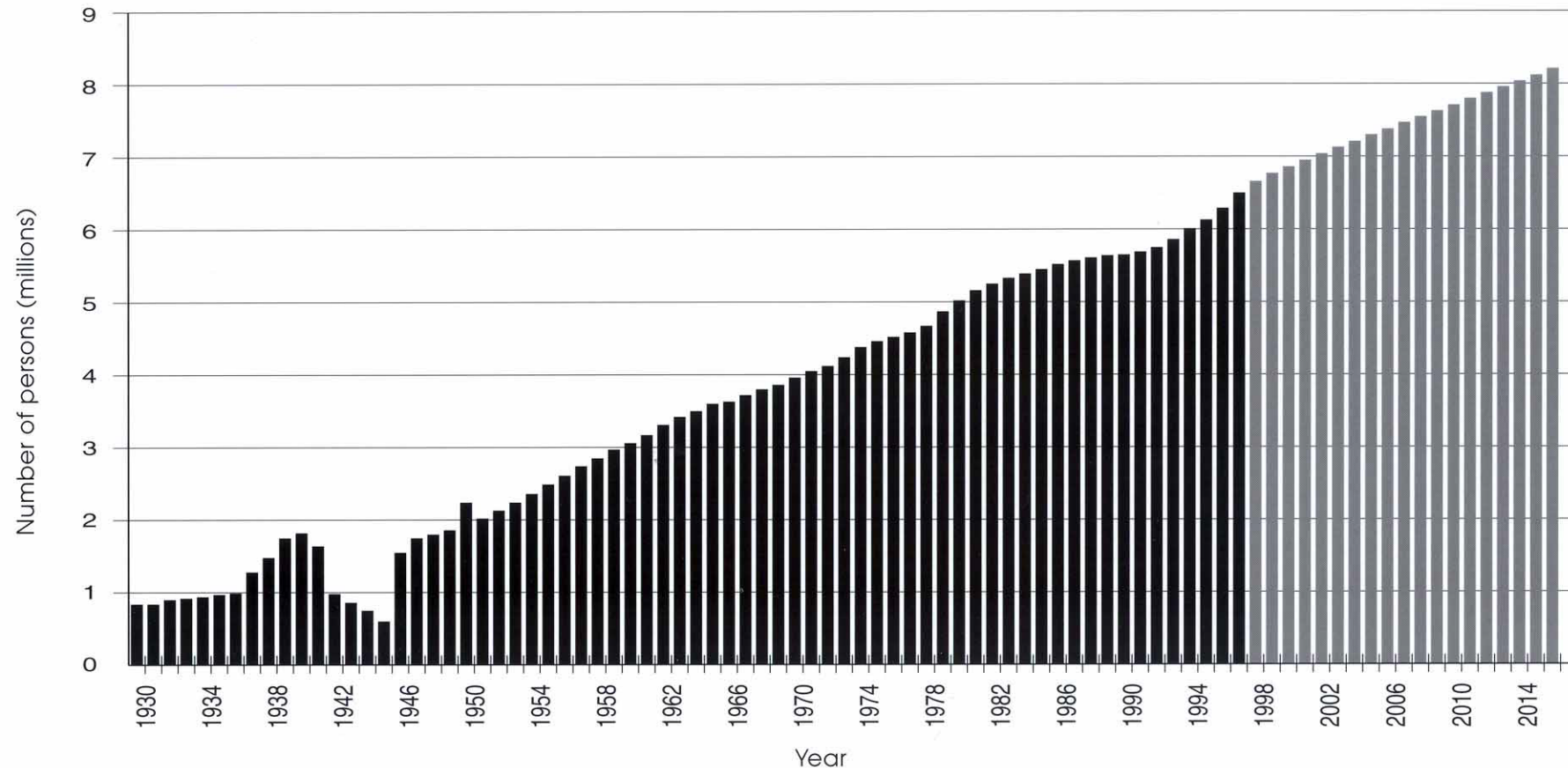


MORE PEOPLE

What should be done to cope with the growing population?



