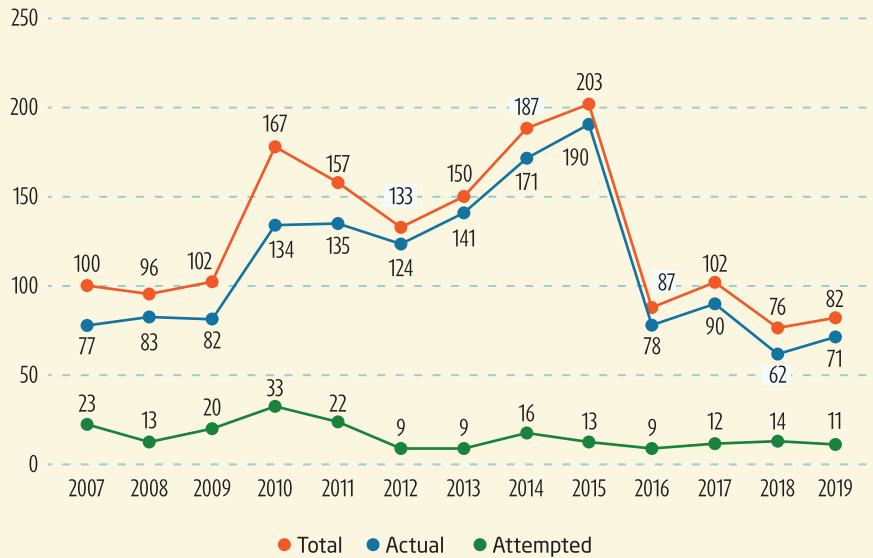


# PIRACY AND ARMED ROBBERY AGAINST SHIPS IN ASIA 2019

## NUMBER OF INCIDENTS (2007-2019)



**8%**  
COMPARED WITH 2018

**2<sup>ND</sup> LOWEST**  
IN NUMBER OF INCIDENTS IN THE LAST 13 YEARS

**TOTAL 82 INCIDENTS**

**2** piracy incidents (2%)

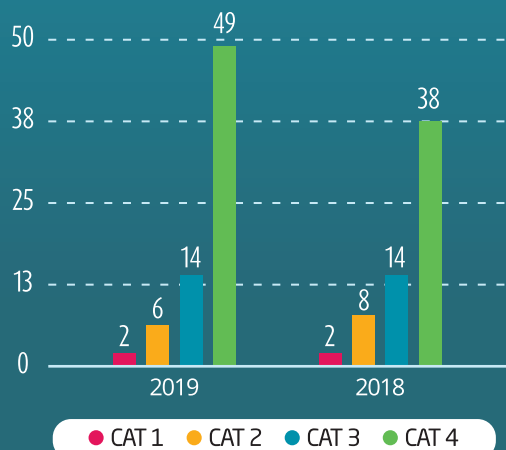
**80** incidents of armed robbery against ships (98%)

**ACTUAL 71 INCIDENTS**

**ATTEMPTED 11 INCIDENTS**

### SIGNIFICANCE LEVEL

- 2 x CAT 1 incidents (Abduction of crew)
- Decrease in number of CAT 2 incidents
- Majority are CAT 4 incidents



