

Table 1 : Summary of port cargo statistics

	Q4 2021		Q1-Q4 2021	
	(Million tonnes)	(Year-on-year percentage change)	(Million tonnes)	(Year-on-year percentage change)
Port total	54.0	-11.9	213.7	-14.3
<u>Inward</u>	34.0	-15.6	134.9	-20.6
Imports	17.5	-24.0	70.9	-32.6
Inward transhipment	16.5	-4.4	64.0	-1.1
<u>Outward</u>	20.0	-4.8	78.8	-0.7
Exports ⁽¹⁾	4.8	-5.9	19.2	+1.3
Outward transhipment	15.2	-4.4	59.6	-1.3
Seaborne⁽²⁾	37.8	+2.6	149.3	+0.1
<u>Inward</u>	24.7	-1.1	97.5	-5.9
Imports	11.4	-3.2	45.6	-14.8
Inward transhipment	13.3	+0.8	51.8	+3.6
<u>Outward</u>	13.1	+10.4	51.8	+13.6
Exports ⁽¹⁾	2.1	+2.2	8.6	+5.4
Outward transhipment	11.0	+12.1	43.2	+15.4
River⁽²⁾	16.2	-33.8	64.5	-35.6
<u>Inward</u>	9.3	-39.2	37.4	-43.6
Imports	6.1	-45.7	25.2	-51.1
Inward transhipment	3.2	-21.5	12.2	-16.9
<u>Outward</u>	6.9	-24.5	27.0	-19.9
Exports ⁽¹⁾	2.6	-11.6	10.6	-1.8
Outward transhipment	4.3	-30.7	16.4	-28.5

Notes : Figures may not add up to the respective totals due to rounding.

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

Country/territory of loading	Q4 2021		Q1-Q4 2021	
	('000 tonnes)	(Year-on-year percentage change)	('000 tonnes)	(Year-on-year percentage change)
The mainland of China	14 398	-28.0	58 179	-31.7
<i>Seaborne</i> ⁽²⁾	5 101	+8.6	21 037	+6.8
<i>River</i> ⁽²⁾	9 297	-39.2	37 142	-43.3
Malaysia	2 250	-16.7	8 421	-9.6
Indonesia	1 678	+82.2	7 342	+55.9
Singapore	2 003	+10.6	6 680	-3.6
Japan	1 517	-19.2	6 291	-3.4
Taiwan	2 041	-7.7	6 229	-56.1
Vietnam	1 586	+29.4	5 844	+23.0
Thailand	1 214	+4.1	4 715	+1.6
USA	881	-9.8	4 178	-6.2
Korea	1 320	+1.3	4 049	-18.0

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

Country/territory of discharge	Q4 2021		Q1-Q4 2021	
	('000 tonnes)	(Year-on-year percentage change)	('000 tonnes)	(Year-on-year percentage change)
The mainland of China	9 886	-9.8	36 636	-12.2
<i>Seaborne</i> ⁽²⁾	3 411	+23.8	12 652	+14.8
<i>River</i> ⁽²⁾	6 475	-21.0	23 984	-21.9
Vietnam	1 097	-2.0	4 773	+5.2
Taiwan	1 224	+26.1	4 365	+22.7
USA	822	-8.7	3 776	+6.4
Philippines	960	+44.9	3 702	+21.5
Macao	408	-55.3	3 047	0.0
Japan	720	-11.4	2 954	-8.5
Korea	578	+18.2	2 495	+30.8
Malaysia	617	-10.6	2 288	+5.2
Thailand	579	+39.2	2 049	+11.7

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0.0 Denotes increase or decrease of less than 0.05%.

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

Commodity group	Q4 2021		Q1-Q4 2021	
	('000 tonnes)	(Year-on-year percentage change)	('000 tonnes)	(Year-on-year percentage change)
Port total				
Stone, sand and gravel	5 544	-51.9	23 109	-59.9
Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	3 909	+11.9	13 111	-11.7
Artificial resins and plastic materials	2 312	-24.3	9 187	-18.9
Coal, coke and briquettes	1 419	+69.6	6 761	+63.3
Machinery	1 464	-10.3	6 099	-4.3
Iron and steel	1 098	-14.8	5 274	+13.6
Seaborne⁽²⁾				
Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	3 810	+12.6	12 691	-9.6
Artificial resins and plastic materials	1 956	-20.0	7 729	-16.3
Coal, coke and briquettes	1 405	+68.8	6 729	+63.5
River⁽²⁾				
Stone, sand and gravel	3 960	-56.2	16 654	-59.9
Machinery	765	-19.2	3 130	-16.8
Bricks, ceramic tile and refractory construction materials	602	-20.7	2 063	-25.7

