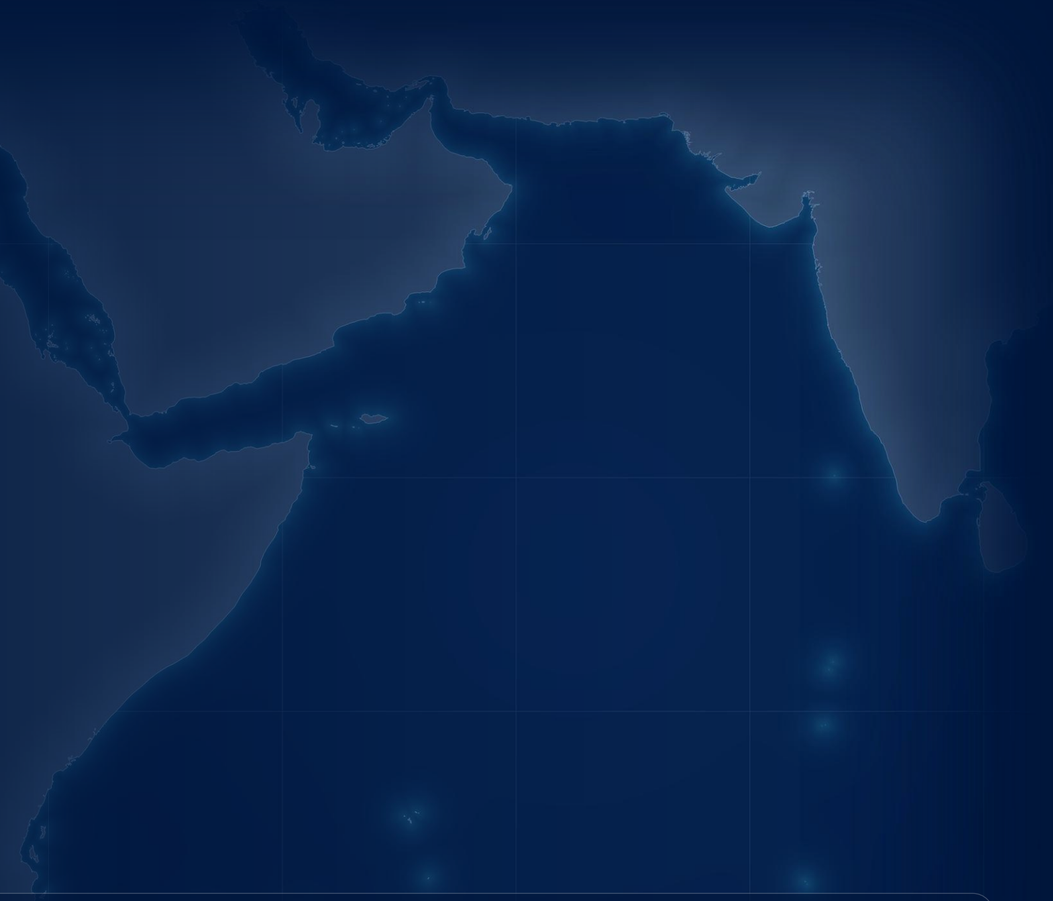
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WEEKLY OVERVIEW



Transit statistics, GNSS interference and regional incident activity across the maritime VRA.

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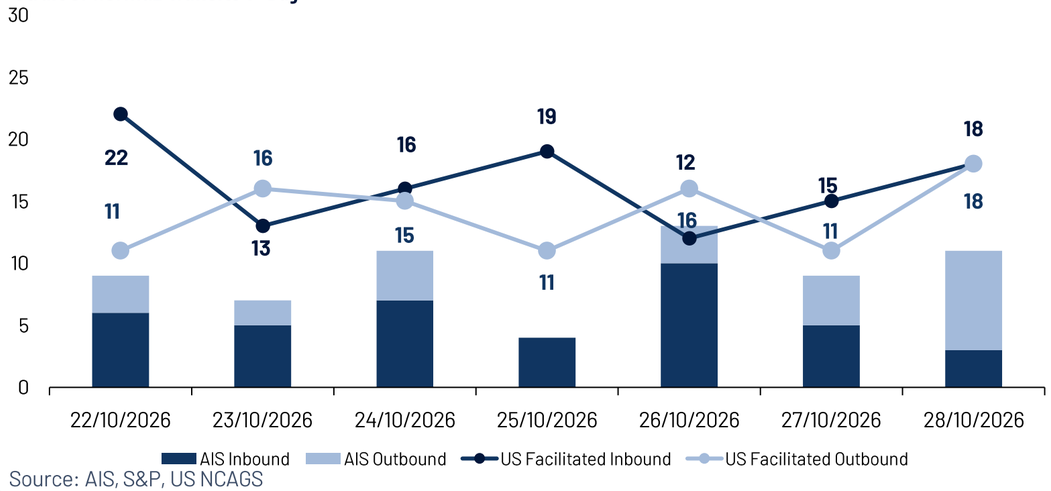
153	22	145	6	43
WARNINGS YTD	ADVISORIES YTD	IRAN–US CONFLICT RELATED INCIDENTS YTD	RED SEA ATTACKS ON SHIPPING YTD	PIRACY RELATED INCIDENTS YTD