### IMPROVEMENT

#### DECREASE OF INCIDENTS

- Bangladesh
- Indonesia

### OF CONCERN

**Risk** of abduction of crew for ransom

**2019** 2 INCIDENTS

**Increase** of incidents in Singapore Strait

**2018** 7 INCIDENTS

**2019** 31 INCIDENTS

# ABDUCTION OF CREW FOR RANSOM IN SULU-CELEBES SEAS AND WATERS OFF EASTERN SABAH

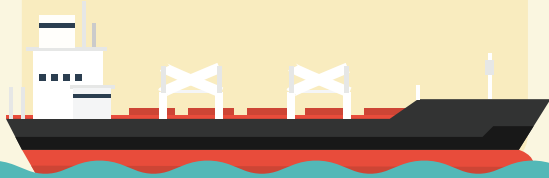
**2 INCIDENTS IN 2019**

**18**  
JUN 19

**9 crew** abducted  
**All crew** released on 21 Jun

**23**  
SEP 19

**3 crew** abducted  
**2 crew** rescued on 22 Dec  
**1 crew** still in captivity



**STATUS OF  
ABDUCTED  
CREW**  
(AS OF 31 DEC 19)

**78**  
CREW ABDUCTED  
SINCE 26 MAR 16

**67**

RELEASED/  
RESCUED

**10**

KILLED/DIED

**1**

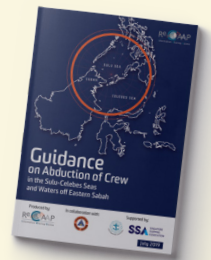
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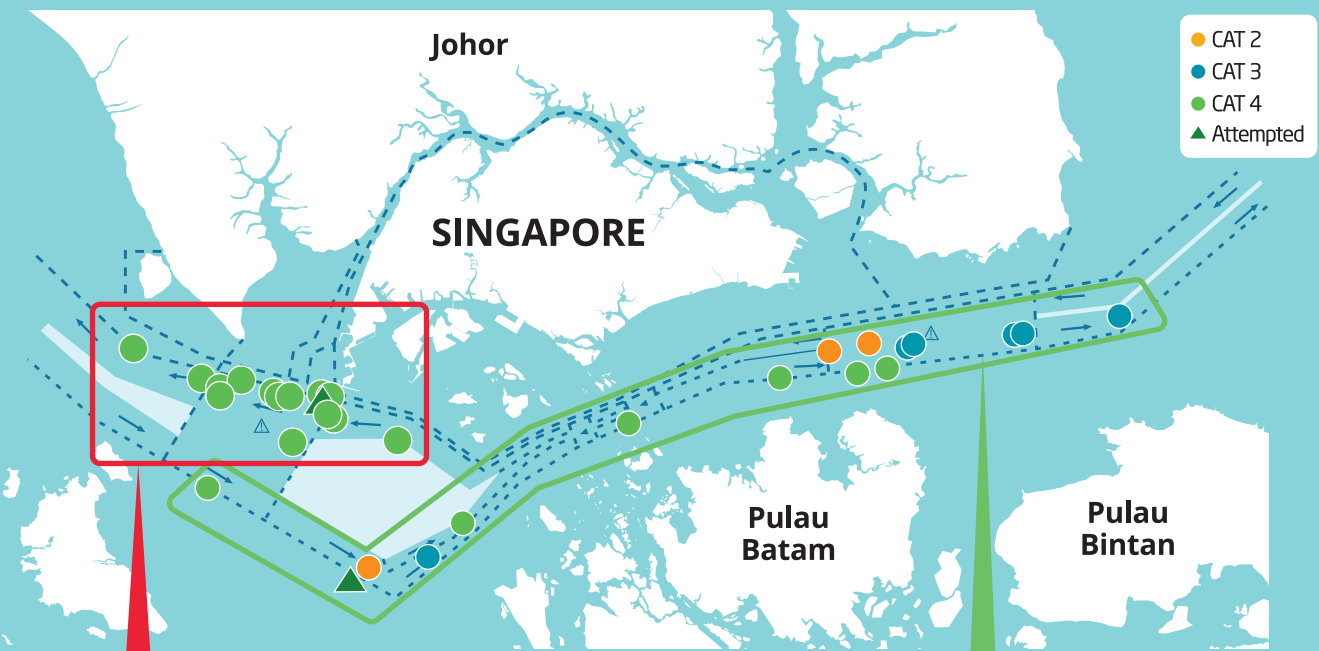
## WARNING AND ADVISORY



- ⚠ Advisory to ships to re-route where possible, otherwise:
  - Exercise enhanced vigilance
  - Adopt piracy countermeasures to mitigate risk
  - Maintain comms with authorities
  - Make timely report to national reporting centres
- ⚠ Refer to the "Guidance on Abduction of Crew in the Sulu-Celebes Seas and Waters off Eastern Sabah"



# INCREASE OF INCIDENTS IN SINGAPORE STRAIT (2019)



**Westbound lane of  
Traffic Separation Scheme**

**15**  
INCIDENTS

**Ships boarded**

Tug boat & barge **14**  
Tanker **1**

**Losses**

Scrap metal **9**  
Tools **2**  
Nothing stolen **4**

**Eastbound lane of  
Traffic Separation Scheme**

**16**  
INCIDENTS

**Ships boarded**

Bulk carrier **8**  
Tanker **4**  
Tug boat & barge **3**  
VLCC **1**

**Losses**

Engine spares **2**  
Scrap metal **2**  
Twist locks & ropes **1**  
Personal gold chain **1**  
Nothing stolen **10**