

17th COAST GUARD DISTRICT ENFORCEMENT REPORT



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List of Abbreviations

AVDET – Aviation Detachment	MBL – US/Russian Maritime Boundary
CFVS – Commercial Fishing Vessel Safety	MEDEVAC – Medical Evacuation
CGC – Coast Guard Cutter	MEDICO – Passing medical advice at sea
DIW – Dead in the Water	NPSC – North Pacific SAR Coordinator
EPIRB – Emergency Position Indicating Radio Beacon	PD – Police Department
FBS – Russian Federal Border Service	POB – Persons on board
FCH – Charter Fishing Vessel	PRC – People’s Republic of China
FF/V – Foreign Fishing Vessel	RFMO – Regional Fisheries Management Org.
FOL – Forward Operating Location	SAR – Search and Rescue
FRC – 154’ Fast Response Cutter	SARSAT – Search and Rescue Satellite Aided Tracking
GOA – Gulf of Alaska	SMC – SAR Mission Coordinator
HC-130 – USCG Fixed-Wing Aircraft	TERM - Termination
MH-65/MH-60 – CG helicopter	UMIB – Urgent Marine Info Broadcast
HSDN – High Seas Drift Net	WHEC – 378’ High Endurance Cutter
IFQ – Individual Fishing Quota	WLB – 225’ Buoy Tender
IUU – Illegal, Unregulated, and Unreported Fishing	WMEC – Medium Endurance Cutter
IVO – In the vicinity of	WMSL – 418’ National Security Cutter
MARB – Marine Assistance Request Broadcast	WPB – 110’ Patrol Boat

I. IUU Fishing & High Seas Drift Net (HSDN) Enforcement

There were no HSDN enforcement activities conducted during the reporting period.

II. U.S./Russian Maritime Boundary Line (MBL) Enforcement

There was very low activity along the MBL through January and March. Overall there was an average of less than one vessel per day detected within 20 miles of the MBL. There have been no detected incursions by FFVs into the U.S. EEZ this season.

III. U.S./Canadian EEZ Boundary (Dixon Entrance) Enforcement

There was light fishing activity during the reporting period along the U.S.-Canadian EEZ boundary in the vicinity of Dixon Entrance. All Canadian fishing vessels sighted were south of the A-B line and no incursions into U.S. waters were detected.

IV. Marine Protected Resources and Critical Habitat Enforcement

The Coast Guard monitors more than 151 critical habitat areas around Alaska each month as part of routine cutter and aircraft patrol activity. On February 10th, the Coast Guard issued a Broadcast Notice to Mariners and released a NAVTEX to request mariners ivo Unimak Pass to proceed with caution since endangered North Pacific Right Whales were spotted by fisherman and reported to NOAA feeding in the pass. On February 12th, NOAA requested air support to locate a reported deceased whale. Air Station Sitka located the deceased whale, provided photos and location. This allowed NOAA to conduct a necropsy on this recently deceased humpback whale.

V. Commercial Fishing Vessel Boarding Statistics

There were 49 federal fisheries boardings conducted by the U.S. Coast Guard during the reporting period. These boardings resulted in a total of 7 fisheries violations onboard 6 vessels. Figures 1 and 2 show the historic trends for boardings and violations. Appendices B and C list the boardings that occurred during the reporting period.

