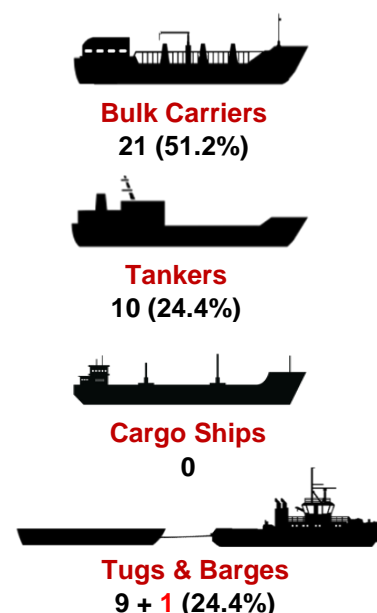
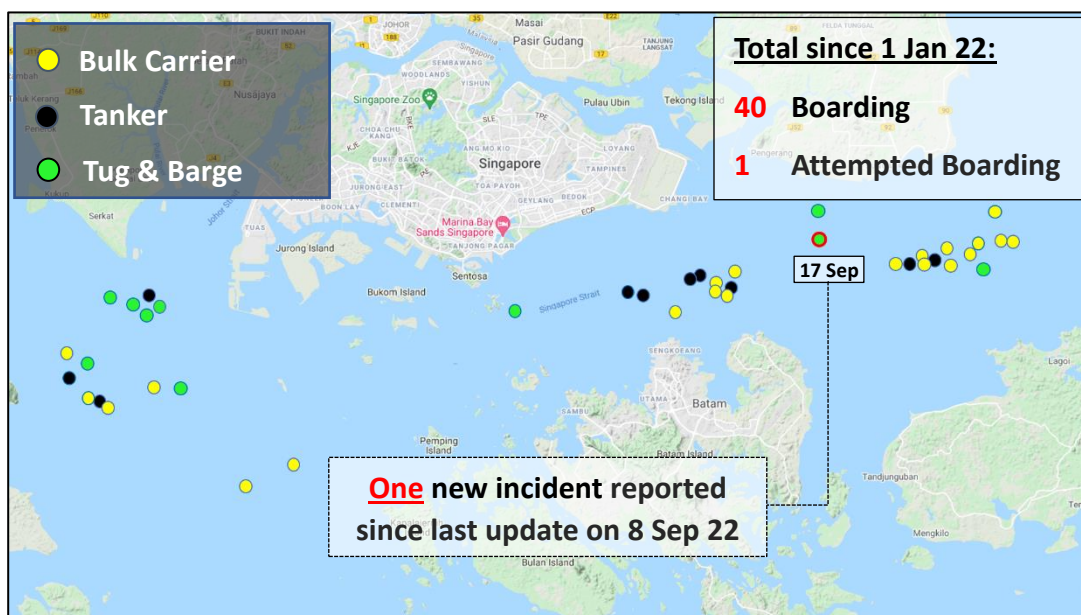


Summary of Boarding and Attempted Boarding Incidents in the Singapore Strait (caa 5 Oct 22)

Number of Incidents & Vessel Types



Key Observations and Assessments

- There is one new incident involving a Tug and Barge, which occurred in Eastbound Lane of the Traffic Separation Scheme (TSS), within the Singapore Strait. Some scrap metal were reported stolen.
- There was no confrontation and injury reported in the incident.
- Based on past observations, we can expect opportunistic attacks on slow-moving vessels with low freeboard to continue in the upcoming months leading up to the festive period (particularly in Nov and Dec).

Modus Operandi: Remains Largely Consistent With Petty Crime

- Based on the incident reports, in most cases, perpetrators avoided confrontation, and fled immediately upon being sighted by crew
- Perpetrators usually (a) are in group of average 4-6 pax, and (b) use small boats, targeting slow-moving vessels (7-12 knots) with low freeboard

| Cargo Ships, Bulk Carriers & Tankers | Tugs & Barges |
|--|--|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><u>May</u> be armed and confrontational e.g. small arms, knives, and steel bars (Out of 41 incidents since Jan 2022, 13 reported armed and 3 reported with confrontation)Usually target ship's engine parts and storesSame group of perpetrators may target few vessels in succession, in same night | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Usually unarmedUsually target scrap metal |

Recommended Actions for All Transiting Vessels

- Remain vigilant, particularly when transiting the areas of concern in the Phillip Channel, off Bintan and Batam and Tanjung Piai.
- Adopt Ship Protection Measures recommended in the Regional Guide 2 to Counter Piracy and Armed Robbery Against Ships in Asia, e.g., (1) turn on weather deck lighting around the accommodation block and rear facing lighting on the poop deck, (2) maintain an all-round lookout at an elevated position with focus on suspicious small craft(s) approaching or in proximity to the ship's aft, and (3) sound ship's alarm when suspicious small craft(s) sighted
- Participate in Voluntary Community Reporting as depicted in 4th Edition MARSEC Charts Q6112 and Q6113; upon sighting of suspicious activities, immediately report to local authorities and inform the IFC