



Vanquishing the V/PD

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This publication is directed primarily towards airport management to be disseminated to all levels of personnel working at your airfield. Vanquishing the V/PD can be accomplished through a solid partnership between the FAA and airport management. The responsibility of making sure that the proper safeguards are in place; however, lies squarely on the shoulders of airport management. Please use this information and all that follows as a guide by which to provide a safer environment at your airfield.

FAA Airports Division wishes all airport personnel in the Western-Pacific Region (AWP) a happy and safe New Year.

As of December 31, 2018, AWP CY 2018 V/PD statistics were as follows:

| | Runway Incursions | Surface Incidents | *VPD Totals |
|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------|
| 139 Airports | 42 (22) | 13 | 55 |
| GA Airports | 28 (18) | 15 | 43 |
| Totals | 70 (40) | 28 | 98 |

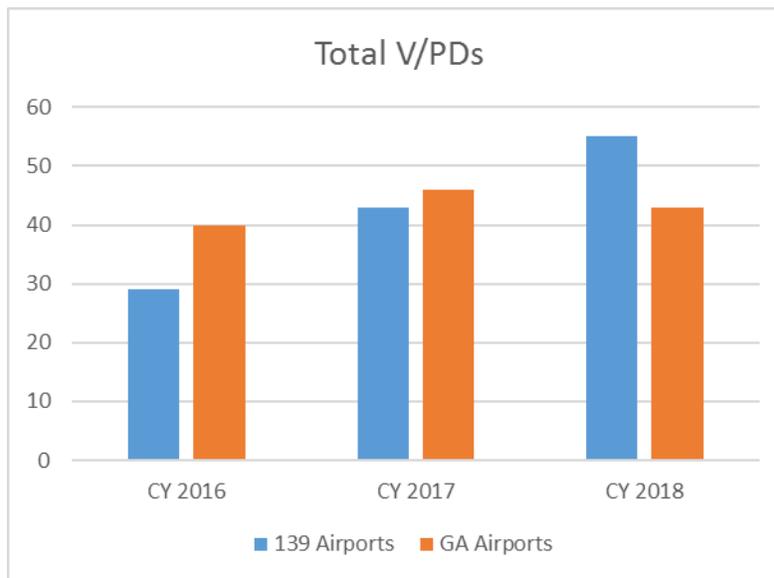
* V/PDs totals include aircraft taxed by non-licensed individuals for maintenance or re-positioning.

() values reflect one RI for each V/PD incident rather than multiple RIs per each V/PD incident.

- In CY 2018 the Western Pacific Region experienced a total of 98 V/PDs (9% more than CY 2017).
- In CY 2018, V/PDs were 22% higher at 139 airports as compared to GA airports. In CY 2017 V/PDs were 7% higher at GA airports as compared to 139 airports.
- In CY 2018 there was a 37% increase in V/PD runway incursions (RIs) as compared to CY 2017 (51 vs. 70).
- In CY 2018 total runway incursions (RIs) were 2.5 times higher than surface incidents (SIs). In CY 2017 the RIs were 26% higher than SIs.

Yearly total V/PD Chart (Excluding reclassified incidents but including aircraft taxed by non-licensed individuals)

| | CY 2016 | CY 2017 | CY 2018 |
|---------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| 139 Airports | 29 | 43 | 55 |
| GA Airports | 40 | 46 | 43 |
| Totals | 69 | 89 | 98 |



Yearly total V/PD Bar Chart

Lastly, there were no Category A or B, V/PD runway incursions in the Western-Pacific Region during CY 2018.

In summary, we see a steady three year rise in total V/PDs at certificated airports with more V/PDs occurring at certificated airports than GA airports in 2018. Additionally, we see a rise in V/PD runway incursions at both certificated airports and GA airports.

Keep up the good fight and let us strive do better in the New Year!

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