

**Table 1 : Summary of port cargo statistics**

	Q3 2024		Q1-Q3 2024	
	(Million tonnes)	(Year-on-year percentage change)	(Million tonnes)	(Year-on-year percentage change)
<b>Port total</b>	<b>43.7</b>	<b>-3.5</b>	<b>132.3</b>	<b>+1.0</b>
<u>Inward</u>	27.7	-4.0	83.8	+0.5
Direct shipment <sup>(1)</sup>	15.7	0.0	47.3	+7.0
Transshipment <sup>(1)</sup>	12.0	-8.8	36.5	-6.9
<u>Outward</u>	16.0	-2.5	48.5	+2.0
Direct shipment <sup>(1)</sup>	4.9	+20.7	14.8	+33.9
Transshipment <sup>(1)</sup>	11.1	-10.1	33.7	-7.7
<b>Seaborne<sup>(2)</sup></b>	<b>27.3</b>	<b>-6.8</b>	<b>82.6</b>	<b>-4.8</b>
<u>Inward</u>	17.9	-7.4	54.6	-4.6
Direct shipment <sup>(1)</sup>	8.5	-5.1	25.9	-0.3
Transshipment <sup>(1)</sup>	9.4	-9.3	28.7	-8.1
<u>Outward</u>	9.4	-5.6	28.0	-5.2
Direct shipment <sup>(1)</sup>	1.5	-0.2	4.4	+4.1
Transshipment <sup>(1)</sup>	7.9	-6.6	23.6	-6.8
<b>River<sup>(2)</sup></b>	<b>16.4</b>	<b>+2.7</b>	<b>49.7</b>	<b>+12.4</b>
<u>Inward</u>	9.8	+2.8	29.2	+11.5
Direct shipment <sup>(1)</sup>	7.2	+6.9	21.4	+17.3
Transshipment <sup>(1)</sup>	2.6	-6.9	7.8	-1.8
<u>Outward</u>	6.6	+2.4	20.5	+13.8
Direct shipment <sup>(1)</sup>	3.4	+33.2	10.5	+52.0
Transshipment <sup>(1)</sup>	3.2	-17.9	10.1	-9.9

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  - (2) Seaborne refers to transport by vessels operating beyond the river trade limits, while river refers to transport by vessels operating exclusively within the river trade limits. The river trade limits mean the waters in the vicinity of Hong Kong which broadly include the Pearl River, Mirs Bay and Macao, and other inland waterways in Guangdong and Guangxi which are accessible from waters in the vicinity of Hong Kong.
- 0.0 Increase or decrease of less than 0.05%.

**Table 2 : Main countries/territories of loading of inward port cargo<sup>(1)</sup>**

Country/territory of loading	Q3 2024		Q1-Q3 2024	
	('000 tonnes)	(Year-on-year percentage change)	('000 tonnes)	(Year-on-year percentage change)
The mainland of China	13 988	+1.6	42 030	+8.6
<i>Seaborne</i> <sup>(2)</sup>	4 204	-2.0	12 931	+1.9
<i>River</i> <sup>(2)</sup>	9 784	+3.2	29 099	+11.9
Singapore	1 815	+22.2	5 032	+22.6
Malaysia	1 461	-23.6	4 649	-20.0
Indonesia	1 034	-44.1	3 854	-21.0
Taiwan	967	-11.4	3 143	+5.4
Japan	945	-17.4	2 774	-16.6
Vietnam	800	-20.9	2 771	-18.4
Korea	972	+56.6	2 578	+24.4
Thailand	667	-32.3	2 386	-14.3
USA	495	-29.0	1 824	-26.2

Notes : (1) Inward port cargo comprises direct shipment and transshipment (i.e. imports and inward transshipment).

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**Table 3 : Main countries/territories of discharge of outward port cargo<sup>(1)</sup>**

Country/territory of discharge	Q3 2024		Q1-Q3 2024	
	('000 tonnes)	(Year-on-year percentage change)	('000 tonnes)	(Year-on-year percentage change)
The mainland of China	9 210	+3.4	27 764	+9.8
<i>Seaborne</i> <sup>(2)</sup>	2 748	+3.9	7 610	-2.5
<i>River</i> <sup>(2)</sup>	6 463	+3.2	20 154	+15.2
Vietnam	909	+17.5	2 703	+13.2
Taiwan	834	+22.7	2 287	+5.5
Philippines	544	-40.5	1 911	-26.9
Thailand	445	-12.2	1 315	-15.6
Malaysia	345	-33.8	1 307	-13.6
USA	368	-6.9	1 203	-10.5
Japan	355	-25.9	1 140	-19.7
Korea	374	-4.1	1 130	-13.2
Australia	331	-4.2	1 015	+16.9

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**Table 4 : Principal commodities of inward port cargo<sup>(1)</sup>**

