MARITIME PROFILE: MAURITANIA

GENERAL INFORMATION FOR 2021

- Population: 4.615 Millions
- Land area: 1 030 700 Km²
- GDP: 9 203 Millions current US$
- GDP growth: 3.10%
- Merchandise trade: 7 907 Millions current US$
- Transport services trade: 975 Millions current US$

MARITIME KEY FIGURES FOR 2021

- Coast/area ratio: 1.2 m/km²
- Fleet - National flag: 1 Thousands DWT
- Container port throughput: 89
- Number of seafarers: 89
- Number of port calls: 949

WORLD SHARES FOR 2021

- Population: 0.06 %
- Coastline (km): 0.08 %
- Gross Domestic Product (current US$): Less than 0.01% of the World total
- Merchandise exports (US$): 0.02 %
- Merchandise imports (US$): 0.02 %
- National flagged fleet (DWT): Less than 0.01% of the World total
- National flagged fleet (US$): Not available or not separately reported
- Fleet ownership (DWT): Less than 0.01% of the World total
- Fleet ownership (US$): Not available or not separately reported
- 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: Less than 0.01% of the World total
- Container port throughput (TEU): Not publishable
- Port calls: Container ships: 0.05 %
- Port calls: Liquid bulk carriers: 0.04 %
- Port calls: Dry bulk carriers: 0.07 %
- Port calls: Dry breakbulk carriers: 0.05 %
- Port calls: LPG carriers: Not available or not separately reported
- Port calls: LNG carriers: Not available or not separately reported
### Total Merchandise Trade

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<th>2005</th>
<th>2010</th>
<th>2015</th>
<th>2021</th>
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<tr>
<td>Merchandise exports</td>
<td>625</td>
<td>2 074</td>
<td>1 832</td>
<td>(e) 4 343</td>
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<tr>
<td>Merchandise imports</td>
<td>1 428</td>
<td>1 935</td>
<td>3 703</td>
<td>(e) 3 564</td>
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<td>Merchandise trade balance</td>
<td>-803</td>
<td>138</td>
<td>-1 872</td>
<td>(e) 779</td>
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### Export Structure by Product Group in 2021

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<th>Product Group</th>
<th>2021</th>
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<tr>
<td>All food items</td>
<td>51%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Ores and metals</td>
<td>20%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Other</td>
<td>28%</td>
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### Export Growth Rate

- **Merchandise Exports:** +53.5%
- **Services Exports:** -0.4%

### Top 5 Partners in 2021 (exports, millions of US$)

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<th>Value</th>
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<td>1 705</td>
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<td>Canada</td>
<td>359</td>
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<tr>
<td>Spain</td>
<td>351</td>
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<td>Switzerland, Liechtenstein</td>
<td>325</td>
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<td>Japan</td>
<td>235</td>
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### Carrying Capacity by Type of Ship

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<tr>
<td>Total fleet</td>
<td>24.0</td>
<td>24.7</td>
<td>15.0</td>
<td>1.4</td>
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<td>Oil tankers</td>
<td>..</td>
<td>..</td>
<td>0.0</td>
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<td>Bulk carriers</td>
<td>..</td>
<td>..</td>
<td>13.5</td>
<td>0.0</td>
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<td>General cargo</td>
<td>1.0</td>
<td>0.9</td>
<td>1.0</td>
<td>1.0</td>
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<tr>
<td>Container ships</td>
<td>..</td>
<td>..</td>
<td>0.0</td>
<td>0.0</td>
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<tr>
<td>Other types of ships</td>
<td>23.0</td>
<td>23.8</td>
<td>0.4</td>
<td>0.4</td>
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### Fleet by Type of Ship

- **2017:**
  - Oil tankers: 0
  - Bulk carriers: 0
  - General cargo: 3
  - Container ships: 0
  - Other types of ships: 20

- **2018:**
  - Oil tankers: 0
  - Bulk carriers: 0
  - General cargo: 3
  - Container ships: 0
  - Other types of ships: 20

- **2019:**
  - Oil tankers: 0
  - Bulk carriers: 0
  - General cargo: 3
  - Container ships: 0
  - Other types of ships: 20

- **2020:**
  - Oil tankers: 0
  - Bulk carriers: 0
  - General cargo: 3
  - Container ships: 0
  - Other types of ships: 20

- **2021:**
  - Oil tankers: 0
  - Bulk carriers: 0
  - General cargo: 3
  - Container ships: 0
  - Other types of ships: 20
**MAURITANIA**

**LINER SHIPPING CONNECTIVITY**

**Bilateral connectivity index - Top 10 partners in Q1 2021**

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

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<td>Spain</td>
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<td>Gambia</td>
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<td>Cabo Verde</td>
<td>0.210</td>
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**Liner shipping connectivity index**

*Maximum 2006=100 for China*

**PORT CALLS AND PERFORMANCE**

**Port calls, time spent in ports, vessel age and size in 2021**

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<tr>
<th></th>
<th>Number of arrivals</th>
<th>Median time in port (days)</th>
<th>Avg age of vessels</th>
<th>Avg size (GT) per vessel</th>
<th>Avg cargo carrying capacity (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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<tr>
<td>All ships</td>
<td>849</td>
<td>2.15</td>
<td>16</td>
<td>22 139</td>
<td>40 384</td>
<td>1 480</td>
<td>94 984</td>
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<td>Liquid bulk carriers</td>
<td>184</td>
<td>1.88</td>
<td>14</td>
<td>12 111</td>
<td>18 945</td>
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<td>Liquefied petroleum gas carriers</td>
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<td>7</td>
<td>6 224</td>
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<td>Dry bulk carriers</td>
<td>208</td>
<td>3.97</td>
<td>11</td>
<td>51 782</td>
<td>96 218</td>
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<td>Dry breakbulk carriers</td>
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<td>1.91</td>
<td>24</td>
<td>5 692</td>
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<td>39 463</td>
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<td>Roll-on/ roll-off ships</td>
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<td>23</td>
<td>30 457</td>
<td>14 636</td>
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<td>Container ships</td>
<td>216</td>
<td>2.72</td>
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<td>27 322</td>
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<td>Passenger ships</td>
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**Port liner shipping connectivity index - Top 5 ports in 2021**

*Maximum 2006=100 for China, Hong Kong SAR*
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/).
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7. UNCTAD Secretariat, derived from various sources including Dynamar B.V. Publications, terminal operators and port authorities. Refers to year 2020.
11. UNCTAD Secretariat, generated from data provided by MDS Transmodal (https://www.mdst.co.uk).

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- 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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