MARITIME PROFILE: NICARAGUA

GENERAL INFORMATION FOR 2018

- **Population**: 6.466 Millions
- **Coast/area ratio**: 16 m/km²
- **Fleet - National flag**: 3 Thousands DWT

**GDP**
13 244 Millions current US$

**Merchandise trade**
11 643 Millions current US$

**Ship building**
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**Ship scrapping**
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**Fleet - Ownership**
2 Thousands DWT

**Container port throughput**
276 205 TEU

WORLD SHARES FOR 2018

- **Population**: 0.08 %
- **Gross Domestic Product (current US$)**: 0.02 %
- **Merchandise exports (US$)**: 0.03 %
- **Merchandise imports (US$)**: 0.03 %
- **Coastline (km) (2)**: Not available or not separately reported
- **National flagged fleet (DWT) (4)**: Less than 0.01% of the World total
- **Fleet ownership (DWT) (5)**: Less than 0.01% of the World total
- **Container port throughput (TEU) (6)**: 0.03 %
- **Ship building (GT) (3)**: Not available or not separately reported
- **Ship scrapping (GT) (3)**: Not available or not separately reported

INTERNATIONAL MERCHANDISE TRADE

- **Total merchandise trade**
  - (millions of US$)
  - 2005: 1 654
  - 2010: 3 251
  - 2015: 4 839
  - 2018: 5 014

- **Merchandise exports growth rate in 2018**: -3.0 %

**Export structure by product group in 2018**

- **All food items**: 46 %
- **Manufactured goods**: 45 %
- **Other**: 9 %

**Top 5 partners in 2018**
- United States of America: 3 062
- Mexico: 286
- El Salvador: 256
- Honduras: 179
- Costa Rica: 140

INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TRANSPORT SERVICES

- **Services exports by main category**
  - (as % of total services)
  - 2005: 6.4
  - 2010: 4.8
  - 2015: 4.2
  - 2018: 4.5

- **Transport services exports growth rate in 2018**: -0.5 %

**Total trade in transport services**

- (millions of US$)
- 2005: 34
- 2010: 39
- 2015: 53
- 2018: 60

- **Transport services exports**
- 2005: 234
- 2010: 336
- 2015: 485
- 2018: 421

- **Transport services imports**
- 2005: -200
- 2010: -297
- 2015: -432
- 2018: -360
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**NATIONAL FLEET**

### Carrying capacity by type of ship

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**LINER SHIPPING CONNECTIVITY INDEX**

### Bilateral connectivity index - Top 10 partners in 2018

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**National connectivity index**

Maximum 2006=100 for China
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Source: UNCTADstat (http://unctadstat.unctad.org)

Notes:

1. Sum of exports and imports.
3. Propelled seagoing merchant vessels of 100 GT and above. Source: Clarksons Research.
4. Propelled seagoing merchant vessels of 1000 GT and above, on 1 January. Source: Clarksons Research.
5. Sources of data and definitions are given in the notes below.
6. TEU: Twenty Foot Equivalent Unit. Source: UNCTAD Secretariat, derived from various sources including Dynamar B.V. Publications, terminal operators and port authorities.
8. Source: UNCTAD Secretariat, generated from data provided by MDS Transmodal (https://www.mdts.co.uk).

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
- GDP: Gross domestic product
- GT: Gross tons
- TEU: Twenty foot equivalent unit

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