7 (1.3 - 2.1)	0.8 (0.6 - 1.0)
Ammonical Nitrogen (mg/kg)	13.4 (2.0 - 34.0)	25.5 (9.9 - 43.0)	9.1 (1.4 - 18.0)	29.3 (16.0 - 37.0)	3.8 (0.3 - 9.9)	6.1 (0.3 - 22.0)	8.4 (6.4 - 11.0)	7.9 (3.6 - 15.0)
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen (mg/kg)	630 (480 - 760)	690 (500 - 1200)	620 (380 - 760)	580 (470 - 610)	560 (450 - 660)	710 (620 - 970)	620 (170 - 950)	610 (490 - 780)
Total Phosphorus (mg/kg)	240 (190 - 340)	240 (200 - 420)	320 (170 - 670)	190 (160 - 230)	220 (180 - 250)	200 (170 - 250)	180 (91 - 260)	240 (170 - 360)
Total Sulphide (mg/kg)	180 (44 - 350)	480 (0 - 860)	400 (120 - 970)	610 (380 - 730)	180 (20 - 340)	61 (7 - 140)	33 (3 - 83)	150 (50 - 340)
Total Cyanide (mg/kg)	0.2 (<0.1 - 0.3)	0.3 (0.1 - 0.5)	0.2 (<0.1 - 0.4)	0.2 (<0.1 - 0.2)	0.2 (<0.1 - 0.3)	0.2 (0.1 - 0.3)	0.1 (<0.1 - 0.2)	0.3 (<0.1 - 0.5)
Arsenic (mg/kg)	8.8 (7.2 - 14.0)	7.1 (5.7 - 8.8)	8.0 (6.7 - 10.0)	7.8 (6.7 - 9.0)	9.5 (7.9 - 10.0)	8.2 (6.4 - 10.0)	4.4 (3.5 - 5.7)	8.9 (6.7 - 11.0)
Cadmium (mg/kg)	0.9 (0.4 - 1.4)	2.6 (1.2 - 4.9)	0.8 (0.4 - 1.0)	0.4 (0.4 - 0.6)	0.5 (0.3 - 0.8)	0.1 (<0.1 - 0.2)	<0.1 (<0.1 - 0.1)	0.3 (0.2 - 0.6)
Chromium (mg/kg)	91 (62 - 140)	240 (130 - 510)	68 (46 - 110)	55 (46 - 68)	86 (70 - 120)	24 (17 - 29)	17 (13 - 20)	20 (14 - 26)
Copper (mg/kg)	590 (260 - 1100)	1700 (810 - 4300)	190 (120 - 270)	240 (180 - 300)	250 (200 - 320)	49 (24 - 61)	17 (11 - 34)	160 (55 - 680)
Lead (mg/kg)	130 (60 - 400)	120 (81 - 170)	89 (61 - 110)	68 (55 - 82)	90 (61 - 130)	37 (23 - 45)	30 (20 - 37)	90 (55 - 110)
Mercury (mg/kg)	1.16 (0.63 - 1.60)	0.77 (0.46 - 1.40)	1.06 (0.41 - 2.10)	0.26 (0.17 - 0.31)	0.39 (0.28 - 0.53)	0.13 (0.09 - 0.16)	0.06 (<0.05 - 0.07)	0.25 (<0.05 - 1.50)
Nickel (mg/kg)	32 (21 - 51)	68 (38 - 160)	22 (16 - 31)	25 (20 - 31)	26 (22 - 35)	8 (5 - 10)	12 (9 - 14)	10 (7 - 13)
Silver (mg/kg)	4.5 (3.4 - 5.8)	8.0 (5.4 - 15.0)	2.4 (1.9 - 2.9)	5.8 (1.8 - 9.0)	14.2 (6.9 - 29.0)	0.3 (0.2 - 0.3)	0.2 (<0.2 - 0.2)	0.4 (0.2 - 0.5)
Zinc (mg/kg)	330 (160 - 980)	410 (270 - 640)	340 (280 - 490)	300 (250 - 360)	320 (240 - 440)	140 (81 - 170)	71 (53 - 90)	250 (180 - 320)
Total Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs) (µg/kg) ⁽³⁾	91 (39 - 130)	160 (63 - 380)	39 (29 - 66)	20 (18 - 31)	35 (23 - 48)	18 (18 - 18)	18 (18 - 18)	19 (18 - 25)
Low Molecular Weight Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs) (µg/kg) ^{(4) (6)}	46000 (560 - 120000)	210 (96 - 400)	190 (100 - 430)	160 (95 - 260)	150 (100 - 250)	120 (97 - 170)	150 (90 - 400)	110 (90 - 160)
High Molecular Weight Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs) (µg/kg) ^{(5) (6)}	500000 (9300 - 1200000)	1200 (790 - 2100)	880 (540 - 1400)	690 (220 - 1200)	640 (310 - 1000)	110 (71 - 150)	100 (39 - 540)	120 (77 - 240)

