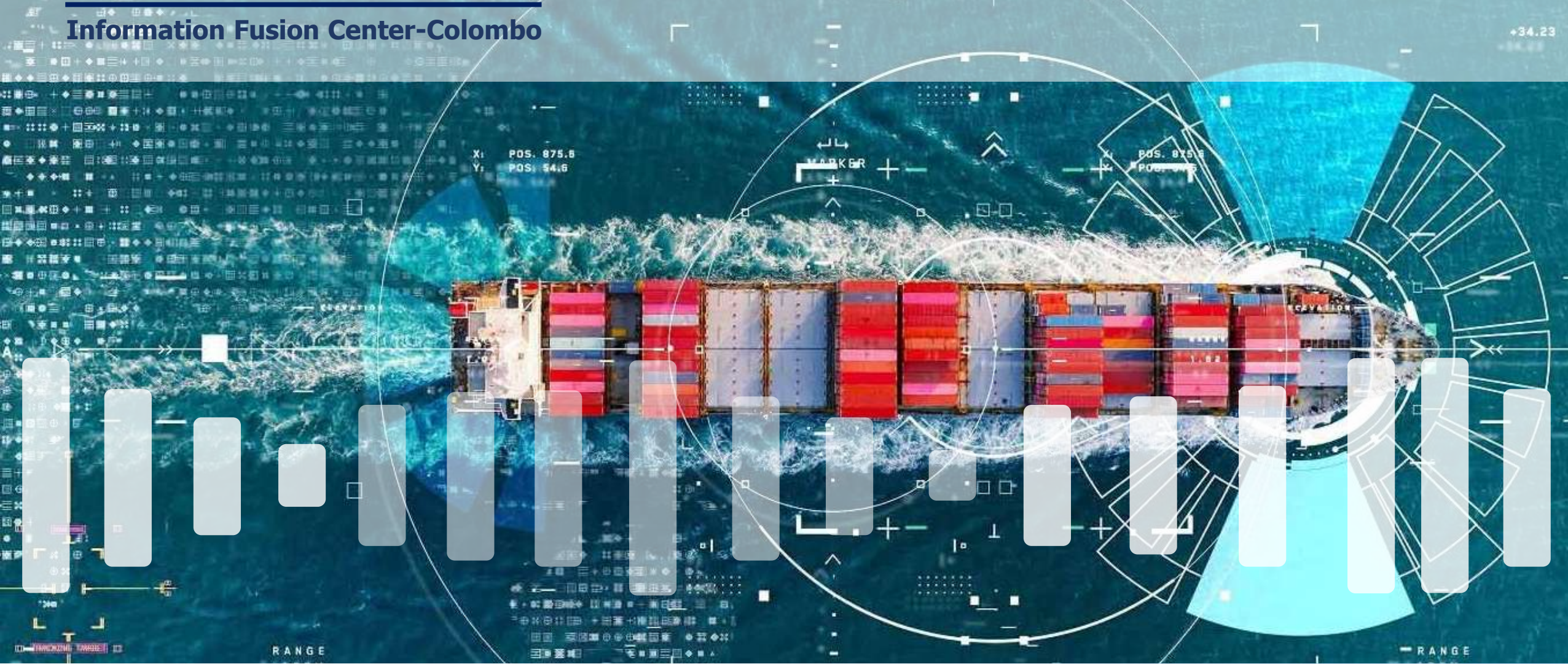


WEEKLY MARITIME INCIDENT UPDATE

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Week 29

From 2026.07.20 TO 2026.07.26

SUMMARY OF THE WEEK 29

Executive Summary

Global Maritime Incidents



• Maritime incident	:-	16
• Piracy and Armed Robbery	:-	05
• Smuggling	:-	09
• IUU Fishing	:-	02
• Narcotics	:-	00
• Irregular Human Migration	:-	03
• Maritime Environment Pollution	:-	01
• Other Incidents	:-	13

Total Maritime Incidents 49

Global Weather Incident



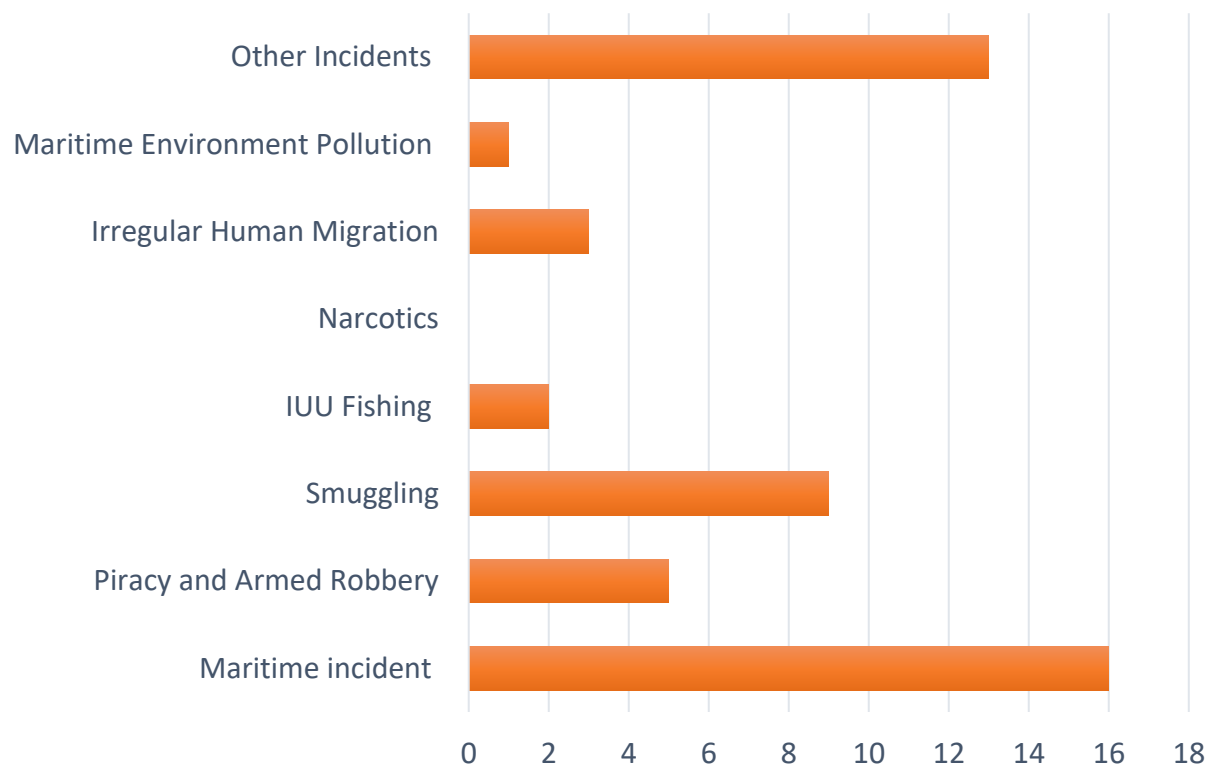
• Tropical Cyclone	:-	03
• Earthquake	:-	05