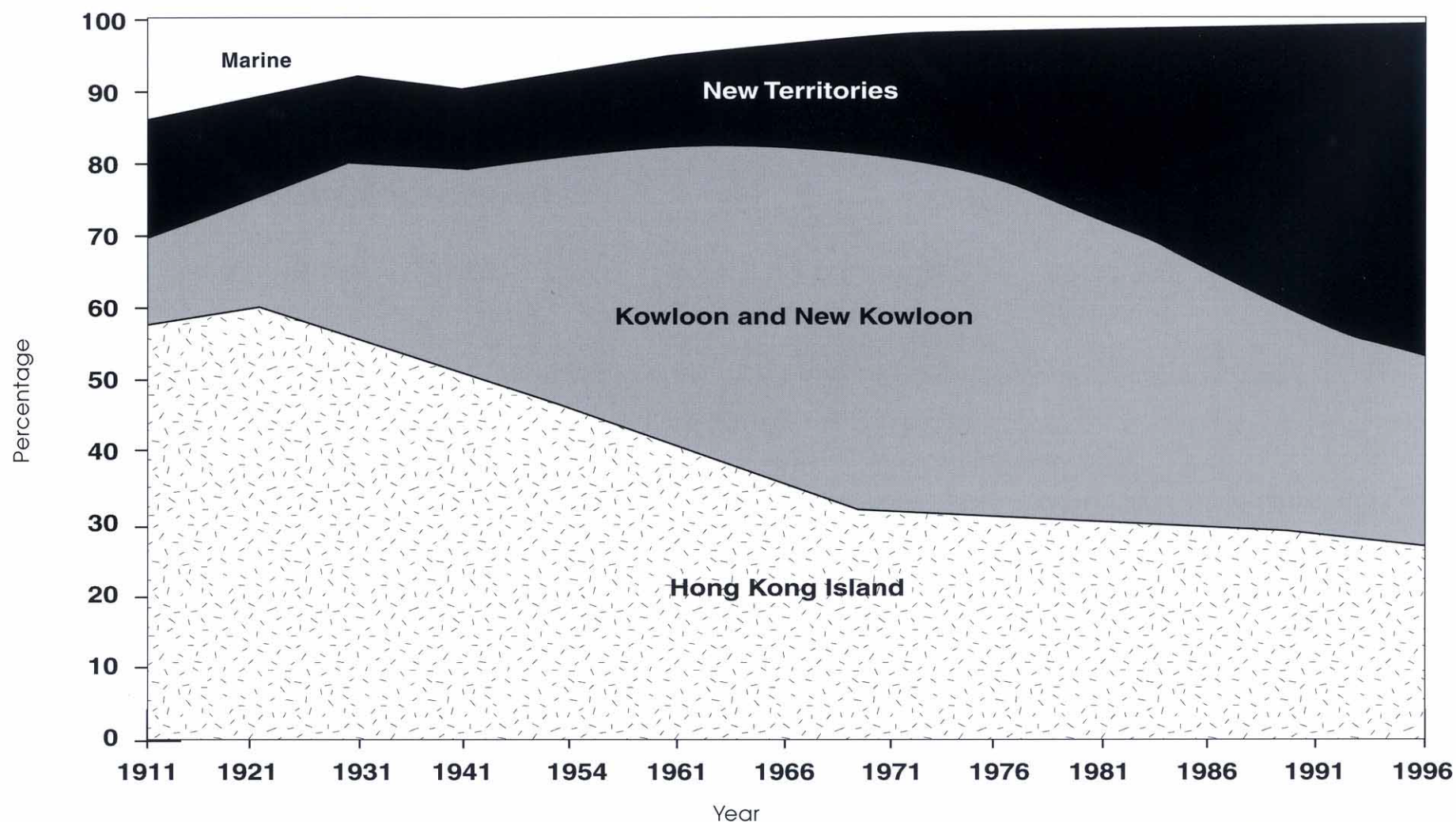
Sources : Census and Statistics Department¹, Fan², Davis³, UNESCAP⁴

Note : Figures for 1998 to 2016 are projected based on 1996 Population By-census.

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INCREASING DEMAND FOR RESIDENTIAL LAND

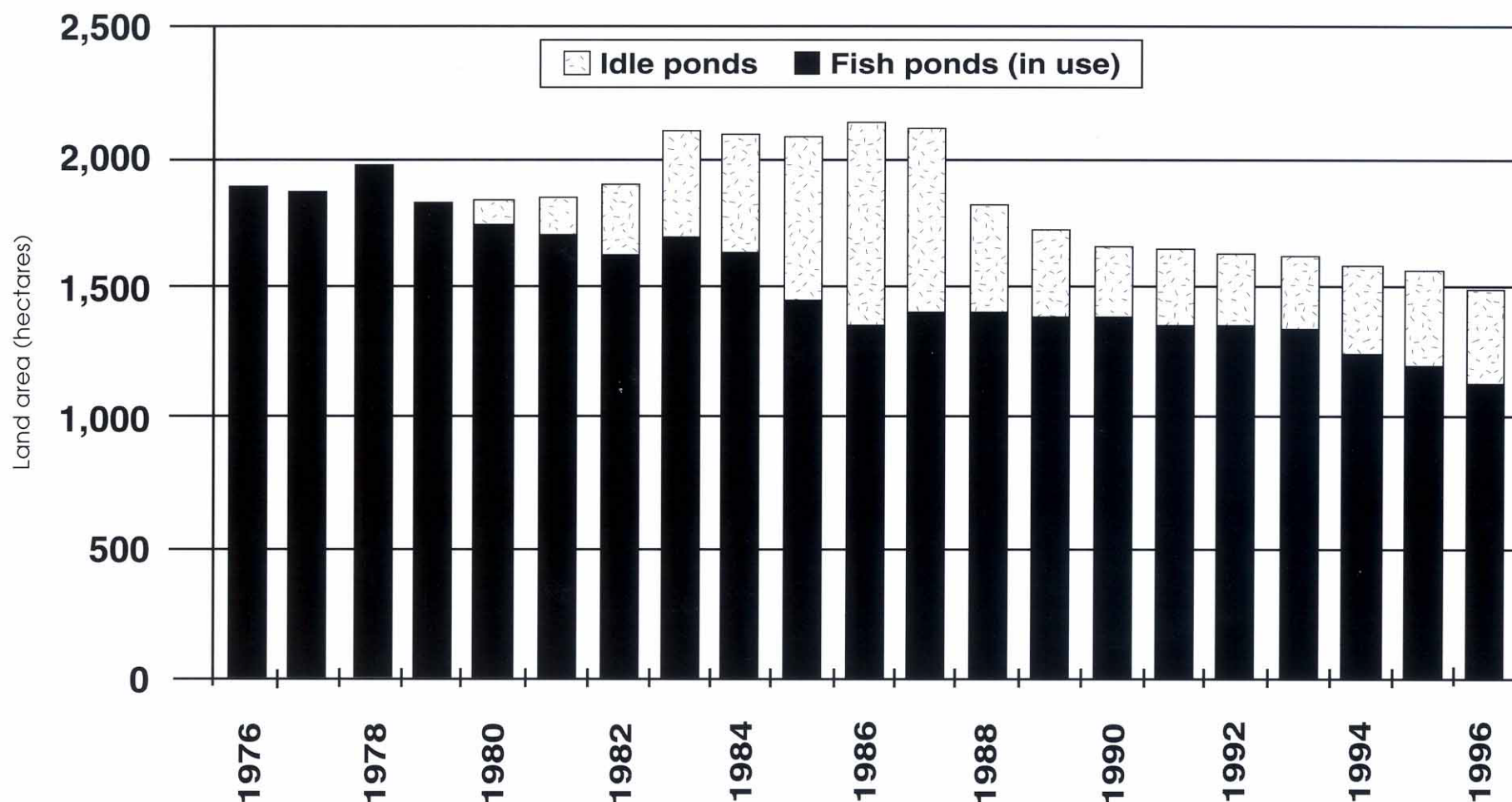
Why is the percentage of the total Hong Kong population living in the New Territories increasing?



