Foreign shipping traffic

2020, April

Sea transport increased in April

The goods volume of foreign sea transport was in total 8.7 million tonnes in April 2020. Sea transport increased by 0.2 million tonnes from last year's April. Exports remained unchanged and were 4.45 million tonnes. Import volume increased by four per cent and amounted to 4.25 million tonnes.

**Foreign sea Transport by month (tonnes) in 2018 to 2020**

General cargo was transported most, in total 1.4 million tonnes, which is 16 per cent of all transport. The second most transported was oil products, 1.2 million tonnes, and crude oil, 1.1 million tonnes.

**Container transport**

A total of 1.1 million tonnes of containers were transported through Finnish ports in April 2020, which is four per cent less than in April 2019. The number of containers transported was 78,209 (138,100 TEU)
Containers went down by 3.6 per cent measured in tonnes and imports decreased by eight per cent measured in tonnes compared to April 2019.

Vehicle transport

A total of 93,948 transport equipment were transported in foreign sea traffic in April 2020. Most transports of transport equipment were trucks and truck trailers. A total of 58,824 trucks and 30,635 truck trailers were transported.

Passenger traffic

A total of 64,811 persons were transported in passenger traffic in April 2020. In all, 40,644 persons travelled between Finland and Estonia and 21,719 persons between Finland and Sweden. Altogether, 2,448 passengers were transported between Finland and Germany. Passengers made up only five per cent of the number of passengers in April 2019. In April 2020, no passengers of foreign cruise ships arrived in Finland.

Vessel traffic and goods volume in the Saimaa Canal

A total of 57,024 tons of transport were registered through the canal in foreign traffic. Crude minerals and cement was transported most in vessels in foreign traffic, in total 19,740 tonnes. The second most transported was paper.

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1) TEU, the basic measurement unit of container traffic, refers to one container that is twenty feet long, eight feet wide and 8.5 feet high.
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