

**2020 Coverage Rates  
Industry Funded Scallop**

**The reports track Industry Funded Scallop Observer coverage assignment, achieved coverage, and the desired target coverage rates for both Limited Access and Limited Access General Category permitted vessels, fishing in open and access areas. Please note the scallop year runs April - March.**

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**NORTHEAST FISHERIES OBSERVER PROGRAM – INDUSTRY FUNDED SCALLOP**  
**National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), Northeast Fisheries Science Center, Woods Hole, MA**  
**NMFS-Received Calls, Observer Assignments and Achieved Coverage Levels for Trips Landing from**  
**March 1, 2021 to March 31, 2021**

**Limited Access Fleet**

Area	Calls	Observer Assigned	Assigned Coverage	VMS Trips	Trips Observed	Achieved Coverage	Target Coverage
Mid-Atlantic Access Area	34	4	11.8%	21	0	0%	5.0%
Open Area (Mid-Atlantic & Georges Bank)	244	32	13.1%	213	12	5.6%	5.0%
Closed Area I Access Area	1	1	100%	0	0	0%	10.0%
Closed Area II Access Area	7	1	14.3%	7	0	0%	10.0%
Nantucket Lightship North	15	2	13.3%	15	2	13.3%	10.0%
Nantucket Lightship South-Deep	20	1	5%	16	1	6.3%	10.0%

**General Category Fleet\***

Area	Calls	Observer Assigned	Assigned Coverage	VMS Trips	Trips Observed	Achieved Coverage	Target Coverage
Open Area Dredge	172	52	30.2%	399	7	1.8%	5.0%
Open Area Trawl	5	0	0%	1	0	0%	3.5%
Mid-Atlantic Access Area Dredge	2	1	50%	0	0	0%	5.0%

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**February 1, 2021 to February 28, 2021**

**Limited Access Fleet**

Area	Calls	Observer Assigned	Assigned Coverage	VMS Trips	Trips Observed	Achieved Coverage	Target Coverage
Mid-Atlantic Access Area	23	5	21.7%	17	0	0%	5.0%
Open Area (Mid-Atlantic & Georges Bank)	138	17	12.3%	144	10	6.9%	5.0%
Nantucket Lightship West	11	1	9.1%	9	0	0%	10.0%
Closed Area I Access Area	2	0	0%	1	0	0%	10.0%
Closed Area II Access Area	6	0	0%	5	1	20%	10.0%
Nantucket Lightship North	28	5	17.9%	24	1	4.2%	10.0%
Nantucket Lightship South-Deep	3	1	33.3%	3	0	0%	10.0%

**General Category Fleet\***

Area	Calls	Observer Assigned	Assigned Coverage	VMS Trips	Trips Observed	Achieved Coverage	Target Coverage
Open Area Dredge	136	37	27.2%	256	5	2.0%	5.0%
Open Area Trawl	4	4	100%	2	0	0%	3.5%
Nantucket Lightship North Dredge	0	0	0%	0	0	0%	5.0%

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**January 1, 2021 to January 31, 2021**

**Limited Access Fleet**

Area	Calls	Observer Assigned	Assigned Coverage	VMS Trips	Trips Observed	Achieved Coverage	Target Coverage
Mid-Atlantic Access Area	36	4	11.1%	31	2	6.5%	5.0%
Open Area (Mid-Atlantic & Georges Bank)	62	9	14.5%	63	5	7.9%	5.0%
Closed Area II Access Area	11	3	27.3%	7	1	14.3%	10.0%
Nantucket Lightship North	14	2	14.3%	10	1	10%	10.0%
Nantucket Lightship South-Deep	5	0	0%	3	0	0%	10.0%

**General Category Fleet\***

Area	Calls	Observer Assigned	Assigned Coverage	VMS Trips	Trips Observed	Achieved Coverage	Target Coverage
Open Area Dredge	143	55	38.5%	269	2	0.7%	5.0%
Open Area Trawl	0	0	0%	0	0	0%	3.5%
Nantucket Lightship North Dredge	0	0	0%	0	0	0%	5.0%