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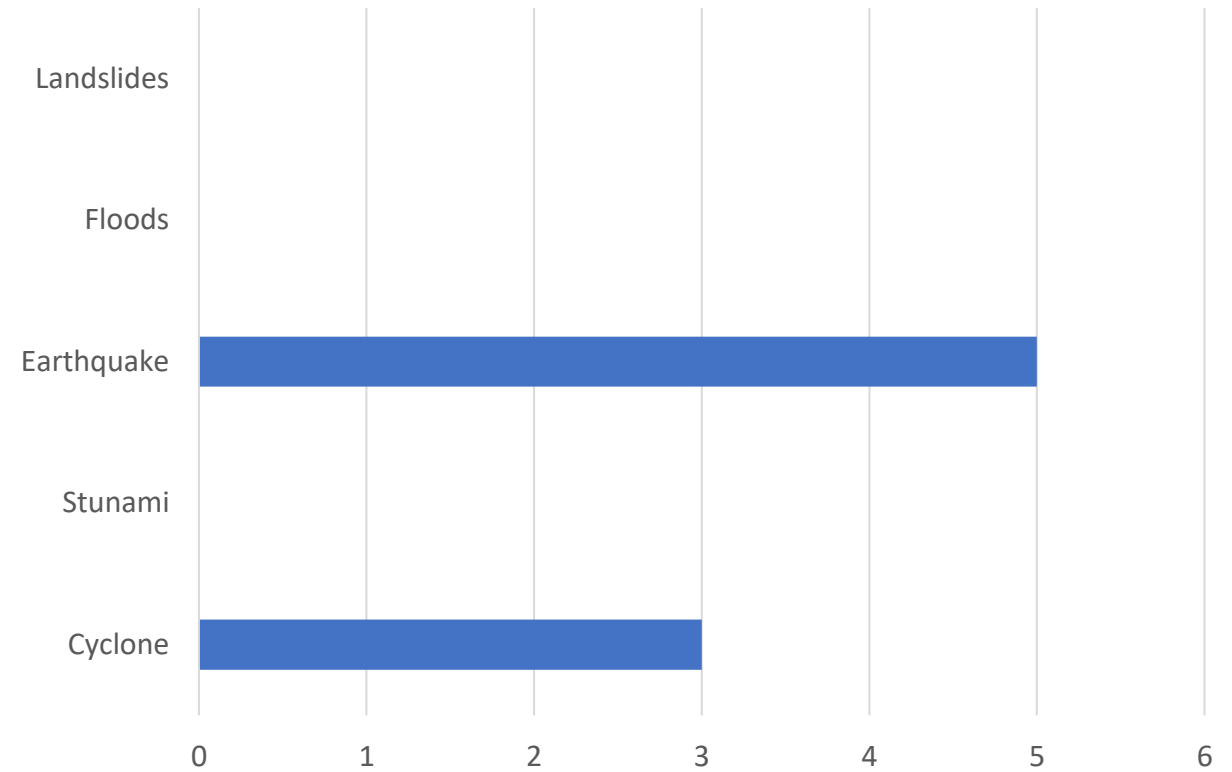


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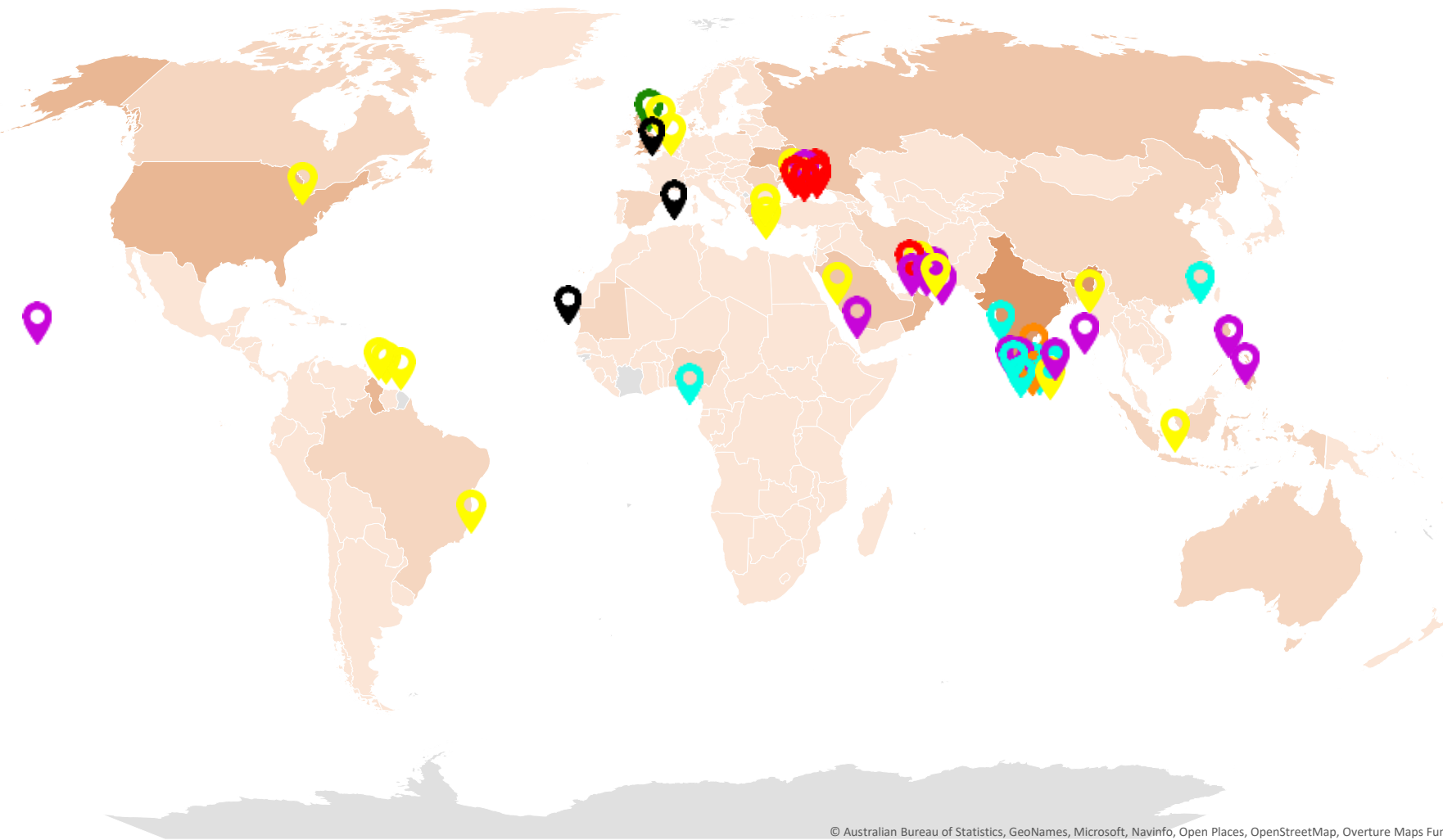


Weather Incidents





STRATEGIC OVERVIEW



CATEGORY		NO
	Maritime Incidents	16
	Piracy & Armed Robbery	05
	Smuggling	09
	IUU Fishing	02
	Narcotic	00
	Irregular Human Migration	03
	Maritime Environment Pollution	01
	Other	13

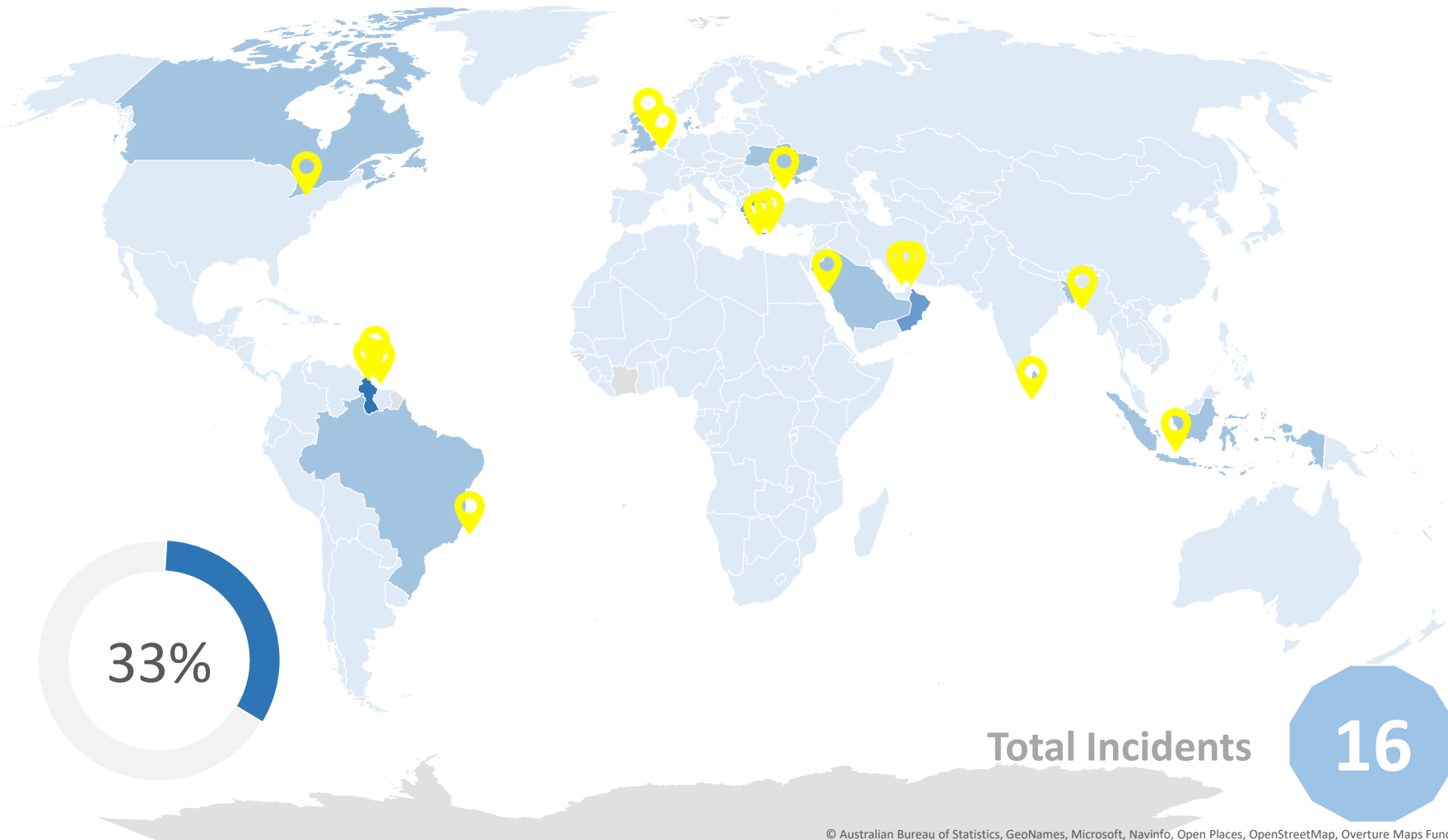
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49

