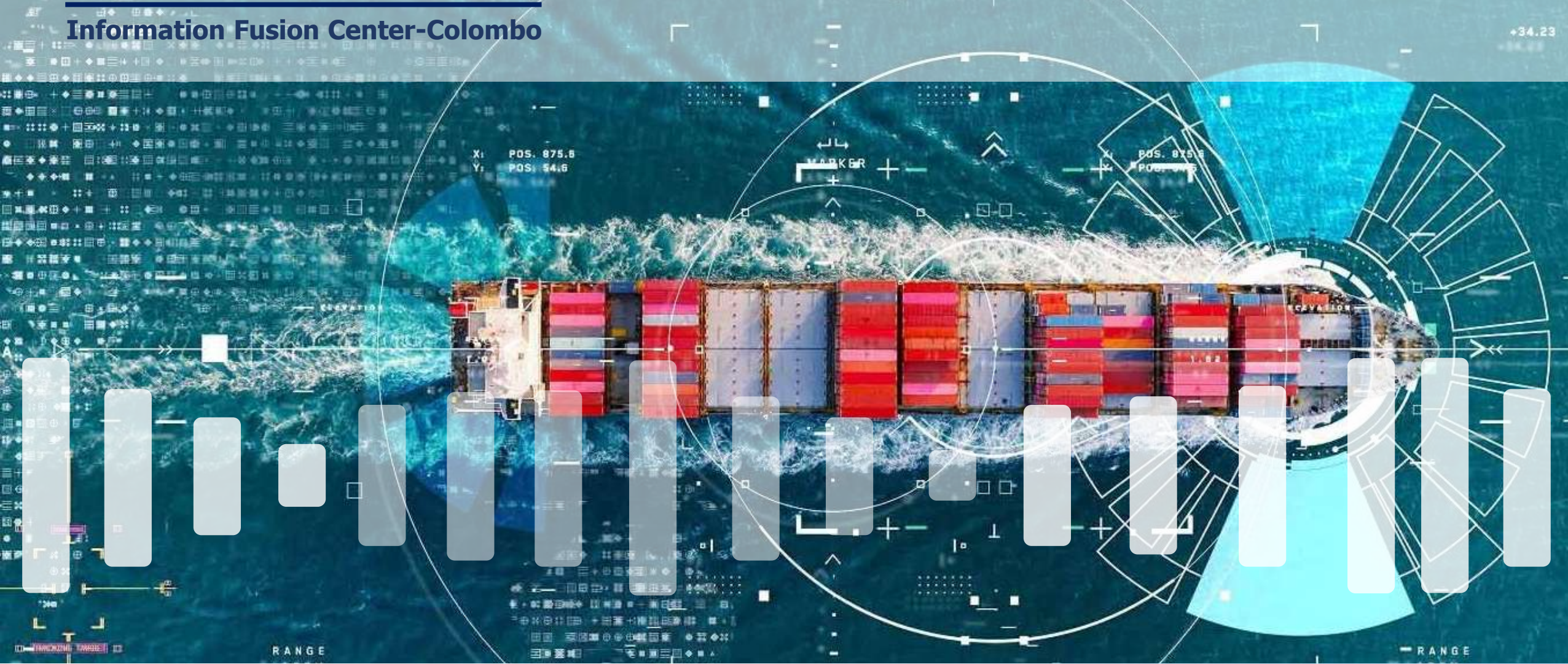


WEEKLY MARITIME INCIDENT UPDATE

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Week 25

From 2026.06.22 TO 2026.06.28



SUMMARY OF THE WEEK 25

Executive Summary

Global Maritime Incidents



• Maritime incident	:-	08
• Piracy and Armed Robbery	:-	03
• Smuggling	:-	02
• IUU Fishing	:-	00
• Narcotics	:-	01
• Irregular Human Migration	:-	01
• Maritime Environment Pollution	:-	01
• Other Incidents	:-	04

Total Maritime Incidents 20

Global Weather Incident



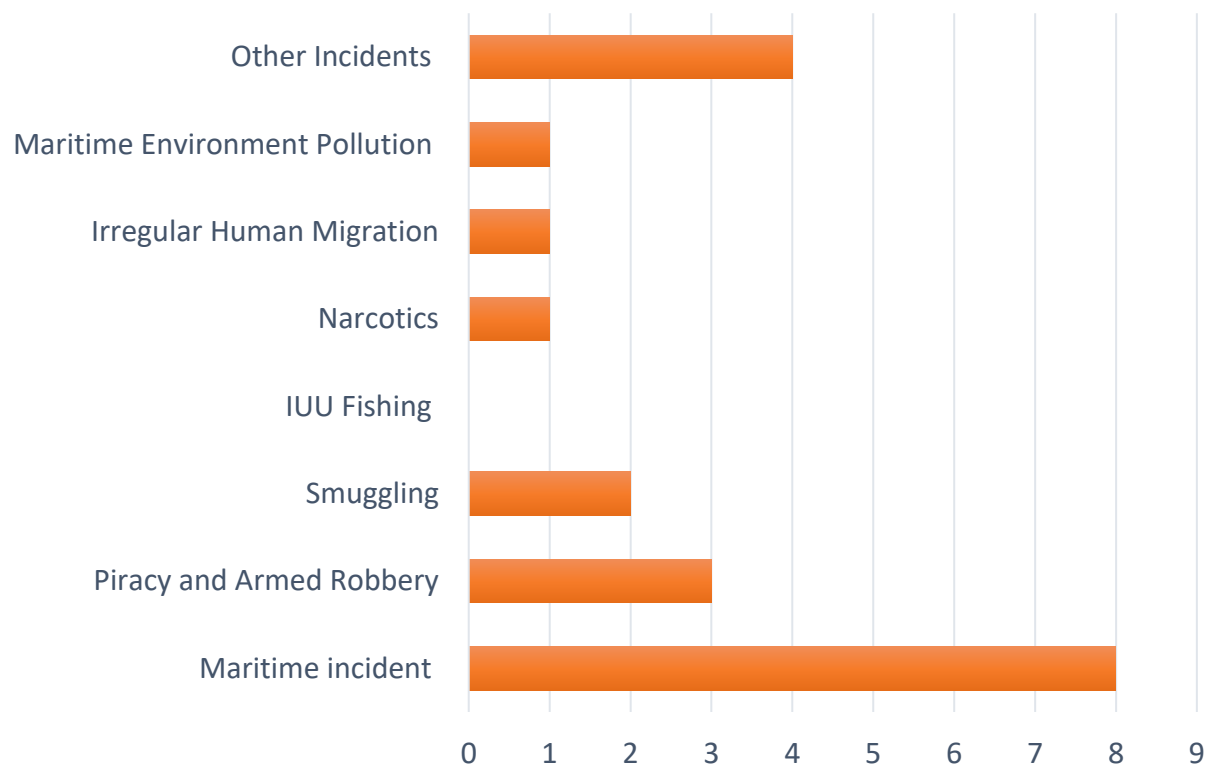
• Tropical Cyclone	:-	01
• Earthquake	:-	17