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

Commodity group	Q4 2021		Q1-Q4 2021	
	('000 tonnes)	(Year-on-year percentage change)	('000 tonnes)	(Year-on-year percentage change)
Port total				
Artificial resins and plastic materials	1 771	-25.6	7 037	-19.7
Machinery	1 699	-0.9	6 912	+5.7
Metalliferous ores and metal scrap	1 419	+34.9	5 017	+12.7
Logs and timber; wood, simply worked	1 102	-12.2	4 422	-16.1
Stone, sand and gravel	862	-32.9	4 384	+3.0
Pulp and waste paper	835	-22.3	3 359	-24.6
Seaborne⁽²⁾				
Machinery	1 508	+3.7	6 110	+12.7
Metalliferous ores and metal scrap	985	+39.9	3 586	+14.3
Artificial resins and plastic materials	680	-13.8	2 969	+1.0
River⁽²⁾				
Artificial resins and plastic materials	1 091	-31.5	4 067	-30.2
Stone, sand and gravel	790	-34.6	4 035	+3.5
Logs and timber; wood, simply worked	625	-27.1	2 480	-32.8

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Table 6 : Summary of container statistics

	Q4 2021	(Year-on-year percentage change)	Q1-Q4 2021	(Year-on-year percentage change)
	('000 TEUs [@])		('000 TEUs [@])	
Port total	4 451	-4.5	17 798	-1.0
<u>Laden containers</u>	3 738	-5.8	14 885	-1.1
<i>Inward</i>	1 951	-7.0	7 763	-2.6
Imports	540	-4.0	2 158	-3.4
Inward transhipment	1 411	-8.1	5 605	-2.4
<i>Outward</i>	1 787	-4.4	7 122	+0.7
Exports ⁽¹⁾	431	-0.9	1 729	+1.4
Outward transhipment	1 355	-5.4	5 393	+0.4
<u>Empty containers</u>	713	+2.6	2 914	-0.2
<i>Inward</i>	366	+3.5	1 492	+5.2
<i>Outward</i>	348	+1.7	1 422	-5.4
Seaborne⁽²⁾	3 280	+1.3	13 316	+6.9
<u>Laden containers</u>	2 770	+1.0	11 167	+7.7
<i>Inward</i>	1 434	-3.3	5 772	+2.4
Imports	355	-7.9	1 495	-3.4
Inward transhipment	1 078	-1.7	4 278	+4.5
<i>Outward</i>	1 336	+6.1	5 395	+14.2
Exports ⁽¹⁾	286	+0.9	1 179	+7.7
Outward transhipment	1 051	+7.6	4 216	+16.1
<u>Empty containers</u>	510	+2.9	2 149	+2.6
<i>Inward</i>	304	+1.3	1 282	+8.0
<i>Outward</i>	207	+5.4	867	-4.4
River⁽²⁾	1 170	-17.8	4 482	-18.7
<u>Laden containers</u>	968	-21.0	3 717	-20.6
<i>Inward</i>	517	-15.9	1 990	-14.7
Imports	185	+4.5	663	-3.4
Inward transhipment	332	-24.1	1 327	-19.5
<i>Outward</i>	450	-26.1	1 727	-26.5
Exports ⁽¹⁾	146	-4.3	550	-10.0
Outward transhipment	305	-33.4	1 177	-32.3
<u>Empty containers</u>	203	+1.9	765	-7.4
<i>Inward</i>	62	+15.7	210	-8.9
<i>Outward</i>	141	-3.2	555	-6.9

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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

	Q4 2021	Q1-Q4 2021
Ocean		
Number of vessel arrivals	4 003 (-5.5)	16 256 (-26.1)
Capacity (Mn. NT [#])	63.5 (+1.1)	245.1 (-29.5)
River		
Number of vessel arrivals ⁽¹⁾	11 738 (-18.2)	46 221 (-29.8)
Capacity (Mn. NT [#])	15.7 (-2.5)	57.1 (-33.7)

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.

(1) The numbers of river vessel arrivals of the second quarter, the first half and the first nine months of 2021 were revised to 12 144, 22 352 and 34 483 respectively.