Commodity group	Q3 2024		Q1-Q3 2024	
	('000 tonnes)	(Year-on-year percentage change)	('000 tonnes)	(Year-on-year percentage change)
<b>Port total</b>				
Stone, sand and gravel	4 924	-4.6	15 200	+13.5
Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	4 057	+20.6	11 826	+15.6
Artificial resins and plastic materials	1 596	-17.0	4 896	-8.5
Coal, coke and briquettes	1 160	-33.8	4 153	-2.8
Machinery	1 248	+6.7	3 694	+2.2
Metalliferous ores and metal scrap	1 338	+16.9	3 637	+7.8
<b>Seaborne<sup>(2)</sup></b>				
Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	3 762	+15.1	10 990	+11.1
Coal, coke and briquettes	1 155	-33.9	4 140	-2.8
Artificial resins and plastic materials	1 203	-23.3	3 856	-9.4
<b>River<sup>(2)</sup></b>				
Stone, sand and gravel	4 534	-4.3	14 222	+15.6
Machinery	779	+9.1	2 281	+6.9
Cement and cement clinker	511	+51.4	1 453	+49.4

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**Table 5 : Principal commodities of outward port cargo<sup>(1)</sup>**

Commodity group	Q3 2024		Q1-Q3 2024	
	('000 tonnes)	(Year-on-year percentage change)	('000 tonnes)	(Year-on-year percentage change)
<b>Port total</b>				
Stone, sand and gravel	1 856	+37.2	6 334	+134.4
Metalliferous ores and metal scrap	1 554	+15.6	4 292	+8.3
Artificial resins and plastic materials	1 310	-17.3	4 077	-9.1
Machinery	1 092	+1.8	3 276	-2.5
Pulp and waste paper	748	+2.7	2 215	-2.6
Live animals chiefly for food and edible animal products	607	-16.1	1 877	-17.8
<b>Seaborne<sup>(2)</sup></b>				
Machinery	911	+0.9	2 758	-1.7
Metalliferous ores and metal scrap	1 018	+28.3	2 689	+13.1
Artificial resins and plastic materials	494	-7.0	1 567	-3.3
<b>River<sup>(2)</sup></b>				
Stone, sand and gravel	1 748	+40.5	6 034	+148.5
Artificial resins and plastic materials	816	-22.5	2 510	-12.3
Metalliferous ores and metal scrap	536	-2.7	1 604	+1.1

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**Table 6 : Summary of container statistics**

	Q3 2024		Q1-Q3 2024	
	('000 TEUs <sup>@</sup> )	(Year-on-year percentage change)	('000 TEUs <sup>@</sup> )	(Year-on-year percentage change)
<b>Port total</b>	<b>3 410</b>	<b>-7.0</b>	<b>10 177</b>	<b>-5.7</b>
<u>Laden containers</u>	2 746	-5.2	8 143	-4.5
<i>Inward</i>	1 471	-5.0	4 369	-4.4
Direct shipment <sup>(1)</sup>	428	+1.3	1 220	-2.2
Transshipment <sup>(1)</sup>	1 044	-7.4	3 149	-5.2
<i>Outward</i>	1 274	-5.4	3 774	-4.6
Direct shipment <sup>(1)</sup>	302	+4.7	830	+0.2
Transshipment <sup>(1)</sup>	973	-8.2	2 944	-5.8
<u>Empty containers</u>	665	-13.9	2 034	-10.2
<i>Inward</i>	349	-11.8	1 043	-3.5
<i>Outward</i>	316	-16.0	990	-16.4
 <b>Seaborne<sup>(2)</sup></b>	 <b>2 346</b>	 <b>-9.7</b>	 <b>7 064</b>	 <b>-8.0</b>
<u>Laden containers</u>	1 903	-7.5	5 700	-6.2
<i>Inward</i>	1 009	-8.7	3 055	-7.3
Direct shipment <sup>(1)</sup>	248	-7.7	758	-6.1
Transshipment <sup>(1)</sup>	760	-9.1	2 296	-7.7
<i>Outward</i>	894	-6.1	2 645	-4.9
Direct shipment <sup>(1)</sup>	170	-4.1	471	+0.6
Transshipment <sup>(1)</sup>	725	-6.6	2 175	-6.0
<u>Empty containers</u>	443	-17.8	1 364	-14.9
<i>Inward</i>	290	-9.9	880	-2.4
<i>Outward</i>	152	-29.6	484	-30.9
 <b>River<sup>(2)</sup></b>	 <b>1 065</b>	 <b>-0.7</b>	 <b>3 112</b>	 <b>+0.1</b>
<u>Laden containers</u>	843	+0.5	2 443	-0.1
<i>Inward</i>	463	+4.2	1 315	+3.2
Direct shipment <sup>(1)</sup>	179	+17.0	462	+5.0
Transshipment <sup>(1)</sup>	283	-2.5	853	+2.3
<i>Outward</i>	380	-3.7	1 128	-3.8
Direct shipment <sup>(1)</sup>	132	+18.5	359	-0.4
Transshipment <sup>(1)</sup>	248	-12.5	769	-5.3
<u>Empty containers</u>	222	-4.8	669	+1.1
<i>Inward</i>	58	-20.4	163	-8.7
<i>Outward</i>	164	+2.3	506	+4.7

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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 2024	Q1-Q3 2024
<b>Ocean</b>		
Number of vessel arrivals	4 503	13 623
	(-4.5)	(-2.9)
Capacity (Mn. NT <sup>#</sup> )	71.2	215.5
	(-6.9)	(-3.9)
<b>River</b>		
Number of vessel arrivals	20 724	61 509
	(+5.3)	(+16.4)
Capacity (Mn. NT <sup>#</sup> )	21.4	61.4
	(+12.7)	(+12.3)

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.