STRAIT OF HORMUZ TRANSIT OVERVIEW

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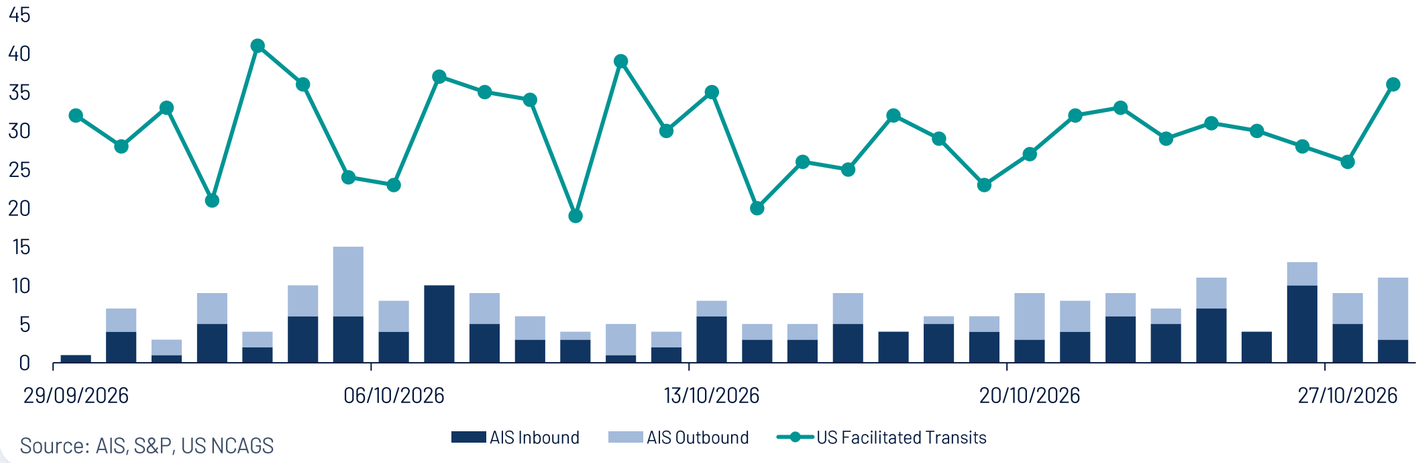
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Strait of Hormuz Transits 7-Day



Source: AIS, S&P, US NCAGS

Strait of Hormuz Transits 30-Day



Source: AIS, S&P, US NCAGS

TOTAL OUTBOUND TRANSITS LAST 7 DAYS

122 ↑Up

Total of AIS derived and US stated facilitated transits

TOTAL INBOUND TRANSITS LAST 7 DAYS

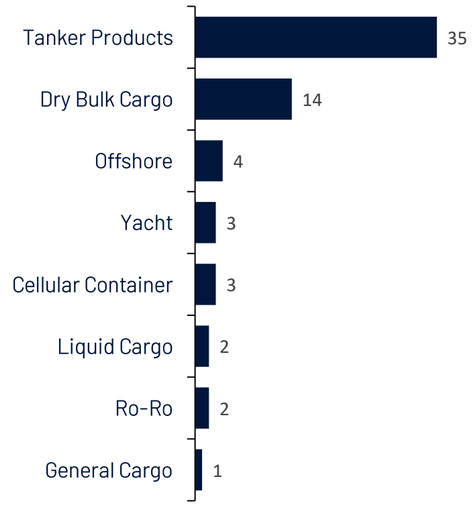
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Total of AIS derived and US stated facilitated transits

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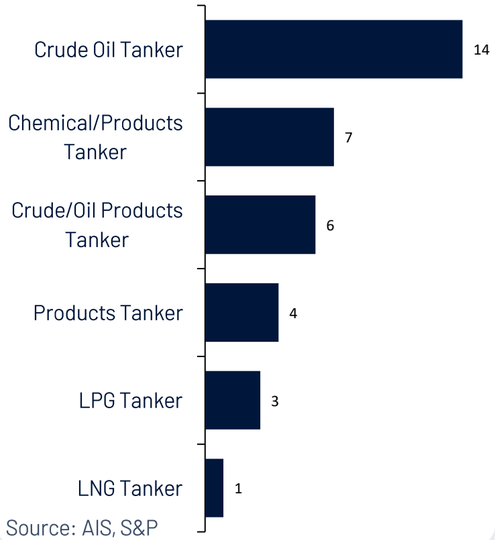
INCIDENTS REPORTED TO UKMTO DURING STRAIT OF HORMUZ SINCE 28 FEB 26

7-Day Vessel Types



Source: AIS, S&P

7-Day Tanker Types



Source: AIS, S&P

7-Day Flags of Registration	Count
Liberia	18
Panama	12
Marshall Islands	7
Comoros	4
Antigua & Barbuda	4

7-Day Economic Benefit	Count
United Arab Emirates	17
South Korea	8
Greece	7
Hong Kong	5
China	5

Top 5 most occurring included, for the reporting period derived solely from AIS data, Red text denotes unknown ownership or false flag registry. Derived from S&P Data.

UKMTO Comment: Combined transits were 122 outbound and 155 inbound (114 & 127 last week), approximately 70% below pre-conflict levels. AIS observed transits rose to 64 (47 last week) while US-stated facilitated transits were roughly level, about 3:1. US NCAGS reporting 80% of SoH transits remain energy carriers. Most AIS broadcasting vessels continue to route via Iranian Route however there has been an increase in vessels transiting the southern route.

Disclaimer: All figures are derived from AIS data and enriched through S&P vessel entity correlation, except US NCAGS facilitated transit figures and associated totals, which are sourced separately, including non-AIS broadcasting vessels, and cannot be independently verified by UKMTO at this stage.

