



Spanish ports will make a presentation at Intermodal South America 2019:
Traffic to countries in the American Continent from Spanish ports exceeds
106 million tons a year

Brazil is the American country with most freight traffic trade with Spain

- The Port Authorities Bay of Algeciras, Barcelona, Bilbao, Huelva, Las Palmas, S.C. Tenerife and Valencia, present in Sao Paolo, are responsible for over 45% of traffic between Spain and Brazil

19-03-2019 (Spanish Ministry of Public Works and Transport). The continent of America is one of the main markets for **Spanish ports and marine transport. More than 106.5 million tons of the freight passing through Spanish ports in 2018, 5.8% more than in the previous year**, had their origination/destination in America. In fact, after Europe, Africa and America are competing for second place as the continents having most freight with origination/destination in Spain. The figures are very similar as trade with Africa totalled 107.4 million tons in 2018, but with much lower growth compared with the previous year, +0.9%.

Of the 106.5 million tons of freight transported to and from America, over 45% corresponded to countries in South America, that is 48.2 million tones, and **Brazil**, which is hosting the continent's most important logistical event, Intermodal South America, **is the number one country of origin/destination for freight transported between Spain and the whole of America with over 26.8 million tons**, more than both the USA (24 million tons) and Mexico (12.9 million tons).

TRAFFIC BY CONTINENT			
	2017	2018	% Difference
Europe	244,206,465	248,412,025	1.7
Africa	106,522,562	107,466,542	0.9
America	100,654,765	106,521,077	5.8
Asia	76,377,801	81,878,254	7.2
Oceania	2,367,232	2,643,655	11.7
Unassigned	4,605,172	6,124,546	33
TOTAL	534,733,997	553,046,099	3.4



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Also, **Brazil is the main market in South America, with more than 55% of the total freight transported in the region with origin/destination Spain, and growing at a rate of +3% per year, whilst for the countries in the region as a whole there was a decrease of about -4% over the previous year.**

Country	2017	2018
ARGENTINA	5,408,415	4,438,391
BOLIVIA	4,414	6,252
BRAZIL	26,010,359	26,810,522
CHILE	2,398,660	2,592,130
COLOMBIA	8,357,907	7,550,626
ECUADOR	1,116,747	1,251,201
GUYANA	35,976	113,371
FRENCH GUYANA	28,112	29,068
FALKLAND ISLANDS	49,905	85,744
PARAGUAY	430,116	473,695
PERU	4,085,006	2,846,965
SANTO TOME AND PRINCIPE	5,535	5,115
SURINAM	42,280	100,517
URUGUAY	860,523	887,425
VENEZUELA	1,335,680	1,058,471
Total	50,169,635	48,249,493

Furthermore, **of the total freight transported with South America in 2018 about 28%, 13.4 million tons, were in transit, and Brazil handled 61% of this freight (8.2 million tons), which places Spanish ports in an advantageous position for undertaking numerous functions relating to transport and logistics.**

- ONCE YOU ARRIVE AT A SPANISH PORT, YOU ARE ANYWHERE IN EUROPE

Puertos del Estado, as the coordinator for general interest ports in Spain and for a significant number of Spanish port authorities representing over 45% of import/export traffic between Spain and Brazil (**Bay of Algeciras, Barcelona, Bilbao, Huelva, S.C. Tenerife and Valencia**), as well as companies including **Romeu Group, Suardíaz, Portel and BRK International** will be present at the **2019 Intermodal South America trade fair**, to be held in the Brazilian city of **Sao Paulo from 19 to 21 March.**



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SPAIN/BRAZIL IMPORT/EXPORT TRAFFIC 2018	
PORT AUTHORITY	
Bay of Algeciras	3,311,550
Valencia	2,901,890
Barcelona	2,755,233
Bilbao	2,285,268
Huelva	762,546
S.C. Tenerife	85,193
TOTAL	12,101,680

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