Total Weather Incidents 18

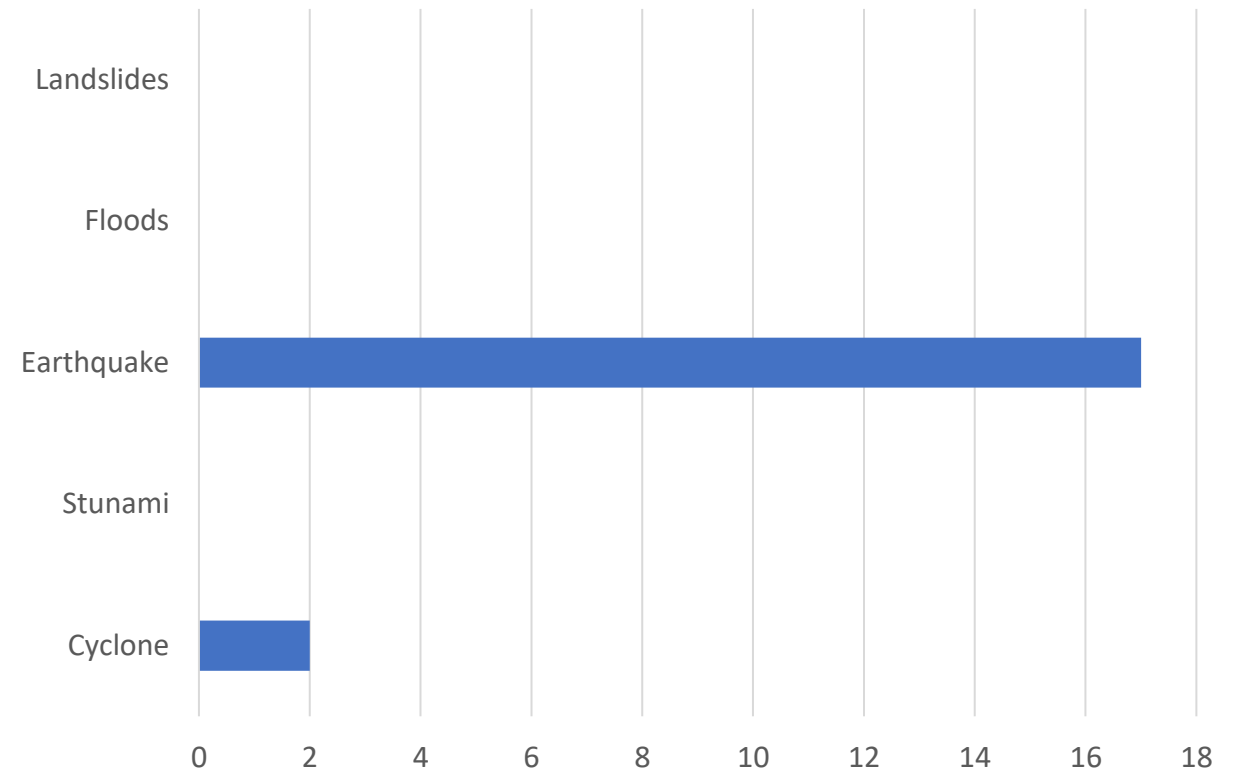


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Maritime Incidents

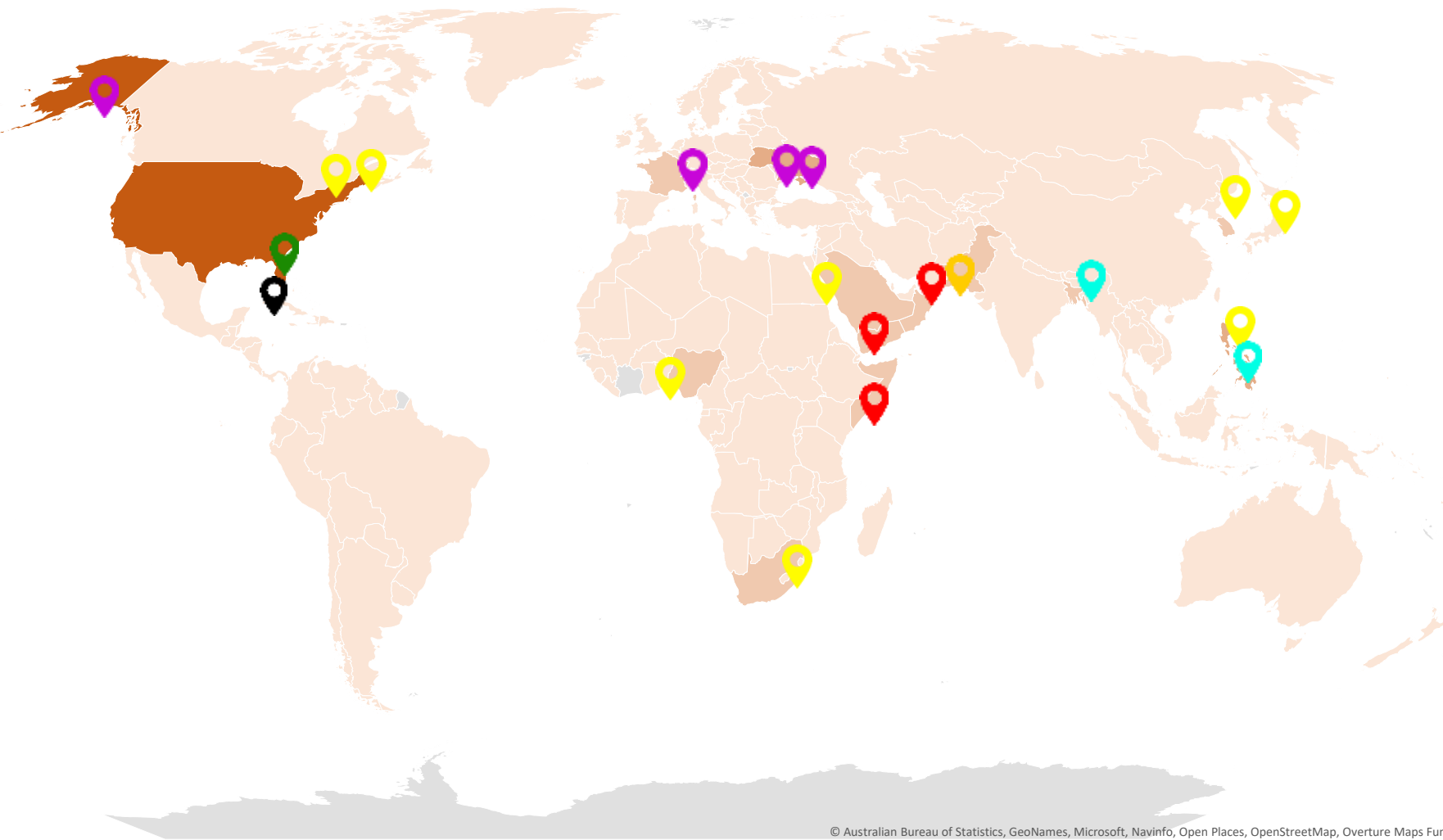


Weather Incidents





STRATEGIC OVERVIEW



CATEGORY		NO
	Maritime Incidents	08
	Piracy & Armed Robbery	03
	Smuggling	20
	IUU Fishing	00
	Narcotic	01
	Irregular Human Migration	01
	Maritime Environment Pollution	01
	Other	04