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MARITIME INCIDENTS – Strait of Hormuz, Arabian Gulf, Gulf of Oman

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122 REPORTS OF DAMAGE TO VESSELS YTD — ↑ Up

13 NEAR MISS REPORTS YTD

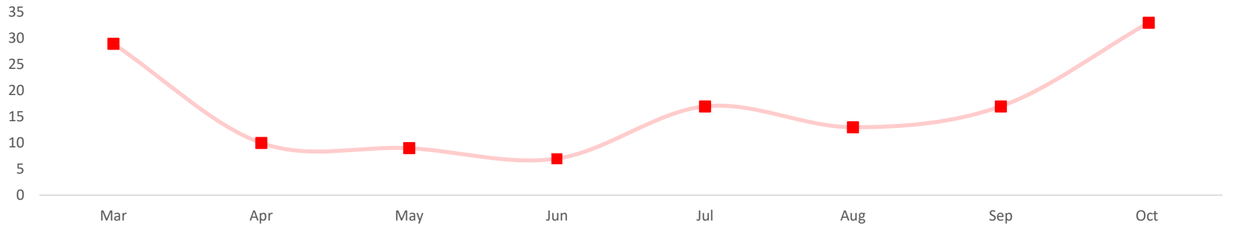
77 INJURY / FATALITIES YTD — ➡ Level

144 TOTAL EVENTS REPORTED YTD

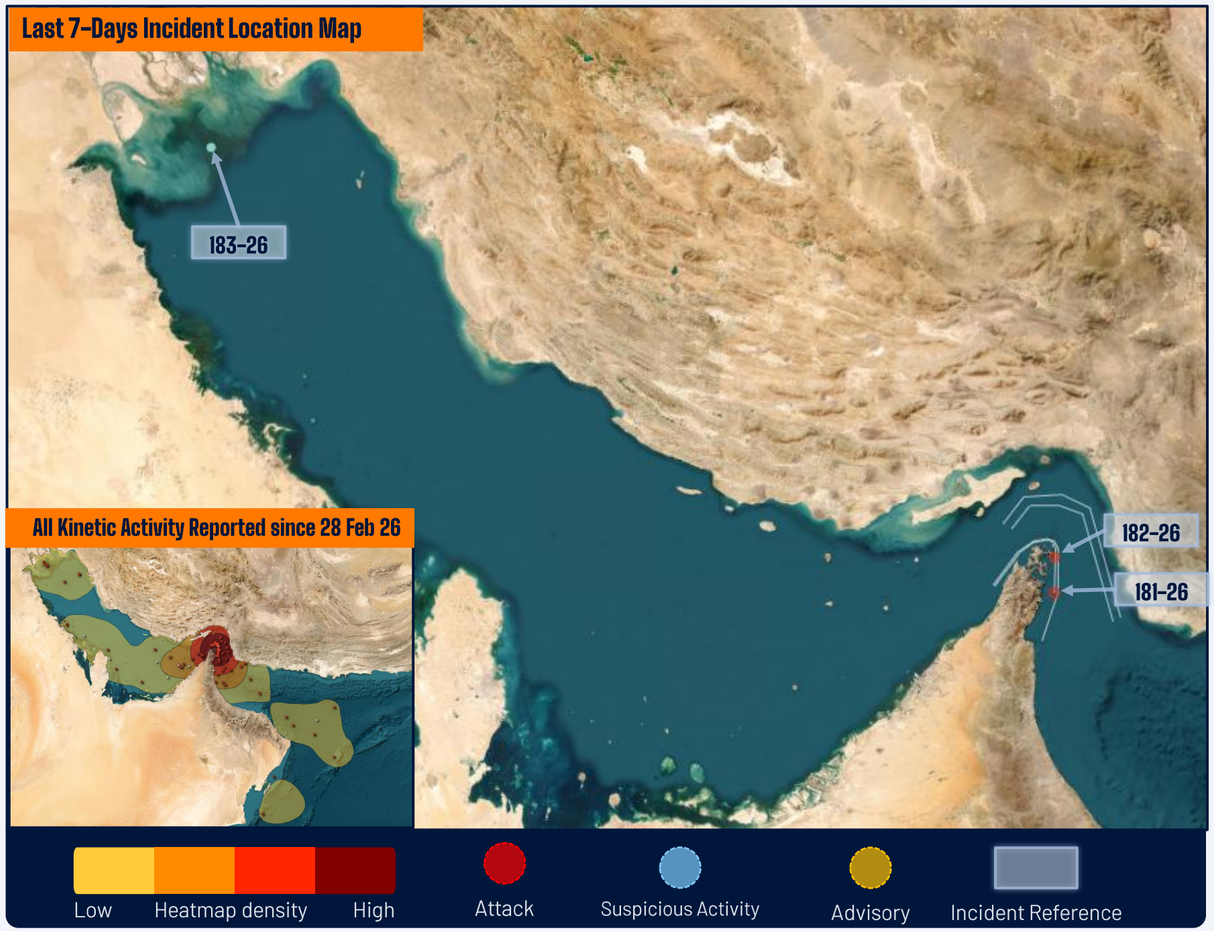
242 DAYS SINCE CONFLICT START (28 FEB 26)