Source : Census and Statistics Department

CHANGE OF LAND USE

Why is there a decreasing area of fish ponds and an increasing number of idle ponds in Hong Kong since the late 1970s?



Source : Agriculture and Fisheries Department

INCREASING NOISE POLLUTION

What are the major causes of noise pollution in Hong Kong?

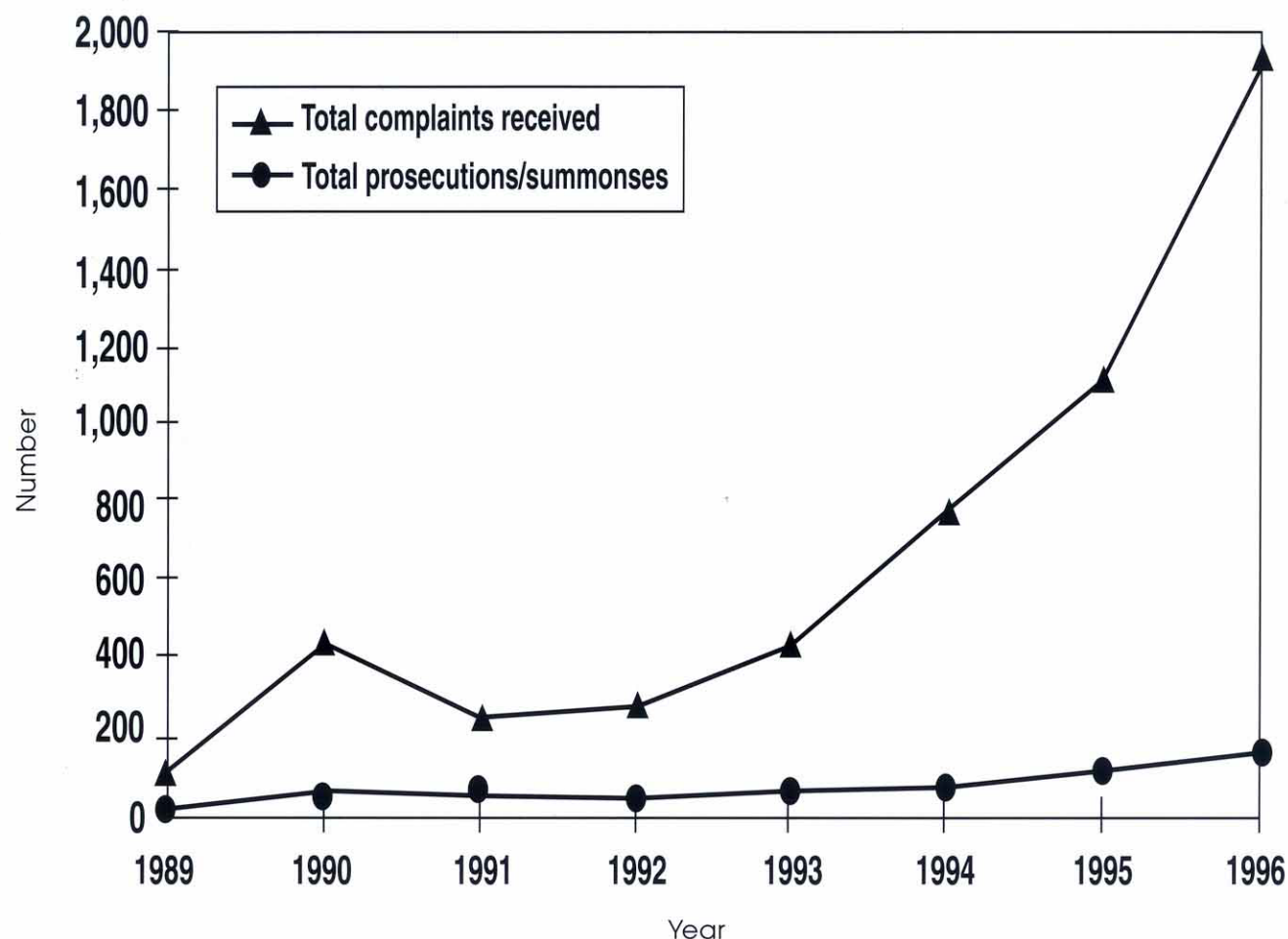


Figure 4.1

| Noise Pollution | No. of complaints reported |
|---|----------------------------|
| Construction | 1,707 |
| • General With Percussive Mechanical Equipment | 181 |
| • Percussive Piling | 0 |
| • Others | |
| Neighbourhood and Public Areas | 1,270 |
| Transport | |
| • Road Traffic | 186 |
| • Aircraft/Helicopter (flight) | 7 |
