



**DIRECTORATE GENERAL FOR  
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# **Turkish Maritime Policy & Priorities**



**July 2025, Constanta Port**



# MARITIME POLICY

## Priorities



**Climate Change and  
Decarbonization**



**AI and Autonomous Ships**



**Cyber Security**



**Arctic&New Routes**



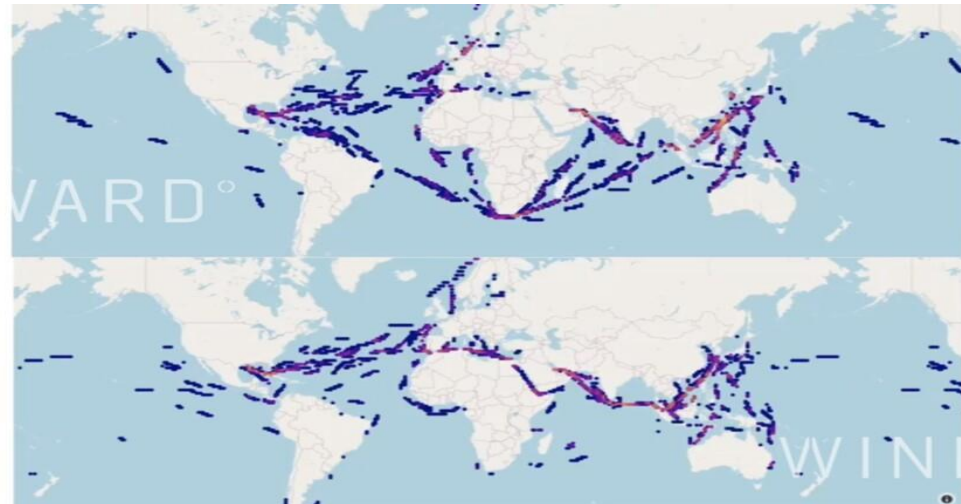
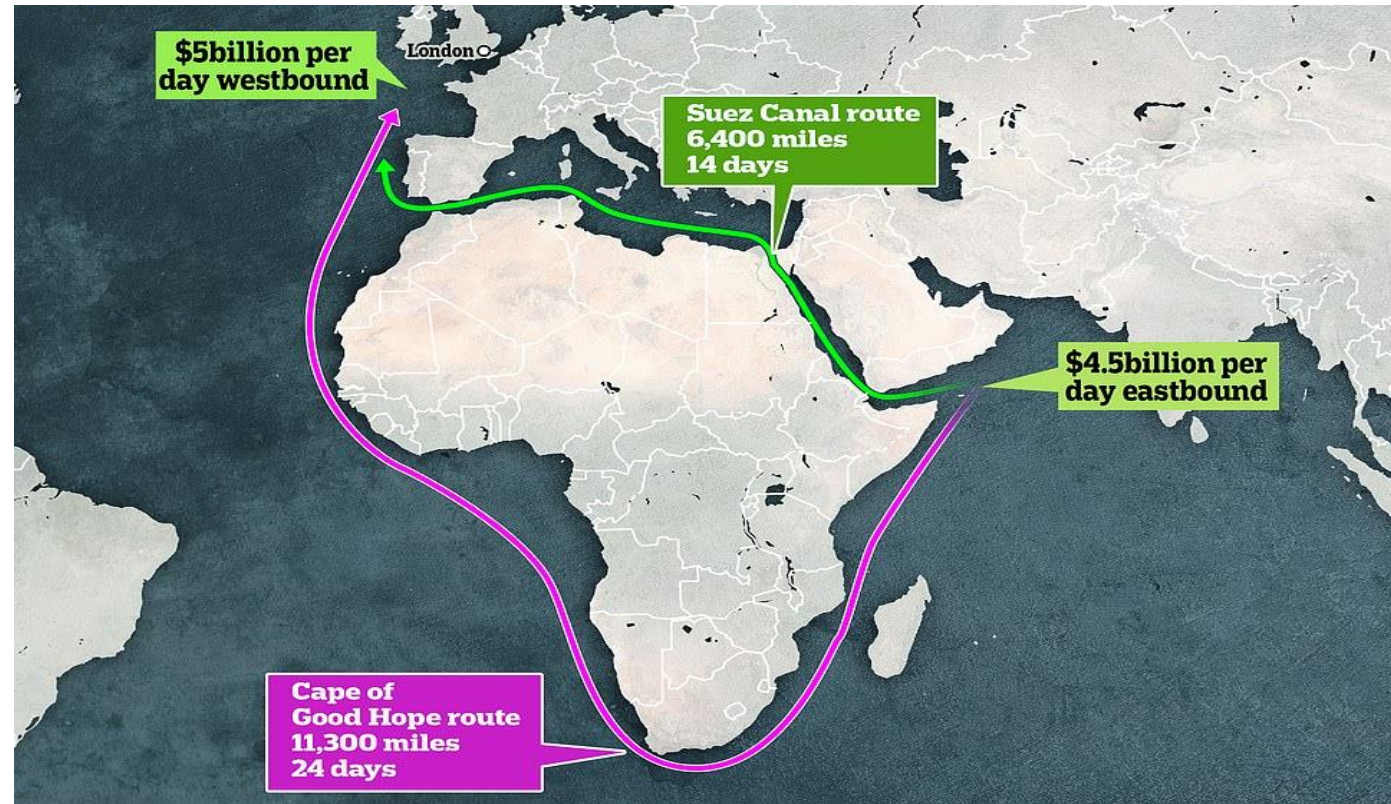
**International Cooperation**





