



Pachygrapsus fakaravensis

Polynesian grapsid crab

Threat scores

1. Ecological impact
 - Ecological impacts are thus far unstudied; competition for food and shelter with native intertidal grapsid crabs likely (Molnar 2008).
2. Invasive potential
 - Human assisted transport - larvae transported in ballast water.
3. Geographic extent
 - Locally patchy



Geography and Habitat

1. Origin: French Polynesia
2. First introduction: 1996
3. Unintentional, perhaps as larvae in ballast water. Collected in 1996 from Barbers Point Harbor, Hawai'i.
4. Intertidal zones, rocky habitats, coral reefs
5. "Rocky shores. Peter Ng (pers. comm.) found it to be common at Kewalo, Oahu, in February 2000. Sakai (1976) notes the habitat as "coral reef, at high tidal mark", but in Hawaii, so far it seems to be restricted to harbors and adjacent areas" (Molnar 2008).

Invasion Pathways

1. Accidental possible
 - Perhaps larvae in ballast water

Non native locations

1. 152- Hawaiian Islands

Sources

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