

JMIC Weekly Dashboard for the Middle East



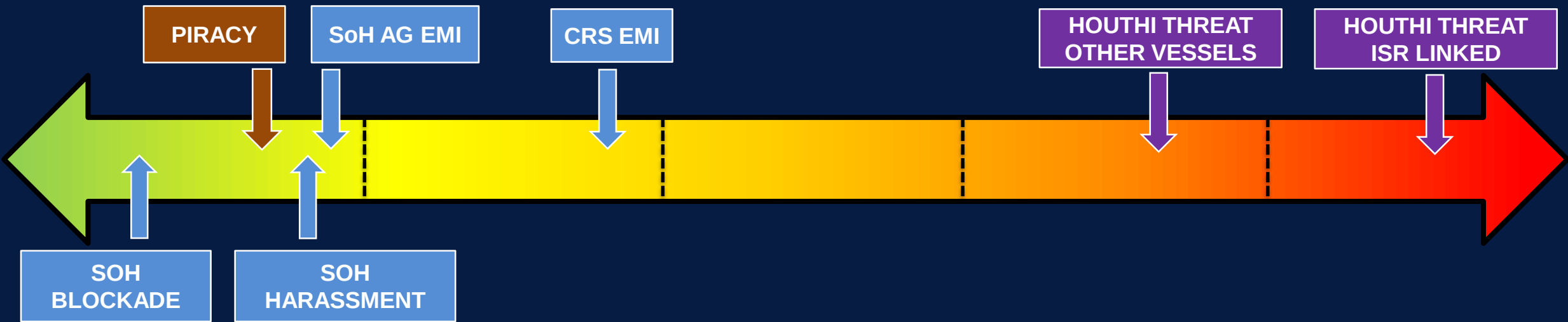
Accurate and timely information for the protection of Mariners

Week 40 - 2025
(29 September – 05 October)



Combined Maritime Forces (CMF)

CMF Regional Threat Level Assessment



Threat Level	Definition
Low	An attack is highly unlikely
Moderate	An attack is possible but not likely
Substantial	An attack is a strong possibility
Severe	An attack is highly likely
Critical	An attack is almost certain

CMF Assessment - Other Disruption Threats

POL: Harassment in the SoH is currently assessed as **LOW** despite an increase in the general uptake of military vessels in the region. However, there is potential for hailing and routine patrols to be experienced, especially around choke points as regional actors aim to assert control in the region.

EM Interference: There are **MODERATE** levels of EMI in the RS with noticeable levels ivo Jazan and Port Sudan.

There are consistent **LOW** levels of EMI in the AG and SoH with higher concentrations of EMI ivo Port of Asaluyeh. There were increased reports of GPS interference ivo CAG likely due to increased military activities in the region.

CMF Assessment - Piracy Threat

The piracy threat is currently assessed as **LOW** in the Gulf of Aden, Somali Basin and the Indian Ocean. As the weather conditions continue to improve, the opportunity for criminal networks/pirates to attempt aggressive actions against merchant vessels or small fishing dhows will **LIKELY** increase, with the threat increasing to **MODERATE** closer inshore.

Allied intelligence reporting indicates that no active Pirate Action Groups (PAGs) are currently operating out of Somalia.

CMF Assessment - Houthi Threat

It is unlikely that the 20-point plan to end the Gaza conflict, will reduce the Houthis’ intent to enforce their maritime blockade on Israel. It is likely that the HOCC press release on 30 SEP 25 regarding the sanctions of 13 US entities, 9 persons and 2 assets under their decree PD-05-25-001 which came into effect on 16 MAY 25 is in retaliation to the US sanctions on Houthi illicit revenue and procurement networks on 11 SEP 25. It is highly likely that Houthi action towards these entities will determine the stability of the US, Houthi ceasefire arrangement.

Over the last week the Houthis’ launched two separate strikes on 23 SEP 25 and 29 SEP 25 into the main shipping lane of the GoA. The threat to Israeli affiliated shipping in SRS and GoA remains **CRITICAL** whilst the threat to other non-Israeli affiliated shipping is assessed to be **SEVERE**.

Despite the 20-point plan to end the Gaza conflict, it is highly likely that Houthi linked entities such as the Humanitarian Operations Coordination Centre (HOCC) will continue to contact shipping companies to dissuade them from doing business with Israel. Any information posted from the HOCC, or affiliated sites should be consumed with extreme caution due to Houthi affiliations.



JMIC Weekly Assessment for the Middle East Region.

Guidance for Vessels transiting the High Threat Area

As the Houthis continue to threaten commercial maritime vessels which they perceive to have an Israeli association, aligning to the May 19 Blockade and July 27 Phase IV Operation announcements, companies and operators planning a Bab El-Mandeb transit are encouraged to conduct a **thorough** assessment of their company business structure and previous port calls to identify any associations that may place the vessel at risk. JMIC reminds maritime industry that the Houthis possess the capability to target commercial vessels well into the Red Sea and Gulf of Aden, and the threat of collateral damage exists when operating or transiting through a conflict zone. The Houthis will also continue to engage industry through various methods including HOCC messaging and display of capabilities.

