

B4 NPFMC OLE REPORT

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OPERATIONAL HIGHLIGHTS



In May, a Special Agent and Enforcement Officer completed a 208 mile patrol on the P/V NATOMA BAY between Ketchikan, AK and the eastern side of the US/Canada border. The team contacted a Canadian commercial crab fishing vessel fishing just inside the waters of the USA.

In July, three Enforcement Officers completed an eight day patrol on the P/V CAPE ELIZABETH. The team boarded 45 commercial, charter, and recreational vessels between Seward and Tuxedni Bay. 45 boardings resulted in 31 documented violations



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In July, a Special Agent and a tribal biologist flew on a Coast Guard H-60 out of Kodiak to document whale carcasses and collect samples. The team identified seven gray whales and one fin whale carcass.

In July, Enforcement Officers conducted multiple patrols on the P/V KINGFISHER in the Kodiak Archipelago. Patrols focused on subsistence and charter halibut fisheries.



JOINT ENFORCEMENT AGREEMENT

In July, an Enforcement Officer conducted a 13-day patrol on the Alaska Wildlife Trooper P/V ENFORCER in Southeast Alaska.

Six federal fisheries violations were documented during the patrol. The team conducted 104 joint boardings.



OLE/USCG JOINT OPERATIONS

U.S. Coast Guard MSST-Seattle and an Enforcement Officer conducted sea patrols in the vicinity of Sitka Sound. The joint enforcement patrols focused on safety, charter halibut, Individual Fishing Quotas and marine mammal viewing vessels.

