

**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**  
**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%

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>