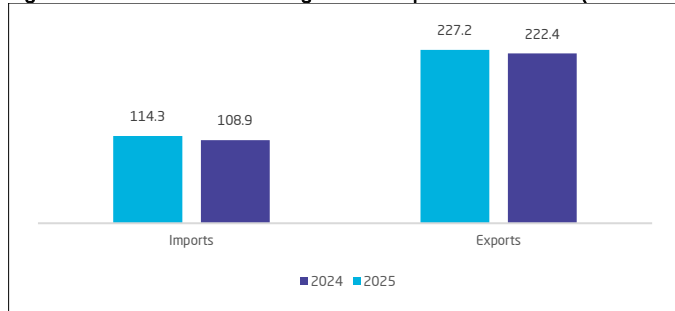


Exports and imports at Saudi Arabia's ports exceed 341 million tons in 2025

The Maritime Transport Statistics Publication 2025 showed that the total volume of inbound and outbound cargo handled through Saudi Arabia's ports exceeded 341 million tons. Outbound cargo reached 227.2 million tons, up 2.1% compared to 2024, while inbound cargo totaled 114.3 million tons, an increase of 5.0% compared to 2024 (Figure 1). King Fahad Industrial Port in Yanbu accounted for the largest share of exports, representing 50.7% of the total, with 115.2 million tons. Meanwhile, King Abdulaziz Port in Dammam ranked first in terms of imports amounting to 39.2 million tons, representing approximately 34.3% of total imports.

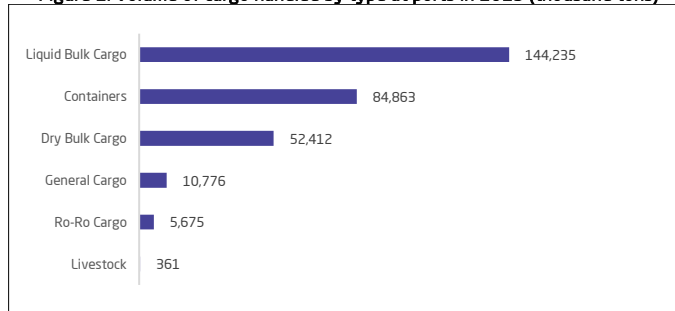
Figure 1. Inbound and outbound cargo volume at ports in 2024-2025 (million tons)



Cargo handled at Saudi Arabia's ports

Maritime Transport Statistics 2025 showed that the total volume of cargo handled at Saudi Arabia's ports exceeded 298 million tons. King Fahad Industrial Port in Yanbu recorded the largest share of cargo handled by weight, accounting for 33.0% of the total, while Jeddah Islamic Port ranked first in handling twenty-foot equivalent units (TEUs), accounting for 47.3% of total TEUs handled. Liquid bulk cargo was the leading type of cargo handled, exceeding 144 million tons (Figure 2).

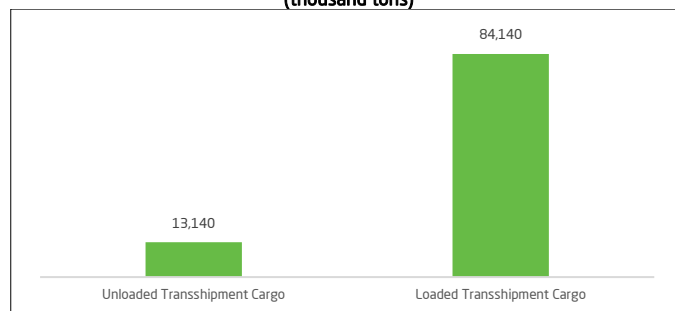
Figure 2. Volume of cargo handled by type at ports in 2025 (thousand tons)



Transshipment cargo at Saudi Arabia's ports

Data showed that the total volume of transshipment cargo handled at Saudi Arabia's ports in 2025 exceeded 97 million tons, comprising 13.1 million tons of unloaded cargo and 84.1 million tons of loaded cargo (Figure 3). In addition, the total number of TEUs handled in transshipment operations, both unloaded and loaded, exceeded 2 million.

