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GENERAL INFORMATION FOR 2019

 Population 2.125 Millions	 GDP 2 560 Millions current US\$	 Merchandise trade¹ (e) 2 057 Millions current US\$
 Land area² (j) 30 360 Km ²	 GDP growth 1.00 %	 Transport services trade³ 486 Millions current US\$

MARITIME KEY FIGURES FOR 2019

 Coast/area ratio² 0.000 m/km ²	 Ship building⁴ ..	 Ship recycling⁴ ..
 Fleet - National flag⁵ ..	 Fleet - National flag⁵ ..	 Fleet - Ownership⁶ ..
 Container port throughput⁷ ..	 Number of seafarers⁸ ..	 Number of port calls⁹ ..

WORLD SHARES FOR 2019

Population		0.03 %
Coastline (km) (2)	Less than 0.01% of the World total	
Gross Domestic Product (current US\$)	Less than 0.01% of the World total	
Merchandise exports (US\$)	Less than 0.01% of the World total	
Merchandise imports (US\$)		0.01 %
National flagged fleet (DWT) (5)	Not available or not separately reported	
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Fleet ownership (DWT) (6)	Not available or not separately reported	
Fleet ownership (US\$) (6)	Not available or not separately reported	
Ship building (GT) (4)	Not available or not separately reported	
Ship recycling (GT) (4)	Not available or not separately reported	
Seafarer supply: Officers (8)	Not available or not separately reported	
Seafarer supply: Ratings (8)	Not available or not separately reported	
Container port throughput (TEU) (7)	Not available or not separately reported	
Port calls: Container ships (9)	Not available or not separately reported	
Port calls: Liquid bulk carriers (9)	Not available or not separately reported	
Port calls: Dry breakbulk carriers (9)	Not available or not separately reported	
Port calls: Dry bulk carriers (9)	Not available or not separately reported	
Port calls: LPG carriers (9)	Not available or not separately reported	
Port calls: LNG carriers (9)	Not available or not separately reported	

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INTERNATIONAL MERCHANDISE TRADE

Total merchandise trade

(millions of US\$)	2005	2010	2015	2019
Merchandise exports	651	878	929	1 014
Merchandise imports	1 410	(e) 2 300	(e) 1 997	(e) 2 057
Merchandise trade balance	-760	(e) -1 422	(e) -1 068	(e) -1 043

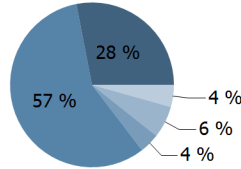
-16.9 %

Merchandise exports growth rate in 2019

Export structure by product group in 2019

(as % of total exports)

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



Top 5 partners in 2019

(exports, millions of US\$)

South Africa	331
United States of America	326
Belgium	252
India	31
United Arab Emirates	26

INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TRANSPORT SERVICES

Services exports by main category¹⁰

(as % of total services)	2005	2010	2015	2019
Transport	2.3	7.8	2.3	1.9
Travel	80.1	49.9	75.4	73.1
Other services	17.5	42.3	22.3	24.9

-2.6 %

Transport services exports growth rate in 2019

Total trade in transport services¹⁰

(millions of US\$)	2005	2010	2015	2019
Transport services exports	1	4	1	1
Transport services imports	40	67	57	56
Transport services trade balance	-40	-63	-56	-55

NATIONAL FLEET

Carrying capacity by type of ship⁵

(Thousands DWT)	2005	2010	2015	2019
Total fleet
Oil tankers
Bulk carriers
General cargo
Container ships
Other types of ships

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Fleet growth rate in 2019

Fleet by type of ship⁵

(Number of ships)

No data available

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LINER SHIPPING CONNECTIVITY

Bilateral connectivity index - Top 10 partners in 2019¹¹

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

No data available

Liner shipping connectivity index¹¹

Maximum 2006=100 for China

No data available

PORT CALLS AND PERFORMANCE

Port calls, time spent in ports, vessel age and size in 2019⁹

	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 2019¹¹

Maximum 2006=100 for China, Hong Kong SAR

No data available

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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.
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 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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