

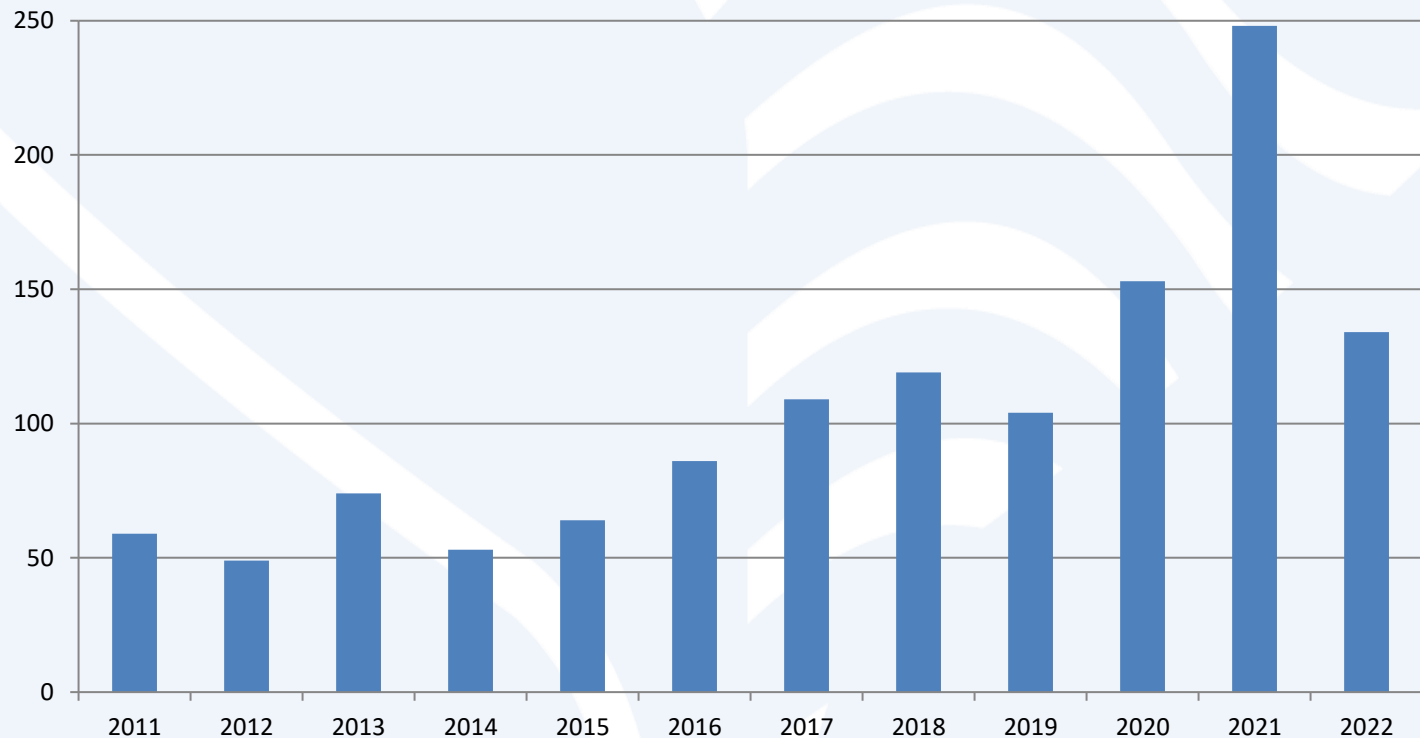
Irish Whale and Dolphin Group Common dolphin stranding records



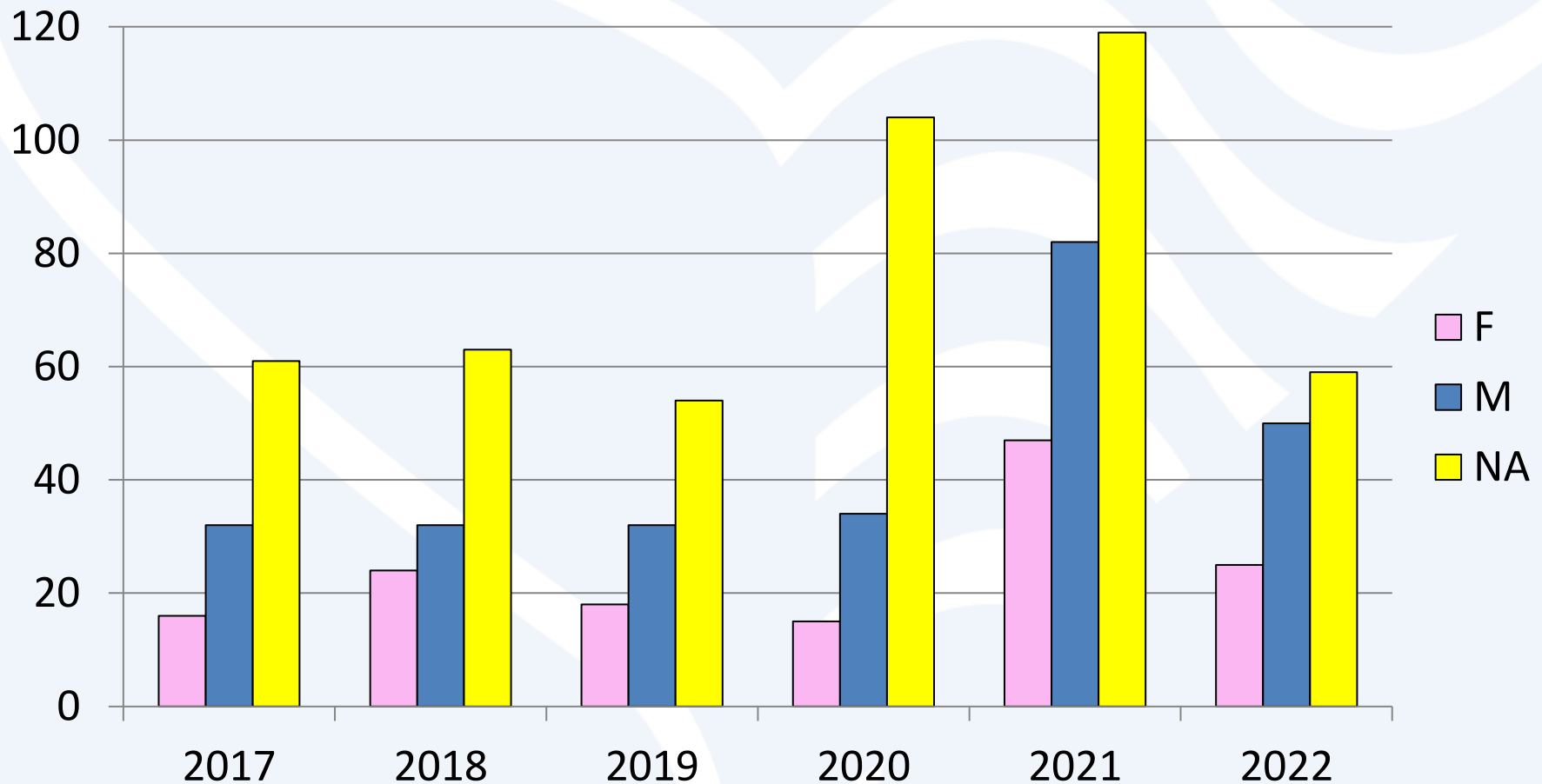
Stephanie Levesque
Stranding Officer, Irish Whale and Dolphin Group
Kilrush, Co. Clare, Ireland