JMIC – ARABIAN GULF	JMIC – STRAIT OF HORMUZ	JMIC – GULF OF OMAN
SUBSTANTIAL	SEVERE	MODERATE

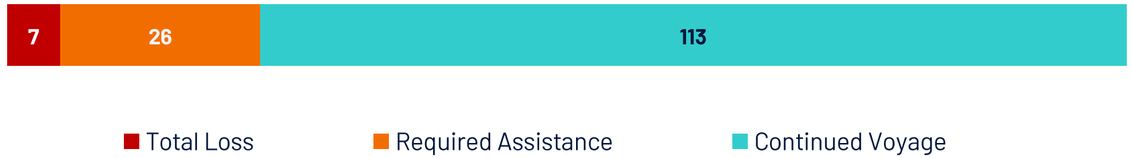
REPORTED EVENTS BY MONTH



Last 7-Days Incident Location Map



OUTCOMES SINCE 28 FEB



INCIDENTS REPORTED TO UKMTO IN THE LAST 7 DAYS

Date	Name	IMO	Type	Position	Event	Product
26/10/2026	UNKNOWN	UNKNOWN	UNKNOWN	29°30'N 048°59'E	SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY	183-26
23/10/2026	WITHHELD	WITHHELD	TANKER	26°17'N 056°33'E	ATTACK	182-26
26/10/2026	WITHHELD	WITHHELD	TANKER	26°00'N 056°33'E	ATTACK	181-26

Red text denotes approximate position.

UKMTO Comment:

- UKMTO reports only incidents verified through primary sources; additional incidents are known but cannot be independently verified.
- 2 attacks reported this week: 2 in the Strait of Hormuz.
- 1 additional incident in the Arabian Gulf (183-26)
- Since 6 Jul, 59 of 81 projectile strikes were on the southern route.
- Of the 3 incidents, 1 continued their voyage and 1 required assistance, the other is unknown.

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MARITIME INCIDENTS – Red Sea, Gulf of Aden

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Confirmed Attacks within Defined Area

8
Year to Date Suspicious Activity Reported

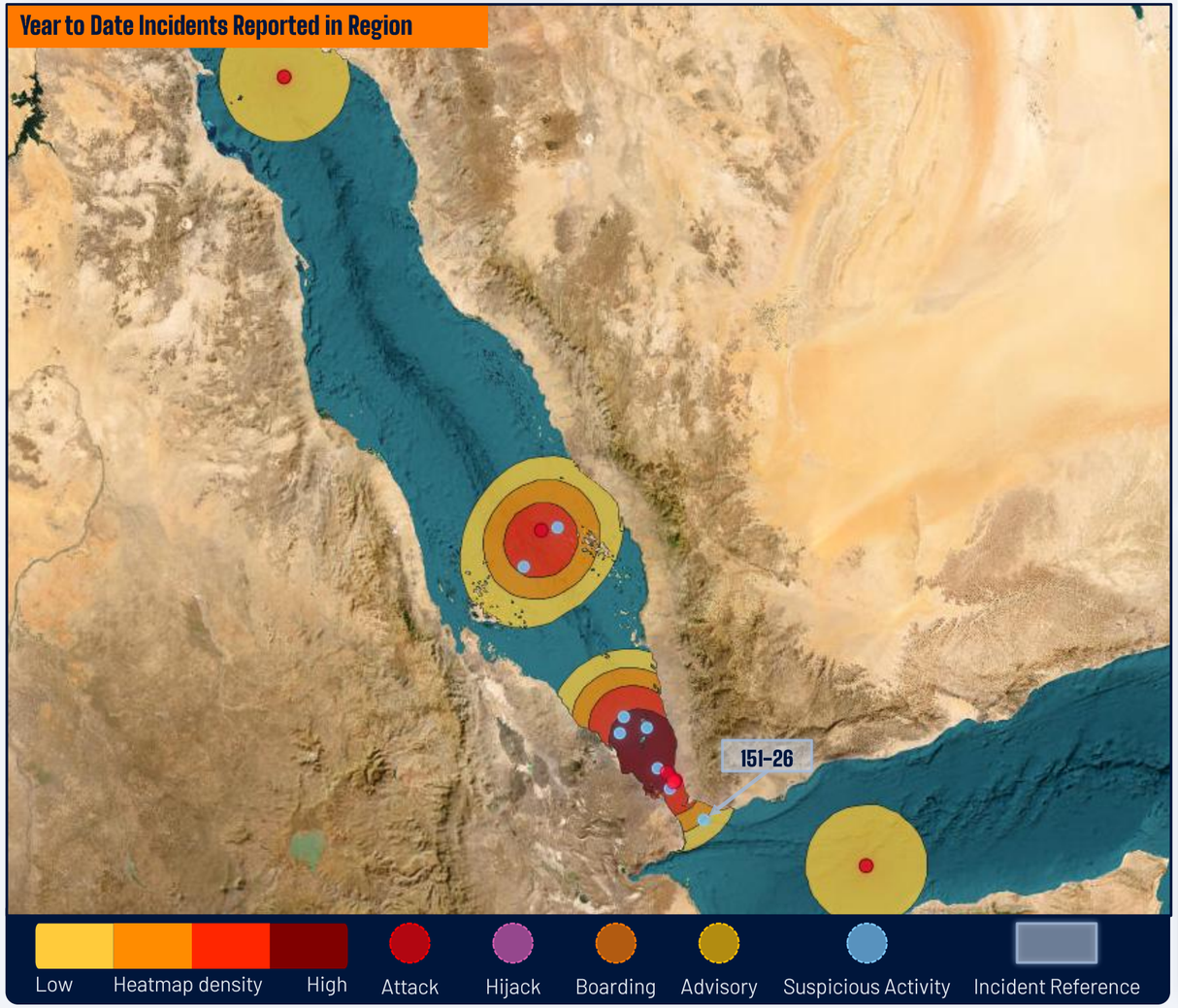
Down
–24%
Bab El-Mandeb Transits Prior to 22 Jul 26

