

# DAILY MIOC INTELLIGENCE BRIEF

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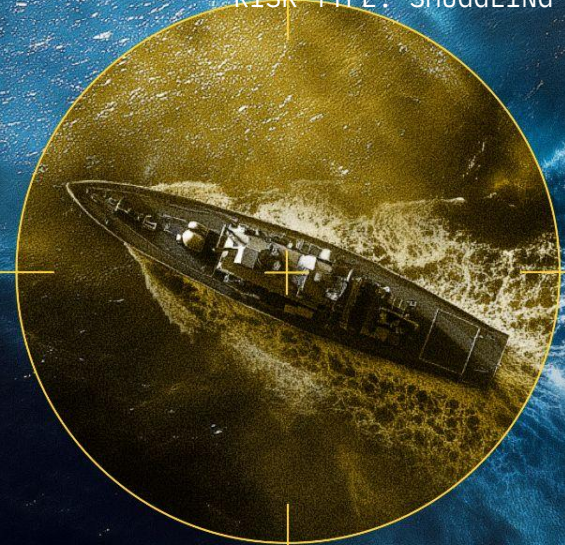
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# STRAIT OF HORMUZ AND MARITIME CHOKEPOINTS

March 30, 2026

KEY METRICS — TODAY

01 · SITUATIONAL OVERVIEW

VESSELS IN GULF

606

Active vessels tracked

↓ -41 vs yesterday

INBOUND CROSSINGS

4

4 AIS · 0 Dark

↑ +3 vs yesterday

OUTBOUND CROSSINGS

4

3 AIS · 1 Dark

↑ +2 vs yesterday

DARK ACTIVITY EVENTS

387

AIS-off events

↓ -8% vs yesterday

VESSELS ATTACKED

21

Since conflict start

↑ +1 this week

FLEET COMPOSITION — 606 VESSELS IN GULF

04 · FLEET INTELLIGENCE

ANALYTICS — CROSSINGS & DESTINATIONS



150

BULK CARRIERS



58

PRODUCT TANKERS



70

CRUDE TANKERS



36

CONTAINER SHIPS



35

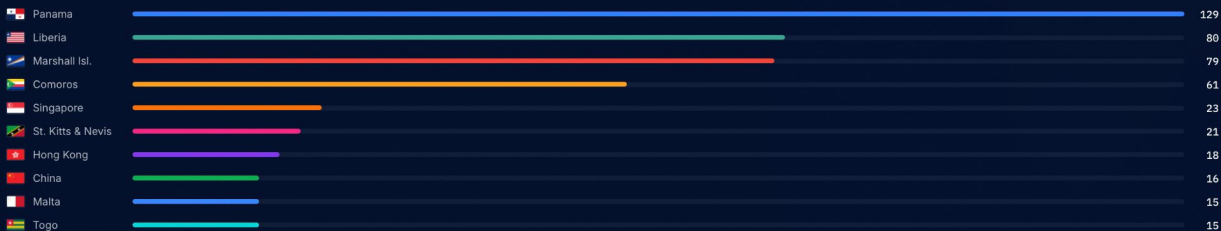
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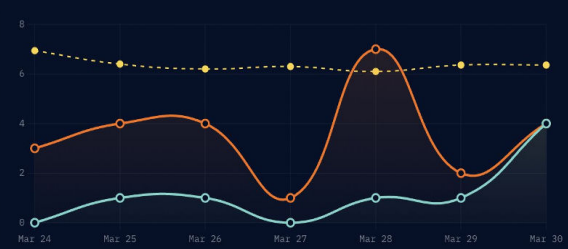
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Hormuz Crossings

AIS-visible · Last 7 days · Inbound vs Outbound



# EPIC FURY Daily Analysis - HORMUZ

Transits / Static in the Strait:

March 31, 2026

- 3 AIS Transmitting Vessels Exited the Gulf
- 1 AIS Transmitting Vessel Entered the Gulf

Vessels Breakdown - [See Annex 1](#)

SAR image analysis

- Satellite imagery (31-03 02:06 UTC) confirms the commercial lanes are empty.
- 13 large vessels (250m+) detected north to Larak Island