Risk mitigation measures and resources include:

1. BMP-Maritime Security
2. JMIC Bridge Emergency Reference Cards
3. Register for ASPIDES protection via [EUNAVFOR ASPIDES website](#)

Specific Events

Indian Ocean and Coast of Somalia

- NSTR

Arabian Gulf, Strait of Hormuz and Gulf of Oman

- **LOW** EM interference in the AG, SoH, and GoO

Red Sea, Bab-al-Mandab and Gulf of Aden

- **MODERATE** EM interference in the Red Sea and noticeable levels in vicinity of Port Sudan, Yanbu, and Jeddah
- On 29 September 2025 a vessel was hit by a missile in the Gulf of Aden, 2 crew members injured, crew was evacuated



CMF Regional Threat Level Assessment

Key Considerations

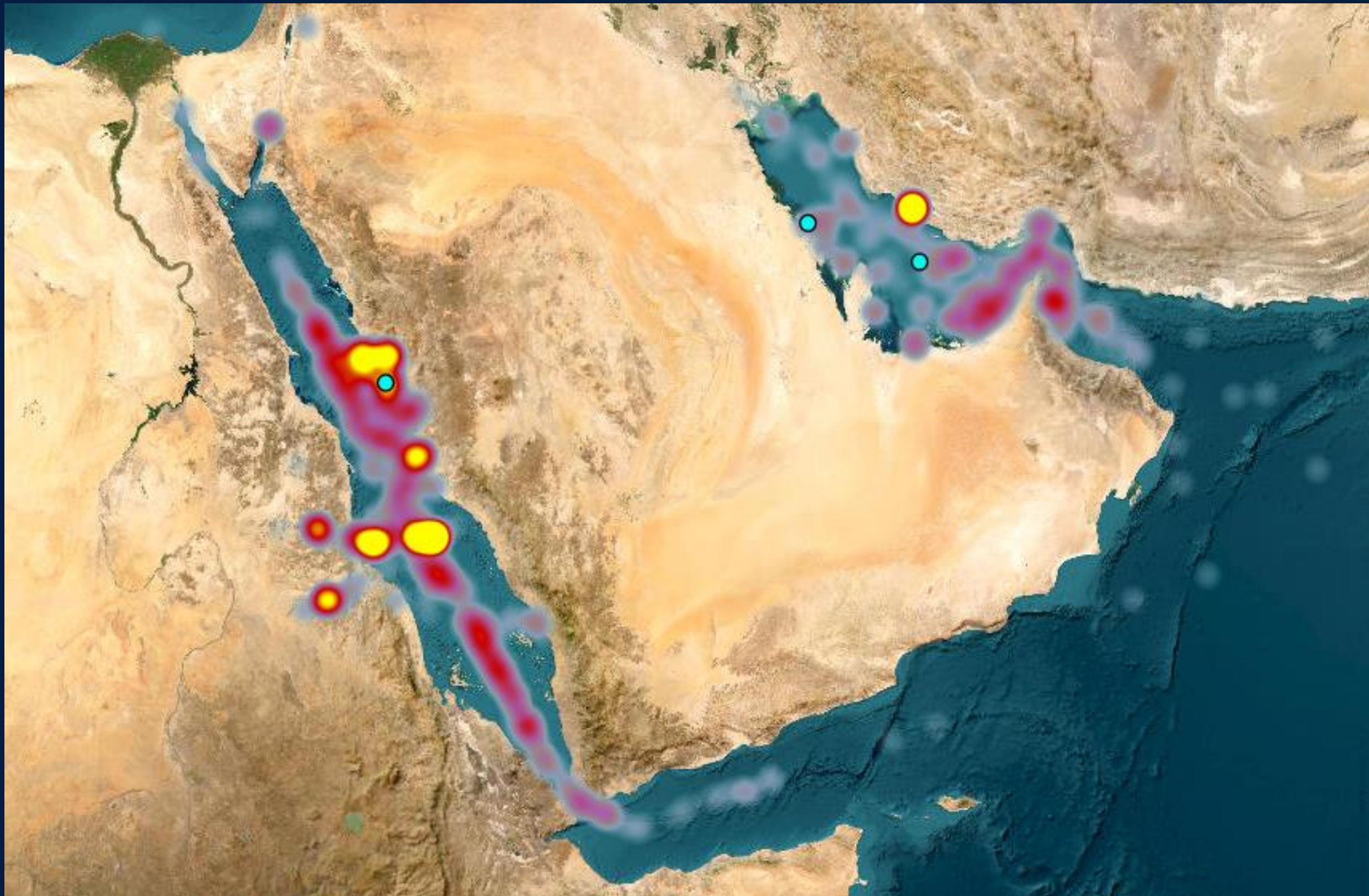
29 SEP UKMTO reported that a vessel was hit by a missile in the GOA. Houthi spokesman Yahya al-Sarea claimed responsibility on 30 SEP stating that the vessel was targeted for violating a ban on ships entering Israeli ports. There have been two reported injuries, and the crew were evacuated by helicopter onto nearby vessels.

