

## MARITIME PROFILE: GAMBIA

### GENERAL INFORMATION FOR 2020

**Population**  
2.417 Millions

**GDP**  
1 882 Millions current US\$

**Merchandise trade<sup>1</sup>**  
(e) 795 Millions current US\$

**Land area<sup>2</sup>**  
(j) 10 120 Km<sup>2</sup>

**GDP growth**  
-0.90 %

**Transport services trade<sup>3</sup>**  
(e) 219 Millions current US\$

### MARITIME KEY FIGURES FOR 2020

**Coast/area ratio<sup>2</sup>**  
49.7 m/km<sup>2</sup>

**Ship building<sup>4</sup>**  
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**Ship recycling<sup>4</sup>**  
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**Fleet - National flag<sup>5</sup>**  
5 Thousands DWT

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8 ships

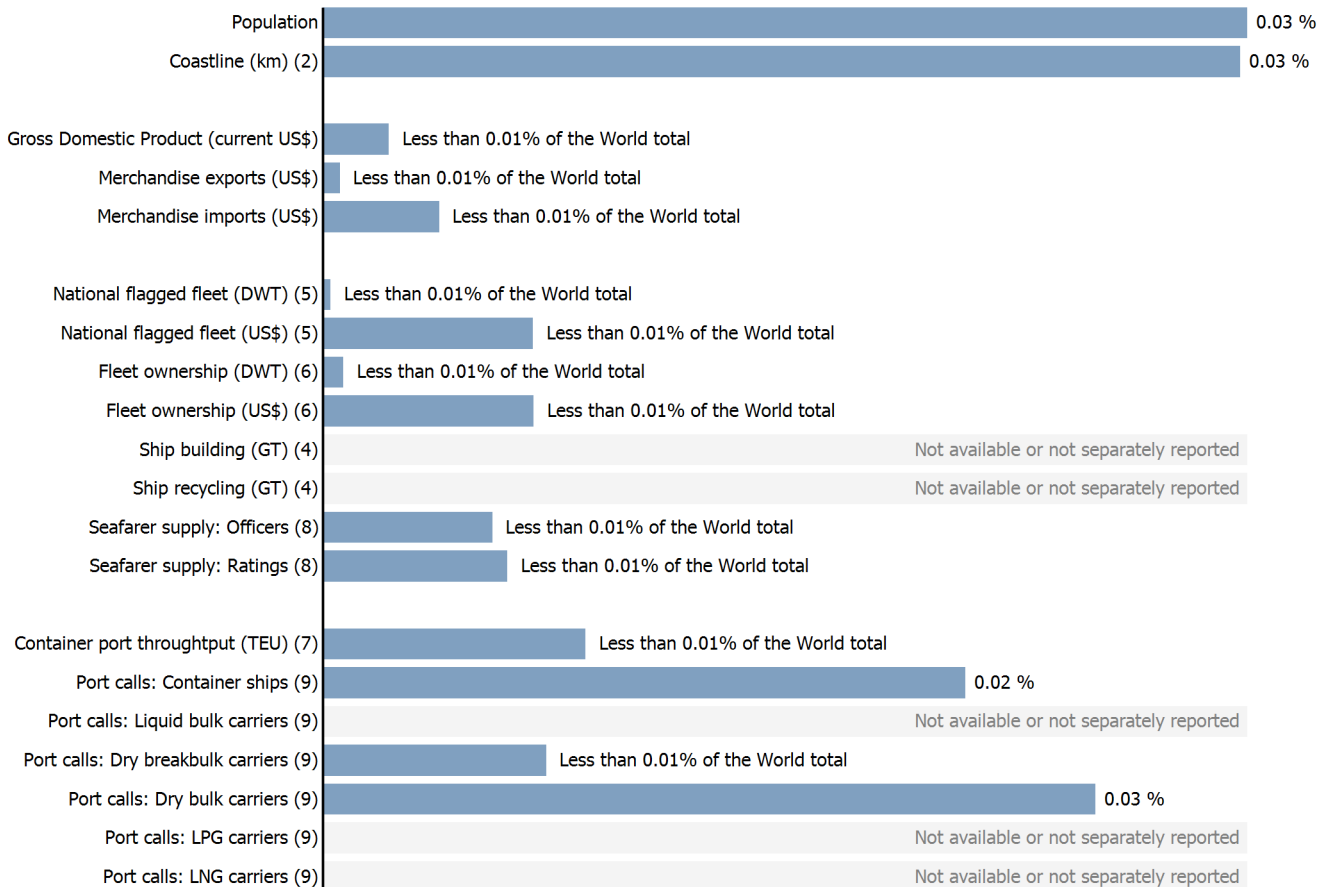
**Fleet - Ownership<sup>6</sup>**  
14 Thousands DWT

**Container port throughput<sup>7</sup>**  
71 470 TEU

**Number of seafarers<sup>8</sup>**  
98

**Number of port calls<sup>9</sup>**  
199

### WORLD SHARES FOR 2020



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## INTERNATIONAL MERCHANDISE TRADE

