

Table 1 : Summary of port cargo statistics

	Q3 2021		Q1-Q3 2021	
	(Million tonnes)	(Year-on-year percentage change)	(Million tonnes)	(Year-on-year percentage change)
Port total	55.5	-12.4	159.7	-15.0
<u>Inward</u>	34.6	-19.3	100.9	-22.2
Imports	17.9	-31.6	53.4	-35.0
Inward transshipment	16.8	0.0	47.5	+0.1
<u>Outward</u>	20.9	+2.2	58.8	+0.8
Exports ⁽¹⁾	5.1	+4.8	14.5	+4.0
Outward transshipment	15.8	+1.3	44.4	-0.2
Seaborne⁽²⁾	39.0	+4.2	111.4	-0.8
<u>Inward</u>	25.4	-1.4	72.8	-7.4
Imports	12.1	-6.9	34.3	-18.0
Inward transshipment	13.3	+4.3	38.5	+4.6
<u>Outward</u>	13.5	+16.5	38.7	+14.7
Exports ⁽¹⁾	2.4	+6.8	6.5	+6.6
Outward transshipment	11.1	+18.9	32.2	+16.5
River⁽²⁾	16.5	-36.2	48.3	-36.2
<u>Inward</u>	9.2	-46.3	28.1	-44.9
Imports	5.8	-56.0	19.1	-52.7
Inward transshipment	3.4	-13.9	9.0	-15.2
<u>Outward</u>	7.3	-16.7	20.1	-18.2
Exports ⁽¹⁾	2.7	+3.1	8.0	+2.0
Outward transshipment	4.6	-25.2	12.2	-27.7

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0.0 Denotes increase or decrease of less than 0.05%.

Table 2 : Main countries/territories of loading of inward port cargo⁽¹⁾

Country/territory of loading	Q3 2021		Q1-Q3 2021	
	('000 tonnes)	(Year-on-year percentage change)	('000 tonnes)	(Year-on-year percentage change)
The mainland of China	14 660	-32.0	43 781	-32.9
<i>Seaborne</i> ⁽²⁾	5 489	+20.5	15 936	+6.2
<i>River</i> ⁽²⁾	9 171	-46.0	27 845	-44.5
Malaysia	2 028	-7.4	6 172	-6.7
Indonesia	2 303	+52.3	5 665	+49.5
Japan	1 693	-2.1	4 775	+2.9
Singapore	1 822	+5.9	4 677	-8.6
Vietnam	1 281	+12.8	4 258	+20.7
Taiwan	1 521	-52.2	4 188	-65.0
Thailand	1 156	+6.2	3 501	+0.8
USA	1 078	+5.7	3 297	-5.2
Korea	1 179	-7.4	2 729	-24.9

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Table 3 : Main countries/territories of discharge of outward port cargo⁽¹⁾

Country/territory of discharge	Q3 2021		Q1-Q3 2021	
	('000 tonnes)	(Year-on-year percentage change)	('000 tonnes)	(Year-on-year percentage change)
The mainland of China	10 051	-8.6	26 750	-13.1
<i>Seaborne</i> ⁽²⁾	3 423	+16.0	9 241	+11.7
<i>River</i> ⁽²⁾	6 628	-17.7	17 509	-22.2
Vietnam	1 094	-4.0	3 677	+7.5
Taiwan	1 143	+39.9	3 141	+21.4
USA	1 069	+19.8	2 954	+11.6
Philippines	942	+0.9	2 742	+15.1
Macao	715	-6.9	2 639	+23.7
Japan	737	-8.5	2 234	-7.5
Korea	614	+32.8	1 918	+35.2
Malaysia	570	+8.3	1 672	+12.6
Thailand	518	+25.8	1 470	+3.6

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Table 4 : Principal commodities of inward port cargo⁽¹⁾

Commodity group	Q3 2021		Q1-Q3 2021	
	('000 tonnes)	(Year-on-year percentage change)	('000 tonnes)	(Year-on-year percentage change)
Port total				
Stone, sand and gravel	5 426	-61.9	17 565	-61.9
Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	3 414	+0.8	9 202	-18.9
Artificial resins and plastic materials	2 420	-19.3	6 875	-17.0
Coal, coke and briquettes	2 209	+40.9	5 343	+61.7
Machinery	1 559	-6.6	4 635	-2.2
Iron and steel	1 347	+9.0	4 177	+24.6
Seaborne⁽²⁾				
Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	3 350	+1.4	8 881	-16.7
Artificial resins and plastic materials	2 015	-18.2	5 773	-15.0
Coal, coke and briquettes	2 204	+42.0	5 324	+62.2
River⁽²⁾				
Stone, sand and gravel	3 659	-66.4	12 694	-61.0
Machinery	824	-17.1	2 365	-15.9
Bricks, ceramic tile and refractory construction materials	539	-28.9	1 461	-27.6

