## General Information for 2022

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<td>Population</td>
<td>8.606 Millions</td>
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<td>Land area</td>
<td>(c) 72 180 Km²</td>
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<tr>
<td>GDP</td>
<td>3 947 Millions current US$</td>
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<td>GDP growth</td>
<td>2.96 %</td>
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<td>Merchandise trade</td>
<td>3 090 Millions current US$</td>
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<td>Transport services trade</td>
<td>(e) 368 Millions current US$</td>
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## Maritime Key Figures for 2022

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<td>Coast/area ratio</td>
<td>23.2 m/km²</td>
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<td>Fleet - National flag</td>
<td>2 899 Thousands DWT</td>
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<td>Fleet - National flag</td>
<td>590 ships</td>
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<td>Fleet - Ownership</td>
<td>6 Thousands DWT</td>
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<tr>
<td>Number of seafarers</td>
<td>(l) 9 586</td>
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<td>Number of port calls</td>
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## Maritime Profile: Sierra Leone

## World Shares for 2022

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<td>Population</td>
<td>0.11 %</td>
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<td>Coastline (km)</td>
<td>0.10 %</td>
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<td>Gross Domestic Product</td>
<td>Less than 0.01% of the World total</td>
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<td>Merchandise exports</td>
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<td>Merchandise imports</td>
<td>Less than 0.01% of the World total</td>
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<tr>
<td>National flagged fleet</td>
<td>0.13 %</td>
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<td>National flagged fleet (US$)</td>
<td>0.07 %</td>
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<td>Fleet ownership (DWT)</td>
<td>Less than 0.01% of the World total</td>
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<td>Ship recycling (GT)</td>
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<td>Seafarer supply: Officers</td>
<td>0.46 %</td>
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<td>Seafarer supply: Ratings</td>
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### Total merchandise trade

#### (millions of US$)

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<th>2010</th>
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<tr>
<td>Merchandise exports</td>
<td>158</td>
<td>341</td>
<td>512</td>
<td>1 124</td>
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<tr>
<td>Merchandise imports</td>
<td>345</td>
<td>770</td>
<td>1 530</td>
<td>1 966</td>
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<td>Merchandise trade balance</td>
<td>-186</td>
<td>-429</td>
<td>-1 019</td>
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### Export structure by product group in 2022

(as % of total exports)

- All food items: 57%
- Agricultural raw materials: 12%
- Ores and metals: 17%
- Manufactured goods: 8%
- Other: 7%

### Top 5 partners in 2022

(exports, millions of US$)

- China: 497
- Belgium: 118
- North Macedonia: 83
- Netherlands (Kingdom of the): 47
- United Arab Emirates: 38

### Carrying capacity by type of ship

#### (Thousands DWT)

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<td>Total fleet</td>
<td>30.0</td>
<td>792.2</td>
<td>1 559.5</td>
<td>2 899.3</td>
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<td>Oil tankers</td>
<td>25.0</td>
<td>101.9</td>
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<td>76.4</td>
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<td>General cargo</td>
<td>1.0</td>
<td>557.2</td>
<td>751.1</td>
<td>897.8</td>
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<td>Container ships</td>
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<td>11.3</td>
<td>26.6</td>
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<td>4.0</td>
<td>45.3</td>
<td>188.6</td>
<td>344.9</td>
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### Services exports by main category

(as % of total services)

- Transport: 14.9%
- Travel: 81.9%
- Other services: 3.2%

### Total trade in transport services

(millions of US$)

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<td>12</td>
<td>25</td>
<td>44</td>
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<td>43</td>
<td>118</td>
<td>168</td>
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<td>-31</td>
<td>-93</td>
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### National fleet

#### Fleet by type of ship

(Number of ships)

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LINER SHIPPING CONNECTIVITY

Bilateral connectivity index - Top 10 partners in Q1 2022

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

No data available

Liner shipping connectivity index

Maximum 2006=100 for China

PORT CALLS AND PERFORMANCE

Port calls, time spent in ports, vessel age and size in 2022

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Port liner shipping connectivity index - Top 5 ports in 2022

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.
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/).
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.
9 UNCTAD Secretariat, based on data provided by MarineTraffic (http://marinetraffic.com). Ships of 1000 GT and above.
11 UNCTAD Secretariat, generated from data provided by MDS Transmodal (https://www.mdst.co.uk).

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_ Not applicable
... Not available, including no quotation
# Non-relevant calculation
- Not publishable
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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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