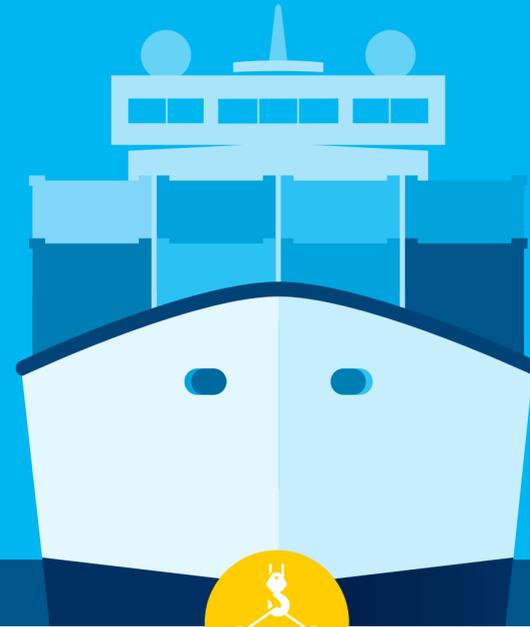


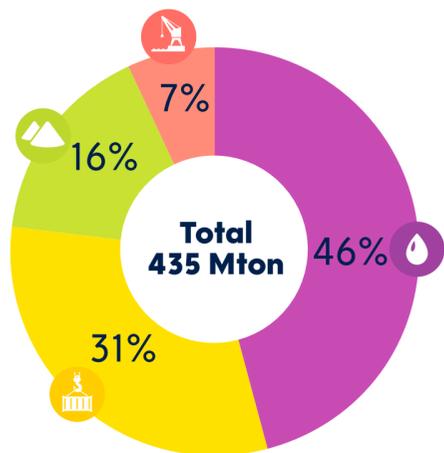
WHAT DO ALL THOSE SHIPS TRANSPORT?

On average, a seagoing vessel enters or leaves the port of Rotterdam every 10 minutes. Much of the cargo is energy: oil (products), LNG, and coal. Many semi-finished products such as chemicals and machine parts are also transported, as well as end products: from orange juice to solar panels. The port is truly a transport hub: we import and export.



What passes through the port?

Every year, seagoing vessels load or unload a total of around 435 million tons of cargo in the Rotterdam port.



LIQUID BULK
crude oil, oil products, LNG, liquid chemical products, biofuels



Crude oil goes to refineries in Rotterdam, the Ruhr area, and Antwerp. They produce fuels such as gasoline, diesel, and kerosene, as well as raw materials for the chemical industry. It is then used to manufacture plastics, insulation materials, paint, and other products. LNG is liquefied natural gas used for heating and suchlike.

Europoort, Botlek and Vondelingenplaat

DRY BULK
coal, iron ore, sand, minerals, soybeans, grain



Iron ore and coal are mainly exported to Germany. They use it to make steel there. You can find this in cars, buildings, wind turbines, etc. Coal is also destined for power stations in Germany and on the Maasvlakte. Sand and gravel are used in construction, while agricultural products are often used as animal feed.

Maasvlakte and Europoort

CONTAINERS
food, semi-finished products, household appliances, machines, clothing, and much more



Containers transport all kinds of goods, but mainly food: 25% of import containers contain food, and as much as 40% of export containers. Often, these are also semi-finished products: companies worldwide manufacture products that are processed elsewhere.

Maasvlakte

OTHER (BREAKBULK)
cars, trailers, steel rolls, large objects



Anything that is not transported loose (bulk) or in a container is called breakbulk: ranging from rolls of steel and cars to wind turbine blades and trucks that go to England on the ferry with their cargo intact.

Waalhaven and Eemhaven

Where do the ships arrive?

