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MARITIME PROFILE: KENYA

GENERAL INFORMATION FOR 2023

Population
55.339 Millions

GDP
108 039 Millions current US$

Merchandise trade[1]
25 776 Millions current US$

Land area[2]
(p) 569 140 Km²

GDP growth
5.56 %

Transport services trade[3]
(e) 10 217 Millions current US$

MARITIME KEY FIGURES FOR 2023

Coast/area ratio[2]
2.8 m/km²

Ship building[4]
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Ship recycling[4]
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Fleet - National flag[5]
13 Thousands DWT

Fleet - National flag[5]
26 ships

Fleet - Ownership[6]
26 Thousands DWT

Container port throughput[7]
1 623 080 TEU

Number of seafarers[8]
(o) 185

Number of port calls[9]
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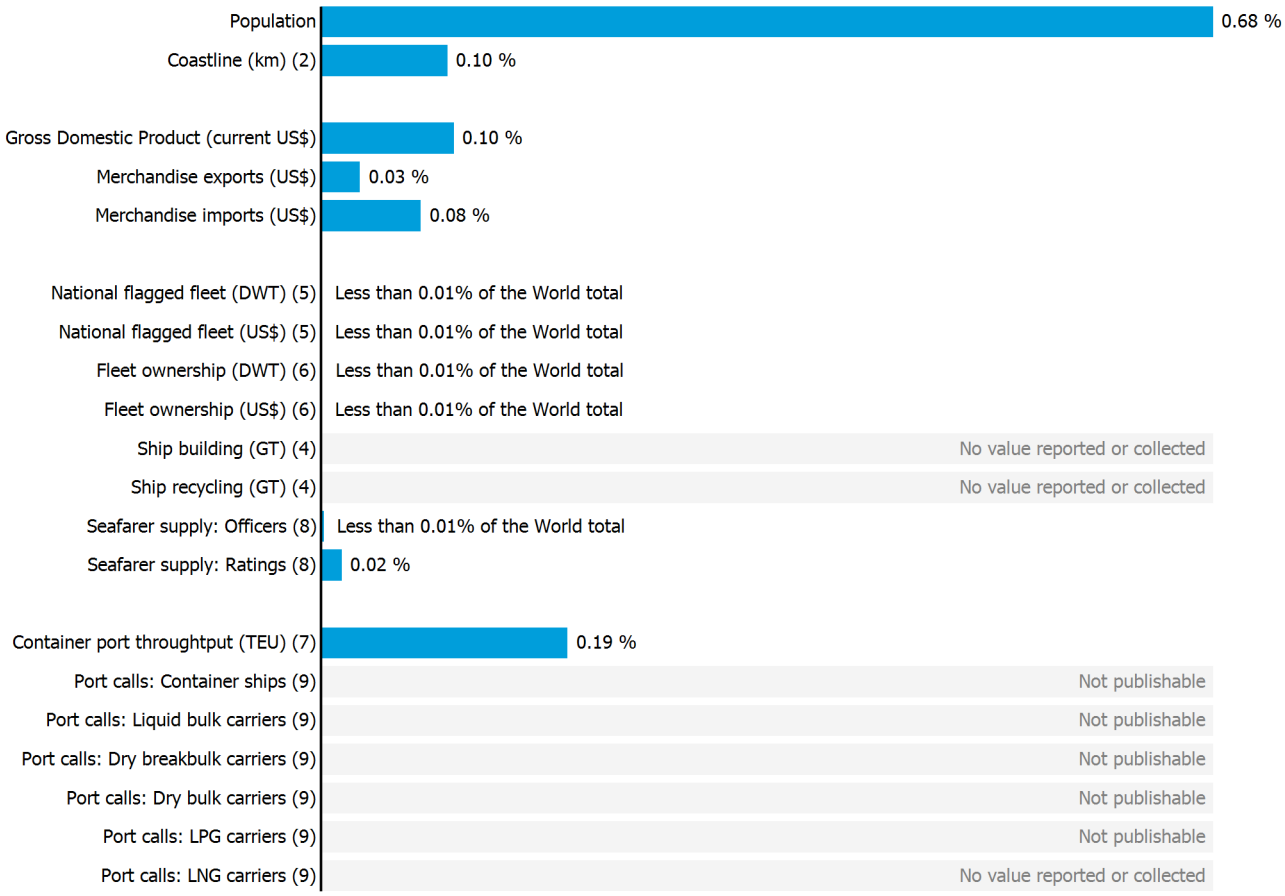
WORLD SHARES FOR 2023



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INTERNATIONAL MERCHANDISE TRADE