| • Marine Traffic | 4 |
| Industrial | |
| • Aircraft (maintenance) | 1 |
| • MTRC | 16 |
| • KCRC | 31 |
| • Ferry Facilities | 0 |
| • Places other than Domestic, Public Places, Construction Sites | 2,424 |
| • Industrial and within same Building | 12 |
| Product Noise | 13 |
| Total number of noise pollution complaints reported | 5,852 |

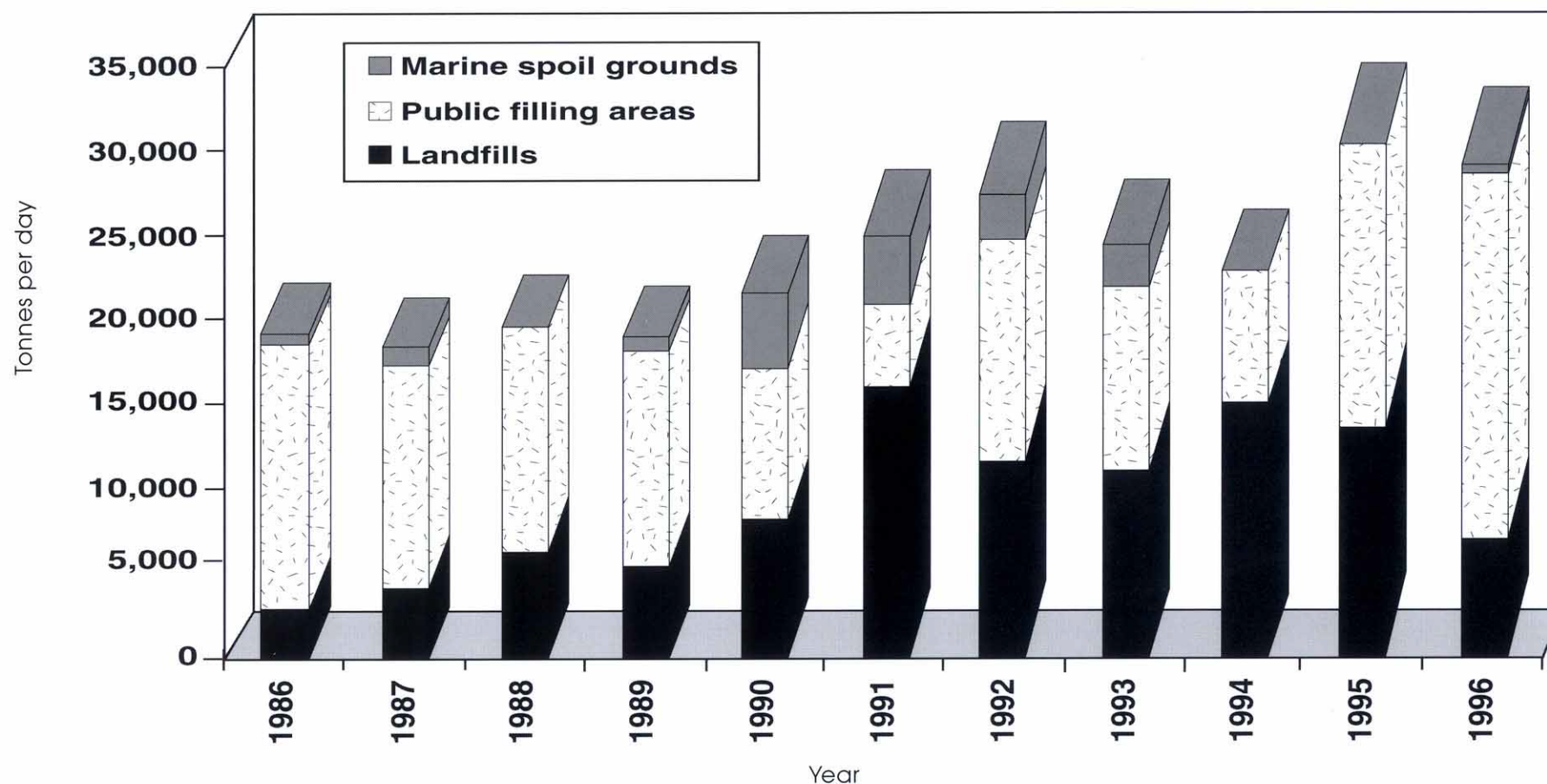
Noise pollution complaints covered 41.9% of the total number of pollution complaints reported in 1997

Figure 4.2

Source: Environmental Protection Department


INCREASING CONSTRUCTION AND DEMOLITION WASTE


Why is there so much construction and demolition waste produced in Hong Kong?
Where does the waste eventually go?