Figure 1. Fisheries Boardings By Year

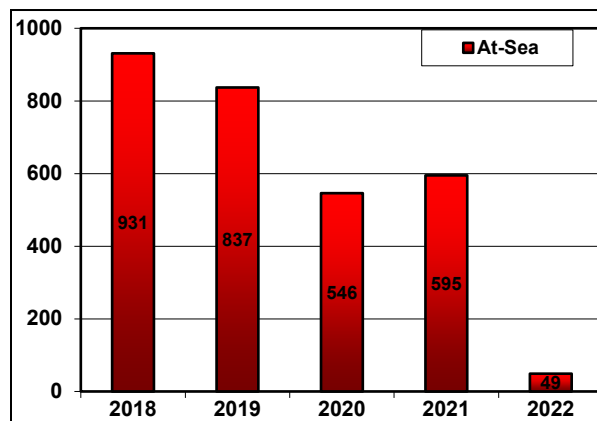
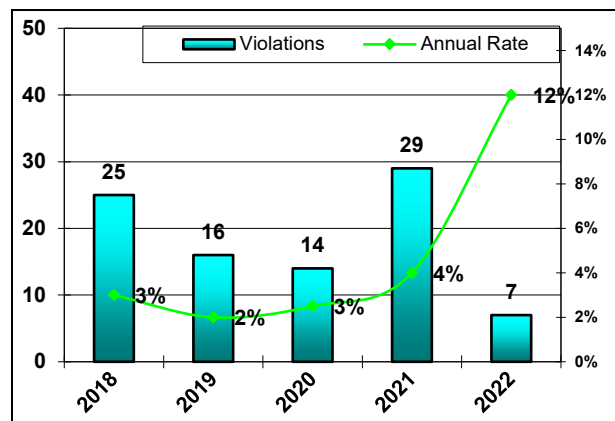


Figure 2. Fisheries Violations by Year



Jan – Mar 2021 Boardings

F/V Boardings (at sea):42
 Boardings w/fisheries violations:4
 Violation Rate:9.5%

Jan – Mar 2022 Boardings

F/V Boardings (at sea):49
 Boardings w/fisheries violations:6
 Violation Rate:12%

VI. Halibut and Sablefish Enforcement

Coast Guard patrols completed 13 boardings on commercial, charter, and recreational vessels targeting halibut and sablefish during the reporting period. Ten boardings were of IFQ halibut or Sablefish vessels and three boardings were of recreational vessels targeting halibut, detecting zero violations .

VII. Forward Operating Locations

Air Station Kodiak deployed one MH-60 to Cold Bay on 04 January for the Bering Sea crab season. Air Station Kodiak ended their Cold Bay deployment on 16 March.

VIII. Crab Fisheries

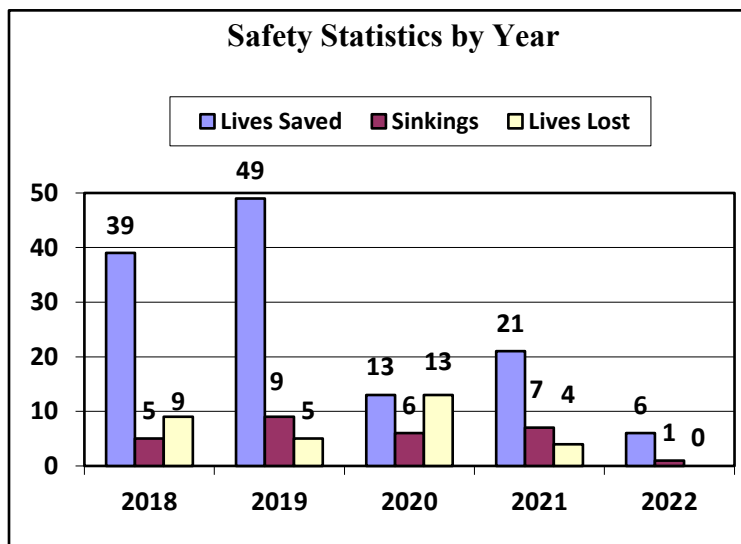
Coast Guard units conducted 21 boardings on fishing vessels targeting crab throughout Alaska.

IX. Commercial Fishing Vessel Safety/Search and Rescue Cases

During the reporting period, 15 safety violations were detected on five vessels. A comprehensive list of violations can be found in Appendix C.

There were eight search and rescue (SAR) cases involving fishing vessels in U.S. waters, resulting in six lives saved, no lives lost, and one vessel lost during the reporting period. Appendix A provides a comprehensive list of SAR cases involving fishing vessels over the reporting period.

Figure 3. Historical Overview of CFVS Statistics



X. Coast Guard Resource Summary

Figures 4-7 show the *annual* aircraft law enforcement hours, Medium and High Endurance Cutter days, and Patrol Boat hours used in the Seventeenth District. Figures 8-9 show the same information over the last three years for major cutters and patrol boats over the *reporting period only*.

