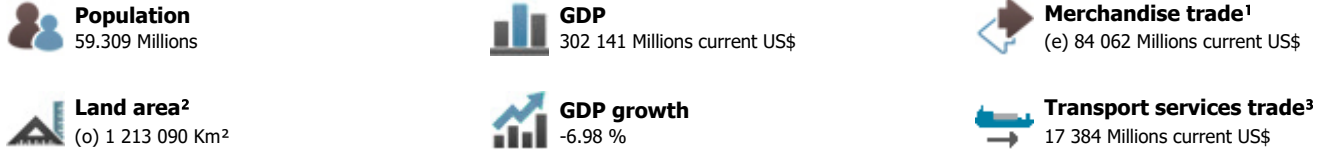


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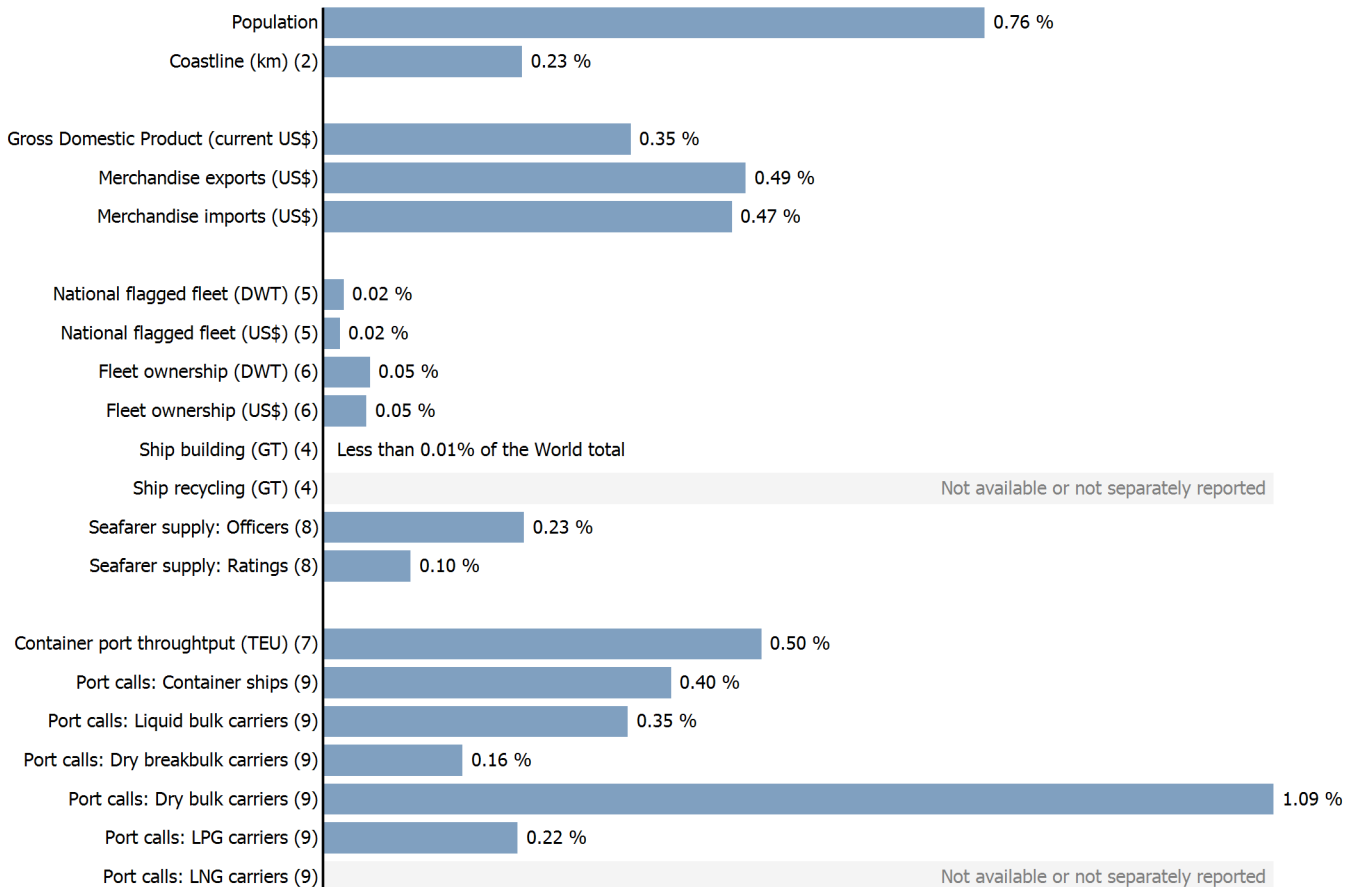
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## INTERNATIONAL MERCHANDISE TRADE

