



The focus of the survey is Gray whales (northbound) during migration. We record sighting data for all cetaceans (in our survey whales and dolphins), including a distinguishing tally of Gray whales (southbound) and Humpback whales.

We gather data on all marine mammals, except the ubiquitous California sea lions swimming around. We do, however, watch for sick and injured Sea lions and enter them, if they come on shore and are in need of rescue. We, then, contact Channel Islands Marine and Wildlife Institute (CIMWI) to attend to the animal.

In addition to regular sightings of a small group of Harbor seals, we sometimes observe Northern Elephant seals and Northern Fur seals. In 2016, we managed to find a single Northern Fur seal.

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California sea lion *Zalophus californianus*

Total: 6      Pups: 1      Number of Sightings: 6

Date	Day of Effort	Species	Daily Totals	Pups
Mar 20	Day 34 of 101	California sea lion	2	1
	Sighting Number <b>11</b> Quality: Poor Beaufort: 0 <hr/> <b>12:04</b> 19:04-GMT    Position: 166° / 600 m ; Behavior: in large group <hr/> Sighting Number <b>12</b> Quality: Poor Beaufort: 0 <hr/> <b>12:06</b> 19:06-GMT    Position: 139° / 40 m <i>Sea lion pup stuck on top of rock at Counter Point- called rescue</i>			
Mar 31	Day 45 of 101	California sea lion	1	0
	Sighting Number <b>06</b> Quality: Fair Beaufort: 0 <hr/> <b>09:52</b> 16:52-GMT    Position: 157° / m <i>Perched on rock- in waves</i> <hr/> <b>10:25</b> 17:25-GMT    Position: 288° / 253 m <i>On rock- ocean edge</i>			
Apr 11	Day 56 of 101	California sea lion	1	0
	Sighting Number <b>10</b> Quality: Good Beaufort: 1 <hr/> <b>12:18</b> 19:18-GMT    Position: 104° / m ; Behavior: Rescue attempt <i>On rock near shore too close so off of reticle scale, called CIMWI at 1220.</i>			
Apr 20	Day 65 of 101	California sea lion	1	0
	Sighting Number <b>05</b> Quality: Good Beaufort: 0 <a href="#">Images: 4935-58</a> <hr/> <b>11:01</b> 18:01-GMT    Position: 136° / 30 m ; Behavior: Rescue attempt <i>On a rock - Called CIMWI - chased back into water by dog</i>			
Apr 30	Day 75 of 101	California sea lion	1	0
	Sighting Number <b>04</b> Quality: Good Beaufort: 1 <a href="#">Images: 7445-6</a> <hr/> <b>10:50</b> 17:50-GMT    Position: 186° / 40 m ; Behavior: Rescue attempt <i>Oil on coat - not moving much - called CIMWI at 1049</i>			

Northern Fur seal *Callorhinus ursinus*

Total: 1                  Pups: 0                  Number of Sightings: 1

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<b>Apr 18</b>	Day 63 of 101	Northern Fur seal	Daily Totals	1	Pups	0
Sighting Number	<b>13</b>	Quality: Fair Beaufort: 0	<b>Total 1 — 0 Pups</b>			
15:51	22:51-GMT	Position: 197° / 169 m ; Behavior: in large group				
<i>Thermoregulating</i>						

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