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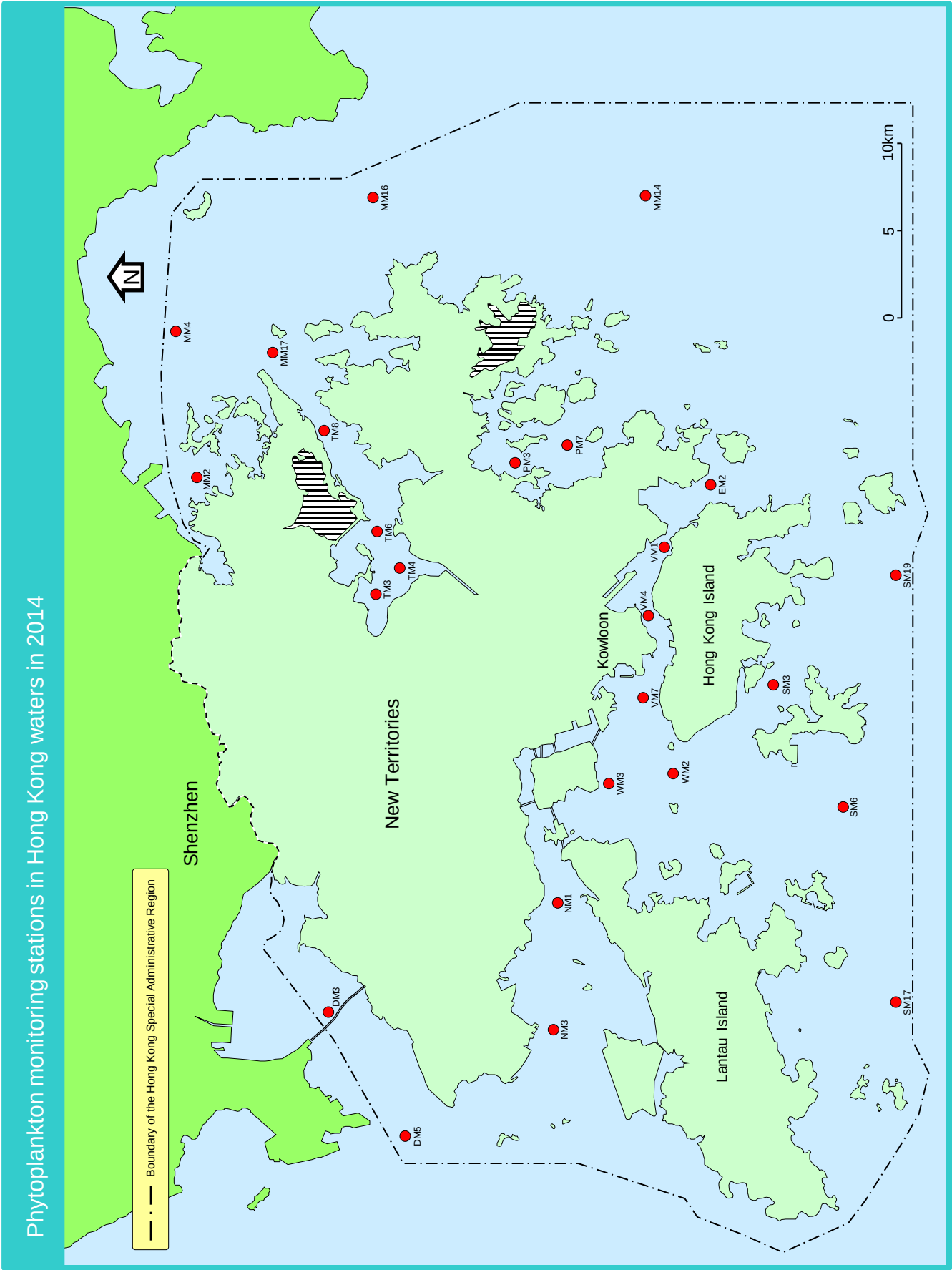
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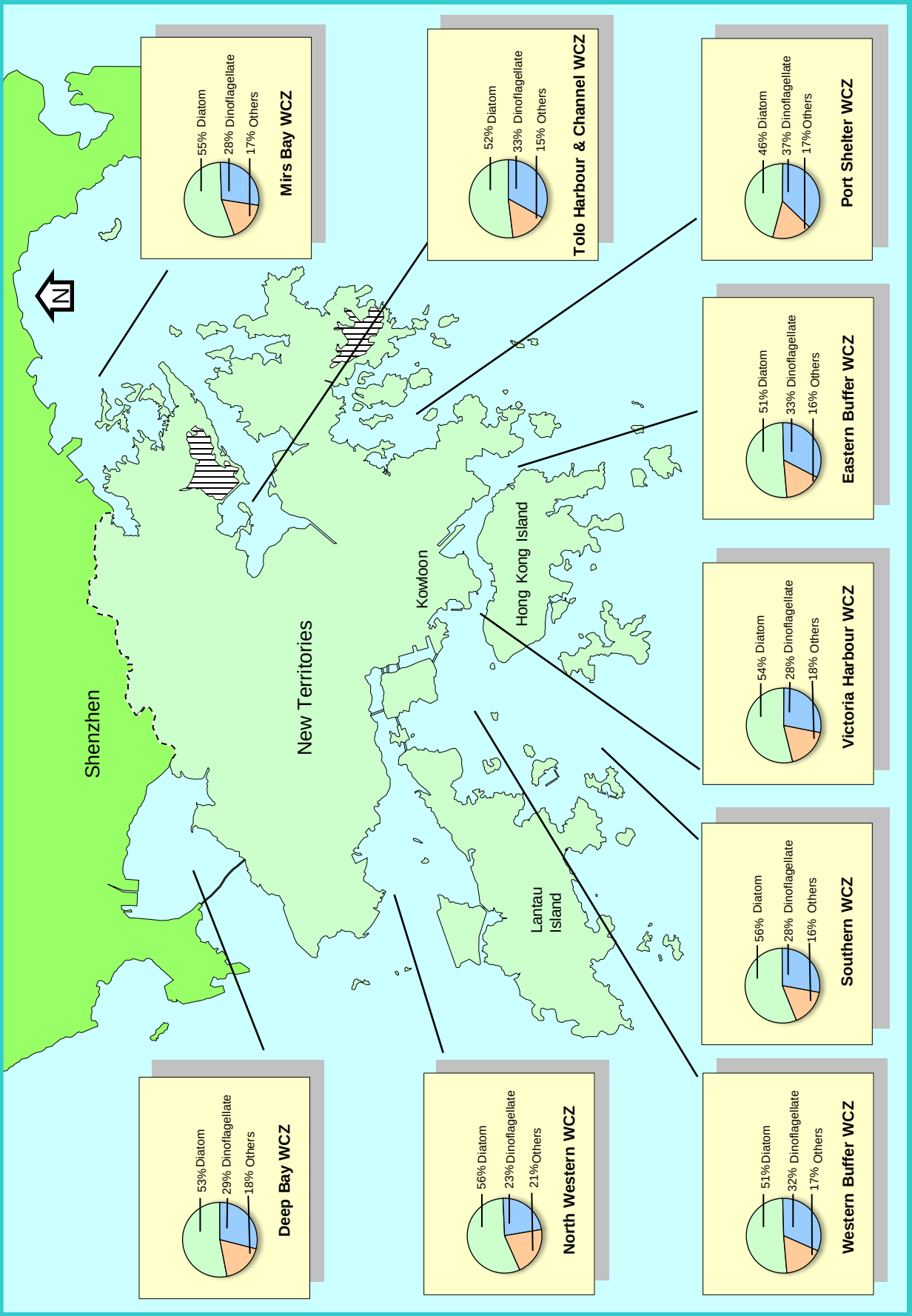
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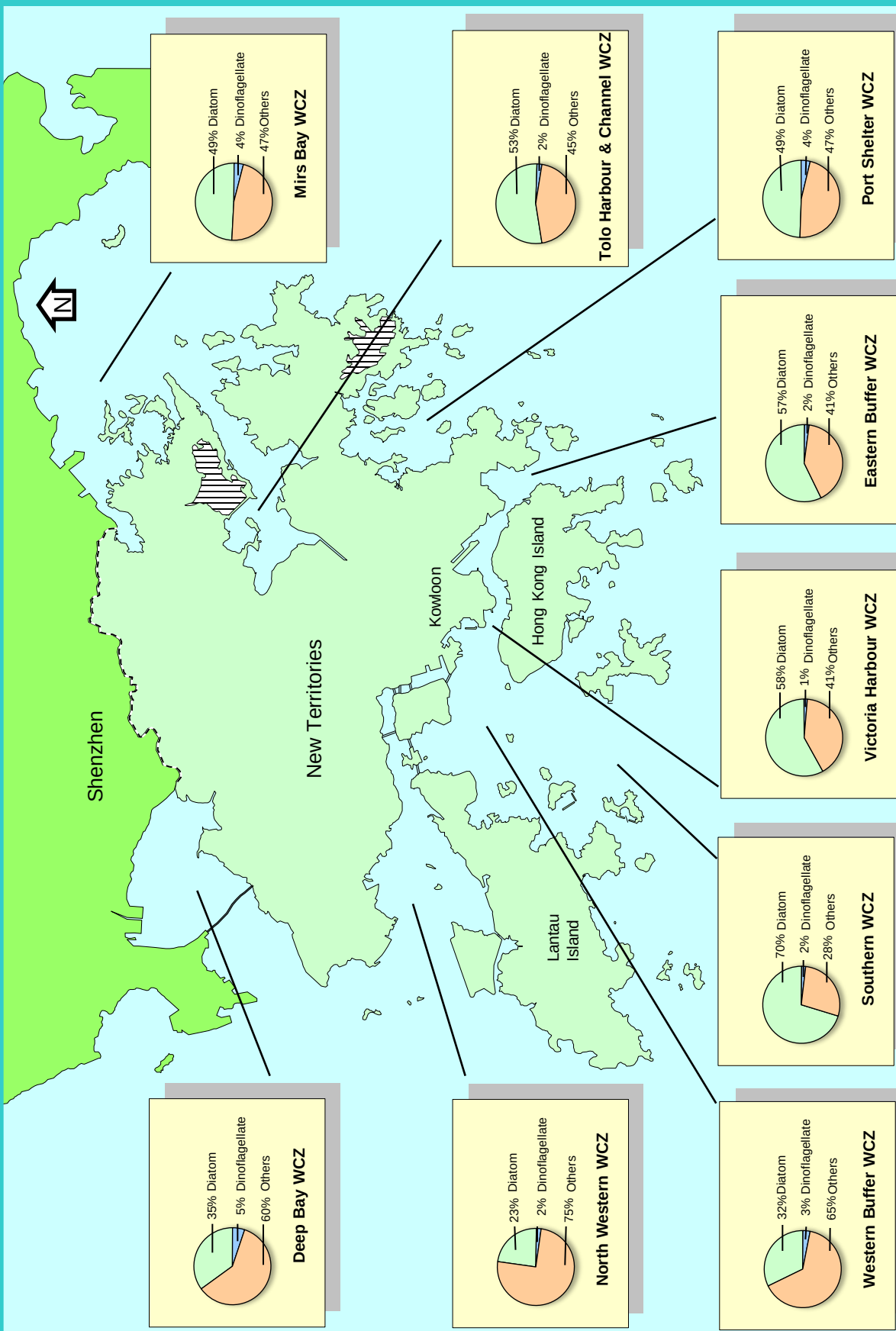
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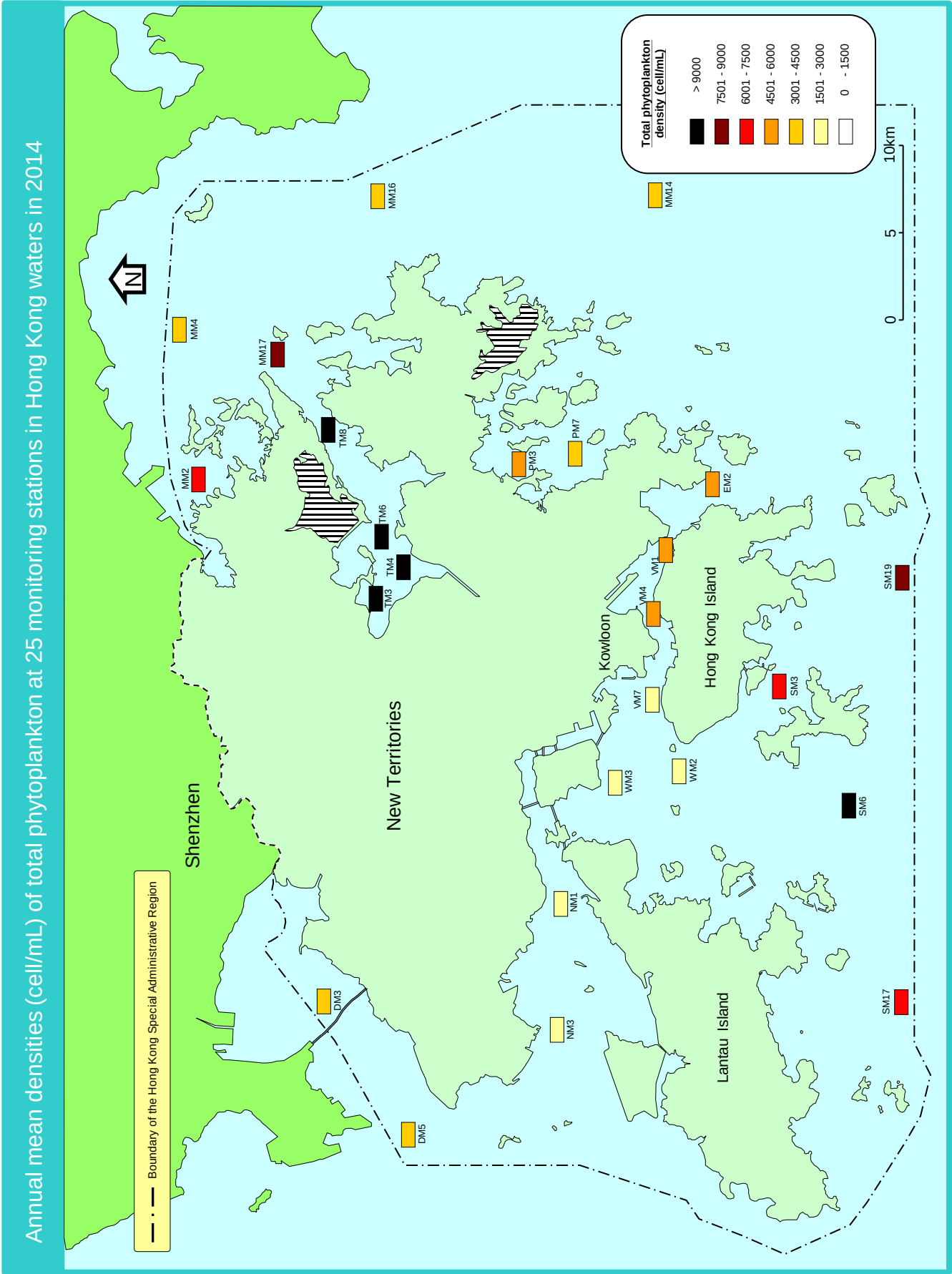