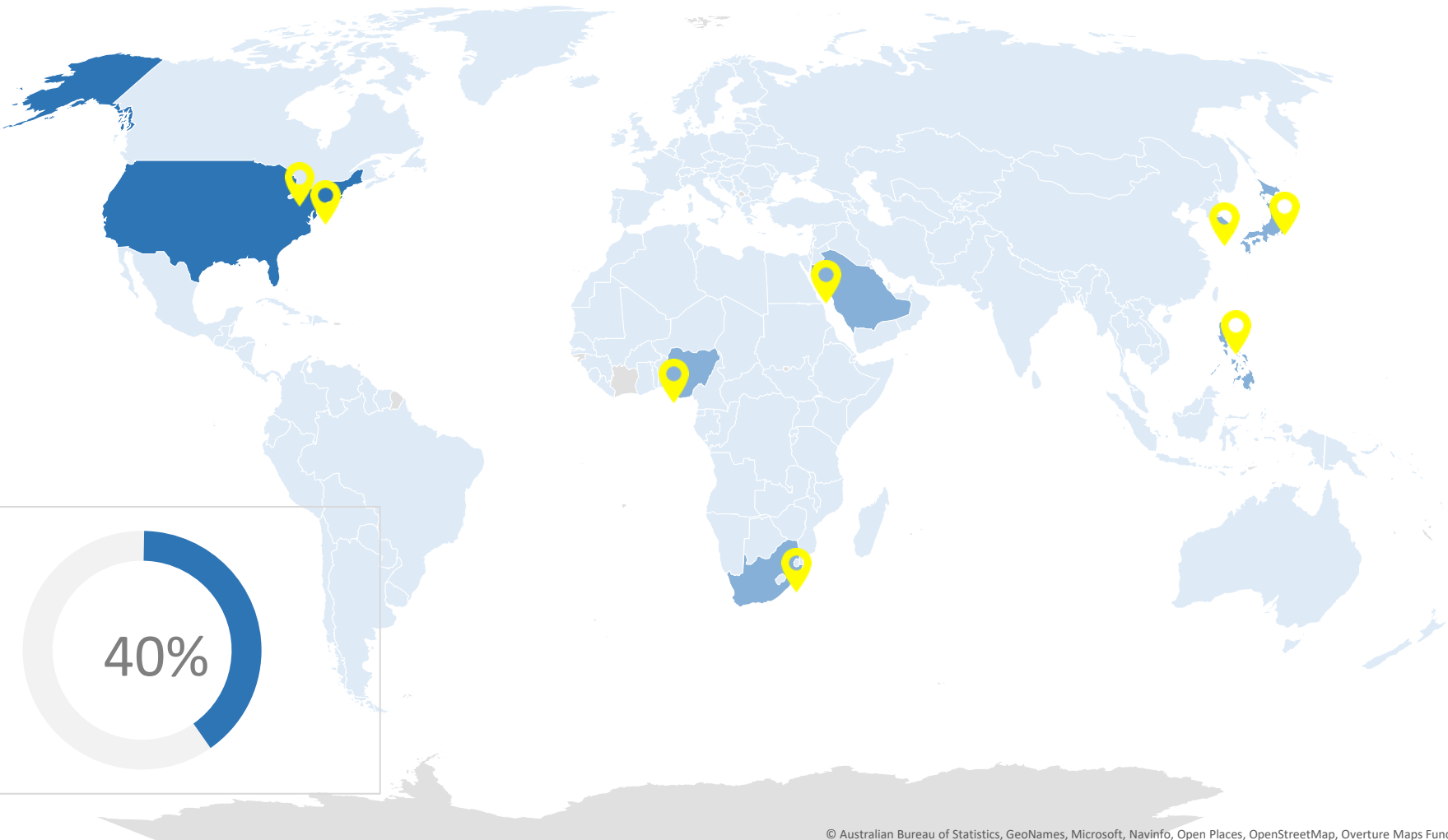
Total Incidents

20

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MARITIME INCIDENTS



COUNTRY /REGION		NO
	Japan	01
	Nigeria	01
	Philippine	01
	Saudi Arabia	01
	South Africa	01
	South Korea	01
	United States	02

Total Incidents

08

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MARITIME INCIDENTS

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUBCATEGORY	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.06.19	Japan	Off Toshima Island	Grounding/Standing	Name: NIRAIKANAI II Type: Cargo IMO: 9816402	No injuries, flooding, or oil pollution have been reported. The vessel is unable to navigate due to grounding, prompting a Japan Coast Guard patrol boat to investigate further.
2026.06.21	USA	East Greenwich	Fire/Folding/Explosion	Sailboat	The boat appears to be a total loss but no one was injured and no other boats caught fire
2026.06.22	Saudi Arabia	off Yanbu	Search and Rescue (SAR)	-	The rescue highlights the ongoing role of Saudi search and rescue teams in responding to incidents along the Kingdom's Red Sea and Gulf coastlines.
2026.06.22	Philippine	Failure Off Sarangani Coast	Search and Rescue (SAR)	-	The incident raised concerns regarding the vessel's seaworthiness and mechanical condition. The Coast Guard is conducting an investigation to ascertain the circumstances of the malfunction and the need for possible safety measures or regulatory actions.
2026.06.22	Nigeria	Delta River	Search and Rescue (SAR)	-	Preliminary investigations indicated that the boat capsized after encountering rough waves and severe weather conditions triggered by a heavy rainstorm.
2026.06.22	South Africa	Durban Port	Fire/Folding/Explosion	-	The Port of Durban is the busiest container gateway in sub-Saharan Africa, managing significant amounts of containerized, automotive, and bulk cargo for South Africa and several landlocked neighboring countries.

Source -: <https://www.marinetraffic.com/en/maritime-news/14/accidents/2026/13027/vehicle-carrier-runs-aground-off-tokyos-toshima-island>
Source -: <https://eastgreenwichnews.com/boat-fire-in-cove-prompts-swift-response/>
Source -: <https://gulfnews.com/world/gulf/saudi/saudi-arabia-rescues-two-citizens-after-boat-breaks-down-off-yanbu-1.500582402>
Source -: <https://themindanaosentinel.com/2026/06/28-passengers-crew-rescued-after-motorized-banca-suffers-mechanical-failure-off-sarangani-coast/>
Source -: <https://thefact.ng/navy-rescues-three-after-boat-capsizes-in-delta-river/>
Source -: <https://www.thetraveler.org/fire-incident-briefly-halts-operations-at-durban-port/>