### Total merchandise trade

| (millions of US\$)        | 2005 | 2010 | 2015     | 2020     |
|---------------------------|------|------|----------|----------|
| Merchandise exports       | 7    | 68   | 115      | (e) 100  |
| Merchandise imports       | 260  | 285  | (e) 420  | (e) 695  |
| Merchandise trade balance | -252 | -217 | (e) -306 | (e) -595 |

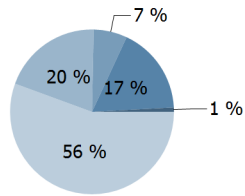
**-24.7 %**

Merchandise exports growth rate in 2020

### Export structure by product group in 2020

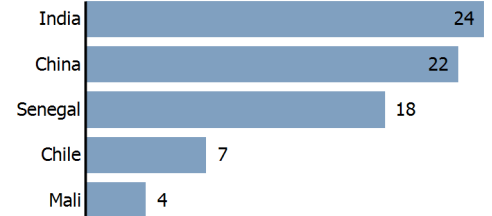
(as % of total exports)

- All food items
- Agricultural raw materials
- Ores and metals
- Manufactured goods
- Other



### Top 5 partners in 2020

(exports, millions of US\$)



## INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TRANSPORT SERVICES

### Services exports by main category<sup>10</sup>

| (as % of total services) | 2005 | 2010 | 2015 | 2020     |
|--------------------------|------|------|------|----------|
| Transport                | 19.5 | 28.9 | 24.7 | (e) 33.8 |
| Travel                   | 70.8 | 56.4 | 72.9 | -        |
| Other services           | 9.8  | 14.8 | 2.4  | (e) 13.9 |

**-0.7 %**

Transport services exports growth rate in 2020

### Total trade in transport services<sup>10</sup>

| (millions of US\$)               | 2005 | 2010 | 2015 | 2020    |
|----------------------------------|------|------|------|---------|
| Transport services exports       | 16   | 38   | 38   | (e) 39  |
| Transport services imports       | 35   | 36   | 51   | (e) 77  |
| Transport services trade balance | -19  | 1    | -13  | (e) -38 |

## NATIONAL FLEET

### Carrying capacity by type of ship<sup>5</sup>

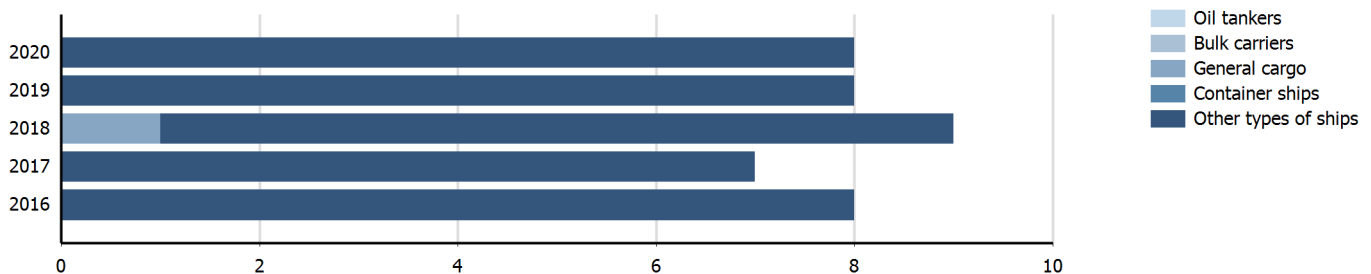
| (Thousands DWT)      | 2005 | 2010 | 2015 | 2020 |
|----------------------|------|------|------|------|
| Total fleet          | 12.0 | 11.7 | 3.0  | 5.5  |
| Oil tankers          | 6.0  | 5.0  | 0.0  | 0.0  |
| Bulk carriers        | ..   | ..   | 0.0  | 0.0  |
| General cargo        | 4.0  | 4.5  | 0.0  | 0.0  |
| Container ships      | ..   | ..   | 0.0  | 0.0  |
| Other types of ships | 2.0  | 2.2  | 3.0  | 5.5  |

**0 %**

Fleet growth rate in 2020

### Fleet by type of ship<sup>5</sup>

(Number of ships)



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## LINER SHIPPING CONNECTIVITY

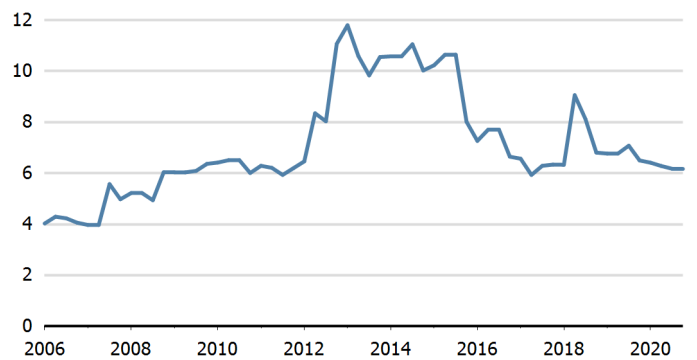
### Bilateral connectivity index - Top 10 partners in 2020<sup>11</sup>

