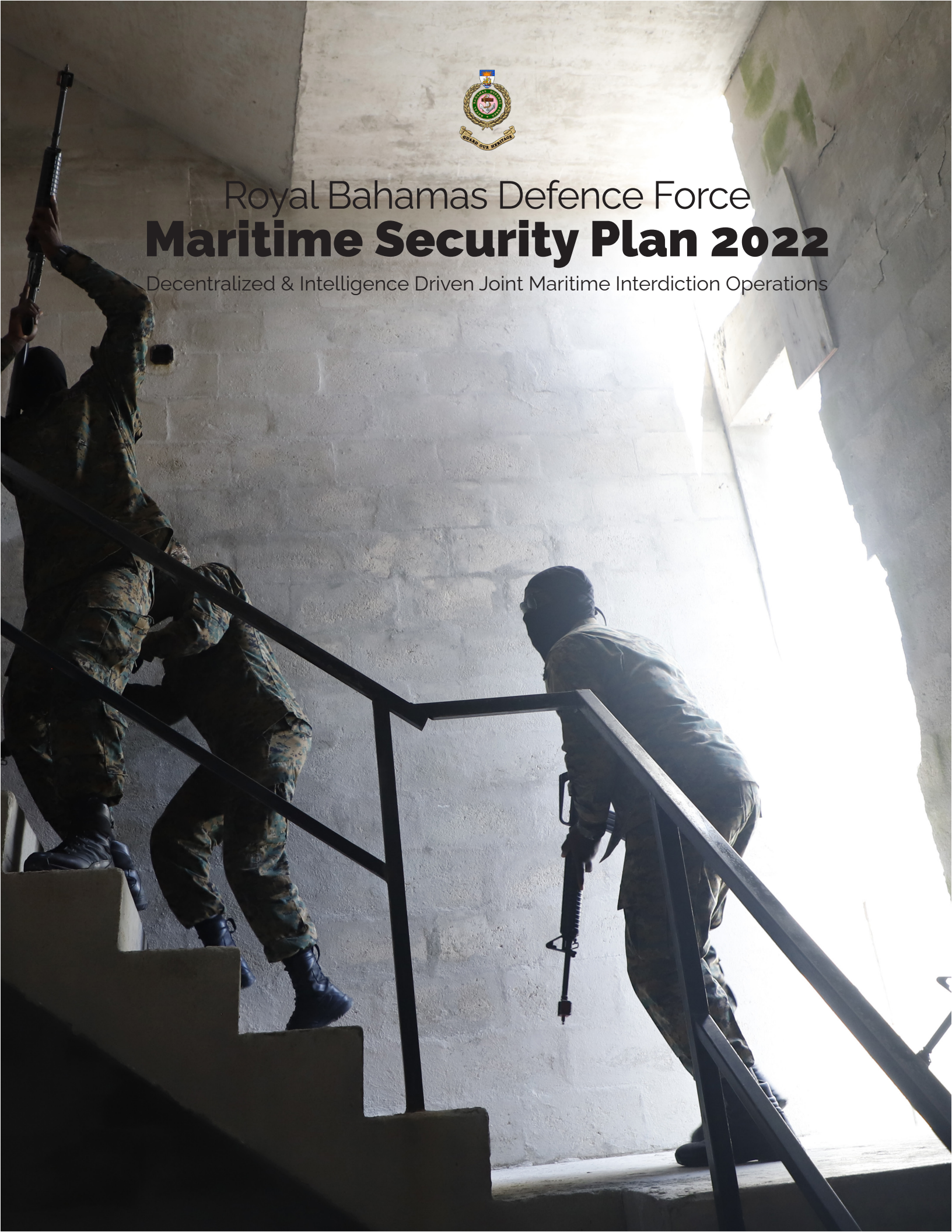




Royal Bahamas Defence Force **Maritime Security Plan 2022**

Decentralized & Intelligence Driven Joint Maritime Interdiction Operations



“Maritime Security Plan 2022 ”

The Pursuit of Excellence In Guarding Our Heritage

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Strategic Goal

Pursuit of excellence in guarding our heritage.

Operational Goal

Decentralized & Intelligence Driven, and Joint Maritime Interdiction Operations.



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The RBDF is the only military arm of the Bahamian Government charged with the responsibility for the Defence of the territorial integrity of the Commonwealth of The Bahamas.

Mandate

- Defence of the Bahamas
- Protection of the territorial integrity of The Bahamas
- Patrol of the waters of The Bahamas
- Provision of assistance and relief in times of disasters
- Maintenance of law and order in conjunction with other law enforcement agencies
- Any such duties as determined by the National Security Council



Leading Seaman Hubert Smith and Able Seaman Cyril Sands unveiling the Defence Force's Naval Ensign for the first time in 1979. In the Background is Commander John Carey, RN, the force's first Squadron Commanding Officer

Operational Considerations

Role and functions

- SAR Operations
- Navigational Aids upkeep
- Diplomatic Security
- Harbour Security
- Detention Facility Security
- Military Assistance to Civil Authorities
- Law Enforcement Agency Support
- Operation Secure Shores

Strategic Goals:

- Deny—make it difficult for offenders to exploit our territorial integrity
- Interdict—disrupt enemy activity
- Incapacitate—neutralize or capture offenders
- Deter—dissuade criminal organizations and terrorist networks.

Operational Goal

Decentralized, Intelligence Driven and Joint Maritime Interdiction Operations."



Mission

"To defend the sovereignty of the Commonwealth of The Bahamas; assist with the maintenance of law and order; and perform humanitarian tasks in conjunction with local, regional and international partners.

Motto

"The pursuit of excellence in guarding our heritage."

Vision

"The development of a Professional and High Performance Workforce focused on Performance Excellence."

Professional Workforce

1. Trained and educated
2. Exude a culture of excellence
3. Bias and prejudice free whereby we listen and learn from each member
4. Demonstrate respect for the dignity and worth of each other
5. Reinforce a culture of mission command (needed for all levels of decentralized Operations)

High Performance Workforce

Cultivating an inclusive working environment whereby there is (1) general participation in the decision making process, (2) teamwork emphasis; and (3) synergy leveraged between functional Units

Performance Excellence

1. Results based
2. Research Focused
3. Continuous improvement





National Maritime **Security Strategy**

“Development of the RBDF thus ensuring the organization is manned, trained and equipped to accomplish its missions with. focus on the entity's capabilities, capacities, readiness, and human capital.”

