HAWAIIAN ISLANDS HUMPBACK WHALE NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARY



Sanctuary Ocean Count Preliminary Data - March 31, 2018

During the Sanctuary Ocean Count project, volunteers gather at sites on the islands of O'ahu, Kaua'i, and Hawai'i to record whale sightings and their surface behaviors. The count takes place from 8:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. the last Saturday of January, February, and March of each year.

The preliminary data below represents the number of whales (adults/calves) sighted during each15-minute count period by location. The behavioral data that is collected for the project is not part of this report.

<u>Oʻahu</u>

Average Number of Whales per 15min Count Period: 1

# SITE NAME	0800-0815	0830-0845	0900-0915	0930-0945	1000-1015	1030-1045	1100-1115	1130-1145	1200-1215			
1 Ewa Beach	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0			
2 Ko' Olina	3/0	4/0	1/0	3/0	1/0	0/0	rained out					
3 Ma'ili Point	0/0	2/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0			
4 Makua Cave	site not utilized for this month											
5 Ka'ena Point-West	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0			
6 Ka'ena Point-North	site not utilized for this month											
7 Mokule'ia Beach Park	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	rained out					
8 Pua'ena Point	0/0	1/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0			
9 Shark's Cove	0/0	0/0	0/0	3/0	5/0	5/0	0/0	0/0	0/0			
10 Turtle Bay	1/0	2/1	2/1	2/1	1/1	1/1	8/2	12/3	6/3			
11 La'ie Point	1/0	1/0	0/0	0/0	2/0	0/0	3/2	0/0	0/0			
12 Hau'ula Beach Park	site not utilized for this month											
13 Kualoa Ranch (Bunkers)	0/0	0/0	4/1	2/0	2/0	2/2	0/0	0/0	0/0			
14 Pyramid Rock	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	1/1	1/1	0/0	rained out				
15 Mokapu Point				site not ι	tilized for th	nis month						
16 Lanikai (Wailea Point)	1/0	1/0	5/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0			
17 Waimanalo Beach Park	site not utilized for this month											
18 Makapu'u Point Lighthouse	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	1/0	0/0	0/0	1/0	0/0			
19 Halona Blowhole	site not utilized for this month											
20 Lana'i Lookout	0/0	0/0	3/0	3/1	1/1	1/1	1/1	1/1	bad weather -			
21 Hanauma Bay (Palea Point)	site no longer utilized											
22 Spitting Caves	0/0	0/0	3/0	<mark>5/1</mark>	2/0	3/0	2/0	bad weather				
23 Diamond Head	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	1/0	0/0	0/0			
24 Magic Island	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0 rained out					
25 Kaka'ako	site not utilized for this month											
26 Kahe Point	2/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0		rained out					

The 2019 Sanctuary Ocean Counts will be held January 26, February 23 & March 30.

Visit hawaiihumpbackwhale.noaa.gov or sanctuaryoceancount.org 2018 Registration will begin in December 2018.

To find out more about the Sanctuary Ocean Count project or the

Hawaiian Islands Humpback Whale National Marine Sanctuary, please visit http://hawaiihumpbackwhale.noaa.gov.



<u>Kauaʻi</u>

Average Number of Whales per 15min Count Period: 0.95

#	SITE NAME	0800-0815	0830-0845	0900-0915	0930-0945	1000-1015	1030-1045	1100-1115	1130-1145	1200-1215		
1	Lumahai Lookout	site not utilized for this month										
2	Princeville	0/0	0/0	0/0	rained out							
3	Kilauea Lighthouse	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	2/0	2/0	4/1	2/1	4/0		
4	Crater Hill	3/1	1/0	0/0	rained out							
5	Kapaa Lookout	0/0	1/0	0/0	1/0 1/0 0/0 rained out							
6	Ahukini Landing	0/0	0/0	0/0	rained out							
7	Ninini Point	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	2/0	3/1	1/1	1/1	0/0		
8	Mahaulepu-Makauwahi Nature Trail	site not utilized for this month										
9	Mahaulepu-Makawehi	site not utilized for this month										
10	Makahuena Point	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	1/0	0/0	1/1	1/0		
11	Poipu Beach Park	0/0	0/0	rain	0/0	0/0	0/0	1/0	2/0	1/0		
12	Kaiwa Point	0/0	0/0	0/0	rained out							
13	Port Allen Cemetery	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0		
14	Waimea Canyon Drive	site not utilized for this month										
15	Pacific Missile Range Facility	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	2/0	3/1	3/0	5/0		

<u>Hawaiʻi</u>

Average Number of Whales per 15min Count Period: 0.03

#	SITE NAME	0800-0815	0830-0845	0900-0915	0930-0945	1000-1015	1030-1045	1100-1115	1130-1145	1200-1215	
1	Punalu'u Black Sand Beach Park	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	
2	Ka Lae Park	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	
3	Miloli'i Lookout	site not utilized for this month									
4	Ho'okena Beach Park	site not utilized for this month									
5	Honaunau Lookout	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	
6	Keauhou Scenic Lookout	site not utilized for this month									
7	Keahole Point / Natural Energy Lab	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	
8	Hualalai (Four Seasons Resort)	1/0	1/0	0/0	1/0	1/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	
9	Pu'ukohola Heiau National Park	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	
10	Mile Marker 7	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	N/A	
11	Lapakahi State Park	site not utilized for this month									
12	Kapa'a Beach Park	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	
13	Old Coast Guard Road	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	
14	Upolu Point	site not utilized for this month									
15	Waipi'o Valley Lookout	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	
16	Laupahoehoe Scenic Lookout	site not utilized for this month									
17	Onekahakaha Beach Park	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	
18	Kumukahi Lighthouse	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	
19	Kehena Lookout	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	
20	Ka'ena Point (Chain of Craters Road)	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	
21	Hawaiian Paradise Park	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	



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