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# Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council

JEA 2017 Statistics

October 2017 to Present

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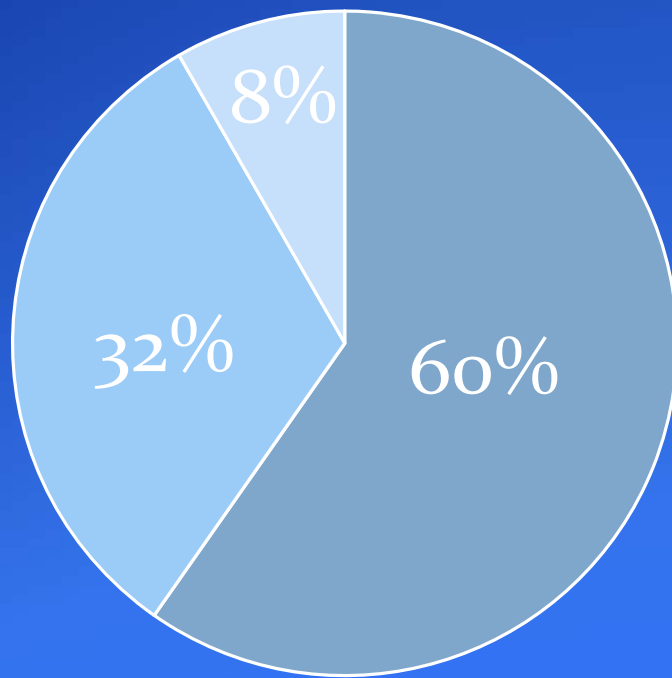
# Enforcement Effort

- MDMR Officers conducted patrols of state and federal waters and contributed nearly 1,500 hours of effort
- While engaged in enforcement patrols, MDMR contacted over 500 stake holders
- MDMR observed an overall compliance rate of 96% during enforcement activities
- MDMR contacted approximately 500 stake holders at outreach events



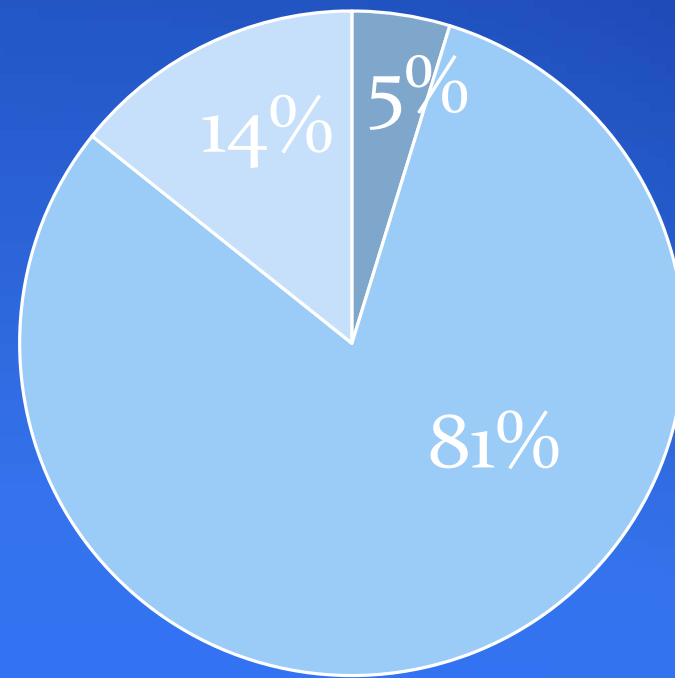
# Enforcement Effort

Man Hours



Underway   Dockside   Outreach

Vessel Hours



Near Shore   Mid-Range   Long Range



# Vessel Boardings



# Endangered Species Act (TEDs)



- 20 Commercial Contacts
- 1 Warning Issued
- Observed Compliance: 95%





# Red Snapper

- 1 Recreational Contact
- 16 Commercial Contacts
- 2 Enforcement Action Reports submitted to NOAA
- Observed Compliance: 88.2%



# HMS, Lacey and Other Enforcement

- 177 Commercial Contacts
- 296 Recreational Contacts
- 7 Warnings Issued
- 12 State Citations Issued
- Observed Compliance: 95.9%



# Notable Cases

- SE1700744 - Owner and operator were charged in two counts under the Magnuson-Stevens Act for landing prior to the advance notice of landing given without prior authorization; and for failing to have on board all required sea turtle bycatch mitigation measures, including gear requirements and sea turtle handling requirements. A \$3,500 NOVA was issued.
- SE1700744 - Company and individual were charged in two counts under the Lacey Act and Magnuson-Stevens Act for importing and transporting in interstate commerce any fish -- Red Snapper -- possessed or transported in violation of any law or regulation of any state law -- Louisiana --; and for offloading to a vehicle for transport of approximately 1,412 pounds red snapper without a transaction approval code. A \$7,000 NOVA was issued.
- SE1703104 - Owner/operator was charged in two counts under the Magnuson-Stevens Act for failing to comply with VMS hourly reporting and trip declaration requirements; and for failing to comply with provisions related to the IFQ program for red snapper ensuring that NMFS is contacted at least three hours in advance of landing, and landing prior to the notification time submitted without prior authorization. A \$57,000 NOVA was issued.



# Marine Patrol's Continued Success:

- Continued funding from NOAA through the Joint Enforcement Agreement
- Increased patrols in the Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) for Federal Fishery compliance
- Continued strong partnerships with federal and state agencies



# Questions?