### Total merchandise trade

(millions of US\$)

	2005	2010	2015	2020
Merchandise exports	51 626	91 347	81 002	85 834
Merchandise imports	62 304	96 835	(e) 104 651	(e) 84 062
Merchandise trade balance	-10 679	-5 488	(e) -23 649	(e) 1 772

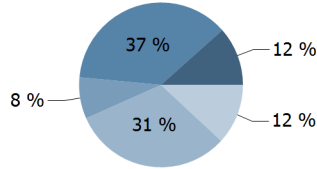
**-4.6 %**

Merchandise exports growth rate in 2020

### Export structure by product group in 2020

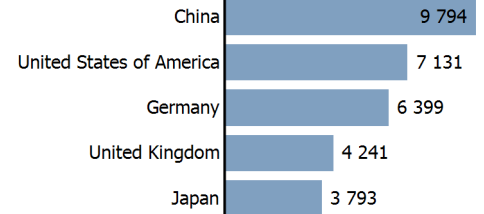
(as % of total exports)

- All food items
- Ores and metals
- Fuels
- Manufactured goods
- Other



### Top 5 partners in 2020

(exports, millions of US\$)



## INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TRANSPORT SERVICES

### Services exports by main category<sup>10</sup>

(as % of total services)

	2005	2010	2015	2020
Transport	17.1	19.3	16.4	16.7
Travel	63.5	56.6	54.9	34.6
Other services	19.2	24.0	28.5	47.9

**-40.3 %**

Transport services exports growth rate in 2020

### Total trade in transport services<sup>10</sup>

(millions of US\$)

	2005	2010	2015	2020
Transport services exports	2 021	3 100	2 470	1 260
Transport services imports	5 328	7 173	6 454	4 015
Transport services trade balance	-3 307	-4 073	-3 984	-2 755

## NATIONAL FLEET

### Carrying capacity by type of ship<sup>5</sup>

(Thousands DWT)

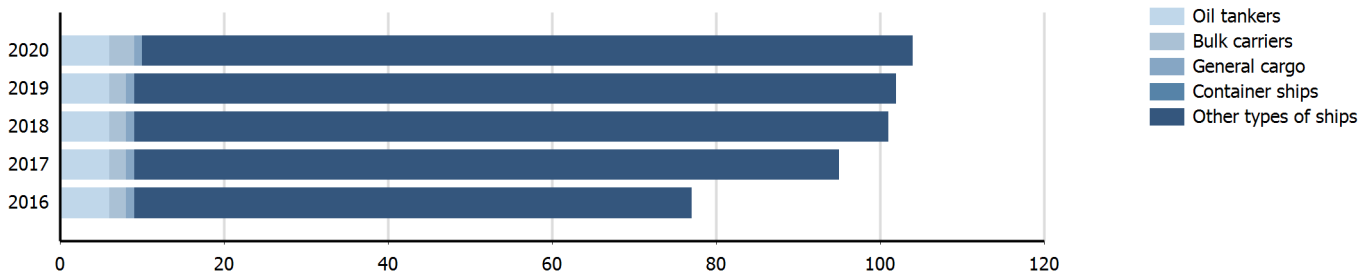
	2005	2010	2015	2020
Total fleet	104.0	125.9	74.0	499.2
Oil tankers	3.0	9.0	21.1	27.4
Bulk carriers	..	..	0.0	414.5
General cargo	..	0.1	0.1	0.1
Container ships	30.0	29.7	0.0	0.0
Other types of ships	71.0	87.1	52.8	57.1

**+11.4 %**

Fleet growth rate in 2020

### Fleet by type of ship<sup>5</sup>

(Number of ships)

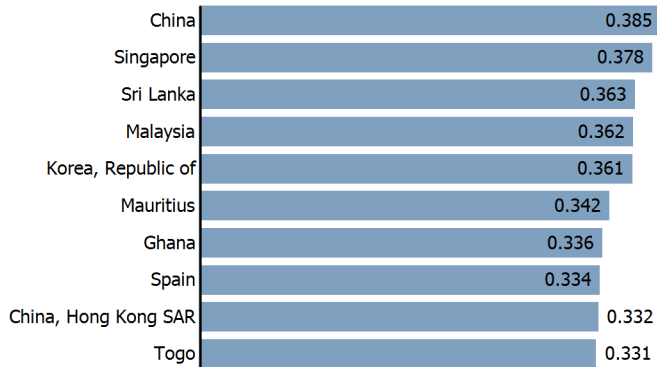


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## LINER SHIPPING CONNECTIVITY