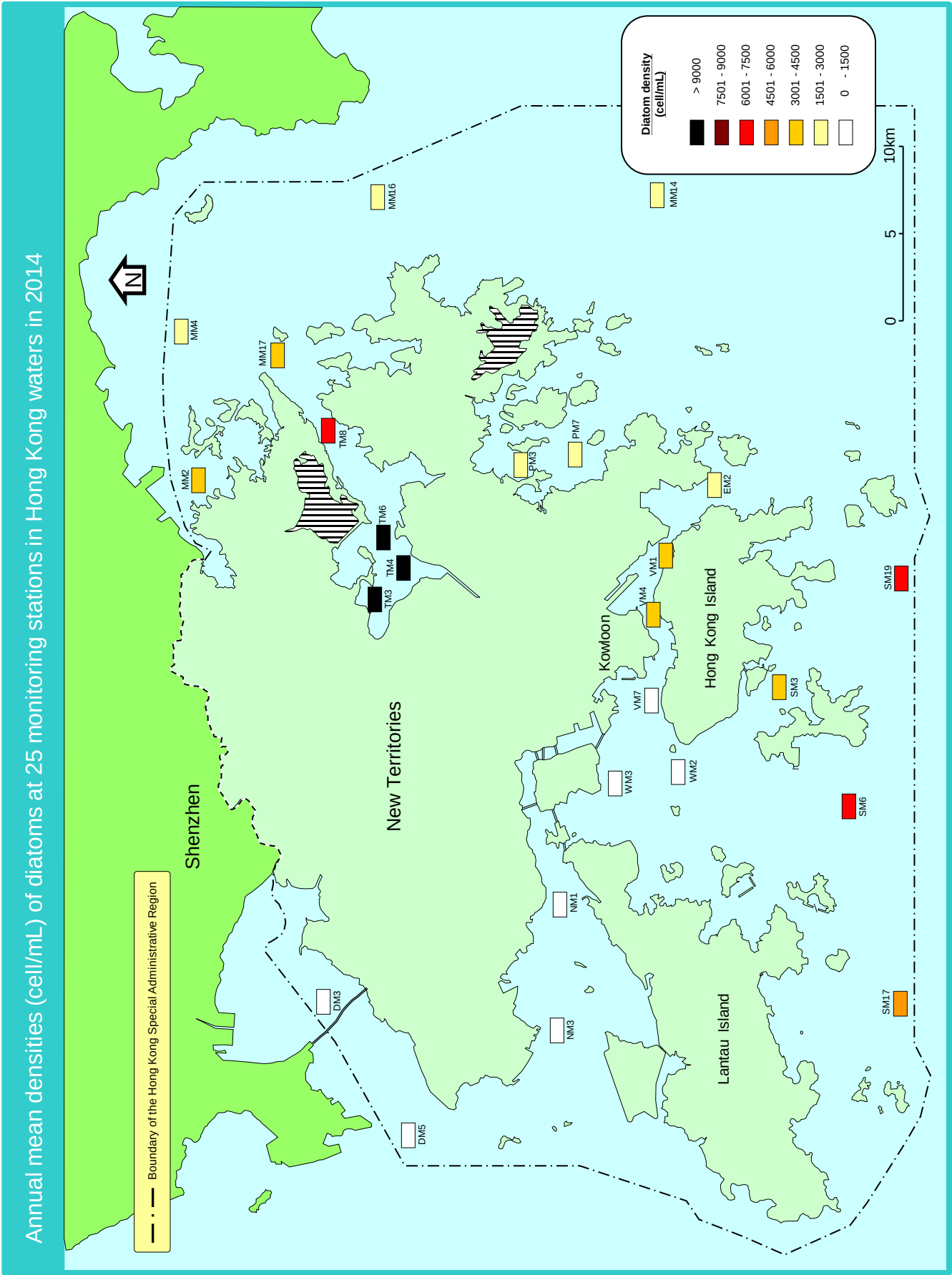
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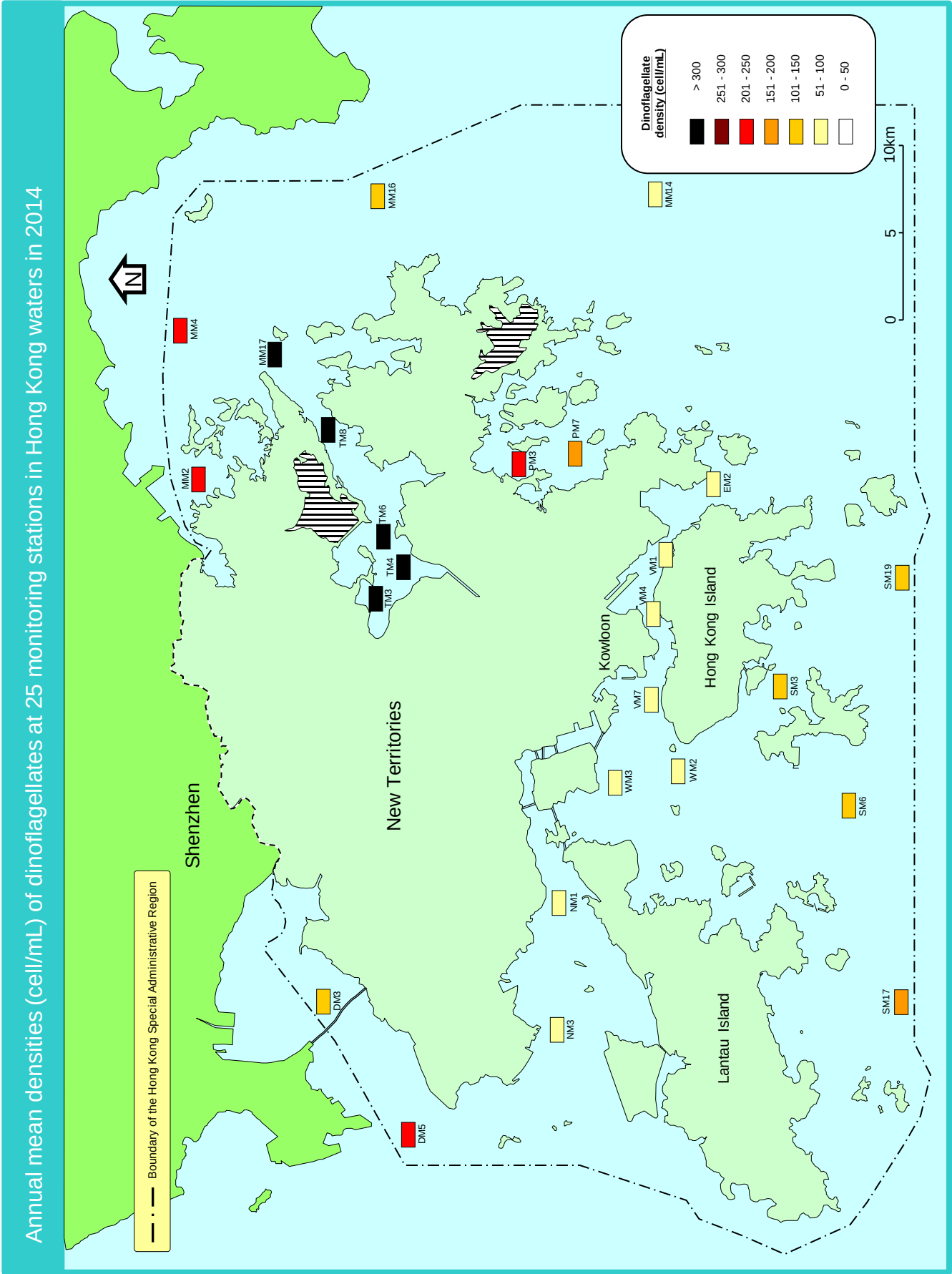


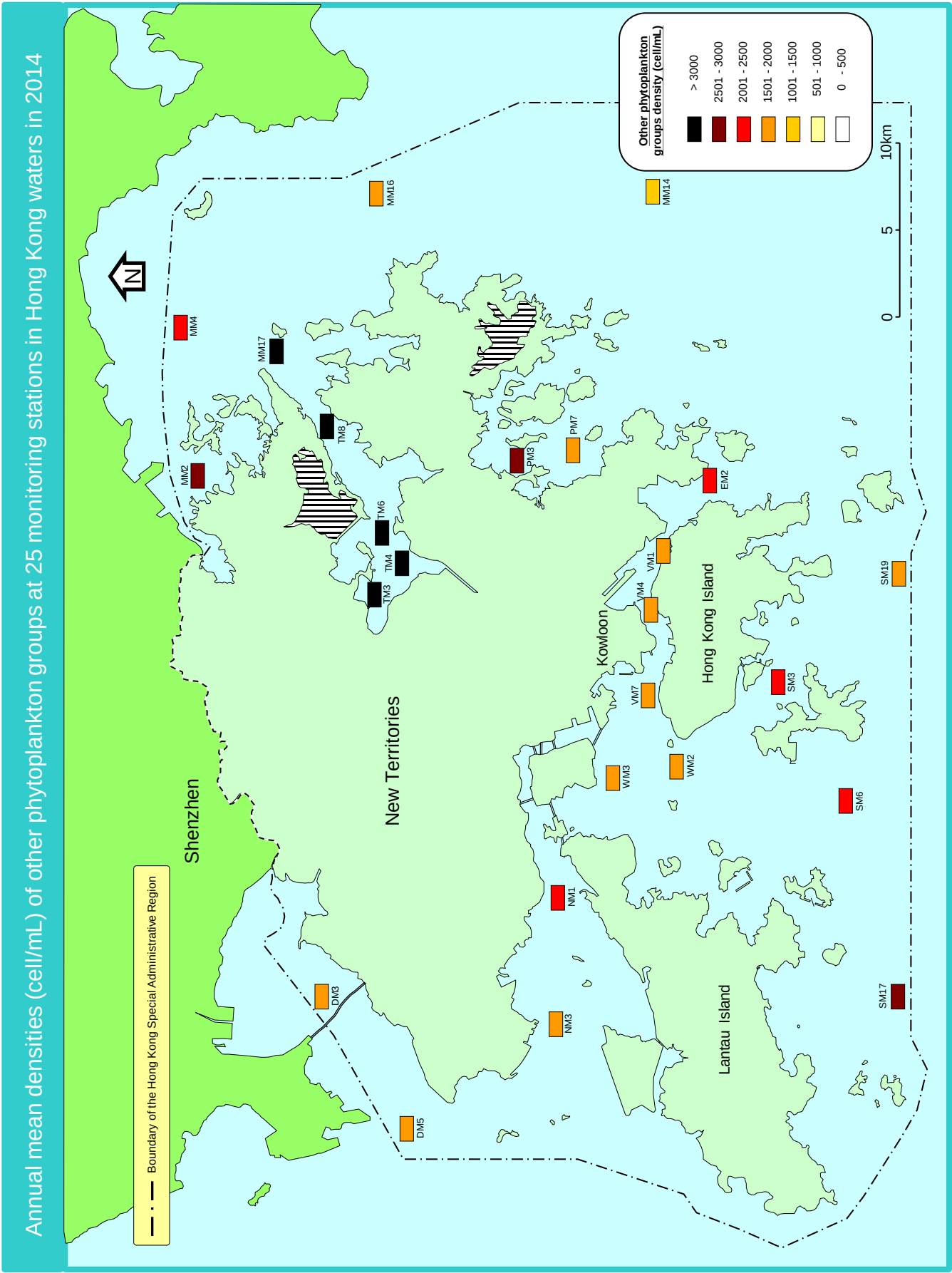
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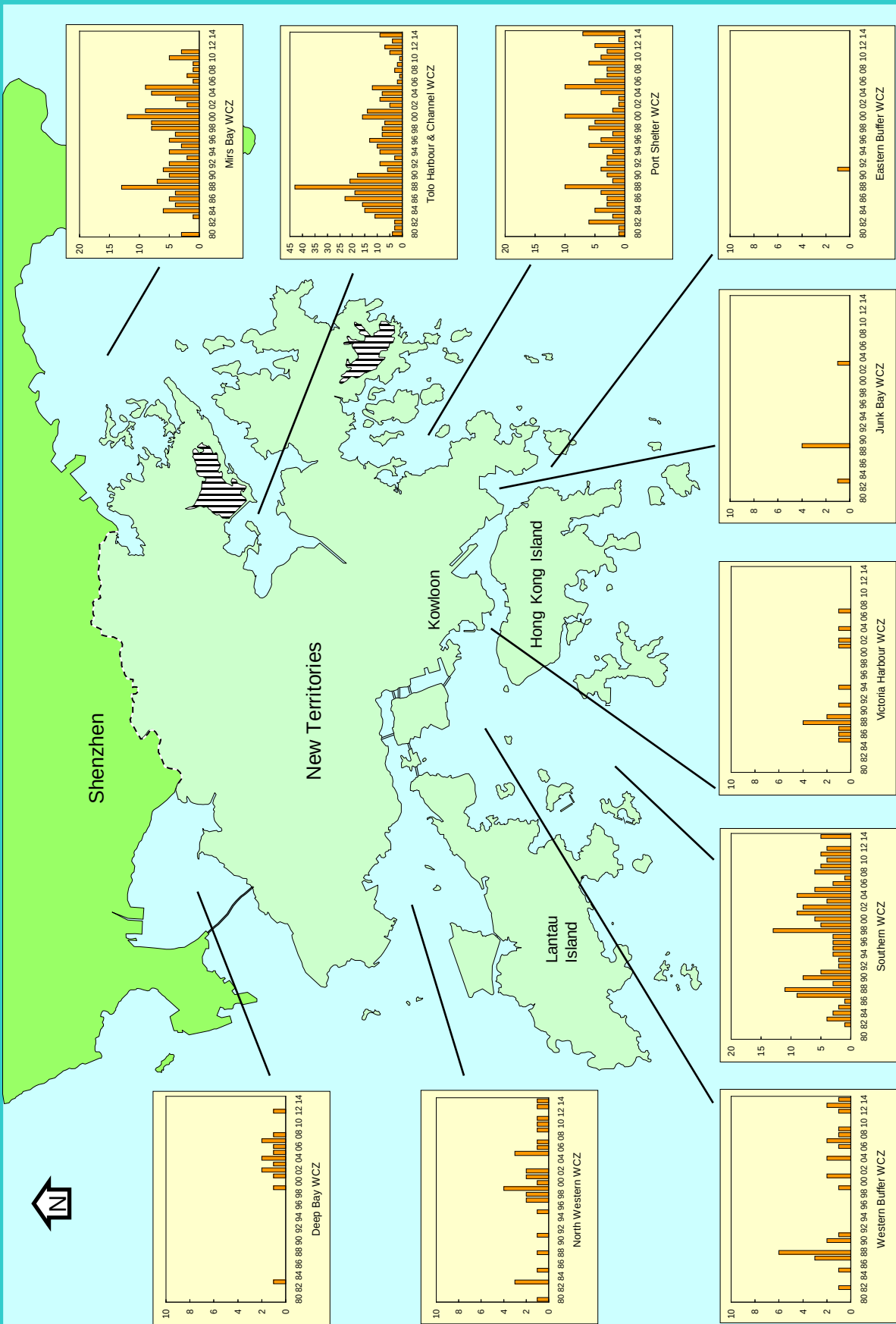