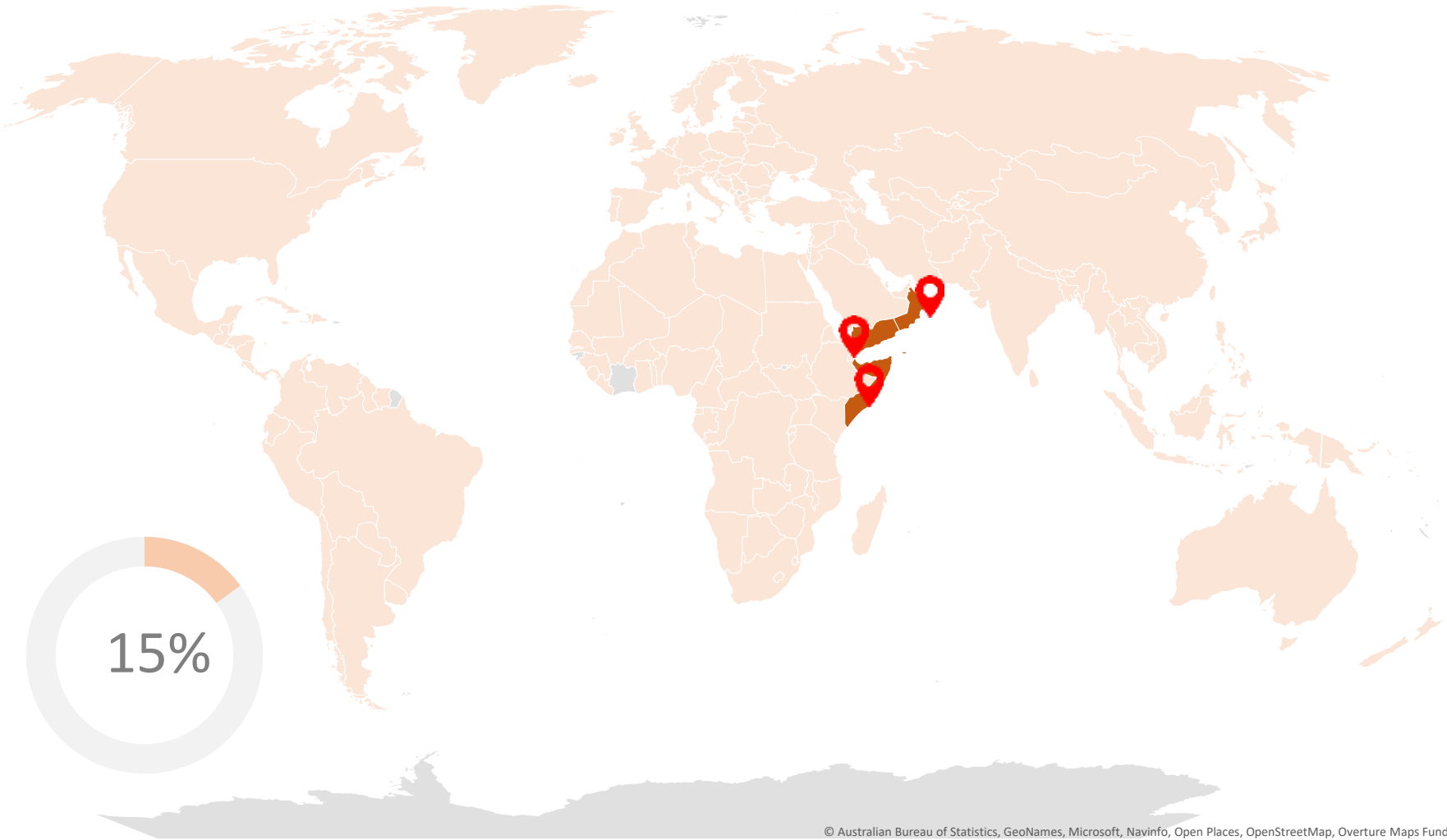
MARITIME INCIDENTS

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUBCATEGORY	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.06.25	South Korea	Off Busan	Death on board (DOB)	Fishing Boat	The crew members were fishing on deck when the accident occurred. The Ulsan Coast Guard intends to question the rescued crew and those from the LPG carrier to determine the specific circumstances of the incident..
2026.06.25	United States	Lake Michigan	Collisions	-	The Coast Guard reported that the boats involved are recreational vehicles. One boat was towed to Queens Landing near Buckingham Fountain, while the more damaged boat was towed to the CPD Marine Unit headquarters by Chicago police.

Source -: <https://www.koreatimes.co.kr/amp/southkorea/20260625/korean-captain-dead-2-indonesian-crew-members-still-missing-after-fishing-boat-sinks-off-busan>
Source -: <https://abc7chicago.com/post/boat-accident-chicago-news-multiple-hospitalized-lake-michigan-crash-boats-towed-queens-landing/19386440/>



PIRACY & ARMED ROBBERY



COUNTRY /REGION		NO
	Oman	01
	Somalia	01
	Yemen	01

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03

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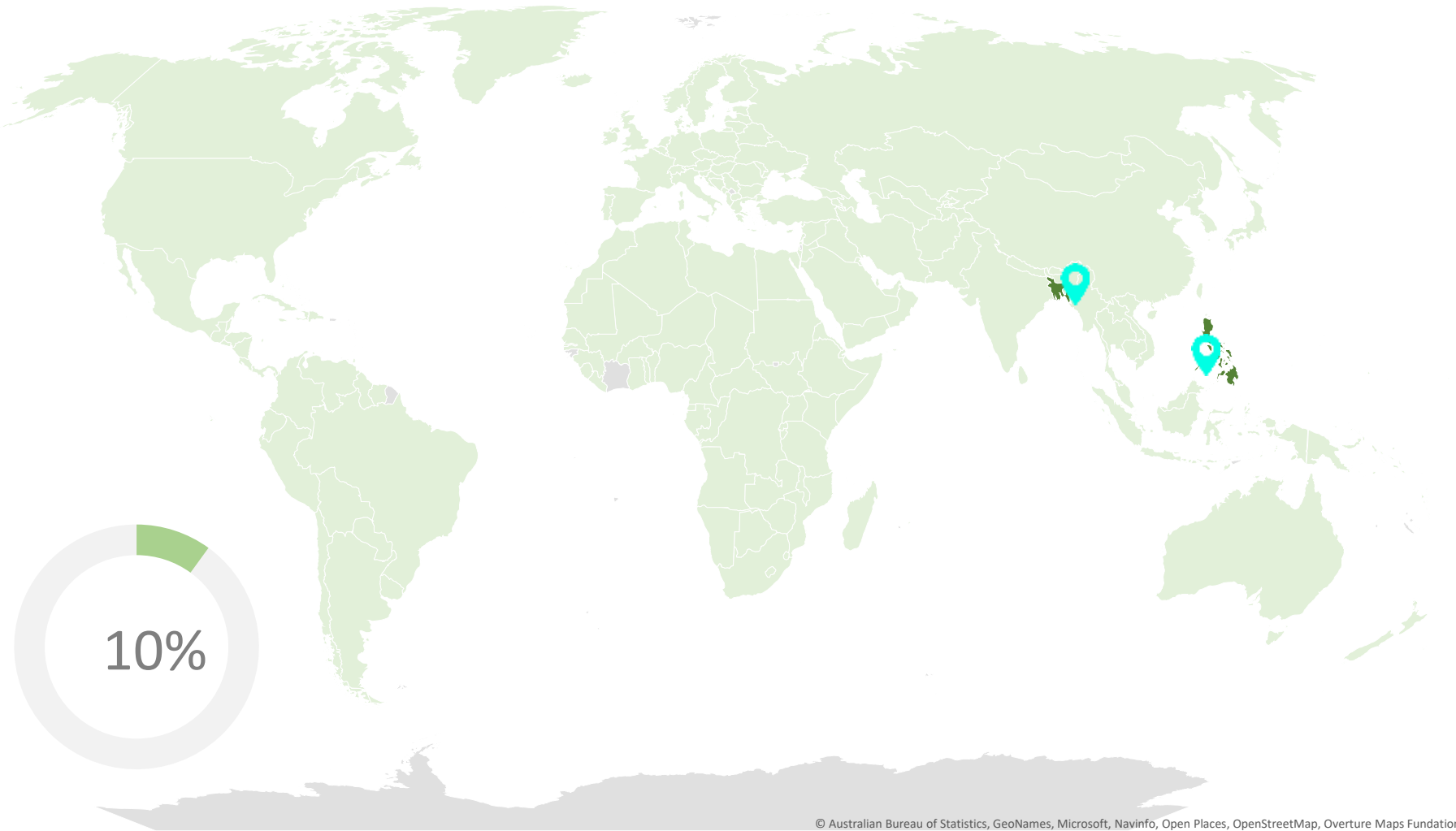
PIRACY & ARMED ROBBERY

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUBCATEGORY	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.06.22	Yemen	Off Southern Coast	Illegal boarding	Armed Skiff	The crew of the product tanker successfully avoided contact with a skiff by executing evasive maneuvers and changing course, resulting in no reported casualties or damage.
2026.06.27	Somalia	Off the coast of Kulule, Bandar Bayla District	Assault violations	Name: HONOUR 25 Type: Tanker IMO: 1099735	Local authorities and maritime security agencies have been notified. Monitoring of the situation is ongoing.

