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Abbreviations

ARA	Antwerp/Rotterdam/Amsterdam range

b/d Barrels per day ВНР Brake horsepower

CESA Community of European Shipbuilders cgt Compensated gross tonnage cif Cost, insurance, freight

Commonwealth of Independent States CIS

COD Country of Domicile

CPE Centrally-planned Economies CPI Consumer price index

Centi Stokes cST

cu.m Cubic metres (also m3) DB Double bottom DC **Developing Countries**

DH Double hull

DIS Danish International Ship Register DMF Developed market economies

DS Double sides dwt Deadweight tons d/v Day/year

ECB European Central Bank **EMEs Emerging Market Economies**

EU European Union FY Fiscal vear

Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations FAO

fio Free in and out fob Free on board FT Freight tons ft Foot

GATT General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade

gt Gross tonnage hl heavy load HP Horsepower НТ Harbour ton

Intermediate bunker fuel IEA International Energy Agency International Monetary Fund IMF IMO International Maritime Organization

in.

ibf

ITF International Transport Workers Federation

Kilometre km loa Length overall lbs Pounds

LDT Light displacement tons LDC Less Developed Countries Liquefied Natural Gas LNG LPG Liquefied Petroleum Gas

LT Long ton Metre m

Million barrel per day mbd mdo Marine diesel oil MED Mediterranean MfA Marine fishing area

Million mill Motor tanker M/T MT Metric tons

per ton fob delivered mtd

Month mth

Per ton ex wharf mtw

n.a. Not available

NDRF National Defence Reserve Fleet Not elsewhere classified

Negligible neg.

Norwegian International Ship Register NIS

NODC Non-oil Producing Developing Countries

Net register tonnage nrt Net tonnage nt NWE,NW Northwest Europe o.a. Over all

ОВО Ore/bulk/oil carrier

OECD Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development

0/0

OPEC Organization of Petroleum **Exporting Countries**

OR **Ordinary Register** P/C Products carrier

Pr/OBO Product/ore-bulk-oil carrier

Revised Ro/ro Roll-on/roll-off RT Revenue ton

SAR Special administration region SBT Ship segregated ballast tanks SDR Special drawing rights

SSMR ISL Shipping Statistics and Market Review

ST Short ton Ton/tonne ТВ Tug/barge

TEU Twenty feet equivalent unit

TKB Tanker barge T/S Tanker/steam T/T Tanker/turbine ULCC Ultra large crude carrier

United States Atlantic Coast USAC

USD US Dollar

VICC Very large crude carrier **VLOC** Very large ore carrier

WS Worldscale

WTO World Trade Organization

YR, YRS Year, Years

Symbols

Data not available

Nil

0/0.0 Less than half of unit employed 1995-2004 From 1995 to 2004 inclusive 2002/03 Crop year, fiscal year etc., beginning

in 2002 and terminating in 2003

Billions means a thousand million

Detailed items in tables do not necessarily add to totals because of

rounding

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Fleet and New Construction Data

Country of registration and country of control

Country of registration indicates the country of the port of registry of a country (flag). The country of control is defined as the "Real Nationality", i.e. the home country of the interests behind the primary reference company. None of the information regarding ownership is intended to confirm or otherwise the legal status of the companies or the ships associated with them

Denmark includes Faeroes, Greenland.

France includes New Caledonia, French Polynesia, Réunion, Wallis and Futuna Islands.

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Spain includes Canary Islands.

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Broken-up Tonnage

includes ships sold for breaking. Figures on broken-up tonnage are not revised if vessels reported for breaking are trading again.

Merchant Ship Type Structures

Based on "An International Classification of Ships by Type" (ICST (1994)

Definition of terms used in merchant ship structures type classification.

Tanker: Single-deck vessel constructed and arranged for the carriage of liquid cargoes in tanks integral to the hull and include crude oil or non-hazardous (IMO code) refined products.

Chemical tanker: Vessel constructed and arranged for carrying hazardous (IMO code) cargoes in special tanks.

Liquid gas tanker: Vessel constructed and arranged for the carriage of liquefied gases either in integral tanks or independent tanks under pressure or refrigerated.

Dry Bulk: Dry cargo vessel. One deck, machinery aft with topside tanks capable of carrying a variety of self-trimming cargoes.

Ore Carrier (Bulk Carrier): Dry cargo vessel, one deck, strengthening for ore cargoes.

Ore/Bulk/Oil Carrier (OBO): Bulk carrier arranged for the carriage of either bulk dry cargoes or liquid cargoes in the same cargo spaces but not simultaneously.

General Cargo: Single or multi-deck general dry cargo vessel with facilities for loading/ discharging cargo.

Specialised Carrier (Special Ship): Dry cargo vessel specially designed for the carriage of particular cargoes, incl. car-carriers.

Reefer : Specialised dry cargo vessel with 80 % or more insulated cargo space.

RoRo Cargo/RoRo Passenger: Vessel arranged for Roll-on Roll-off loading / discharging of vehicles (road and/or rail) as cargo and / or passenger conveyances.

Container Ship (Fully Cellular Container Ships): Vessel fitted throughout with fixed or portable cell guides for the carriage of containers above and below the weather deck.

Passenger: Vessel which carries more than 12 fare paying passengers whether berthed or unberthed (ferries).

Basic Ship Type Structure and ISL Ship Type Aggregates

MERCHANT SHIP		STRUCTURES	ISL SHIP TYPES	
			Special Fleet Report	Broken-up tonnage etc.
		- Crude oil tankers - Crude/products tankers - Products tankers	Oil tankers	Tankers " ""
	Oil / Chemical tankers	- Oil chemical tankers - Chemical tankers - Other tankers	Oil / Chemical tankers	Tankers "
	Liquid gas tankers	- LNG carriers - LPG carriers - Other liquid gas carriers	Liquid gas tankers " "	Tankers "
DRY BULK	Bulk carriers	- bulk carriers - other bulk carriers incl. ore carriers - Ore/bulk/oil carriers - Ore/oil carriers - Bulk/oil carriers	Bulk carriers Other bulk carriers " "	Bulk carriers " " " " "
OHTER DRY CARGO	General cargo ships	of which - Conventional Cargo ships - Special ships - Pure car carriers - Reefer ships - RoRo cargo ships	General cargo ships, of which Conventional Cargo ships Special ships Pure car carriers Reefer ships RoRo cargo ships	General cargo ships, of which Conventional Cargo ships (a) (a) (a)
	Container ships Passenger and passenger cargo ships (b)	- Fully cellular container ships of which - Passenger ships - Cargo/RoRo passenger ships	Fully cellular container ships Passenger and cargo passenger ships, of which Passenger ships Cargo/RoRo passenger ships	Fully cellular container ships Passenger ships

⁽a) Included in General Cargo Ships.

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⁽b) Including ships (berthed and unberthed) for passenger transport and passenger carrying vessels like general cargo passenger ships, ro-ro passenger ships (ferries).

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