Frequency of red tides in 10 Water Control Zones in Hong Kong, 1980 - 2014

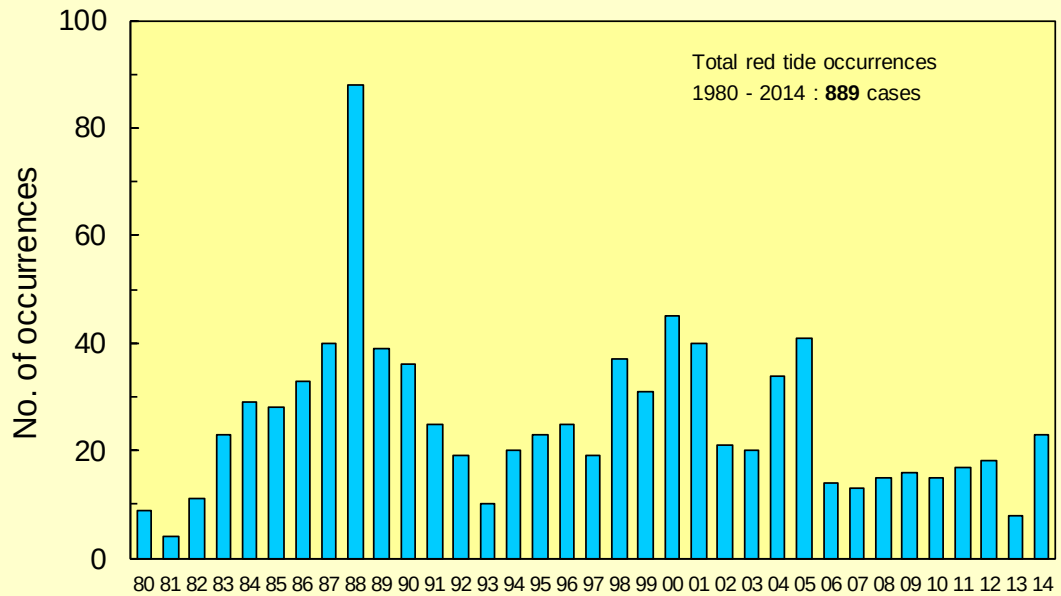
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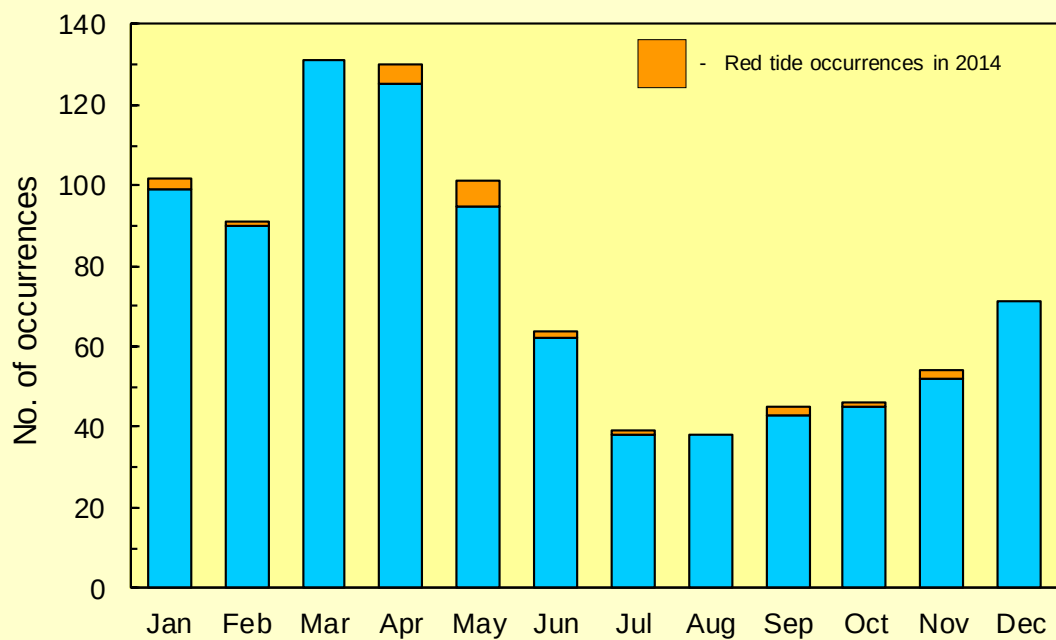
Occurrence of red tides in Hong Kong waters, 1980 – 2014

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Yearly Distribution

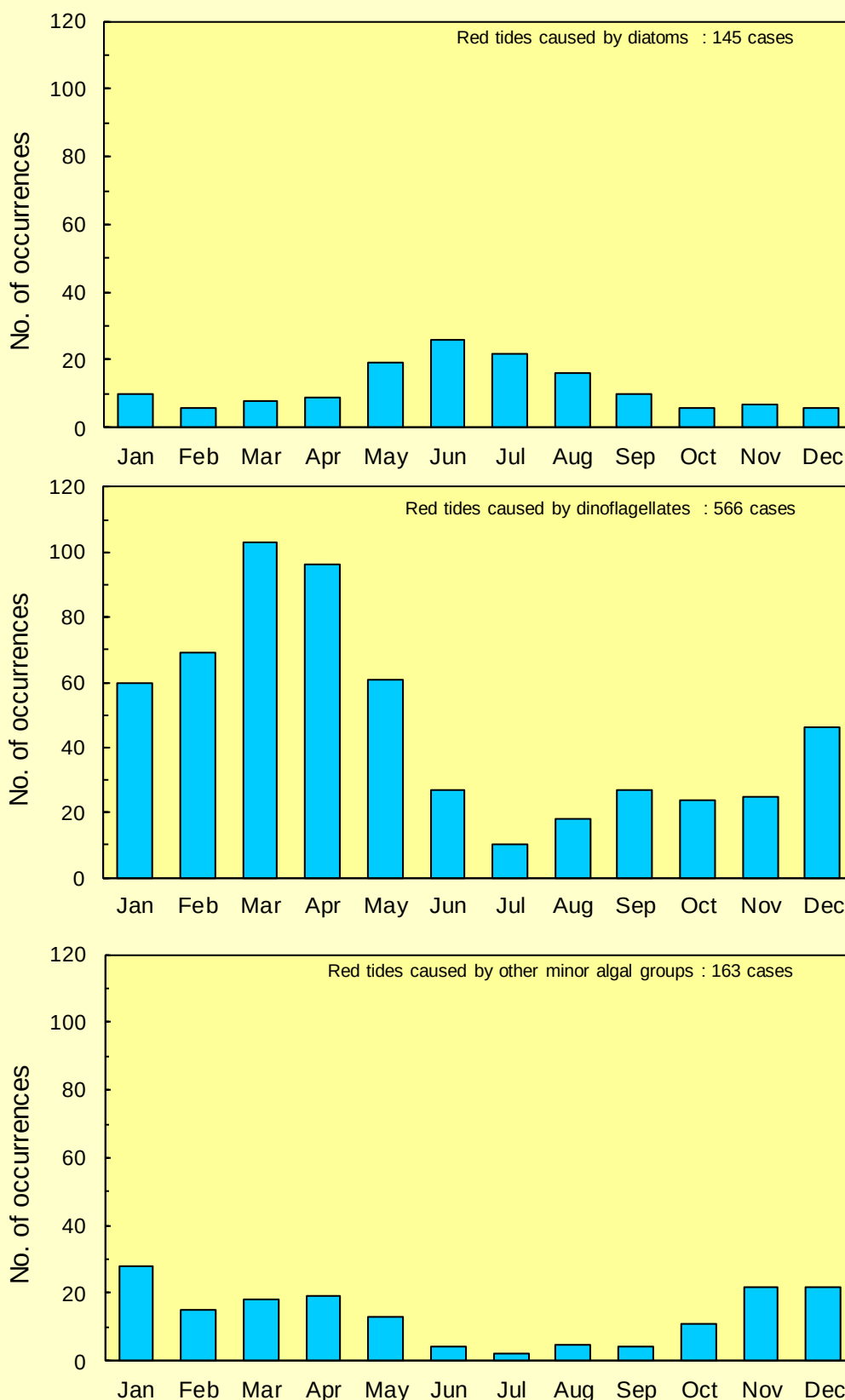


Monthly Distribution



Seasonal occurrence of red tides caused by different phytoplankton groups in Hong Kong, 1980 – 2014

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Abundance and frequency of the dominant phytoplankton species in different Water Control Zones (WCZs) in 2014.

Species	% Abundance ¹	Frequency ²	Species	% Abundance ¹	Frequency ²	Species	% Abundance ¹	Frequency ²
Tolo Harbour & Channel								
Diatoms			Diatoms			North Western		
<i>Leptocylindrus danicus</i>	28.58	8	<i>Chaetoceros</i> spp.	34.04	12	Diatoms		
<i>Chaetoceros</i> spp.	20.59	12	<i>Thalassiosira</i> spp.	28.21	12	<i>Thalassiosira</i> spp.	62.42	12
<i>Thalassiosira</i> spp.	17.46	12	<i>Pseudo-nitzschia</i> spp.	9.76	11	<i>Chaetoceros</i> spp.	14.95	10
Dinoflagellates			Dinoflagellates			<i>Skeletonema costatum</i>	10.23	9
<i>Gymnodinium</i> spp.	27.56	12	<i>Scrippsiella</i> spp.	26.76	12	Dinoflagellates		
<i>Prorocentrum minimum</i>	27.44	10	<i>Gymnodinium</i> spp.	22.28	12	<i>Scrippsiella</i> spp.	48.16	10
<i>Scrippsiella</i> spp.	14.14	11	<i>Prorocentrum minimum</i>	11.62	5	<i>Gymnodinium</i> spp.	36.36	12
Others			Others			<i>Gyrodinium fusiforme</i>	6.88	8
small flagellates	83.06	12	small flagellates	82.68	12	Others		
<i>Plagioselmis prolunga</i>	9.75	12	<i>Plagioselmis prolunga</i>	13.21	12	small flagellates	69.20	12
<i>Teleaulax acuta</i>	4.98	12	<i>Teleaulax acuta</i>	3.63	12	<i>Plagioselmis prolunga</i>	18.39	12
						<i>Teleaulax acuta</i>	9.86	12
Mirs Bay								
Diatoms			Diatoms			Western Buffer		
<i>Pseudo-nitzschia</i> spp.	28.55	12	<i>Chaetoceros</i> spp.	39.76	12	Diatoms		
<i>Chaetoceros</i> spp.	23.32	12	<i>Skeletonema costatum</i>	21.29	10	<i>Chaetoceros</i> spp.	47.17	10
<i>Thalassiosira</i> spp.	13.67	12	<i>Pseudo-nitzschia</i> spp.	13.20	12	<i>Thalassiosira</i> spp.	25.16	12
Dinoflagellates			Dinoflagellates			<i>Pseudo-nitzschia</i> spp.	8.40	11
<i>Gymnodinium</i> spp.	23.15	12	<i>Gymnodinium</i> spp.	36.31	12	Dinoflagellates		
<i>Amphidinium</i> spp.	19.76	10	<i>Scrippsiella</i> spp.	28.77	12	<i>Gymnodinium</i> spp.	35.28	11
<i>Scrippsiella</i> spp.	18.45	12	<i>Gyrodinium fusiforme</i>	11.83	11	<i>Scrippsiella</i> spp.	30.02	11
Others			Others			<i>Amphidinium</i> spp.	12.95	7
small flagellates	84.75	12	small flagellates	79.90	12	Others		
<i>Plagioselmis prolunga</i>	11.48	12	<i>Plagioselmis prolunga</i>	12.49	12	small flagellates	75.23	12
<i>Teleaulax acuta</i>	3.50	12	<i>Teleaulax acuta</i>	6.89	12	<i>Plagioselmis prolunga</i>	16.00	12
						<i>Teleaulax acuta</i>	8.16	12
Eastern Buffer								
Diatoms			Diatoms			Deep Bay		
<i>Chaetoceros</i> spp.	37.84	11	<i>Skeletonema costatum</i>	38.10	11	Diatoms		
<i>Pseudo-nitzschia</i> spp.	20.64	8	<i>Chaetoceros</i> spp.	16.56	11	<i>Thalassiosira</i> spp.	44.14	12
<i>Thalassiosira</i> spp.	14.20	12	<i>Pseudo-nitzschia</i> spp.	13.17	11	<i>Chaetoceros</i> spp.	25.39	8
Dinoflagellates			Dinoflagellates			<i>Skeletonema costatum</i>	17.77	9
<i>Gymnodinium</i> spp.	42.25	10	<i>Gymnodinium</i> spp.	37.05	12	Dinoflagellates		
<i>Scrippsiella</i> spp.	17.06	9	<i>Scrippsiella</i> spp.	28.17	12	<i>Scrippsiella</i> spp.	82.31	9
<i>Gyrodinium fusiforme</i>	10.91	6	<i>Amphidinium</i> spp.	7.59	10	<i>Gymnodinium</i> spp.	9.28	9
Others			Others			<i>Protoperidinium</i> spp.	2.14	4
small flagellates	87.69	12	small flagellates	75.08	12	Others		
<i>Plagioselmis prolunga</i>	8.09	12	<i>Plagioselmis prolunga</i>	18.23	12	small flagellates	65.52	12
<i>Teleaulax acuta</i>	3.84	10	<i>Teleaulax acuta</i>	5.74	12	<i>Plagioselmis prolunga</i>	18.11	12
						<i>Teleaulax acuta</i>	14.62	12