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**December 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020**

**Limited Access Fleet**

Area	Calls	Observer Assigned	Assigned Coverage	VMS Trips	Trips Observed	Achieved Coverage	Target Coverage
Mid-Atlantic Access Area	106	18	17.0%	98	6	6.1%	5.0%
Open Area (Mid-Atlantic & Georges Bank)	30	7	23.3%	24	1	4.2%	5.0%
Closed Area II Access Area	12	2	16.7%	13	1	7.7%	10.0%
Nantucket Lightship North	7	1	14.3%	4	1	25%	10.0%
Nantucket Lightship South-Deep	3	1	33.3%	1	0	0%	10.0%

**General Category Fleet\***

Area	Calls	Observer Assigned	Assigned Coverage	VMS Trips	Trips Observed	Achieved Coverage	Target Coverage
Open Area Dredge	110	37	33.6%	171	4	2.3%	5.0%
Open Area Trawl	0	0	0%	0	0	0%	3.5%
Nantucket Lightship North Dredge	0	0	0%	0	0	0%	5.0%

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**November 1, 2020 to November 30, 2020**

**Limited Access Fleet**

Area	Calls	Observer Assigned	Assigned Coverage	VMS Trips	Trips Observed	Achieved Coverage	Target Coverage
Mid-Atlantic Access Area	150	12	8%	125	7	5.6%	5.0%
Open Area (Mid-Atlantic & Georges Bank)	27	9	33.3%	25	4	16%	5.0%
Nantucket Lightship North	18	2	11.1%	17	2	11.8%	10.0%
Nantucket Lightship South-Deep	9	1	11.1%	7	0	0%	10.0%

**General Category Fleet\***

Area	Calls	Observer Assigned	Assigned Coverage	VMS Trips	Trips Observed	Achieved Coverage	Target Coverage
Open Area Dredge	115	44	38.3%	195	7	3.6%	5.0%
Open Area Trawl	0	0	0%	0	0	0%	3.5%
Nantucket Lightship North Dredge	1	0	0%	2	0	0%	5.0%

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**October 1, 2020 to October 31, 2020**

**Limited Access Fleet**

Area	Calls	Observer Assigned	Assigned Coverage	VMS Trips	Trips Observed	Achieved Coverage	Target Coverage
Mid-Atlantic Access Area	191	20	10.5%	165	11	6.7%	5.0%
Open Area (Mid-Atlantic & Georges Bank)	53	5	9.4%	57	2	3.5%	5.0%
Nantucket Lightship North	38	6	15.8%	34	4	11.7%	10.0%
Nantucket Lightship South-Deep	23	3	13.0%	19	1	5.3%	10.0%

**General Category Fleet\***

Area	Calls	Observer Assigned	Assigned Coverage	VMS Trips	Trips Observed	Achieved Coverage	Target Coverage
Open Area Dredge	109	51	46.8%	251	10	4.0%	5.0%
Open Area Trawl	1	0	0%	2	0	0%	3.5%
Nantucket Lightship North Dredge	6	3	50.0%	9	0	0%	5.0%

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**September 1, 2020 to September 30, 2020**

**Limited Access Fleet**

Area	Calls	Observer Assigned	Assigned Coverage	VMS Trips	Trips Observed	Achieved Coverage	Target Coverage
Mid-Atlantic Access Area	133	14	10.5%	114	4	3.5%	5.0%
Open Area (Mid-Atlantic & Georges Bank)	121	12	9.9%	134	0	0%	5.0%
Nantucket Lightship North	62	9	14.5%	55	2	3.6%	10.0%
Nantucket Lightship South-Deep	42	5	11.9%	37	4	10.8%	10.0%