Common dolphin strandings

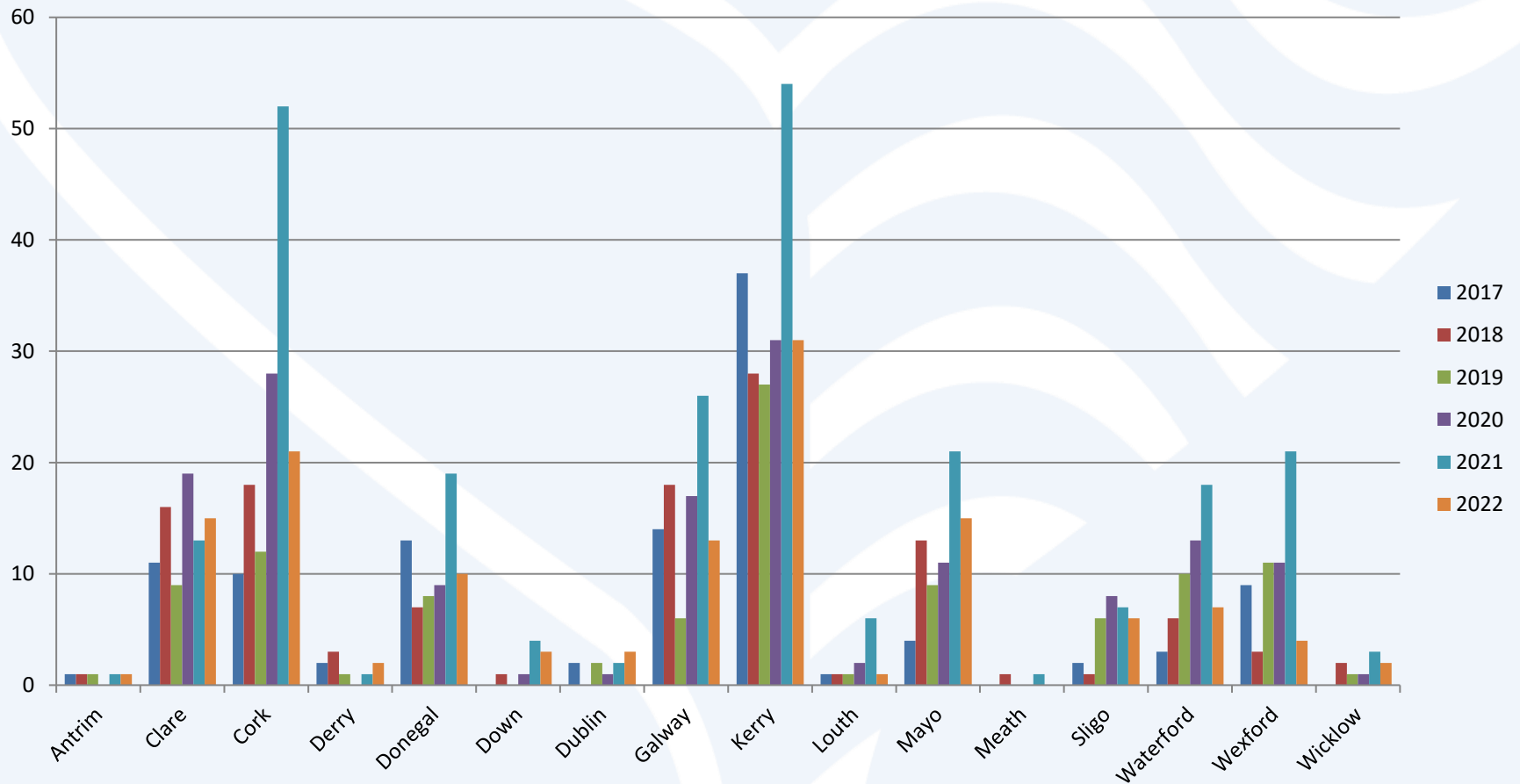
2022 : 134 records



Gender