Source : Environmental Protection Department

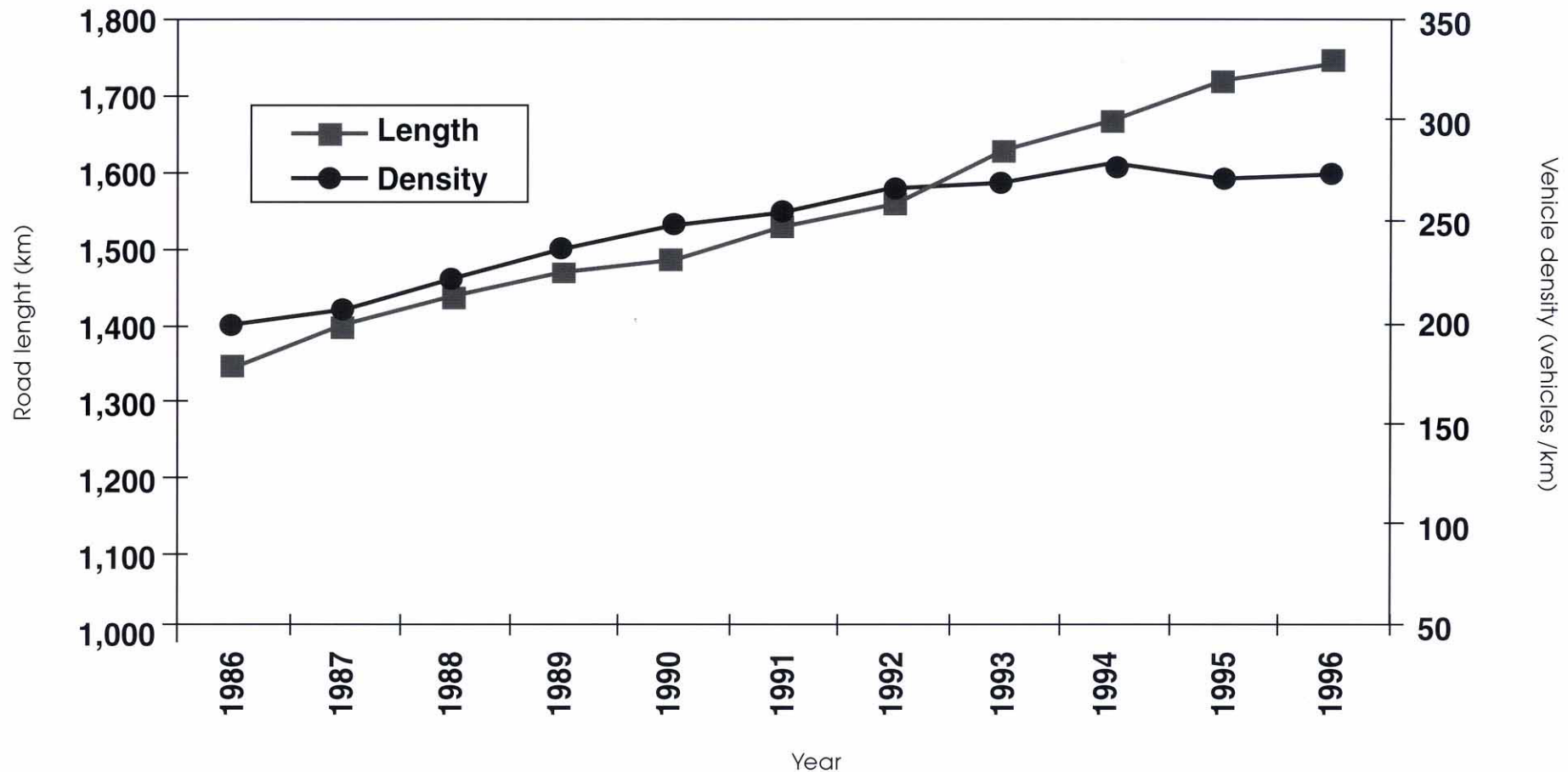
Data Card 5/10 Quantities of construction and demolition waste disposed of at different waste facilities, 1986 to 1996

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INCREASING DEMAND FOR TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES

Why is there an increasing road length and vehicle density in Hong Kong?
Is there any social or environmental problem associated with this issue?



Source: Government Information Services

INCREASING AIR POLLUTION

What does an increasing number of air pollution complaints reflect?

Will air pollution affect our daily life?

