



Post Pandemic Container Surges & Global Supply Chain Issues

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Today's Agenda

- 11:00 – 11:05 Chairman's Introduction
- 11:05 – 11:25 Keynote Presentation – Richard Ballantyne
- 11:25 – 11:45 Question & Answer



Today's Speaker

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The British Ports Association

The national membership body for ports: we represent the interests of operators that handle 86% of all UK port traffic, to Westminster and devolved Governments, and other national and international bodies.

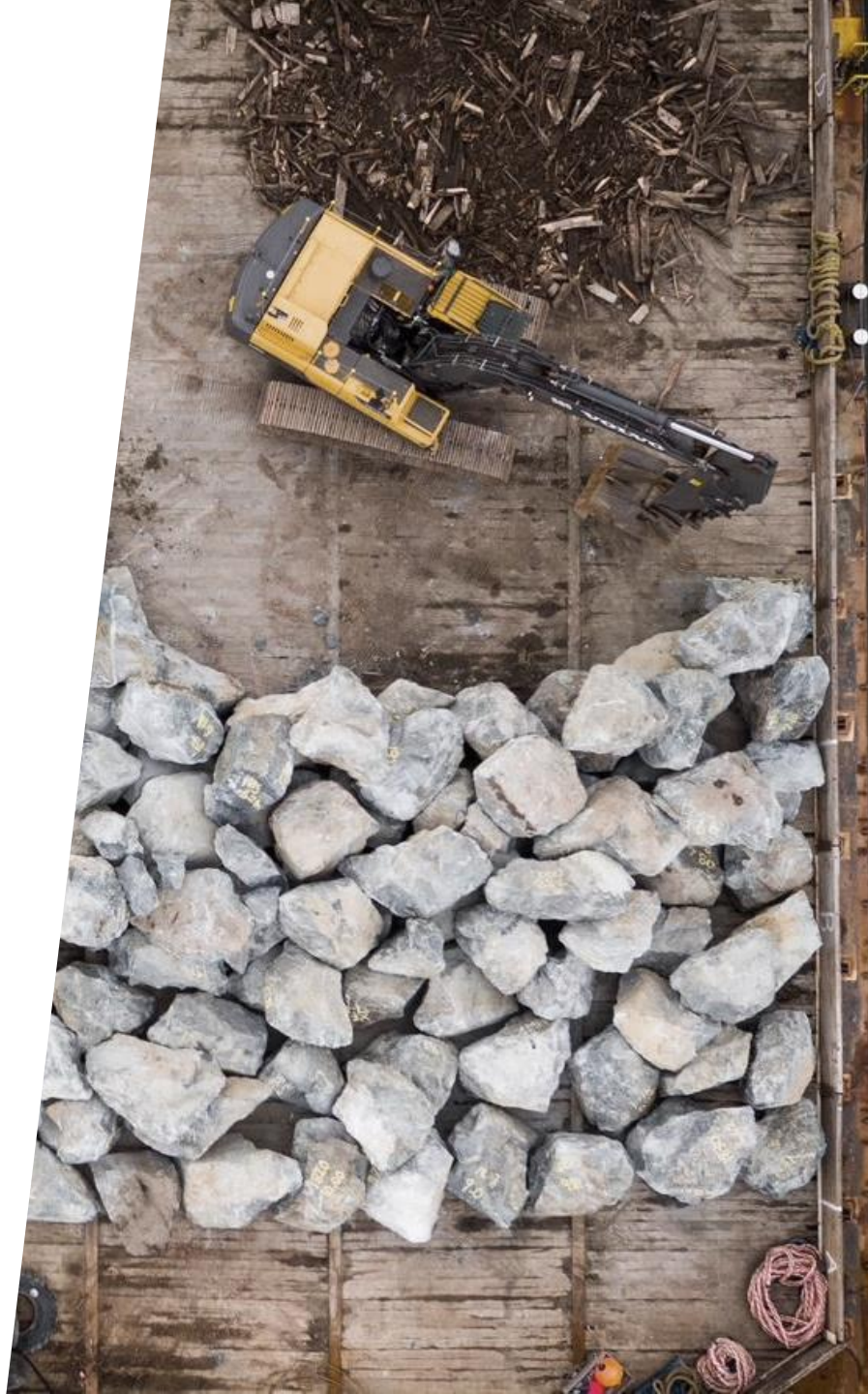
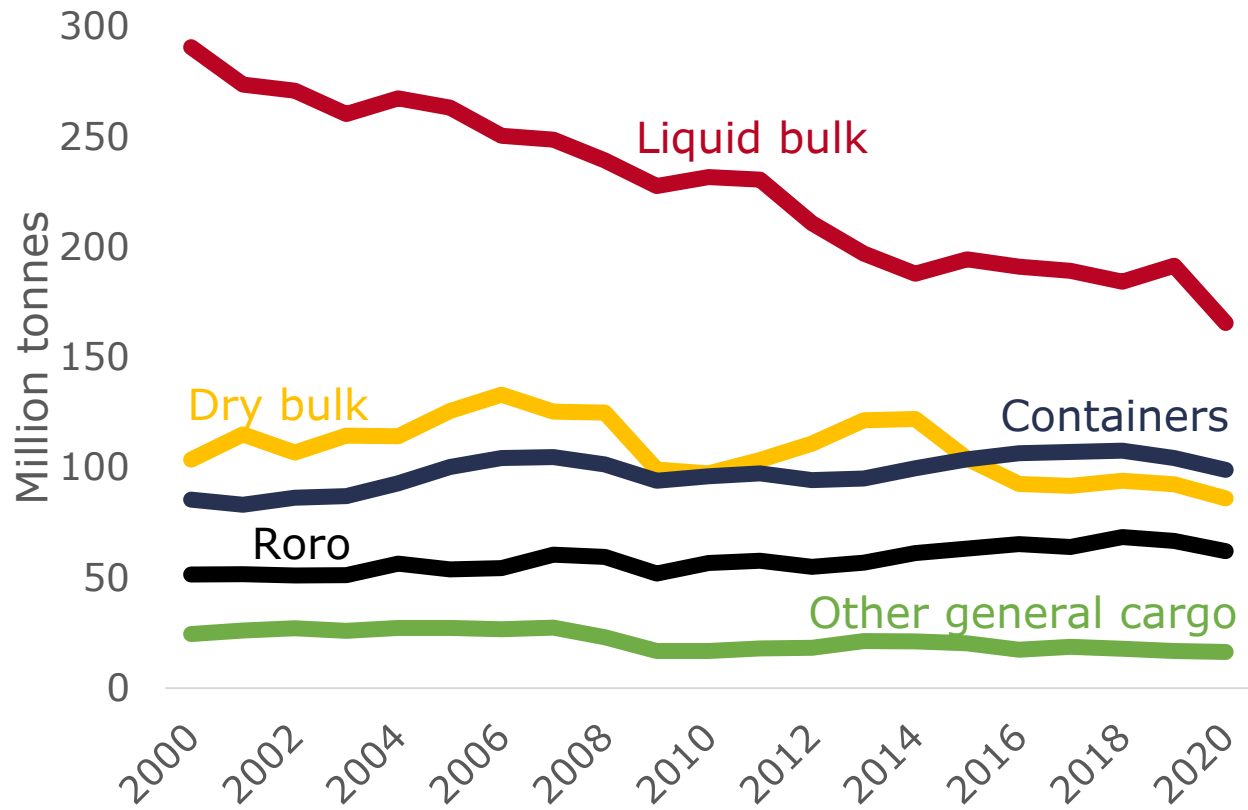
The BPA represents 400+ ports, terminals and port facilities across the whole of the UK which facilitate 86% maritime trade

