

MARITIME PROFILE: TONGA

GENERAL INFORMATION FOR 2022

 Population 0.107 Millions	 GDP 488 Millions current US\$	 Merchandise trade¹ 282 Millions current US\$
 Land area² (j) 720 Km ²	 GDP growth -1.96 %	 Transport services trade³ 157 Millions current US\$

MARITIME KEY FIGURES FOR 2022

 Coast/area ratio² 1 262.5 m/km ²	 Ship building⁴ ..	 Ship recycling⁴ ..
 Fleet - National flag⁵ 27 Thousands DWT	 Fleet - National flag⁵ 28 ships	 Fleet - Ownership⁶ 0.538 Thousands DWT
 Container port throughput⁷ ..	 Number of seafarers⁸ ..	 Number of port calls⁹ -

WORLD SHARES FOR 2022

Population	Less than 0.01% of the World total
Coastline (km) (2)	0.06 %
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\$)	Less than 0.01% of the World total
National flagged fleet (DWT) (5)	Less than 0.01% of the World total
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Fleet ownership (DWT) (6)	Less than 0.01% of the World total
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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 publishable
Port calls: Liquid bulk carriers (9)	Not available or not separately reported
Port calls: Dry breakbulk carriers (9)	Not publishable
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	2022
Merchandise exports	10	8	18	13
Merchandise imports	121	159	209	268
Merchandise trade balance	-111	-151	-191	-255

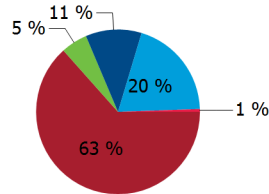
-14.9 %

Merchandise exports growth rate in 2022

Export structure by product group in 2022

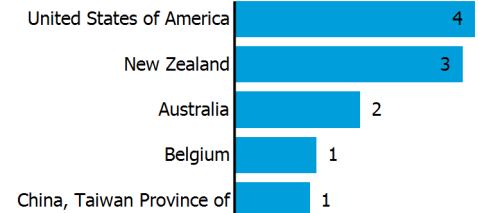
(as % of total exports)

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



Top 5 partners in 2022

(exports, millions of US\$)



INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TRANSPORT SERVICES

Services exports by main category¹⁰

(as % of total services)

	2005	2010	2015	2022
Transport	10.4	19.3	23.1	22.9
Travel	56.6	46.0	65.1	21.6
Other services	33.0	34.8	11.3	55.5

-29.3 %

Transport services exports growth rate in 2022

Total trade in transport services¹⁰

(millions of US\$)

	2005	2010	2015	2022
Transport services exports	3	7	11	10
Transport services imports	21	27	27	52
Transport services trade balance	-19	-20	-16	-41

NATIONAL FLEET

Carrying capacity by type of ship⁵

(Thousands DWT)

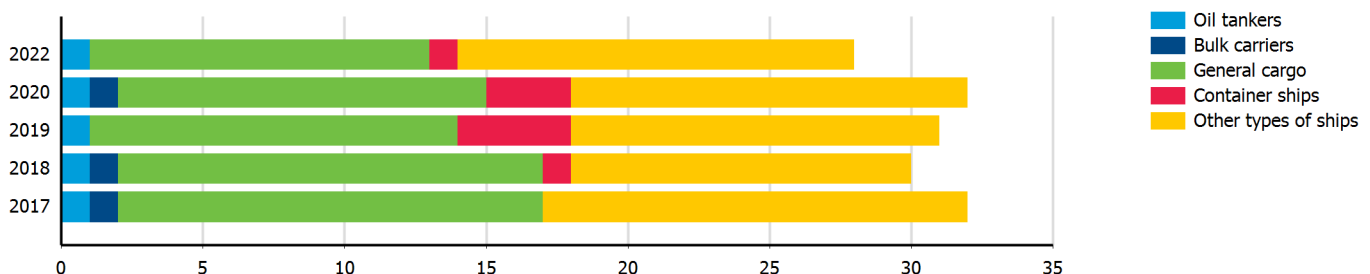
	2005	2010	2015	2022
Total fleet	125.0	77.5	79.9	26.9
Oil tankers	7.0	1.6	0.2	0.2
Bulk carriers	7.0	6.7	52.5	0.0
General cargo	101.0	60.1	11.9	17.8
Container ships	9.9	2.6
Other types of ships	10.0	9.2	5.5	6.4

