The Sea Grant Program at the University of Southern California in Los Angeles is part of the national network of 34 programs in the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration’s National Sea Grant College Program. Our program is a federal-state-university partnership that integrates research, education, and outreach with a specific focus on the ‘Urban Ocean’ and solving issues arising from managing people and natural resources in an intensely urban and developed coastline.

Based on USC Sea Grant’s work between February 1, 2018 and January 31, 2023

$2.4 Million in economic impacts
$5 Million in leveraged funds, resulting in a 200% return on federal research investment

**Serving the Urban Ocean**

USC Sea Grant serves the most populous urban center on the West Coast, with 19 million highly diverse residents in 5 counties and 29 congressional districts, although the research we fund extends statewide.

- 115,123 people participated in USC Sea Grant informal education programs
- 89,776 K-12 students educated through Sea Grant-developed programs
- 2,952 educators participated in USC Sea Grant trainings and workshops
- 1,529 people modified their seafood purchasing and eating practices
- 8,000 participants from 273 sponsored/organized meetings and workshops
- 32 Tribal Nations, cities, and communities that serve underrepresented, underserved, and disadvantaged populations worked with our program
- 353 resource managers used ecosystem-based approaches in the management of land, water, and living resources
- 20 communities adapted to hazards such as sea level rise
- 400+ fishers or aquaculturists modified their practices using knowledge gained in sustainability and seafood safety

Metrics are direct results of USC Sea Grant’s work between February 1, 2018 and January 31, 2023.