30 SEP the Houthi affiliated HOCC released a statement announcing new sanctions. The Houthis released in the statement that they would be sanctioning several US-linked energy firms. The HOCC also sent emails to shipping companies highlighting that they are at risk.

30 SEP Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu agreed to a 20-point peace plan set by US President Donald Trump to bring an end to the war in Gaza. The proposed deal highlights that Gaza will become a terror free zone, all hostages will be released, and Gaza will be re-developed.

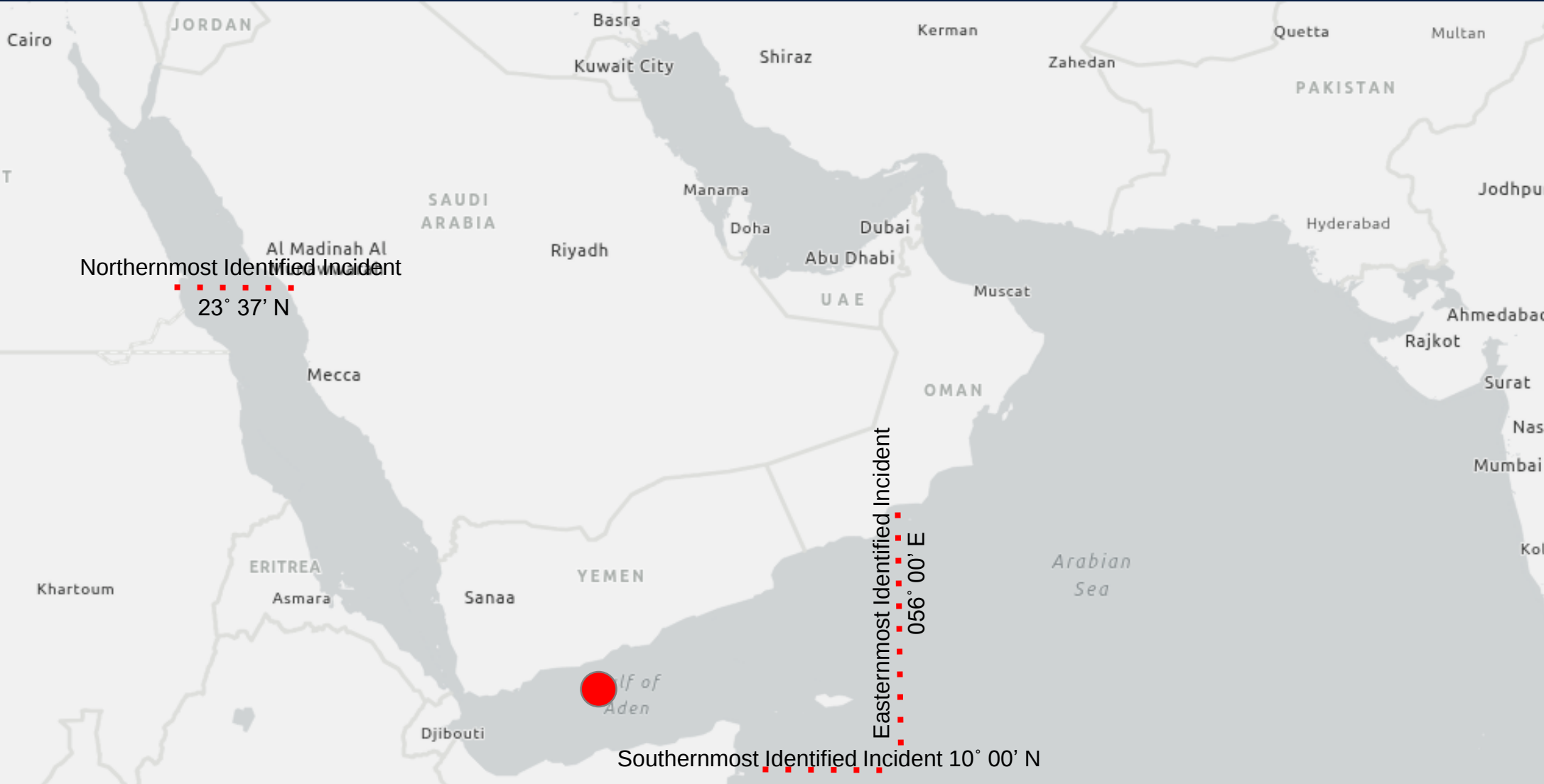


Electromagnetic Interference



- The heat-mapping graphic indicates the relative levels of electronic interference in the form of AIS anomalies during the period 25th September – 2nd October.
- The concentrations in the Red Sea remain consistent, especially as per the ongoing civil war around Port Sudan. New low levels of concentration have been observed around Jizan for the first time. In the AG, concentrations also remain consistent in relation to last week, but a new high concentration level around Port of ASSALUYEH, Iran.
- Vessels are requested to report experience of electronic interference to UKMTO, in support of keeping the broader community better informed.

