

Seacoast Science Center Marine Mammal Rescue Team



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Who makes up the “we”?



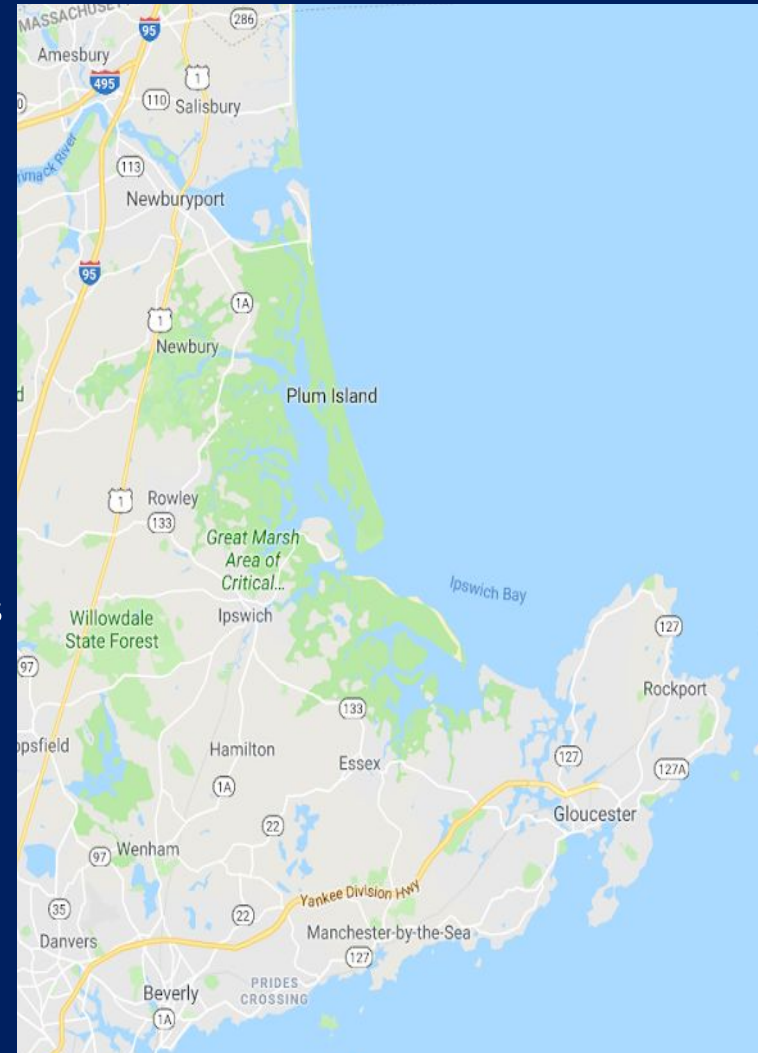
- 4 Staff (1 full-time, 3 part-time)
 - 1 Consulting Veterinarian
- 42 Volunteer Field Responders

Where we do it?



- All of New Hampshire including:
 - Great Bay, Little Bay
 - Hampton – Seabrook Harbor
 - Isles of Shoals (Star, Lunging, White)

- MA Includes
 - Salisbury to Essex



What we see?



Grey seals
Dec-Feb: 3-4 weeks



Harbor seals
May-June: 4 weeks



Harp seals
Feb-March: 12 days



Hooded seals
March-April: 4 days

Our Goals: What we do?

- Minimize health and safety threats to both humans and animals
- Educate the public about the animals we see on our beaches
- Lessen the pain and suffering of animals
- Collect scientific data
- Comply with legal agreements with government agencies



Field Data Collection



Necropsy & Tissue Archive



Monitoring Live Animals



- Post signs, establish perimeter
- Keep public at a safe distance
- Keep a field responder stationed there when possible
- Monitor animal's health progression/regression
- Relocate and flipper tag if needed



Assessment of Sick/Injured/Abandoned Seals

- Monitor
- Seek rehabilitation space
- Collect animal/ triage & transport
- Rehabilitate / Release