## Cape of Good Hope

## NEW MARITIME ROUTES







# CORRIDOR WARS





## 4 ports in Lloyds top 100 ports

# INTERNATIONAL MARITIME TRADE

- 86% of Türkiye's foreign trade by volume is transported by sea
- 193 ports are open to international maritime trade
- 531 million tonnes of cargo handled in 2024
- 4 ports are listed in Lloyds top 100 ports of the world in 2024
- Turkish flag over 1000 GT: 2154 ships
- 52,9 million DWT Merchant Fleet (Rank: 11th in the World)



Ambarlı



Kocaeli



Mersin



Tekirdağ





## FLAG&PORT&COASTAL STATE

- White list in Paris&Tokyo MoU
- Founding member of both Med MoU & BS MoU
- 64 Bilateral Maritime Agreements
- Supports IMO Activities and Re-elected to IMO council under Cat C
- Successfully IMSAS audition in 2024
- Elected to IALA Council in 2024

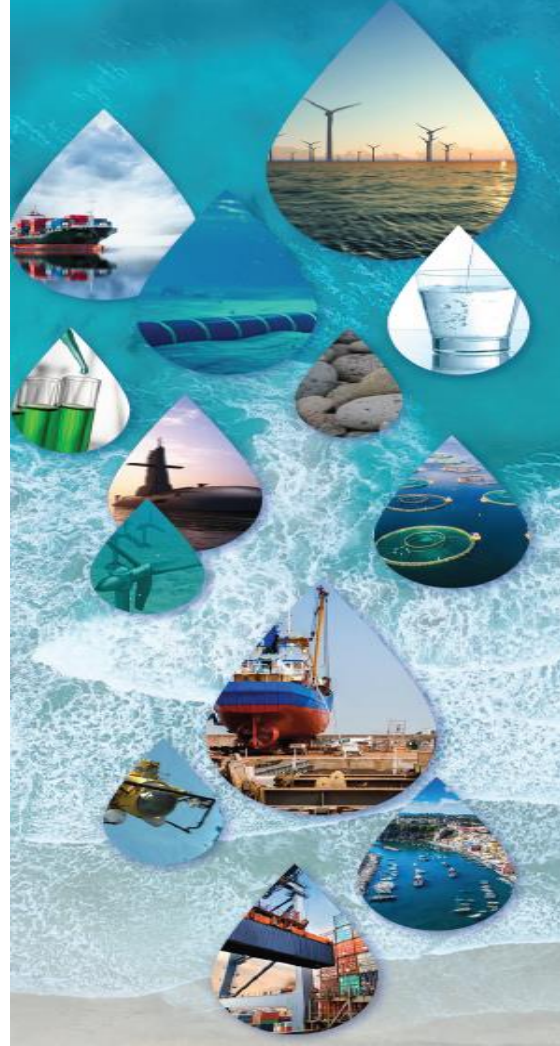
## A Leading Maritime Country in International Platform