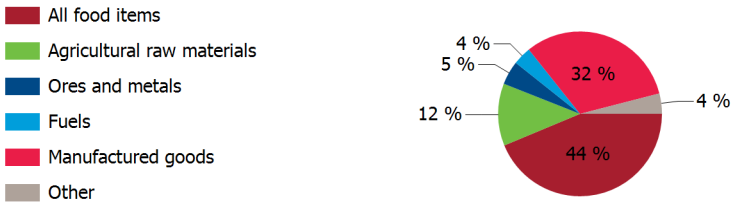
Total merchandise trade

(millions of US$)	2005	2010	2015	2023
Merchandise exports	3 420	5 169	5 906	7 191
Merchandise imports	5 846	12 093	16 093	18 585
Merchandise trade balance	-2 426	-6 924	-10 187	-11 394

-3.0 %
Merchandise exports growth rate in 2023

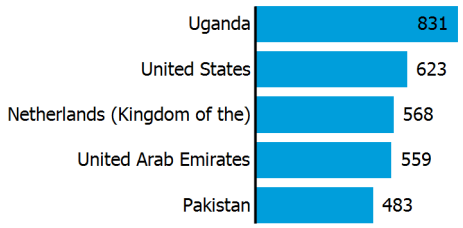
Export structure by product group in 2023

(as % of total exports)



Top 5 partners in 2023

(exports, millions of US$)



INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TRANSPORT SERVICES

Services exports by main category[10]

(as % of total services)	2005	2010	2015	2023
Transport	39.2	43.7	42.1	(e) 35.4
Travel	30.8	21.2	15.6	(e) 18.8
Other services	29.9	34.7	42.0	(e) 45.3

-16.1 %
Transport services exports growth rate in 2023

Total trade in transport services[10]

(millions of US$)	2005	2010	2015	2023
Transport services exports	738	1 650	1 952	(e) 1 927
Transport services imports	427	935	1 431	(e) 1 764
Transport services trade balance	311	715	521	(e) 164

NATIONAL FLEET

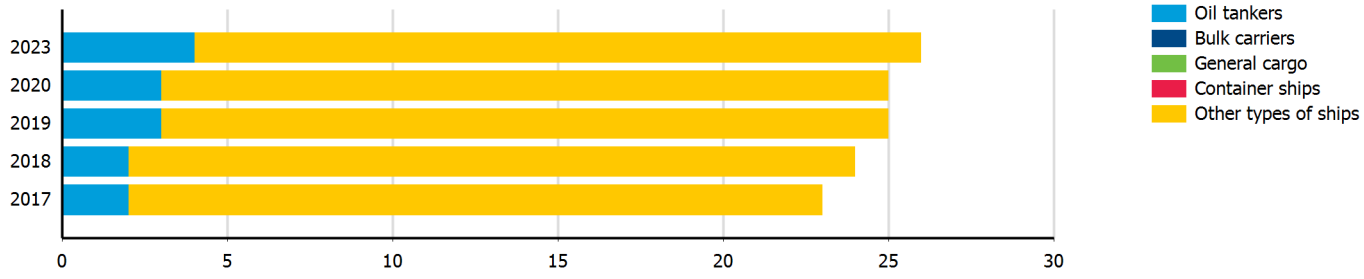
Carrying capacity by type of ship[5]

(Thousands DWT)	2005	2010	2015	2023
Total fleet	16.0	14.0	9.3	12.8
Oil tankers	8.0	7.6	2.1	3.5
Bulk carriers	..	..	0.0	0.0
General cargo	2.0	0.5	0.0	0.0
Container ships	..	..	0.0	0.0
Other types of ships	6.0	5.9	7.2	9.3

0 %
Fleet growth rate in 2023

Fleet by type of ship[5]

(Number of ships)



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LINER SHIPPING CONNECTIVITY

Bilateral connectivity index - Top 10 partners in Q1 2006[11]

