

WEEKLY MARITIME INCIDENT UPDATE

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Week 06

From 2026.02.09 TO 2026.02.15

SUMMARY OF THE WEEK 06

Executive Summary

Global Maritime Incidents

• Maritime incident	:-	13
• Piracy and Armed Robbery	:-	0
• Smuggling	:-	02
• IUU Fishing	:-	02
• Narcotics	:-	04
• Irregular Human Migration	:-	01
• Maritime Environment Pollution	:-	01
• Other Incidents	:-	01

Total Maritime Incidents 24

Global Weather Incident

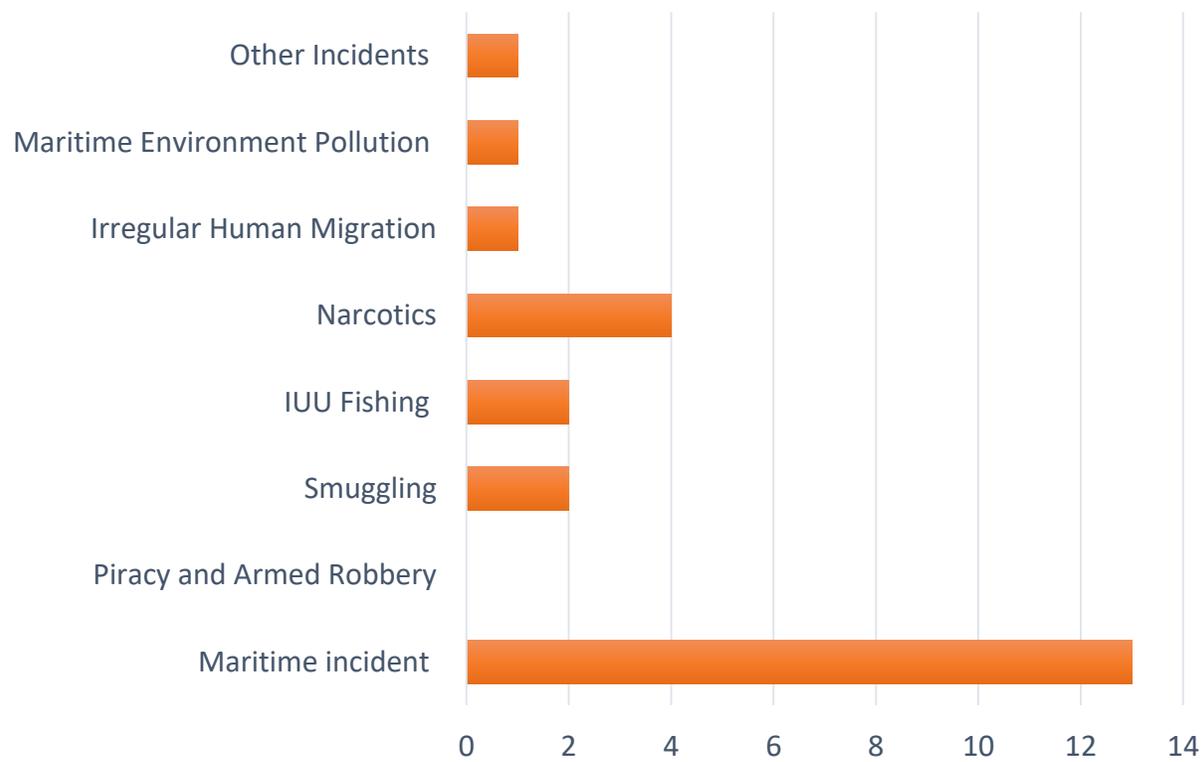
• Tropical Cyclone	:-	02
• Earthquake	:-	02