Source -: <https://www.marineinsight.com/armed-skiff-approaches-tanker-off-yemen-coast-second-incident-in-two-weeks/>
Source -: <https://www.marineinsight.com/attack-on-container-ship-halts-un-led-strait-of-hormuz-ship-evacuation-mission/>



SMUGGLING



COUNTRY /REGION		NO
	Bangladesh	01
	Philippine	01

Total Incidents

02

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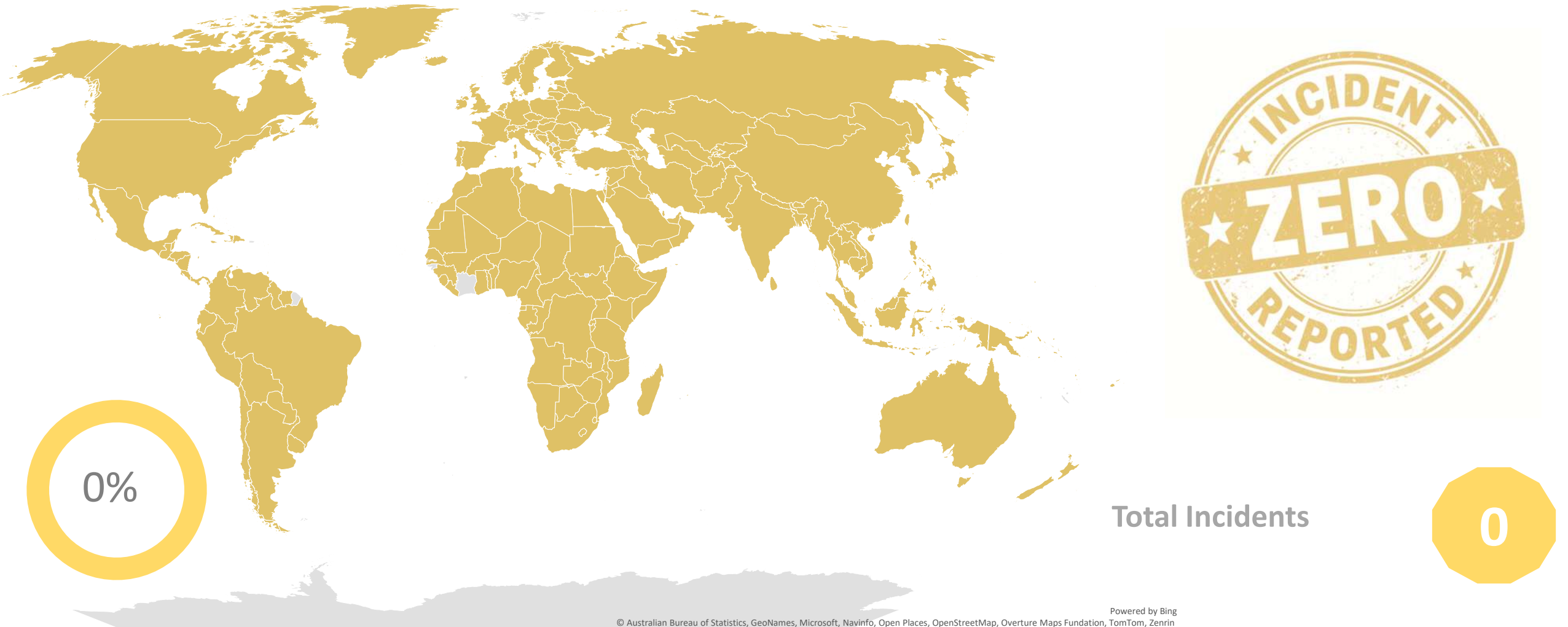
SMUGGLING

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUBCATEGORY	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.06.20	Bangladesh	St. Martin's Island	Contraband /Goods smuggling	-	Legal action regarding the seized nets, the boat used in the smuggling, and the detained individuals has been Taken.
2026.06.24	Philippine	Claver, Surigao del Norte.	Contraband /Goods smuggling	Cargo Vessel	The operation is part of the PNP Maritime Group's intensified campaign against fuel smuggling and maritime violations in the Caraga Region, focusing on Surigao del Norte, a strategic maritime corridor.

Source -: <https://dailycountrytodaybd.com/story/coast-guard-seizes-illegal-nets-worth-tk-32.25cr-smuggled-from-myanmar,-6-held>
Source -: <https://www.pna.gov.ph/articles/1278132>