**26,9 Billion USD,  
183 thousand of  
jobs, 1,26% of  
turnover in 2023**

## **BLUE ECONOMY&GROWTH**



Smart shipping, Improve life,  
Renewable energy, More jobs,  
Fisheries, Marine life, Coastal  
communities, Marine environment



MSC Türkiye, 24.346 TEU





**Supporter of the  
fight against  
climate change**



## MARINE ENVIRONMENT

Party to all of the **IMO marine environment conventions**

Continues its efforts to **reduce GHG emissions** from international shipping.

Played a pioneering role in drafting and finalization of the **IMO GHG Strategy**.

We implement green port programme to encourage green transformation of the facilities

**Provides incentives for green transformation of shipping**

**Maritime Decarbonization and Green Shipping Project**

**Ship Scrapping Incentive**

**Incentives for Green Retrofit**

**Green Port Incentive Program**



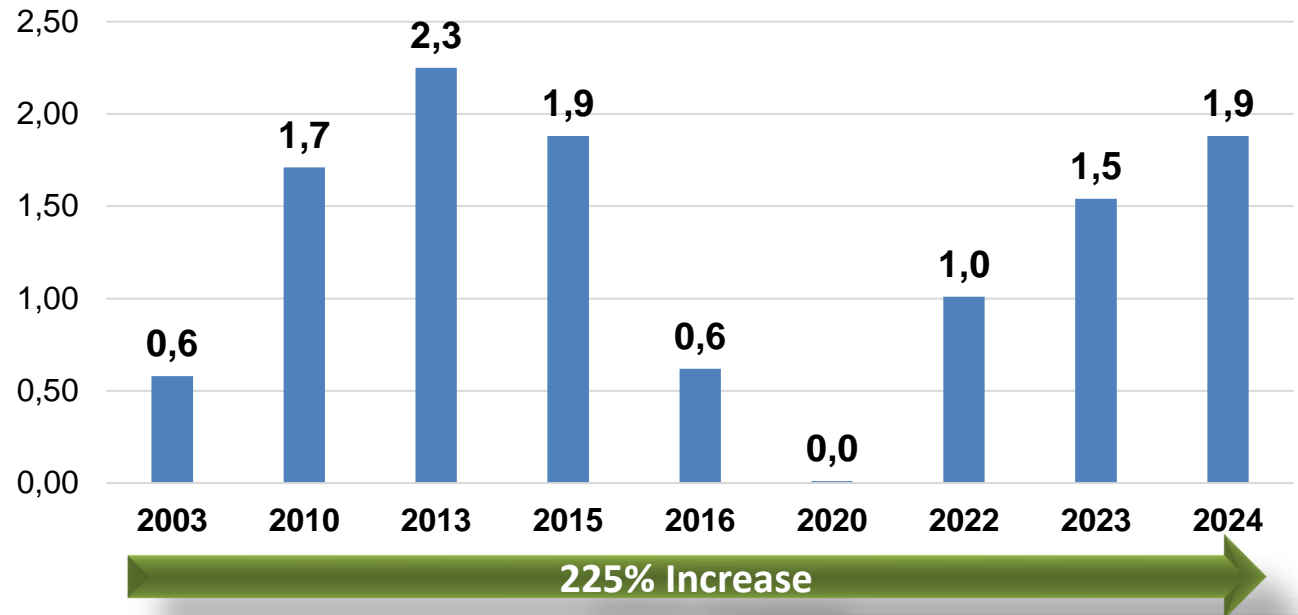


**1.88 million cruise  
passangers with  
225% increase**

**Total 25.262 yacht  
mooring capacity**

## MARINE TOURISM

Cruise Passengers (Million)