Figure 3. Volume of loaded and unloaded transshipment cargo at ports in 2025 (thousand tons)



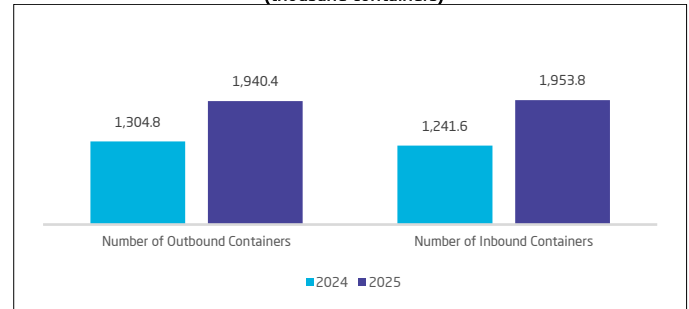
Ship traffic at Saudi Arabia's ports

Data for 2025 showed that the total number of ships arriving at Saudi Arabia's ports reached 7,848. Jeddah Islamic Port recorded the highest number of ship arrivals, with 2,677 ships, followed by Jubail Commercial Port with 1,256 ships. King Abdulaziz Port in Dammam ranked third with 1,030 ships, while NEOM Port ranked fourth with 828 ships.

Outbound and inbound container traffic at Saudi Arabia's ports

Data showed that the total number of outbound and inbound containers at Saudi Arabia's ports reached 3,894.2 thousand in 2025, representing an increase of 52.9% compared with 2024 (Figure 4). Of this total, 1,940.4 thousand were outbound containers and 1,953.8 thousand were inbound containers.

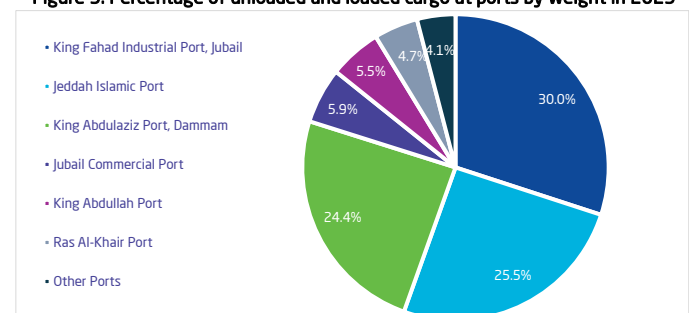
Figure 4. Number of outbound and inbound containers at ports in 2024-2025 (thousand containers)



Unloaded and loaded cargo at Saudi Arabia's ports

Statistics showed that the total weight of unloaded and loaded cargo at Saudi Arabia's ports exceeded 210.6 million tons in 2025, representing a 37.0% decrease compared to 2024. The total weight of unloaded cargo reached 99.3 million tons, while loaded cargo totaled 111.3 million tons. King Fahad Industrial Port in Jubail accounted for the largest share of the total weight of unloaded and loaded cargo, at 30.0%, followed by Jeddah Islamic Port at 25.5%, and King Abdulaziz Port in Dammam at 24.4%. Jubail Commercial Port accounted for 5.9%, King Abdullah Port for 5.5%, and Ras Al-Khair Port for 4.7%, while the remaining 4.1% was distributed among other ports in Saudi Arabia (Figure 5).

Figure 5. Percentage of unloaded and loaded cargo at ports by weight in 2025



Passenger traffic at Saudi Arabia's ports

Statistics showed that the number of arriving and departing passengers through Saudi Arabia's ports reached approximately 1.1 million in 2025, an increase of 20.1% compared to 2024. Jazan Port recorded the highest passenger traffic, with more than 489.6 thousand passengers, followed by Jeddah Islamic Port with approximately 413.8 thousand passengers, and NEOM Port with more than 187 thousand passengers. The data also showed that the total number of cruise passengers reached 174.5 thousand in 2025.

Key Indicators of Maritime Transport		
Unit	2025	Key Indicators
Million tons	227.2	Outbound cargo volume
Million tons	114.3	Inbound cargo volume
Thousand containers	1,940.4	Number of outbound containers
Thousand containers	1,953.8	Number of inbound containers
Number (million)	1.1	Number of arriving and departing passengers
Million tons	686.2	Port capacity

Tables

Methodology and quality

The Maritime Transport Statistics Publication is an annual publication that provides a comprehensive set of statistics serving as a reliable basis for studies and research in the field of maritime transport. It provides information on arriving and departing passenger traffic through Saudi ports, the volume of cargo unloaded and loaded at Saudi Arabia's ports, and ship traffic through these ports. The publication is based on administrative records obtained from the Saudi Ports Authority, the Economic Cities and Special Zones Authority, NEOM Company, and the Royal Commission for Jubail and Yanbu. [Methodology and Quality Report](#)