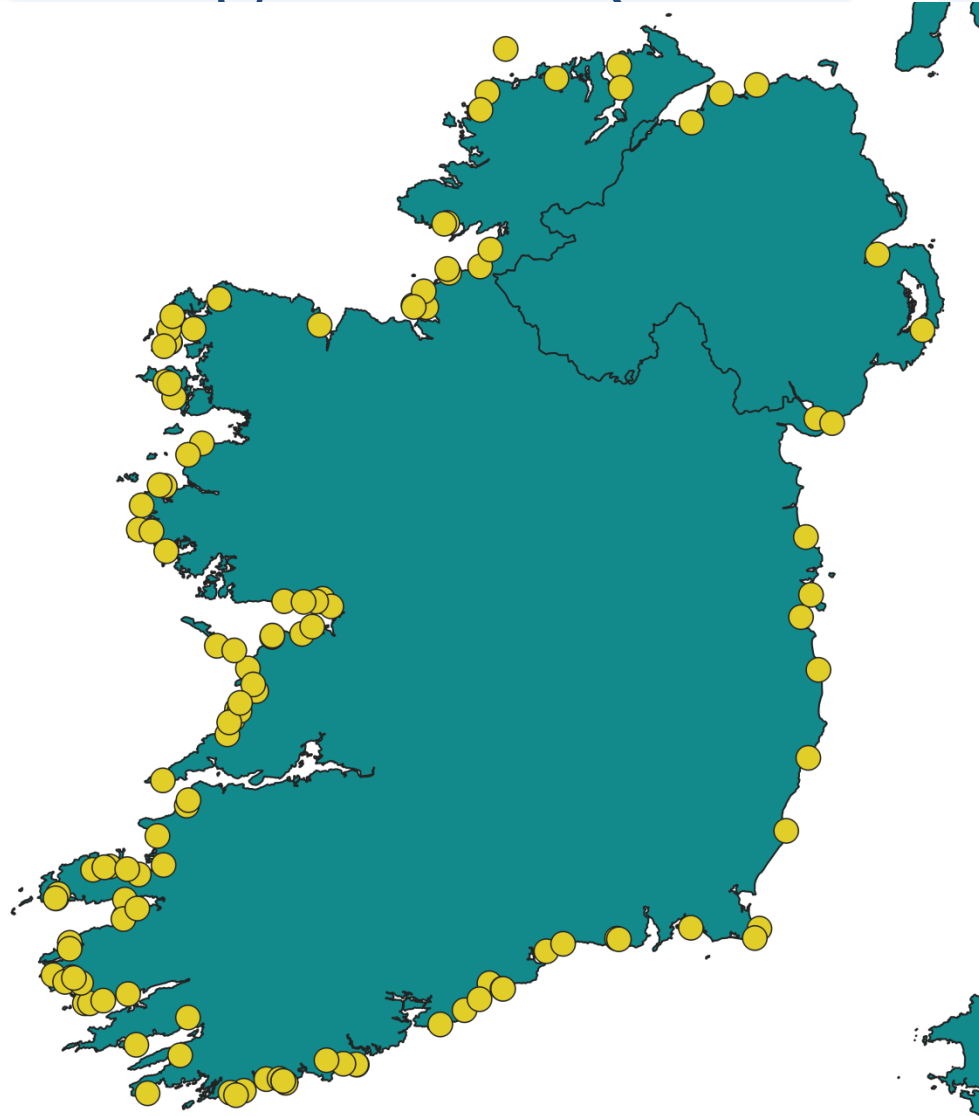


Strandings by county

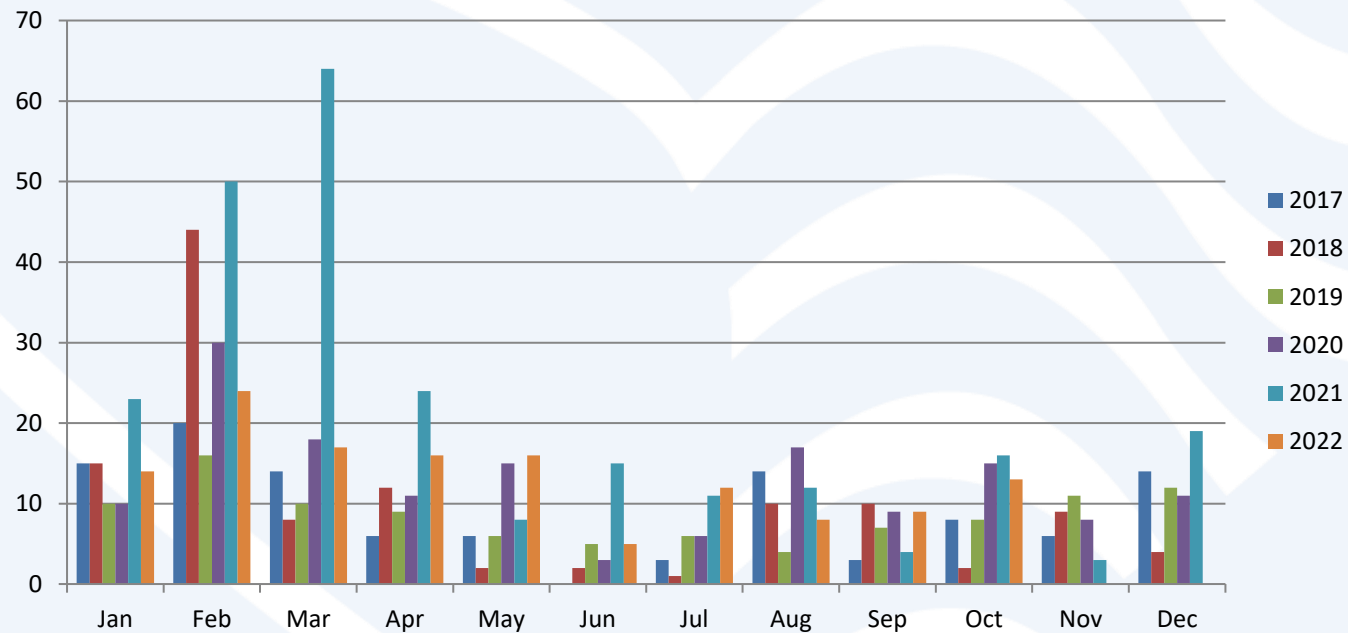




