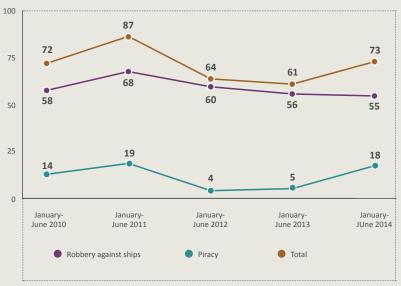


# Piracy and Armed Robbery Against Ships in Asia (January-June 2014)

## **Key Findings**

Number of incidents of piracy and armed robbery against ships (January- June of 2010-2014)

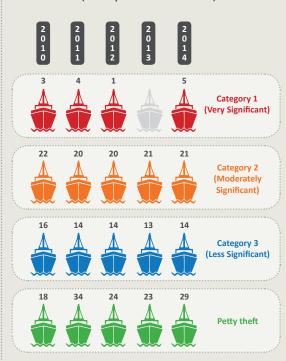


Total number of incidents January-June 2014



Of 73 incidents, 69 were actual and four were attempted incidents.

Significance level of incidents (January - June of 2010 - 2014)



- Number of robberies onboard ships lowest among five-year period
- Of concern are the five Category 1 incidents of fuel/oil siphoning which warrant careful monitoring
- Category 2, 3 and petty theft incidents fairly consistent throughout the five-year period

## **Type of Incidents**

#### Theft of fuel/oil



- Tankers of GT between 1000 and 2000 are targeted
- Pirates/robbers armed with guns and knives
- Escaped after siphoning, without harming crew
- Four of five incidents occurred in South China Sea (SCS)
- Organised crime
- Insider job

## Robbery onboard ships while underway



- Bulk carriers, general cargo ships, tankers, container ships boarded while underway in the eastbound lane of Traffic Separation Scheme (TSS), Straits of Malacca & Singapore
- Barges carrying scrap metal boarded by robbers from several small boats in the westbound lane of TSS

## Robbery at ports and anchorages



- Indonesia decline by 50%
- Bangladesh
- India

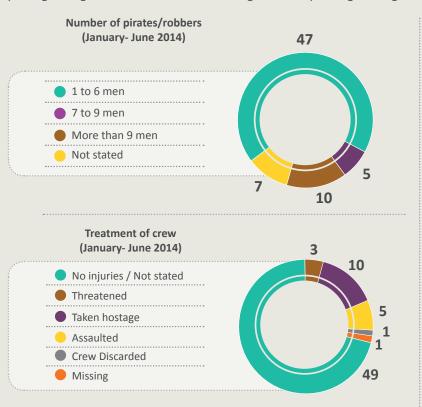


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### **Violence Factor**

Close to 90% of the incidents involved pirates/robbers who were either not armed or armed with knives. For incidents where guns were reported, none was discharged.

Two-thirds of the incidents reported no injury suffered by crew. The rest involved crew being threatened or held hostage by pirates/robbers who demanded for crew's personal belongings and valuables. One incident of crew discarded, but subsequently rescued by passing fishing boats. The incident of missing crew was pending investigation for suspected conspiracy with the pirates.





#### **Economic Factor**

Cargo discharged: Fuel/oil, scrap metal. Tug boat *Manyplus* 12 is still missing.

Type of economic losses (January - June 2014)



### **Conclusion**

- Lowest number of robberies onboard ships
- Good efforts by authorities at ports and anchorages in Indonesia
- However, more need to be done in response to theft of fuel/oil, warrant close monitoring
- Vigilance onboard vessels underway to prevent loss of cargo (scrap metal, engine spares, cash, etc) in TSS and SCS
- Timely reporting, enhanced vigilance and coordinated operational responses.