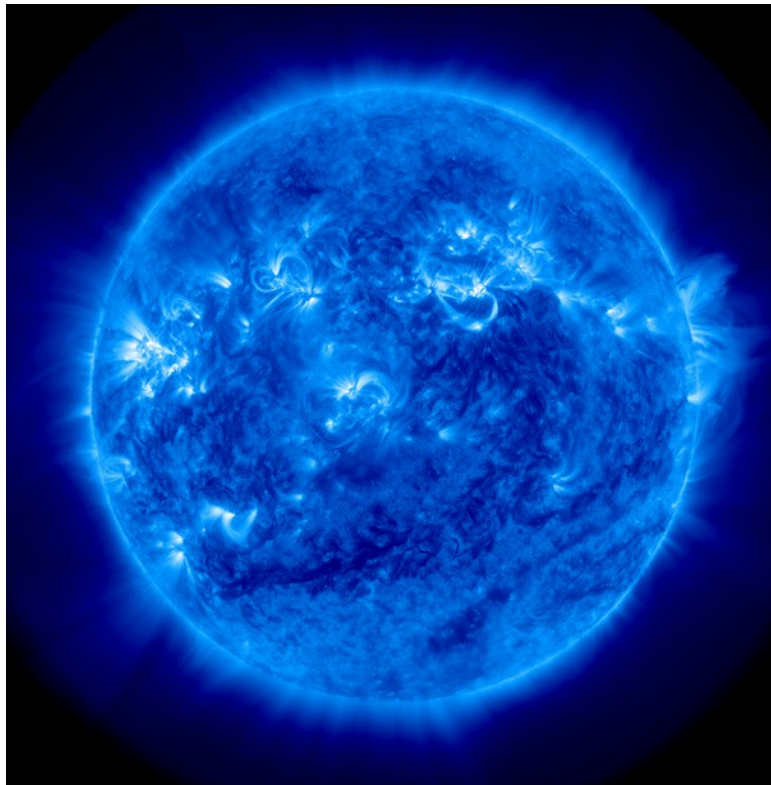


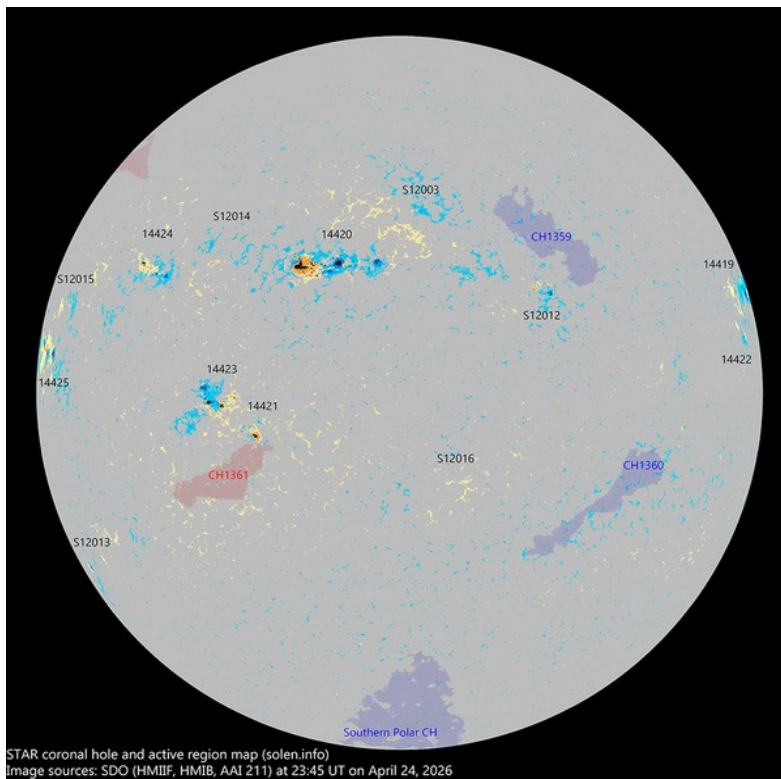
Sunspot Reporting is Now an Absolute Mess



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I noticed that Stefan Burns was reporting two 2.5 X-class flares today, so I checked Solen.info. No report, no prediction. So I checked Spaceweather.com, which *is* reporting them. Also 53 spots in 7 regions, giving us a sunspot number of 123. Way too low, as we will see, but better than Solen, which reported 31 in four regions, for a sunspot number of 71. So why are two major reporting sites now off by 52? They aren't off by a day or something, since I checked: same number reported in those four regions, but Spaceweather is reporting three extra regions, including 13 in 4423. So let's check Solen:



