

# HAWAIIAN ISLANDS HUMPBACK WHALE NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARY



## Sanctuary Ocean Count Preliminary Data - February 29, 2020

During the Sanctuary Ocean Count project, volunteers gather at sites on the islands of O'ahu, Kaua'i, and Hawai'i to count whales and record 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 humpback whales (adults/calves) seen 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: **2.3**

#	SITE NAME	0800-0815	0830-0845	0900-0915	0930-0945	1000-1015	1030-1045	1100-1115	1130-1145	1200-1215
1	Ewa Beach	2/0	2/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	2/0	0/0	0/0
2	Ko'Olina	1/0	1/0	0/0	0/0	1/1	2/2	0/0	0/0	1/1
3	Mā'ili Point	--- site not utilized for 2020 ---								
4	Mākua Cave	--- site not utilized for this month ---								
5	Ka'ena Point-West	5/2	6/0	7/0	2/0	5/2	0/0	4/0	4/0	N/A
6	Ka'ena Point-North	0/0	0/0	3/0	2/0	0/0	3/0	2/0	1/0	0/0
7	Mokulē'ia Beach Park	1/0	0/0	1/0	2/0	0/0	0/0	1/0	N/A	N/A
8	Pua'ena Point	--- site not utilized for 2020 ---								
9	Shark's Cove	3/0	4/2	4/0	7/0	4/0	2/0	7/0	1/0	0/0
10	Turtle Bay	1/0	2/1	2/1	2/1	0/0	4/2	4/2	0/0	2/1
11	Lā'ie Point	2/1	4/0	3/0	3/0	8/0	1/0	1/0	0/0	4/0
12	Hau'ula Beach Park	--- site not utilized for 2020 ---								
13	Kualoa Ranch (Bunkers)	0/0	2/0	2/0	0/0	1/0	1/0	2/0	0/0	0/0
14	Pyramid Rock	--- site not utilized for this month ---								
15	Mōkapu Point (Monument Point Overlook)	1/1	0/1	0/0	0/0	1/1	0/0	0/0	0/1	0/0
16	Lanikai (Wailea Point)	1/0	1/0	1/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
17	Waimānalo Beach Park	--- site not utilized for 2020 ---								
18	Makapu'u Point Lighthouse	2/0	3/2	0/0	2/0	1/0	3/2	0/0	0/0	1/0
19	Hālonā Blowhole	18/0	11/1	17/1	2/0	0/0	3/0	1/0	0/0	4/3
20	Lāna'i Lookout	2/0	5/1	4/1	2/0	1/0	4/0	0/0	5/0	2/1
21	Hanauma Bay (Palea Point)	--- no longer an Ocean Count site ---								
22	Spitting Caves	N/A	15/2	5/2	3/1	5/1	7/0	6/0	6/1	0/0
23	Diamond Head	--- site not utilized for 2020 ---								
24	Magic Island	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	1/0	1/1	2/1	0/0	0/0
25	Kaka'ako	--- site not utilized for 2020 ---								
26	Kahe Point	0/0	0/0	0/0	1/0	1/1	1/2	0/0	0/0	0/0

**Register for the March 28th Count!**

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## Kaua'i

Average Number of Whales per 15min Count Period: 2.4

#	SITE NAME	0800-0815	0830-0845	0900-0915	0930-0945	1000-1015	1030-1045	1100-1115	1130-1145	1200-1215
1	Lumaha'i Overlook	--- site not utilized for 2020 ---								
2	Princeville	4/1	2/0	2/1	0/0	1/0	2/0	2/0	3/1	3/0
3	KPNWR - Kīlauea Lighthouse	2/1	2/0	0/0	0/0	4/0	3/1	2/0	3/0	3/0
4	KPNWR - Crater Hill	4/1	2/0	3/0	2/1	2/1	3/0	0/0	2/0	0/0
5	Kapa'a Lookout	6/3	9/2	4/1	2/0	2/1	3/0	1/0	0/0	0/0
6	Ahukini Landing	2/0	2/0	1/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
7	Ninini Point	--- site not utilized for this month ---								
8	Māhā'ulepū - Makauwahi Nature Trail	--- site not utilized for 2020 ---								
9	Māhā'ulepū - Makawehi	2/1	6/1	5/1	0/0	1/1	1/0	1/0	3/0	3/0
10	Makahū'ena Point	4/1	6/2	3/2	3/1	1/1	3/1	0/0	3/1	2/0
11	Po'ipū Beach Park	3/0	5/2	1/0	1/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	5/0	2/0
12	Ka'iwa Point	2/0	6/0	5/0	2/0	2/0	2/0	3/0	5/0	2/0
13	Port Allen	2/0	2/0	1/0	0/0	2/0	0/0	0/0	2/1	2/0
14	Waimea Canyon Drive Overlook	--- site not utilized for 2020 ---								
15	Pacific Missile Range Facility (PMRF)	0/0	1/0	3/0	2/0	2/2	0/0	2/0	1/0	2/0

## Hawai'i

Average Number of Whales per 15min Count Period: 2

#	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	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2	Ka Lae Park	--- site not utilized for 2020 ---								
3	Miloli'i Lookout	--- site not utilized for 2020 ---								
4	Ho'okena Beach Park	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
5	Hōnaunau	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 2020 ---								
7	Keāhole Point / Natural Energy Lab (OTEC)	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	6/3	6/3	0/0	0/0	0/0
8	Hualālai (Four Seasons Resort)	1/0	1/0	1/1	1/1	0/0	0/0	1/0	0/0	0/0
9	Pu'ukoholā Heiau National Park	10/1	5/1	6/0	1/1	4/0	6/0	2/0	2/1	2/0
10	Mile Marker 7	5/3	6/3	4/0	8/2	5/1	4/2	4/2	4/1	N/A
11	Lapakahi State Park	--- site not utilized for 2020 ---								
12	Kapa'a Beach Park	1/0	3/0	1/0	2/0	4/0	4/1	4/1	4/1	4/1
13	Old Coast Guard Road	0/0	6/0	5/0	2/0	3/1	3/0	0/0	3/0	N/A
14	Upolu Point	--- site not utilized for 2020 ---								
15	Waipi'o Valley Lookout	--- site not utilized for 2020 ---								
16	Laupāhoehoe Scenic Lookout	--- site not utilized for 2020 ---								
17	Onekahakaha Beach Park	1/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	1/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
18	Kumukahi Lighthouse	--- site not utilized for 2020 ---								
19	Kehena Lookout	--- site not utilized for 2020 ---								
20	Ka'ena Point (Chain of Craters Road)	--- site not utilized for 2020 ---								
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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