Total Weather Incidents 04

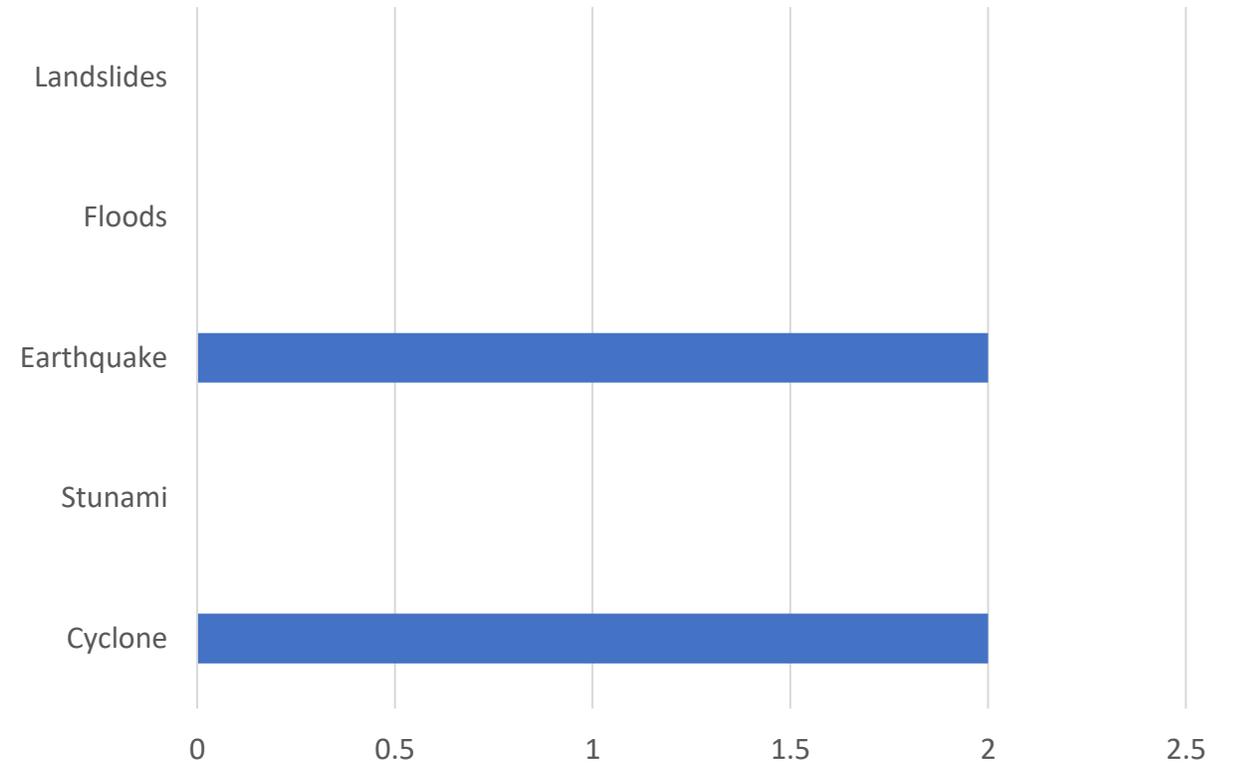


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Maritime Incidents

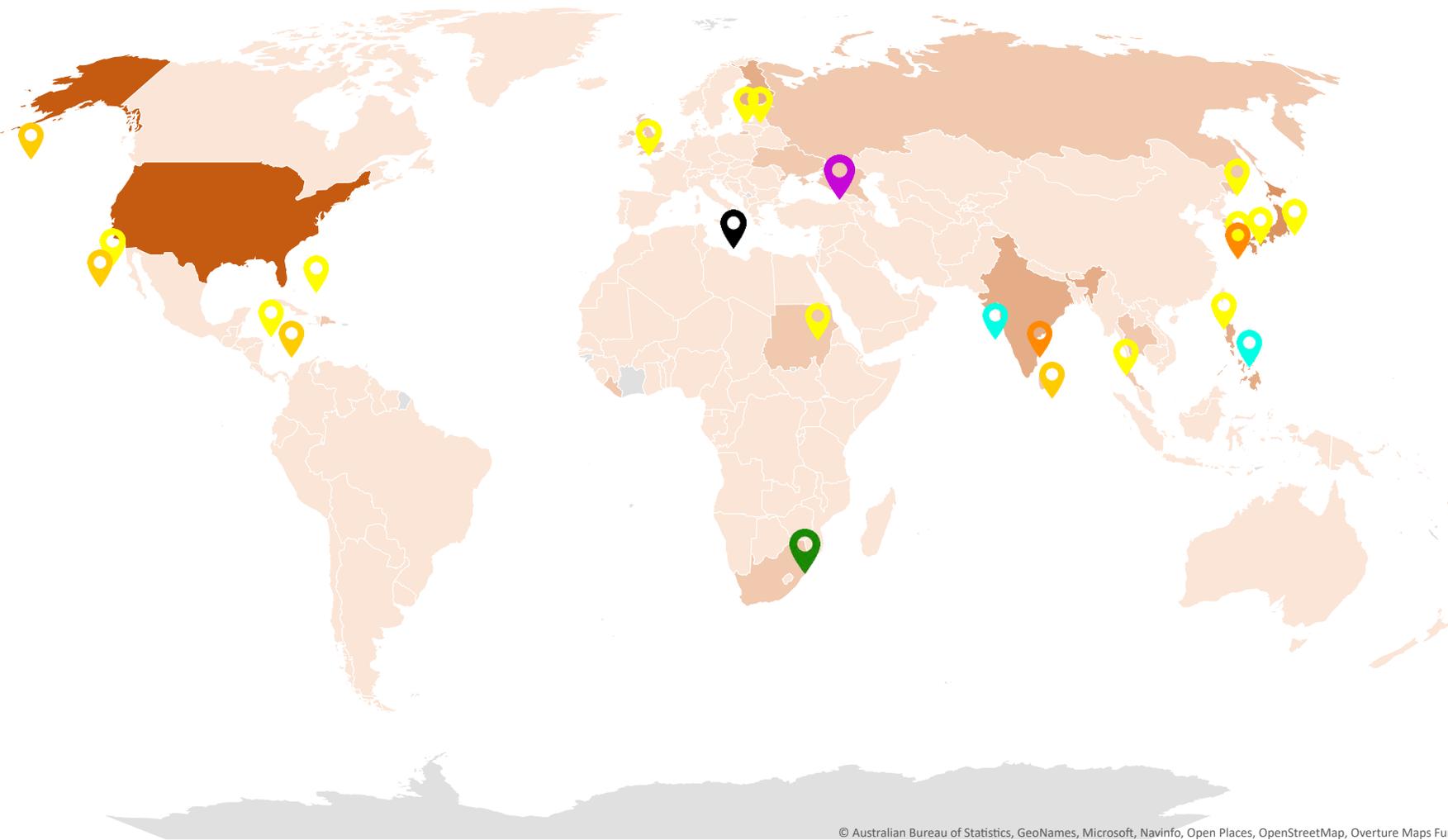


Weather Incidents





STRATEGIC OVERVIEW



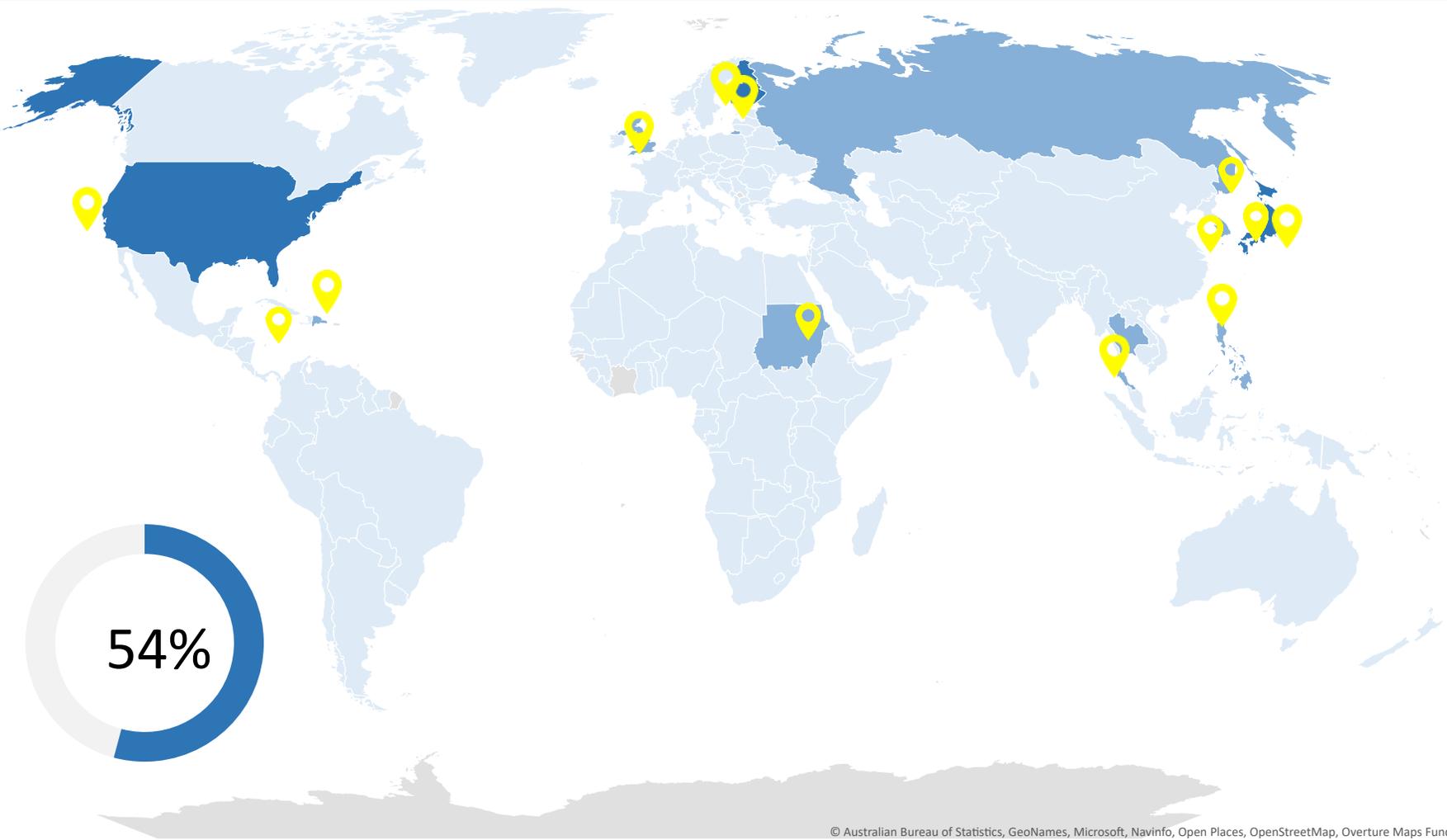
CATEGORY	NO
Maritime Incidents	13
Piracy & Armed Robbery	0
Smuggling	02
IUU Fishing	02
Narcotic	04
Irregular Human Migration	01
Maritime Environment Pollution	01
Other	01

