

# HAWAIIAN ISLANDS HUMPBACK WHALE NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARY



## Sanctuary Ocean Count Preliminary Data - March 26, 2022

During the modified March 2022 Sanctuary Ocean Count, trained site leaders went to their designated sites on the islands of O‘ahu, Kaua‘i, and Hawai‘i to count whales and record any other species seen. The count takes place from 8:00 am to 12:15 pm 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: **3**

#	SITE NAME	0800-0815	0830-0845	0900-0915	0930-0945	1000-1015	1030-1045	1100-1115	1130-1145	1200-1215
1	Ewa Beach	--- site not utilized for 2022 ---								
2	Ko‘Olina	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
3	Mā‘ili Point	--- site not utilized for 2022 ---								
4	Mākua Cave	0/0	0/0	0/0	5/1	8/2	1/0	2/1	0/0	5/0
5	Ka‘ena Point-West	0/0	0/0	0/0	7/0	6/0	3/0	2/0	2/2	4/0
6	Ka‘ena Point-North	--- site not utilized for 2022 ---								
7	Mokulē‘ia Beach Park	2/0	3/0	5/0	0/0	0/0	1/0	1/0	9/4	2/2
8	Pua‘ena Point	--- site not utilized for 2022 ---								
9	Shark’s Cove	10/1	10/1	8/2	5/1	3/0	5/0	2/0	7/1	0/0
10	Turtle Bay	5/2	1/1	4/0	7/1	5/2	3/1	3/1	2/1	1/1
11	Lā‘ie Point	2/1	1/0	2/0	3/1	3/1	1/0	3/1	0/0	1/0
12	Hau‘ula Beach Park	--- site not utilized for 2022 ---								
13	Kualoa Ranch (Bunkers)	1/0	1/0	0/0	1/0	1/0	0/0	1/0	1/0	0/0
14	Pyramid Rock	3/0	2/1	4/3	6/1	11/1	2/0	1/1	2/2	3/1
15	Mōkapu Point (Monument Point Overlook)	4/2	1/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	2/0	5/1	10/1
16	Lanikai (Wailea Point)	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	1/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
17	Waimānalo Beach Park	--- site not utilized for 2022 ---								
18	Makapu‘u Point Lighthouse	--- site not utilized for 2022 ---								
19	Hālonā Blowhole	2/1	0/0	4/1	6/2	10/1	2/1	2/0	4/0	2/0
20	Lāna‘i Lookout	2/1	3/1	2/1	7/3	9/2	4/0	4/0	2/0	2/0
21	Hanauma Bay (Palea Point)	--- no longer an Ocean Count site ---								
22	Spitting Caves	2/1	2/1	3/1	2/1	2/1	3/1	3/1	0/0	0/0
23	Diamond Head	--- site not utilized for 2022 ---								
24	Magic Island	--- site not utilized for 2022 ---								
25	Kaka‘ako	--- site not utilized for 2022 ---								
26	Kahe Point	--- site not utilized for 2022 ---								

**The 2023 Counts will be held January 28, February 25 & March 25.**

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## Kaua'i

Average Number of Whales per 15min Count Period: 1.8

#	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 2022 ---								
2	Princeville	--- site not utilized for 2022 ---								
3	KPNWR - Kilauea Lighthouse	1/0	2/2	1/1	1/1	2/1	0/0	1/0	2/0	3/1
4	KPNWR - Crater Hill	2/0	1/1	2/0	0/0	1/1	1/1	4/1	7/1	6/1
5	Kapa'a Lookout	3/1	4/2	0/0	1/1	4/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	3/0
6	Ahukini Landing	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	5/2	5/0	0/0	1/0
7	Ninini Lighthouse	4/2	4/2	5/2	1/0	6/2	4/2	4/2	4/2	0/0
8	Māhā'ulepū - Makauwahi Nature Trail	--- site not utilized for 2022 ---								
9	Māhā'ulepū - Makawehi	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	2/0	0/0	0/0
10	Makahū'ena Point	1/0	1/0	1/0	1/0	1/0	1/0	2/1	1/0	0/0
11	Po'ipū Beach Park	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
12	Ka'iwa Point	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
13	Port Allen	4/0	5/0	4/0	4/0	1/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
14	Waimea Canyon Drive Overlook	--- site not utilized for 2022 ---								
15	Pacific Missile Range Facility (PMRF)	--- site not utilized for 2022 ---								

## Hawai'i

Average Number of Whales per 15min Count Period: .06

#	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	--- site not utilized for 2022 ---								
2	Ka Lae Park	--- site not utilized for 2022 ---								
3	Miloli'i Lookout	--- site not utilized for 2022 ---								
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 2022 ---								
7	Keāhole Point / Natural Energy Lab (OTEC)	--- site not utilized this month ---								
8	Hualālai (Four Seasons Resort)	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	2/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
9	Pu'ukoholā 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	0/0
11	Lapakahi State Park	--- site not utilized for 2022 ---								
12	Kapa'a Beach Park	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	1/1	0/0	0/0	0/0
13	Old Coast Guard Road	--- site not utilized for 2022 ---								
14	Upolu Point	--- site not utilized for 2022 ---								
15	Waipi'o Valley Lookout	--- site not utilized for 2022 ---								
16	Laupāhoehoe Scenic Lookout	--- site not utilized for 2022 ---								
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	--- site not utilized for 2022 ---								
19	Kehena Lookout	--- site not utilized for 2022 ---								
20	Ka'ena Point (Chain of Craters Road)	--- site not utilized for 2022 ---								
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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