Yes, they have diagrammed it, as you see, right above 4421. But then they wipe it from their list:

14420	2026.04.20 2026.04.21	20	37	23	N16E25	0250	EK1	EKC	
14421	2026.04.20 2026.04.21	1	3	2	S11E39	0045	HSX	CSO	
14422	2026.04.21 2026.04.21	3	5	3	N08W56	0025	CRO	HRX	
S12007	2026.04.21				N11W08				
S12008	2026.04.22				S17W40				

Gone. Disappeared. Though the guys at SWPC saw it. That wipes about 50 from the number, since that is the second most active region on the Sun.

4420 is badly misreported by both SWPC and Solen, since not only are the spots underweighed and miscounted, that region should be split into at least two, and probably three. But they have shrunk it for the list, hoping you won't see that. That wipes another 80 from the number.

4419 is also criminally misweighed, and they rotate it almost out of sight on the big schematic, as you

see. But this is the one that produced the X-class flares, and in the inset photos they admit the spot is very large.



See how they have shrunk it from yesterday? You have to laugh at how obvious this fakery is. Even so, they have wiped about 20 from the number.

Both Solen and SWPC count 4421 as one, but it is large, at least 15, wiping another 14.

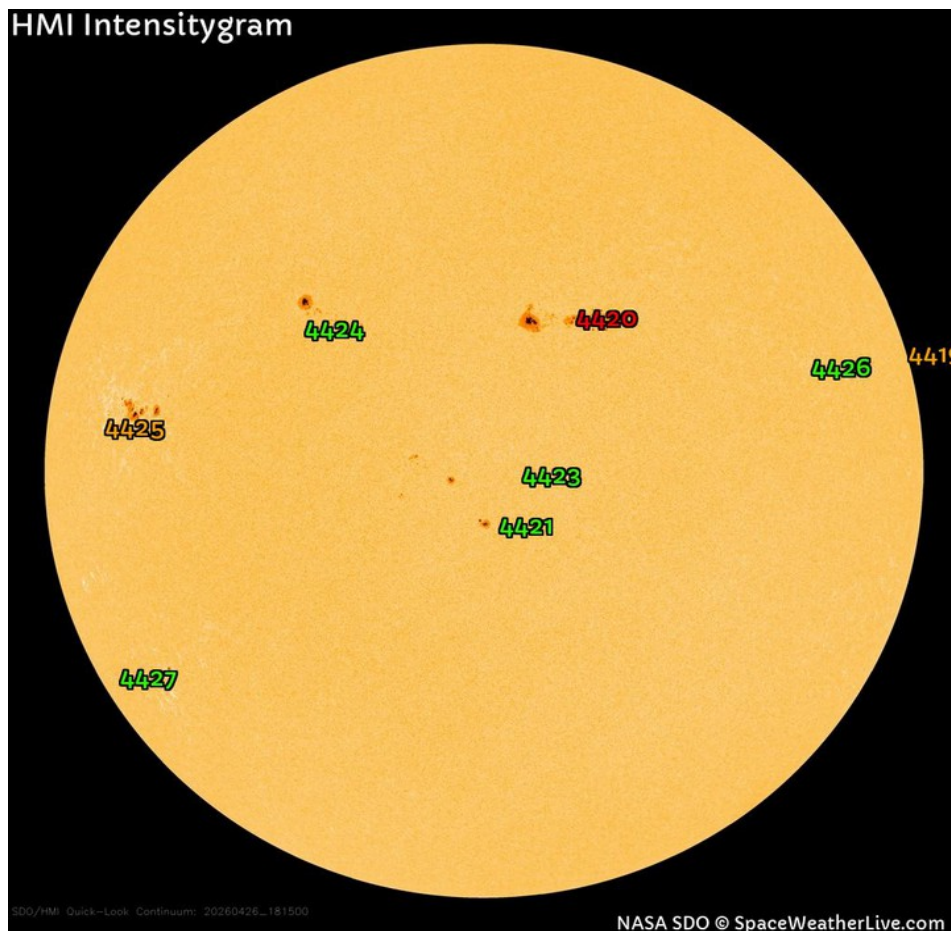
Solen ignores 4425 on the left limb, but SWPC counts it as five. Both are criminally low, as we see from the actual photo of the Sun today under title. Even if we count that region as one region, I see more like 30 spots, so they have erased at least 25.

How about these two regions, which Solen lists but fails to count?