- Resource acquisition
- Decentralized Operations
- Strengthen security Cooperation relationships particularly with the USA.



Lines **of Efforts**

01

Maritime Domain Awareness

"To achieve a real time operational picture of our sovereign territory to detect, identify, track and share a common operating picture and intelligence with local and regional partners reference potential threats."

- Enhanced intelligence capability
- Improved cybersecurity capabilities
- Strengthen operational communications capabilities

Maritime Domain Control

"Strengthen the organization's operational interoperability to conduct joint Maritime Interdiction Operations."

02

- Decentralized Operations
- Improved Maritime Interdiction capabilities
- Enhanced SAR capabilities

03

Institutional Capacity Building

"Achieve sustained strategic security and defence capabilities."

- Development and implementation of a capabilities based National Security framework.
- Development of a human resource Institutional capability to improve our force design and efficient and equitable HR processes.
- Development of a holistic logistics, maintenance and supply capability.
- Enhanced capability to rapidly respond to natural disasters throughout the Commonwealth of The Bahamas.

Maritime Security **Strategy**



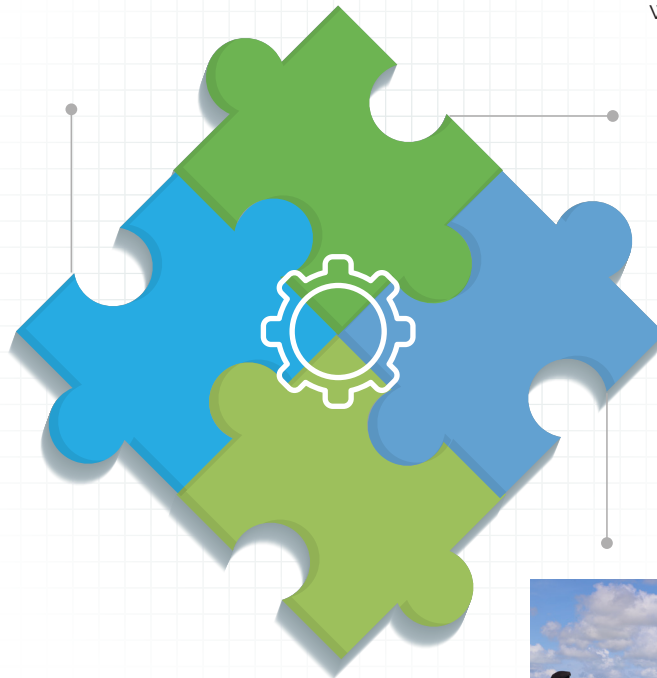
MaritimeDomain Awareness

The ability to deter, detect, identify and detain offenders.



Maritime Domain Control

Effectively control access to and use of our sovereign waters.



Maritime Domain Dominance (Activities)

Strategic positioning in, comprehensive patrol of, and conduct of overlapping patrols to dissuade transnational criminal organizations.

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Operational Architecture

"C4ISR—Command, Control, Communications, Computers, Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance."

Communications Objectives

1. Command, control and communication systems and facilities provide essential Force direction capability.
2. C4ISR focuses on achieving horizontal integration of manned, unmanned, and space systems for improved decision quality.

Architecture Components

1. Command and Control—through the continued development of Operations Command Centers throughout the Commonwealth facilitates the Fusion of communications and intelligence inputs as a common operating picture and decision making purposes.
2. Communications and Computers—establishment of robust cybersecurity protocols manned by certified professionals to safeguard our networks whilst ensuring communication redundancies across multiple platforms.
3. Intelligence and Information Operations—the attainment of intelligence driven operations via the Fusion of operations, intelligence and Information Technology Departments.
4. Surveillance and Reconnaissance—acquisition of drone technology, installation of coastal radars and the realization of satellite communications systems to enhance our Maritime Domain Awareness capabilities.



Maritime Security Plan

Enablers

Human Capital Supply Development

- Strategic recruitment exercises to achieve a Force strength of 3,000 members.
- Deliberate professional development utilizing local, regional and international training venues.
- Transformation of the Training Department to an accredited MDTI and facilitation of Officers conversion training.
- Undergo a strategic human resource audit by the RAND CORP to determine the optimal force design, capabilities based and incorporation of contemporary processes.

Critical Readiness Infrastructure

- Fleet Maintenance (LTSA with Damen)–knowledge transfer process (Maintenance Management System; warehousing with Inventory control management and access to required spares; certified training on each equipment onboard the Damen Class and retrofit Bahama Class vessels; technical advice with annual dry-docking exercises).
- Electrification upgrade (shore power etc.) at CHB and Great Inagua.
- Fuel farm expansion at CHB, Ragged Island and Great Inagua.
- Integrated Audio and Video Communications System.
- Installation of additional coastal radars.
- Deployment of drone technology.
- Construction of Operations Communications Centers at strategic decentralized sites.
- Realization of the shipyard with 150 Ton travel lift.

Security Cooperation Relationships (MOUs)

United States

- a. Security Cooperation Framework to guide financial commitments towards the development of the organization's intelligence, SAR, cybersecurity and disaster management response.
2. Letter of Intent for sharing unclassified information.
3. Biometric Memorandum of Cooperation to facilitate the exchange of Biometric identification information for individuals encountered at sea.

United Kingdom Turks and Caicos Islands

- a. Comprehensive Maritime Agreement against transnational threats.
- b. Shiprider Agreement to expand Operational jurisdiction whilst rider embarked.

