

WARNING – BRAZILIAN AUTHORITIES APPROACHING SHIPS DUE TO CRUDE OIL THAT REACHED 132 BEACHES AT NORTHEAST BRAZILIAN COAST

The Brazilian authorities are trying to identify oil shins that have reached hundreds of beaches at the northeast coast of the country, at the states of Maranhão, Piauí, Ceará, Rio Grande do Norte, Paraíba, Pernambuco, Alagoas e Sergipe.

The volume of oil at sea is estimated at 500 barrels (64,000 liters).



The Brazilian navy informed they have identified approximately 140 vessels that sailed on this area on the past two (2) months. Although there are rumours that the oil might be coming from Venezuela, all those vessels are being notified to report possible spill from the vessel, requiring a justification with evidences of no involvement on the incident.

The authorities are also reporting that according to local legislation, failure to report any pollution is subject to sanctions, as per Decree 4136/2002.

Members should be prepared to reply to the authorities accordingly, with support from the club and local correspondents.

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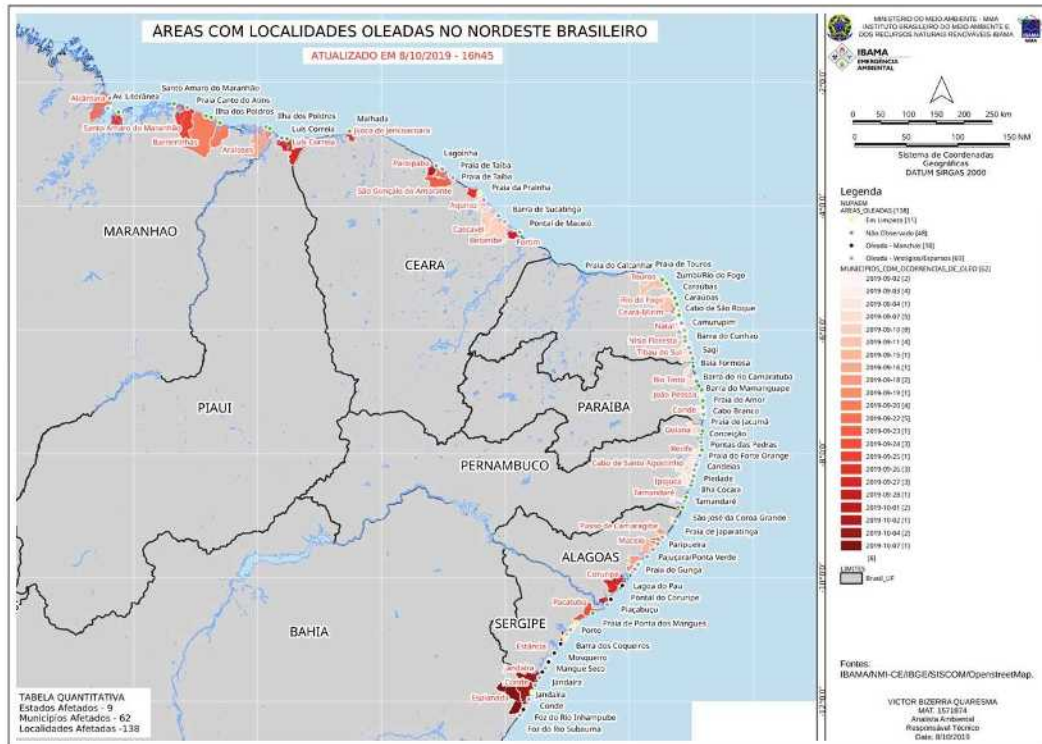
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Areas impacted by the crude oil

Further information can be found at international media sites:

<https://www.nytimes.com/2019/10/08/world/americas/brazil-oil-spill-beaches.html>

<https://www.theguardian.com/world/2019/oct/09/brazil-beach-oil-slick-venezuela-government>

<https://edition.cnn.com/2019/10/09/americas/brazil-oil-spill-intl/index.html>

We are at your disposal for any further assistance.

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