S12009	2026.04.23	18	11	S04E43	0130	DRI	
S12010	2026.04.23	5	2	N17E57	0020	CRO	

15 in the first and five in the second, plus the two regions, gives us another 40. Also strange that those regions don't appear on their big schematic, so we don't even know where they are. They don't appear at SWPC.

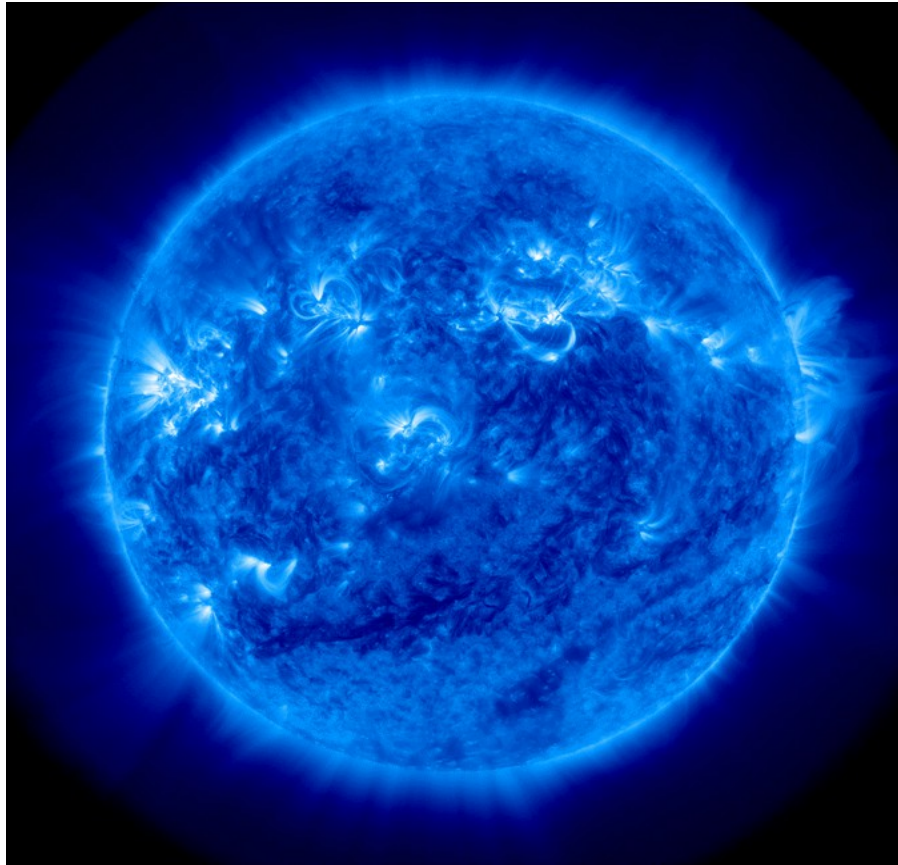
Then we have S12012, which Solen marks on their big schematic, as you see above, but then don't count or picture in the lists. But if we check the blue photo, we see a very active region there under the coronal hole. You can see the dot at SWPC in their schematic:



but they don't give it a number and don't count it. So that wipes at least another 20.

So we are up to 341 on a day that Solen reported 71. They are still reporting a quiet Sun while multiple X-class flares are popping off and the limbs are exploding.

Next day: It looks like SWPC and Solen *are* a day off on the west coast where I am, since Solen is reporting 123 today. But that doesn't negate anything else I wrote yesterday, since both reports are off by 218. *Or more*, as we see from today's picture of the Sun from the SDO:



The miss was already so egregious, I quit yesterday without mentioning that region on the lower left limb. Actually two regions now. Solen tags it S12013, as you see above, but then ignores it. If each spot weighs ten, plus 20 for two new regions, that is another 60 they erased yesterday, taking us up to above 400 and a miss of 278. And we see yet another region to the left of that and above, adding another 20 or so. But I will leave that for tomorrow, since by the time it arrived 4419 and 4422 may have rotated out on the right limb.

April 26: I noticed that today for the first time Solen didn't report an SWPC number for each region in their list, so you can't tell which region is being counted and which is being wiped. They just left that box empty for all regions. I assume this is in response to these papers of mine. They did report 19 flares today, including two M-class, and about 30 yesterday, including the two 2.5 X-class. This is a month that is supposed to be quiet, as the Sun comes down quickly from maximum (according to their prediction). Whereas I have it climbing to a second peak, according to my Feb. 2020 prediction.