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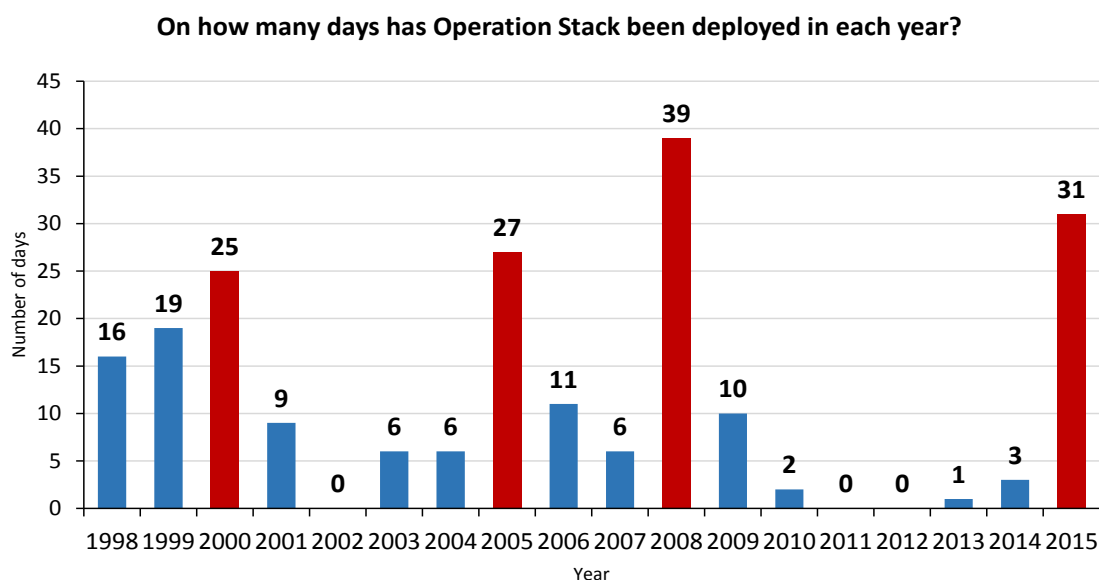
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# Operation Stack

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Figure 2: Annual rate of deployment of Operation Stack, 1998–2015



- The annual totals have been arrived at by counting the total number of dates in each month when Operation Stack was in operation and then combining the monthly totals for each year.

- There are other ways of arriving at annual totals, which produce slightly different figures. However, the trends remain the same regardless of which methodology is used.

Source: Highways England

Table 1: Reasons for the deployment of Operation Stack in peak years

Year	Days	Reasons
2000	25	Industrial action and demonstrations in Calais (port, ferries and Eurotunnel) Congestion at Port of Dover and Eurotunnel Technical problems at Eurotunnel Adverse weather
2005	27	Adverse weather Industrial action and demonstrations in Calais (port, ferries and Eurotunnel) Berth damage at Port of Calais Technical problems at Eurotunnel
2008	39	Adverse weather Industrial action and demonstrations in Calais (port and ferries) Fire at Eurotunnel Congestion at Port of Dover and Eurotunnel
2015	31	Fire at Eurotunnel Industrial action and demonstrations in Calais (port, ferries and Eurotunnel) Migrant action in Calais (Eurotunnel)

Sources: Kent County Council (2000); media reports (2005 and 2015); Kent Police (2008)