

STATE PILOTAGE SYSTEM OPERATIONS

State pilot operations in the Port of New York/New Jersey, the Long Island Sound/Block Island Sound, and the Hudson River District in 2017 are summarized in the ship traffic statistics below:

Arrivals and Departures: New York, Long Island Sound/Block Island Sound & Hudson River:

2017 - 9,940
2016 - 10,790
2015 - 10,574

These statistics do not include National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration, Military Sealift Command and United States Naval vessels; or ocean-going barge traffic and United States flag vessels under enrollment, which do not require compulsory State pilots.

Port of New York/New Jersey:

Vessel Traffic Increased/Decreased as follows:

Container/RoRo:	(-)	265
General Cargo:	(+)	11
Passenger:	(+)	26
Tankers:	(-)	133
Vehicle Carriers:	(+)	34
Yachts:	(-)	2

Number of Pilots: In 2017, there were 74 active Sandy Hook pilots serving the Port of New York/New Jersey, with two assigned to the Hudson River. On average there are approximately 10 pilots per month assigned to administrative duties, not fit for duty and/or piloting in other districts leaving 64 pilots per month serving the Port of New York/New Jersey. Original Deputy Sandy Hook pilot licenses were issued to Thomas F. Sullivan (NY), Gregory J. Stem (NY), Stephen E. Feminella (NY) and Nicholas L. Pitch (NJ) in 2017. Two apprentice pilots were also appointed in 2017. Kiersten Healy was registered in New York, while Peter G. Rooss, Jr. was registered in New Jersey.

The Hudson River Pilots Association has three Full Branch and two Deputy Pilots working on the Hudson River. In addition, there are six Sandy Hook Pilots licensed for the lower Hudson River to assist the Hudson River Pilots Association during periods of increased vessel activity or heavy ice conditions.

Northeast Marine Pilots has seven Full Branch Pilots licensed for the waters of the Long Island Sound/Block Island Sound, providing pilotage from Point Judith, Rhode Island to City Island, New York. Five Sandy Hook Pilots are also licensed in the Long Island Sound/Block Island Sound as part of the Joint Pilot Rotation System implemented between the States of New York and Connecticut.

RETIREMENTS:

There were five pilot retirements in 2017 due to age or personal injury: Captains Joseph D. Dugan, Stephen E. Naples and George A. Canvin, Jr. from the New York Sandy Hook Pilots Association and Captains Richard Schoenlank and Douglas Einhorn from the New Jersey Sandy Hook Pilots Association. The Board extends its thanks to these captains for their dedicated service and offers them fair winds and following seas in retirement.

APPRENTICES:

There are five New York and six New Jersey Sandy Hook Pilot Apprentices under the direction of the Apprentice Training Committee of the United New York and New Jersey Sandy Hook Pilots Benevolent Association. Apprentice Pilots also serve as masters and/or navigation watch officers on the Pilot Boats NEW YORK and NEW JERSEY, and as motorboat operators on pilot station as part of their apprenticeship.

SHIP MOVEMENTS AND ASSIGNMENTS:

PORT OF NEW YORK/NEW JERSEY SANDY HOOK PILOTS NUMBER OF SHIP MOVEMENTS AND TRANSPORTS:

2017 - 9,193 ship movements, 144 per pilot
2016 - 10,025 ship movements, 157 per pilot
2015 - 9,787 ship movements, 153 per pilot

PORT OF NEW YORK/NEW JERSEY SANDY HOOK PILOTS ACTIVITY ANALYSIS; TOTAL NUMBER OF PILOT ASSIGNMENTS*

2017 - 10,495 total pilot assignments, 164 per pilot
2016 - 11,434 total pilot assignments, 179 per pilot
2015 - 11,461 total pilot assignments, 179 per pilot

LONG ISLAND SOUND /BLOCK ISLAND SOUND NEW YORK LICENSED PILOTS SHIP ASSIGNMENTS:

2017 - 199 ship movements, 22 per pilot
2016 - 205 ship movements, 23 per pilot
2015 - 225 ship movements, 22 per pilot

*Pilot Assignments include Harbor Operations, Dredging, Simulator Training, Trustee and Committee Meetings.

HUDSON RIVER PILOTS ASSOCIATION SHIP ASSIGNMENTS:

2017 - 548 ship assignments, 69 per pilot
2016 - 560 ship assignments, 70 per pilot
2015 - 562 ship assignments, 94 per pilot

TOTAL STATE PILOTAGE ASSIGNMENTS; ALL PILOTAGE DISTRICTS:

2017 - 11,242 total system assignments
2016 - 12,199 total system assignments
2015 - 12,248 total system assignments