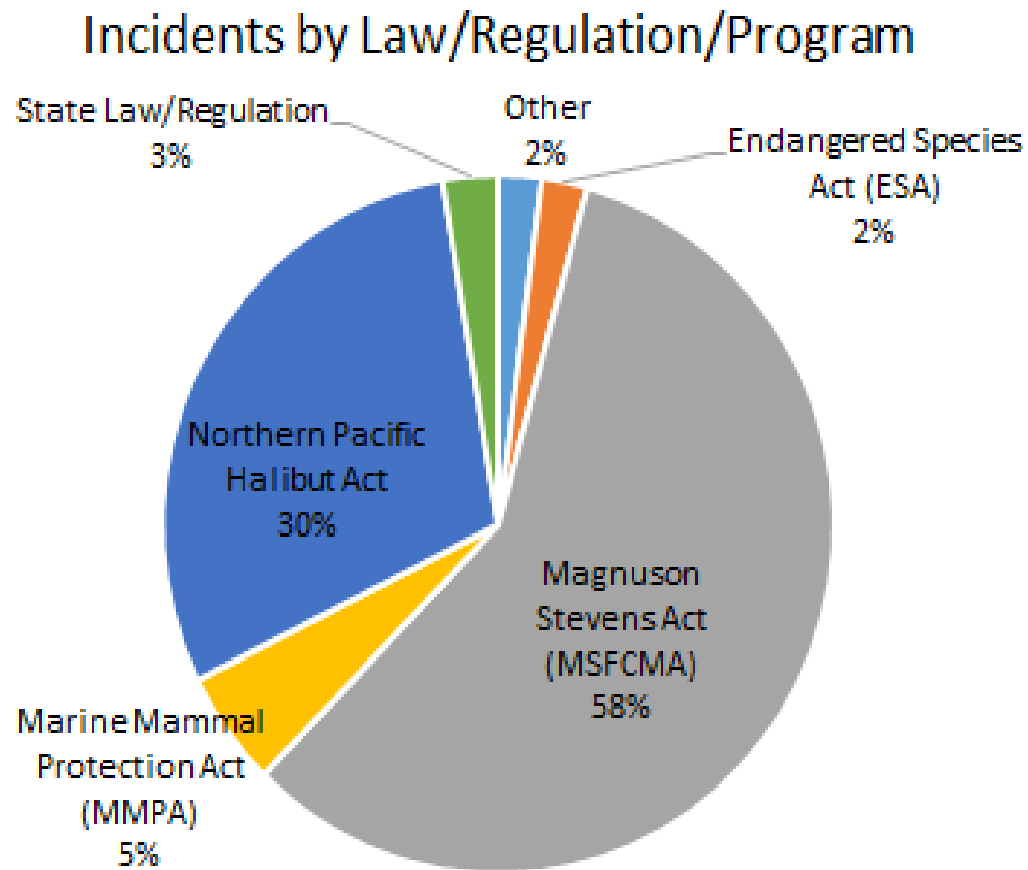


COMMUNITY OUTREACH AND EDUCATION

Date	Location	Description
July 7, 2020	Petersburg, AK	Enforcement officers hosted an outdoor session for the Petersburg Indian Association's Natural Resources program to teach high-school students about fisheries management.
July 27-30, 2020	Teleconference	The Alaska Eskimo Whaling Commission (AEWC) held its second triannual commissioner's meeting virtually. OLE answer questions regarding compliance and NOAA co-management.
August 8, 2020	Teleconference	A Special Agent participated in a Halibut Deck Sorting meeting with NPOP and Am80 co-op and discussed potential violations from A season
August 11, 2020	Seward, AK	An Enforcement Officer presented and provided outreach materials to the Seward Boys and Girls Club. Approximately 25 people, including students and staff met outside to learn about law enforcement.
August 21, 2020	Teleconference	Special Agents participated in a Semi-annual teleconference with the Kodiak trawl fleet to discuss regulations and answer questions.