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Table 5 : Principal commodities of outward port cargo⁽¹⁾

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	('000 tonnes)	(Year-on-year percentage change)	('000 tonnes)	(Year-on-year percentage change)
Port total				
Artificial resins and plastic materials	1 913	-16.8	5 266	-17.5
Machinery	1 838	+7.9	5 212	+8.0
Metalliferous ores and metal scrap	1 405	+14.0	3 598	+5.9
Stone, sand and gravel	999	+7.1	3 522	+18.5
Logs and timber; wood, simply worked	1 318	-7.2	3 319	-17.4
Pulp and waste paper	942	-17.8	2 524	-25.3
Seaborne⁽²⁾				
Machinery	1 584	+9.6	4 602	+15.9
Metalliferous ores and metal scrap	1 065	+21.9	2 601	+6.9
Artificial resins and plastic materials	763	+4.7	2 289	+6.5
River⁽²⁾				
Stone, sand and gravel	905	+5.1	3 245	+20.5
Artificial resins and plastic materials	1 151	-26.7	2 977	-29.7
Logs and timber; wood, simply worked	775	-24.1	1 855	-34.5

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Table 6 : Summary of container statistics

	Q3 2021		Q1-Q3 2021	
	('000 TEUs [@])	(Year-on-year percentage change)	('000 TEUs [@])	(Year-on-year percentage change)
Port total	4 641	-1.2	13 348	+0.3
<u>Laden containers</u>	3 945	+0.4	11 147	+0.6
<i>Inward</i>	2 012	-2.9	5 812	-1.1
Imports	565	-0.2	1 618	-3.1
Inward transhipment	1 447	-4.0	4 194	-0.3
<i>Outward</i>	1 932	+4.1	5 335	+2.5
Exports ⁽¹⁾	508	+10.4	1 297	+2.1
Outward transhipment	1 425	+2.0	4 038	+2.6
<u>Empty containers</u>	696	-9.4	2 201	-1.1
<i>Inward</i>	380	+1.5	1 126	+5.8
<i>Outward</i>	316	-19.8	1 074	-7.5
Seaborne⁽²⁾	3 411	+5.9	10 036	+8.8
<u>Laden containers</u>	2 897	+8.1	8 397	+10.2
<i>Inward</i>	1 464	+1.6	4 339	+4.4
Imports	376	-2.1	1 140	-1.8
Inward transhipment	1 088	+3.0	3 199	+6.8
<i>Outward</i>	1 433	+15.7	4 058	+17.1
Exports ⁽¹⁾	345	+11.6	893	+10.1
Outward transhipment	1 088	+17.1	3 165	+19.2
<u>Empty containers</u>	514	-5.0	1 639	+2.5
<i>Inward</i>	327	+7.0	978	+10.2
<i>Outward</i>	188	-20.5	661	-7.1
River⁽²⁾	1 230	-16.8	3 312	-19.0
<u>Laden containers</u>	1 048	-16.3	2 750	-20.5
<i>Inward</i>	549	-13.3	1 473	-14.3
Imports	189	+4.0	478	-6.1
Inward transhipment	359	-20.2	995	-17.8
<i>Outward</i>	499	-19.3	1 277	-26.6
Exports ⁽¹⁾	163	+8.0	404	-11.9
Outward transhipment	336	-28.1	873	-31.9
<u>Empty containers</u>	182	-20.0	562	-10.4
<i>Inward</i>	54	-22.6	148	-16.3
<i>Outward</i>	128	-18.8	414	-8.1

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@ TEU stands for twenty-foot equivalent unit which is a unit measure in capacity terms for different sizes of containers for moving the cargo.

Table 7 : Summary of vessel arrivals

	Q3 2021	Q1-Q3 2021
Ocean		
Number of vessel arrivals	4 137 (-23.1)	12 253 (-31.0)
Capacity (Mn. NT [#])	62.8 (-30.7)	181.6 (-36.2)
River		
Number of vessel arrivals	12 131 (-21.6)	34 484 (-33.0)
Capacity (Mn. NT [#])	15.7 (-23.0)	41.4 (-40.9)

Notes : Figures in brackets are percentage changes compared with preceding year.

Net ton (NT) is a unit measure in volume terms of the space of a vessel available for carrying passengers or goods. One NT is equivalent to 100 cubic feet.