**General Category Fleet\***

Area	Calls	Observer Assigned	Assigned Coverage	VMS Trips	Trips Observed	Achieved Coverage	Target Coverage
Open Area Dredge	111	39	35.1%	254	0	0%	5.0%
Open Area Trawl	3	1	33.3%	2	0	0%	3.5%
Nantucket Lightship North Dredge	30	11	36.7%	58	3	5.2%	5.0%
Closed Area I Dredge	20	9	45.0%	43	1	2.3%	5.0%

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**August 1, 2020 to August 31, 2020**

\*\*Please note Observer Waivers were given to all IFS vessels beginning on March 20, 2020,  
continuing through August 14, 2020 due to COVID19\*\*

**Limited Access Fleet**

Area	Calls	Observer Assigned	Assigned Coverage	VMS Trips	Trips Observed	Achieved Coverage	Target Coverage
Mid-Atlantic Access Area	88	6	6.8%	81	1	1.2%	5.0%
Open Area (Mid-Atlantic & Georges Bank)	133	10	7.5%	118	2	1.7%	5.0%
Nantucket Lightship West	11	1	9.1%	9	0	0%	10.0%
Closed Area I Access Area	3	0	0%	3	0	0%	10.0%
Closed Area II Access Area	51	0	0%	47	0	0%	10.0%
Nantucket Lightship North	71	5	7.0%	56	1	1.8%	10.0%
Nantucket Lightship South-Deep	58	7	12.1%	50	0	0%	10.0%

**General Category Fleet\***

Area	Calls	Observer Assigned	Assigned Coverage	VMS Trips	Trips Observed	Achieved Coverage	Target Coverage
Open Area Dredge	106	26	24.5%	271	1	0.4%	5.0%
Open Area Trawl	0	0	0%	0	0	0%	3.5%
Nantucket Lightship North Dredge	67	15	22.4%	111	2	1.8%	5.0%
Closed Area I Dredge	35	9	25.7%	103	0	0%	5.0%

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**July 1, 2020 to July 31, 2020**

Please note Observer Waivers were given to all IFS vessels beginning on March 20, 2020,  
continuing throughout the month of July due to COVID19\*\*

**Limited Access Fleet**

Area	Calls	Observer Assigned	Assigned Coverage	VMS Trips	Trips Observed	Achieved Coverage	Target Coverage
Mid-Atlantic Access Area	45	0	0%	44	0	0%	5.0%
Open Area (Mid-Atlantic & Georges Bank)	153	0	0%	152	0	0%	5.0%
Nantucket Lightship West	32	0	0%	24	0	0%	10.0%
Closed Area I Access Area	1	0	0%	1	0	0%	10.0%
Closed Area II Access Area	101	0	0%	98	0	0%	10.0%
Nantucket Lightship North	23	0	0%	22	0	0%	10.0%
Nantucket Lightship South-Deep	40	0	0%	40	0	0%	10.0%

**General Category Fleet\***

Area	Calls	Observer Assigned	Assigned Coverage	VMS Trips	Trips Observed	Achieved Coverage	Target Coverage
Open Area Dredge	62	0	0%	187	0	0%	5.0%
Open Area Trawl	2	0	0%	5	0	0%	5.0%
Nantucket Lightship North Dredge	43	0	0%	112	0	0%	5.0%
Mid-Atlantic Access Area Dredge**	51	0	0%	213	0	0%	3.5%
Mid-Atlantic Access Area Trawl**	8	0	0%	15	0	0%	3.5%
Closed Area I Dredge	25	0	0%	129	0	0%	5.0%

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\*\* The MAAA closed for LAGC vessels on July 19, 2020.