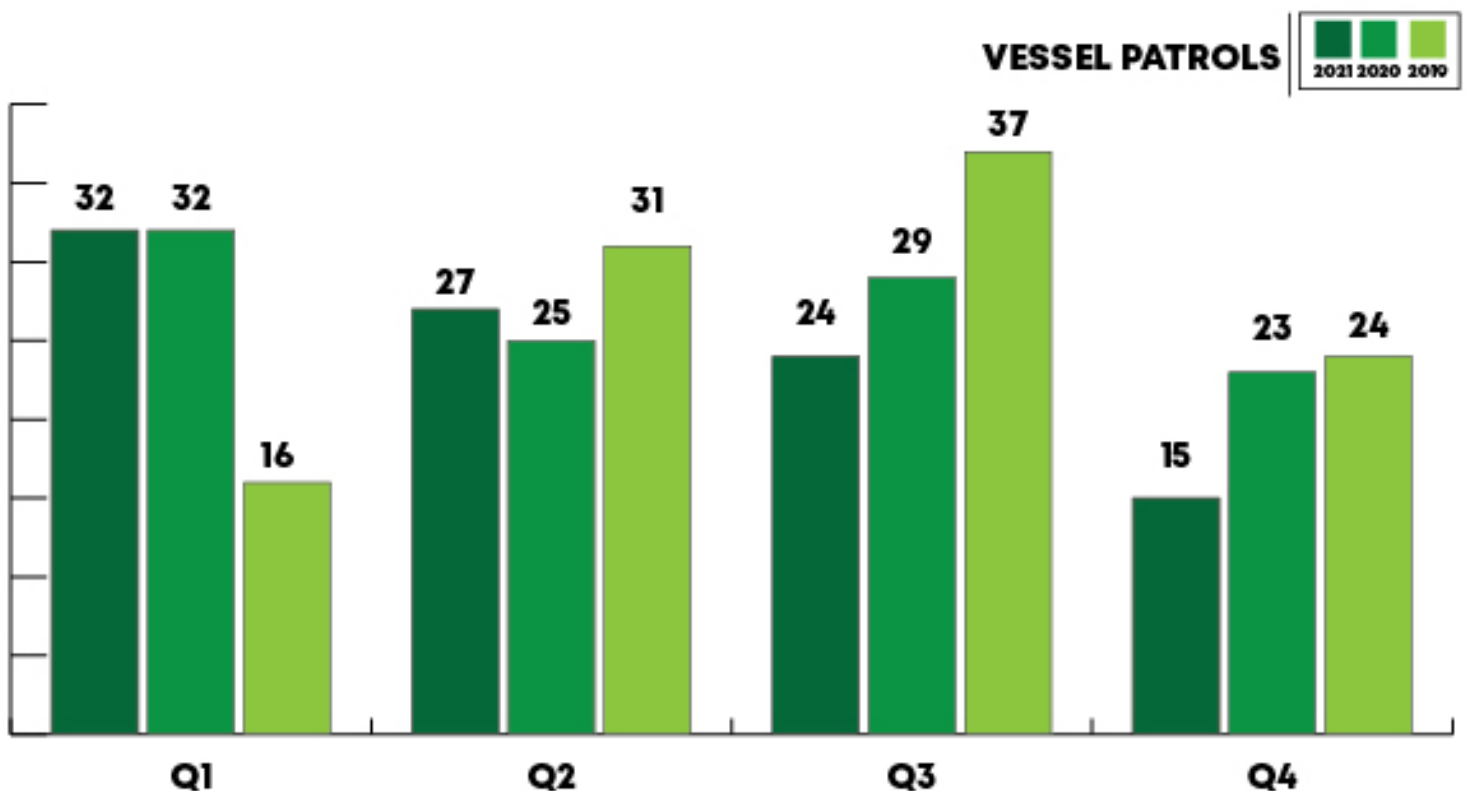
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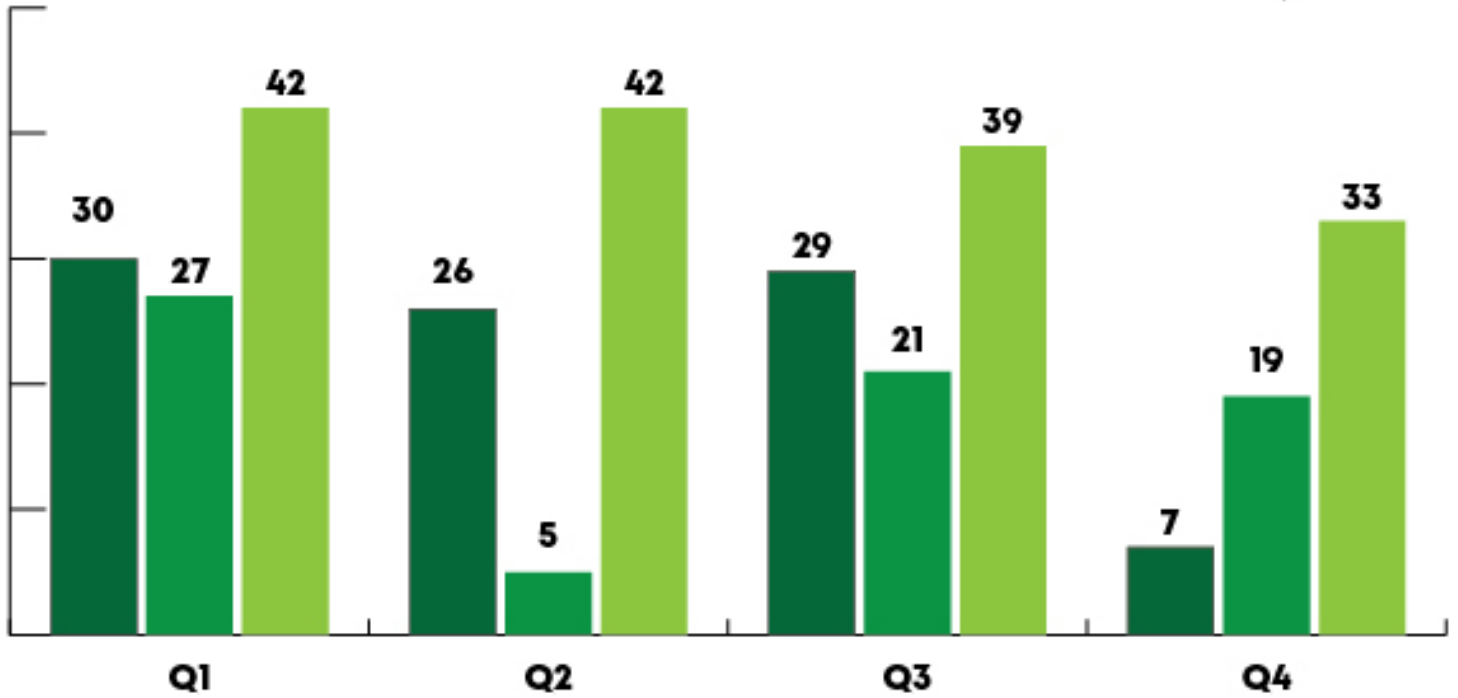


Cuban nationals shortly after their arrival at the Defence Force Base, Coral Harbour on Thursday June 24, 2021.

