

# Daily Bulletin

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## Container handling in Saudi ports reaches 14.4 mn tons

Saudi ports reported a 37.0% YoY decline in total cargo throughput to 14.4 mn tons in May 2026, compared with 22.8 mn tons in the same period last year. On a MoM basis, cargo throughput was broadly stable, declining marginally by 0.2% from 14.5 mn tons in April 2026.

By cargo mix, general cargo stood at 471,078 tons, while liquid bulk reached 5.5 mn tons and dry bulk totaled 2.4 mn tons during the month. Container throughput declined 24.9% YoY to 541,324 TEUs, compared with 720,825 TEUs in the corresponding period last year. However, on a sequential basis, container throughput increased 6.4% from 508,801 TEUs in April 2026.

Total imported containers decreased by 20.9% to 231,067 TEUs, compared with 292,223 TEUs, while declining 1.1% MoM from 233,586 in April. Exported containers declined by 40.5% to 166,336 TEUs, compared with 279,318 TEUs, while increasing 14.6% from 145,190 in April.

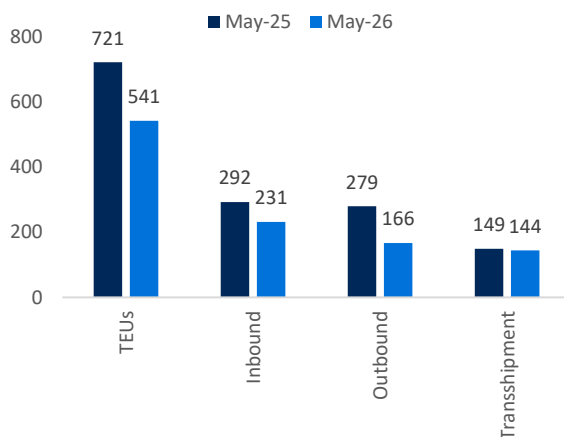
Transshipment containers also decreased by 3.6%, reaching 143,922 TEUs compared to 149,284 TEUs in the previous year, while increasing 10.7% from 130,026 TEUs in April.

Passenger traffic edged down 0.7% YoY to 94,530 passengers, while rising 33.6% MoM from 70,752 passengers in April 2026. Vessel traffic decreased 14.4% YoY to 1,255 ships compared with 1,466 but increased 5.3% MoM from 1,192 ships in the previous month. Vehicle traffic declined 25.5% YoY to 62,887 vehicles compared with 84,353 in the same period last year, while increasing 16.6% MoM from 53,938 vehicles in April 2026.

Meanwhile, the ports received 2.1 mn head of livestock, up 25.8% from 1.6 mn head during the same period last year.

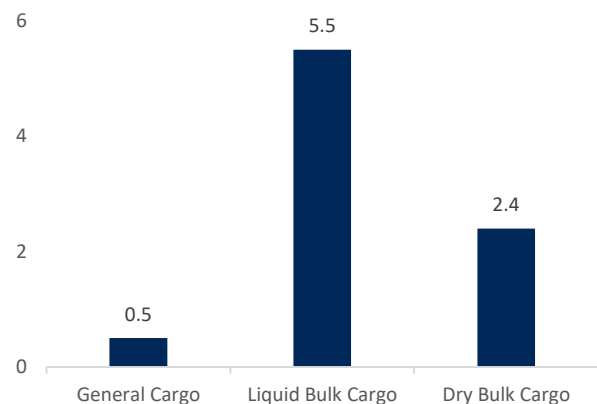
The ports overseen by MAWANI handled more than 14.5 mn tons of cargo in April 2026. Total general cargo reached 514,240 tons, while liquid bulk cargo stood at 23.4 mn tons and dry bulk cargo totaled 2.8 mn tons.

Container throughput in May 2026 ('000 TEUs)



Source: MAWANI, anbc research

Handled cargo in May 2026 (mn tons)



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