Incidents reported by UKMTO: 01



Date	Type of Incident Source	Vessel Name Flag / IMO / Location	Reports
29 Sep 2025	Attack (Serious Incident)	UN-DISCLOSED Gulf of Aden	UKMTO Warning 033-25



Incident: Attack (Serious Incident)

29th September 2025 | UN-DISCLOSED |
Attack (Serious Incident) | Gulf of Aden | **JMIC Incident No. 123**

At 1340UTC military sources reported that a general cargo vessel, 128nm East of Aden, Yemen, was hit. Crew carried out firefighting and reported two crew members were injured. The crew was evacuated to Djibouti.

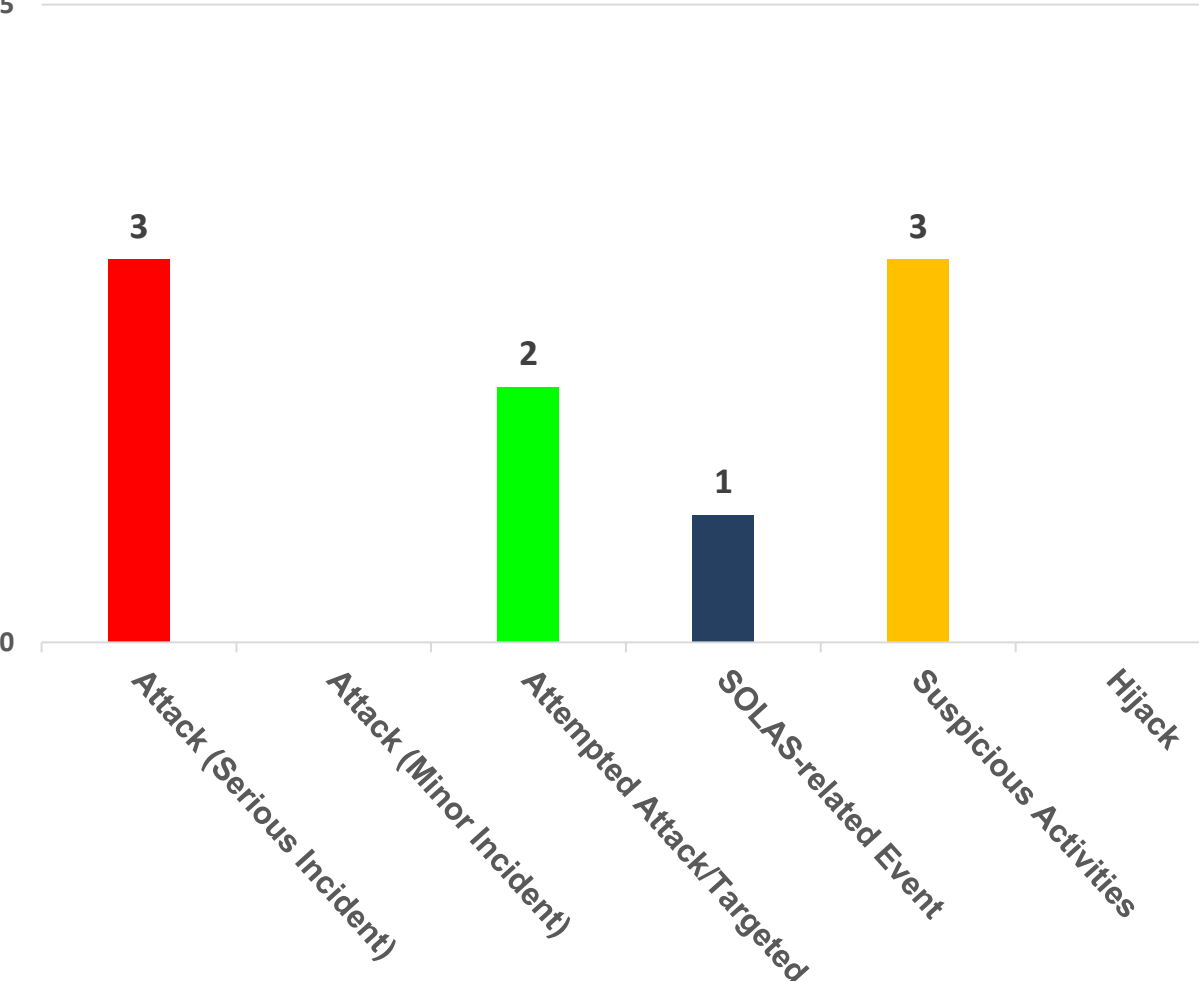
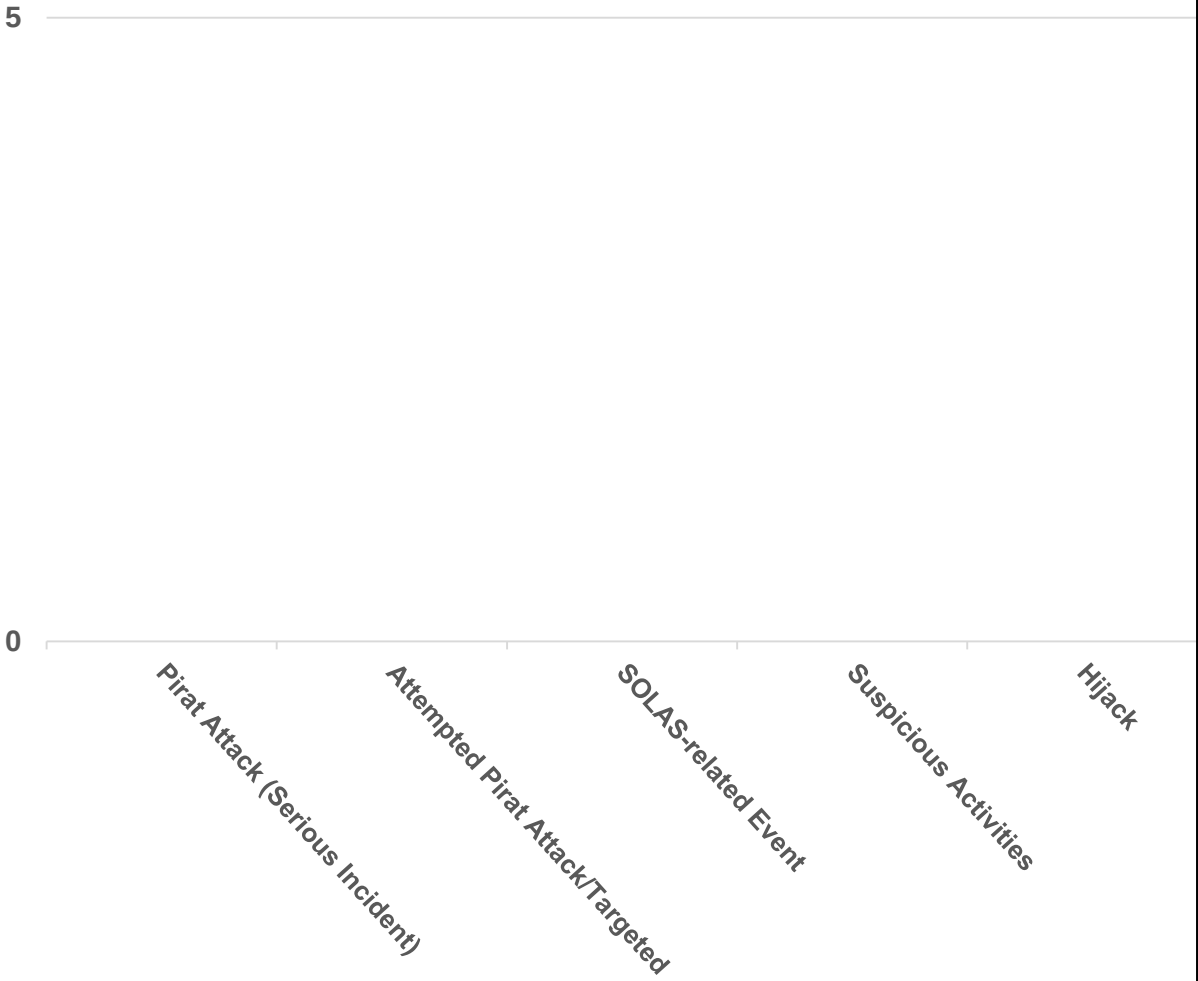
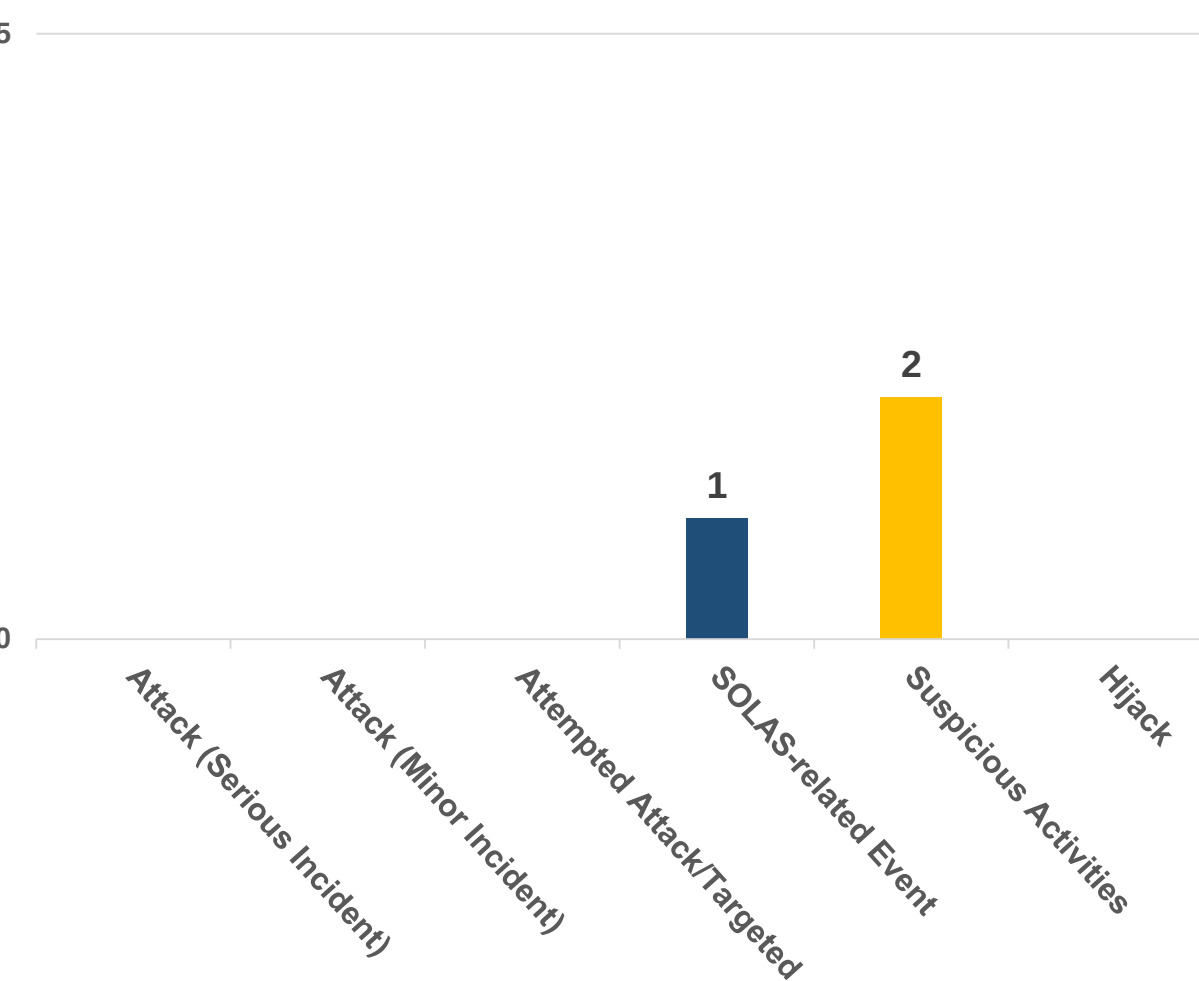
At the moment, the two injured crew members are still hospitalized, but stable. The other crew members have been repatriated.