Total Incidents

24

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MARITIME INCIDENTS



COUNTRY /REGION	NO
South Korea	01
Thailand	01
Finland	02
United Kingdom	01
USA	02
Philippine	01
Dominican Republic	01
Japan	02
Sudan	01
Russia	01

Total Incidents

13

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MARITIME INCIDENTS

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUBCATEGORY	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.02.07	South Korea	Near Jeju Port	Fire	Name : SEAWORLD MARINE 2 Type : Cargo IMO : 9276339	Initial investigations indicate that a fire originated in a refrigerated truck on the vessel. A technical assessment is underway to assess the damage and the Coast Guard along with fire authorities have begun a formal investigation.
2026.02.07	Thailand	Off Phuket	Sinking	Name : SEALLOYD ARC Type : Cargo IMO : 8682036	Resources for oil spill response, including containment booms and 4,000 liters of dispersant, were mobilized and pre-positioned. Agencies are closely monitoring the situation while damage assessments and response planning are ongoing.
2026.02.07	Finland	North of Seskar Island	Grounding	Name : SFERA Type : Cargo IMO : 9304576 Flag : Marshall Islands	The vessel incurred no damage or water ingress and the crew is working to refloat it. The Leningrad-Finnish Transport Prosecutor's Office is investigating the incident.
2026.02.07	Finland	Gulf Of Finland	Collision	Name : GLYFADA Name : Aeolian fortune Type : Cargo Type : Cargo Flag : Malta Flag : Portugal	The Northwestern Transport Prosecutor's Office is investigating the cause of a collision, with details on the damage to the vessels still undisclosed.
2026.02.08	USA	Santa Cruz	Rescue Operations	One Boat	Santa Cruz emergency units and lifeguards responded and pulled all the victims to safety
2026.02.09	United Kingdom	Isle of Wight	Fire	Name : CAESAREA TRADER Type: Cargo MO: 9117985	By 2200 hrs the fire was under control, with all crew members and one passenger unharmed. The vessel remained safely anchored off the Isle of Wight.

Source - : <https://www.marinetraffic.com/en/maritime-news/14/accidents/2026/12679/fire-breaks-out-on-vehicle-carrier-near-jeju-port>
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 Source - : <https://www.marinetraffic.com/en/maritime-news/14/accidents/2026/12683/two-bulk-carriers-collide-in-gulf-of-finland-no-injuries-or->
 Source - : <https://13wham.com/news/nation-world/six-rescued-after-boat-capsizes-in-heavy-surf-off-santa-cruz-fire-department-coast-vince-tuzzi-extremely-heavy-surf>
 Source - : <https://www.marinetraffic.com/en/maritime-news/14/accidents/2026/12687/fire-reported-aboard-cargo-vessel-caesarea-trader-all-crew-s>



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2026.02.09	Philippine	Barangay San Antonio	Aground	Name – MTKR Espada Flag – Philippine Type - Tanker	The PCG continues to monitor the situation and has directed the vessel to maintain strict safety and precautionary measures.
2026.02.09	Dominican Republic	Luperón Bay	Aground	Name – ENE Vision Flag – Dominican republic Type - Cargo	Authorities have indicated that further refloating attempts are being planned.
2026.02.10	Japan	Coast of Kobe	Collide	Chemical Tanker & Fishing Boat	The skipper of the fishing vessel sustained a head injury and was taken to hospital. Authorities reported that his condition was not life-threatening.
2026.02.11	Japan	Off Kobe Coast	Collision	Name – MARUOKA MARU Type: Tanker IMO: 9882774	In a collision the captain of the fishing vessel sustained a head injury and was hospitalized for treatment and evaluation. The Kobe Coast Guard initiated an investigation into the incident.
2026.02.11	Sudan	River Nile State	Capsizing	Wooden Boat	while local residents and civil defense forces are continuing to search for the remaining missing passengers.
2026.02.11	Russia	Nakhodka	Rescue	Name :TAI ZE XING 319 Type : Cargo Flag : Panama	According to authorities, TAI ZE XING 319 arrived safely at Vladivostok on 12 February, where it was berthed. All the crewmembers aboard the vessel were reported safe.