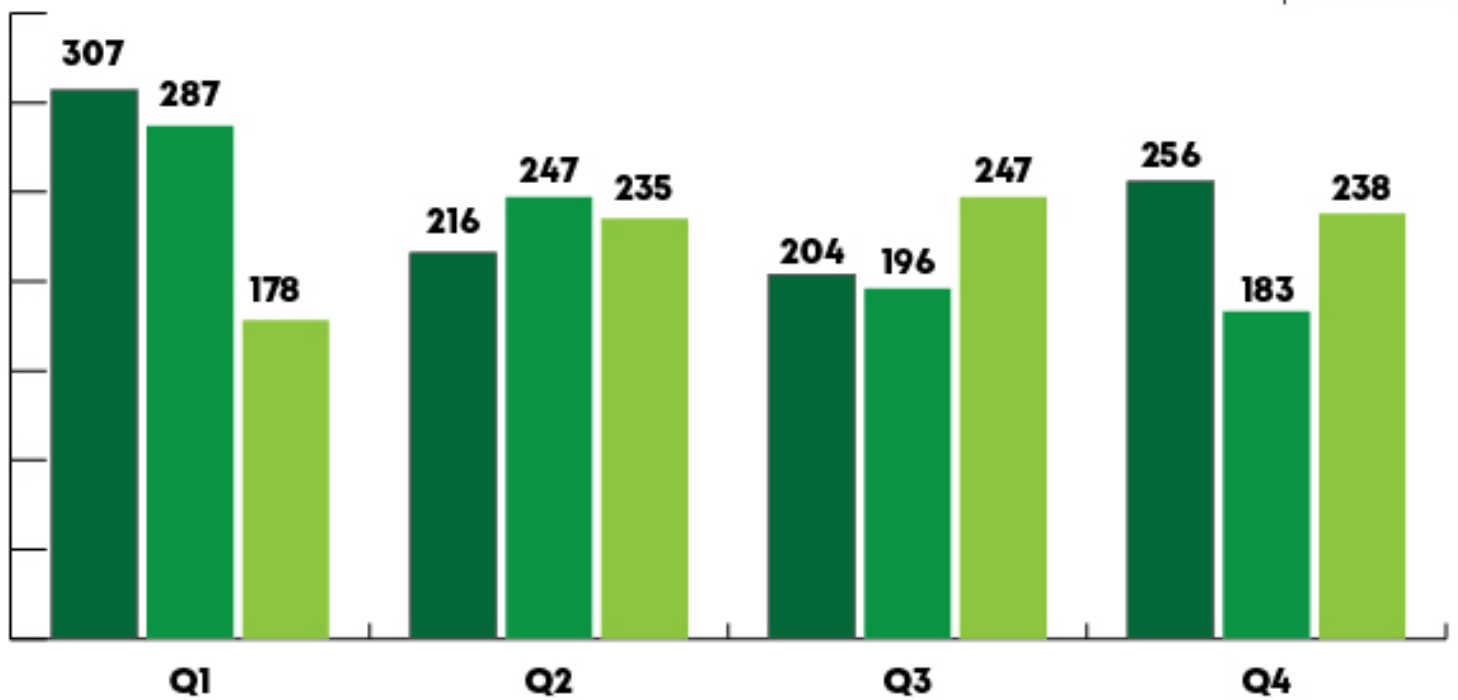
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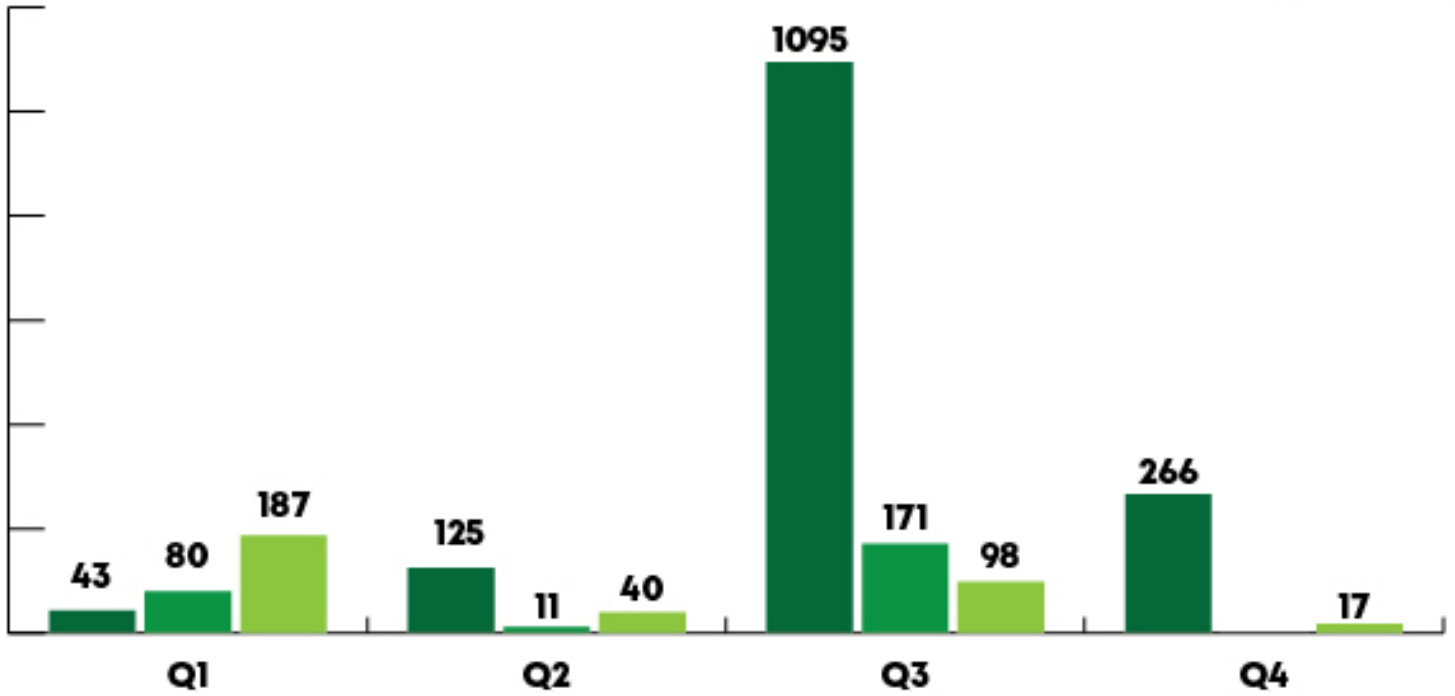
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