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**June 1, 2020 to June 30, 2020**

\*\*Please note Observer Waivers were given to all IFS vessels beginning on March 20, 2020,  
continuing throughout the month of June due to COVID19\*\*

**Limited Access Fleet**

Area	Calls	Observer Assigned	Assigned Coverage	VMS Trips	Trips Observed	Achieved Coverage	Target Coverage
Mid-Atlantic Access Area	86	0	0%	74	0	0%	5.0%
Open Area (Mid-Atlantic & Georges Bank)	122	0	0%	110	0	0%	5.0%
Nantucket Lightship West	7	0	0%	5	0	0%	10.0%
Closed Area I Access Area	4	0	0%	2	0	0%	10.0%
Closed Area II Access Area	127	0	0%	121	0	0%	10.0%
Nantucket Lightship North	34	0	0%	34	0	0%	10.0%
Nantucket Lightship South-Deep	52	0	0%	51	0	0%	10.0%

**General Category Fleet\***

Area	Calls	Observer Assigned	Assigned Coverage	VMS Trips	Trips Observed	Achieved Coverage	Target Coverage
Open Area Dredge	44	0	0%	148	0	0%	5.0%
Open Area Trawl	0	0	0%	0	0	0%	5.0%
Nantucket Lightship North Dredge	44	0	0%	101	0	0%	5.0%
Mid-Atlantic Access Area Dredge	84	0	0%	388	0	0%	3.5%
Mid-Atlantic Access Area Trawl	11	0	0%	49	0	0%	3.5%
Closed Area I Dredge	28	0	0%	163	0	0%	5.0%

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**May 1, 2020 to May 31, 2020**

\*\*Please note Observer Waivers were given to all IFS vessels beginning on March 20, 2020,  
and throughout the month of May due to COVID19\*\*

**Limited Access Fleet**

Area	Calls	Observer Assigned	Assigned Coverage	VMS Trips	Trips Observed	Achieved Coverage	Target Coverage
Mid-Atlantic Access Area	190	0	0%	176	0	0%	5.0%
Open Area (Mid-Atlantic & Georges Bank)	51	0	0%	41	0	0%	5.0%
Nantucket Lightship West	41	0	0%	35	0	0%	10.0%
Closed Area I Access Area	7	0	0%	8	0	0%	10.0%
Closed Area II Access Area	62	0	0%	53	0	0%	10.0%
Nantucket Lightship North	35	0	0%	30	0	0%	10.0%
Nantucket Lightship South-Deep	85	0	0%	67	0	0%	10.0%

**General Category Fleet\***

Area	Calls	Observer Assigned	Assigned Coverage	VMS Trips	Trips Observed	Achieved Coverage	Target Coverage
Open Area Dredge	59	0	0%	168	0	0%	5.0%
Open Area Trawl	0	0	0%	0	0	0%	5.0%
Nantucket Lightship North Dredge	43	0	0%	72	0	0%	5.0%
Mid-Atlantic Access Area Dredge	88	0	0%	292	0	0%	3.5%
Mid-Atlantic Access Area Trawl	14	0	0%	20	0	0%	3.5%
Closed Area I Dredge	26	0	0%	70	0	0%	5.0%

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Additional information about the scallop program is available at

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**April 1, 2020 to April 30, 2020**

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Mid-Atlantic Access Area	192	0	0%	158	0	0%	5.0%
Open Area (Mid-Atlantic & Georges Bank)	37	0	0%	59	0	0%	5.0%
Nantucket Lightship West	29	0	0%	23	0	0%	10.0%
Closed Area I Access Area	4	0	0%	2	0	0%	10.0%
Nantucket Lightship North	3	0	0%	3	0	0%	10.0%
Nantucket Lightship South-Deep	120	0	0%	84	0	0%	10.0%

**General Category Fleet\***

Area	Calls	Observer Assigned	Assigned Coverage	VMS Trips	Trips Observed	Achieved Coverage	Target Coverage
Open Area Dredge	76	0	0%	155	0	0%	5.0%
Open Area Trawl	5	0	0%	7	0	0%	5.0%
Nantucket Lightship North Dredge	36	0	0%	30	0	0%	5.0%
Mid-Atlantic Access Area Dredge	50	0	0%	77	0	0%	3.5%
Mid-Atlantic Access Area Trawl	5	0	0%	6	0	0%	3.5%
Closed Area I Dredge	21	0	0%	10	0	0%	5.0%

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