¹ % of species/group in diatoms, dinoflagellates and other phytoplankton

² Number of occurrences out of 12 sampling occasions.

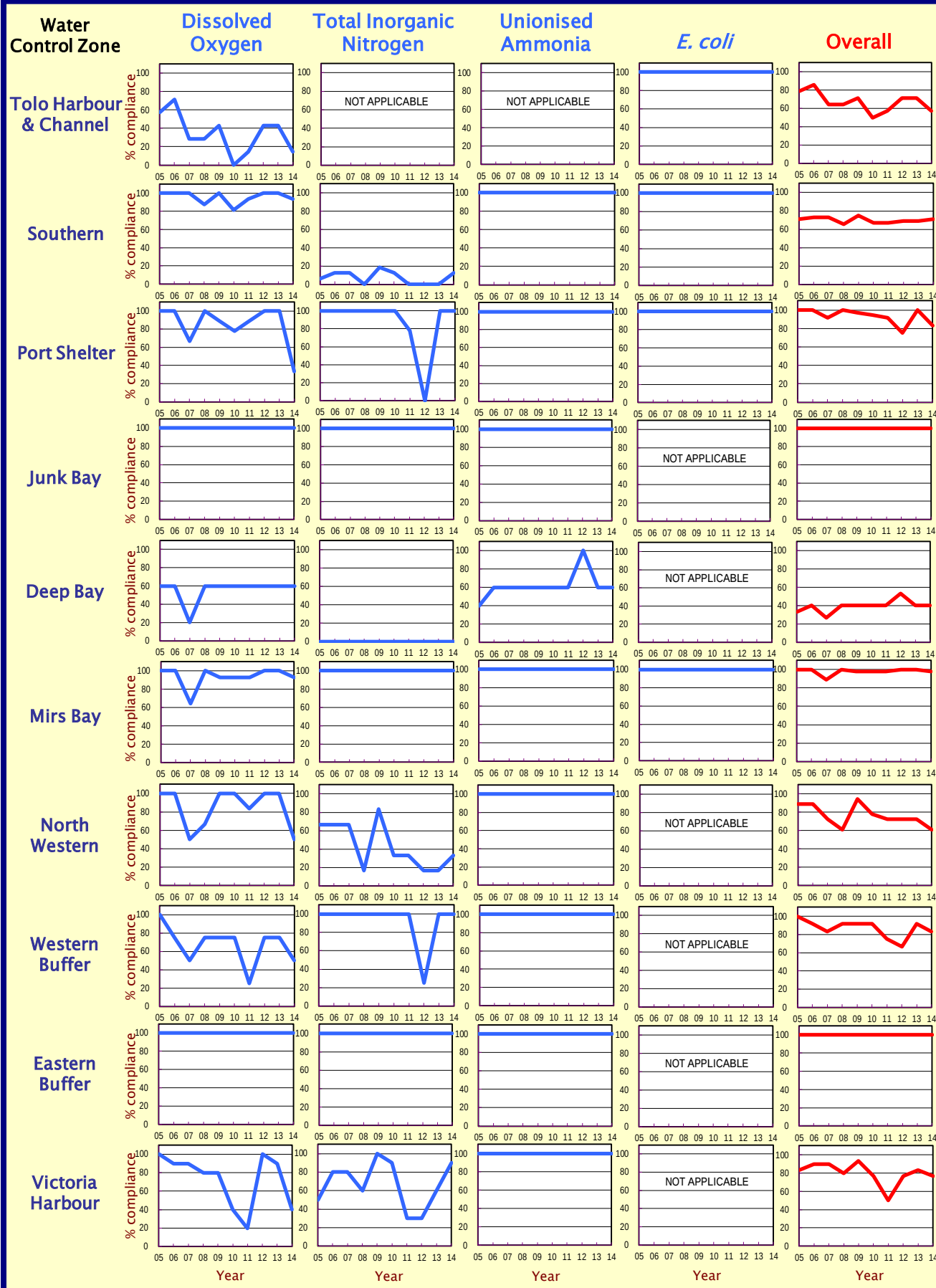
Occurrence and distribution of red tide species in different Water Control Zones (WCZs), 1980 - 2014

Species	Tolo Harbour & Channel	Mirs Bay	Eastern Buffer	Port Shelter	Number of occurrences							Total
					WCZ	WCZ	WCZ	WCZ	WCZ	WCZ	WCZ	
Noctiluca scintillans	68	69		62			59	6	9		273	
Skeletonema costatum	23	3		1	3	9	13	3	10	2	67	
Mesodinium rubrum	8	9		11	1		18	7	3	2	59	
Gonyaulax polygramma	23	8		16			6	1			54	
Prorocentrum minimum	45	1							1		47	
Neoceratium furca	17	7		14							38	
Prorocentrum triestinum	33										33	
Heterosigma akashiwo	18	2					1	5		1	27	
Scrippsiella trochoidea	18	5		3			1				27	
Heterocapsa circularisquama	13	3									16	
Prorocentrum sigmoides	14	1		1							16	
Akashiwo sanguinea	4	3		1			3	2		1	14	
Prorocentrum dentatum	8	4		1			1				14	
Trichodesmium erythraeum		6		5			3				14	
Phaeocystis globosa	1	1		1			9			1	13	
Thalassiosira nordenskioldii	2	3				1	4		2		12	
Karenia mikimotoi	6	2		3							11	
Prorocentrum micans	4	4		1		1	1				11	
Leptocylindrus minimus	10										10	
Cryptomonas spp.	8										8	
Dactyliosolen fragilissimus	6	1		1							8	
Karenia digitata	1	3		2			2				8	
Thalassiosira mala	6										8	
Chaetoceros spp.	6			1							7	
Plagioselmis prolonga	7										7	
Thalassiosira proschkiniae	6	1									7	
Cochlodinium spp.	2							2	1	1	6	
Dictyocha speculum		2		3			1				6	
Gyrodinium instriatum						1	1	2	1	1	6	
Chattonella marina	3	1		1							5	
Haematococcus pluvialis	5										5	
Teleaulax acuta	5										5	
Thalassiosira spp.	2				1		2				5	
Eutreptiella spp.	4										4	
Leptocylindrus danicus	3	1									4	
Pseudo-nitzschia delicatissima				1			2		1		4	
Pseudo-nitzschia pseudodelicatissima	1						2		1		4	
Chaetoceros curvisetus			1		1		1				3	
Chaetoceros socialis	1						2				3	
Chattonella ovata		2		1							3	
Cochlodinium polykrikoides				1			2				3	
Eucampia zodiacus							2	1			3	
Gymnodinium simplex	3										3	
Karenia longicanalis	1	1					1				3	
Prorocentrum balticum	1	1		1							3	
Protopolykrikos distortus							1	1		1	3	
Pseudo-nitzschia seriata	1					2					3	
Trichodesmium spp.		1		1			1				3	
Alexandrium catenella		1			1						2	
Alexandrium tamarense				2							2	
Cerataulina pelagica	2										2	
Chaetoceros salsugineum		1					1				2	
Chattonella spp.	1						1				2	
Cochlodinium cf. geminatum				2							2	
Dunaliella spp.	2										2	
Fibrocapsa japonica				1			1				2	
Guinardia delicatula	1						1				2	
Gymnodinium spp. X				2							2	
Heterocapsa rotundata	2										2	
Nitzschia longissima	1						1				2	
Prorocentrum spp.	1	1									2	
Pseudo-nitzschia spp.							2				2	
Thalassiosira pseudonana	1								1		2	
Thalassiosira tealata							2				2	
Thalassiosira weissflogii										2	2	
Chaetoceros pseudocrinitus	1										1	
Chaetoceros pseudocurvisetus							1				1	
Chaetoceros spp.0105	1										1	
Chaetoceros tenuissimus		1									1	
Chattonella spp. 0310	1										1	
Chlamydomonas spp.	1										1	
Chlamydomonas uva-maris	1										1	
Cyclotella caspia	1										1	
Cyclotella spp.	1										1	
Cylindrotheca closterium	1										1	
Cyrtarocylis spp.				1							1	
Dactyliosolen phuketensis							1				1	
Guinardia striata	1										1	
Gymnodinium spp.		1									1	
Gyrodinium spirale							1				1	
Hermesinium adriaticum		1									1	
Karenia papilionacea				1							1	
Karlodinium micrum		1									1	
Katodinium rotundatum								1			1	
Leptocylindrus spp.							1				1	
Navicula spp.										1	1	
Neoceratium tripos				1							1	
Odontella mobiliensis	1										1	
Odontella sinensis	1										1	
Pedinomonadaceae spp.	1										1	
Protoperidinium quinquecorne	1										1	
Pseudo-nitzschia pungens									1		1	
Takayama pulchella	1										1	
Thalassomonas spp.	1										1	
Trichodesmium thiebautii							1				1	
Total : 95 species	413	152	1	143	7	14	155	31	31	13	960	

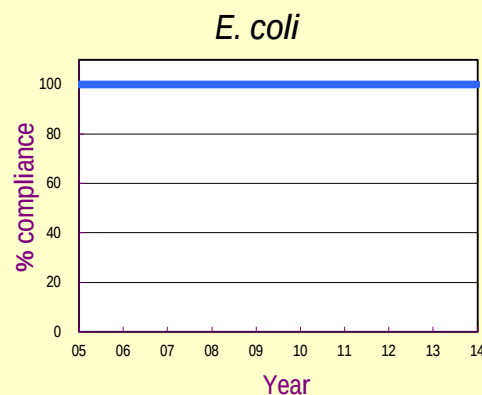
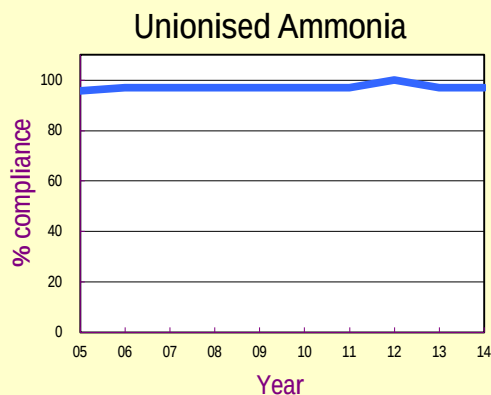
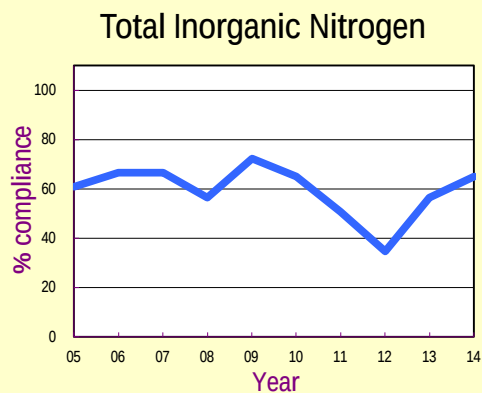
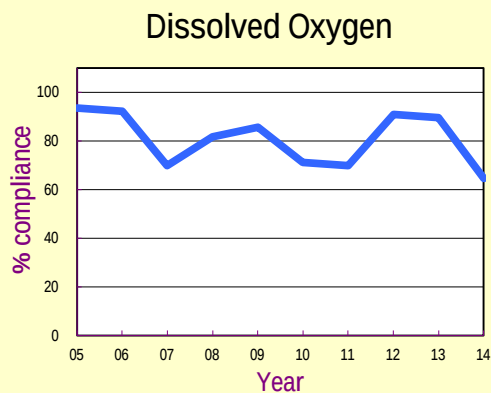
Note: a red tide incident may involve more than one causative species.

