

17th COAST GUARD DISTRICT ENFORCEMENT REPORT



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List of Abbreviations

AVDET – Aviation Detachment	MBL – U.S./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 – Peoples’ 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-60 – CG helicopter	UMIB – Urgent Marine Info Broadcast
HSDN – High Seas Drift Net	VDS – Visual Distress Signals
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 IUU Fishing/HSDN enforcement events to report.

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

During the reporting period, there was a moderate amount of foreign flagged longline and trawl fishing on the Russian side of the MBL. Coast Guard District 17 patrolled the MBL using both aircraft and surface vessels to detect and deter incursions. There were no suspected fishing incursions by FF/Vs during the reporting period.

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

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

IV. Marine Protected Resources and Critical Habitat Enforcement

The Coast Guard monitors 151 critical habitat areas around Alaska each month as part of routine cutter and aircraft patrol activity. District 17 conducted one scheduled marine mammal carcass survey flight in support of NOAA Protected Resources Division (PRD) on May 15th.

V. Commercial Fishing Vessel Boarding Statistics

There were 29 boardings conducted on commercial fishing vessels by the U.S. Coast Guard during the reporting period. These boardings resulted in a total of nine fisheries violations onboard eight vessels.

VI. Charter, Recreational, and Subsistence Vessel Boarding Statistics

District 17 conducted two federal fisheries boardings on charter vessels, detecting no federal fisheries violations. D17 conducted four federal fisheries boardings on recreational/ subsistence vessels, detecting no federal fisheries violations.

VII. Halibut and Sablefish Enforcement

Coast Guard patrols completed 20 boardings on commercial, charter, and recreational vessels targeting halibut and sablefish during the reporting period. Of these boardings, 14 were of IFQ halibut or sablefish vessels resulting in one fisheries violation on one vessel.

VIII. Forward Operating Locations (FOL) Summary

District 17 continues to maintain fixed wing assets in Kodiak and rotary wing assets in Kodiak, Cold Bay, and Sitka. Coverage of Cold Bay with fixed wing assets may be intermittent.

IX. Cook Inlet EEZ Federal Salmon Enforcement

District 17 conducted no at-sea boardings for the federal Cook Inlet EEZ Salmon Fishery during the reporting period.

X. Crab Fisheries

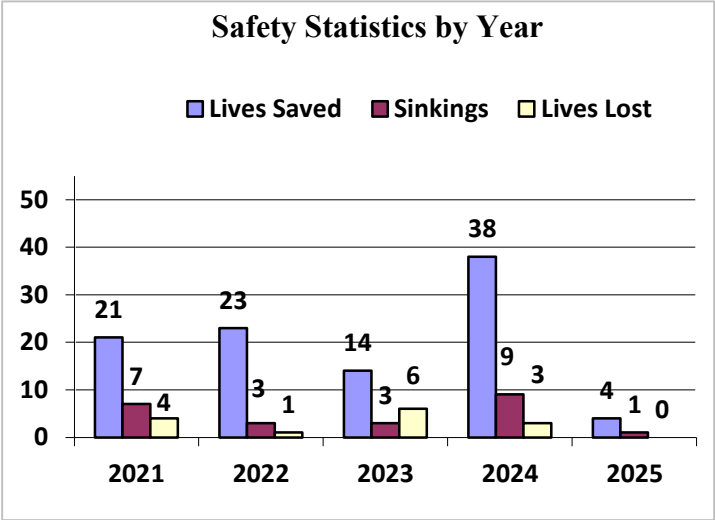
Coast Guard units conducted no boardings on fishing vessels targeting crab in the Bering Sea during this period.

XI. Commercial Fishing Vessel Safety/Search and Rescue Cases

During the reporting period, District 17 detected three safety violations on three commercial fishing vessels.

During the reporting period, District 17 conducted 14 search and rescue (SAR) cases involving commercial, charter, and recreational fishing vessels resulting in 04 lives saved, 11 lives assisted, four vessels saved, one vessel lost, and zero lives lost.

Figure 1. Historical Overview of CFVS Statistics



XII. Coast Guard Resource Summary

Figures 2 - 5 show the annual aircraft law enforcement (LE) hours, Major Cutter days, and Patrol Boat hours. Data for 2025 covers the *reporting period only*.

Figure 2. Annual Fixed Wing LE Hours

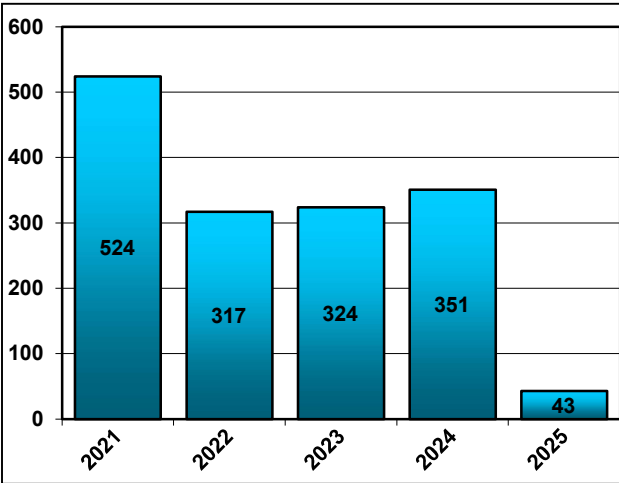


Figure 3. Annual Major Cutter Days

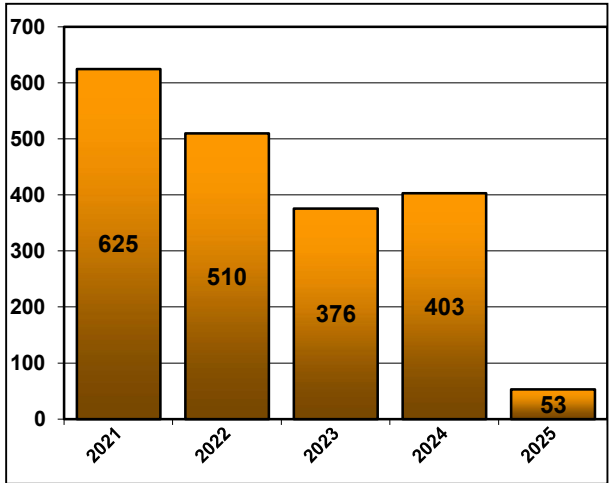


Figure 4. Annual Rotary Wing LE Hours

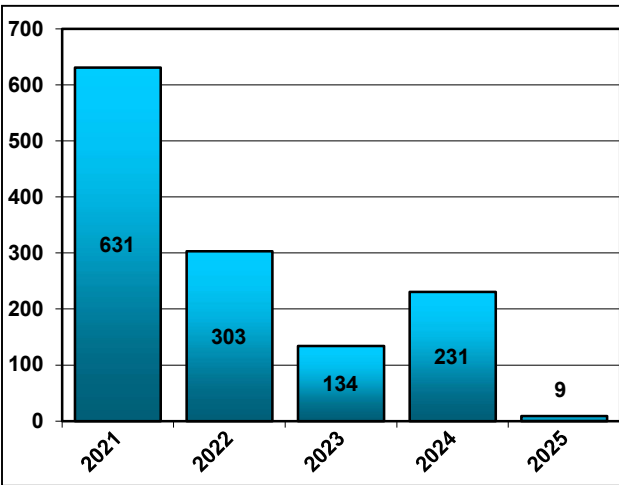


Figure 5. Annual Patrol Boat Hours