Kuşadası Cruiseport



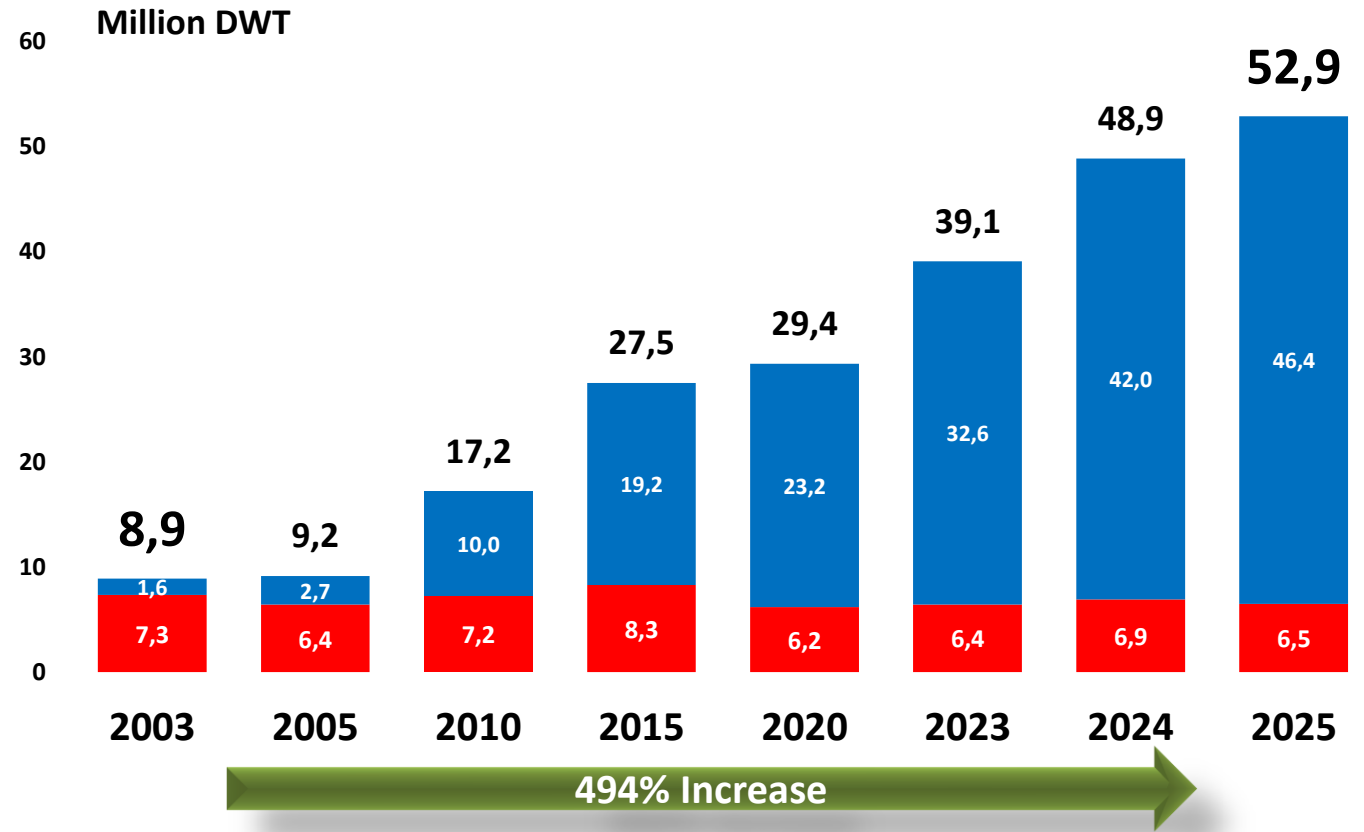
Turgutreis Marina, Bodrum





## MERCHANT FLEET

**2,5% of World  
Merchant Fleet is  
under Turkish  
control**







## USAGE OF PORT CAPACITY

**50%**  
**Port Usage  
Capacity**



General&Bulk Cargo



