

# HAWAIIAN ISLANDS HUMPBACK WHALE NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARY



## Sanctuary Ocean Count Preliminary Data - March 31, 2018

During the Sanctuary Ocean Count project, volunteers gather at sites on the islands of O'ahu, Kaua'i, and Hawai'i to record whale sightings and their surface behaviors. The count takes place from 8:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. the last Saturday of January, February, and March of each year.

The preliminary data below represents the number of whales (adults/calves) sighted during each 15-minute count period by location. The behavioral data that is collected for the project is not part of this report.

### O'ahu

Average Number of Whales per 15min Count Period: **1**

#	SITE NAME	0800-0815	0830-0845	0900-0915	0930-0945	1000-1015	1030-1045	1100-1115	1130-1145	1200-1215
1	Ewa Beach	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
2	Ko' Olina	3/0	4/0	1/0	3/0	1/0	0/0	--- rained out ---		
3	Ma'ili Point	0/0	2/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
4	Makua Cave	--- site not utilized for this month ---								
5	Ka'ena Point-West	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
6	Ka'ena Point-North	--- site not utilized for this month ---								
7	Mokule'ia Beach Park	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	--- rained out ---		
8	Pua'ena Point	0/0	1/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
9	Shark's Cove	0/0	0/0	0/0	3/0	5/0	5/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
10	Turtle Bay	1/0	2/1	2/1	2/1	1/1	1/1	8/2	12/3	6/3
11	La'ie Point	1/0	1/0	0/0	0/0	2/0	0/0	3/2	0/0	0/0
12	Hau'ula Beach Park	--- site not utilized for this month ---								
13	Kualoa Ranch (Bunkers)	0/0	0/0	4/1	2/0	2/0	2/2	0/0	0/0	0/0
14	Pyramid Rock	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	1/1	1/1	0/0	--- rained out ---	
15	Mokapu Point	--- site not utilized for this month ---								
16	Lanikai (Wailea Point)	1/0	1/0	5/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
17	Waimanalo Beach Park	--- site not utilized for this month ---								
18	Makapu'u Point Lighthouse	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	1/0	0/0	0/0	1/0	0/0
19	Halona Blowhole	--- site not utilized for this month ---								
20	Lana'i Lookout	0/0	0/0	3/0	3/1	1/1	1/1	1/1	1/1	-- bad weather --
21	Hanauma Bay (Palea Point)	--- site no longer utilized ---								
22	Spitting Caves	0/0	0/0	3/0	5/1	2/0	3/0	2/0	--- bad weather ---	
23	Diamond Head	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	1/0	0/0	0/0
24	Magic Island	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	--- rained out ---	
25	Kaka'ako	--- site not utilized for this month ---								
26	Kahe Point	2/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	--- rained out ---			

**The 2019 Sanctuary Ocean Counts will be held January 26,  
February 23 & March 30.**

**Visit [hawaiihumpbackwhale.noaa.gov](http://hawaiihumpbackwhale.noaa.gov) or [sanctuaryoceancount.org](http://sanctuaryoceancount.org)  
2018 Registration will begin in December 2018.**

To find out more about the Sanctuary Ocean Count project or the Hawaiian Islands Humpback Whale National Marine Sanctuary, please visit <http://hawaiihumpbackwhale.noaa.gov>.

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## Kaua'i

Average Number of Whales per 15min Count Period: **0.95**

#	SITE NAME	0800-0815	0830-0845	0900-0915	0930-0945	1000-1015	1030-1045	1100-1115	1130-1145	1200-1215
1	Lumahai Lookout	--- site not utilized for this month ---								
2	Princeville	0/0	0/0	0/0	--- rained out ---					
3	Kilauea Lighthouse	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	2/0	2/0	4/1	2/1	4/0
4	Crater Hill	3/1	1/0	0/0	--- rained out ---					
5	Kapaa Lookout	0/0	1/0	0/0	1/0	1/0	0/0	--- rained out ---		
6	Ahukini Landing	0/0	0/0	0/0	--- rained out ---					
7	Ninini Point	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	2/0	3/1	1/1	1/1	0/0
8	Mahaulepu-Makauwahi Nature Trail	--- site not utilized for this month ---								
9	Mahaulepu-Makawehi	--- site not utilized for this month ---								
10	Makahuena Point	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	1/0	0/0	1/1	1/0
11	Poipu Beach Park	0/0	0/0	rain	0/0	0/0	0/0	1/0	2/0	1/0
12	Kaiwa Point	0/0	0/0	0/0	--- rained out ---					
13	Port Allen Cemetery	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
14	Waimea Canyon Drive	--- site not utilized for this month ---								
15	Pacific Missile Range Facility	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	2/0	3/1	3/0	5/0

## Hawai'i

Average Number of Whales per 15min Count Period: **0.03**

#	SITE NAME	0800-0815	0830-0845	0900-0915	0930-0945	1000-1015	1030-1045	1100-1115	1130-1145	1200-1215
1	Punalu'u Black Sand Beach Park	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
2	Ka Lae Park	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
3	Miloli'i Lookout	--- site not utilized for this month ---								
4	Ho'okena Beach Park	--- site not utilized for this month ---								
5	Honaunau Lookout	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
6	Keauhou Scenic Lookout	--- site not utilized for this month ---								
7	Keahole Point / Natural Energy Lab	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
8	Hualalai (Four Seasons Resort)	1/0	1/0	0/0	1/0	1/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
9	Pu'ukohola Heiau National Park	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
10	Mile Marker 7	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	N/A
11	Lapakahi State Park	--- site not utilized for this month ---								
12	Kapa'a Beach Park	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
13	Old Coast Guard Road	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
14	Upolu Point	--- site not utilized for this month ---								
15	Waipi'o Valley Lookout	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
16	Laupahoehoe Scenic Lookout	--- site not utilized for this month ---								
17	Onekahakaha Beach Park	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
18	Kumukahi Lighthouse	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
19	Kehena Lookout	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
20	Ka'ena Point (Chain of Craters Road)	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
21	Hawaiian Paradise Park	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0



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