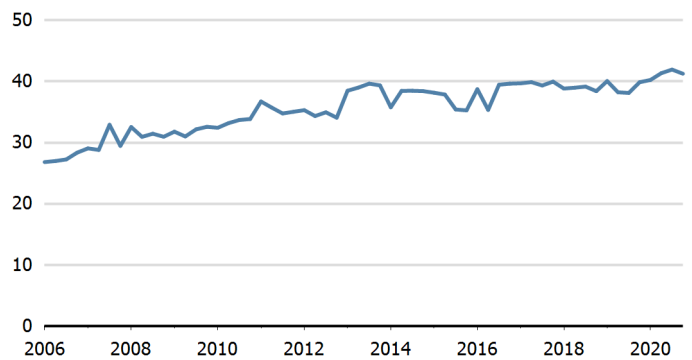
### Bilateral connectivity index - Top 10 partners in Q1 2020<sup>11</sup>

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### Liner shipping connectivity index<sup>11</sup>

Maximum 2006=100 for China



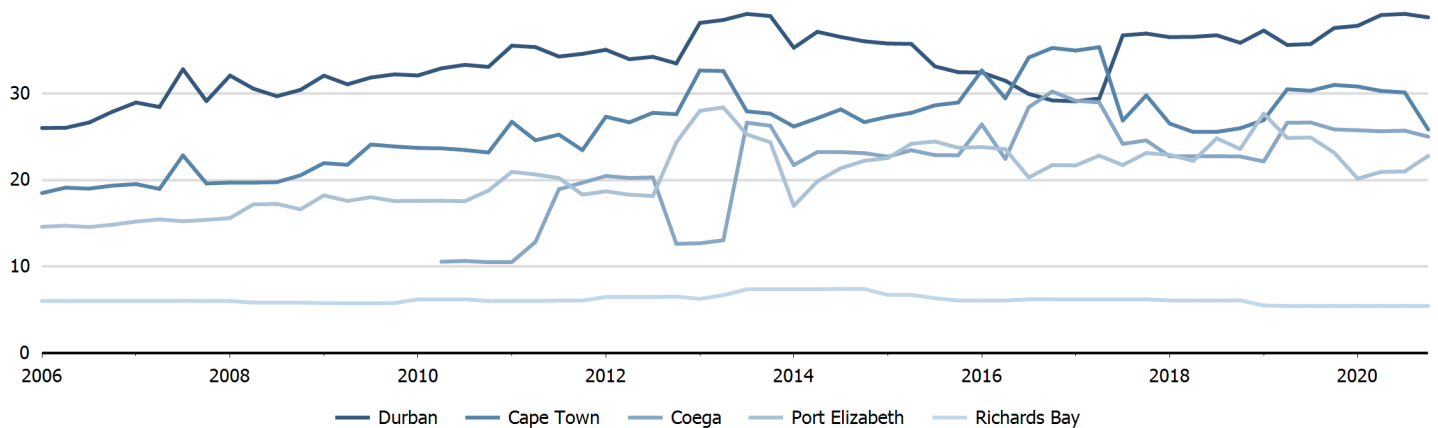
## PORT CALLS AND PERFORMANCE

### Port calls, time spent in ports, vessel age and size in 2020<sup>9</sup>

	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	7 836	2.11	12	41 410	60 135	4 779	167 725
Liquid bulk carriers	1 715	1.48	10	27 336	47 437	..	164 359
Liquefied petroleum gas carriers	118	1.15	12	25 820	30 146	..	48 714
Liquefied natural gas carriers	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dry bulk carriers	2 912	2.50	9	45 045	82 513	..	161 294
Dry breakbulk carriers	666	2.48	15	19 582	25 796	..	57 934
Roll-on/ roll-off ships	434	..	12	58 928	21 007	..	76 420
Container ships	1 840	2.32	14	52 210	..	4 779	153 115
Passenger ships	151	..	20	57 643	..	..	167 725

### Port liner shipping connectivity index - Top 5 ports in 2020<sup>11</sup>

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.  
Coastline length based on data calculated in 2000 from the World Vector Shoreline database at 1:250,000 scale.
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  - 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).
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- e Estimated.  
n Estimated by BIMCO/ICS to be the same figure as in 2015.  
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- 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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