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



### Liner shipping connectivity index<sup>11</sup>

Maximum 2006=100 for China



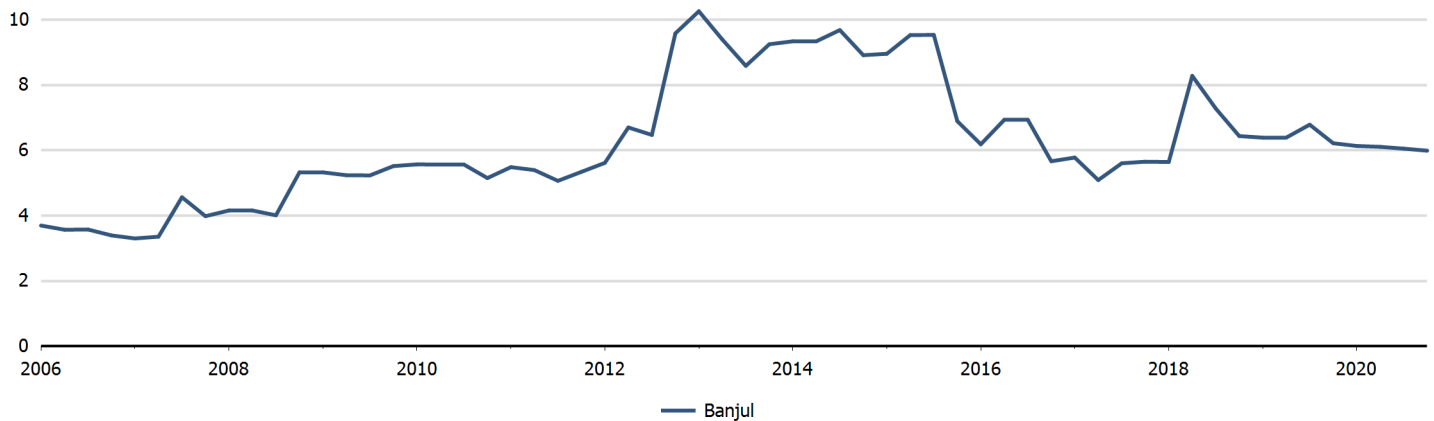
## PORT CALLS AND PERFORMANCE

### Port calls, time spent in ports, vessel age and size in 2020<sup>9</sup>

|                                  | Number of arrivals | Median time in port (days) | Avg age of vessels | Avg size (GT) of vessels | Avg cargo carrying capacity (DWT) per vessel | Avg container carrying capacity (TEU) per container ship | Maximum size (GT) of vessels |
|----------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|--|--|------------------------------|
| All ships                        | 199                | 4.88                       | 15                 | 18 855                   | 29 425                                       | 1 851  | 36 474                       |
| Liquid bulk carriers             | ..                 | ..                         | ..                 | ..                       | ..   | ..   | ..                           |
| Liquefied petroleum gas carriers | ..                 | ..                         | ..                 | ..                       | ..   | ..   | ..                           |
| Liquefied natural gas carriers   | ..                 | ..                         | ..                 | ..                       | ..   | ..   | ..                           |
| Dry bulk carriers                | 69                 | 5.76                       | 11                 | 22 951                   | 37 793                                       | ..   | 36 474                       |
| Dry breakbulk carriers           | 31                 | 3.64                       | 23                 | 7 113                    | 10 798                                       | ..   | 21 992                       |
| Roll-on/ roll-off ships          | ..                 | ..                         | ..                 | ..                       | ..   | ..   | ..                           |
| Container ships                  | 99                 | 4.87                       | 16                 | 19 677                   | ..   | 1 851  | 30 024                       |
| Passenger ships                  | ..                 | ..                         | ..                 | ..                       | ..   | ..   | ..                           |

### Port liner shipping connectivity index - Top 5 ports in 2020<sup>11</sup>

Maximum 2006=100 for China, Hong Kong SAR



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## 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.  
Coastline length based on data calculated in 2000 from the World Vector Shoreline database at 1:250,000 scale.
  - 3 Sum of exports and imports. Statistics presented correspond to the 6th edition of the IMF Balance of Payments and International Investment Position Manual, 2009 (BPM6, 2009).
  - 4 Propelled seagoing merchant vessels of 100 GT and above. Source: Clarksons Research (<https://www.clarksons.com/services/research/>).
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  - 7 UNCTAD Secretariat, derived from various sources including Dynamar B.V. Publications, terminal operators and port authorities. Refers to year 2019.
  - 8 Refers to year 2015. Source: BIMCO-ICS Manpower Report 2015.
  - 9 UNCTAD Secretariat, based on data provided by MarineTraffic (<http://marinetraffic.com>). Ships of 1000 GT and above.
  - 10 Statistics presented correspond to the 6th edition of the IMF Balance of Payments and International Investment Position Manual, 2009 (BPM6, 2009).
  - 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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