Foreign shipping traffic

2020, October

Sea transport decreased in October

The goods volume of foreign sea transport was in total 8.4 million tonnes in October 2020. Sea transport decreased by two per cent from last year's October. Exports decreased by 0.2 per cent and were 4.5 million tonnes. Import volume decreased by four per cent and amounted to 3.9 million tonnes.

General cargo was transported most, in total 1.5 million tonnes, which is 18 per cent of all transport. The second most transported was oil products, 1.2 million tonnes, and crude oil, 0.8 million tonnes.

Container transport

A total of 1.1 million tonnes of containers were transported through Finnish ports in October 2020, which is six per cent less than in October 2019. The number of containers transported was 73,266 (131,770 TEU)
Exports of containers went down by five per cent measured in tonnes and imports went down by nine per cent compared to October 2019.

Vehicle transport

A total of 195,559 transport equipment were transported in foreign sea traffic in October 2020. Most transports of transport equipment were passenger cars belonging to passengers. In October, 94,744 passenger cars were transported. The second most transported were trucks, 58,362 and truck trailers, 39,281.

Passenger traffic

A total of 363,706 persons were transported in passenger traffic in October 2020. In all, 204,560 persons travelled between Finland and Estonia and 154,317 persons between Finland and Sweden and 4,829 passengers between Finland and Germany. Passengers made up only 24 per cent of the number of passengers in October 2019. In October 2020, no passengers of foreign cruise ships arrived in Finland.

Vessel traffic and goods volume in the Saimaa Canal

A total of 136,192 tons of transport were registered through the canal in foreign traffic. Timber was transported most in vessels in foreign traffic, in total 67,023 tonnes. The second most transported was crude minerals and cement.

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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