Figure 4. Annual HC-130 Hours

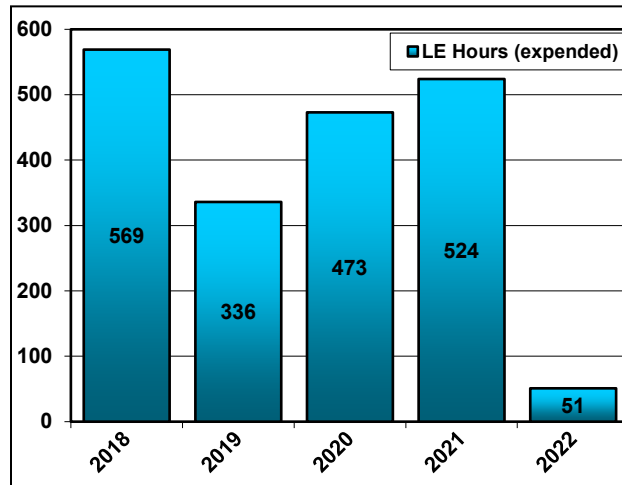
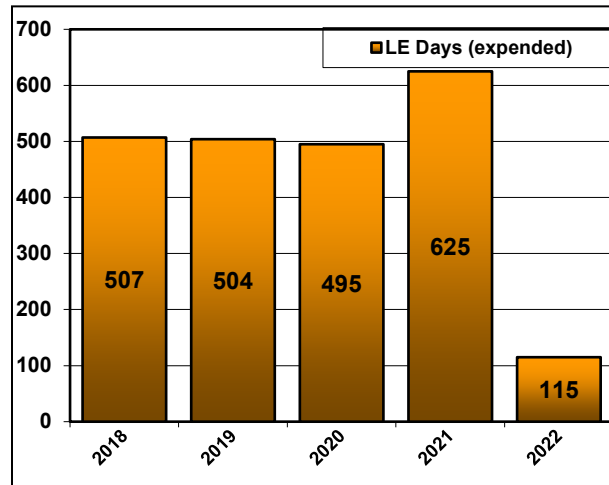


Figure 5. Annual Major Cutter Days



Jan – Mar 2021

1 WMSL patrolled.....31 days
 1 WHEC patrolled.....36 days
 1 WMEC patrolled.....27 days
 1 WLB patrolled 11 days
 7 WPBs/FRCs patrolled..... 103 days
Total Cutter patrol.....208 days

HC-130s flew 78 hours
 HH-60/65s flew..... 106 hours

Jan – Mar 2022

2 WMSL patrolled.....80 days
 0 WHEC patrolled-[All decommissioned]
 1 WMEC patrolled.....35 days
 1 WLB patrolled6 days
 7 WPB/FRCs patrolled105 days
Total Cutter patrol.....226 days