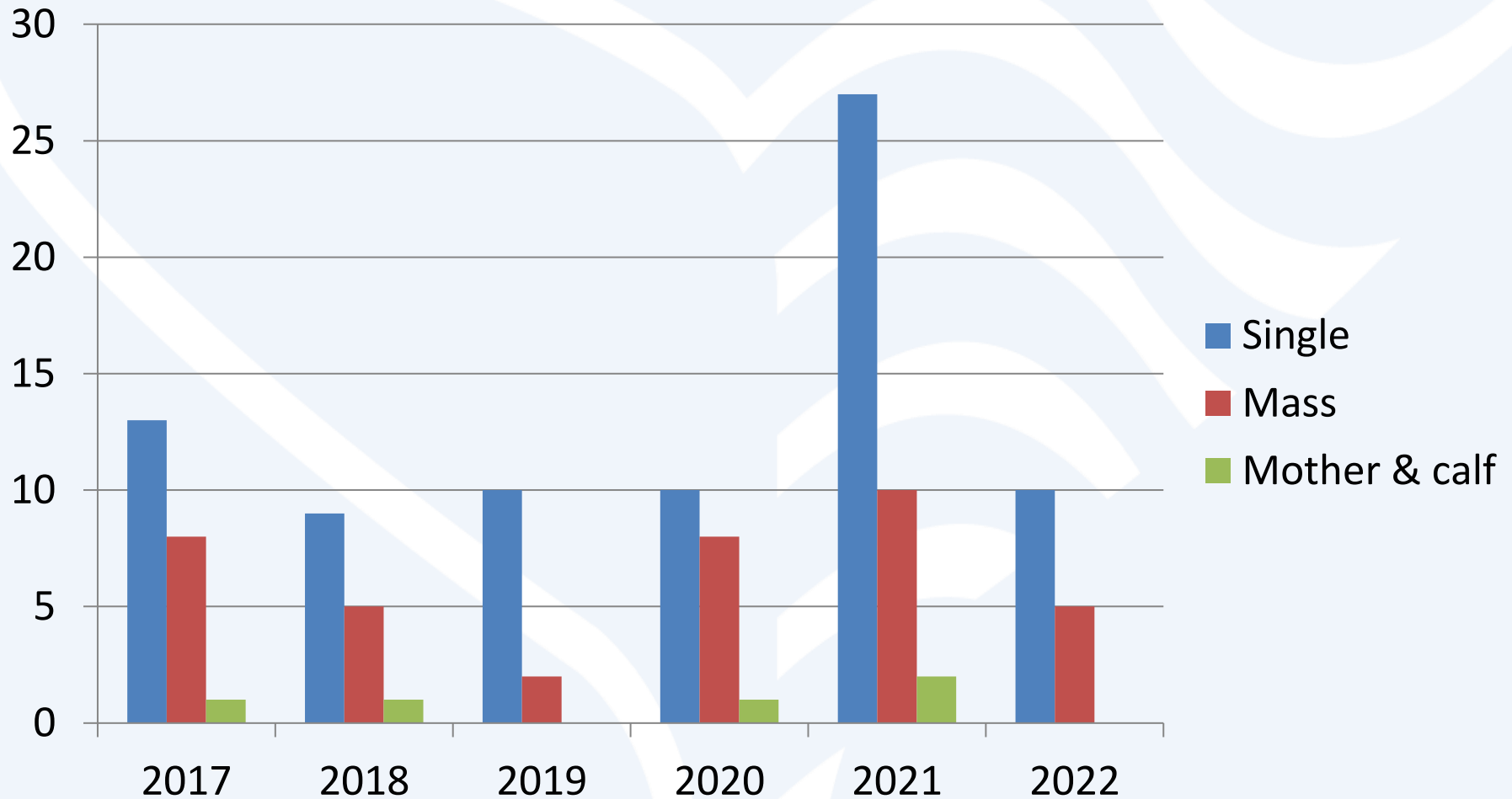
All strandings in 2022 (live and dead)