Source - : <https://www.marinetraffic.com/en/maritime-news/14/accidents/2026/12690/tanker-runs-aground-in-shallow-waters-off-philippine-coast-c>
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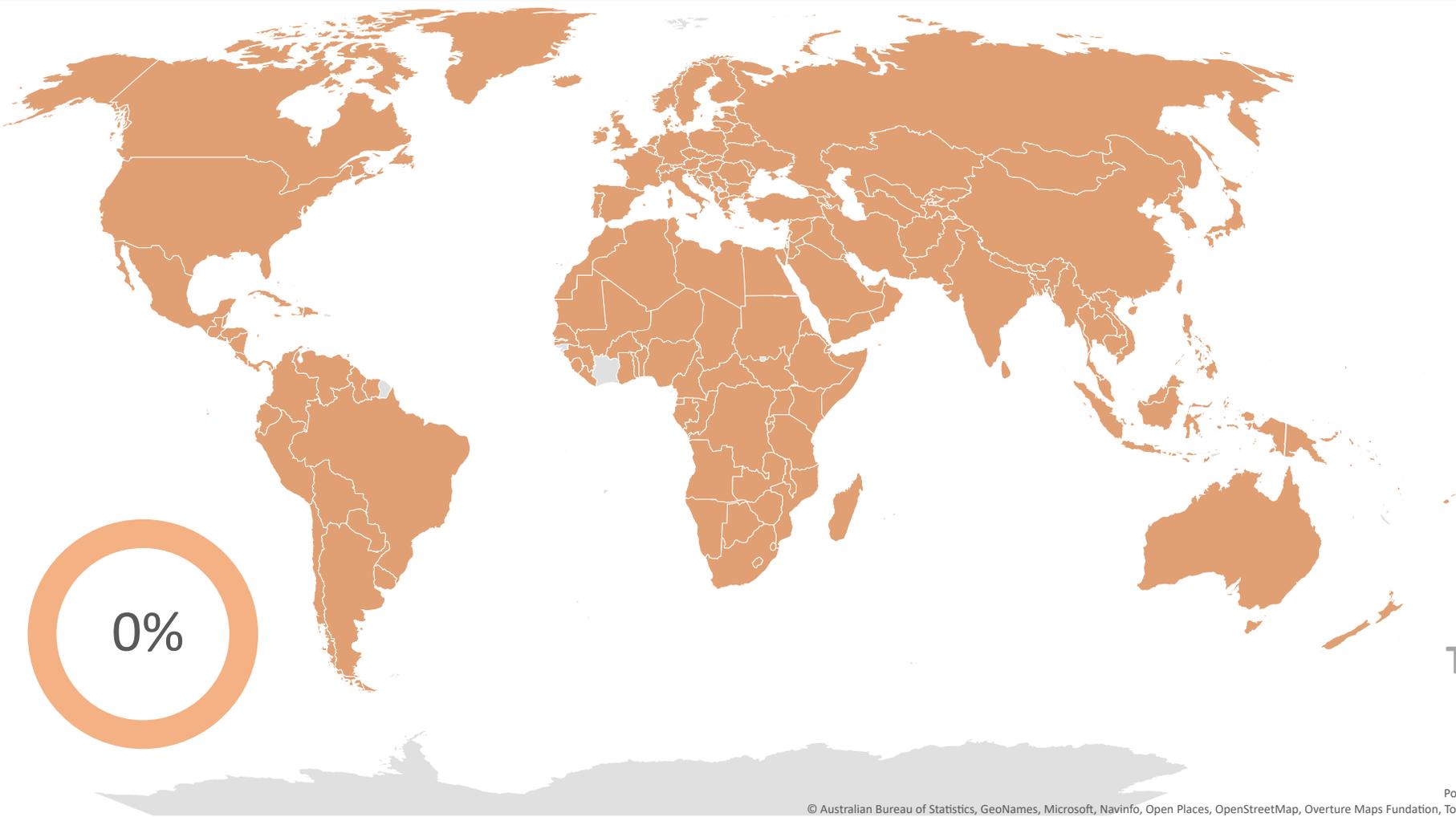


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2026.02.11	USA	South America	collide	Two Navy Ship	Southern Command did not say what caused the collision and said the incident was currently under investigation.

Source -: <https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/c62090j5qqjo>

PIRACY & ARMED ROBBERY



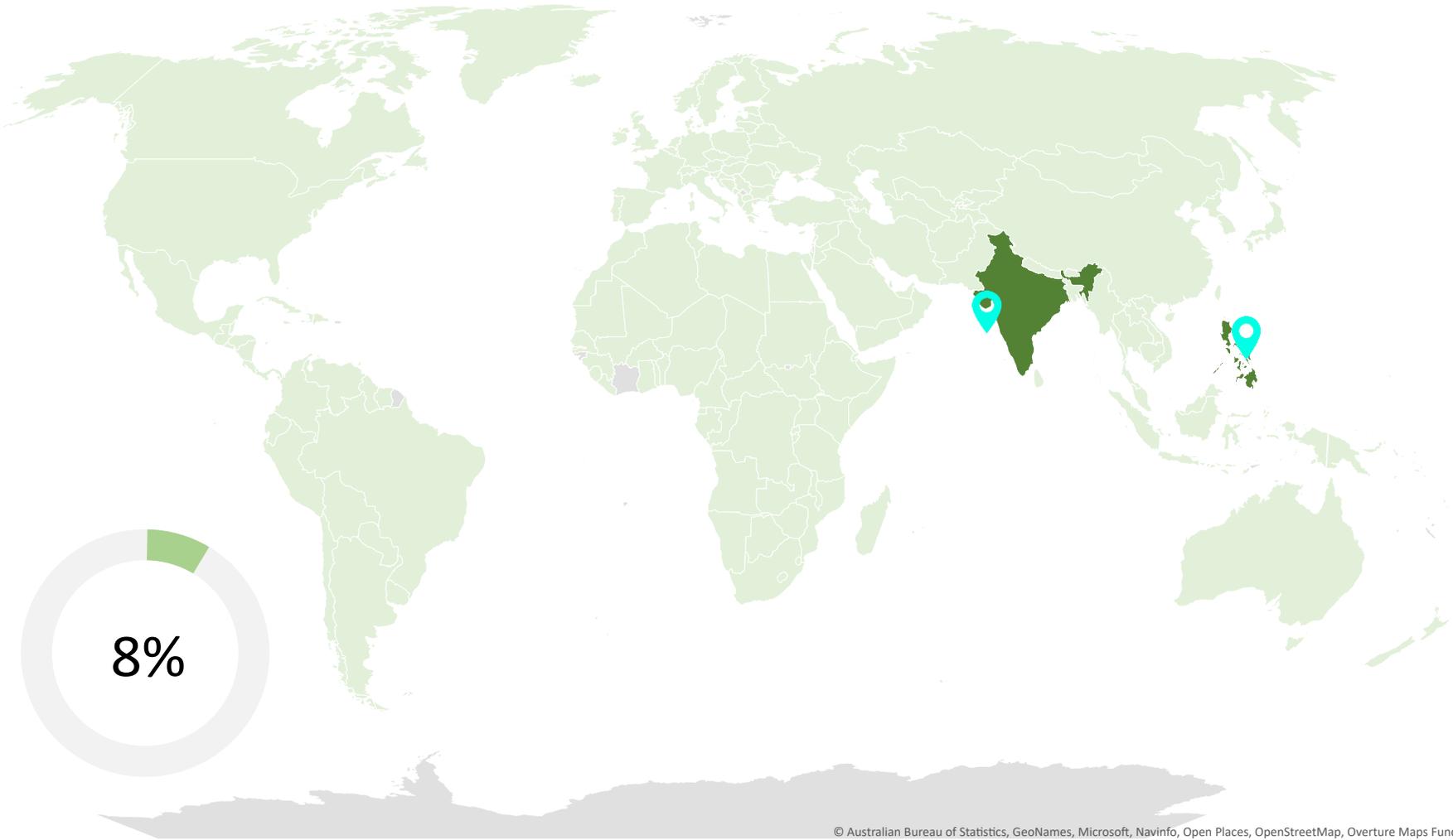
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SMUGGLING