6
Casualties Reported Year to Date

UKMTO Comment:

- No attacks on shipping reported in the Red Sea and Bab el-Mandeb this week. The last was 24 Aug (65 days).
- The most recent event, 151-26 (4 Oct, explosions close to a tanker near the Bab el-Mandeb), is assessed as spillover from the ongoing land conflict rather than intentional targeting of the vessel.
- Increase in reporting to UKMTO from vessels of interactions with claimed Yemeni Authorities.
- Bab el-Mandeb transits remain 24% below the level before the Houthi blockade announcement on 22 Jul.
- Current threat to shipping appears to be in line with the published blockade on Saudi-linked shipping.
- Recognised Government and Houthi sources provide conflicting accounts, with no clear open-source confirmation of current control of coastal areas following the September offensive.
- JMIC: Southern Red Sea, Bab el-Mandeb and Gulf of Aden are all SUBSTANTIAL threat level.

Year to Date Incidents Reported in Region



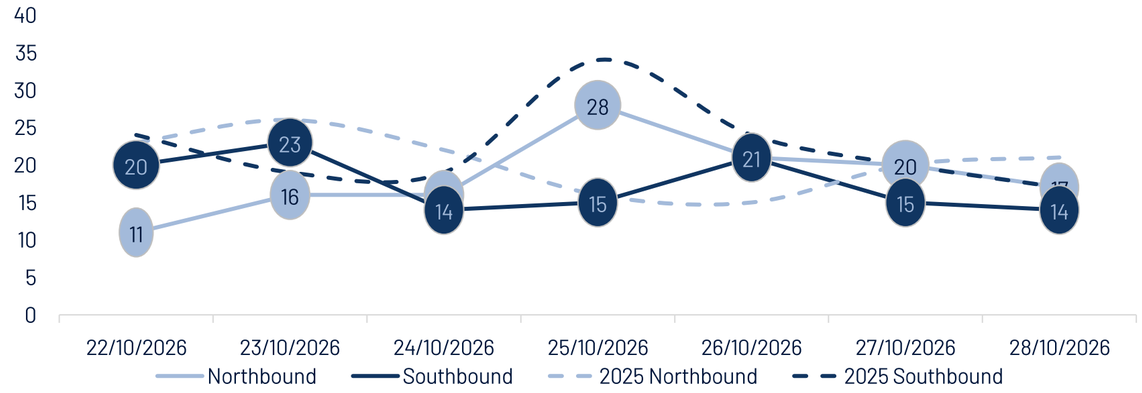
ATTACKS – projectile strikes, near misses & aggressive approaches with weapons discharged

- No attacks reported UKMTO in the last 7 days within the defined area

LATEST SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY – unaccountable actions indicating potential threats, such as unusual equipment or behaviour

- No suspicious activity reported UKMTO in the last 7 days within the defined area

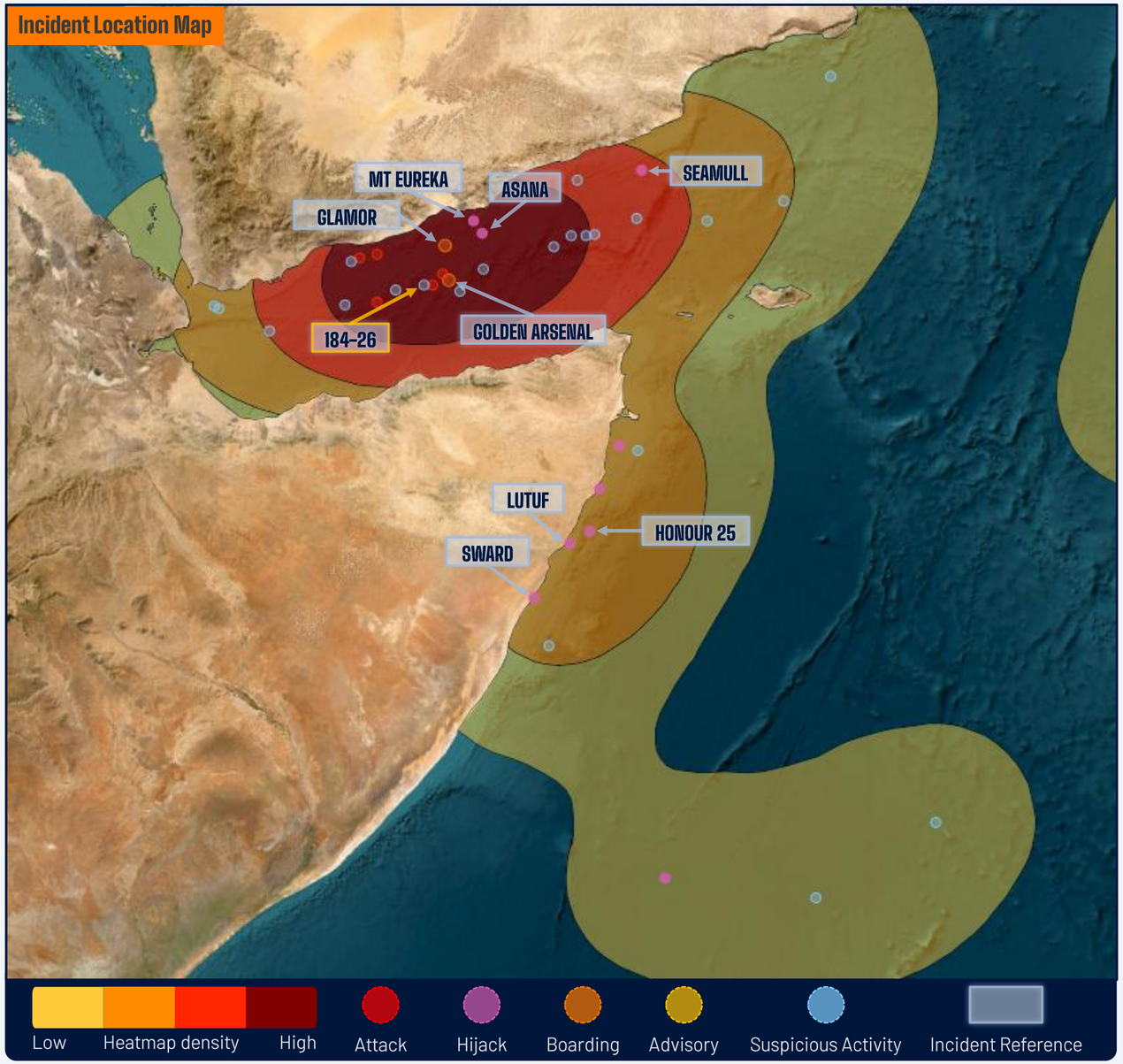
Bab el-Mandeb Transits: Northbound vs Southbound, 2026 vs 2025