Strandings by month 2017-2022

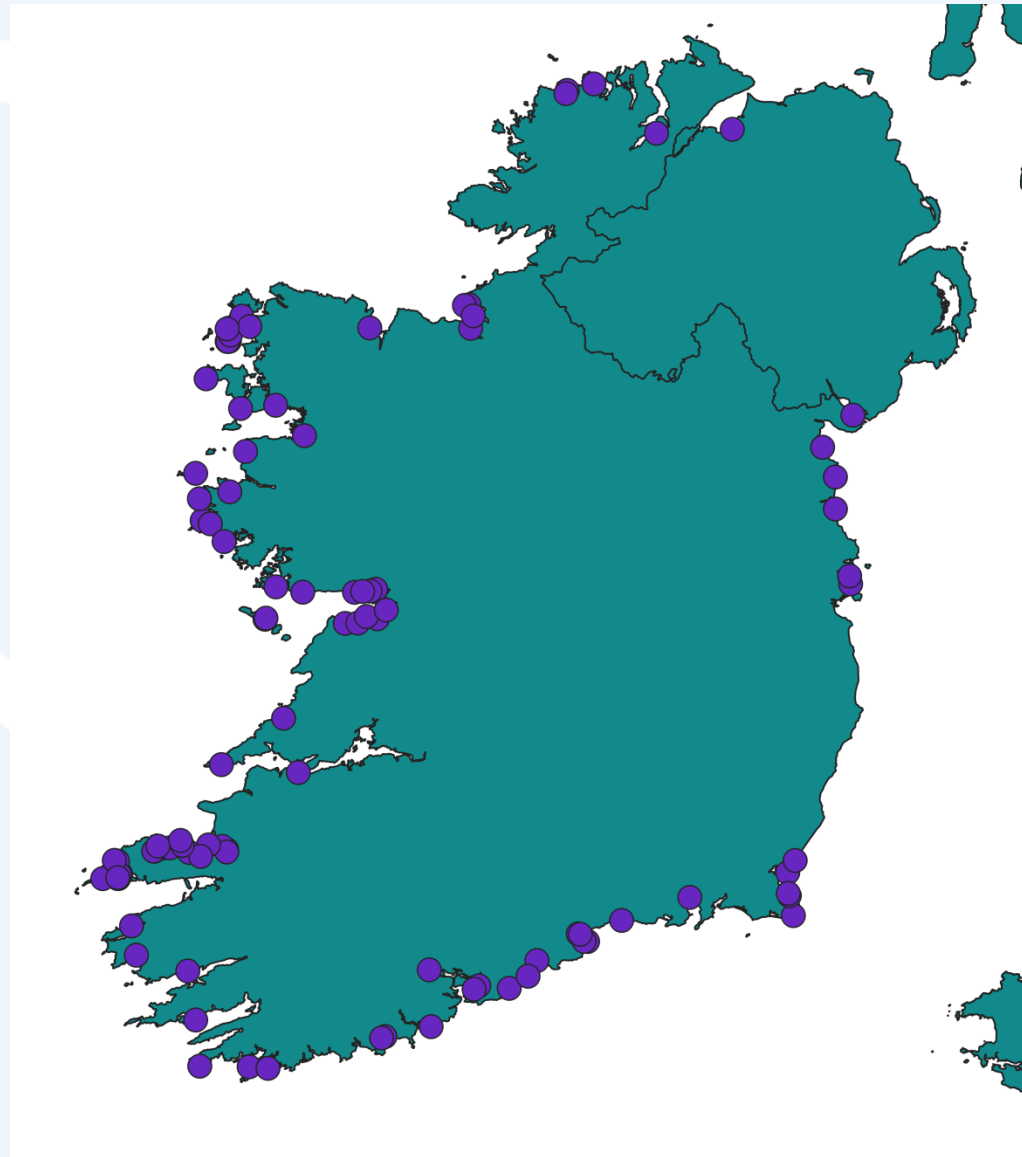


Stranding type 2017-2022

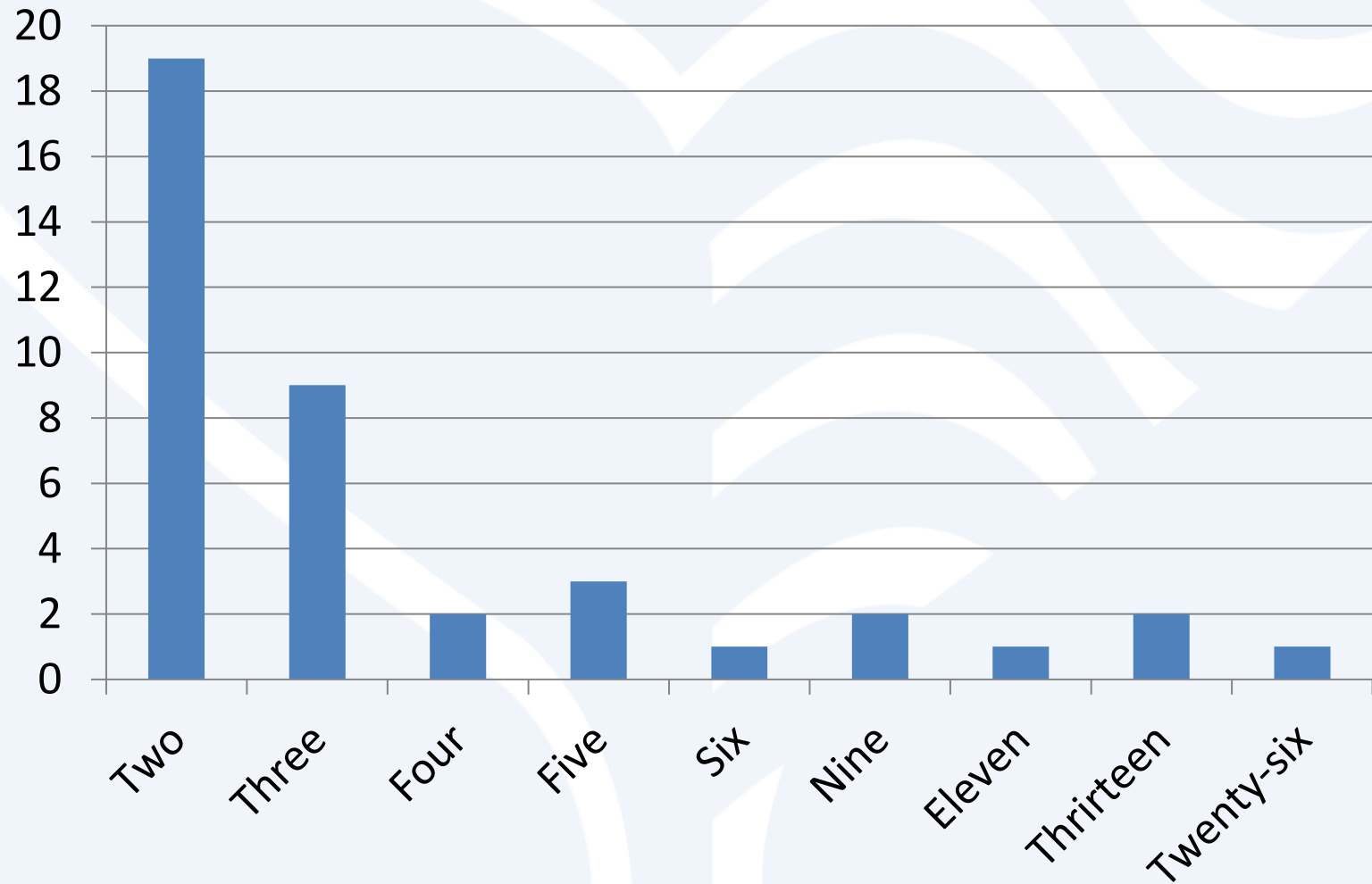




