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Enforcement Updates

South Atlantic Fishery Management Council Meeting
December 2, 2024



South Atlantic Snapshot

148 Opened Incidents

12 Cases referred to General Counsel/US DOJ

- Right Whales
- Sanctuary Related
- Seafood Imports

63 Summary Settlements (\$150-\$3000)

- Gear/Permit related
- Retention During Closure
- Sanctuary Related
- Bahamas/U.S. Fishing

277 Patrols (overall)

30% No Violations or Compliance Assistance



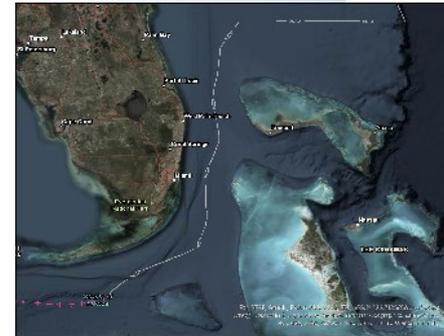
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ENFORCEMENT HIGHLIGHTS

Training/Patrols Domestic and International

Outreach/Awareness

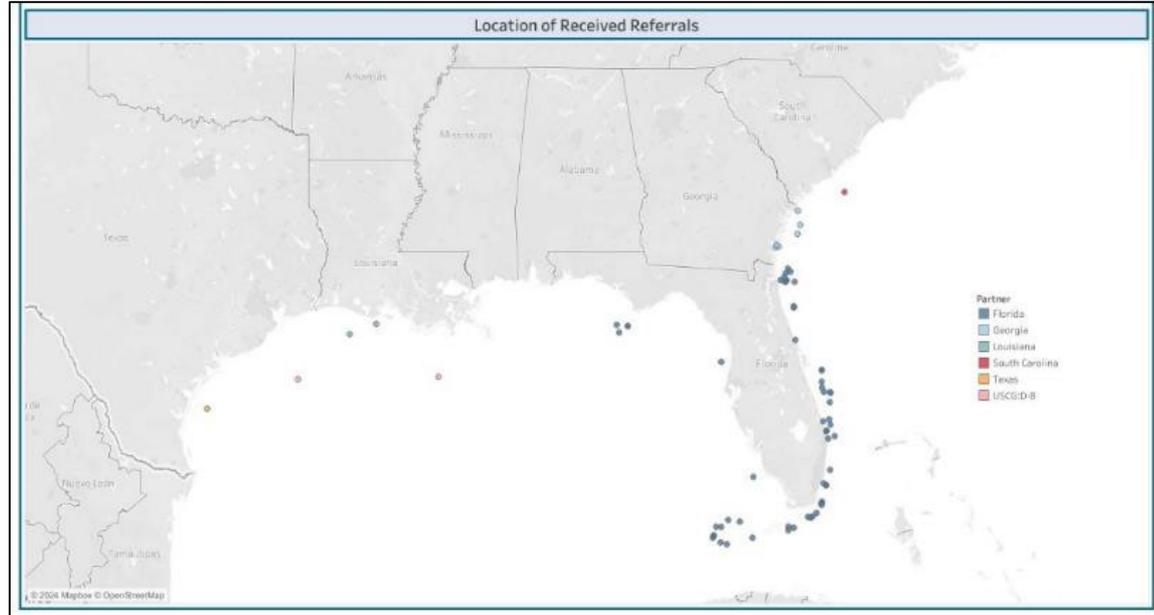


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Enforcement Partnerships & Referrals

SAFMC Enforcement Partners



- 105 Overall Enforcement Referrals (QTR 3)
 - Encompasses entire SED
 - Within SAFMC:
 - FWC, GADNR, SCDNR, USCG



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TARGETED OPERATIONS

IUU/SIMP



- Guam and West Palm Beach
- Training, Education, Outreach
- Verify Country of Origin
- Species Verification
- Documents Review



Sanctuary



- Florida Keys
- Fishing within SPAs



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Report A Violation

NOAA's Law Enforcement Hotline,
available 24/7 at
(800) 853-1964

- Location, time, and date of the activity.
- Description of the activity.
- Name(s) of the vessel, owner/operator, captain, crew, or additional witnesses.



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QUESTIONS



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