**GENERAL INFORMATION FOR 2020**

- **Population**: 5.094 Millions
- **Land area**: (j) 51 060 Km²
- **GDP**: 59 546 Millions current US$
- **GDP growth**: -4.50 %
- **Merchandise trade**: 27 115 Millions current US$
- **Transport services trade**: (e) 10 268 Millions current US$

**MARITIME KEY FIGURES FOR 2020**

- **Coast/area ratio**: 40.5 m/km²
- **Fleet - National flag**: 3 Thousands DWT
- **Container port throughput**: 1 530 500 TEU
- **Number of port calls**: 2 350
- **Ship building**: ..
- **Ship recycling**: ..
- **Fleet - National flag**: 11 ships
- **Fleet - Ownership**: 65 Thousands DWT
- **Number of seafarers**: 166

**WORLD SHARES FOR 2020**

- **Population**: 0.07 %
- **Coastline (km)**: 0.13 %
- **Gross Domestic Product (current US$)**: 0.07 %
- **Merchandise exports (US$)**: 0.07 %
- **Merchandise imports (US$)**: 0.08 %
- **National flagged fleet (DWT)**: Less than 0.01% of the World total
- **National flagged fleet (US$)**: Less than 0.01% of the World total
- **Fleet ownership (DWT)**: Less than 0.01% of the World total
- **Fleet ownership (US$)**: Less than 0.01% of the World total
- **Ship building (GT)**: Not available or not separately reported
- **Ship recycling (GT)**: Not available or not separately reported
- **Seafarer supply: Officers**: Less than 0.01% of the World total
- **Seafarer supply: Ratings**: 0.01 %
- **Container port throughput (TEU)**: 0.19 %
- **Port calls: Container ships**: 0.30 %
- **Port calls: Liquid bulk carriers**: 0.03 %
- **Port calls: Dry breakbulk carriers**: 0.08 %
- **Port calls: Dry bulk carriers**: 0.07 %
- **Port calls: LPG carriers**: 0.08 %
- **Port calls: LNG carriers**: Not available or not separately reported
### Total merchandise trade

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<td>Merchandise exports</td>
<td>7,026</td>
<td>9,448</td>
<td>9,422</td>
<td>12,174</td>
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<td>Merchandise imports</td>
<td>9,824</td>
<td>13,570</td>
<td>16,273</td>
<td>14,942</td>
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<td>Merchandise trade balance</td>
<td>-2,798</td>
<td>-4,122</td>
<td>-6,852</td>
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### Export structure by product group in 2020

- **All food items**: 56%
- **Manufactured goods**: 40%
- **Other**: 3%

### Top 5 partners in 2020

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<td>Netherlands</td>
<td>917</td>
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<td>Belgium</td>
<td>628</td>
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<td>Guatemala</td>
<td>611</td>
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<td>Panama</td>
<td>497</td>
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### International merchandise trade

- **Merchandise exports growth rate in 2020**: +3.9%
- **Transport services exports growth rate in 2020**: -42.4%

### Fleet by type of ship

#### Carrying capacity by type of ship

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#### Fleet by type of ship

- **Oil tankers**
- **Bulk carriers**
- **General cargo**
- **Container ships**
- **Other types of ships**
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Bilateral connectivity index - Top 10 partners in 2020¹
Can only take values between 0 (minimum) and 1 (maximum)

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Liner shipping connectivity index¹
Maximum 2006=100 for China

PORT CALLS AND PERFORMANCE

Port calls, time spent in ports, vessel age and size in 2020⁹

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<tr>
<th>Category</th>
<th>Number of arrivals</th>
<th>Median time in port (days)</th>
<th>Avg age of vessels</th>
<th>Avg size (GT) of vessels</th>
<th>Avg cargo carrying (DWT) per vessel</th>
<th>Avg container carrying capacity (TEU) per container ship</th>
<th>Maximum size (GT) of vessels</th>
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<td>All ships</td>
<td>2 350</td>
<td>0.63</td>
<td>14</td>
<td>26 259</td>
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<td>Liquid bulk carriers</td>
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<td>Dry breakbulk carriers</td>
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<td>Roll-on/ roll-off ships</td>
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Port liner shipping connectivity index - Top 5 ports in 2020¹¹
Maximum 2006=100 for China, Hong Kong SAR

Liner Shipping Connectivity

Maximum 2006=100 for China

Liner shipping connectivity index¹
Maximum 2006=100 for China
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Source: Detailed data sources are available in the documentation of the corresponding tables in the Data Center (http://stats.unctad.org/data_center). A link to these tables is provided in each section of the profile.

Notes:
1 Sum of exports and imports.
2 Land area refers to the total area of a country excluding area under inland water bodies. It differs from the country area, that includes area under inland water bodies, but excludes offshore territorial waters.
3 Coastline length based on data calculated in 2000 from the World Vector Shoreline database at 1:250,000 scale.
5 Propelled seagoing merchant vessels of 100 GT and above. Source: Clarksons Research (https://www.clarksons.com/services/research/).
6 Propelled seagoing merchant vessels of 1000 GT and above, on 1 January. Source: Clarksons Research (https://www.clarksons.com/services/research/).
7 UNCTAD Secretariat, derived from various sources including Dynamar B.V. Publications, terminal operators and port authorities.
9 UNCTAD Secretariat, based on data provided by MarineTraffic (http://marinetraffic.com). Ships of 1000 GT and above.
11 UNCTAD Secretariat, generated from data provided by MDS Transmodal (https://www.mdst.co.uk).
e Estimated.
j Estimated. Data refers to 2016.

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
LNG: Liquefied natural gas
LPG: Liquefied petroleum gas
GDP: Gross domestic product
GT: Gross tons
TEU: Twenty foot equivalent unit

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