MARITIME PIRACY RELATED INCIDENTS – Gulf of Aden, Arabian Sea, Somali Coast

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43 PIRACY RELATED INCIDENTS YTD

10 BOARDING & HIJACKS YEAR TO DATE

5 ATTACKS YEAR TO DATE

28 SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY YEAR TO DATE

HIJACKS & BOARDINGS – attackers who take control of or board a vessel against the crews will without legal justification

Date	Name	IMO	Type	Position	Event	Product	Status
10/09/26	GLAMOR	9177961	GENERAL CARGO	13°24'N, 047°58'E	BOARDING	132-26	Hijack Unsuccessful
20/08/26	SEAMULL	9204776	TANKER	14°41'N, 051°27'E	HIJACK	118-26	Released 25 Sep 26
17/08/26	LUTUF	9109134	GENERAL CARGO	08°12'N, 050°11'E	HIJACK	114-26	Released 29 Aug 26
17/07/26	ASANA	9035838	TANKER	13°36'N, 048°37'E	HIJACK	090-26	~103 days in captivity
01/07/26	GOLDEN ARSENAL	9493212	DRY BULK CARGO	12°52'N, 048°1'E	BOARDING	077-26	Released 03 Jul 26
02/05/26	EUREKA	1022823	TANKER	13°49'N, 048°28'E	HIJACK	Null	Released 29 Sep 26
26/04/26	SWARD	9174244	GENERAL CARGO	7°13'N, 049°32'E	HIJACK	046-26	Released 11 Sep 26
21/04/26	HONOUR 25	1099735	TANKER	8°25'N, 050°21'E	HIJACK	045-26	Released 29 Sep 26

ATTACKS – aggressive approach with weapons discharged

- No attacks reported to UKMTO in the last 7 days within the defined area

SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY – unaccountable actions indicating potential threats, such as unusual equipment or behaviour

Date	Name	IMO	Type	Position	Event	Product
28/10/26	PAG REPORTED	N/A	N/A	12°42'N, 047°35'E	SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY	184-26

UKMTO Comment:

- One vessel remains under pirate control as of 28 Oct: ASANA, held since 17 Jul.
- Five vessels have been released or recovered since 19 Aug (LUTUF, SWARD, SEAMULL, HONOUR 25 and EUREKA).
- 1 new piracy incident 184-26 reported this week.
- Incidents meeting BMP criteria for piracy have migrated from the eastern Somali coastline towards the Gulf of Aden. Hijackings and boardings show a proven capability up to 500NM offshore, with opportunistic attacks closer to shore.
- None of the vessels successfully hijacked or boarded were actively reporting to UKMTO prior to the incident. Reports of anomalous behaviour act as early warning , UKMTO encourages all vessels within the VRA to report what they see.
- JMIC: Gulf of Aden SUBSTANTIAL; Somali Basin / Somali Coast MODERATE.

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UKMTO VRA: VESSEL REPORTED GNSS INTERFERENCE

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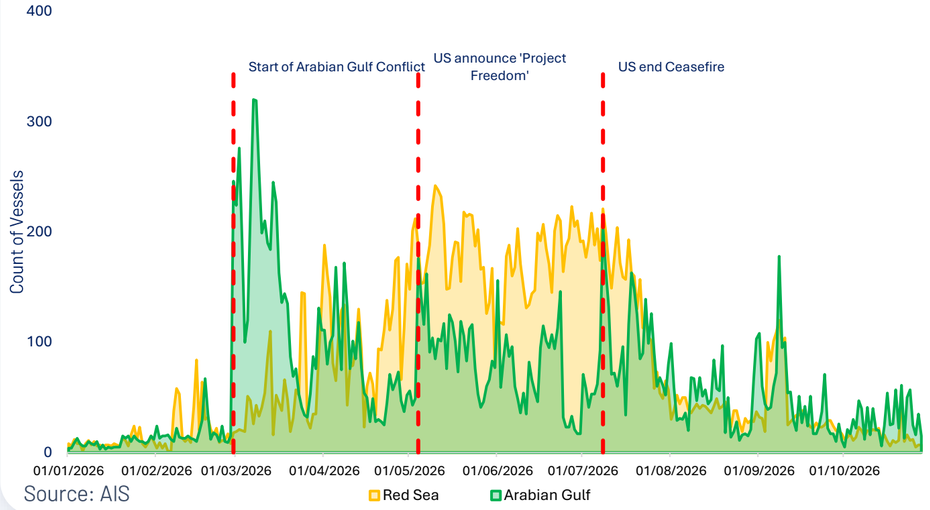
VESSEL REPORTING AND ANOMALOUS POSITIONS IN THE VRA

