

Beach Cleanup Results



ME, NH, MA • 2021

In 2021, Blue Ocean Society for Marine Conservation volunteers completed **248 cleanups** at **41 sites** from **Boston, MA to Ogunquit, ME**. The majority of cleanups took place in Hampton, Rye, and York.

A total of **72,565 items** were collected, weighing **3,951 pounds**.



SNHU volunteers at Foss Beach in Rye, NH

What did we find on the beach?

Item Name	Total	Item Name	Total
1 Cigarette butts	15,931	25 Other glass	551
2 Other items not on list	6,384	26 Glass pieces 5 mm - 2.5 cm	516
3 Rope scraps < 1 m	5,755	27 Glass pieces < 5 mm	495
4 Plastic pieces 5 mm - 2.5 cm	4,867	28 Personal hygiene items	485
5 Wrappers	4,235	29 Plastic bag (Grocery)	414
6 Plastic pieces < 5 mm	4,156	30 Strapping bands (Open)	385
7 Plastic pieces 2.5 cm - 10 cm	3,602	31 Fishing line	369
8 Other unknown plastic > 10 cm	2,780	32 Balloons (Latex)	355
9 Plastic bottle caps	1,969	33 Plastic bag (Zip-lock, produce, other)	354
10 Foam pieces 5 mm - 2.5 cm	1,624	34 Plastic food container	332
11 Lobster bands	1,597	35 Nets - includes bait bags	322
12 Other metal	1,477	36 Dog poop (Bagged)	184
13 Rope >= 1m	1,336	37 Foam cups	180
14 Metal beverage cans	1,331	38 Glass beverage bottles	171
15 Plastic film (Thin/flexible)	1,278	39 Foam food container	171
16 Foam pieces 2.5 cm - 10 cm	1,194	40 Non-Beverage containers/bottles	163
17 Foam pieces < 5 mm	1,173	41 Floats/buoys	154
18 Zip ties (Cable ties)	1,141	42 Bag (Trash)	152
19 Plastic beverage bottles	994	43 Strapping bands (Closed)	122
20 Traps/pots	949	44 Dog poop (Un-bagged)	104
21 Straws	835	45 Balloons (Mylar)	87
22 Metal bottle caps	648	46 Hooksett disks	45
23 Packaging material	610	47 Syringes	19
24 Glass pieces 2.5 cm - 10 cm	569	TOTAL	72,565



Triumverate Environmental staff at Revere Beach in Revere, MA.

Thank You

to these groups who cleaned the beach with us in 2021!

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| American Medical Response | Merrimack High School |
| Apple | Monarch School of New England |
| Barnstead Elementary School | Navico |
| Berwick Academy | NEMO |
| Boy Scouts of America | NH Climate Action |
| BVS ROOTS Camp | Northeastern University |
| Clean Wave Club | Ogunquit Rotary Club |
| Coe-Brown Northwood High School | Piscataqua Savings Bank |
| Dover High School | Portsmouth High School |
| Eli Lilly & Company | Prospect Mountain High School |
| Every Piece Counts Teen Cleanup Initiative | Rye Beach Committee |
| Exeter High School | Santley Family |
| First Congregational Church of Hampton | Seacoast Science Center |
| Girl Scouts of America | Smith & Nephew |
| Granite State FFA | Southern New Hampshire University |
| Hampton Cub Scouts | Sprague Energy |
| Hoey Family | The Concept Project |
| Impax | Timberland |
| Kites Against Cancer | Triumverate Environmental |
| Leadership Seacoast | UCC HS Youth Group |
| Lemon | UNH Environmental Action Club |
| Londonderry High School | Unlimited Possibilities |
| Lonza Biologics | Vapotherm |
| Medtronic | Westinghouse Electric |
| MegaFood | Whole Foods Market |

Cleanups by State	
New Hampshire (Seabrook, Hampton, North Hampton, Rye, New Castle, Portsmouth, Dover, Durham)	194
Massachusetts (Revere, Boston, Salisbury, Plum Island, Ipswich)	16
Maine (Kittery, York, Ogunquit, Eliot)	38



Southeastern University students at Short Sands Beach in York, ME.



Sprague Energy volunteers at Foss Beach in Rye, NH