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MARITIME INCIDENTS



COUNTRY /REGION	NO
 Bangladesh	01
 Brazil	01
 Canada	01
 Denmark	01
 Greece	02
 Guyana	03
 Indonesia	01
 Oman	02
 Saudi Arabia	01
 Sri Lanka	01
 Ukraine	01
 United Kingdom	01

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MARITIME INCIDENTS

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUBCATEGORY	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.07.17	Indonesia	Near Matallang Island	Search and Rescue (SAR)	Passenger Boat	Survivors received medical treatment after being brought ashore, while search and rescue efforts continue for the 24 missing individuals, with additional vessels and personnel deployed to expand the search area.
2026.07.19	United Kingdom	Port of Tyne	Collisions	Name – Wind Orca Flag – Denmark Type - Multi Purpose Offshore Vessel	On Sunday afternoon, a wind turbine installation vessel collided with a moored boxship at the port of Tyne, UK, leading to an allision with a nearby gantry crane.
2026.07.19	Oman	08 nautical miles northwest of Oman's Kumzar	Fire/Folding/Explosion	-	The UKMTO has received information from a verified source regarding the fire, but the cause remains unconfirmed. Authorities are awaiting further details to clarify the circumstances of the incident.
2026.07.19	Ukraine	Odesa	Search and Rescue (SAR)	Name – VENTURO Flag - Antigua and Barbuda	VENTURO is a Supramax bulk carrier registered under the flag of Antigua and Barbuda, with a deadweight capacity of 57,000 tonnes. It operates between the Black Sea and the Mediterranean, currently traveling from Varna, Bulgaria, to Sulina, Romania, at the Danube's mouth.
2026.07.20	Guyana	off Guyana's	Capsizing /Sinking	Passenger Ferry	Authorities have recovered the bodies of one man and one woman; others unaccounted for are listed as missing.

Source -: <https://www.marineinsight.com/passenger-ferry-carrying-133-capsizes-off-guyana-2-dead-dozens-missing/>
Source -: <https://news.az/news/five-found-alive-after-surviving-four-days-at-sea-in-indonesia-boat-sinking>
Source -: <https://maritime-executive.com/article/wtiv-allision-ends-in-gantry-crane-collapse-at-port-of-tyne>
Source -: <https://www.devdiscourse.com/article/business/3952672-vessel-ablaze-near-omans-kumzar-ukmto-reports?amp>
Source -: <https://www.marineinsight.com/seafarers-rescued-russian-strike-cargo-ship/>



MARITIME INCIDENTS

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2026.07.18	Guyana	Off Guyana Coast	Capsizing/ Sinking	MV Barima ferry	Rescue teams found 67 survivors, but complications arose as many did not match the original passenger list, hindering the identification of missing persons.
2026.07.20	Greece	Souda Port	Collisions	Name- Elyros Type –passenger Flag -Greece	No injuries were reported after a collision between two vessels, which sustained material damage. Authorities responded promptly, and the cargo ship was safely brought into port under supervision. An investigation is ongoing to determine the circumstances of the collision.
2026.07.21	Canada	Sarnia Harbour	Grounding/Standin g	Name – Algoma Equinox Flag - Canada Type – Cargo	Sarnia Harbour Operator Jared Lean reported that a vessel departed from Cargill's Sarnia Grain Terminal around 3 p.m. but became stuck in a shallow area near the Sidney E. Smith Dock.
2026.07.21	Greece	Port of Souda	Collisions	Name – Elyros Name - Iosif K Flag – Greece Flag - Greece Type – Passenger Type - Cargo	Both Greece-flagged vessels experienced minor damage and were inspected by classification society surveyors to evaluate their seaworthiness before returning to sailing. They remained moored at Souda.
2026.07.23	Sri Lanka	South of Sri Lanka	Patient Onboard (POB)	multiday fishing trawler	Sri Lanka Navy craft from the Western Naval Command received a patient from a merchant vessel. Naval personnel administered first aid before transporting the fisherman to the Port of Colombo and subsequently to the National Hospital of Colombo for further medical treatment.

Source -: <https://www.tovima.com/society/ships-collide-at-souda-port-in-crete-no-injuries-reported/amp/>
Source -: <https://www.cruisemapper.com/news/16481-mv-barima-ferry-capsizes-off-guyana-coast>
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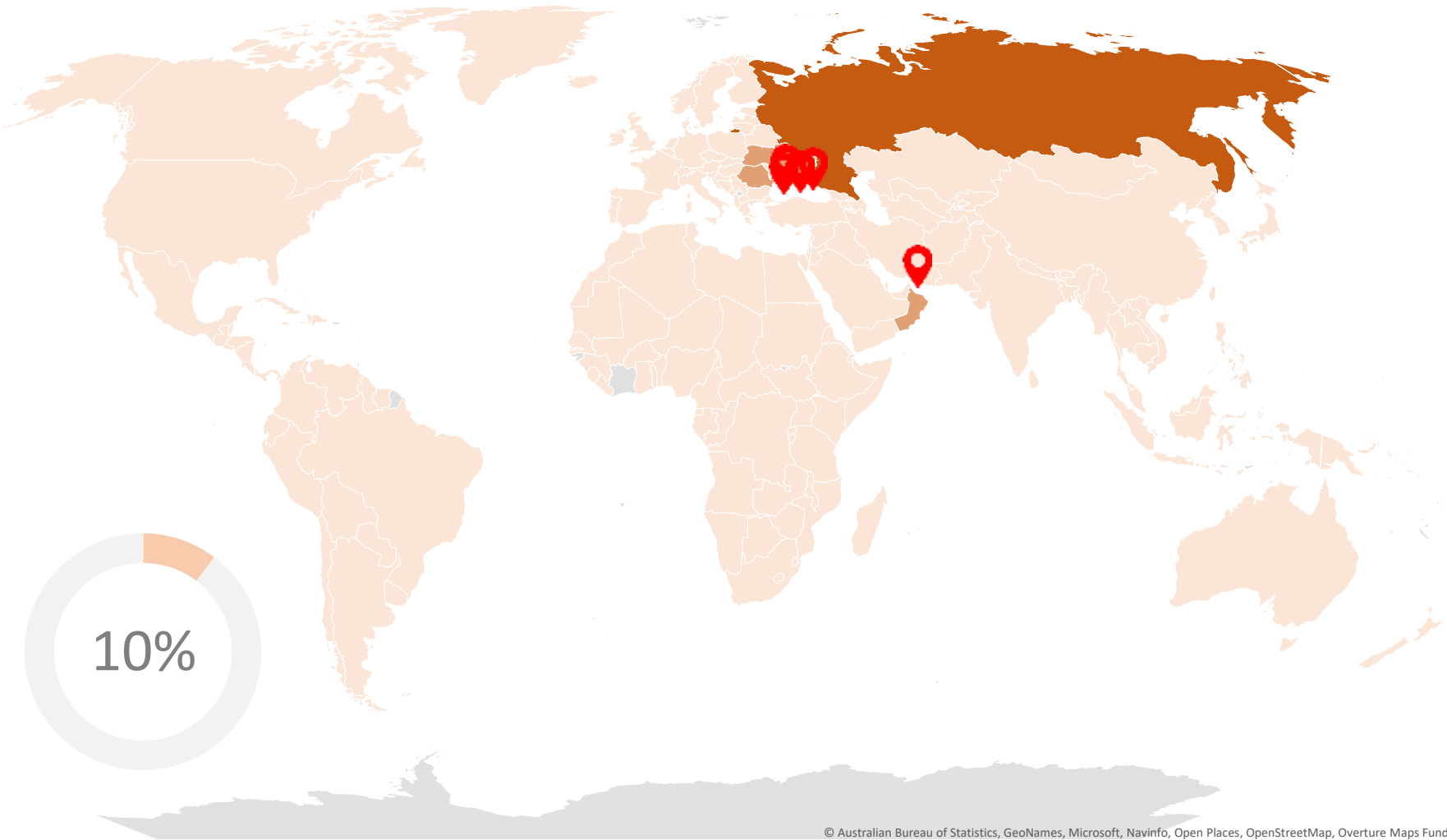
MARITIME INCIDENTS