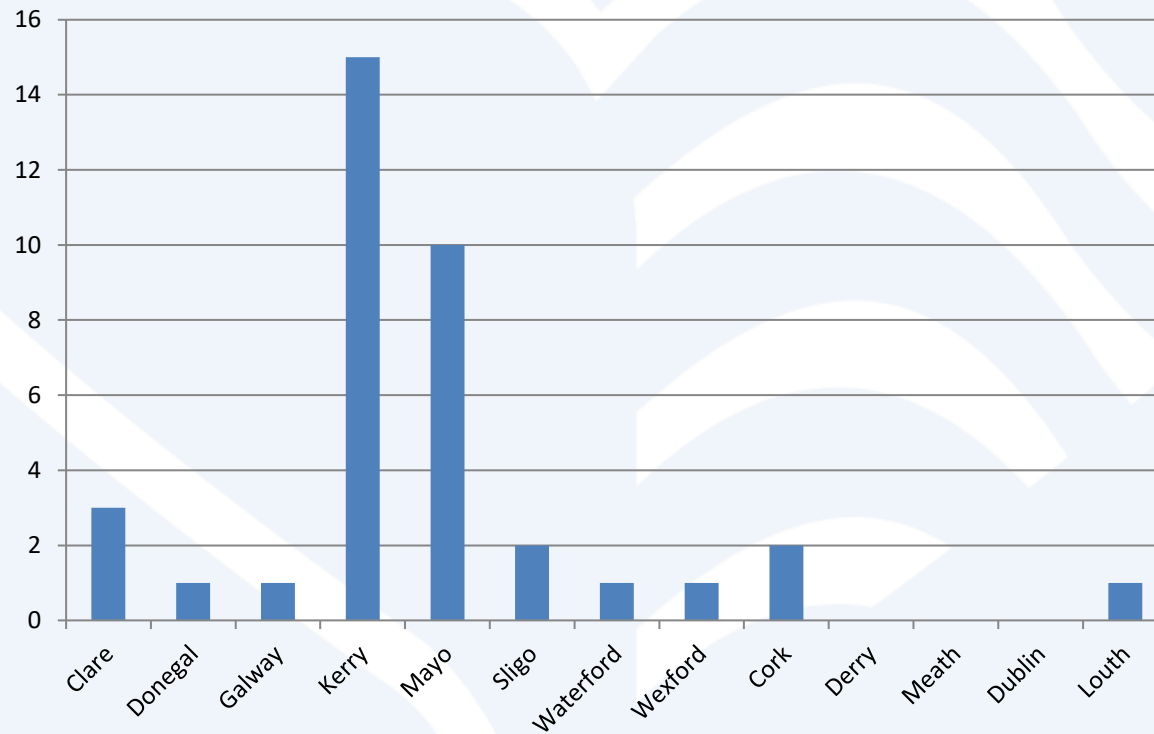
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Mass Strandings : Animals per event (2017-2022)