	COUNTRY /REGION	NO
	India	01
	Philippines	01

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SMUGGLING

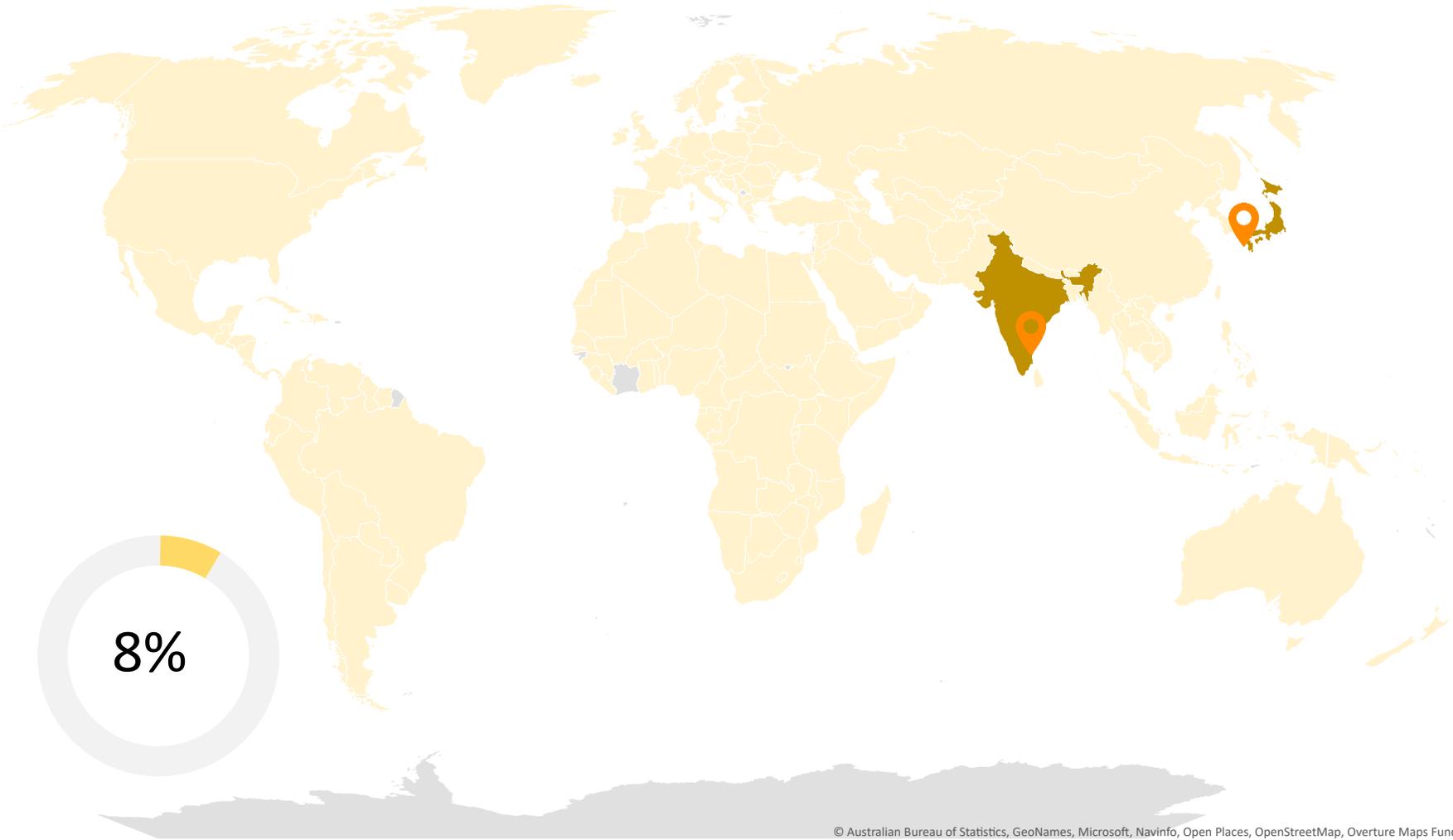
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2026.02.06	India	West of Mumbai	Contraband Goods Smuggling	Three Vessels	Investigators discovered that vessels often changed their names, flags, and digital identities to avoid detection by maritime enforcement agencies.
2026.02.11	Philippines	Cordova	Contraband Good Smuggling	-	Authorities recovered 48 reams and 11 packs of Fort Cigarettes, as well as 16 reams of King Pen Cigarettes, from a retail store owned by a resident identified only as "Francis."

Source -: [https:// www.thehansindia.com/news/national/indian-coast-guard-busts-international-oil-smuggling-racket-off-mumbai-seizes-three-vessels-1046748 /](https://www.thehansindia.com/news/national/indian-coast-guard-busts-international-oil-smuggling-racket-off-mumbai-seizes-three-vessels-1046748/)

Source -: <https://www.sunstar.com.ph/cebu/cigarette-smuggling-busted-in-cordova>