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2026.07.22	Brazil	Campos Basin	Fire/Folding/Explosion	Tug Supply Vessel	DOF reported that an electrical short in one of the vessel's switchboards caused a fire. The company is monitoring the situation before allowing the crew to resume operations and repairs, stating that the vessel is under control.
2026.07.22	Denmark	Off Nyborg	Grounding/Standing	Name – Roseburg Flag – Antigua And Barbuda Type - Cargo	Roseburg, a general cargo vessel built in 1991, operates under the flag of Antigua and Barbuda. It measures 82.04 meters in length and 12.57 meters in width.
2026.07.23	Guyana	Essequibo coast	Capsizing /Sinking	Name – MV Barima Flag - Guyana	Passengers reported that the ferry was dangerously overloaded with people and heavy cargo, including engines, vehicles, fuel containers, and commercial goods. A survivor noted that the boat was more crowded than on any previous trips, with cargo tightly packed below deck.
2026.07.23	Saudi Arabia	Saudi coast at Red Sea	Fire/Folding/Explosion	Tanker	The Houthi group in Yemen claimed responsibility for an attack on two Saudi oil tankers, coinciding with their declaration of a maritime ban on vessels linked to Saudi Arabia amid ongoing blockades.
2026.07.23	Bangladesh	Off Cox's Bazar	Search and Rescue (SAR)	Fiberglass Fishing Boat	During their ordeal, the fishermen, as reported by Ziaur, survived by catching and consuming raw fish. In the face of significant shortages of food and fresh water, they were able to sustain themselves until their rescue.
2026.07.25	Oman	East Of The Port Of Fujairah	Maritime Incidents	-	The United Kingdom Maritime Trade Operations (UKMTO) reported an incident involving a tanker and military forces in the Gulf of Oman.

Source - : <https://www.aljazeera.com/news/2026/7/23/guyana-ferry-disaster-families-demand-answers-as-around-100-feared-dead>
Source - : <https://www.thehansindia.com/amp/news/international/tanker-on-fire-after-being-struck-off-saudi-coast-at-red-sea-confirms-uk-1100435>
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PIRACY & ARMED ROBBERY



COUNTRY /REGION		NO
 Oman		01
 Romania		01
 Russia		02
 Ukraine		01

Total Incidents

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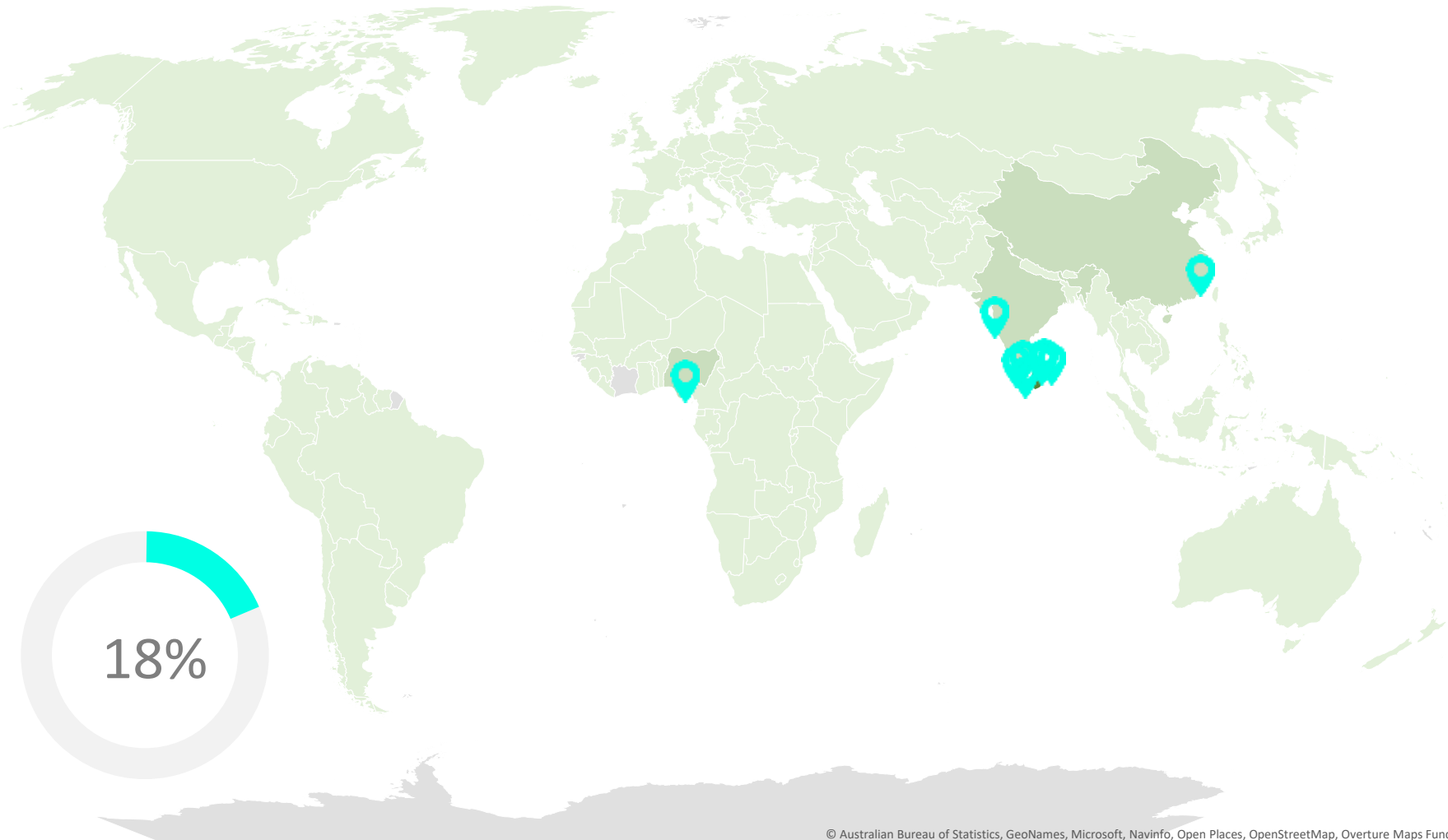
PIRACY & ARMED ROBBERY

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUBCATEGORY	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.07.19	Russia	Caspian Pipeline Consortium (CPC) terminal	Assault violations	Name – Nissos Ios Flag - Marshall Islands	There were no injuries or fatalities among CPC staff or contractors, and no oil spill occurred; the tankers remained afloat, according to CPC.
2026.07.19	Oman	Off Kumzar	Assault violations	Name – Kavomaleas Flag - Malta	The vessel was identified by Vanguard as the Malta-flagged oil products tanker Kavomaleas.
2026.07.20	Romania	Black Sea	Assault violations	Name – Elyros Flag - Greece Type – Passenger	Romania's Maritime Rescue Coordination Centre (MRCC) Constanța initiated a rescue operation for the crew members of a vessel, involving the Romanian Coast Guard and rescue vessels SAR Apollo and Artemis, which promptly reached the location.
2026.07.21	Ukraine	Black Sea	Assault violations	Name – Lady zehma Flag – Panama Type - Cargo	The emergency response procedures were activated as the company's shore emergency response team coordinated with maritime authorities and stakeholders.
2026.07.22	Russia	Black Sea	Assault violations	Name – Reyhan Sari Flag – Turkiye Type - Cargo	Initial reports noted that one crew member was unaccounted for due to restricted access to the damaged accommodation area.