Liquid Bulk



Container



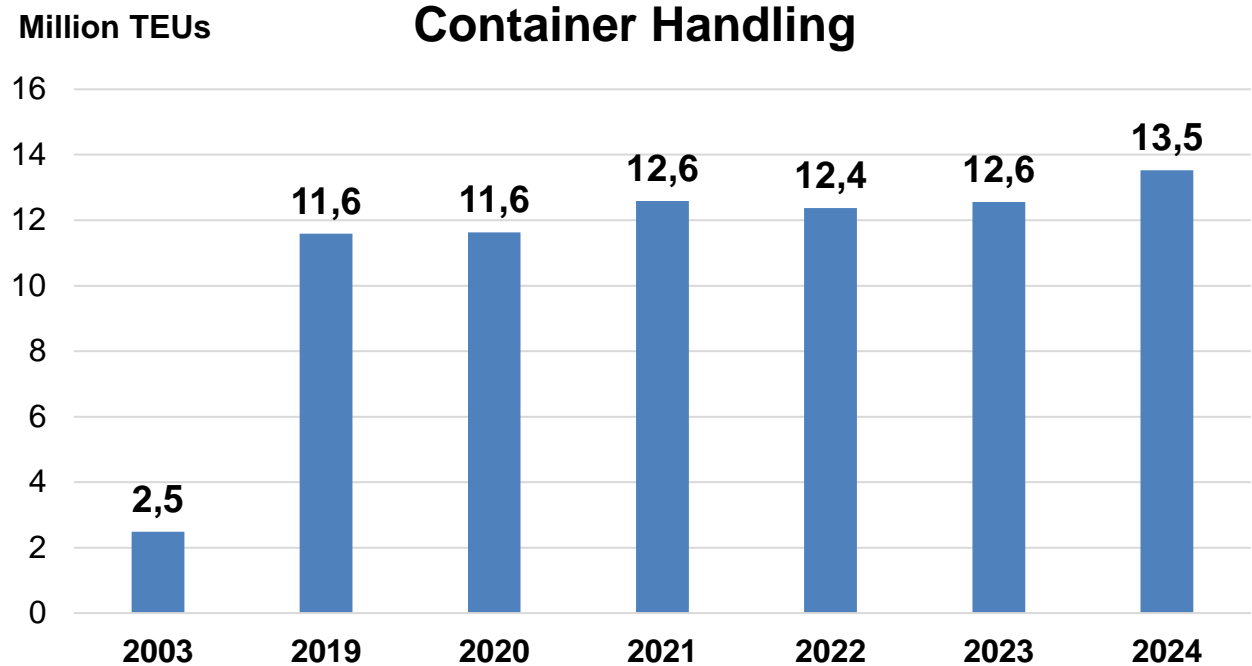
Vehicle





**13.5 million TEUs  
in 2024**

## CONTAINER TRANSPORTATION

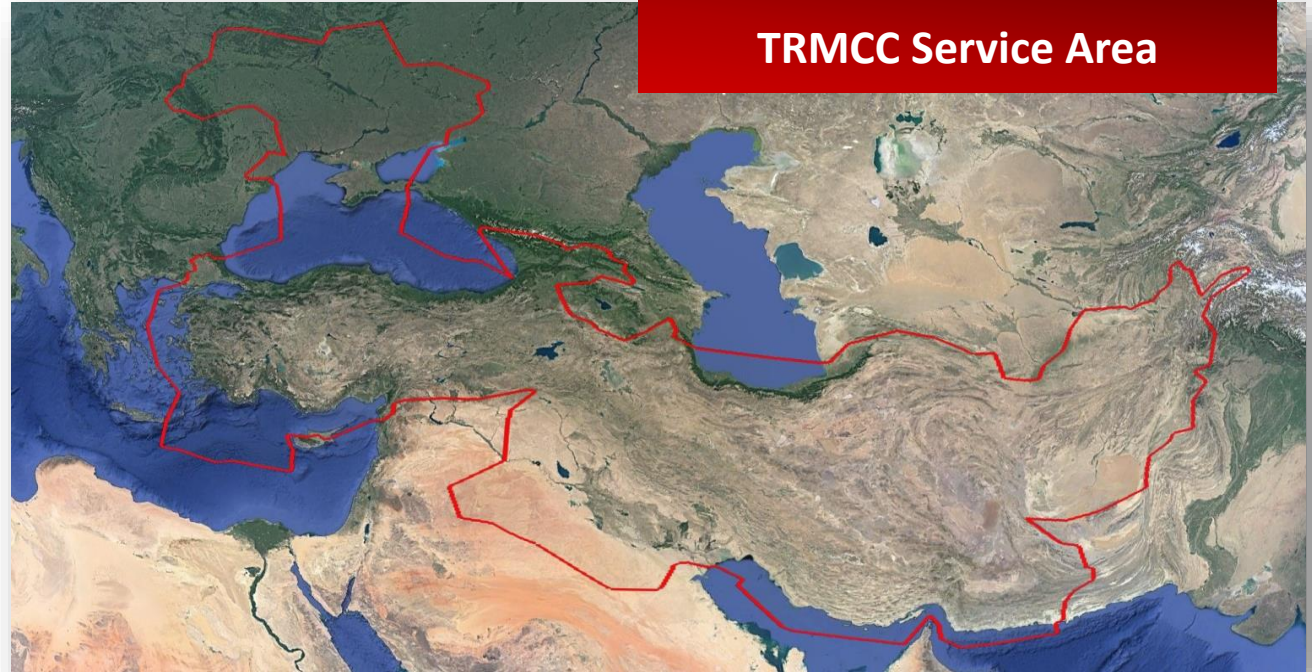






## Safe Shipping in Clean Seas

## MARITIME SAFETY



We serve 5 countries in search and rescue activities with the International Satellite Assisted Search and Rescue System.  
(Iraq, Iran, Afghanistan, Georgia, Ukraine)

### Main Search, Rescue and Coordination Center

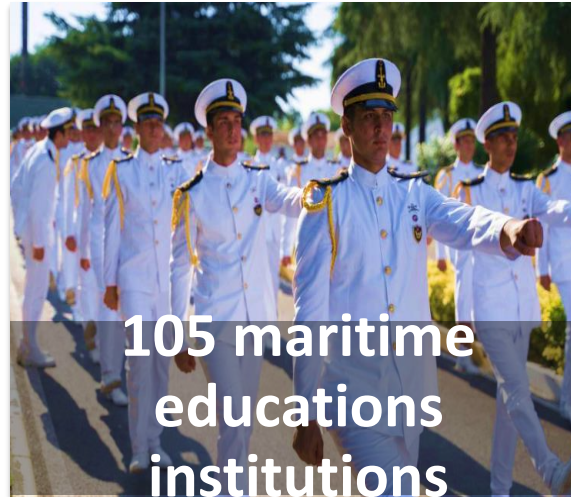


In 2024, 884 people were rescued in 346 marine incidents.



