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Abbreviations

ARA	Antwerp/Rotterdam/Amsterdam range

b/d Barrels per day
BHP Brake horsepower

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

CIS Commonwealth of Independent States

COD Country of Domicile
CPE Centrally-planned Economies

CPI Consumer price index cST Centi Stokes

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

DH Double hull

DIS Danish International Ship Register
DME Developed market economies

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

ECB European Central Bank
EMEs Emerging Market Economies

EU European Union
FY Fiscal year

FAO Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

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

GATT General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade

gt Gross tonnage
hI heavy load
HP Horsepower
HT Harbour ton

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

in. Inch

ITF International Transport Workers Federation

km Kilometre
loa Length overall
lbs Pounds

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

 LT
 Long ton

 m
 Metre

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

mill Million
M/T Motor tanker
MT Metric tons

mtd per ton fob delivered

mth Month

mtw Per ton ex wharf

n.a. Not available

NDRF National Defence Reserve Fleet n.e.c. Not elsewhere classified

neg. Negligible

NIS Norwegian International Ship Register

no Number

NODC Non-oil Producing Developing Countries

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

OBO Ore/bulk/oil carrier

OECD Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development

O/O Ore/oil carrier

OPEC Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries

OR Ordinary Register
P/C Products carrier

Pr/OBO Product/ore-bulk-oil carrier

r 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
t Ton/tonne
TB Tug/barge

TEU Twenty feet equivalent unit

TKB Tanker barge
T/S Tanker/steam
T/T Tanker/turbine
ULCC Ultra large crude carrier
USAC United States Atlantic Coast

USD US Dollar

VLCC Very large crude carrier VLOC Very large ore carrier

WS Worldscale

WTO World Trade Organization

YR, YRS Year, Years

Symbols

... Data not available

- Nil

0/0.0Less than half of unit employed1995-2004From 1995 to 2004 inclusive2002/03Crop 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 $% \left\{ 1,2,\ldots ,n\right\}$

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Fleet and New Construction Data

Country of registration and country of control

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Denmark includes Faeroes, Greenland.

France includes French Polynesia, Guadeloupe, Martinique, Mayotte, New Caledonia, Réunion, Saint-Pierre-et-Miquelon, Wallis and Futuna Islands

Netherlands includes Netherlands Antilles, Curacao, Aruba.

Portugal includes Madeira.

Spain includes Canary Islands.

 ${\bf UK}$ includes Isle of Man, Falkland Island, Turks and Caicos , St. Helens, Jersey.

US includes Puerto Rico.

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. open hatch carriers and reefer fish 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).

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Basic Ship Type Structure and ISL Ship Type Aggregates

MERCHANT SHIP		STRUCTURES	ISL SHIP TYPES	
			Special Fleet Report	Broken-up tonnage etc.
LIQUID	Oil tankers	- 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)
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		- Cargo/RoRo passenger ships	Cargo/RoRo passenger ships	II II

⁽a) Included in General Cargo Ships.

⁽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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