Source -: <https://gcaptain.com/caspian-pipeline-consortium-oil-loadings-suspended-after-drone-attacks-on-tankers/>
Source -: <https://www.marinetraffic.com/en/maritime-news/15/maritime-security/2026/13103/crew-abandons-after-oil-tanker-is-hit-near-strait-of-hormuz>
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SMUGGLING



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COUNTRY /REGION		NO
	China	01
	India	01
	Nigeria	01
	Sri Lanka	06

Total Incidents

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SMUGGLING

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUBCATEGORY	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.07.19	Sri Lanka	Kalpitiya	Contraband /Goods smuggling	-	The suspect, a 38-year-old resident of Kalpitiya, was identified, and the individual, along with the seized items, was handed over to the Kalpitiya Police for legal proceedings.
2026.07.19	Sri Lanka	Kalmunai	Contraband /Goods smuggling	-	The suspect arrested in the operation is a 61-year-old resident of Kalmunai. Both the individual and the seized tobacco stock were surrendered to the Kalmunai Police Station for legal proceedings.
2026.07.20	Sri Lanka	Kudapaduwa Area	Contraband /Goods smuggling	-	The seized truck and stock of kendu leaves were transferred to the Katunayake Customs Preventive Office for legal proceedings.
2026.07.21	Nigeria	Porto Novo Creek	Contraband/ Goods smuggling	-	The Navy's operations aim to combat smuggling, trafficking, and transnational crimes while enhancing cooperation with security agencies to safeguard Nigeria's maritime domain and economic interests.
2026.07.21	India	Customs department	Contraband/ Goods smuggling	-	In response to concerns about increased smuggling due to higher import duties on gold and silver, the minister stated that Customs and the Directorate of Revenue Intelligence (DRI) are consistently vigilant and prepared to prevent and detect such illegal activities.
2026.07.22	Sri Lanka	Wellamankara	Contraband/ Goods smuggling	One dinghy boat	The arrested suspect, together with the seized stock of Kendu leaves, dinghy boat and the lorry, were handed over to the Custom Preventive Office in Katunayaka for further investigation and legal proceedings.

Source -: <https://shipsandports.com.ng/navy-hands-over-529-bags-of-smuggled-rice-to-customs-in-badagry/>
Source -: <https://www.indiasnews.net/news/279201327/gold-seizures-by-customs-nearly-double-after-may-13-duty-hike-govt-informs-parliament>
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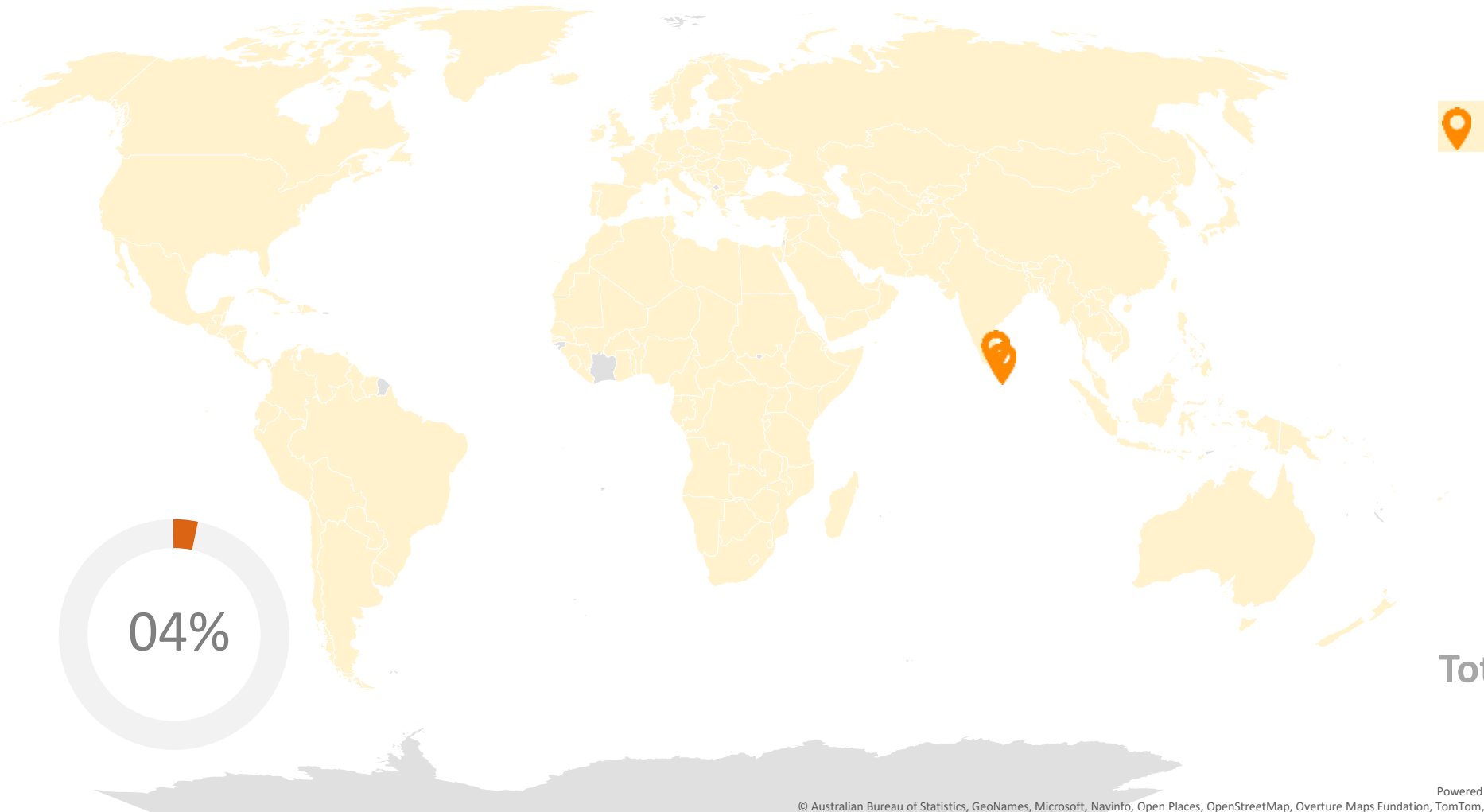
SMUGGLING

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUBCATEGORY	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.07.22	Sri Lanka	Negombo Lagoon	Contraband /Goods smuggling	Dinghy Boat	The suspects, aged 29 and 32, from the Negombo area, have had Kendu leaves and a dinghy seized and were handed over to the Katunayake Customs Preventive Office for legal proceedings.
2026.07.24	Sri Lanka	Off Karukapane Beach	Contraband /Goods smuggling	Three dinghies	The seized consignment of Kendu leaves and the 3 dinghies were handed over to the Chilaw Excise Department Office for further legal proceedings.
2026.07.24	China	Sai Kung waters	Contraband /Goods smuggling	Speed Boat	Officers intercepted a suspicious speedboat in eastern waters, leading to the seizure of 16 boxes of suspected illicit cigarettes. A 34-year-old man from the mainland was arrested at the scene.