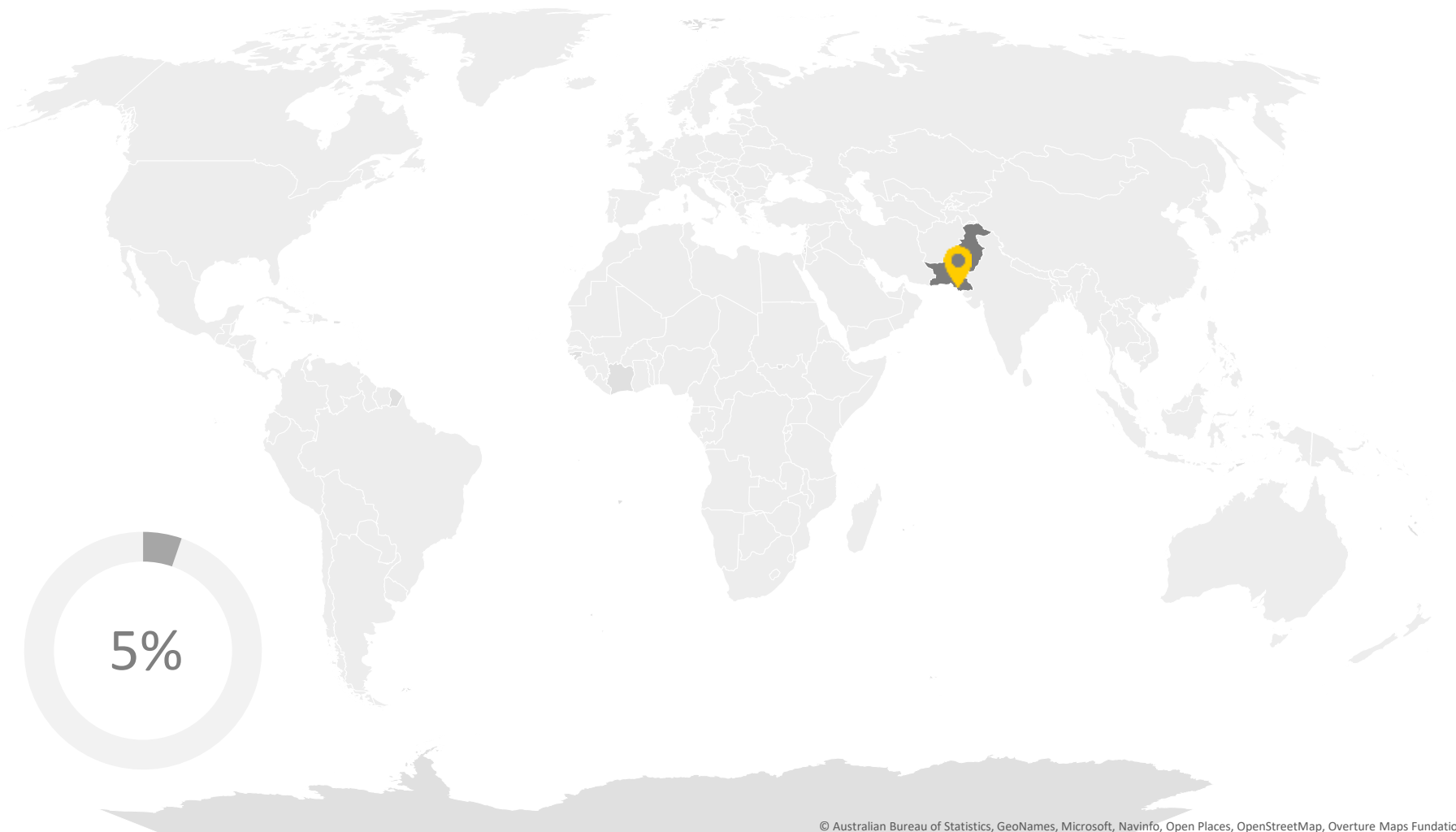


IUU FISHING





NARCOTIC



COUNTRY /REGION		NO
	Pakistan	01

Total Incidents

01

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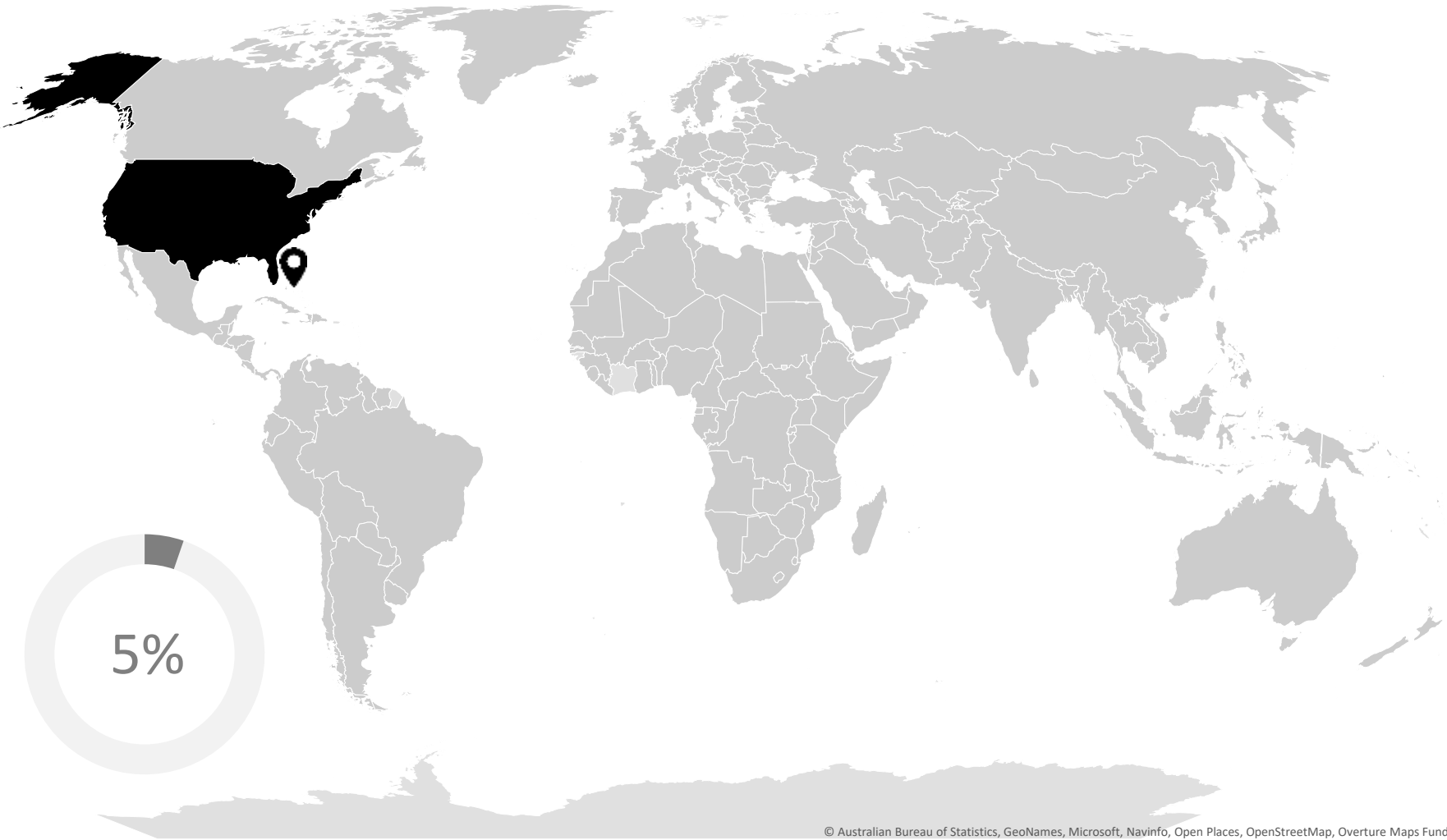
NARCOTIC

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUBCATEGORY	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.06.22	Pakistan	coastline of Gwadar	Sea based Drugs Trafficking /crystal methamphetamine/cocaine	-	The consignment was transported via the Arabian Sea to international destinations, as stated by the Directorate General Public Relations (Navy). The seized items are now with the Pakistan Coast Guards for further legal proceedings.

Source -: <https://www.app.com.pk/national/joint-counter-narcotics-operation-navy-coast-guards-confiscate-1500-kg-hashish-500-kg-ice/>