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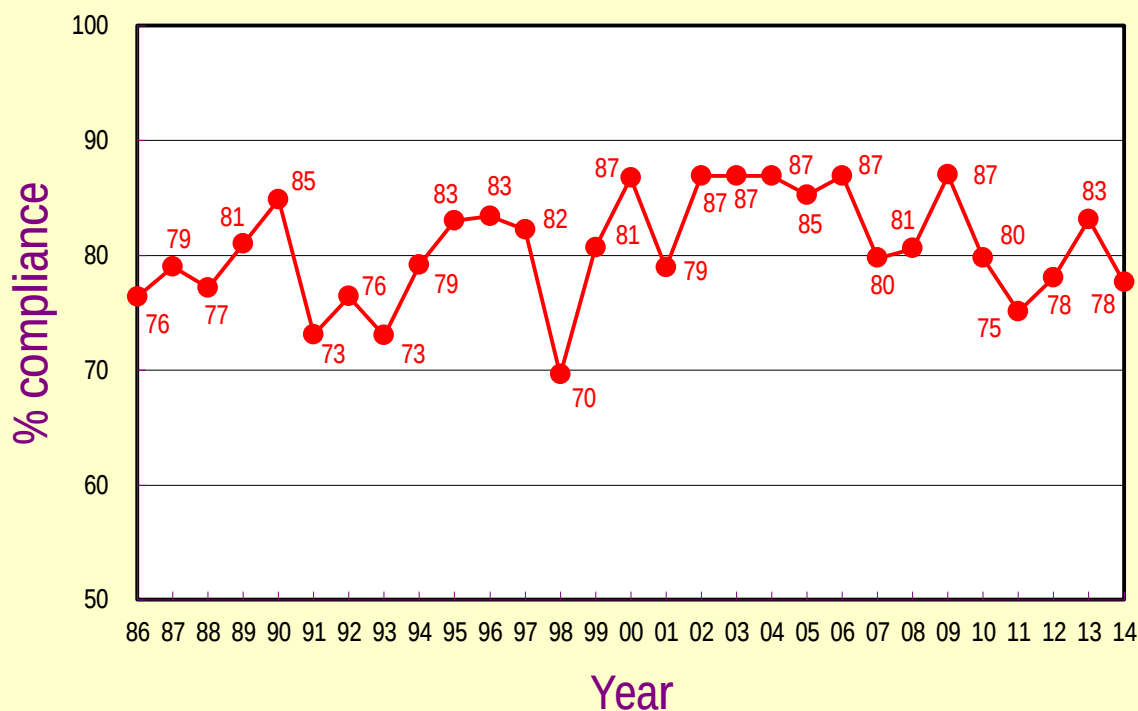
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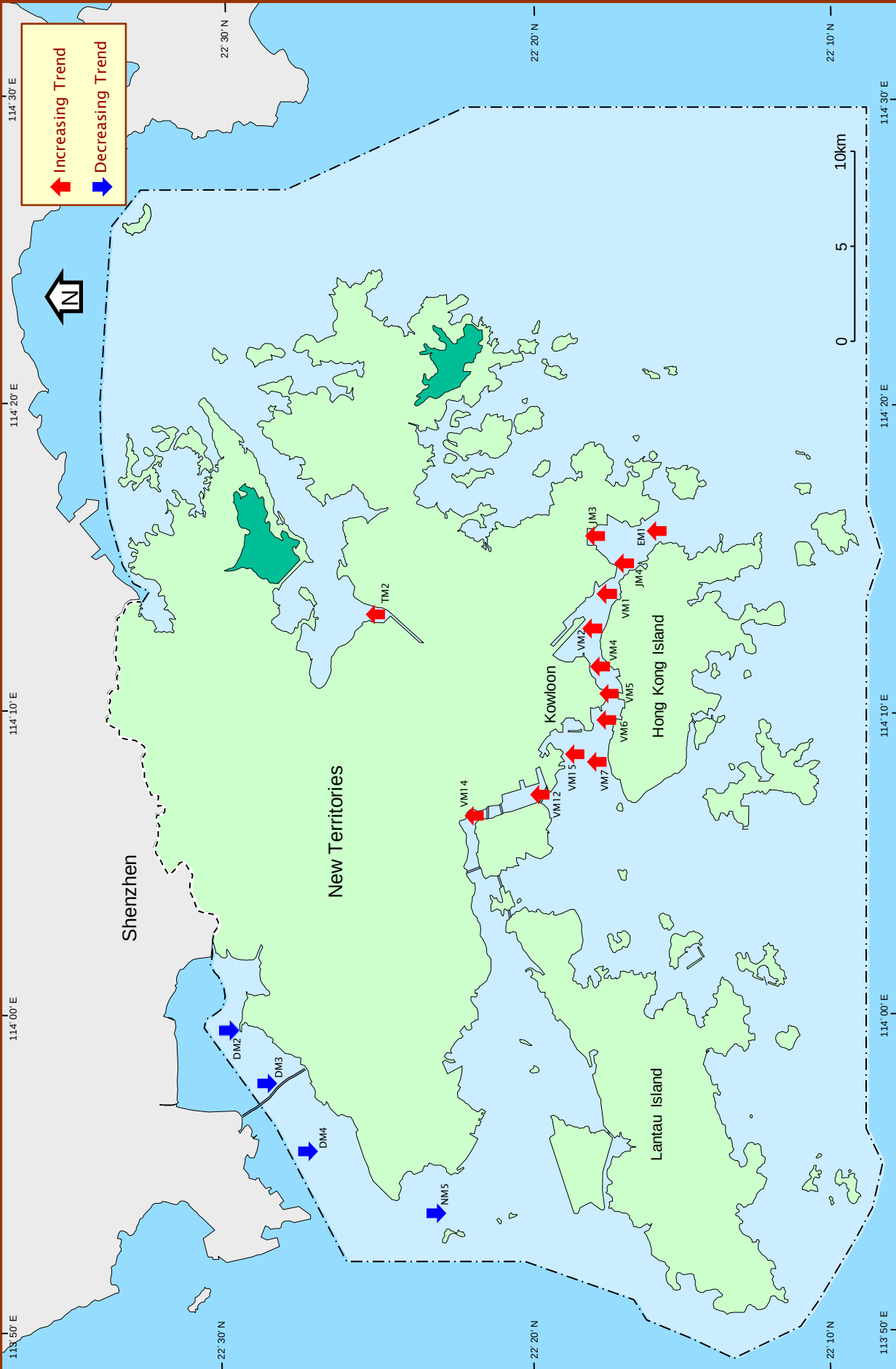
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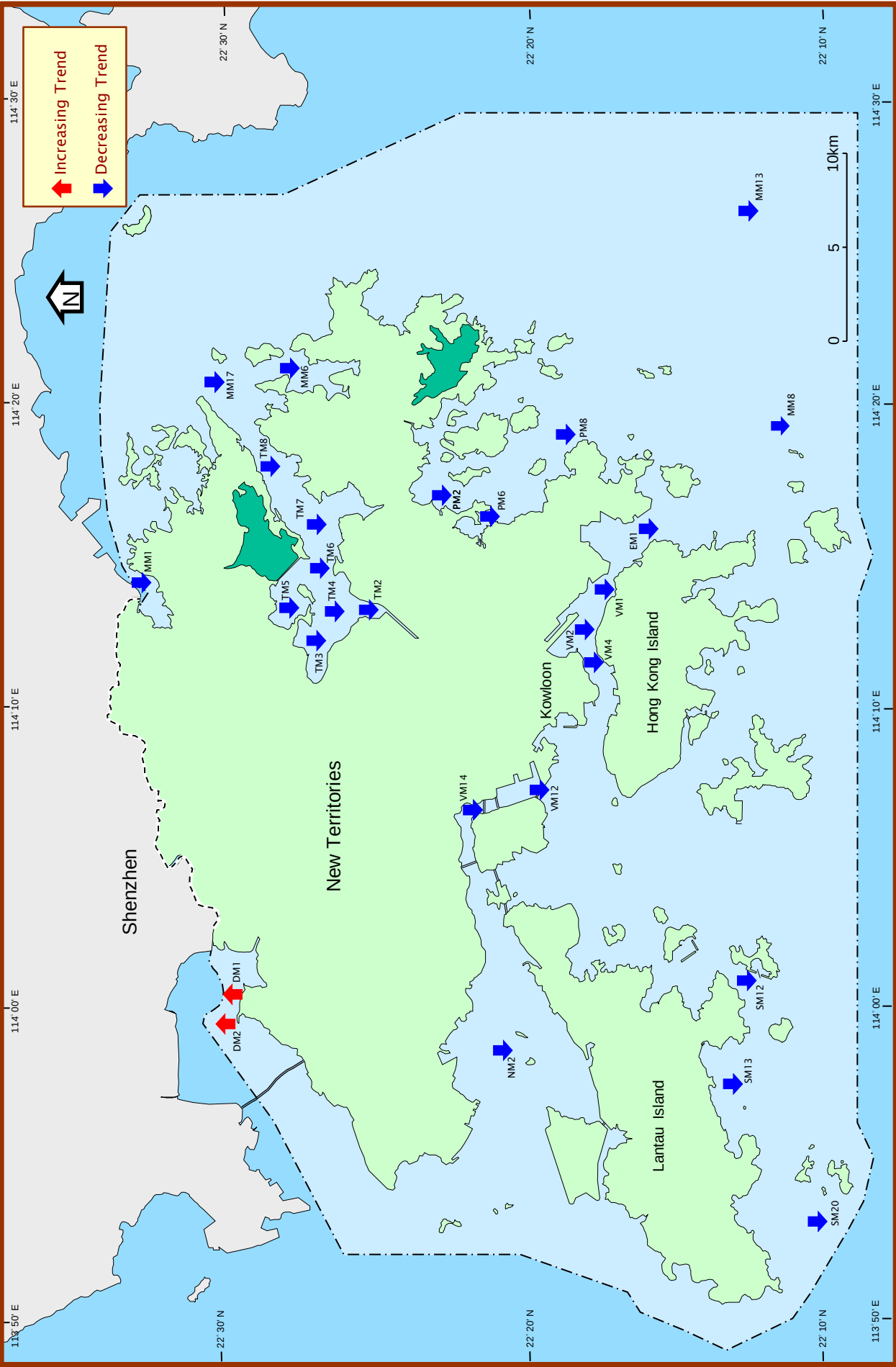
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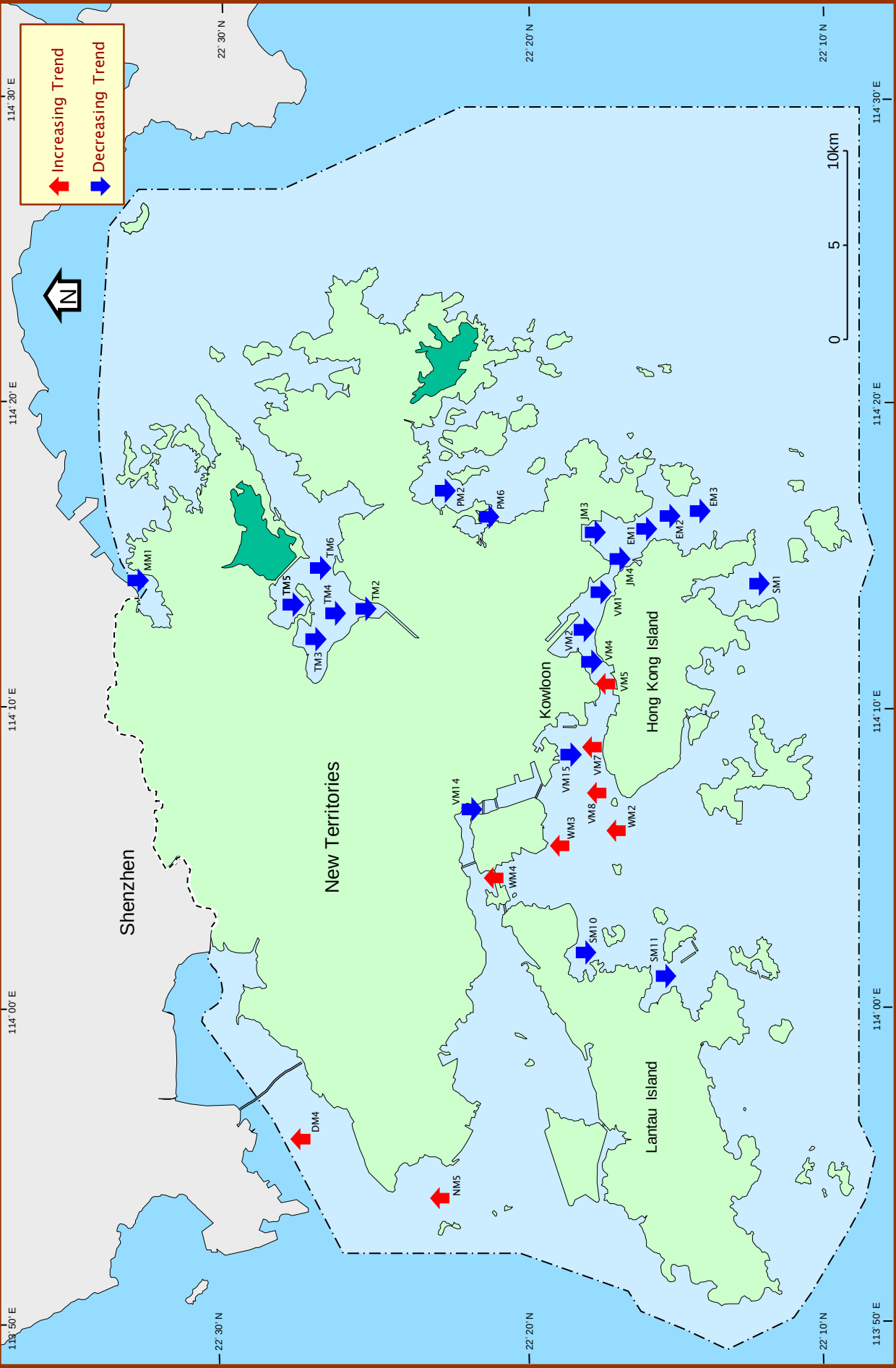