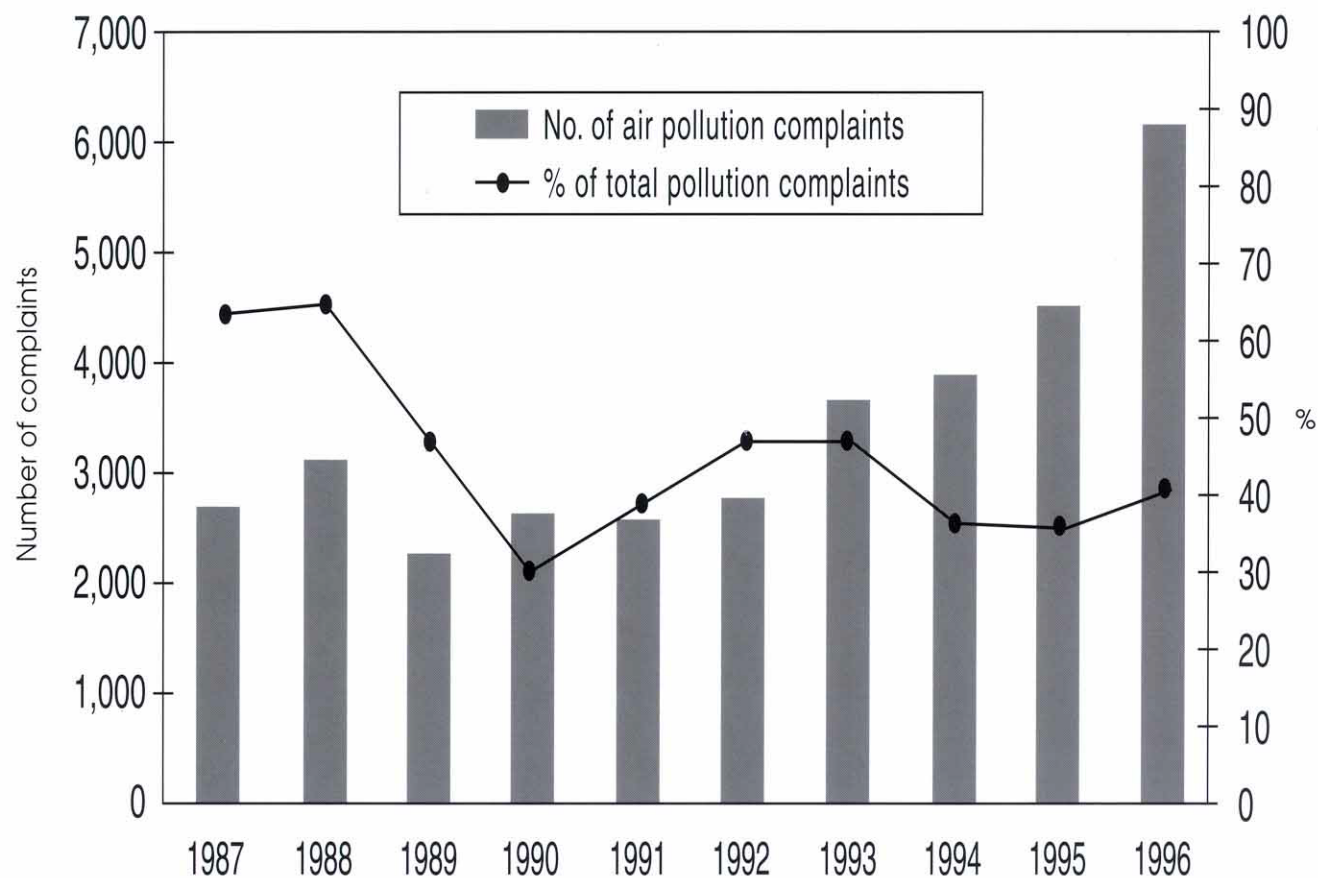


Figure 7.1

| Air Pollution | No. of complaints |
|--|-------------------|
| Vehicle Emissions | 2,869 |
| Ship Emissions | 1 |
| Government Incinerator | |
| • Urban | 0 |
| • Village type | 0 |
| Offensive Smell | 2 |
| Commercial | |
| • Restaurants | 602 |
| • Hotels | 13 |
| • Laundries | 46 |
| • Storage | 7 |
| • Temple/Furnace | 7 |
| Industrial | |
| • Food | 170 |
| • Weaving Apparel | 5 |
| • Textiles | 69 |
| • Woodworks | 40 |
| • Paper & Printing | 29 |
| • Chemicals | 18 |
| • Rubber & Plastics | 32 |
| • Foundries | 2 |
| • Metal Fabrication | 48 |
| • Metal Finishing | 25 |
| • Jewellery, Ivory | 15 |
| • Garage | 159 |
| • Feed & Grain Mills | 1 |
| • Paint & Varnish | 7 |
| • Glass Product | 15 |
| • Leather & Fur | 3 |
| • Batching Plant | 27 |
| • Piling Dark Smoke | 34 |
| • Others | 787 |
| Utilities | |
| • Electricity Works | 4 |
| • Gas Works | 10 |
| Nuisance | |
| • Construction | 577 |
| • Open Burning | 223 |
| • Paint Spraying | 21 |
| • Asbestos | 50 |
| • Unloading Cement | 8 |
| • Abattoir | 239 |
| Total number of air pollution complaints reported | 6,165 |