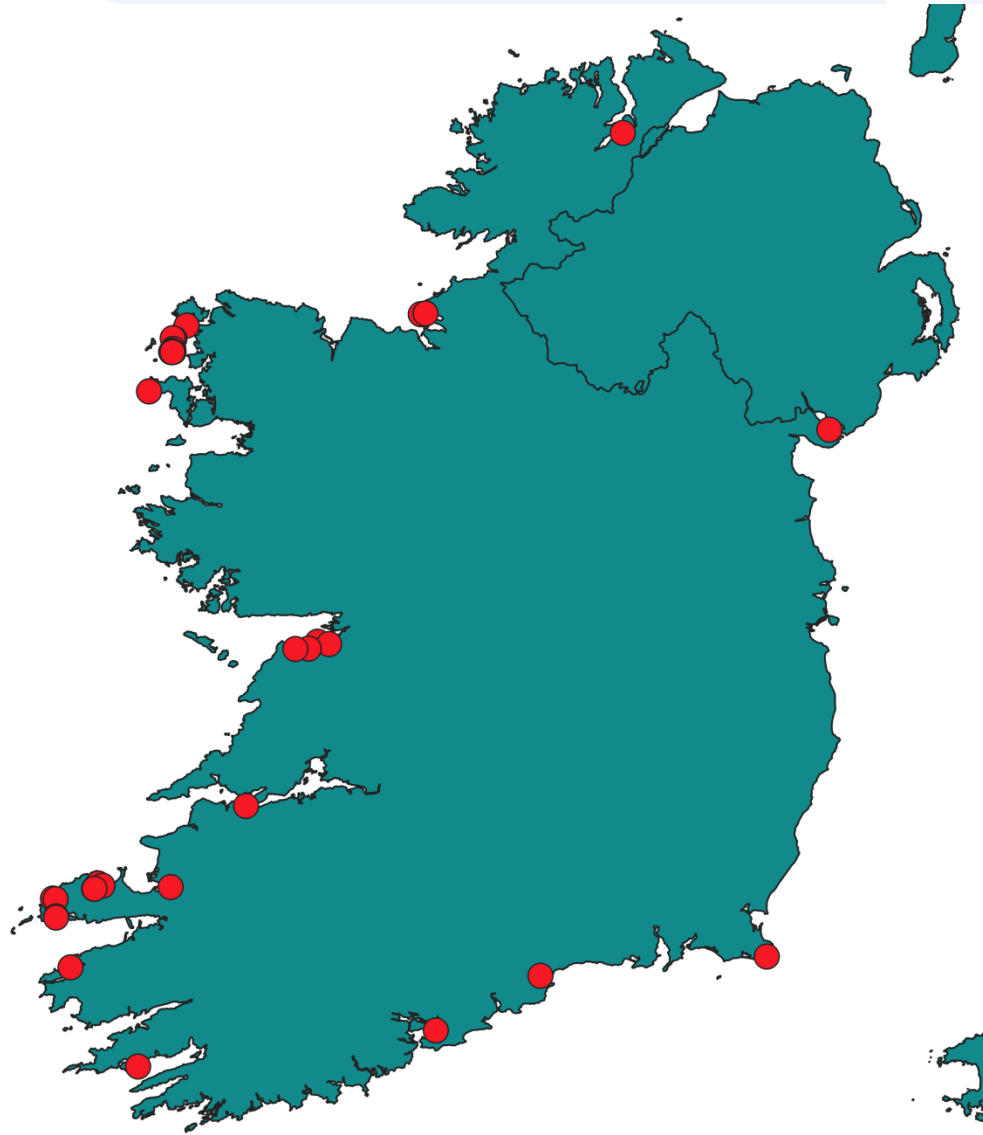


Mass Strandings 2017-2022

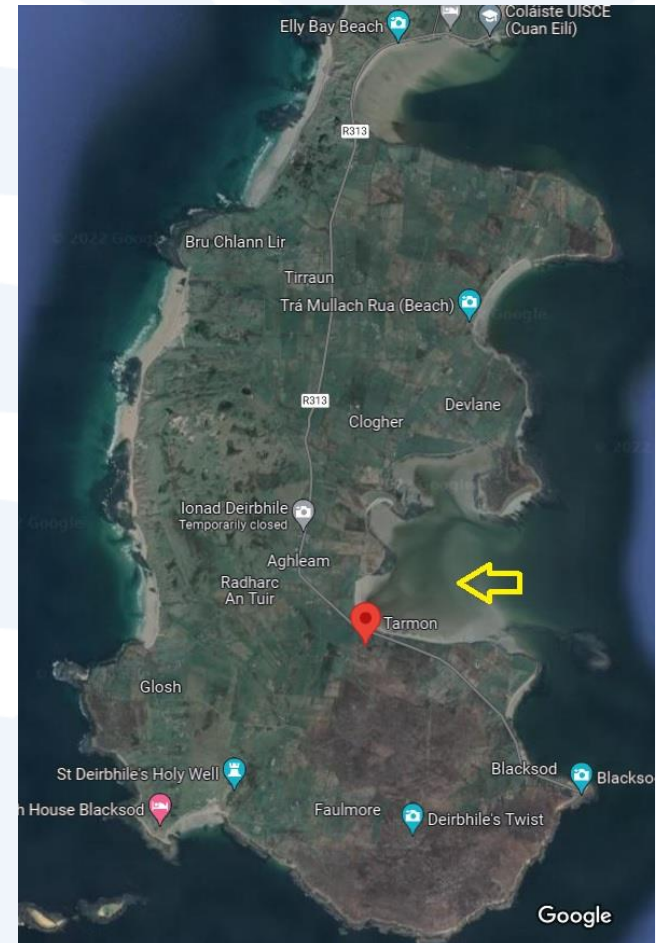
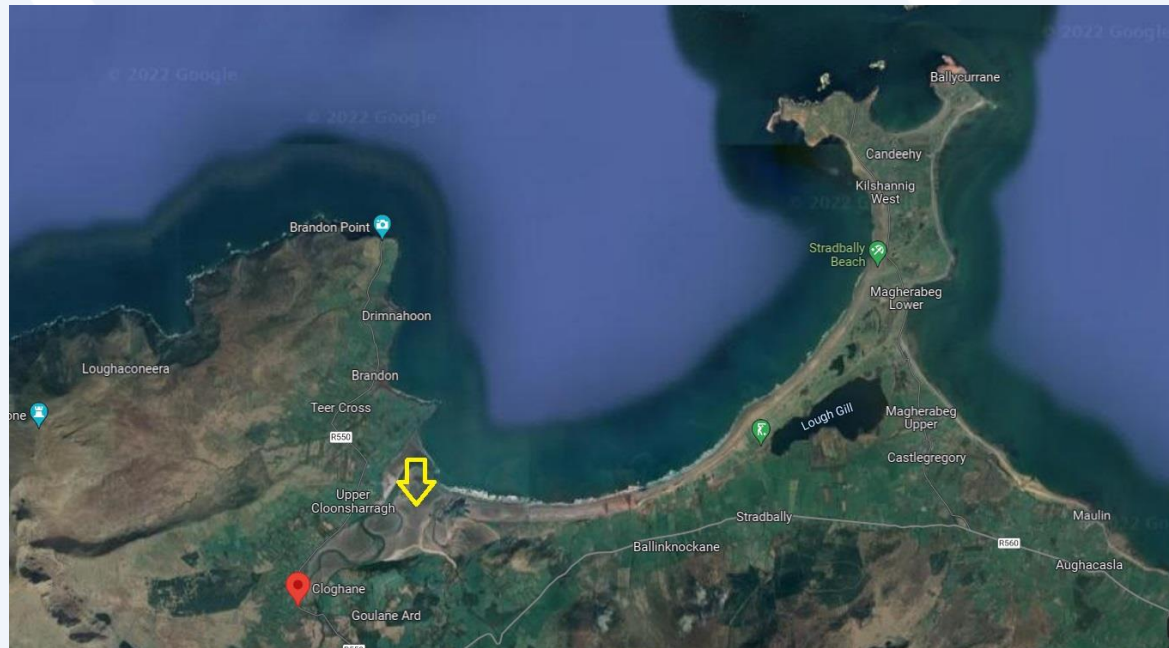