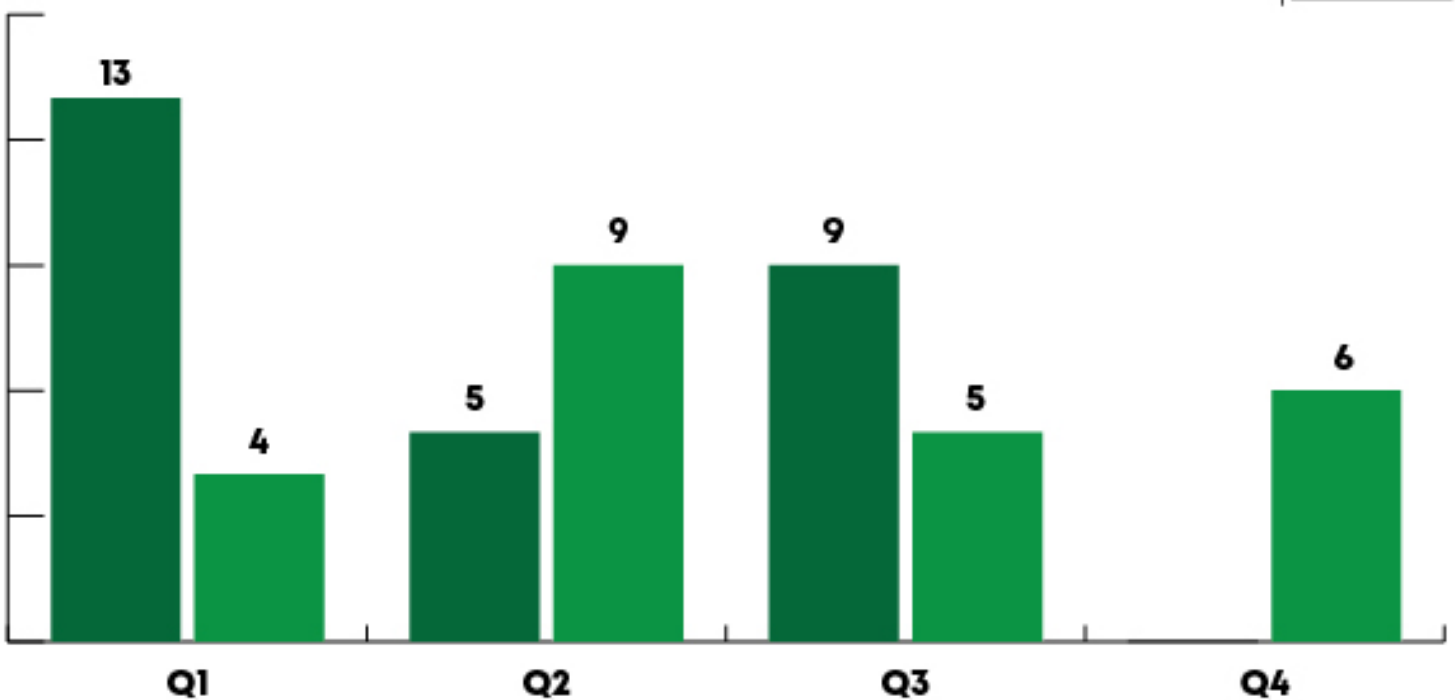
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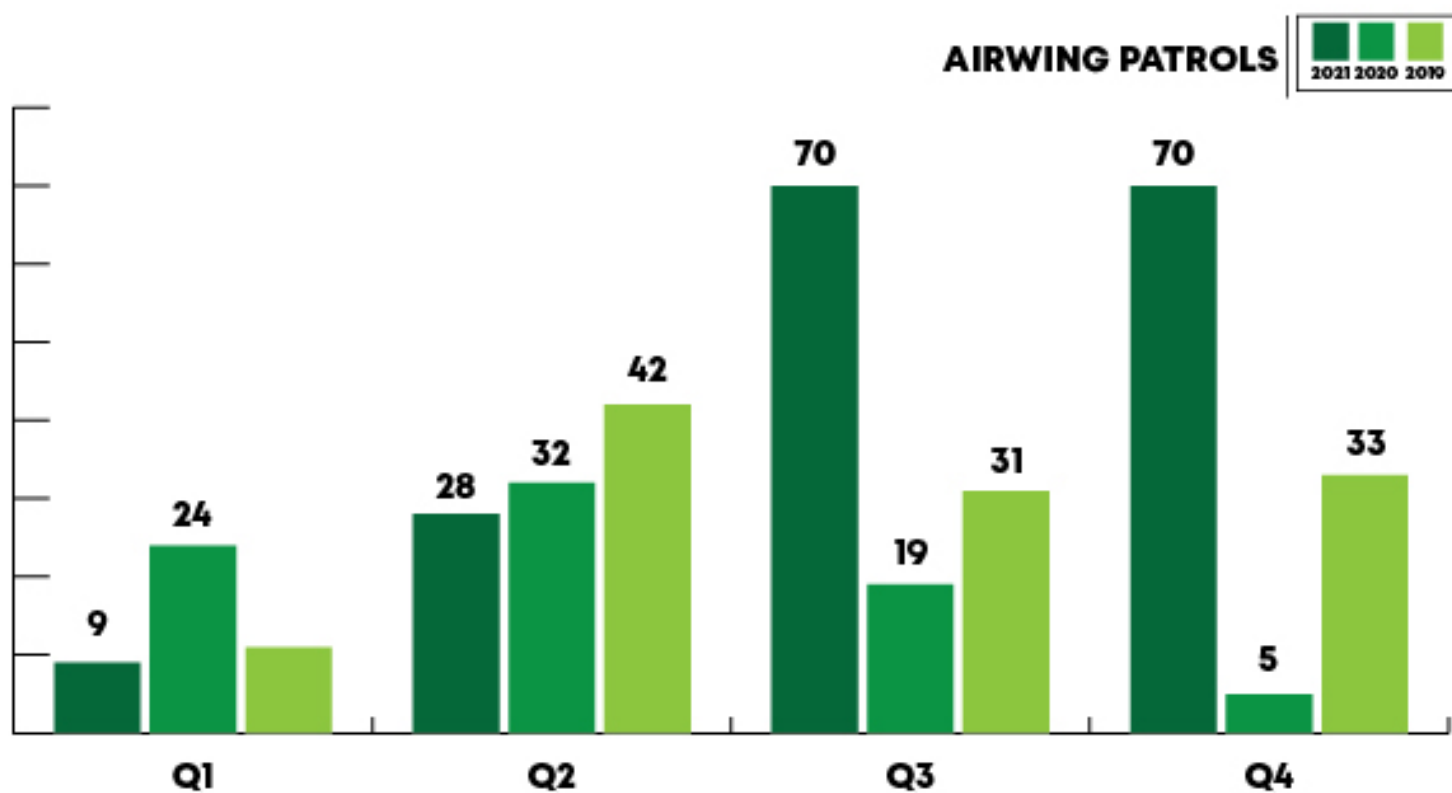
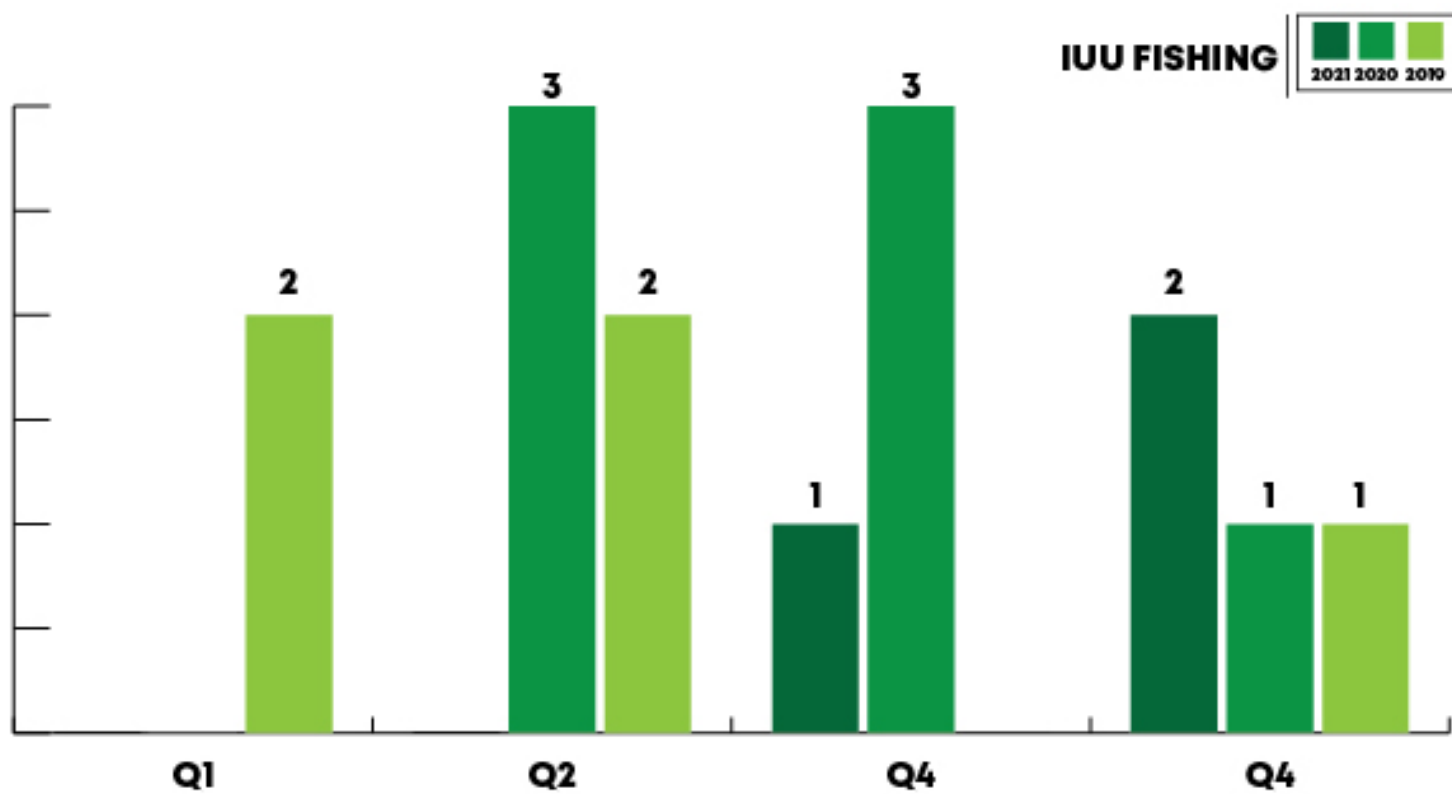