IUU FISHING



	COUNTRY /REGION	NO
	India	01
	Japan	01

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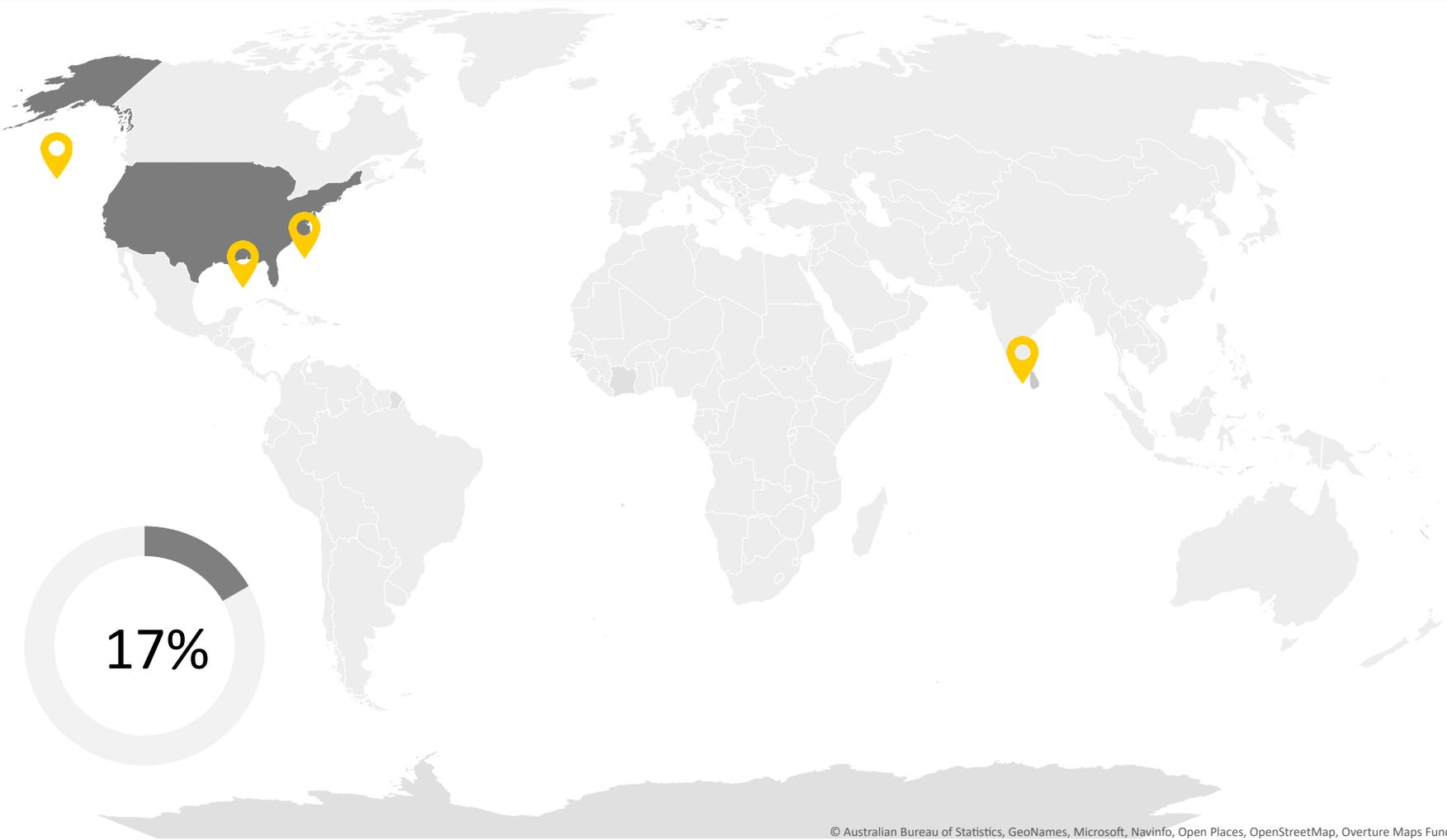
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Last 48 hours	India	Godavari district	Destructive Fishing Practices	-	Kiran also flagged the presence of abandoned "ghost nets" in the sea and stressed the need for dedicated patrolling teams to remove them and prevent further marine deaths.
2026.12.12	Japan	Southwest Nagasaki	Poaching	One Fishing Vessel	China's foreign ministry did not immediately respond to a request for comment.

Source -: [//](https://www.etvbharat.com/en/state/several-turtles-found-dead-along-west-godavari-coast-in-andhra-enn26021302062)

Source -: [//](https://english.aaj.tv/news/330452439/japan-seizes-chinese-fishing-boat-arrests-skipper)



NARCOTIC



COUNTRY /REGION	NO
United States	03
Sri Lanka	01

Total Incidents

04

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NARCOTIC

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUBCATEGORY	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.02.09	USA	Eastern Pacific Ocean	Sea Based Drug Trafficking	One Boat	Maritime Rescue Coordination Center Ecuador has assumed coordination of search and rescue operations, " and that USCG would provide technical support.
2026.02.09	USA	Eastern Pacific Ocean	Sea Based Drug Trafficking	One Boat	US officials said several such vessels left Venezuelan waters earlier this year following the operation to capture Maduro.
2026.02.13	USA	Caribbean Sea	Sea Based Drug Trafficking	One Boat	The strike represents a continued effort by U.S. forces to disrupt trafficking networks associated with transnational criminal and terrorist organizations in the region.
2026.02.14	Sri Lanka	Mannar Seas	Seizure Of Narcotic	One Boat	Suspects, the dinghy, and hashish were transferred to the Police Narcotic Bureau for investigation and legal action.

Source - : [https:// edition.cnn.com/2026/02/09/politics/us-strikes-boat-2-killed-1-survivor //](https://edition.cnn.com/2026/02/09/politics/us-strikes-boat-2-killed-1-survivor/)

Source - : <https://www.marineinsight.com/shipping-news/2-killed-in-latest-us-military-strike-on-alleged-drug-smuggling-boat-in-pacific-ocean>

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Source - : <https://www.newswire.lk/2026/02/14/navy-apprehends-02-suspects-with-over-50kg-of-hashish-in-mannar-seas>