IRREGULAR HUMAN MIGRATION



COUNTRY /REGION	NO
 United States	01

Total Incidents

01

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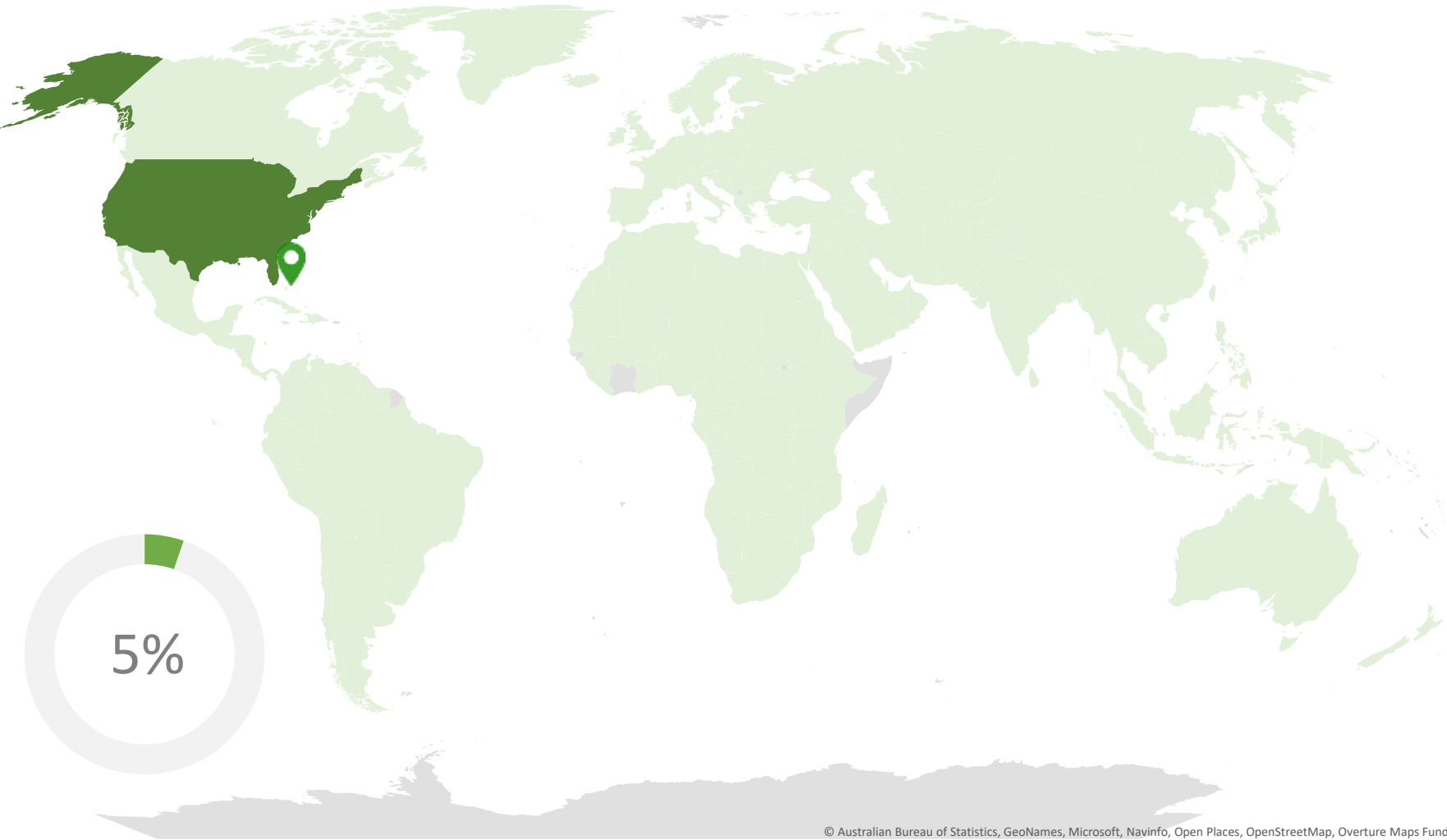
IRREGULAR HUMAN MIGRATION

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUBCATEGORY	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.06.25	United States	Yucatán Channel	Illegal broader crossing	Wooden Vessel	The Coast Guard Cutter Raymond Evans launched a patrol boat crew to intercept the vessel and transfer the 27 people to the Evans, the agency said.

Source -: <https://www.app.com.pk/national/joint-counter-narcotics-operation-navy-coast-guards-confiscate-1500-kg-hashish-500-kg-ice/>



MARITIME ENVIRONMENT POLLUTION



COUNTRY /REGION		NO
	United States	01

Total Incidents

01

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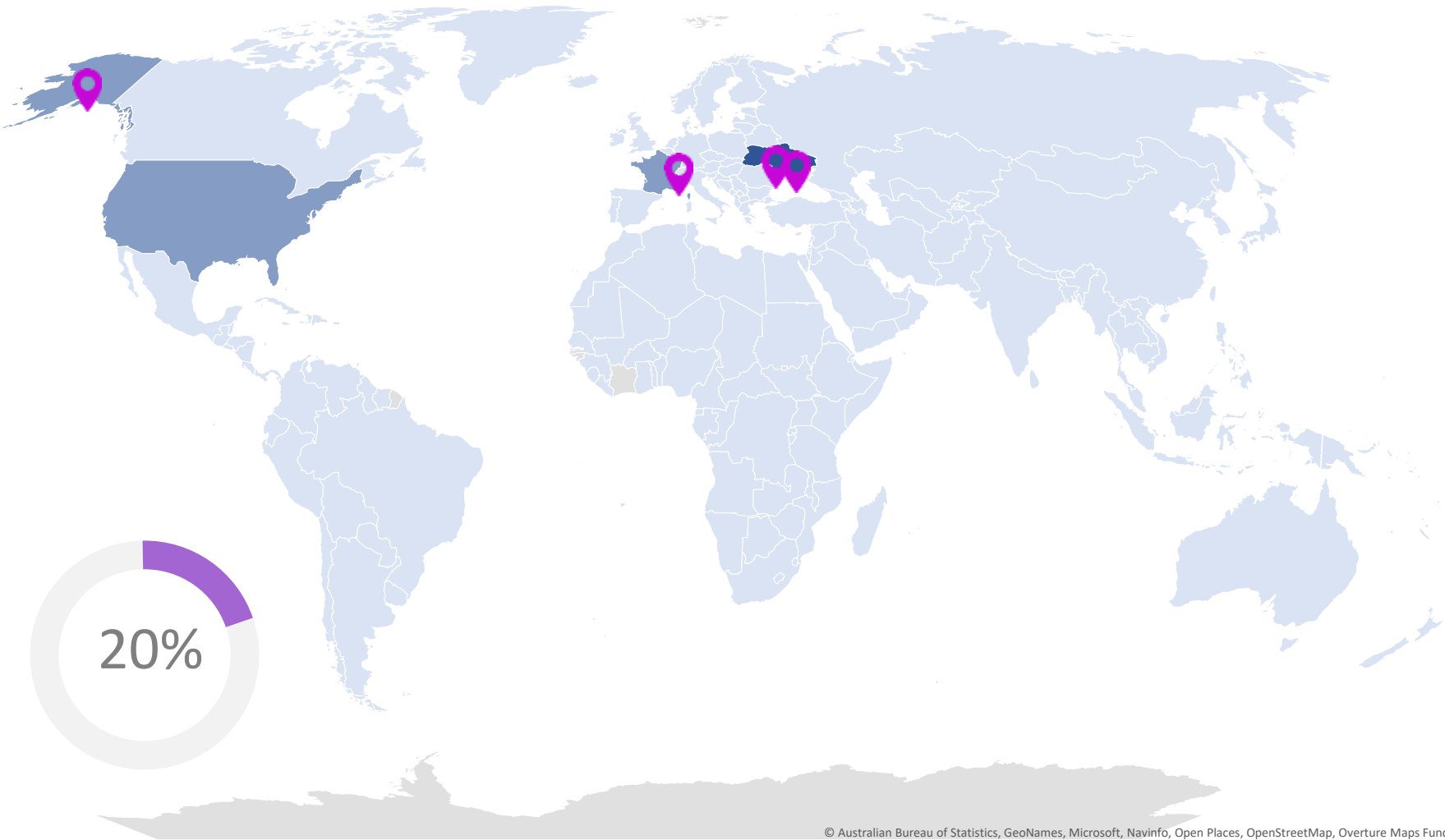


MARITIME ENVIRONMENT POLLUTION

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUBCATEGORY	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.06.24	United States	Florida waterways	Chemical spill	-	The study examines 6PPD-Quinone (6PPD-Q), a toxic compound produced when the tire additive 6PPD interacts with atmospheric ozone.