HC-130s flew51 hours
 HH-60/65s flew.....50 hours

Figure 6. Annual H60/65 Hours

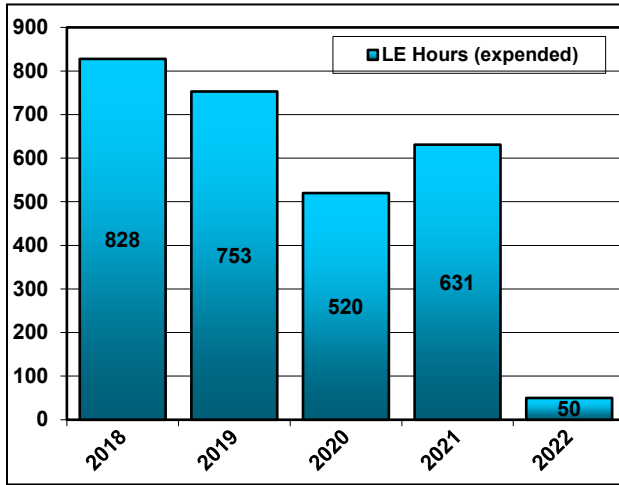


Figure 7. Annual Patrol Boat Hours

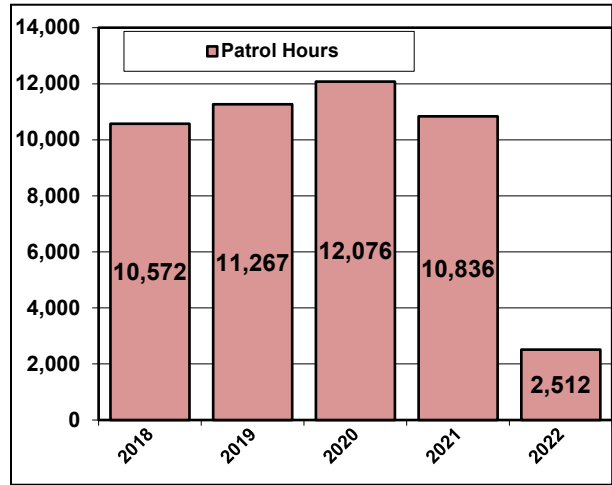


Figure 8. Jan-Mar Major Cutter Days

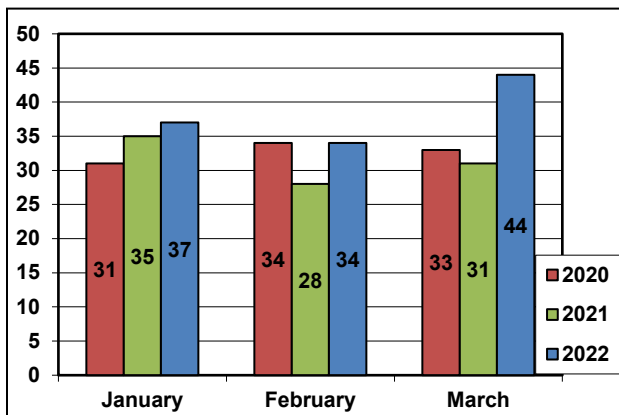
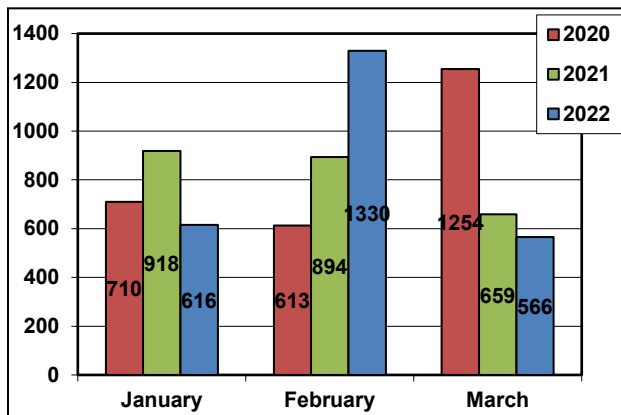


Figure 9. Jan-Mar Patrol Boat Hours



Appendix A
January – March 2022
Search and Rescue Cases

Date	Vessel Name	Case Specifics
01 Jan	F/V JOY	Conducted callouts, issued UMIB, and launched MH-60 to search for unreported vessel. Individual on the vessel contacted the Coast Guard the next day to report they were not in distress.
02-04 Jan	F/V ICELANDER & F/V GAMBLER	Maintained comms schedule and diverted WMSL to escort vessels to port due to both fishing vessels being beset by weather and having significant topside icing. GAMBLER transited towards ICELANDER to serve as Good Samaritan vessel.
31 Jan	F/V CONSTELLATION	Conducted MEDEVAC to St. Paul for crewmember crushed arm due to hatch closing. Crewmember transferred to commercial medical flight for higher level care.
08 Feb	F/V GLORY	MH-60 deployed rescue swimmer and dewatering pump to fishing vessel taking on water. Efforts unsuccessful. Rescue Swimmer and F/V crewmembers hoisted by MH-60 prior to vessel sinking.
09 Feb	F/V MARTHA MARIE	Maintained comms with vessel beset by weather and experiencing topside icing until weather subsided.
21 Feb	F/V EMERALD BEAUTY	Fishing vessel sank. All crewmembers recovered by F/V ANNA LYNN operating nearby.
17 Mar	F/V AMERICA'S FINEST	Conducted MEDEVAC of crewmember due to machinery entanglement. Crewmember transferred to commercial medical flight for higher level care.
20 Mar	F/V PHOENIX	CGC ALEX HALEY's AVDET conducted a MEDEVAC of a crewmember suffering from a medical condition. Crewmember transferred to commercial medical flight for higher level care.
21 Mar	F/V PHOENIX	CGC ALEX HALEY's AVDET conducted a MEDEVAC of a crewmember experiencing stroke-like symptoms. Crewmember transferred to commercial medical flight for higher level care.
22 Mar	F/V AMERICAN DYNASTY	MEDICO for crewmember who's vision was impacted by cleaning agent incidentally splashed in their eyes.