Incident ship is no longer on fire and is being towed towards a safe harbour.



JMIC Investigated Incidents

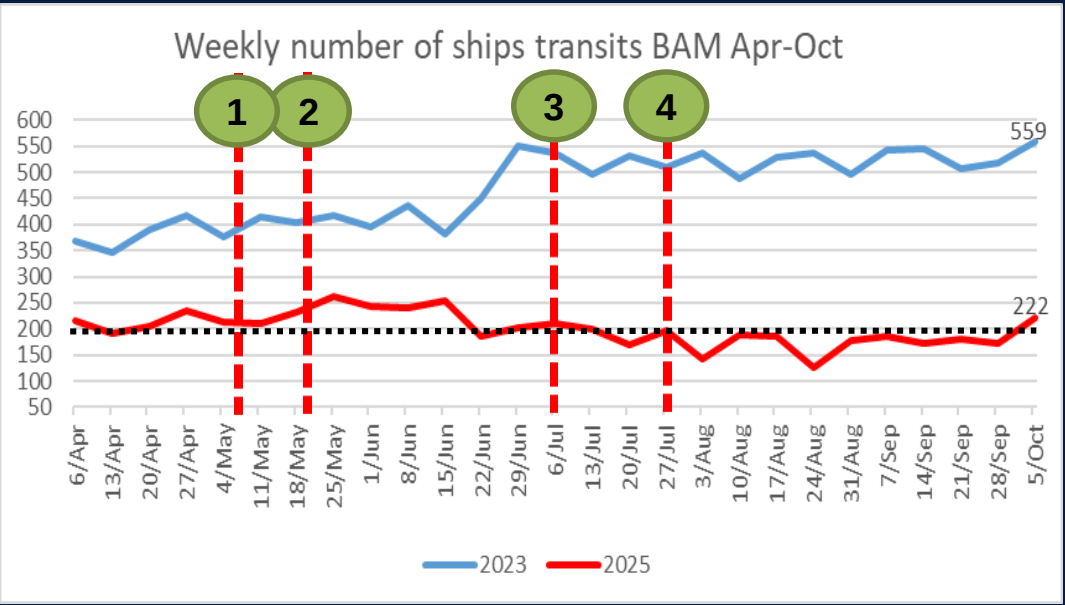
Since 01 January 2025

Total number of Incidents <i>(excluding coalition engagements)</i>			123 (1 new this week)																																										
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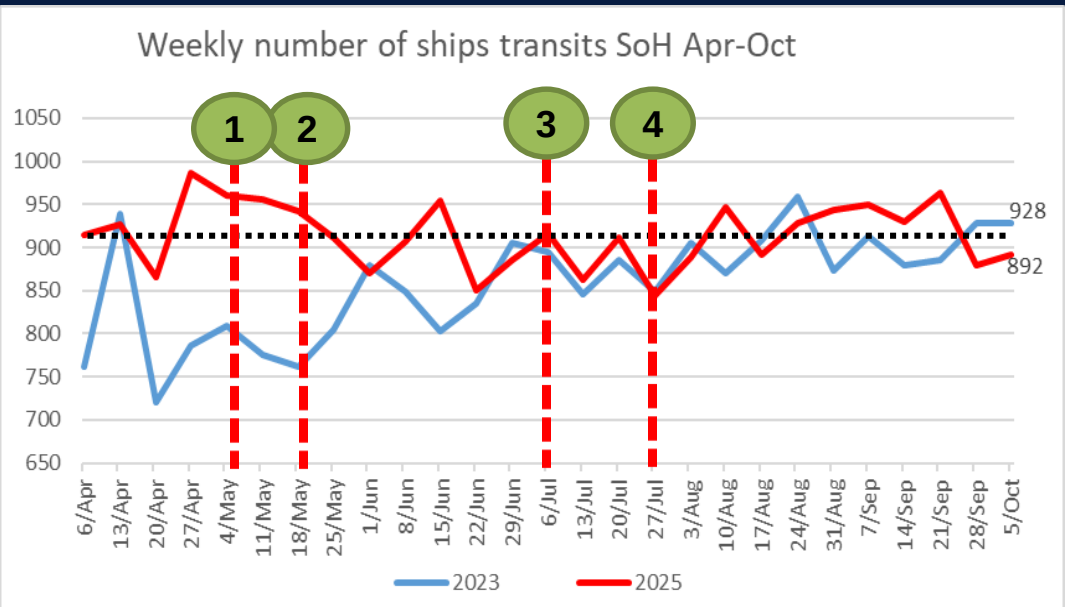
Weekly Transits

Bab al-Mandeb (BAM)



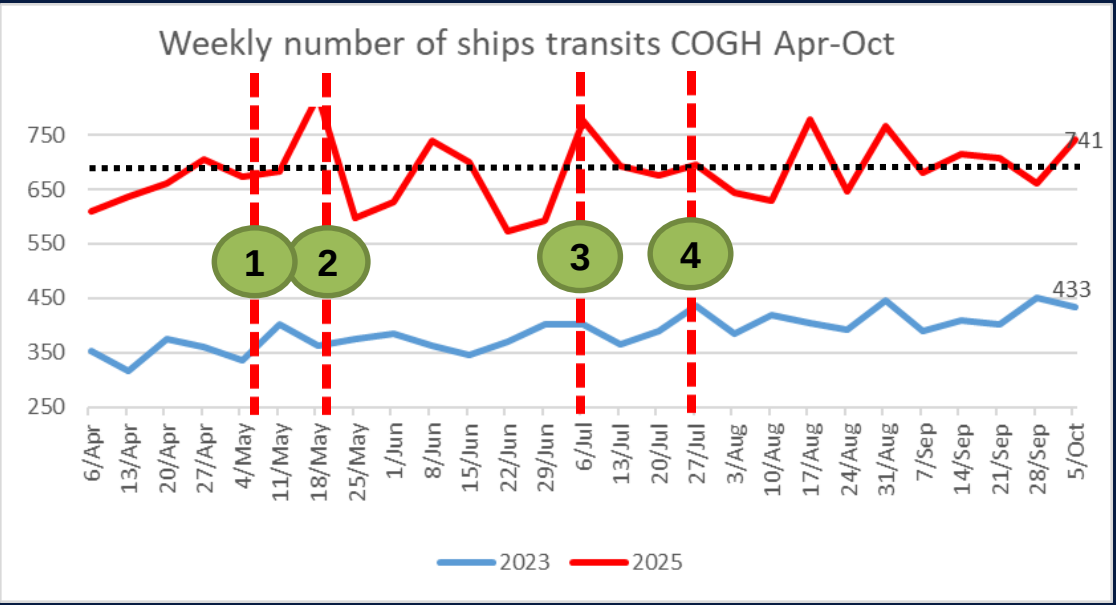
11.6 % above the 6 months weekly average of 199.

