



Bonn Agreement Accord de Bonn

Aerial Surveillance Programme

2012

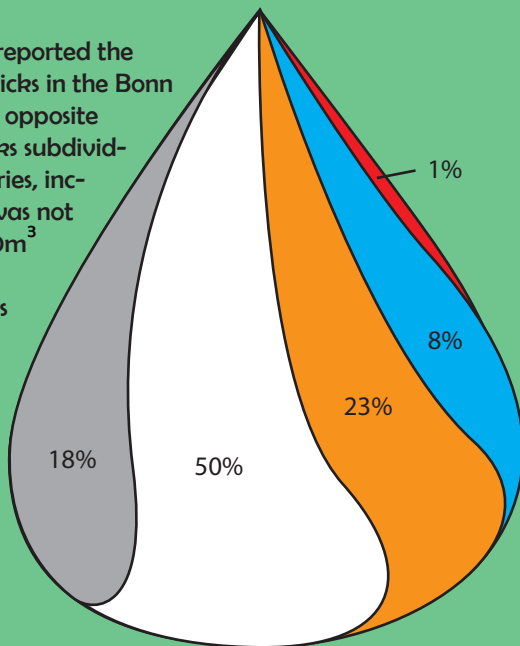
The eight countries bordering the North Sea work together within the Bonn Agreement to undertake aerial surveillance using specially equipped aircraft and specialised personnel to detect spills of oil and other harmful substances and enforce international environmental regulations.

Colour key - Spill volume



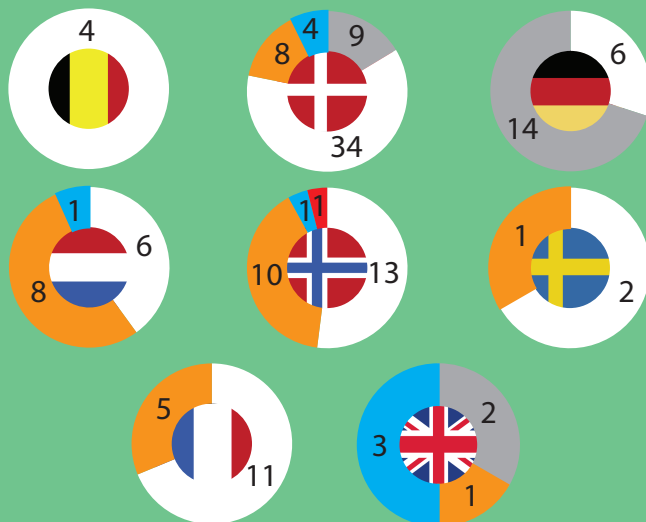
Percentage of spills per category

In 2012 Contracting Parties reported the estimated volumes for 103 slicks in the Bonn Agreement area. The figure opposite shows the percentage of slicks subdivided into different size categories, including spills where volume was not estimated. No spills over 100m³ were reported during 2012, however the number of spills where the volume was not estimated was 19% higher than 2011. Most slicks were in a size category that did not warrant action to combat them, since they would evaporate, dissolve and disperse naturally.



Spills per category by country

The number of observed spills per volume category, broken down per country, highlighting the relative proportion of the spills observed nationally.



Location of spills