Appendix B
 January – March 2022
 Fisheries Boardings without Violations

DATE	VSL NAME	SPECIES	AREA
1/15/22	KETA	110	509
1/25/22	MARATHON	270	630
1/31/22	OCEAN INVICTUS	270	640
1/31/22	MARATHON	270	640
1/31/22	RUFF AND READY	110	630
2/3/22	SUMNER STRAIT	110	630
2/4/22	GUARDIAN	110	630
2/4/22	GOLD RUSH	270	630
2/5/22	OCEAN ROVER	270	509
2/5/22	BERING DEFENDER	270	517
2/5/22	MARK I	270	517
2/6/22	OCEANIC	270	509
2/10/22	DISCOVERY	110	630
2/11/22	OCEAN HUNTER	110	517
2/13/22	ENTERPRISE	270	620
2/13/22	MARCY J	270	620
2/13/22	ARCTIC RAM	270	620
2/13/22	PACIFIC STORM	270	620
2/13/22	STELLA	270	620
2/14/22	ISLE DOMINATOR	110	630
2/15/22	NICHOLE	270	630
2/15/22	HALCYON	110	630
2/15/22	AK6059	200	3A
2/17/22	AK7799AN	200	2C
3/5/22	ALASKA ENDEAVOR	110	517
3/11/22	LADY SIMPSON	200	649
3/11/22	STARWARD	270	509
3/11/22	STARLITE	270	509
3/11/22	AMERICAN TRIUMPH	270	509
3/11/22	PHOENIX	270	509
3/12/22	PACIFIC CHALLENGER	270	509
3/13/22	KARIOCA	200	2C
3/15/22	ELINOR JANE	200	2C
3/16/22	HANNAH POINT	200	2C
3/17/22	STARSHIP	200	2C
3/18/22	AK4509AV	200	2C
3/19/22	WINDFALL	200	2C

3/26/22	KARIEL	710	SE
3/26/22	SHARI ANN	710	SE
3/26/22	IDA LEE	710	SE
3/26/22	SAN JUAN	710	SE

Appendix C

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Fisheries Boardings with Fisheries and/or Safety Violations (Commercial, Recreational, and Charter)

DATE	SPECIES	AREA	VIOLATIONS
1/14/22	110	509	Did not log inactive days in daily fishing log
1/15/22	110	509	Did not log inactive days in daily fishing log
2/4/22	110	630	Failure to transmit AIS while underway or at anchor
2/6/22	270	509	Discarding pollock and no LLP onboard
2/7/22	110	630	Expired life raft, 03 expired fire extinguishers, expired VDS, expired liferaft hydrostatic release, 6 inadequate survival suits, no MSD system
2/13/22	270	620	No FFP or LLP onboard
2/15/22	270	630	Expired VDS
2/19/22	110	630	Seized 18 halibut that were caught and retained during closure. Notified AWT of 01 lingcod caught and retained during closure. Issued NOV for operating beyond 3NM with expired hydrostatic release and no current CFVS exam
3/5/22	110	517	Inactive days not logged
3/25/22	230	650	Fire extinguisher service date past due