IRREGULAR HUMAN MIGRATION



COUNTRY /REGION	NO
Libya	01

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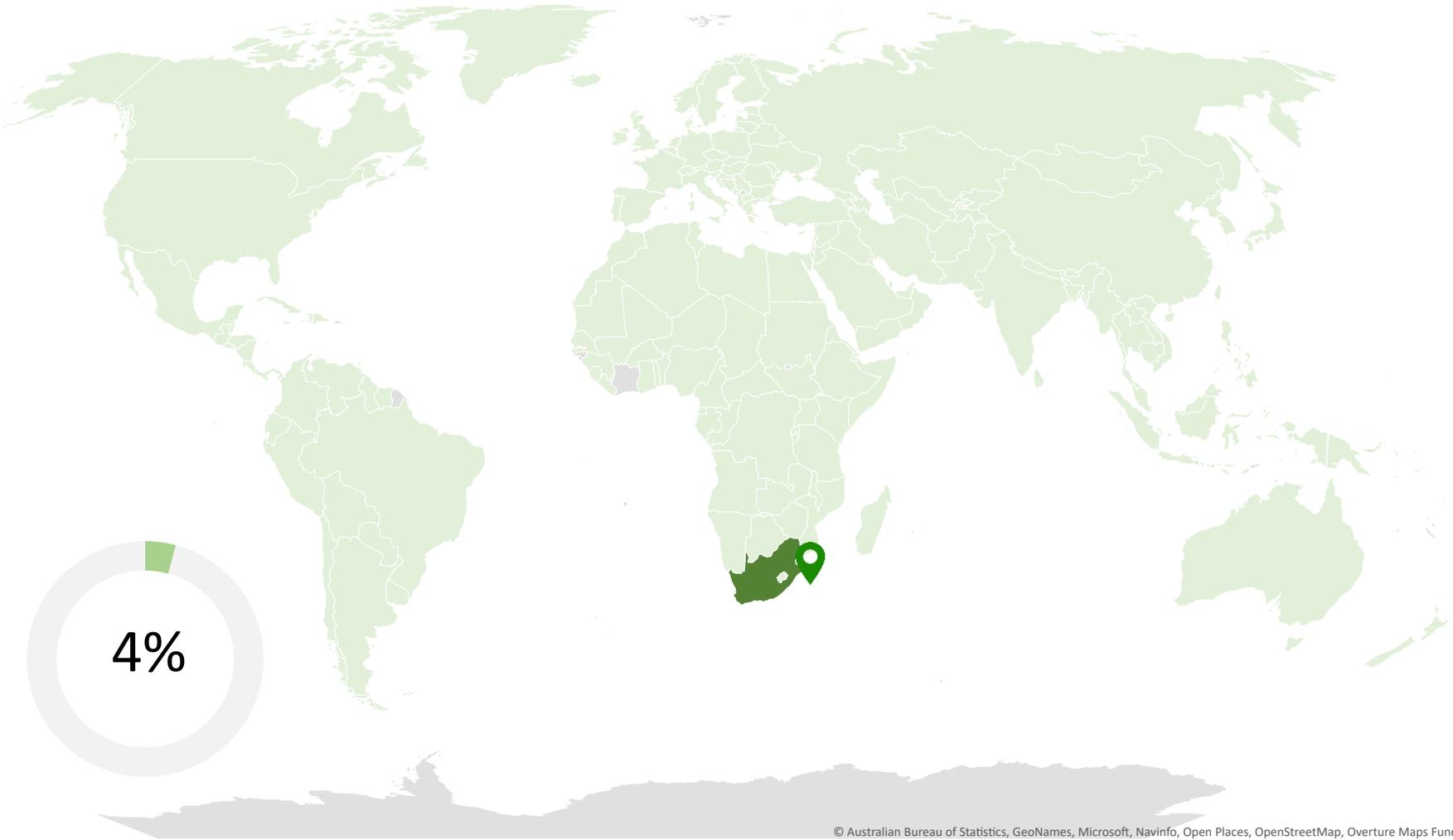
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2026.02.06	Libya	Coast of Libya	Capsized	Migrate Boat	The vessel carrying 55 migrants, including two babies, capsized six hours after departing from Al-Zawiya, Libya.

Source :- [https:// en.yenisafak.com/world/53-migrants-dead-or-missing-after-boat-capsizes-off-libyas-coast-3714366 /](https://en.yenisafak.com/world/53-migrants-dead-or-missing-after-boat-capsizes-off-libyas-coast-3714366/)

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MARITIME ENVIRONMENT POLLUTION



COUNTRY /REGION	NO
 South Africa	01

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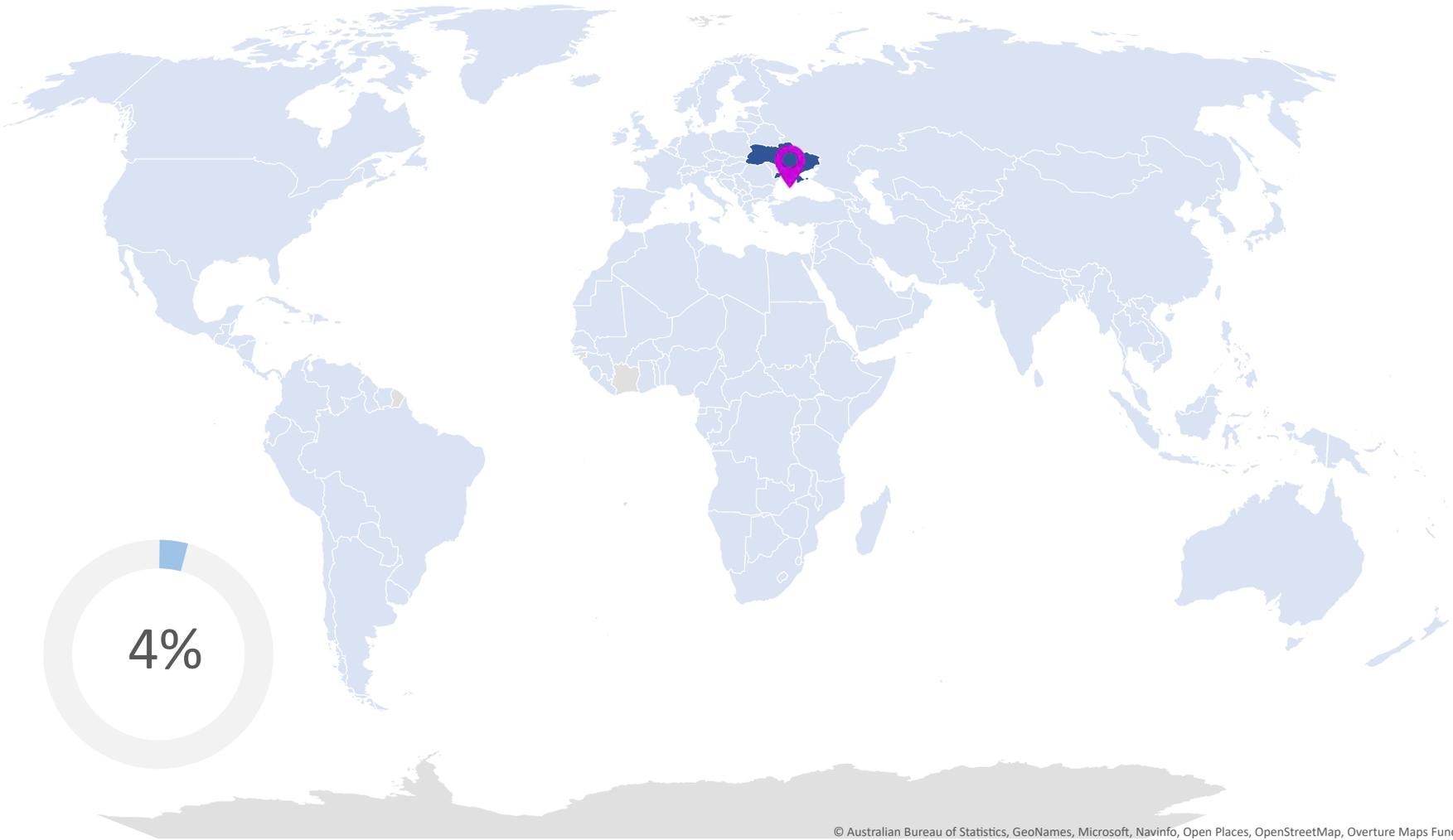
MARITIME ENVIRONMENT POLLUTION

