

MARITIME PROFILE: WESTERN SAHARA

GENERAL INFORMATION FOR 2023

Population
0.580 Millions

GDP
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Merchandise trade¹
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Land area²
(p) 266 000 Km²

GDP growth
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Transport services trade³
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MARITIME KEY FIGURES FOR 2023

Coast/area ratio²
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Ship building⁴
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Ship recycling⁴
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Fleet - National flag⁵
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Fleet - National flag⁵
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Fleet - Ownership⁶
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Container port throughput⁷
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Number of seafarers⁸
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Number of port calls⁹
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WORLD SHARES FOR 2023

Population	Less than 0.01% of the World total
Coastline (km) (2)	No value reported or collected
Gross Domestic Product (current US\$)	No value reported or collected
Merchandise exports (US\$)	No value reported or collected
Merchandise imports (US\$)	No value reported or collected
National flagged fleet (DWT) (5)	No value reported or collected
National flagged fleet (US\$) (5)	No value reported or collected
Fleet ownership (DWT) (6)	No value reported or collected
Fleet ownership (US\$) (6)	No value reported or collected
Ship building (GT) (4)	No value reported or collected
Ship recycling (GT) (4)	No value reported or collected
Seafarer supply: Officers (8)	No value reported or collected
Seafarer supply: Ratings (8)	No value reported or collected
Container port throughput (TEU) (7)	No value reported or collected
Port calls: Container ships (9)	No value reported or collected
Port calls: Liquid bulk carriers (9)	No value reported or collected
Port calls: Dry breakbulk carriers (9)	No value reported or collected
Port calls: Dry bulk carriers (9)	No value reported or collected
Port calls: LPG carriers (9)	No value reported or collected
Port calls: LNG carriers (9)	No value reported or collected

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INTERNATIONAL MERCHANDISE TRADE

Total merchandise trade

(millions of US\$)

	2005	2010	2015	2023
Merchandise exports
Merchandise imports
Merchandise trade balance

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Merchandise exports
growth rate in 2023

Export structure by product group in 2023

(as % of total exports)

No data available

Top 5 partners in 2023

(exports, millions of US\$)

No data available

INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TRANSPORT SERVICES

Services exports by main category¹⁰

(as % of total services)

	2005	2010	2015	2023
Transport
Travel
Other services

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Transport services exports
growth rate in 2023

Total trade in transport services¹⁰

(millions of US\$)

	2005	2010	2015	2023
Transport services exports
Transport services imports
Transport services trade balance

NATIONAL FLEET

Carrying capacity by type of ship⁵

(Thousands DWT)

	2005	2010	2015	2023
Total fleet
Oil tankers
Bulk carriers
General cargo
Container ships
Other types of ships

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Fleet growth rate in 2023

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 Q1 2006¹¹

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

Liner shipping connectivity index¹¹

Average Q1 2023=100

No data available

No data available

PORT CALLS AND PERFORMANCE

Port calls, time spent in ports, vessel age and size in 2023⁹

	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 2023¹¹

Average Q1 2023=100

No data available

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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>).
- 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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