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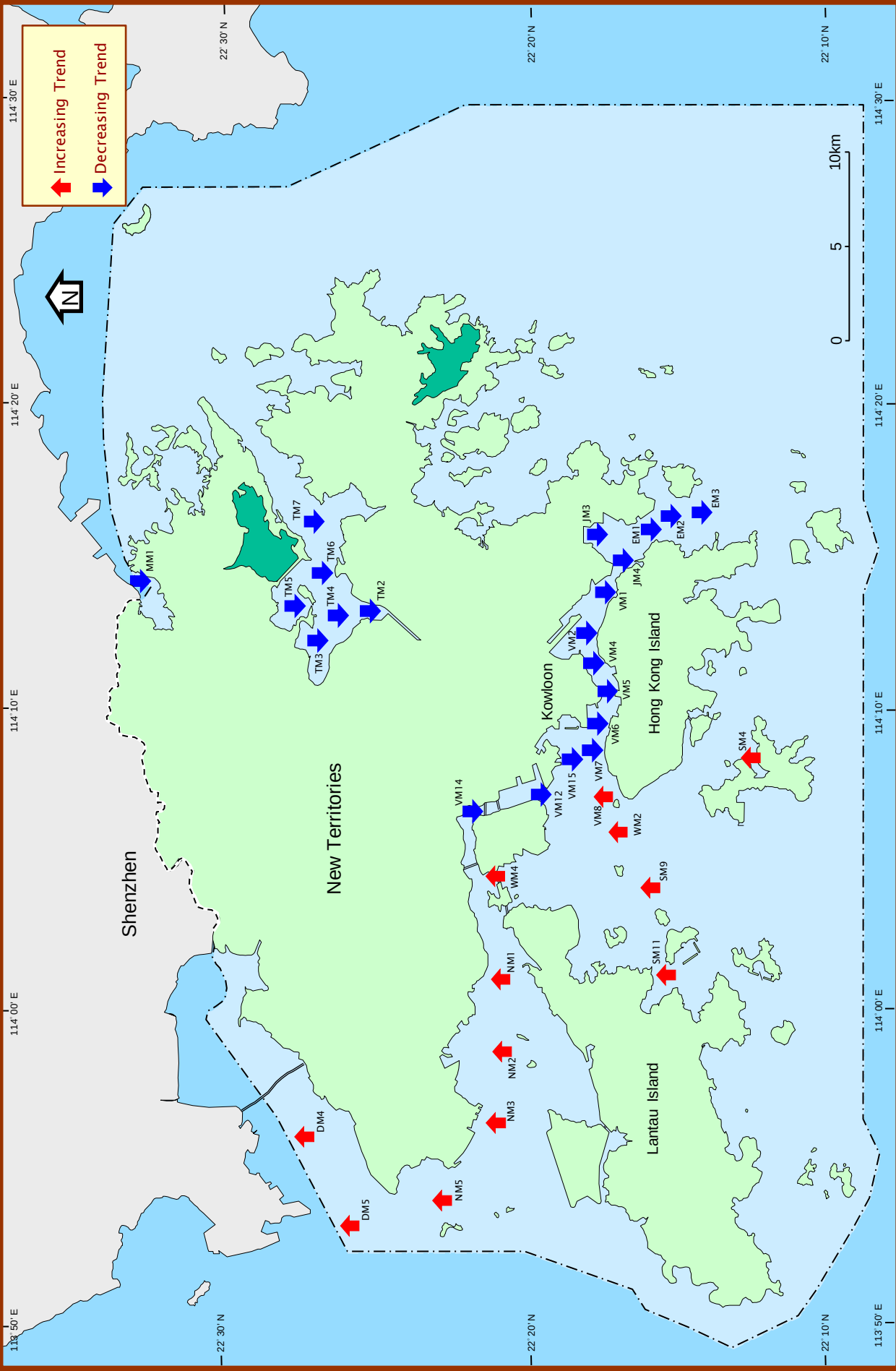
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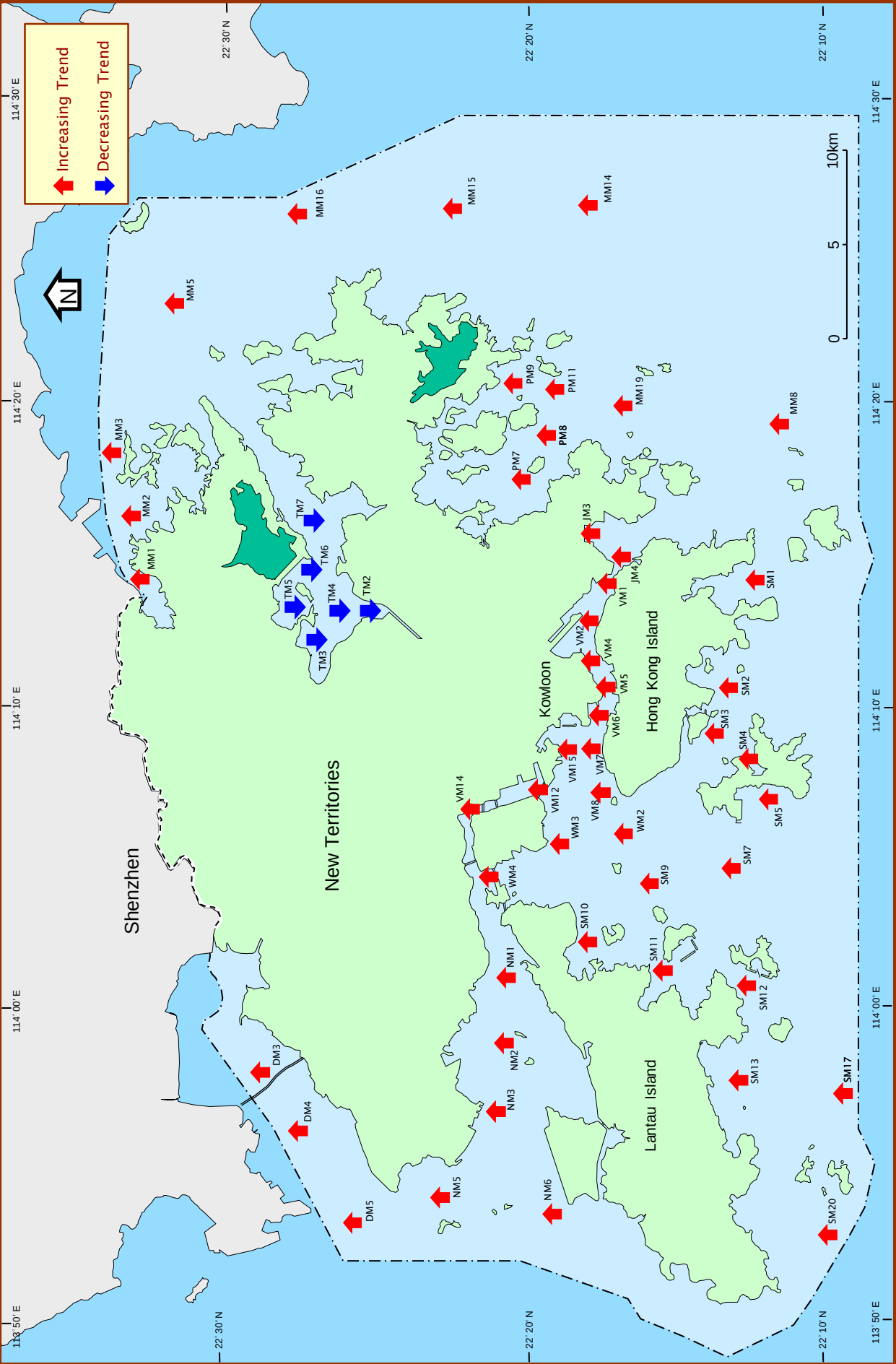
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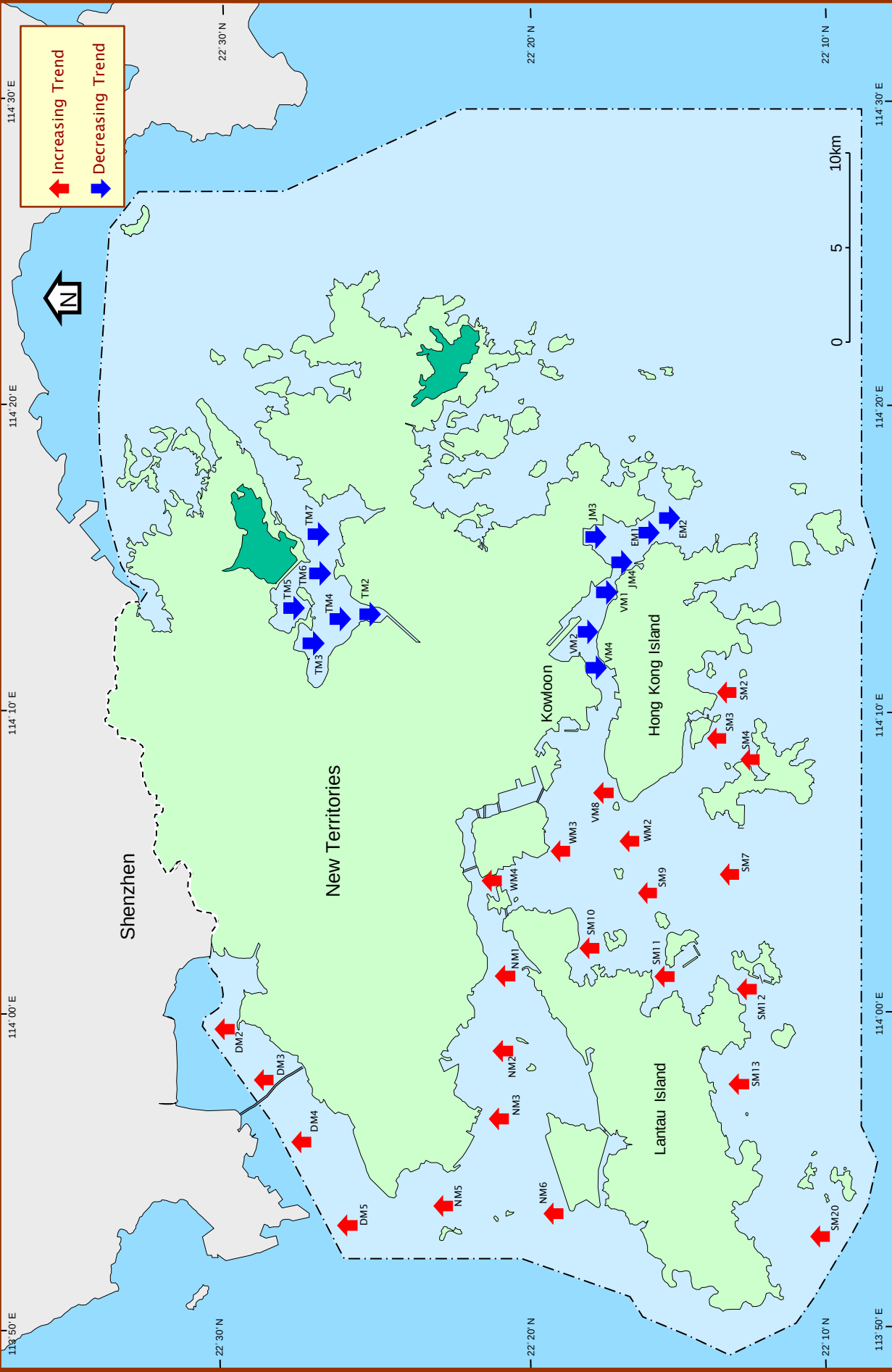
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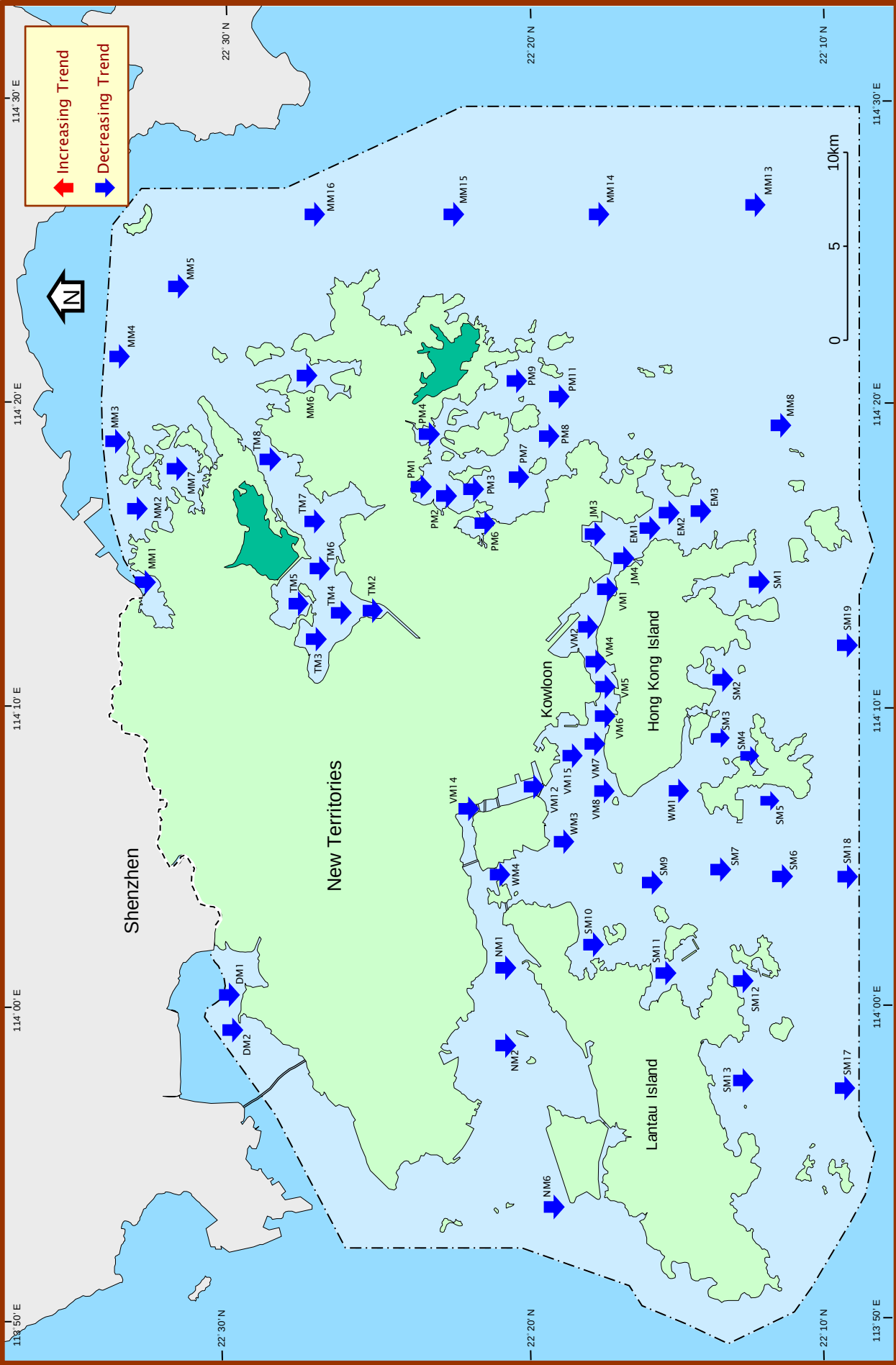