## MARITIME EDUCATION

**141 thousand  
Seafarer**



**105 maritime  
educations  
institutions**



**+1 million amateur  
seafarer certificate**



**Seafarer recognition  
agreement signed with 38  
countries**





## SHIP CONSTRUCTION&MAINTANANCE

**1,91 Billion \$**  
**Ship&yacht export**  
**20 \$ export value**  
**per kg**



Worlds Biggest Full Electric Ferry



First Dock Helicopter Ship of Turkish Navy



The World's First Battery-Operated Full Electric Harbor Tug



The World's Largest Longliner and Danish Seiner Fishing Vessel



MİLGEM Project - Ada Class Corvette



World's Largest Battery Capacity LNG Passenger Ferry



The World's First LNG Fueled Tugboat



The World's Largest Live Fish Transport Ship

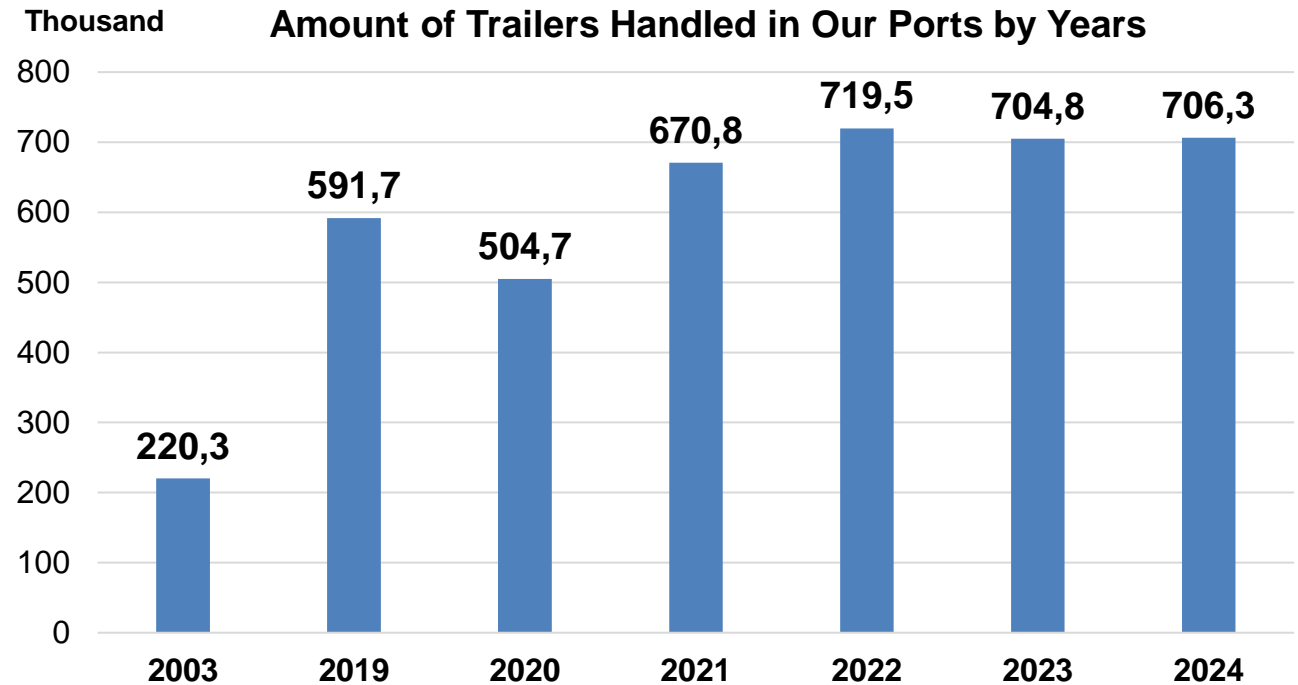


World's First Twin Hull Electric Offshore Wind Turbine Support Vessel with Dynamic Positioning 2 System