Figure - AIS Transmitting Vessels Transiting Hormuz, March 31. Windward

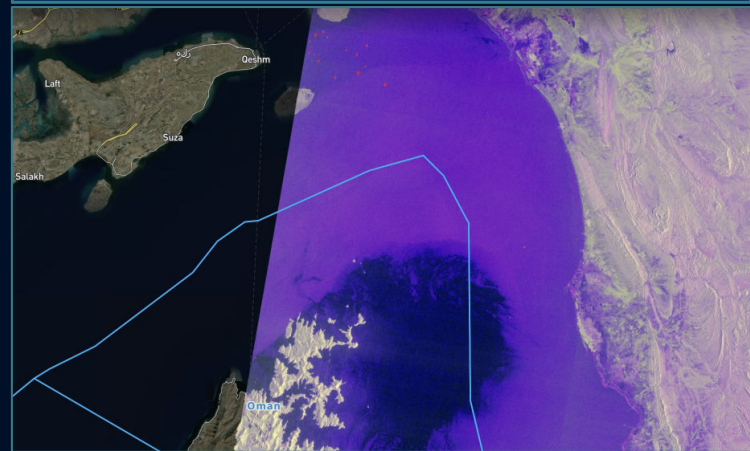


Figure - SAR Image, Hormuz, March 31. Windward

## Oil-on-Water:

- Iran's Cargo-on-Water is currently estimated at ~181.4 million barrels (~2.6 million barrels less than on the previous day), comprising 165.8 Mbbbl of crude & condensates, 10.1 Mbbbl of CPP, and 5.5 Mbbbl of DPP.

## SOHAR CRUDE INFLOWS:

- Sohar received its first-ever significant Iranian crude delivery on March 31 - 2.01M bbl of Iranian Heavy, loaded at Kharg Island
- This is the largest single crude cargo ever delivered to Sohar
- Four additional cargoes are currently in transit, arriving through April 20, totalling a further ~2.5M bbl
- Inbound origins: Russia (Baltic Urals x2, Arctic Varandey) and Nigeria (Bonny Light)
- Combined total across current and planned deliveries: approximately 4.5M bbl

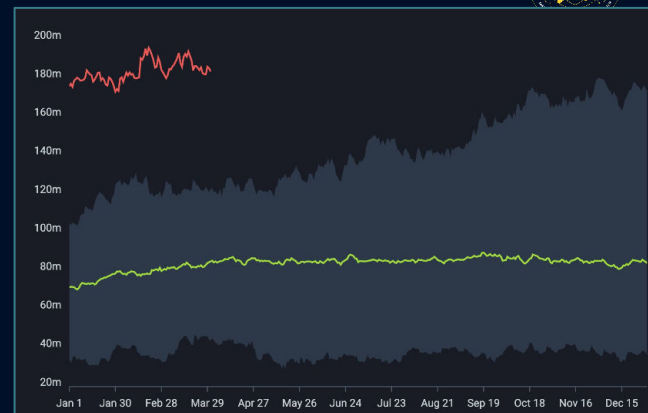


Figure - Iranian oil on water, Above Seasonal Average, March 31. Vortexa

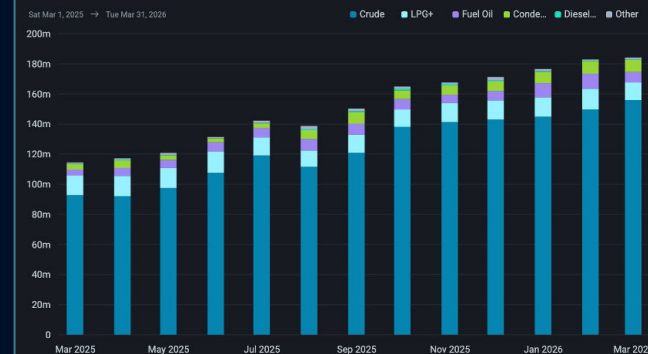
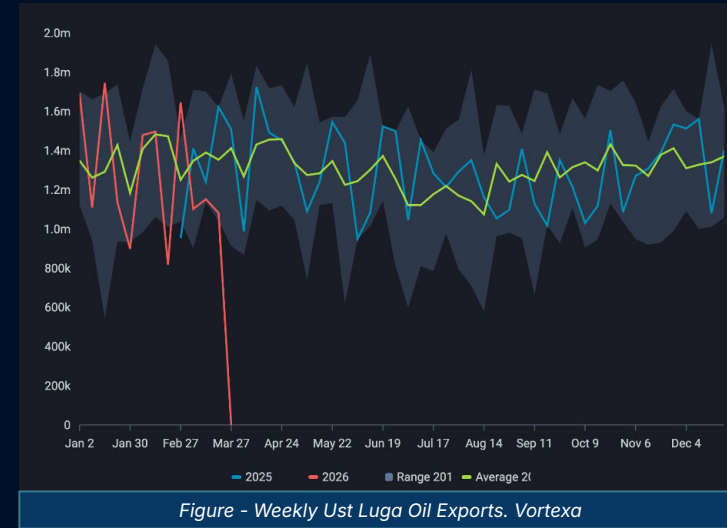


