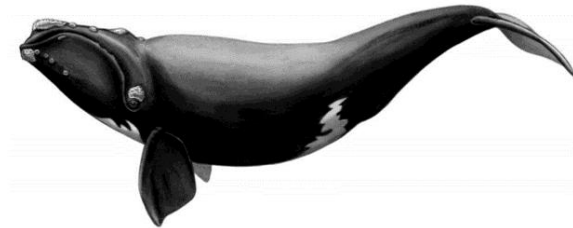




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September 25/26, 2024





Closure and Sighting Statistics, 2024

Data as of September 24, 2024

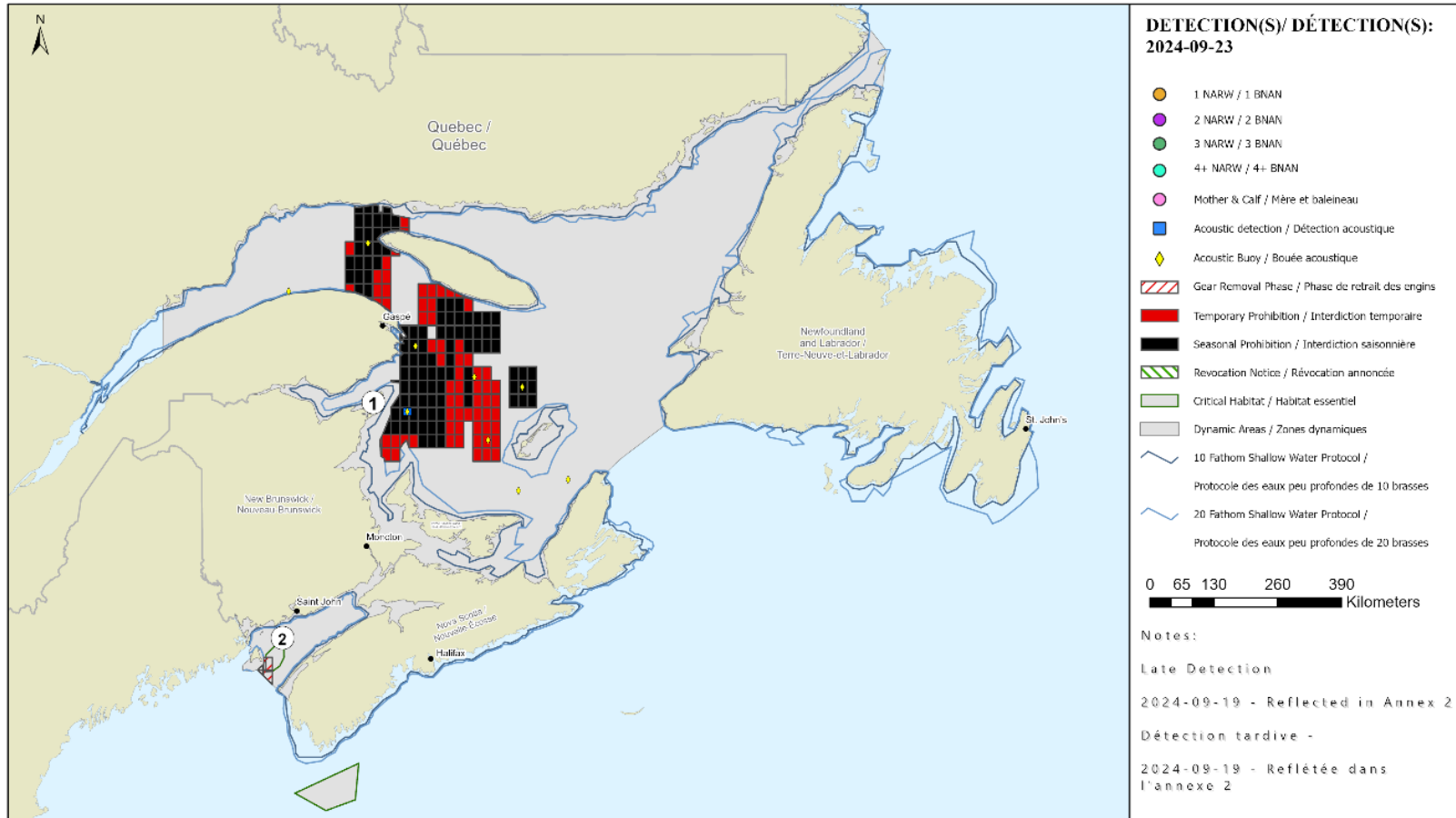
- Total Seasonal Closures: 22,607 km²
- Cumulative Area Covered by Closures in 2024: 41,484 km²
- NARW Sighted (Includes duplicates): 1101
- Individuals identified to date: 76

