

12. SEA TRANSPORT

Sea transport deals with all ports statistics and mainly with those of the Compagnie de Gestion et d'Exploitation du Port de Beyrouth.

Six ports provide CAS with figures: Beirut, Tripoli, Tyr, Saida, Jieh and Zahrani, and Jounieh.

Table 12.1 – Ports of Lebanon. Traffic in 2009

Port	Incoming ships. Number	Incoming ships capacity. Tonnes	Unloaded petroleum. Tonnes	Unloaded cargo. Tonnes	Loaded cargo. Tonnes	Imported cars and vehicles. Number
Beirut	2,251	334,609	134,900	5,034,094	615,626	100,278
Peak. %	March (9.1)	May (9.0)	January (16.5)	August (10.3)	August (10.8)	January (9.9)
Tripoli	480	1,014,856	1,366,651	755,841	240,458	14,183
Peak. %	September (10.0)	May (10.9)	January (15.9)	February (11.6)	July (38.7)	October (13.0)
Tyr	32	87,809		7,645		5,803
Peak (%)	August and October (12.5)	October (16.8)		May (14.0)		May (12.5)
Saida	98	100,231	40,076	85,466	27,358	5,200
Peak. %	April and September (11.2)	April (11.5)	December (20.1)	August (20.1)	June (19.4)	February (15.1)
Jieh and Zahrani	28	69,276	1,511,344	192,940	4,010	
Peak. %	September (17.9)	September (28.9)	July (12.9)	September (28.6)	April (100.0)	
Jounieh			893,852			
Peak. %			March (10.4)			
Total	2,791	1,606,781	3,946,823	6,075,986	887,452	125,464
Peak port. %	Beirut (80.7)	Tripoli (63.2)	Jieh and Zahrani (38.3)	Beirut (82.9)	Beirut (69.4)	Beirut (79.9)

Table made by CAS based on General Directorate for Transport data (2009)

Lebanon foreign trade in gross quantities in 2009:

- General imports: 14,951,542 thousand tonnes of which 0.07% are imported through the ports of Lebanon.
- General exports: 5,636,958 thousand tonnes of which 0.02% are exported through the ports of Lebanon.

Lebanon total imports of petroleum products in 2009: 38,692,213 tonnes of which:

- MEW imports: 92.4% of total imports of petroleum products.
- Others imports: 4.5% of total imports of petroleum products.
- Refineries of Tripoli and Zahrani: 3.1% of total imports of petroleum products.
- Total unloaded petroleum in all the ports of Lebanon: 3,946,823 tonnes (10.2% of total imports of petroleum products).

Port of Beirut

The Port of Beirut is the major port in Lebanon. It receives cargo and passengers. Besides it has its own traffic and financial results.

Port of Beirut activity is as follows in 2009:

- Average per day: 80 incoming boats.
- Imported and exported cargo: 6,321,741 tones of which:
 - Hydrocarbons and cereals (15.9%).
 - Others (84.1%).
- Daily bulletins: 10,794 bulletins.
- Total port revenues: 163,486,146 USD.

Table 12.2 – Port of Beirut. Activity in 2009

Item	Number	Peak month	Peak month. %
Boats. Number	2,394	March (219)	March (9.1)
Unloaded and loaded cargo. Tonnes	6,321,741	August (593,942)	August (9.4)
Total port revenues. USD	163,486,146	August (16,044,270)	August (9.8)
Disembarked tourists. Number	272,856	February (266,507)	February (97.7)
Transit traffic. Tonnes	156,535	January (25,039)	January (16.0)
Unloaded containers. Number	346,819	December (166,648)	December (48.1)
Loaded containers. Number	188,606	May (21,145)	May (11.2)
Imported cars. Number	100,278	January (9,916)	January (9.9)
Unloaded cargo. Tonnes	5,034,094	August (517,438)	August (10.3)
Loaded cargo. Tonnes	615,626	August (66,669)	August (10.8)
Unloaded petroleum. Tonnes	134,900	January (22,265)	January (16.5)
Unloaded living stock. Number	345,126	April (49,884)	April (14.5)

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The cargo movement in Port of Beirut is summarized in the following tables regarding loaded and unloaded cargo.