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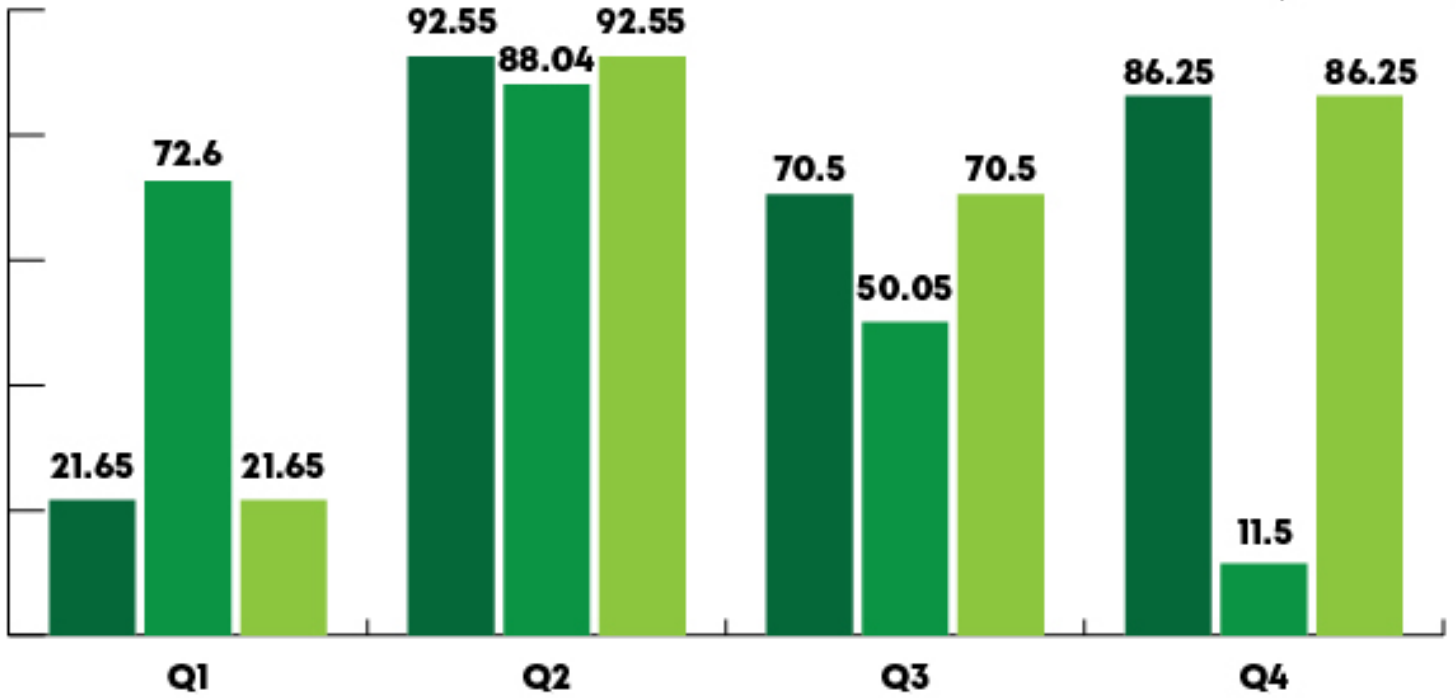


