

2018 summary

****considered preliminary, data through 6/6/2018****

- **19 confirmed entangled whales, 22 total reports**
 - Gray whales: 11 confirmed, 13 total
 - Humpback whales: 7 confirmed, 7 total
 - Fin whale: 1 confirmed, 1 total
 - Unidentified: 0 confirmed, 1 total
- **Confirmed fisheries associated with entanglements: 10 reports**
 - Commercial Dungeness crab: 7 total
 - 3 WDFW (2 gray whales, 1 humpback whale)
 - 1 ODFW (1 gray whale)
 - 1 ODFW & CDFW (1 humpback whale)
 - 1 WA tribal (humpback whale)
 - 1 tag seen, undetermined shape
 - Gillnet: 3 (gray whales)
- **Reporting location**
 - California: 12 confirmed reports, 15 total reports
 - Washington: 6 confirmed reports
 - Oregon: 1 confirmed reports

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- February (2 confirmed reports):
 - Gray whale with line only on tail, reported in Orange county, CA (Feb. 21)
 - Gray whale with line + red round buoy (maybe poly-ball), reported in Monterey, CA (Feb. 21)
 - March (1 confirmed, 1 unconfirmed reports):
 - Gray whale with green monofilament gillnet wrapped around tailstock, reported off LA, CA (March 3)
 - Gray whale (U) second hand report- buoy and gray whale moving together. Sent a search party but was not resighted; reported in Humboldt County, CA (March 30)
 - April (5 confirmed):
 - Reported in California (2 confirmed reports):
 - Gray whale with pink monofilament gillnet around head, reported off San Diego, CA (April 15)
 - Gray whale with pink gillnet, reported in Orange County, CA (April 24)
 - Reported in Washington (3 confirmed reports):
 - Dead gray whale entangled with WA commercial Dungeness crab, reported in Washington (April 13)
 - Gray whale trailing line and buoy- OR commercial Dungeness crab, reported in Washington (April 13)
 - Humpback whale with WA commercial Dungeness crab, reported in Washington (April 29)
- (U): unconfirmed

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- May (10 confirmed, 2 unconfirmed)
 - Reported in California (7 confirmed, 2 unconfirmed reports):
 - Humpback whale with rope and buoys, reported off San Francisco, CA (May 13)
 - Humpback whale with line, reported off Morro Bay, CA (May 14)
 - Humpback whale with line and buoys, reported off Big Sur, CA (May 16)
 - Humpback whale with OR + CA Dungeness crab gear, reported off Monterey, CA (May 23)
 - Humpback whale with rope, buoy, and buoy tag (state unknown), reported off Monterey, CA (May 27)
 - Gray whale (U) floating dead, with rope and buoys, reported off San Luis Obispo, CA (May 6)
 - Gray whale floating dead, off Marin County, CA, entanglement is COD, also ship struck (May 18)
 - Fin whale with line, reported off Santa Cruz Island, CA (May 24)
 - Unidentified whale (U) with rope and buoy, reported off Ventura, CA (May 13)
 - Reported in Washington (3 confirmed reports):
 - Gray whale with WA Dungeness crab gear, reported off Washington (May 8), stranded dead (May 27)
 - Humpback whale floating dead, entangled in WA tribal Dungeness crab gear, reported off Washington (May 17)
 - Gray whale with line and 3 buoys, reported off Washington (May 27)
- June (1 confirmed)
 - Gray whale with line and two buoys, reported off Depoe Bay, OR (June 6)
- (U): unconfirmed