**706 thousand of  
vehicles by ro-ro  
in 2024**

## RO-RO TRANSPORTATION







**20 ferries  
constructed**

**Maritime and  
Cabotage Week  
celebrations**

**Floating docks**

## **INLAND WATERWAYS TRANSPORT&TOURISM**



Tunceli Çemişgezek



Halfeti Zeugma



Van-Tatvan



Gaziantep Rumkale



Hirfanlı Damlake



Şanlıurfa GAP Damlake

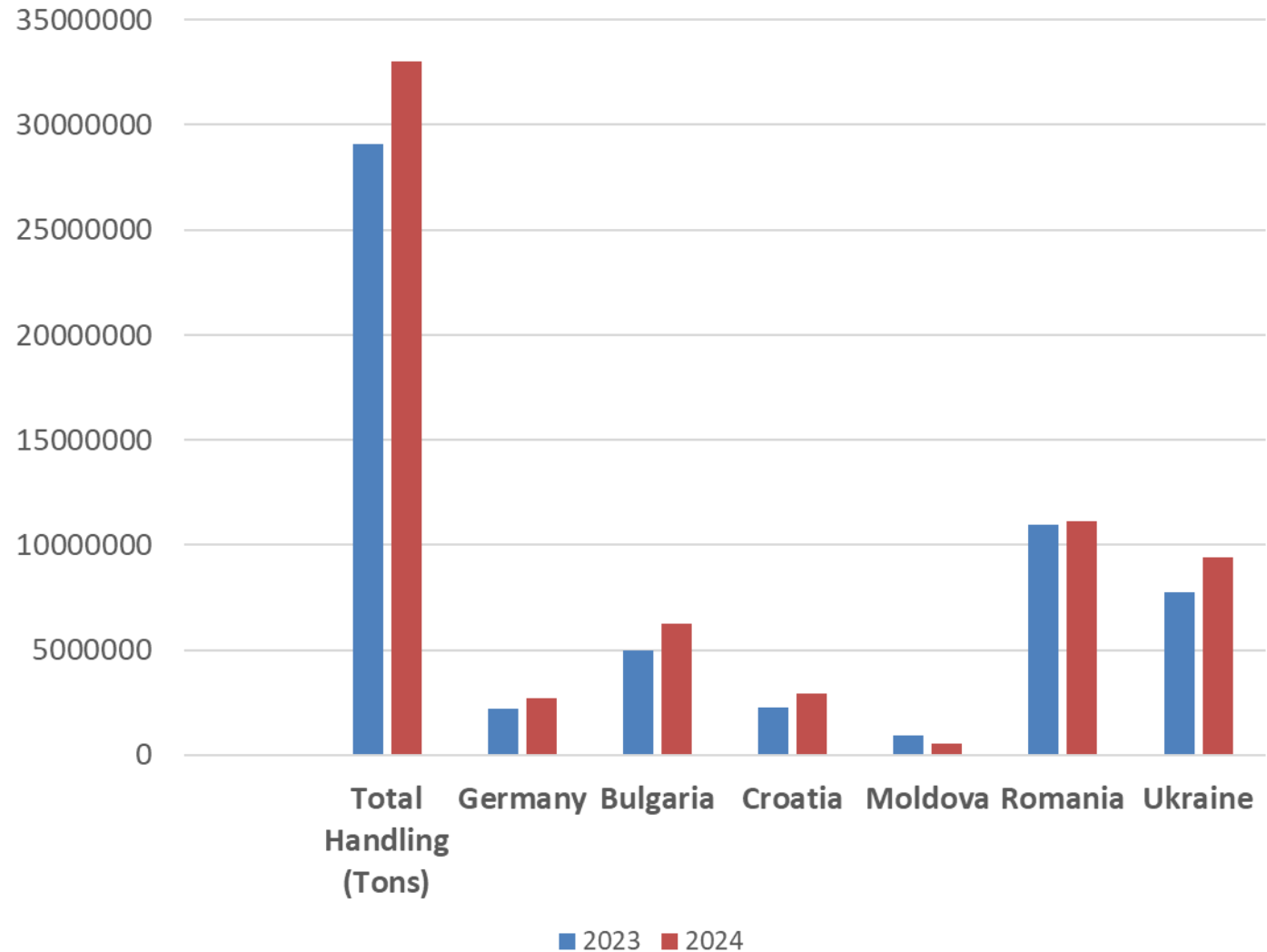


**33 million tons of  
maritime traffic**



## COOPERATION WITH DANUBE REGION (Rhine-Main-Danube Canal)

### Maritime Transport with Danube Countries







**In July 2024  
became  
operational**

**16.140 vehicles in  
11 months**

**15% of Black Sea  
Turkish ro-ro traffic**

## KARASU-CONSTANTA RO-RO LINE

	2024			2025 (First 5 Months)		
Lines	Incoming Vehicle	Outbond Vehicle	Total Transported Vehicle	Incoming Vehicle	Outbond Vehicle	Total Transported Vehicle
Karasu - Constanta	4.064	6.066	10.130	2.803	3.207	6.010
Total Black Sea Ro-Ro Lines	44.183	63.219	107.402	21.511	22.115	43.626
Total Ro-Ro Lines	345.533	360.854	706.387	156.134	154.854	310.988





**Thank You For Your Attention**

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