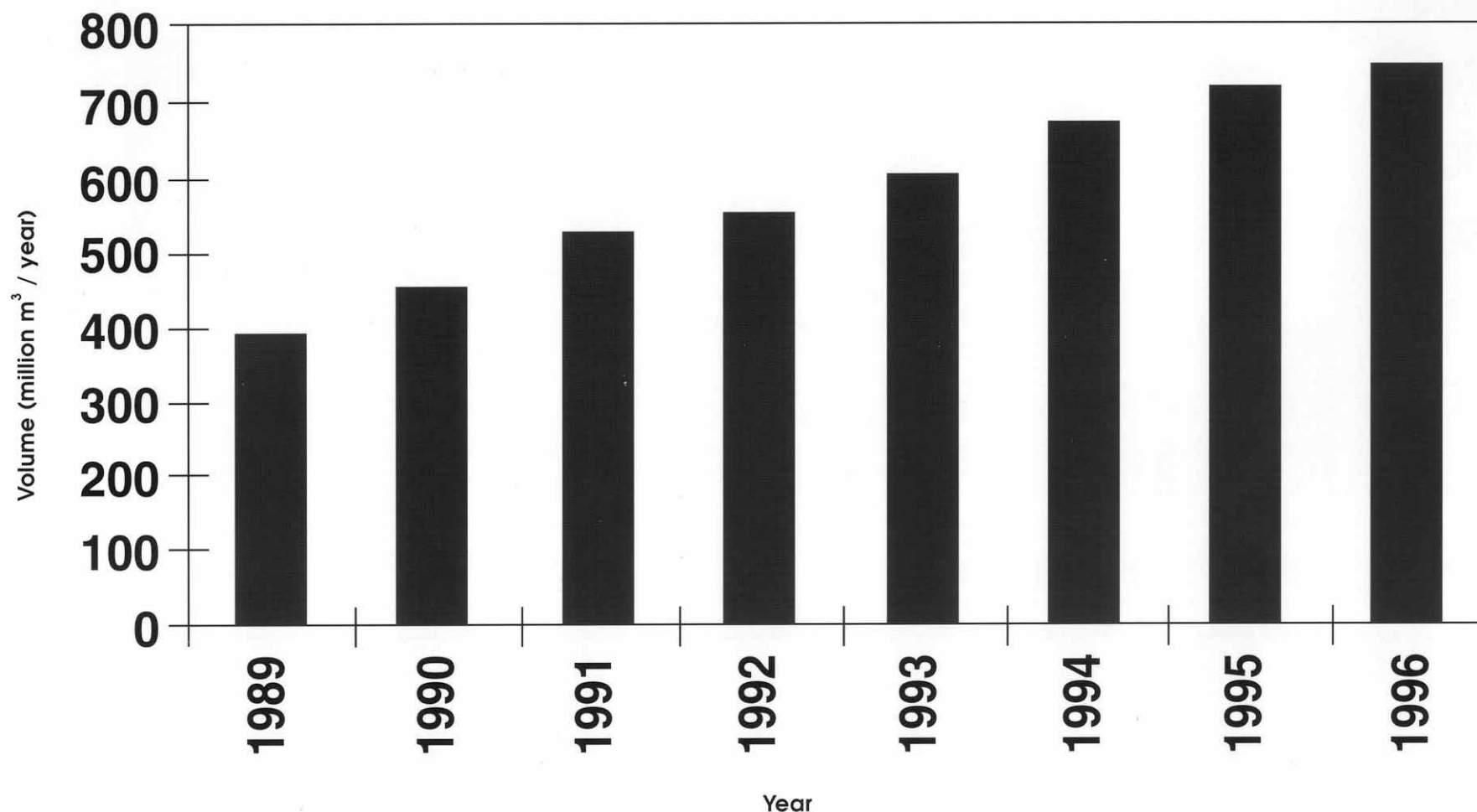
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INCREASING SEWAGE PRODUCTION

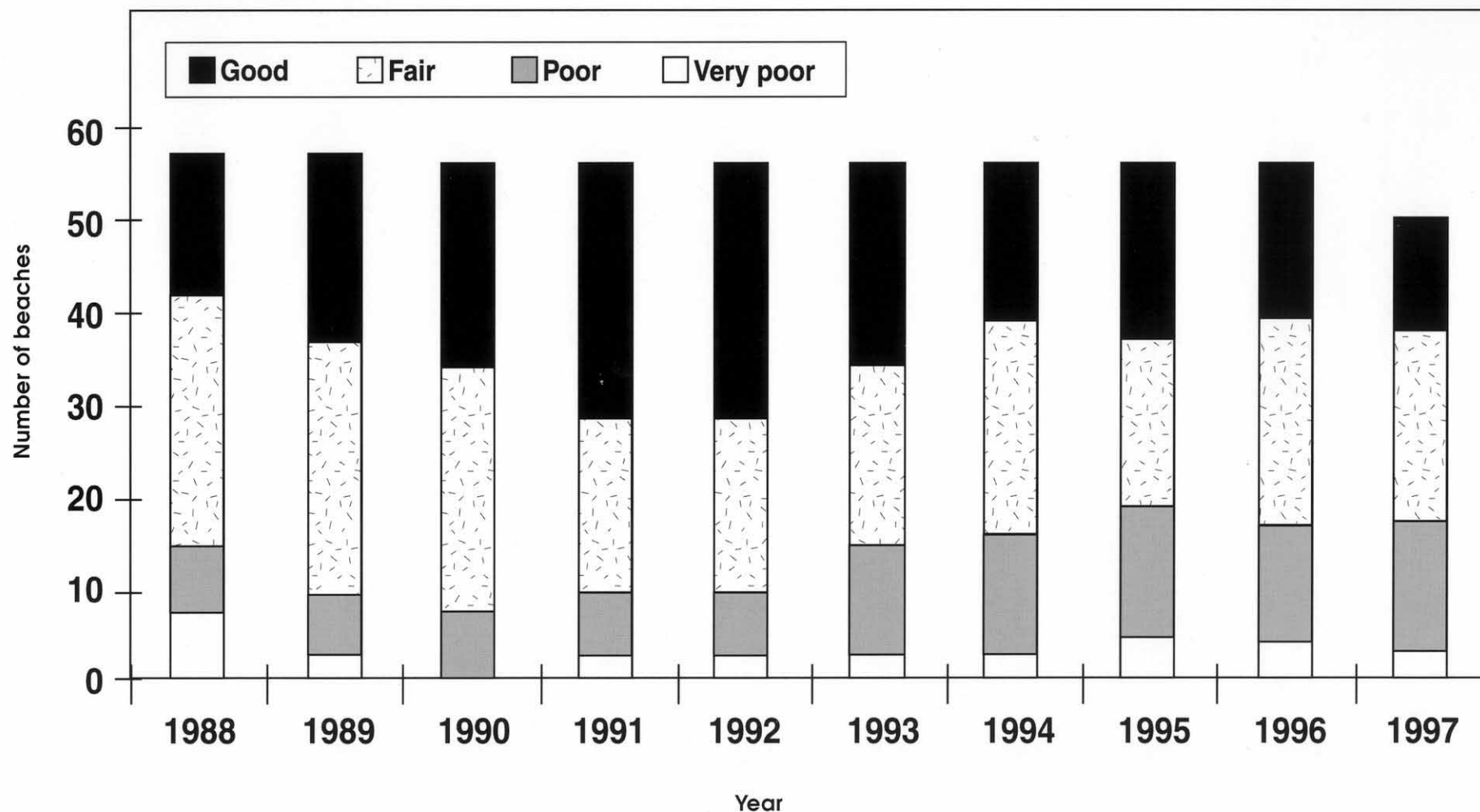
Why is there an increasing volume of sewage in Hong Kong?
What are the possible consequences of this issue?



