Foreign shipping traffic

2020, November

Sea transport decreased in November

The goods volume of foreign sea transport was in total 7.9 million tonnes in November 2020. Sea transport decreased by four per cent from last year's November. Exports decreased by 5 per cent and were 4.2 million tonnes. Import volume decreased by three per cent and amounted to 3.7 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 18 per cent of all transport. The second most transported was oil products, 1.1 million tonnes, and crude oil, 0.8 million tonnes.

Container transport

A total of 0.9 million tonnes of containers were transported through Finnish ports in November 2020, which is nine per cent less than in November 2019. The number of containers transported was 65,417
(116,883 TEU containers)\(^1\). Exports of containers went down by 10 per cent measured in tonnes and imports went down by six per cent compared to November 2019.

**Vehicle transport**

A total of 186,037 transport equipment were transported in foreign sea traffic in November 2020. Most transports of transport equipment were passenger cars belonging to passengers. In November, 87,871 passenger cars were transported. The second most transported were trucks, 57,759 and truck trailers, 37,680.

**Passenger traffic**

A total of 319,258 persons were transported in passenger traffic in November 2020. In all, 214,427 persons travelled between Finland and Estonia and 100,880 persons between Finland and Sweden and 3,950 passengers between Finland and Germany. Passengers made up only 26 per cent of the number of passengers in November 2019. In November 2020, no passengers of foreign cruise ships arrived in Finland.

**Vessel traffic and goods volume in the Saimaa Canal**

A total of 97,751 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 25,741 tonnes. The second most transported was timber.

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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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