Source -: <https://news.fiu.edu/2026/heavy-rain-may-be-driving-tire-pollution-into-florida-waterways1>

OTHER



COUNTRY /REGION		NO
	France	01
	Ukraine	02
	United States	01

Total Incidents

04

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OTHER

INCIDENT DATE	COUNTRY/REGION	LOCATION	SUBCATEGORY	VESSEL DETAILS	ADDITIONAL DETAILS
2026.06.17	Ukraine	Black Sea	Naval Activities	Name: FINA A Type: Tanker IMO: 9283306	The vessel exporting Russian oil has evaded the G7 price cap and faces sanctions from the EU, UK, and Ukraine. Additionally, Ukrainian forces have attacked Russian infrastructure utilized for resource transportation in occupied areas of Ukraine.
2026.06.19	United States	Seward, Alaska	Naval Activities	Name-Ovation of the Seas Type –Passenger Flag -Bahamas	Upon arriving in Seward, the whale was found draped across the ship’s bulbous bow, which is designed to enhance stability and reduce drag just under the forward waterline.
2026.06.22	Ukraine	Black Sea	Naval Activities	Name: VICTRESS Type: Cargo IMO: 9137208	Ukrainian naval forces conducted a rescue operation, evacuating the crew via lifeboat. A 58-year-old cook died during the attack, and the extent of the vessel's damage is still unclear.
2026.06.23	France	Near Sicily	Naval Activities	Name-DELIVER IMO-9194983 Type-Tanker	The case was referred to the Marseille prosecutor, and Deliver was diverted under French naval escort for further checks.

Source -: <https://www.marinetraffic.com/en/maritime-news/15/maritime-security/2026/13025/sanctioned-russian-shadow-fleet-oil-tanker-attacked-by-ukrai>
Source -: <https://www.cruisehive.com/royal-caribbean-cruise-ship-enters-seward-with-dead-whale-on-its-bow/211809>
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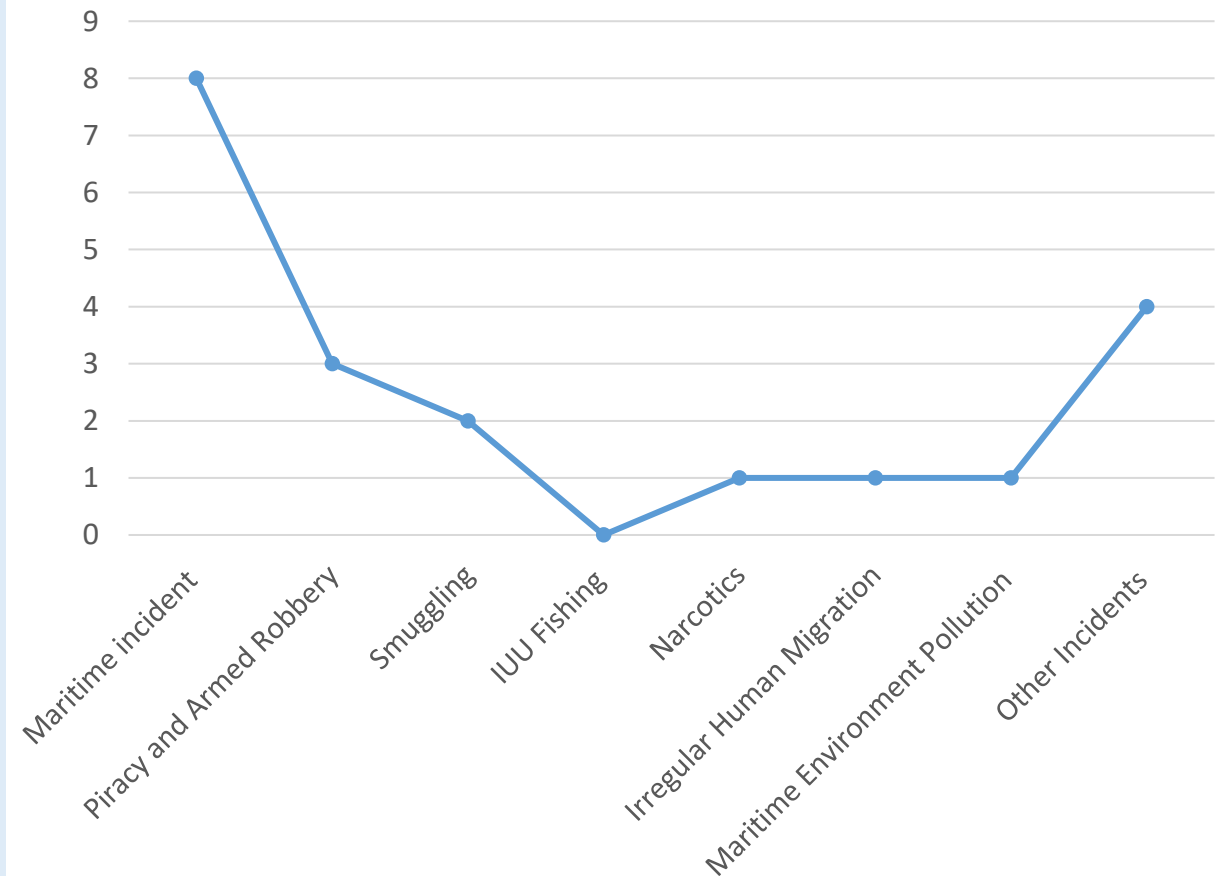
WEEKLY ANALYSIS

This week, 20 incidents were reported globally. Among these, 08 maritime safety incidents reported .Piracy and armed robbery accounted for 03 incidents, Smuggling-related incidents totaled 02,. No IUU fishing incidents were reported during the period. Narcotics-related incidents accounted for 01 incident, Irregular human migration accounted for 01 incident. Maritime environmental pollution accounted for 01 incident, Further 04 other incidents were reported, including naval and maritime security activities involving Ukraine, the United States, and France, mainly associated with conflict-related maritime operations and vessel security concerns. Weather-related incidents included 01 tropical cyclone and 17 earthquakes.

Recommendations:

To strengthen maritime domain awareness through AIS tracking, satellite surveillance, and real-time intelligence sharing to monitor high-risk maritime areas including the Gulf of Oman, Red Sea, Black Sea, Arabian Sea, and major migration routes. Enhance naval and coast guard patrols in piracy-prone regions to deter armed robbery, illegal boarding, and maritime security threats. Improve SAR coordination and emergency response capabilities to address vessel groundings, mechanical failures, collisions, and migrant vessel emergencies. Conduct regular vessel inspections, safety audits, and crew training to minimize risks associated with fires, accidents, and operational failures. Strengthen counter-narcotics and anti-smuggling operations through coordinated maritime surveillance and international intelligence sharing. Enhance environmental monitoring and pollution response mechanisms to mitigate maritime contamination risks. Maintain continuous monitoring of conflict-affected maritime zones, particularly the Black Sea, to assess risks to commercial shipping and regional maritime stability

Maritime Incidents





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