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUBCATEGORY	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.02.12	South Africa	KwaDukuza beaches	Illegal Sewage Discharge	-	The affected areas will only be reopened once it has been confirmed that conditions are safe for public use.

Source -: <https://themercury.co.za/news/south-africa/kwazulu-natal/2026-02-14-thousands-of-fish-dead-kwadukuza-beaches-closed-as-pollution-investigation-begins/>



OTHER



COUNTRY /REGION	NO
 Ukraine	01

Total Incidents

01

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OTHER

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUBCATEGORY	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.02.13	Ukraine	Odesa Port	Assault	-	Three of the injured are reported to be in serious condition. All casualties were civilians and received medical treatment.

Source -: https://www.marineinsight.com/shipping-news/russian-drone-strike-hits-odesa-port-killing-one-and-damaging-infrastructure/?utm_source=rss&utm_medium=rss&utm_campaign=russian-drone-strike-hits-odesa-port-killing-one-and-damaging-infrastructure

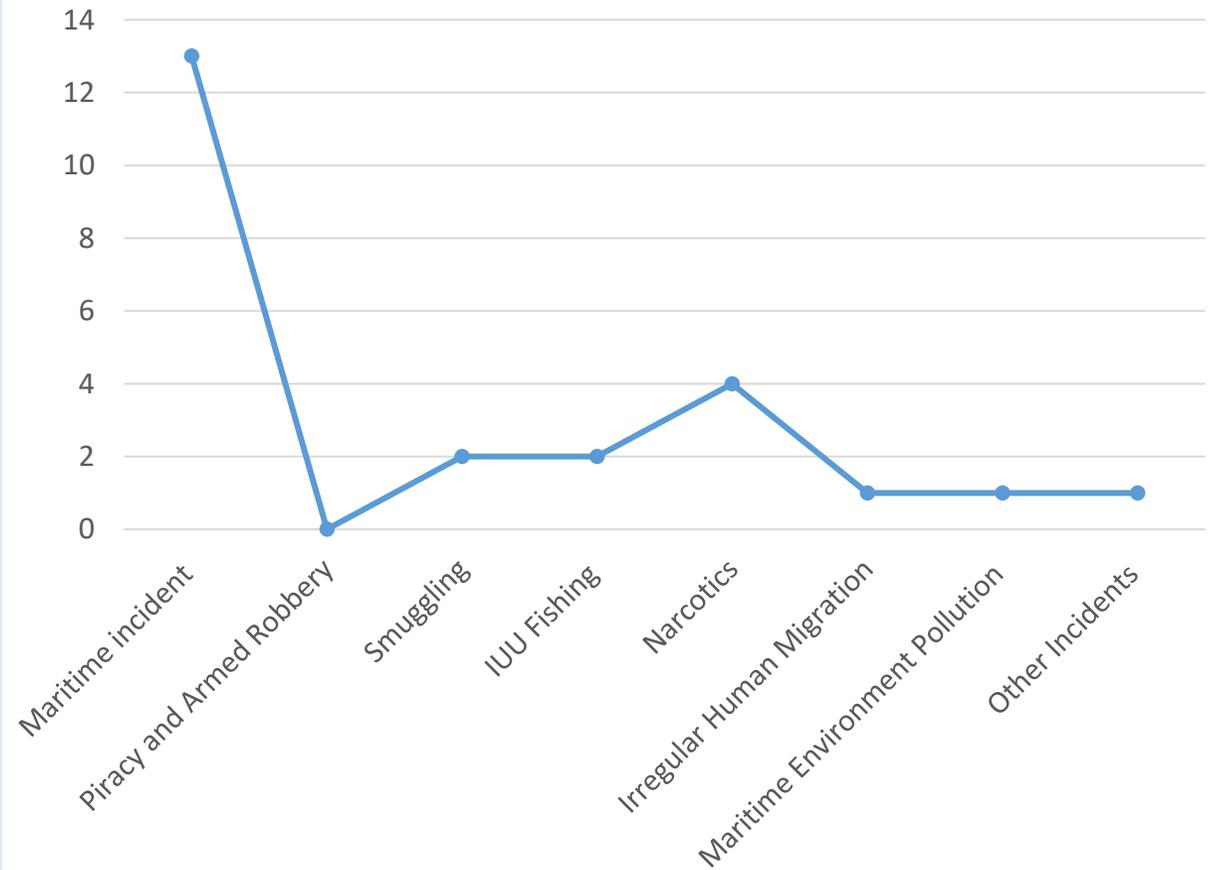


WEEKLY ANALYSIS

During the week various maritime activities, including smuggling, IUU fishing, and narcotics trafficking, with significant reports from India, Philippines, USA, and Japan. Notably, a vessel fire off South Korea and a sinking near Phuket raised concerns. There were no piracy or armed robbery incidents, which is a positive trend for maritime security. However, environmental pollution, with sewage discharge in South Africa, and human migration risks, such as the capsizing of a migrant boat off Libya, also marked significant events. Weather-related incidents included two tropical cyclones globally, exacerbating maritime risks.

Recommendations:
Efforts should be directed at enhancing surveillance and enforcement to tackle smuggling and IUU fishing, which remain significant issues. Continued focus on maritime security is essential, especially with the rising narcotics trafficking incidents. The need for improved humanitarian efforts to address irregular migration risks is paramount, especially after the Libya boat capsizing. Additionally, environmental monitoring regulations should be enforced more strictly to prevent marine pollution. Maritime security agencies must also stay prepared to respond swiftly to the impacts of natural disasters, such as cyclones, which contribute to maritime risks.

Maritime Incidents





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