



# Coast Guard Globally Deployed Cutter Fleet

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# Cutter Forces Mission

...to advocate on behalf of Cuttermen and reduce strategic risk for those serving within the cutter community by forecasting emerging challenges, validating functional requirements, and identifying the policy and capabilities needed to safely and effectively execute Coast Guard missions.



# Changes in the Cutter Fleet

- Average 250 Cutters in service
- Largest recap of ships (134 hulls)
  - National Security Cutter
  - Fast Response Cutter
  - Offshore Patrol Cutter
  - Polar Security Cutter
  - Waterways Commerce Cutter
- Doubling tons afloat
- New global mission demands







# Drivers to Changes in Cutter Operations

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## NATIONAL STRATEGY FOR THE ARCTIC REGION

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Advantage at Sea

## NATIONAL SECURITY STRATEGY

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## AL 5-YEAR FOR COMBATING ED, AND UNREGULATED FISHING 2-2026

## DRUG STRATEGY

RESIDENT  
CONTROL POLICY



Member Agencies:  
National Oceanic Atmospheric Administration  
U.S. Department of State  
U.S. Coast Guard  
Council on Environmental Quality  
Director of National Intelligence, Representative of  
National Security Council  
Office of Management and Budget  
Office of Science and Technology Policy  
Office of the U.S. Trade Representative  
U.S. Agency for International Development  
U.S. Department of Agriculture  
U.S. Department of Defense  
U.S. Department of Homeland Security  
U.S. Department of Justice  
U.S. Department of Labor  
U.S. Department of the Treasury  
U.S. Federal Trade Commission  
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service  
U.S. Food and Drug Administration  
U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement  
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# What's Next?

- Interchangeability with Navy
- Integration of Unmanned Systems
- Arctic Patrol Cutter capability