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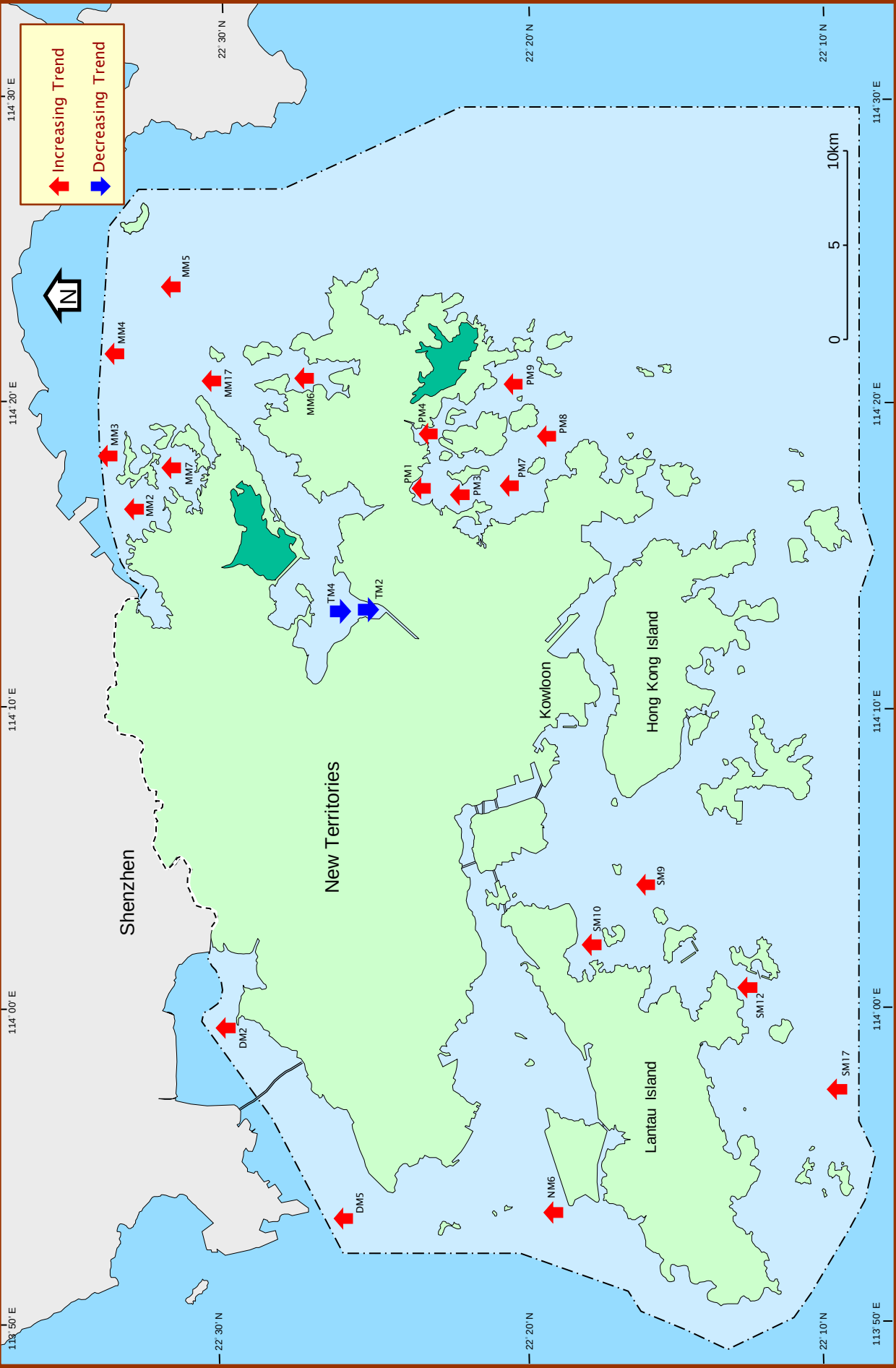
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Long-term changes in orthophosphate phosphorus in marine waters of Hong Kong, 1986 – 2014



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Long-term changes in temperature in marine waters of Hong Kong, 1986 – 2014