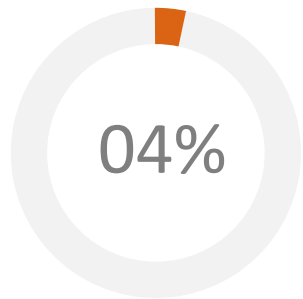
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IUU FISHING



COUNTRY /REGION		NO
	Sri Lanka	02



Total Incidents

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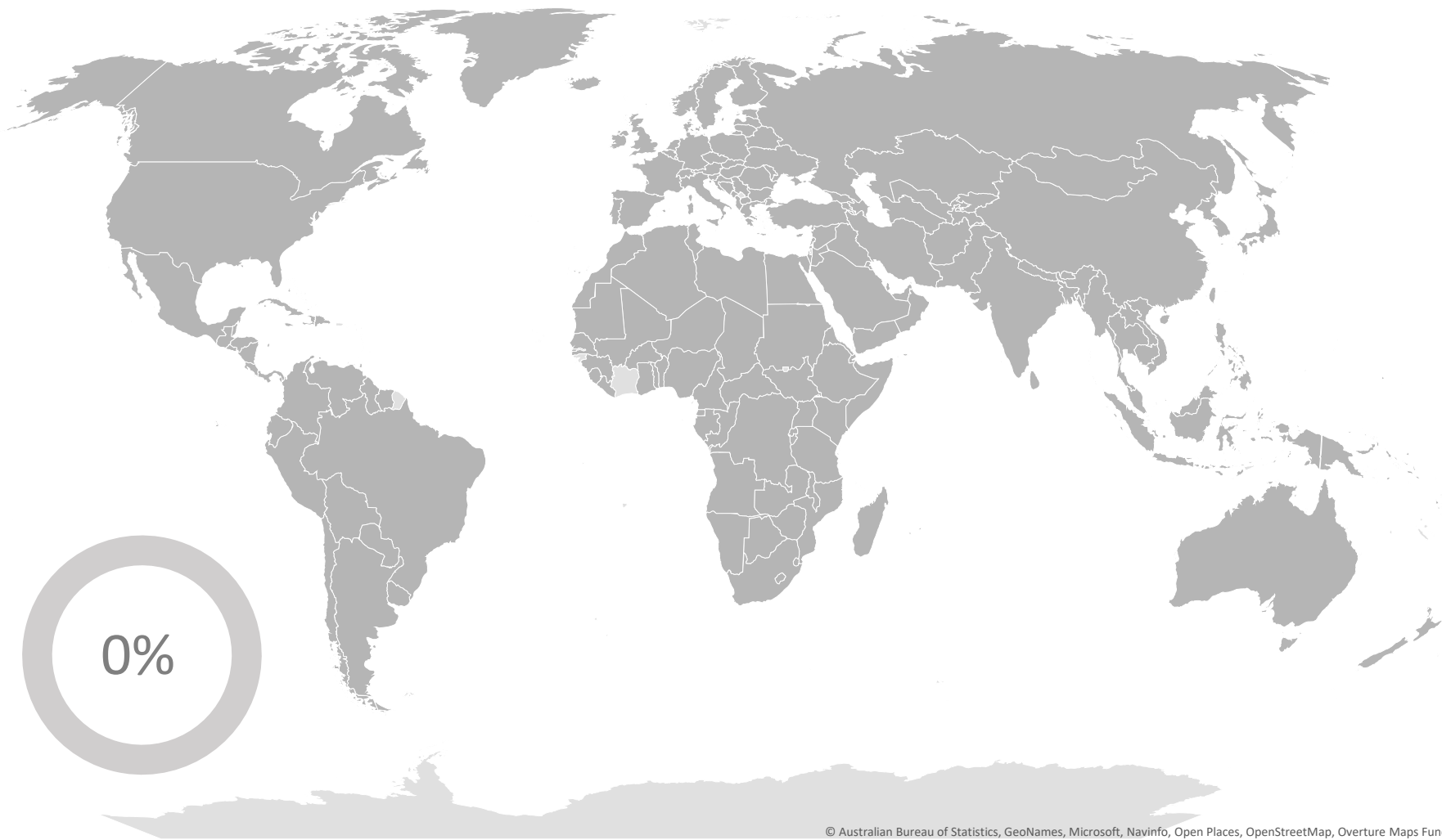
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2026.07.21	Sri Lanka	Negambo Fisheries harbour	Fishing for endangers species/Prohibited species	Multi-day fishing vessel.	The fishermen and the seized shark fish consignment, along with the fishing vessel, were delivered to the Assistant Director of Fisheries in Negombo for legal action.
2026.07.23	Sri Lanka	Palk Strait	Illegal fishing in protected area	Fishing Trawler	The Sri Lankan Navy has arrested 128 Indian fishermen and seized 18 trawlers for alleged illegal fishing in its territorial waters as of 15 Apr 26 this year.

Source -: <https://news.coastguard.gov.lk/news/2026/07/21/202607211400/>

Source -: <https://www.moneycontrol.com/news/india/9-indian-fishermen-detained-by-sri-lankan-navy-as-maritime-dispute-flares-again-13981722.html>



NARCOTIC



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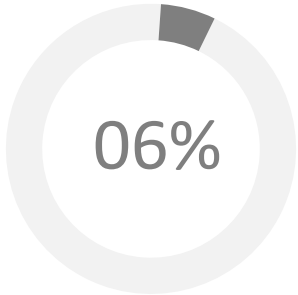
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IRREGULAR HUMAN MIGRATION



COUNTRY /REGION		NO
 Mauritania		01
 Spain		01
 United Kingdom		01



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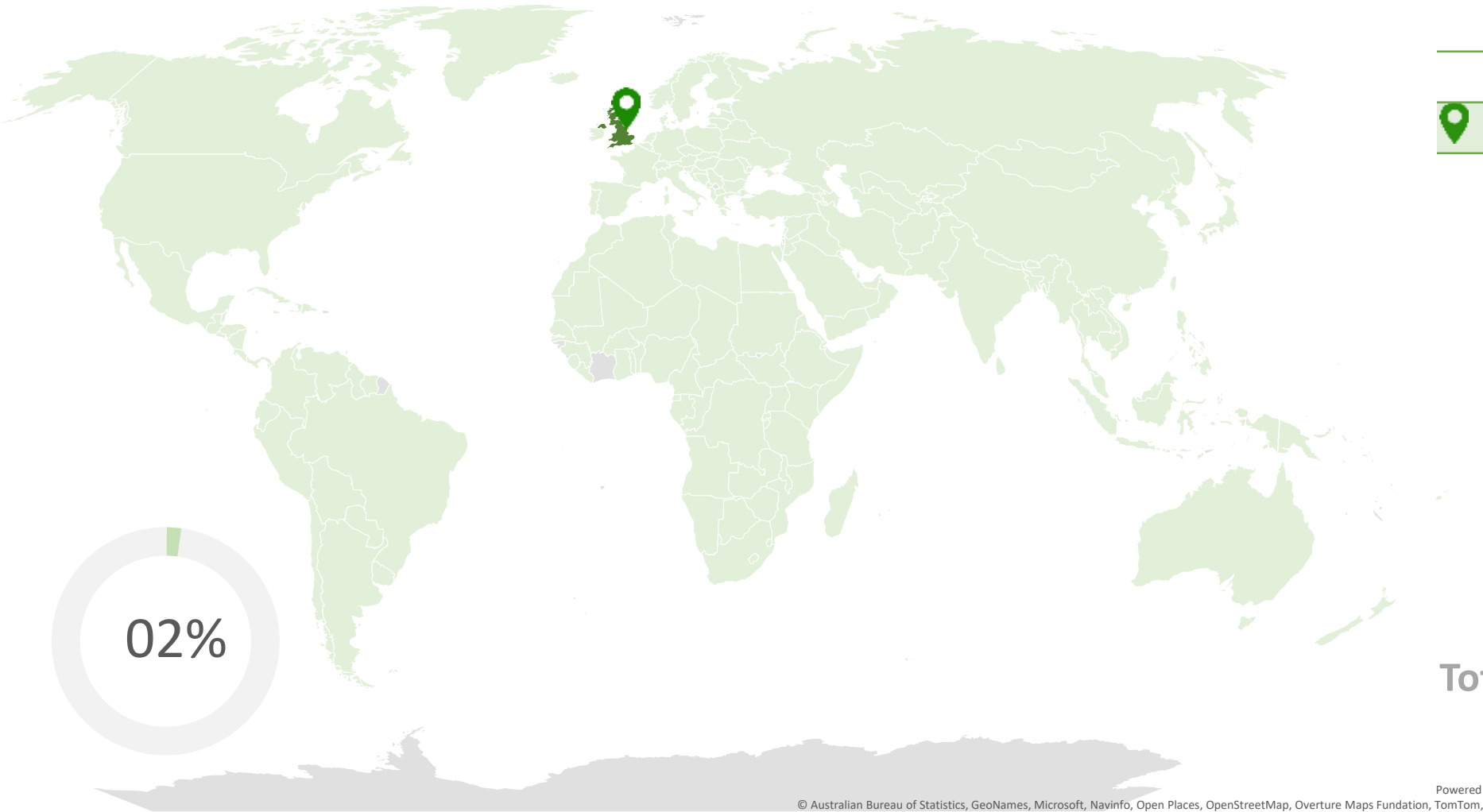
IRREGULAR HUMAN MIGRATION