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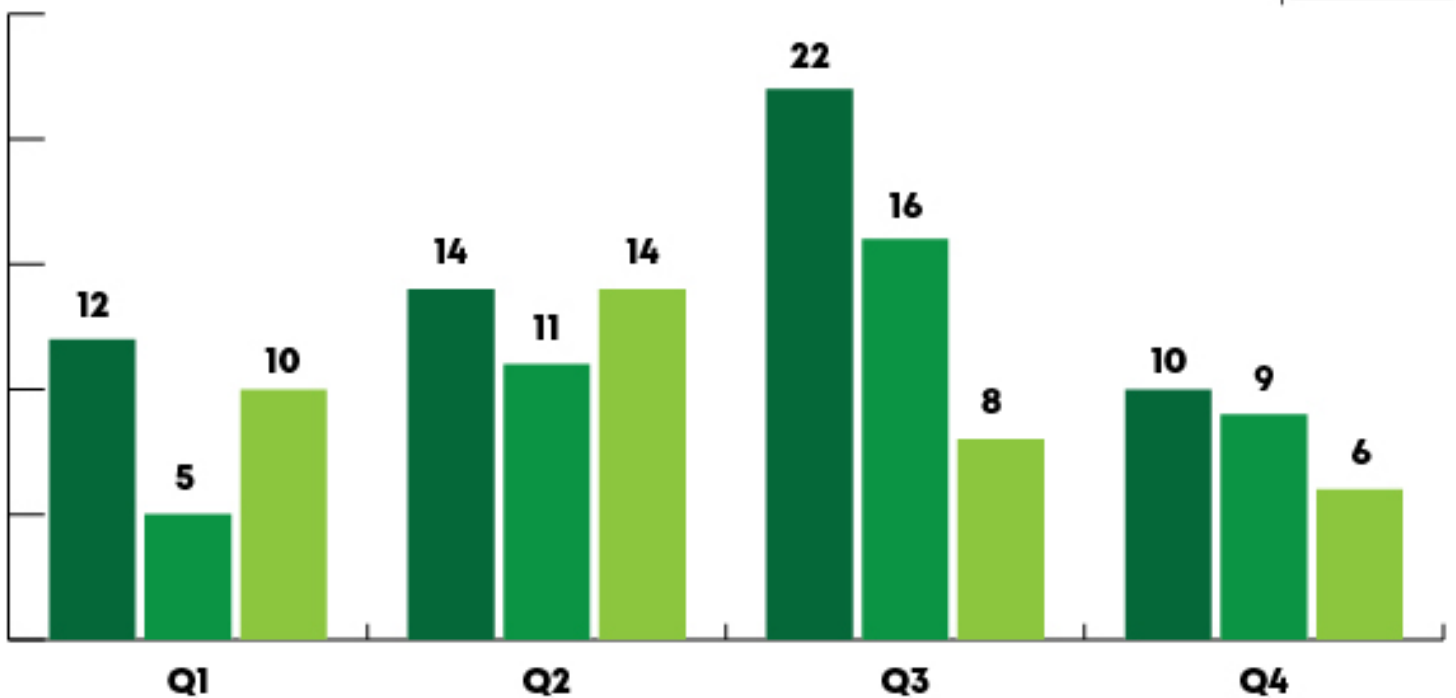




