

Table 358. Oil Spills in U.S. Water—Number and Volume: 2000 to 2004

[Based on reported discharges into U.S. navigable waters, including territorial waters (extending 3 to 12 miles from the coastline), tributaries, the contiguous zone, onto shoreline, or into other waters that threaten the marine environment. U.S. Coast Guard polluting incident database]

Spill characteristic	Number of spills				Spill volume (gallons)			
	2000	2002	2003	2004	2000	2002	2003	2004
Total	8,354	4,497	4,192	3,897	1,431,370	638,882	401,140	1,416,714
Size of spill (gallons):								
1 to 100	8,058	4,269	3,975	3,677	39,355	35,728	32,881	31,150
101 to 1,000	219	176	169	170	78,779	62,331	59,661	60,387
1,001 to 3,000	37	34	19	34	67,529	60,706	33,722	66,152
3,001 to 5,000	12	2	12	2	45,512	7,686	44,630	7,840
5,001 to 10,000	16	5	11	4	112,415	37,340	77,366	26,739
10,001 to 50,000	6	8	6	5	108,400	186,065	152,880	86,430
50,001 to 100,000	4	2	–	1	266,380	144,126	–	58,036
100,001 to 1,000,000	2	1	–	4	713,000	104,900	–	1,079,981
1,000,000 and over	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Waterbody:								
Atlantic Ocean	150	83	39	31	135,010	7,852	2,223	332,110
Pacific Ocean	623	103	118	143	36,301	8,336	3,003	345,276
Gulf of Mexico	1,838	733	801	908	112,069	106,465	49,617	31,935
Great Lakes	96	41	37	77	4,535	505	3,339	895
Lakes	32	16	24	6	349	881	175	93
Rivers and canals	1,816	1,415	1,501	1,426	663,404	227,898	165,022	163,841
Bays and sounds	1,248	804	688	569	49,783	46,399	107,419	35,797
Harbors	801	999	714	630	273,095	153,965	19,033	504,321
Other	1,750	303	270	107	156,824	86,581	51,308	2,447
Source:								
Tankship	111	55	38	35	608,176	4,753	4,450	636,834
Tankbarge	229	126	156	143	133,540	30,219	102,874	215,822
All other vessels	5,220	1,635	1,521	1,527	291,927	212,410	103,481	453,901
Facilities	1,054	1,219	1,083	1,099	311,604	198,718	78,202	42,675
Pipelines	25	–	1	1	17,021	–	14,952	15,000
All other nonvessels	566	67	56	37	45,136	2,153	361	12,781
Unknown	1,149	1,395	1,337	1,055	23,966	190,630	96,819	39,700

– Represents zero.

Source: U.S. Coast Guard, *Pollution Incidents In and Around U.S. Waters, A Spill/Release Compendium: 1969–2004*
<http://www.uscg.mil/hq/g-m/nmc/response/stats/ac.htm>.