### General Information for 2018

- **Population**: 26.262 Millions
- **Coast/area ratio**: 17 m/km²
- **Ship building**: ..
- **GDP**: 13 913 Millions current US$
- **Merchant trade**: 7 083 Millions current US$
- **Ship scrapping**: ..
- **Fleet - National flag**: 11 Thousands DWT
- **Fleet - Ownership**: 1 Thousands DWT
- **Container port throughput**: 173 706 TEU

### World Shares for 2018

- **Population**: 0.34 %
- **Gross Domestic Product (current US$)**: 0.02 %
- **Merchandise exports (US$)**: 0.02 %
- **Merchandise imports (US$)**: 0.02 %
- **Coastline (km)**: 0.61 %
- **National flagged fleet (DWT)**: Less than 0.01% of the World total
- **Fleet ownership (DWT)**: Less than 0.01% of the World total
- **Container port throughput (TEU)**: 0.02 %
- **Ship building (GT)**: Not available or not separately reported
- **Ship scrapping (GT)**: Not available or not separately reported

### International Merchandise Trade

#### Total merchandise trade (millions of US$)

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#### Export structure by product group in 2018 (as % of total exports)

- All food items: 32 %
- Ores and metals: 28 %
- Manufactured goods: 29 %
- Other: 11 %

#### Top 5 partners in 2018 (exports, millions of US$)

1. United States of America: 522
2. France: 356
3. Turkey: 241
5. Japan: 138

### International Trade in Transport Services

#### Services exports by main category (as % of total services)

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#### Total trade in transport services (millions of US$)

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<td>250</td>
<td>422</td>
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### Carrying capacity by type of ship  

(Thousands DWT)  

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### Fleet growth rate in 2018

+31.4%

### Fleet by type of ship  

(Number of ships)

- **2018**: 30.0
- **2017**: 30.6
- **2016**: 11.4
- **2015**: 11.4
- **2014**: 6.0

### LINER SHIPPING CONNECTIVITY INDEX

#### Bilateral connectivity index - Top 10 partners in 2018

*Can only take values between 0 (minimum) and 1 (maximum)*

- **Singapore**: 0.305
- **Malaysia**: 0.302
- **Oman**: 0.287
- **Mauritius**: 0.286
- **Belgium**: 0.283
- **France**: 0.279
- **Mozambique**: 0.276
- **South Africa**: 0.265
- **Seychelles**: 0.264
- **United States of America**: 0.238

#### National connectivity index

*Maximum 2006=100 for China*

- **2006**: 9.8
- **2008**: 9.5
- **2010**: 9.2
- **2012**: 8.9
- **2014**: 8.6
- **2016**: 8.3
- **2018**: 8.0
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Source: UNCTADstat (http://unctadstat.unctad.org)

Notes:
1. Sum of exports and imports.
2. Coastline length based on data calculated in 2000 from the World Vector Shoreline database at 1:250,000 scale.
3. Propelled seagoing merchant vessels of 100 GT and above. Source: Clarksons Research.
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6. TEU: Twenty Foot Equivalent Unit. Source: UNCTAD Secretariat, derived from various sources including Dynamar B.V. Publications, terminal operators and port authorities.
8. Source: UNCTAD Secretariat, generated from data provided by MDS Transmodal (https://www.mdts.co.uk).

Symbols for missing values:
0. Zero means that the amount is nil or negligible
.. Not available or not separately reported
_ Not applicable
... Not available, including no quotation
# Non-relevant calculation
- Not publishable
*** Negative accumulation of flows; Value included in regional and global totals

Abbreviations & acronyms:
DWT: Dead weight tons  
GDP: Gross domestic product  
GT: Gross tons  
TEU: Twenty foot equivalent unit

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