Table 12.3 – Port of Beirut. Top 2 unloaded cargos in 2009

Unloaded cargo	Number	%	Peak month. Tonnes	Peak month. %
<i>By piece</i>				
By piece	482,125	100.0	April (56,023)	April (11.6)
Living stock	383,987	79.6	April (49,884)	April (13.0)
Cars and accessories	98,138	20.4	January (9,822)	January (10.0)
<i>Ordinary cargo. Tonnes</i>				
Ordinary cargo	2,582,072	100.0	March (264,347)	March (10.2)
Iron, copper and their products	595,052	23.0	December (73,224)	December (12.3)
Wheat	456,857	17.7	March (74,652)	March (16.3)
<i>Container cargo. Tonnes</i>				
Container cargo	3,059,319	100.0	June (286,857)	June (9.4)
Other merchandises	1,501,711	49.1	June (146,502)	June (9.8)
Construction material	259,038	8.5	August (30,243)	August (11.7)
<i>Total unloaded cargo. Tonnes</i>				
Total cargo	5,640,890	100.0	August (527,273)	August (9.3)
Other merchandises	1,428,754	25.3	June (148,533)	June (10.4)
Iron, Copper and their products	599,122	10.6	December (73,262)	December (12.2)

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Table 12.4 – Port of Beirut. Top 2 loaded cargos in 2009

Loaded cargo	Number	%	Peak month. Tonnes	Peak month. %
<i>By piece</i>				
By piece	8,591	100.0	November (6,564)	November (76.4)
Living stock	6,500	75.7	November (6,500)	November (100.0)
Cars and accessories	2,091	24.3	February (643)	February (30.8)
<i>Ordinary cargo. Tonnes</i>				
Ordinary cargo	193,672	100.0	August (25,397)	August (13.1)
Iron minerals	164,872	85.1	August (24,379)	August (14.8)
Other merchandises	8,601	4.4	November (2,525)	November (29.4)
<i>Container cargo. Tonnes</i>				
Container cargo	475,145	100.0	March (47,636)	March (10.0)
Other merchandises	332,299	69.9	March (32,662)	March (9.8)
Iron minerals	27,568	5.8	January (5,457)	January (19.8)
<i>Total unloaded cargo. Tonnes</i>				
Total cargo	670,826	100.0	August (66,669)	August (9.9)
Other merchandises	340,900	50.8	October (33,275)	October (9.8)
Iron minerals	192,440	28.7	August (26,508)	August (13.8)

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Lebanese trade ships

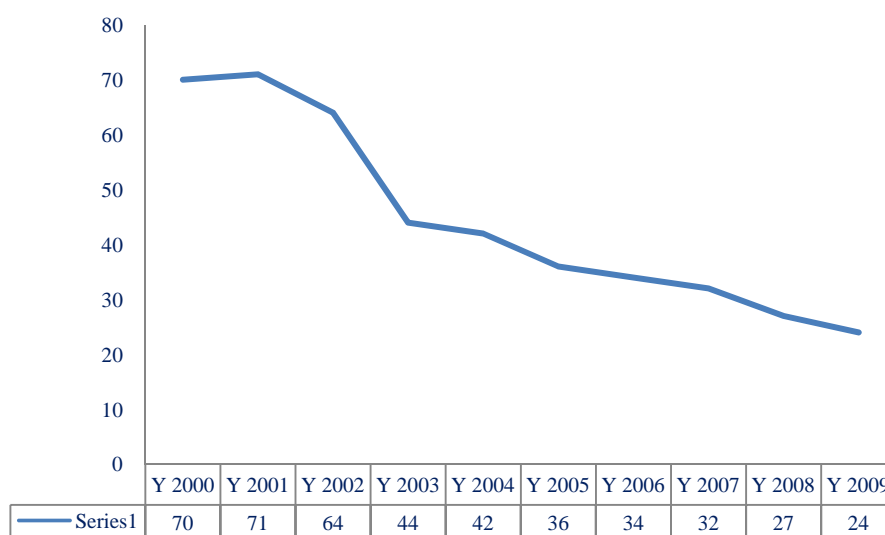
Total number of ships of 1,000 gross tonnes and more:

- Year 2000: 70 ships.
- Year 2009: 24 ships.
- Decrease 2000-2009: 65.7%.

Total cargo of Lebanese ships of 1,000 gross tonnes and more:

- Year 2000: 387 thousand tonnes.
- Year 2009: 107 thousand tonnes.
- Decrease 2000-2009: 72.4%.

Graph 12.1 – Lebanese trade ships (GT of 1 000 tonnes and more). Number between 2000 and 2009



Graph made by CAS based on Ministry of Public Works and Transport data (2009)