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUBCATEGORY	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.07.17	Spain	Balearic Islands	Illegal broader crossing	Small Boats	Since the beginning of the year, at least 225 individuals have been documented as dead or missing while crossing the Western Mediterranean route, with more potential fatalities unrecorded due to the absence of an official departure register. Reports depend on finding boats and bodies or on witness accounts.
2026.07.18	Mauritania	Off Mauritania Coast	Illegal Migrants boats capsizing	-	The deaths occurred during three rescue operations along the Mauritanian coast from July 14 to July 18. The UN agency stressed the need for improved access to education, job opportunities, and legal migration pathways to decrease the number of individuals taking perilous sea journeys.
2026.07.23	UK	English Channel	Overcrowded vessels	Mega Dinghy	Refugee charity Care4Calais has reported that the crossing route is increasingly perilous due to the rising number of individuals per boat. The boat in question was estimated to be approximately 13 meters (42 feet) long, comparable to the length of a standard bus.

Source -: <https://www.indiatoday.in/amp/world/story/mauritania-migrant-boat-tragedy-143-bodies-found-unhcr-atlantic-route-2953009-2026-07-21>
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MARITIME ENVIRONMENT POLLUTION



COUNTRY /REGION	NO
 United Kingdom	01

Total Incidents

01

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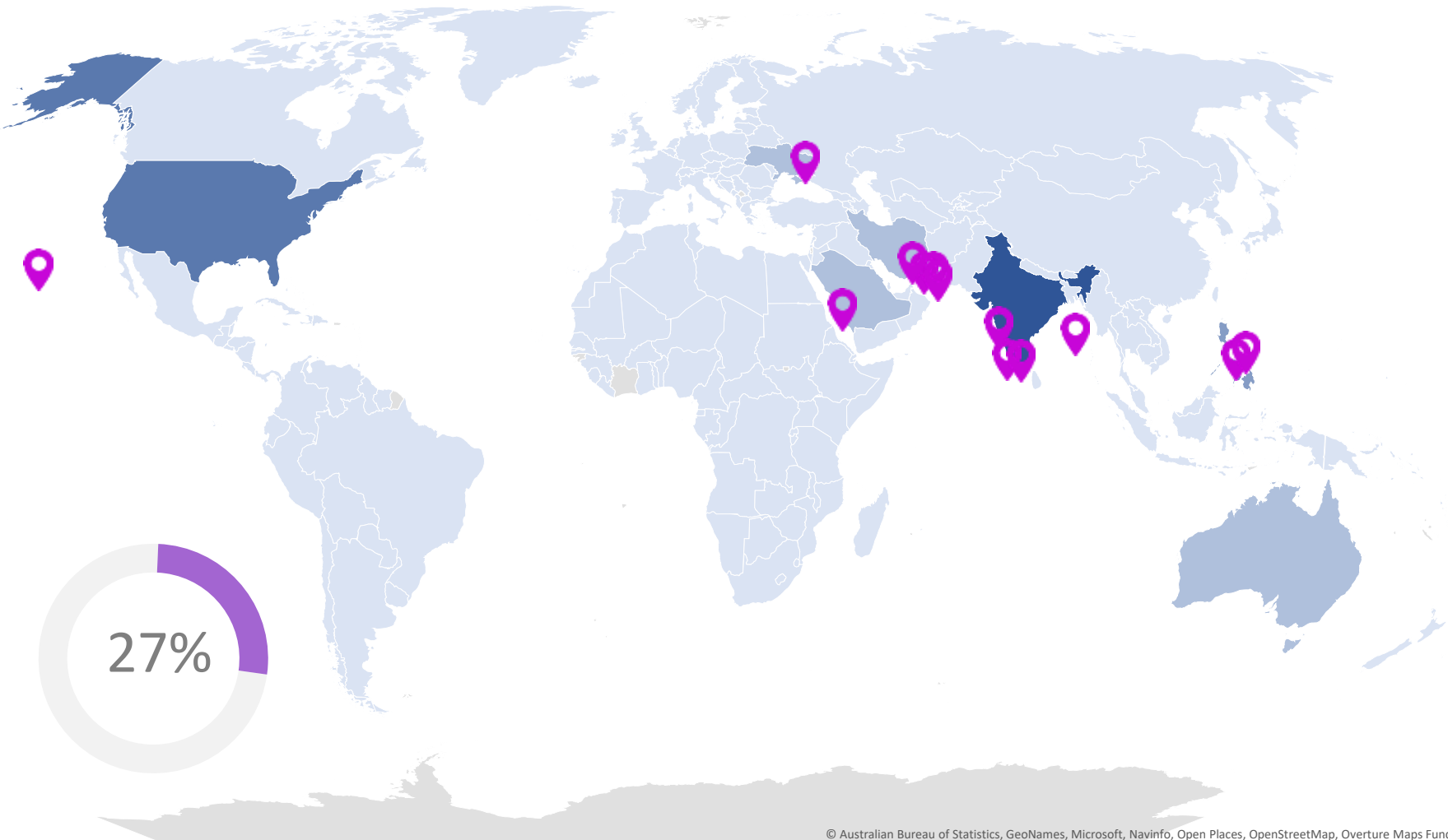


MARITIME ENVIRONMENT POLLUTION

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUBCATEGORY	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.07.19	UK	Tyne Port	Plastic and waste pollution	Name-wind Orca Type –Multi Purpose Offshore Vessel Flag - Denmark	Approximately one billion plastic nurdles have contaminated the River Tyne due to a significant spill, according to The Guardian and environmental charity Fidra. South Tyneside Council is actively cleaning affected beaches, while a spokesperson for the port confirmed that some pellets have washed ashore in nearby areas.

Source -: <https://www.worldcargonews.com/news/2026/07/update-port-of-tyne-readies-to-remove-collapsed-quay-crane-tackles-devastating-pellet-spill/?gdpr=accept>

OTHER



COUNTRY /REGION		NO
	Australia	01
	India	04
	Iran	01
	Philippines	02
	Saudi Arabia	01
	Ukraine	01
	United State	03

Total Incidents

13

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INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUBCATEGORY	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.07.19	Iran	Strait Of Hormuz	Foreign affairs	-	The recent decline in traffic coincided with the U.S. conducting its eighth consecutive night of attacks on Iranian targets, while Kuwait and Bahrain have noted an uptick in Iranian aggression, heightening security concerns in the Gulf.
2026.07.19	United State	Strait Of Hormuz	Naval Activities	-	U.S. Navy Sailors aboard the guided-missile destroyer USS John Finn (DDG 113) are maintaining focus and vigilance as American forces carry out a naval blockade against Iran, according to a CENTCOM post on X.
2026.07.19	Ukraine	Odesa port	Other military /Coastguard activities	Name – Golden leo Flag – Guinea Bissau Type - Other	USPA reported that the search-and-rescue operation continued overnight, resulting in eight rescues. However, ten individuals, including a Ukrainian maritime pilot, were confirmed dead in the incident, although the fire was brought under control.
2026.07.19	United State	Strait of Hormuz	Naval activities	Name – Kaifan Flag – Kuwait Type - Tanker	The report discusses an attack on the Malta-flagged tanker Kavomaleas, managed by Dynacom Tankers of Greece, which was hit by two projectiles and subsequently abandoned off the coast of Oman.
2026.07.20	Philippine	Thomas Shoal outpost	Naval activities	China Coast Guard cutter 21560	Both sides had a brief confrontation using oars and poles, resulting in a head injury to one Philippine sailor, who is currently under evaluation by the AFP for a possible medevac.

