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Big surge in UFO sightings

A RECORD number of UFO sightings have been reported in Britain this year, Government figures show.

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X Files-style Ministry of Defence documents released as part of a Freedom of Information request say 394 mysterious hovering objects have been seen in our skies between January and the end of last month.

Among the sightings, a pilot said he saw a 30ft-long black cylinder above his plane in Otmoor, Oxfordshire and a giant bright orange UFO was spotted hovering over Gorey Castle, near Jersey airport, earlier this year. Gary Heseltine, a British Transport Police officer and UFO expert, said yesterday: "There is no doubt in my mind that a small number of these sightings are genuine extraterrestrial phenomena.

"The fact is, so many people have UFO sightings but are afraid to report it for fear of ridicule."

The record number of sightings comes as a new book about their history in this country is released. The UFO Files, by Dr David Clarke, claims there were defence officials in the Nineties who thought UFOs could have been carrying out "tourist" visits to the UK.



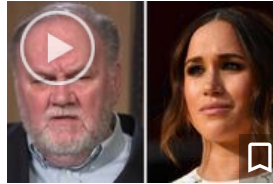
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