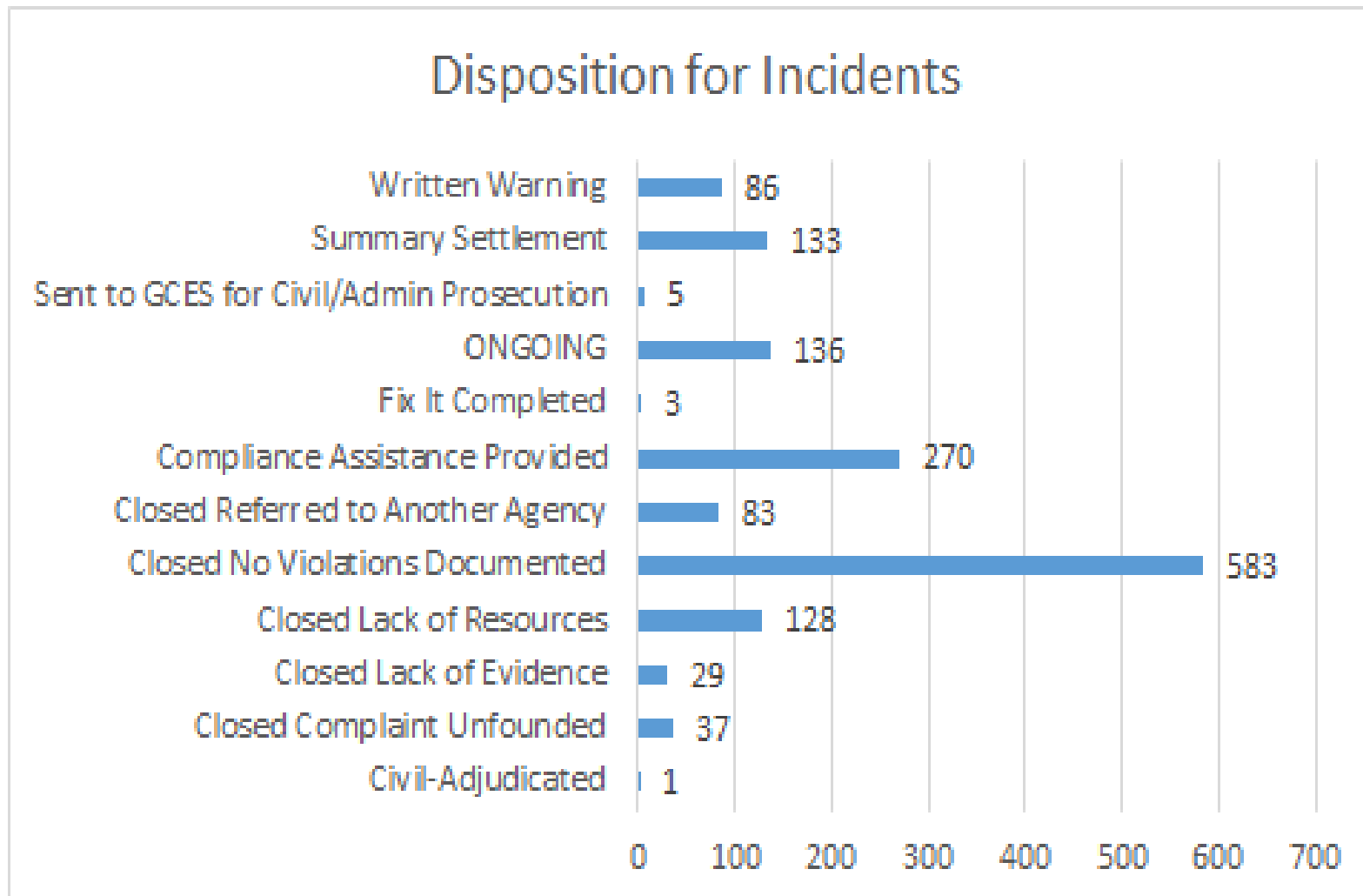
INCIDENTS BY LAW/REGULATIONS/PROGRAM



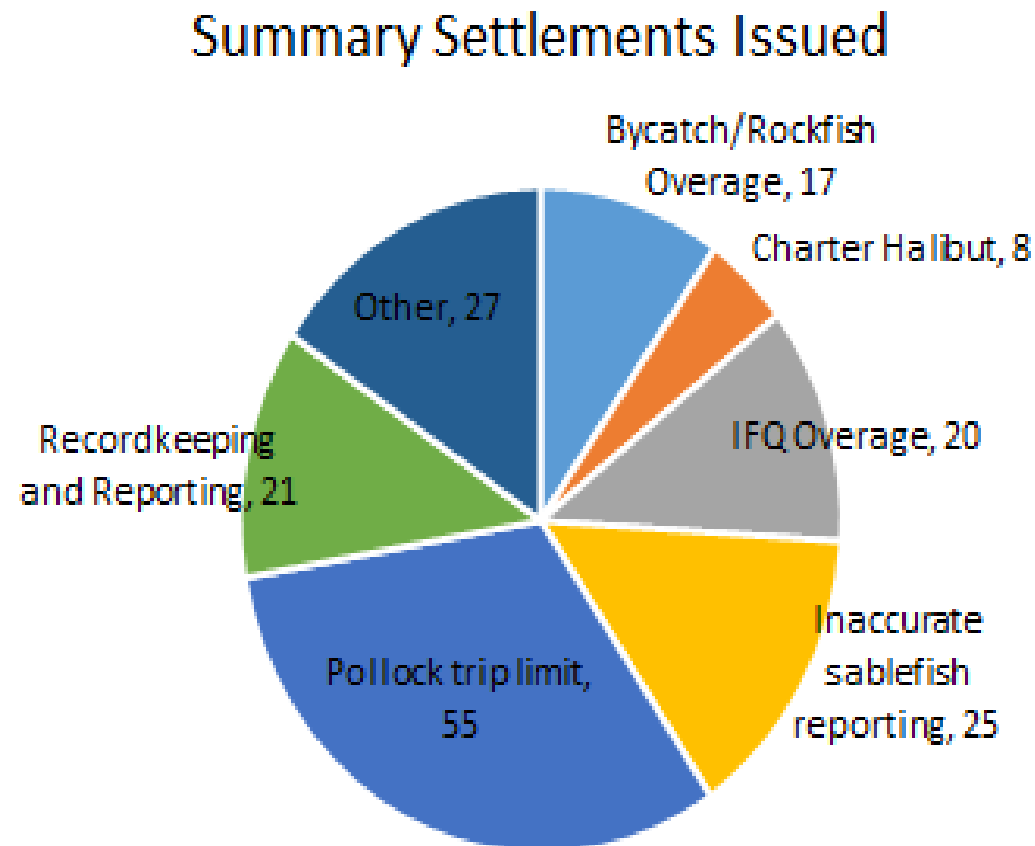
In FY2000, NOAA officers and agents opened 1494 incidents including 867 Magnuson Stevens Act, 443 Northern Pacific Halibut Act, 80 Marine Mammal Protection Act, 40 State Law/Regulations, 33 Endangered Species Act, and 31 incidents regarding other acts and regulations



DISPOSITION FOR INCIDENTS



SUMMARY SETTLEMENTS ISSUED



*Other includes no FFP, Prohibited Species mishandling, VMS, Undersized halibut, closed season/waters, false reporting, failure to log trip(s) into ODDS, and Steller sea lion No Transit incursions.



OBSERVER STATEMENTS

Statements	Incidents	Investigation Statuses
<p>597 statements received and reviewed in FY2020; 41 did not document an actual violation (no incident created)</p>	<p>556 statements forwarded to agents and officers; 258 unique incidents</p>	53 Ongoing (158 statements)
		2 Forwarded for prosecution (2 statements)
		5 Written Warnings (8 statements)
		3 Summary Settlements (4 statements)
		78 Compliance Assistance Provided (225 statements)
		10 Closed - Referred to another Agency (14 statements)
		107 Closed - No OLE Action (144 statements)



QUESTIONS?