+24.6 %

Fleet growth rate in 2022

Fleet by type of ship⁵

(Number of ships)



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LINER SHIPPING CONNECTIVITY



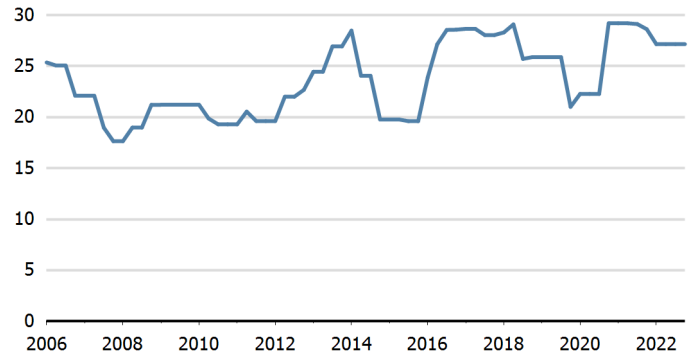
Bilateral connectivity index - Top 10 partners in Q1 2022¹¹

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No data available

Liner shipping connectivity index¹¹

Average Q1 2023=100



PORT CALLS AND PERFORMANCE

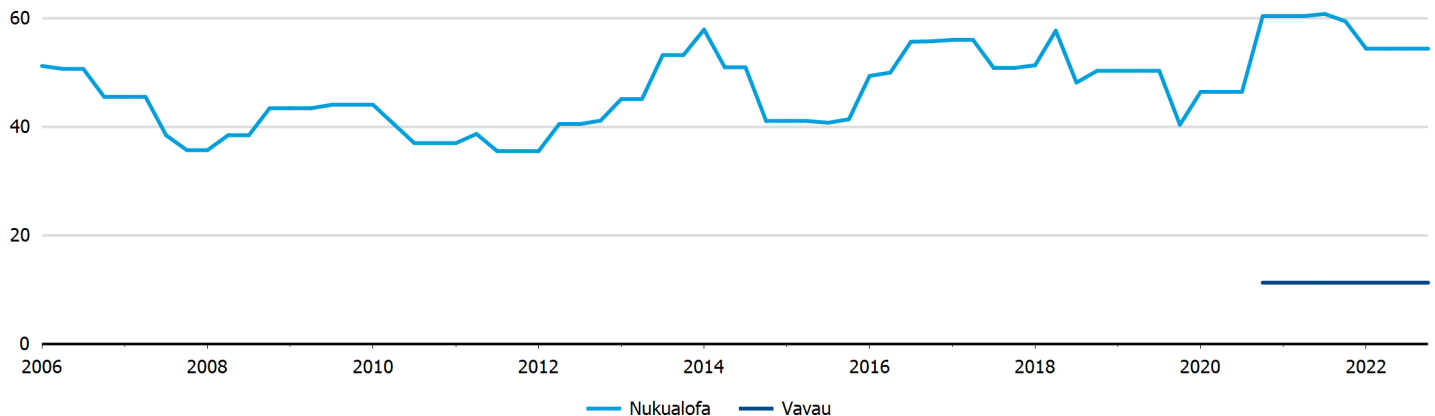


Port calls, time spent in ports, vessel age and size in 2022⁹

	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 2022¹¹

Average Q1 2023=100



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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. Refers to year 2020.
- 8 Refers to year 2022. Source: BIMCO-ICS Manpower Report 2015 and BIMCO-ICS Seafarer Workforce Report, 2022 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>).
- j Estimated. Data refers to 2020.

Symbols for missing values:

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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:

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|------|-----------------------------|
| 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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