Mass Strandings 2017-2022



Mass Stranding hot spots





Stranding Scheme Data Collection

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Baseline data: Stranding Network Volunteer Checklist

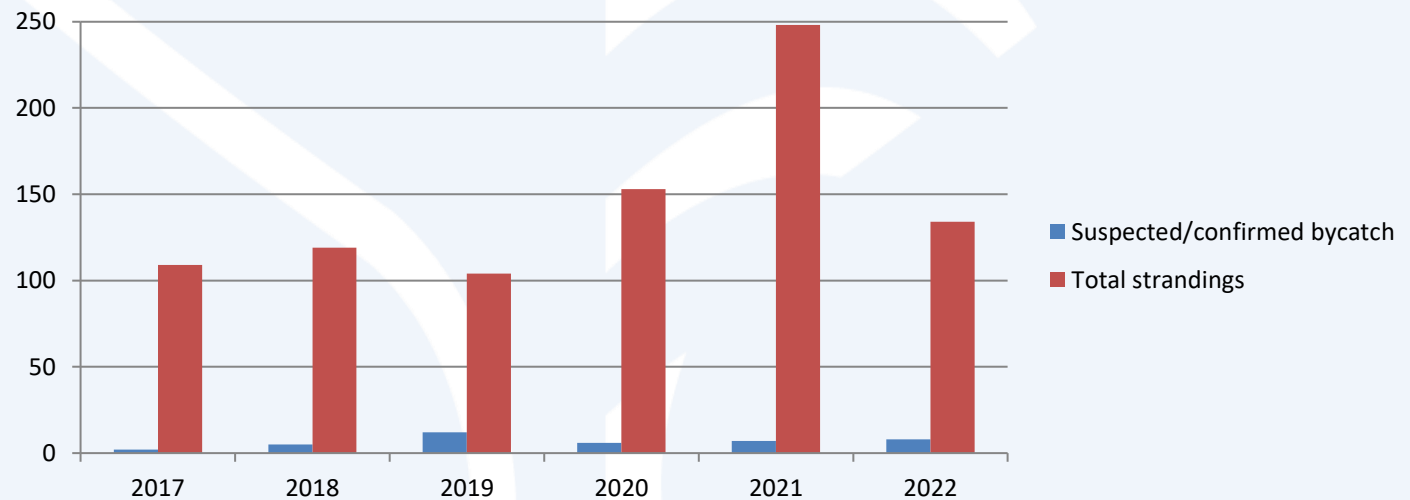
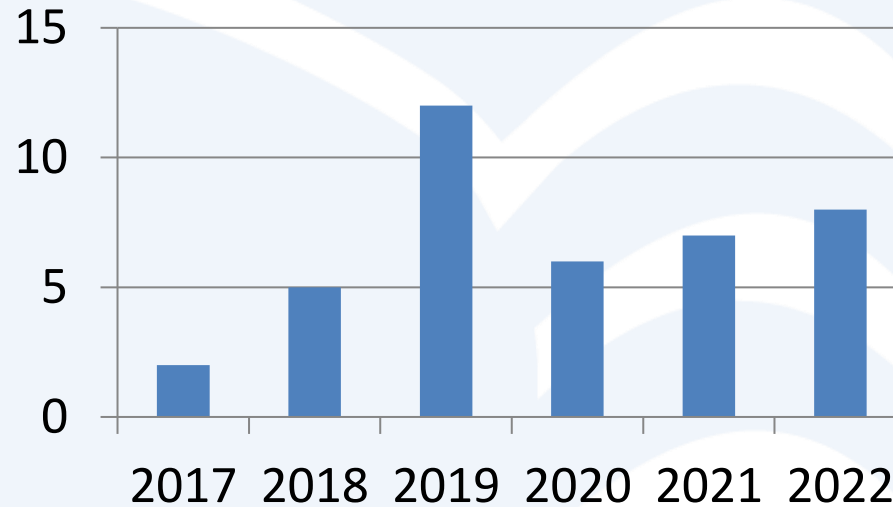
- ☐ Date of stranding & visit to stranding
- ☐ Location (GPS Lat/Long)
- ☐ Gender
- ☐ Total Body Length (cm)
- ☐ Carcass condition
- ☐ Tooth count
- ☐ Skin sample
- ☐ Notes (unusual markings etc.)



PHOTOS OF TARGET AREAS

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Genital slit | <input type="checkbox"/> Unusual markings |

Confirmed/suspected bycatch





Necropsy results from 2017-2019

Necropsy Scheme

2017 & 2018 (n=53)

Most common cause of death category:

Infectious disease (42%)

Not established (15%)

Starvation/hypothermia (11%),

Bycatch (7%).

2019 (n=30)

Most common cause of death category:

Infectious disease (23%)

Bycatch (23%)



Thank you