

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

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

**Limited Access Fleet**

Area	Calls	Observer Assigned	Assigned Coverage	VMS Trips	Trips Observed	Achieved Coverage	Target Coverage
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%

These data are the best available to NMFS when this report was compiled.

Final numbers may be adjusted by NMFS to account for miscoded trips and other sources of error.

Trips made reflect completed trips, for access areas include both compensation and normal trips.

\*General Category assigned coverage is on a weekly level.

Additional information about the scallop program is available at <https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/new-england-mid-atlantic/fisheries-observers/northeast-industry-funded-scallop-observers>