4 ⬆ Up	28 ⬇ Down	686 ⬆ Up	15,714 ⬇ Down
7-DAY REPORTS	30-DAY REPORTS	YTD REPORTS	7-DAY ANOMALOUS AIS

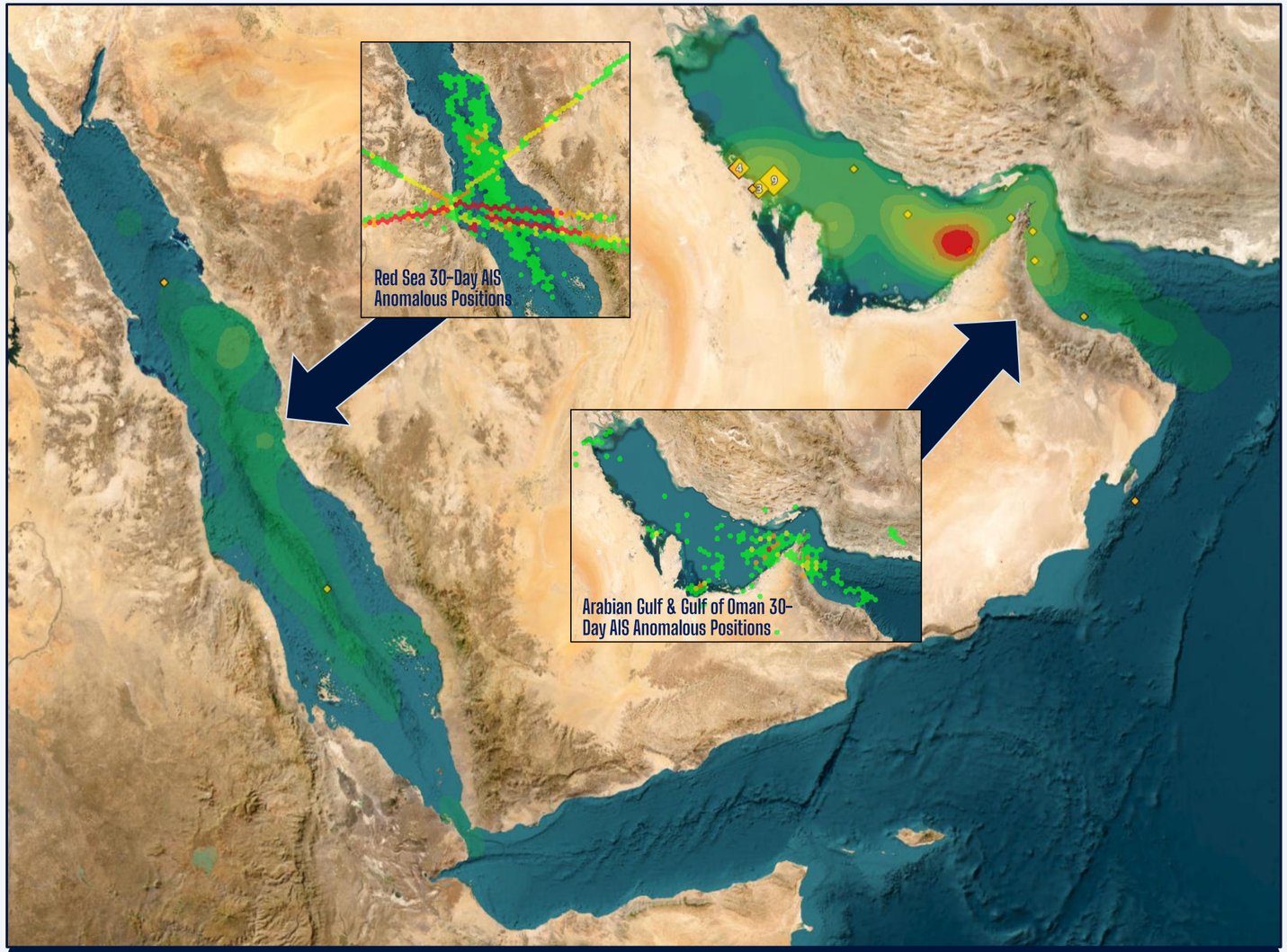
UKMTO Comment:

- 4 vessel report this week (1 last week). 30-day reports 28 (32 last week) and 7-day anomalous AIS positions dropped slightly to 15,714 (18,049 last week).
- Reporting remains concentrated in the Red Sea, Gulf of Oman and Arabian Gulf, with no significant change in distribution in the last 30 days.
- Areas with high report concentrations closely correlate with observed AIS spoofing, anomalous positions and movement patterns inconsistent with normal commercial operations, increasing confidence in this extent of disruption.
- Changes in report numbers do not necessarily reflect changes in the level of interference, as reporting is voluntary and depends on AIS availability.