Source: Drainage Services Department

INCREASING WATER POLLUTION

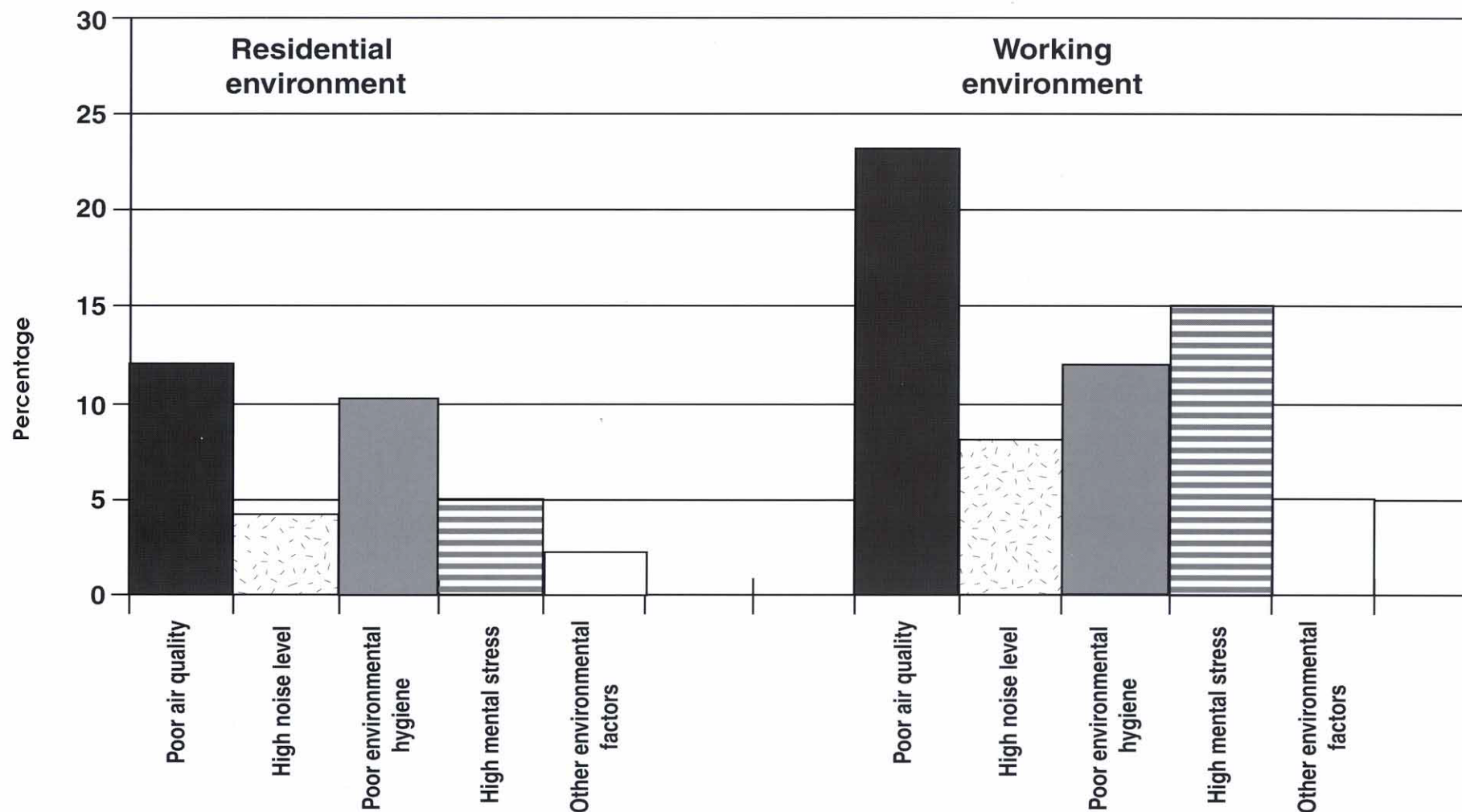
What has happened to the water quality of beaches in Hong Kong during the past 10 years?
What are the reasons for this trend? How does this issue affect our daily life?



Source: Environmental Protection Department

INCREASING HEALTH HAZARD

How does environmental quality affect our quality of life?



Source: Radio Television Hong Kong