Strait of Hormuz (SoH)



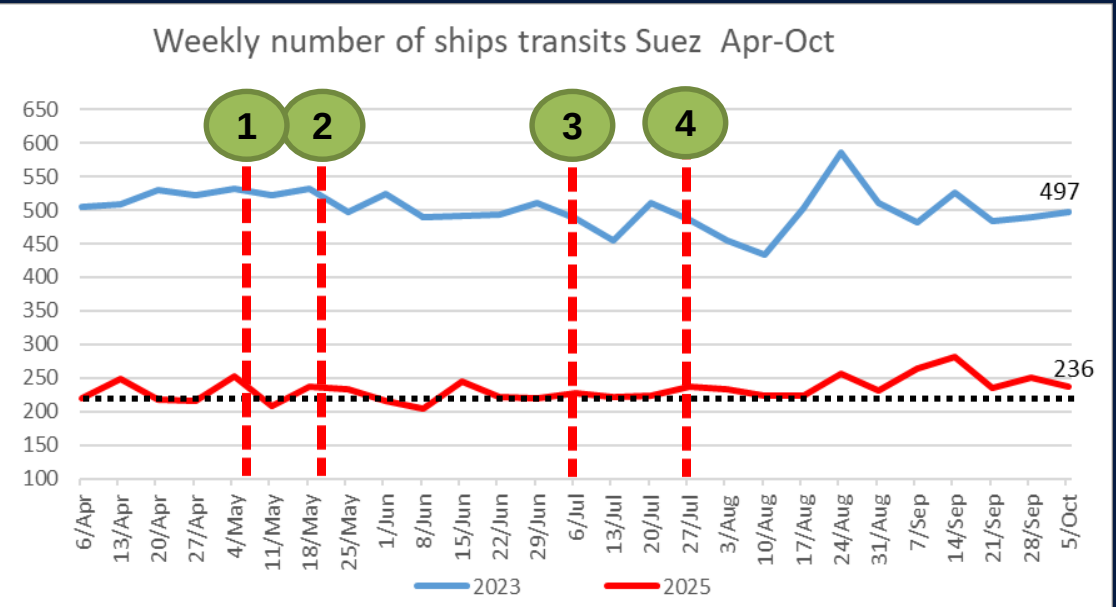
-2.2 % below the 6 months weekly average of 912.

Cape of Good Hope (CoGH)



8.8 % above the 6 months weekly average of 681.

Suez



1.7 % above the 6 months weekly average of 232.

- 1 US and Houthis Ceasefire
06 MAY 2025
- 2 Houthi Blockade Announcement
19 MAY 2025
- 3 Resumption of Attacks
06 JULY 2025
- 4 Houthi Announcement
27 JULY 2025

*The statistics presented in this report are based solely on cargo carrying vessels engaged in international trade/transit. This data does not include smaller vessels such as pleasure crafts, yachts, fishing vessels, tugboats, or other types of smaller ships that operate within local or regional waters and are not involved in international shipping.



Definitions – Incident types

General Categories	Explanatory Notes
Attack (Serious Incident)	The result of a deliberate launching of weapons (i.e missiles, drones), and/or ramming into a vessel that results in serious damage to the vessel. The attack is deemed serious if any resulting damage impacts the vessel’s ability to continue functioning, which requires immediate assistance. It includes a vessel deemed a total loss, and significant threat to lives.
Attack (Minor Incident)	The result of a deliberate launching of weapons (i.e missiles, drones), and/or ramming into a vessel that results in minor damage to the vessel. The attack is deemed minor if any resulting damage does not impact the vessel’s ability to continue functioning and/or does not require immediate assistance.
Attempted Attack/Targeted	This refers to the act of targeting a vessel with the use of force that results in a miss and no damage to the vessel. • Any use of force including but not limited to launching of weapons (i.e. missiles, drones), and/or ramming into the vessel. • No damage may include but not limited to missile ditching, and/or coalition warships shooting down missiles and/or drones.
Hijack	Is where attackers have illegally boarded and taken control of a ship against the crew’s will.
Suspicious Activities	This refers to any act of activity near the vessel that is enough to warrant suspicion. To include aerial, surface, and subsurface activities.
SOLAS-related Event	A SOLAS event in this terms refers to a major safety related event (Including but not limited to: Fire/Flooding/Capsizing) which is not due to an attack. This is reported by JMIC solely to avoid speculations about if this was a harmful activity towards a merchant vessel or not.



Additional Resources

Additional Resources on Incident:

UKMTO Reporting Visit: <https://www.ukmto.org>

Email: watchkeepers@ukmto.org

Emergency Tel: +44 (0)2392 222060

Additional Resources on Industry Guidance:

BMP - MARITIME SECURITY

[BMP-MS-March 2025](#)

Industry Transit Advice for Southern Red Sea and Gulf of Aden from 25th of September

[Industry Transit Advice - 25th September](#)

MSCIO

[MSCIO Website](#)

[EUNAVFOR ASPIDES Support Request](#)

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Info Notes, Advisories, Weekly Summary, Monthly Statistics, and Bridge Emergency Reference Cards:

[JMIC Products \(ukmto.org\)](#)

[JMIC Advisory on CMF Maritime Threat Levels](#)

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