ANOMALOUS AIS POSITIONS OVER TIME



Source: AIS



Note: Report density reflects reporting volume, vessel traffic, and AIS visibility, not the absolute level of GNSS interference. Areas with fewer reports may still experience significant disruption.

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WARNING & ADVISORY SUMMARY REPORTED TO UKMTO LAST 7-DAYS

Week ending: 30 Oct 26

ADVISORY 184-26	DATE **28 OCT 26**	VESSEL **N/A**	POSITION **27°48'N 050°37'E**	AREA **GULF OF ADEN**
	UKMTO received reports from multiple sources of suspicious activity withing the Gulf of Aden. Reports describe several sightings of suspicious small craft operating in the vicinity of merchant vessels. One report describes a green and blue boat with two ladders and one hook with 9 persons onboard.			
WARNING (SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY) 183-26	DATE **26 OCT 26**	VESSEL **UNKNOWN**	POSITION **29°31'N 048°59'E**	AREA **ARABIAN GULF**
	An unknown vessel is reportedly on fire in the Norther Arabian Gulf. The identity or cause of the fire is unknown.			
WARNING (ATTACK) 182-26	DATE **23 OCT 26**	VESSEL **WITHHELD**	POSITION **26°17'N 056°33'E**	AREA **GULF OF ADEN**
	A Liberian flagged tanker (~300,000 DWT) is reported to have been struck while conducting an outbound Strait of Hormuz transit. All crew were rescued by local authorities, and the vessel is at anchor.			
WARNING (ATTACK) 181-26	DATE **22 OCT 26**	VESSEL **WITHHELD**	POSITION **26°00'N 056°33'E**	AREA **STRAIT OF HORMUZ**
	A Singapore flagged tanker (~9,000 DWT) was struck by an unknown projectile while transiting the Strait of Hormuz outbound. The vessel sustained some damage to the accommodation block but remained operational and continued its voyage. No injuries are reported.			

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ABOUT THIS REPORT

What it is
UKMTO's weekly summary of maritime security incidents, Strait of Hormuz transits and GNSS interference reported to, or observed by, UKMTO across the VRA (Suez to 10°S and 78°E).

What it is not
Not navigational advice, a routing recommendation, operational direction or an attribution of responsibility. Not a complete record: reporting is voluntary and some incidents cannot be independently verified. Read alongside company procedures, Flag State guidance, BMP MS and your own risk assessment.

How it is produced
OFFICIAL, from commercial AIS, geospatial analysis, vessel and industry reporting, open source and partners (JMIC, MSCIO, IFC-IOR, US NCAGS, MICA Center). Cross-referenced where practicable. Open source may help identify incidents but is not verification in itself.

REPORTING PERIODS

Week ending / Reporting Range
Publication date / the period the data covers, normally ending two days earlier. SoH slides run from 28 Feb 2026; other slides from 1 Jan 2026.

YTD / Last 7 days
From 1 Jan 2026 unless shown / the seven days to the end of the Reporting Range.

PRODUCTS AND EVENTS

Warning
Alerts industry to attacks, boardings, hijackings and other maritime security incidents in the VRA.

Advisory
A security report that does not meet the BMP criteria for a Warning, published for situational awareness.

Product reference (e.g. 001-26)
Sequential product number. Links the map label, table row and Warning & Advisory Summary entry.

Attack
Hostile action against a vessel, including weapons, missiles or loitering munitions on or near it.

Hijack / Kidnap
Attackers take control of a ship / forcible removal of persons from a vessel.

Illegal / Attempted Boarding
Boarding without lawful authority, without taking control / a close approach with intent to board that is unsuccessful or prevented.

Suspicious Activity
Actions or circumstances that may indicate a threat: unusual behaviour, high-speed approaches, multiple skiffs, activity inconsistent with normal operations.

DATA TERMS AND CONVENTIONS

Combined transits
AIS-derived transits (operator-verified, S&P Global data) plus US-stated facilitated transits from US NCAGS. Facilitated figures cannot be independently verified in full.

AIS dark / Pre-conflict average
A vessel transiting without AIS / average weekly transits before 28 Feb 2026 (state AIS only or combined).

GNSS reports and heatmaps
Reports voluntarily submitted by vessels, checked against anomalous AIS positions. Heatmaps reflect reporting volume, not the absolute level of interference.

WITHHELD
Vessel name or IMO number not published.

Red text
Approximate position, or unknown ownership / suspected false flag.

Trend (Up / Down / Level)
Direction against the previous weekly report only. Not a judgement of improvement or deterioration.

Outcomes
Total loss; Required assistance (tug, salvage, evacuation, not under command); Continued voyage.

JMIC THREAT LEVELS

LOW	MODERATE	SUBSTANTIAL	SEVERE	CRITICAL
An attack is highly unlikely	**An attack is possible but not likely**	**An attack is a strong possibility**	**An attack is highly likely**	**An attack is almost certain**

Assessed by the Joint Maritime Information Center (JMIC), not by UKMTO

REPORTING TO UKMTO Register with UKMTO on entering the VRA. Report what you see and experience, however minor it seems. If a vessel is registered, UKMTO can contact it directly if an incident occurs in the vicinity, giving timely warning. Questions or feedback: info@ukmto.org

UKMTO remains a neutral and impartial information provider, supporting vessels of all flags and ownership operating within the VRA.