Ocean Science Datasheet

Investigative Question: What organisms live here?

Let's look for organisms at the four different tide zones! Move aside the seaweed and carefully look in your quadrat for species listed on the datasheet. When you find an organism, place an "X" in the zone where you find it. Careful to put your "X" in the right column! Which zone had the highest number of different organisms?

| Organism | Splash | High tide | Mid-tide | Low tide |
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| Sea urchin | | | | × |

Example: If you found a sea urchin at the low-tide zone but not at the Splash, mid-, or high tide zones, you would fill the chart out like the one above.

| | Tidal Zone Inventory | | | | |
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| Organism | Splash | High tide | Mid-tide | Low tide | |
| Green Anemone | | | | | |
| Aggregating Anemone | | | | | |
| Acorn Barnacle | | | | | |
| Thatched Barnacle | | | | | |
| Gooseneck Barnacle | | | | | |
| Kelp Isopod | | | | | |
| Purple Shore Crab | | | | | |
| Hairy Shore Crab | | | | | |
| Hermit Crab | | | | | |
| Decorator crab | | | | | |
| Dungeness Crab | | | | | |
| Periwinkle snail | | | | | |
| Whelk | | | | | |
| Pacific Blue Mussel | | | | | |
| Limpet | | | | | |
| Chiton | | | | | |
| Sea Lemon Nudibranch | | | | | |
| Opalescent Nudibranch | | | | | |
| Purple/Ochre Sea Star | | | | | |
| Other Sea Star | | | | | |
| Tidepool Sculpin | | | | | |
| Other | | | | | |
| Other | | | | | |
| Add up all the "X"s in each column | | | | | |

| The $_$ | zone had the highest number of different kinds of organisms. |
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| | Why do you think that there are more kinds of organisms there? |