Source -: <https://www.marineinsight.com/only-four-vessels-cross-strait-of-hormuz-as-gulf-shipping-slows-amid-us-iran-tensions/>

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OTHER

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUBCATEGORY	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.07.20	India	-	Other Military /Coastguard activities	-	The ICG is enhancing its operational capabilities with an expanded fleet of ships and aircraft, creating a robust defense for India's maritime zones, according to the Coast Guard.
2026.07.21	Australia	Andaman Sea and Bay of Bengal	Foreign affairs	-	The 11 member states of ASEAN officially host approximately 3.9 million displaced persons, though the actual number is likely much higher due to millions of undocumented migrants escaping conflict to neighboring countries like Thailand.
2026.07.21	Saudi Arabia	Red Sea	Foreign affairs	-	The tanker Rodos, transporting approximately 700,000 barrels of Saudi crude to India, altered its course in the Red Sea to head north towards the Suez Canal instead of proceeding through the Bab el-Mandeb Strait.
2026.07.22	India	Kochi	Naval Activities	Name - INS Malvan Flag – India Type - anti-submarine shallow-water craft.	Malvan's induction into the Navy introduces a new era of indigenously built shallow water crafts, emphasizing efficiency and speed to enhance operational success and protect the country's maritime interests, particularly amidst China's growing dominance in the Indian Ocean region.
2026.07.22	India	-	Other Military /Coastguard activities	-	The DGS noted recent container loss incidents at sea that resulted in pollution from plastic pellets, leading to significant long-term environmental damage and expensive clean-up efforts.

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OTHER

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUBCATEGORY	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.07.24	Philippines	Near Scarborough Shoal	Other Military /Coastguard activities	-	At approximately 7:53 a.m., the vessel was struck directly by a water cannon, followed by two additional hits around 8:00 a.m. During this time, it temporarily lost satellite internet connectivity while sailing about 10 nautical miles northeast of the shoal, with the connection restored at 8:36 a.m.
2026.07.12 and 17	United State	Hawaiian island of Kauai	Naval Activities	-	The United States and allied nations participated in live-fire sinking exercises (SINKEX) as part of the Rim of the Pacific (RIMPAC) 2026 exercise.
2026.07.24	India	Iranian Territorial Waters	Foreign affairs	Name-Disha Type -LPG tanker Flag -Mozambique	The embassy is closely monitoring the situation and staying in contact with relevant authorities. This incident occurs amid escalating US-Iran tensions, raising concerns about maritime security and commercial shipping routes.

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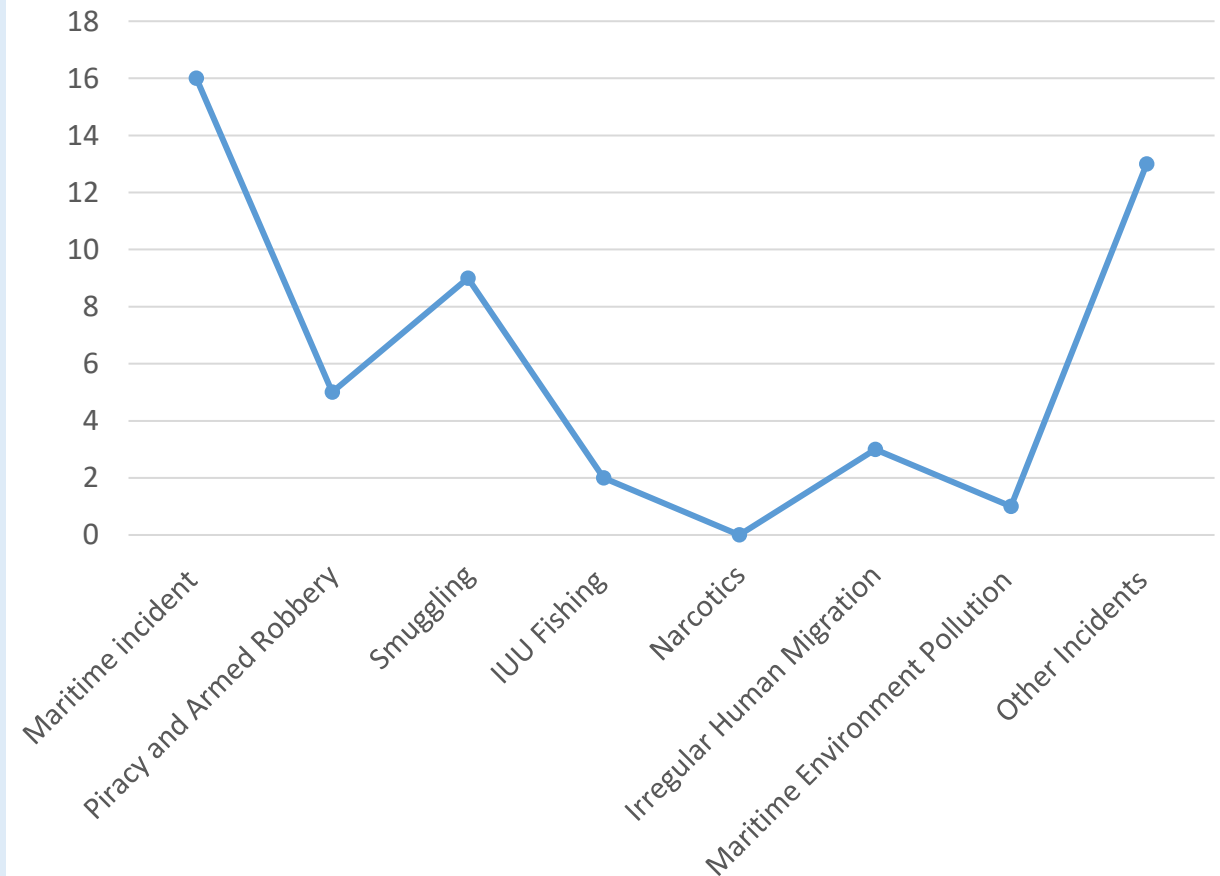
WEEKLY ANALYSIS

A This week, 49 incidents were reported globally. Among these, 16 maritime safety incidents included fire/explosion, collisions, grounding, capsizing/sinking, patient evacuation, and search and rescue (SAR) operations reported. Piracy and armed robbery accounted for 05 incidents, involving assault violations and attacks on commercial vessels . Smuggling accounted for 09 incidents,.IUU fishing accounted for 02 incidents. No narcotics-related incidents were reported during the reporting period. Irregular human migration accounted for 03 incidents, involving illegal migrant crossings and boat capsizing. Maritime environmental pollution accounted for 01 incident. Further 13 other incidents were recorded. Weather-related incidents included 03 tropical cyclones and 05 earthquakes.

Recommendations:

Strengthen maritime domain awareness through continuous AIS monitoring, satellite surveillance, and real-time intelligence sharing, with particular emphasis on high-risk maritime corridors such as the Strait of Hormuz, Gulf of Oman, Black Sea, Red Sea, and English Channel. Enhance naval and coast guard patrols to deter piracy, armed robbery, smuggling, and illegal fishing, while expanding joint regional operations to counter transnational maritime crime. Improve SAR coordination and emergency response capabilities to address vessel collisions, fires, capsizing incidents, and migrant boat emergencies. Increase port and vessel safety inspections, enforce compliance with maritime safety regulations, and strengthen environmental protection measures to rapidly respond to marine pollution incidents. Maintain close monitoring of evolving geopolitical tensions and naval activities in the Middle East and Indo-Pacific, as these continue to pose significant risks to commercial shipping, freedom of navigation, and regional maritime security.

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The information in this report has been sourced from various internal and external parties, including international and local stakeholders, maritime agencies, and open sources. The report analyzes incidents to identify trends and discrepancies, aiming to improve the safety and security of mariners and seafarers. While efforts have been made to ensure data accuracy, users should exercise due diligence. Some incident locations may be approximate. IFC-Colombo requests stakeholders' cooperation in reporting incidents for more accurate analysis of maritime threats. The views expressed in this report do not reflect those of the Sri Lanka Navy or Government of Sri Lanka.

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