Figure - Iranian Crude-on-Water, Vortexa

## Ust-Luga: Operations Ceased Following Sixth UAV Strike

- **Latest Attack:** Overnight on March 31, 2026, Ust-Luga sustained its sixth successful drone strike in nine days. The attack specifically damaged the Transneft crude oil loading terminal, including critical pier infrastructure and loading arms.
- **Export Paralysis:** According to Vortexa data, departures have effectively plummeted to zero. Only one shipment (approx. 730k barrels) has been recorded in the last seven days, compared to the 12-month average of 1.15m bbl/day.
- **Historical Low:** March 2026 now marks the lowest export volume in over a year. The "Red Line" on departure charts has broken below the 2024–2025 historical range, confirming a systemic shutdown of the terminal.
- **Regional Impact:** With 40% of Russia's Baltic export capacity now offline, the terminal's ability to service its primary Asian markets (India and China) is in serious doubt as loading remains physically impossible.





# EPIC FURY Daily Analysis - PORT EXCEPTIONS

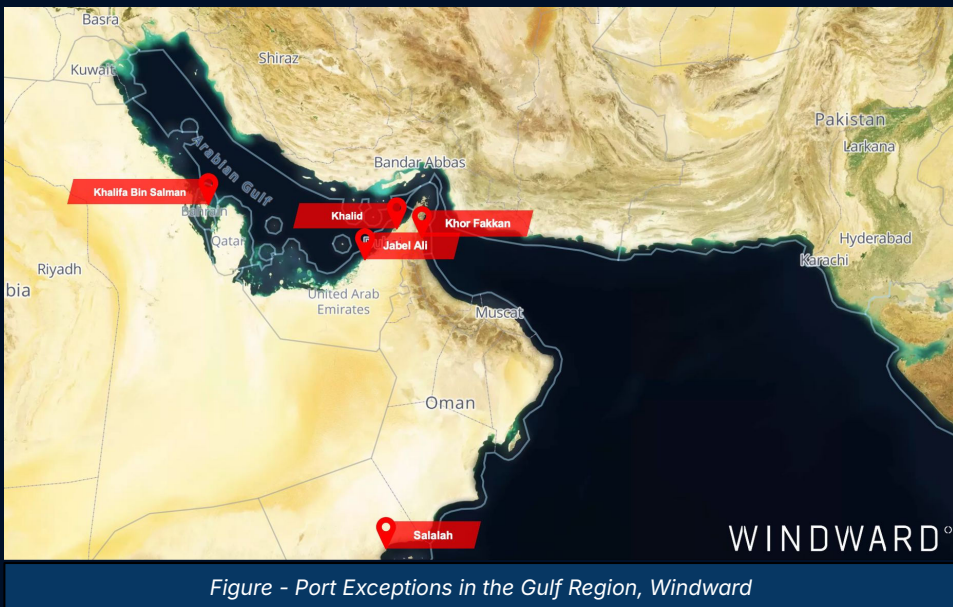


## Gulf:

- **Jebel Ali, UAE:** 5 port-of-destination changes (0-baseline from previous day, +34.62% vs 7-day average).
- **Port Khalid, UAE:** 4 port-of-destination changes (+100% from previous day, +300% vs 7-day average).
- Shuwaikh, Kuwait: 4 transshipment rollovers (+100% from previous day, +1300% vs 7-day average); 4 transshipment-delay cases (0-baseline from previous day, +1300% vs 7-day average).
- **Khalifa Bin Salman, Bahrain:** 3 port-of-destination changes (+200% from previous day, +950% vs 7-day average).