Year	Total Seasonal Closures	Cumulative area Covered by Closures
2020	37,991.00 km ²	74,395.00 km ²
2021	26,763.74 km ²	74,926.92 km ²
2022	29,267.58 km ²	55,229.89 km ²
2023	23,317.10km ²	68,518.10km ²



Map of Closures as of September 24, 2024

2024 NORTH ATLANTIC RIGHT WHALE PROHIBITIONS INTERDICTIONS POUR LA BALEINE NOIRE DE L'ATLANTIQUE NORD 2024



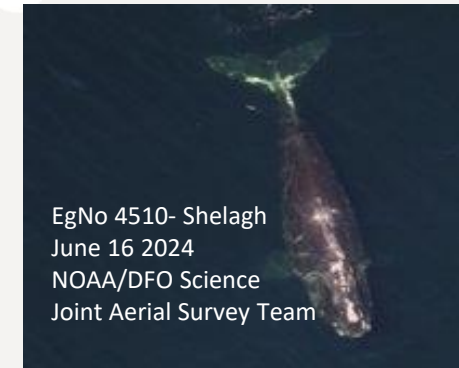
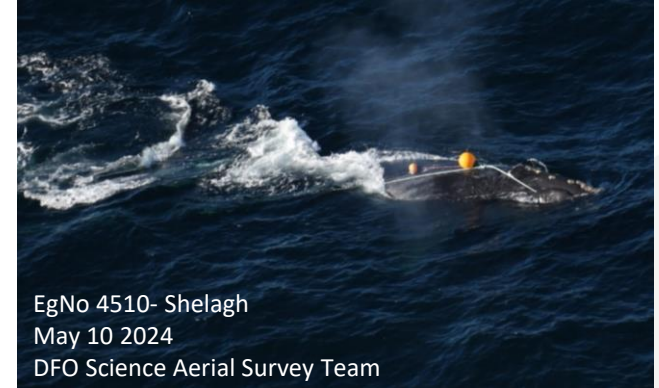
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2024 NARW Incidents in Canadian Waters

- **EG4510 (Shelagh):** Sighted entangled on May 10, 2024 by DFO aerial surveillance in Gulf of St. Lawrence. Observed gear free in the GSL on June 16, 2024 by joint DFO/NOAA aerial survey crew.
- **Unknown:** Half carcass sighted on May 12, 2024 by Transport Canada, 100 miles offshore Nova Scotia. Identified as probable NARW. Carcass was not resighted, despite dedicated surveillance efforts.
- **Unknown:** Sighted entangled on June 11, 2024 by Transport Canada 20 km south of Anticosti in the Gulf of St. Lawrence. Has not been resighted, despite dedicated surveillance efforts.



2024 NARW Incidents in Canadian Waters

- **2023 Calf of EG1812:** Sighted entangled on June 22, 2024 by a research vessel in the Gulf of St. Lawrence. On June 28, a satellite tag attached by response partners. On July 10, 2024, the team removed most of the gear. A limpet tag was attached by DFO science. Gear was retrieved and has been analyzed, the report is online.
- **EG 1271 (Dropcloth):** On July 27, DFO Science flight observed #1271 entangled, a male of unknown age, East of Miscou Island. Initial sighting information suggests the whale is in poor condition.
- **EG 3301 (Neptune):** On August 3, the Canadian Whale Institute / New England Aquarium survey team sighted the entangled whale in the Shediac Valley.
- **EG 4040 (Chimineia):** On September 18, a Transport Canada flight sighted the whale, an adult female, entangled between the Gaspé Peninsula and Anticosti Island, Gulf of St. Lawrence.





Questions