Capture Techniques



Triage



Rehabilitate/Release



Rescued: 1/8/19



Rescued: 2/28/19



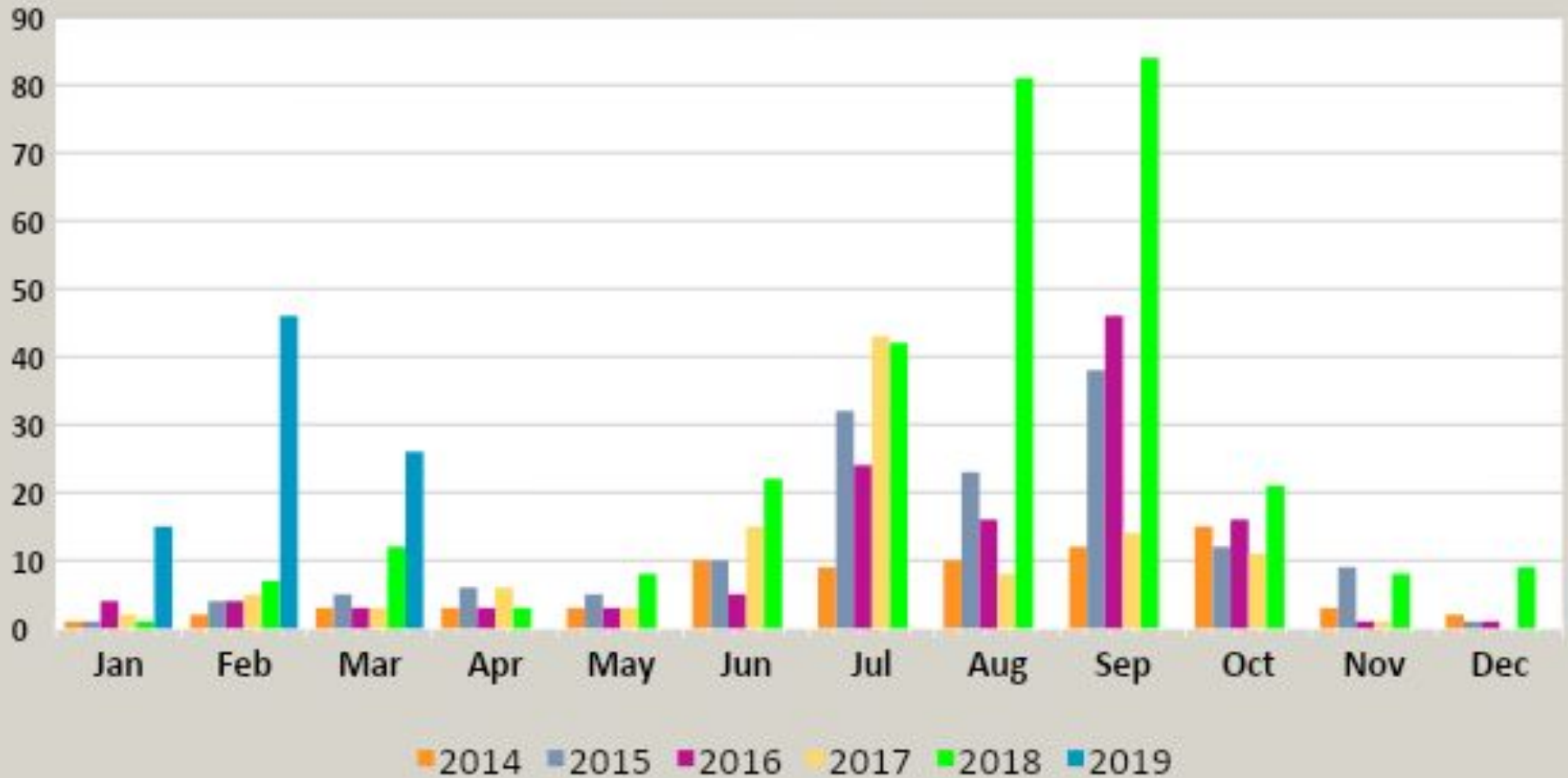
Released: 2/25/19



Released: 4/24/19

Data: Response and Unusual Mortality Events

Number of Reports/Month



You can help by remembering 3 things



- Keep back
- Call **997-9448**
- Contribute

