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## **DEFENCE**

## **Afghanistan: Peacekeeping Operations**

**Nick Harvey:** To ask the Secretary of State for Defence how many attacks have been made on Kandahar airbase in each of the last 12 months; what the average number of daily attacks against Kandahar airbase was in the last three months, broken down by day of the week; and what type of munitions have been used against Kandahar airbase. [209644]

Des Browne: The following table shows the number of attacks for each of the last 12 complete months.

	Number of attacks
2007	
May	5
June	0
July	1
August	3
September	3
October	3
November	4
December	3
2008	
January	0
February	1
March	4
April	3
May	7

The following table shows the daily average number of attacks for each day of the week over the past three months.

Day of the Week	Daily average attacks
Monday	0.15
Tuesday	0.08
Wednesday	0.00
Thursday	0.38
Friday	0.31
Saturday	0.00
Sunday	0.15

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Des Browne: The following table shows the number of rocket attacks on Kandahar Airfield by year. Prior to 2006, no rocket attacks were recorded by UK forces.

	Number of attacks
2006	42
2007	32
2008 (to 31 May)	15

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