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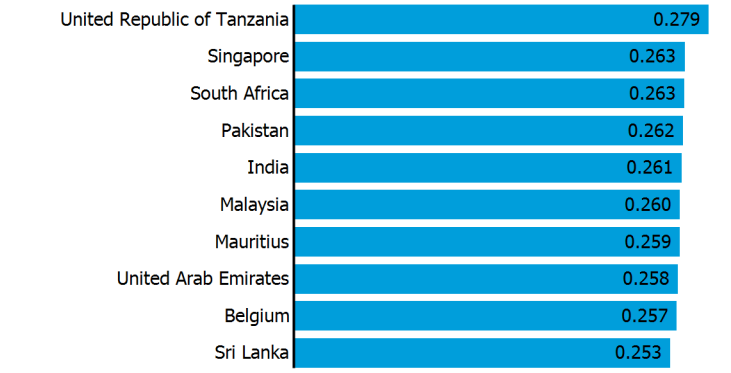
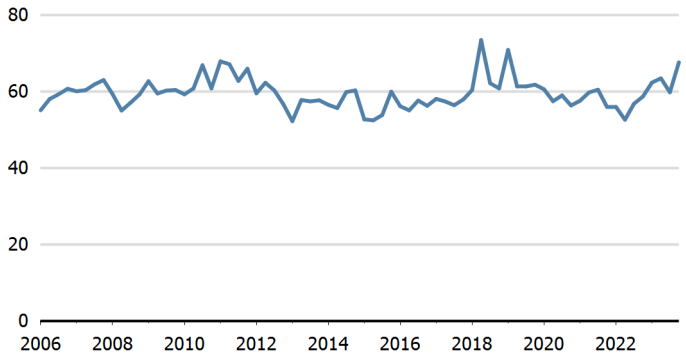


Liner shipping connectivity index[11]

Average Q1 2023=100



PORT CALLS AND PERFORMANCE

Port calls, time spent in ports, vessel age and size in 2023[9]

	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	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Liquid bulk carriers	-	-	-	-	-	..	-
Liquefied petroleum gas carriers	-	-	-	-	-	..	-
Liquefied natural gas carriers	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dry bulk carriers	-	-	-	-	-	..	-
Dry breakbulk carriers	-	-	-	-	-	..	-
Roll-on/ roll-off ships	-	..	-	-	-	..	-
Container ships	-	-	-	-	..	-	-
Passenger ships	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

Port liner shipping connectivity index - Top 5 ports in 2023[11]

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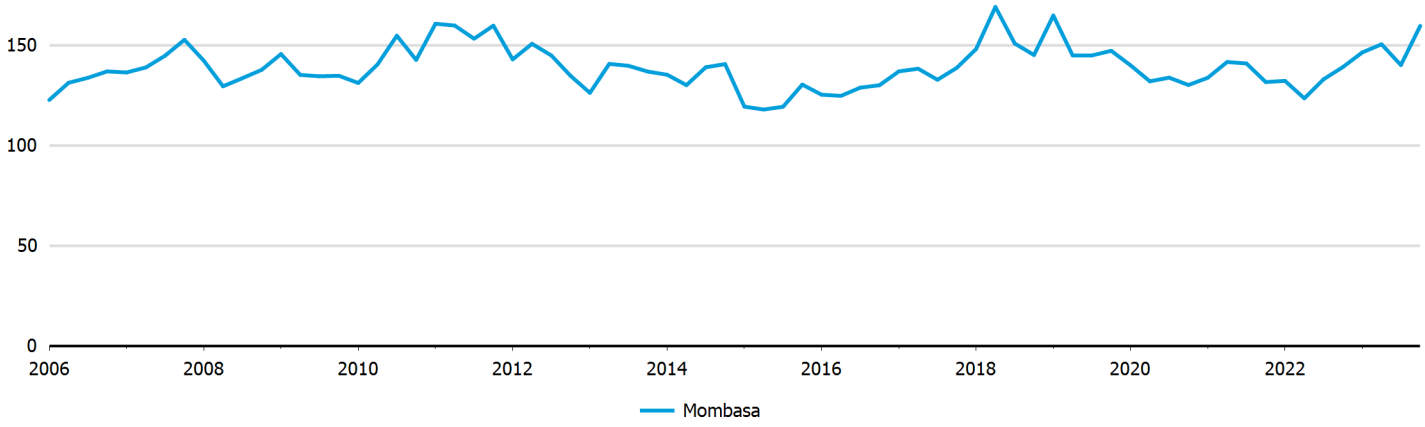

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Source: Detailed data sources are available in the documentation of the corresponding tables in the Data Center (https://unctadstat.unctad.org/datacentre/). A link to these tables is provided in each section of the profile.

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. 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/).
5	Propelled seagoing merchant vessels of 100 GT and above, on 1 January. 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.
8	Refers to year 2021. Source: BIMCO-ICS Manpower Report 2015 and BIMCO-ICS Seafarer Workforce Report, 2021 edition.
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.
o	Estimated by BIMCO/ICS to be the same figure as in 2015.
p	Estimated. Data refers to 2020.

Symbols for missing values:

0	Zero means that the amount is nil or negligible
..	No value reported or collected
_	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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