

2024 North Atlantic Right Whale Deaths

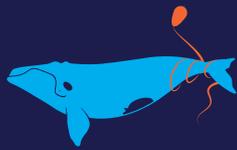
Total Death Toll = 9

5 Calves

2 Juveniles

2 Adults

*includes presumed dead as of July 2024



ENTANGLEMENT

Dead juvenile female: entanglement

January 28, 2024: A three-year-old female (#5120) wrapped with fishing gear from Maine around its tail washed up dead on the shores of Martha's Vineyard, Massachusetts. She had been entangled almost her entire life – since August 2022.



BOAT STRIKE

Dead female: boat strike

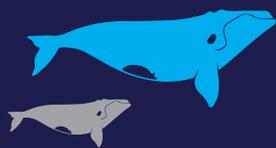
March 30, 2024: Female North Atlantic right whale #1950 was found dead off Virginia with catastrophic injuries from a boat strike. Her newborn calf is missing and presumed dead.

Dead newborn calf: boat strike

March 1, 2024: Juno's newborn calf was found dead off Georgia. It was previously spotted off South Carolina after being maimed by a boat and left with critical injuries.

Dead juvenile female: boat strike

February 13, 2024: The one-year-old female calf of Pilgrim (#4340) was found dead floating off the coast of Savannah, Georgia. Cause of death was blunt force trauma to her head from a vessel strike.



UNDER INVESTIGATION

Newborn calf: missing and presumed dead

January 5, 2024: #3780 gave birth to her calf off the coast of Georgia/Florida, then just days later was sighted without it. The calf is presumed dead. The calf was seen with its mother only once on December 31, 2023, and was likely less than a day old at the time.

Newborn calf: missing and presumed dead

January 14, 2024: Half Note #1301 previously gave birth to her calf off Cumberland Island, Georgia, and was sighted without her calf. The calf is now presumed dead.

Newborn calf: missing and presumed dead

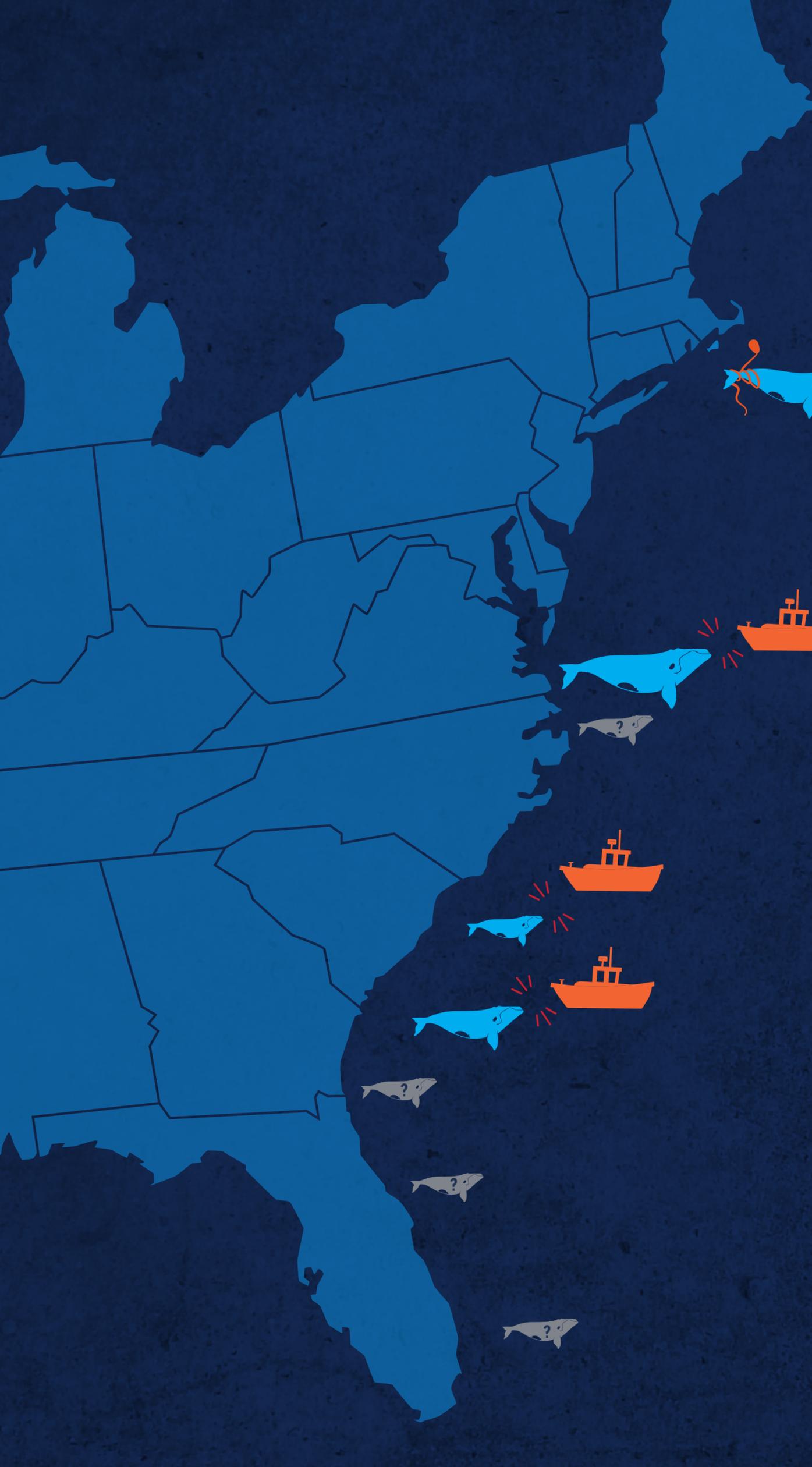
March 30, 2024: North Atlantic right whale #1950 was first spotted with her newborn calf off Georgia's coast on January 11. After #1950 was found dead off Virginia on March 30 from a fatal boat strike, her calf is missing and presumed dead.

Newborn calf: missing and presumed dead

May 2024: Newborn calf of North Atlantic right whale Skittle #3260 is presumed dead. Skittle was spotted twice without her baby, and scientists have declared the calf dead as it cannot survive alone.

Dead whale: identity and cause of death unknown

May 12, 2024: The badly deteriorated carcass of an adult North Atlantic right whale was spotted floating off Nova Scotia, Canada.



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	Boat Strike
	Missing Calves
	Entanglement
	Cause of Death Unknown