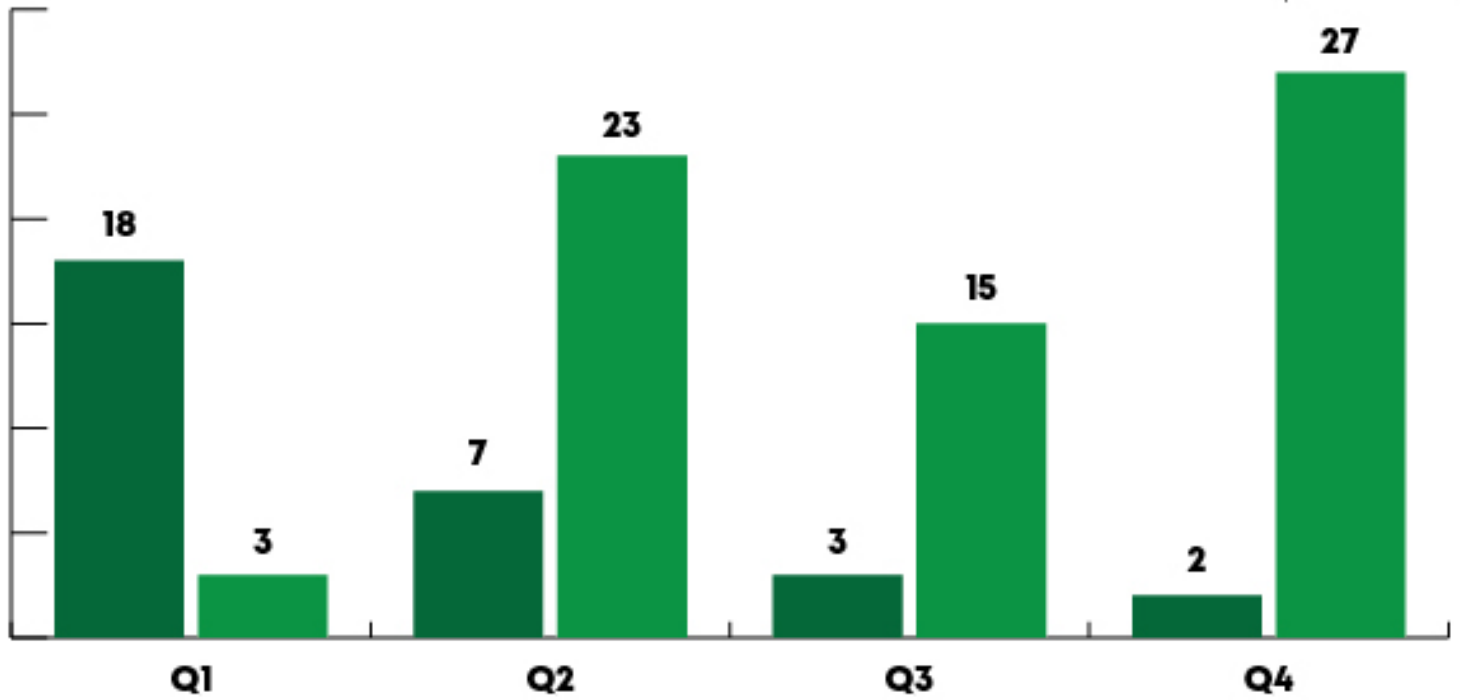
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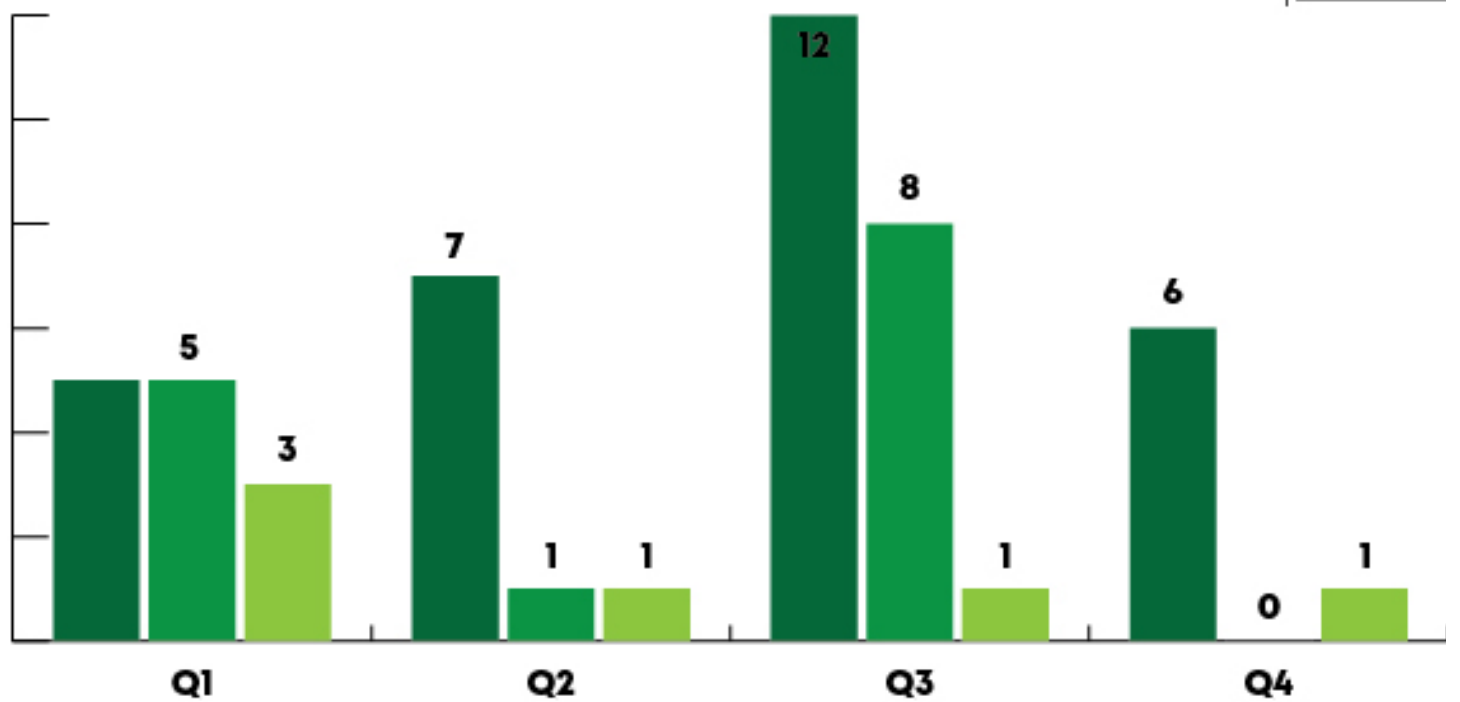
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