



More than 142.5 Million tons Moved between January and November 2020

Port traffic reaches pre-pandemic figures in November

- **General cargo increased by 8% to over 23.4 million tonnes.**
- **Cargo in transit grew by nearly 20 per cent in November.**
- **Container traffic increased by 10.3 per cent with 1.5 million TEUs.**

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The 46 ports of general interest of the State, coordinated by Puertos del Estado, moved 43.5 million tons in November, which was a decrease of 0.4% compared to the same month last year. In the cumulative year from January to November, a total of 472.1 million tonnes were moved, representing a decrease of 9.3 per cent.

Both figures show a notable recovery in traffic during November, with an 8% increase in general cargo, exceeding 23.4 million tonnes. This group, despite losses in products such as automobiles and their parts, machinery, metallurgical and iron and steel products or frozen and refrigerated fish, has been compensated by the increase in products such as cereals, animal feedstuffs, oils, fertilisers and other minerals and metal waste.

Cargo in transit grew by 19.9 per cent in November, with 13.7 million tonnes, compared to a year-to-date total of 142.5 million tonnes.

Bulk solids decreased by 0.4 per cent in November with a total of 7.1 million tonnes, although the cumulative decrease was 15.2 per cent with 71 million tonnes. This group includes the recovery of other minerals, soya beans as well as natural and artificial fertilisers.



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Bulk solids decreased by 12.8 per cent in November with 12.1 million tonnes, although the cumulative decrease was 10.5 per cent with 153.9 million tonnes. The products that performed the worst were crude oil, fuel oil, gasoline and other petroleum products, mainly due to the progressive decarbonisation of transport and the energy model changes that companies are implementing.

Container traffic grew by 10.3 per cent in November, with 1.5 million TEUs, despite a cumulative decline of 5.7 per cent with 15.2 million TEUs. Likewise, containers in transit increased by 18.8% with 846,437 TEUs.

In relation to cruise passenger traffic, despite the strong loss compared to the previous year, the beginning of some activity in the Canary Islands ports and in Barcelona after months of the pandemic situation can be highlighted, with 20,255 visitors that month.

According to the Port Authorities, 15 of the 28 ports increased their traffic in November (Almería +15.6%, Bahía de Algeciras +2.6%, Bahía de Cádiz +22.9%, Barcelona +10.7%, Ferrol +49.7%, Las Palmas +2.5%, Málaga +43.5%, Marín and Ría de Pontevedra +3.6%, Pasaia +28.6%, Santander +26.7%, Seville +33.7%, Valencia +14% and Vigo +43.1).

More information:

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