## Outside the Gulf:

- **Khor Fakkan, UAE:** 11 port-of-destination changes (+450% from previous day, +4.05% vs 7-day average).
- **Salalah, Oman:** 5 transshipment rollovers (+66.67% from previous day, -75.35% vs 7-day average); 5 transshipment-delay cases (+66.67% from previous day, -71.77% vs 7-day average).





# EPIC FURY Daily Analysis - ATTACKED VESSEL



## Incident Overview:

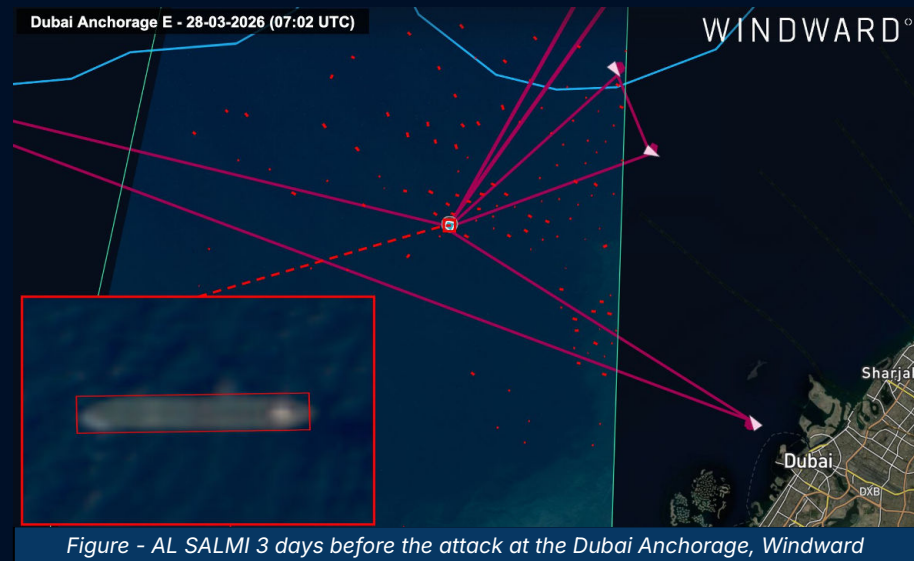
- On March 31, 2026, the Kuwaiti VLCC *AL SALMI* was hit by a drone strike while anchored at the Dubai Anchorage (E).
- UAE forces extinguished the fire. All 24 crew members are safe.

## Strategic Context:


- Since the closure of Hormuz, the area has become a major congestion point.
- As of 28-03, at least 49 large vessels (250m+) were idling there.
- The area is also affected by severe GPS jamming, which had impacted *AL SALMI* in recent days.


## Vessel & Cargo:


- *AL SALMI* (IMO 9534793) is a 333m Kuwait Petroleum Corporation VLCC with 319,660 DWT.
- It is carrying about 2.06 million barrels of crude oil.
- The vessel was sailing from to Qingdao, with an original ETA of April 20, 2026.






 Windward Co-Founder & CEO, Ami Daniel - (Podcast) - [A deep dive into one of the most important global trade chokepoints: the Straits of Hormuz](#)

 Windward Co-Founder & CEO, Ami Daniel - (LinkedIn) - [Hormuz Alternatives](#)

 Windward - (Blog) - [March 31, 2026: One Month of War in the Gulf](#)

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# ANNEX 1 - VESSELS TRANSITED THE STRAIT OF HORMUZ



Vessel Name	IMO	Flag	Subclass	Reported Destination
LOUIZA	9281554	Netherlands Caribbean	Oil Products Tanker	KAZ IQ
SABRINA	9308194	Liberia	Crude Oil Tanker	-
AQUAMARINE	9281542	Netherlands Caribbean	Oil Products Tanker	Kharg Island (Iran)
TOPAZ	9314454	Liberia	Crude Oil Tanker	Suez (Egypt)



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