We also have a strong network of Associate Members who add much to the value of membership.



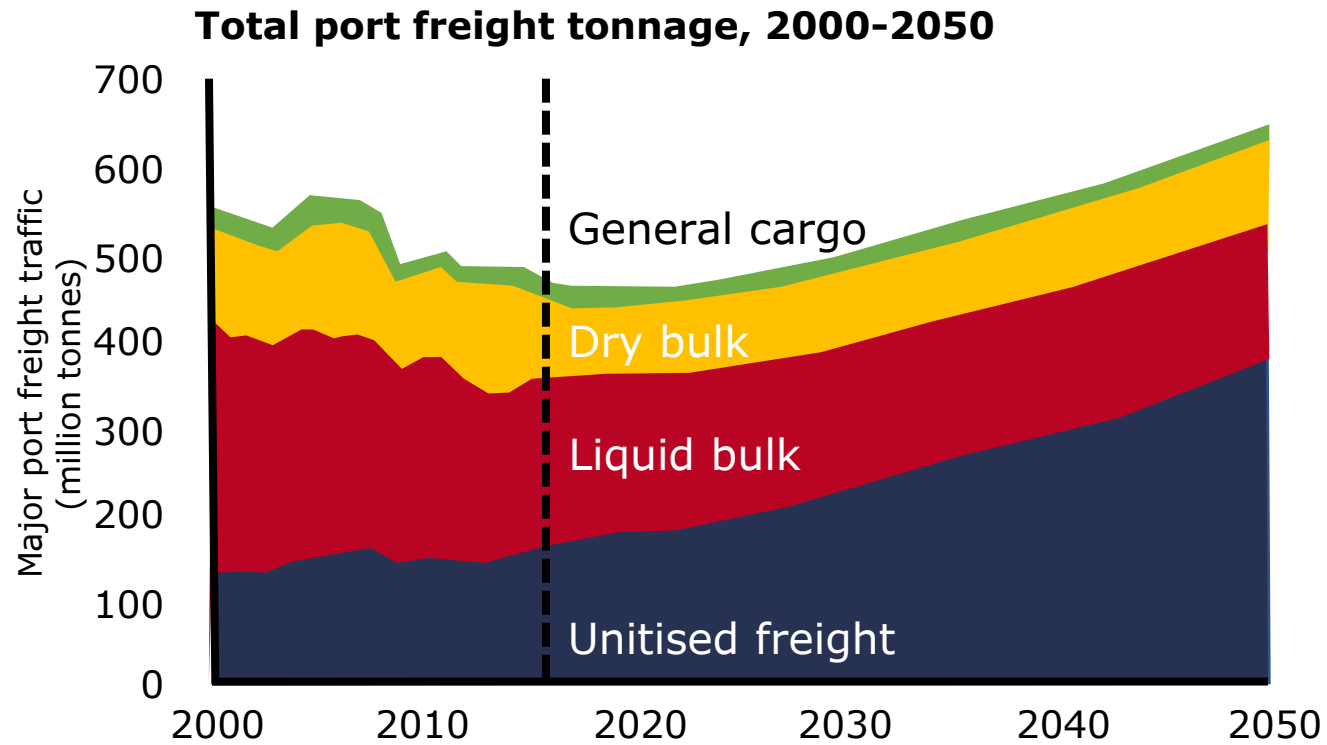


UK Port Volumes: Trends





UK Port Volumes: Forecast

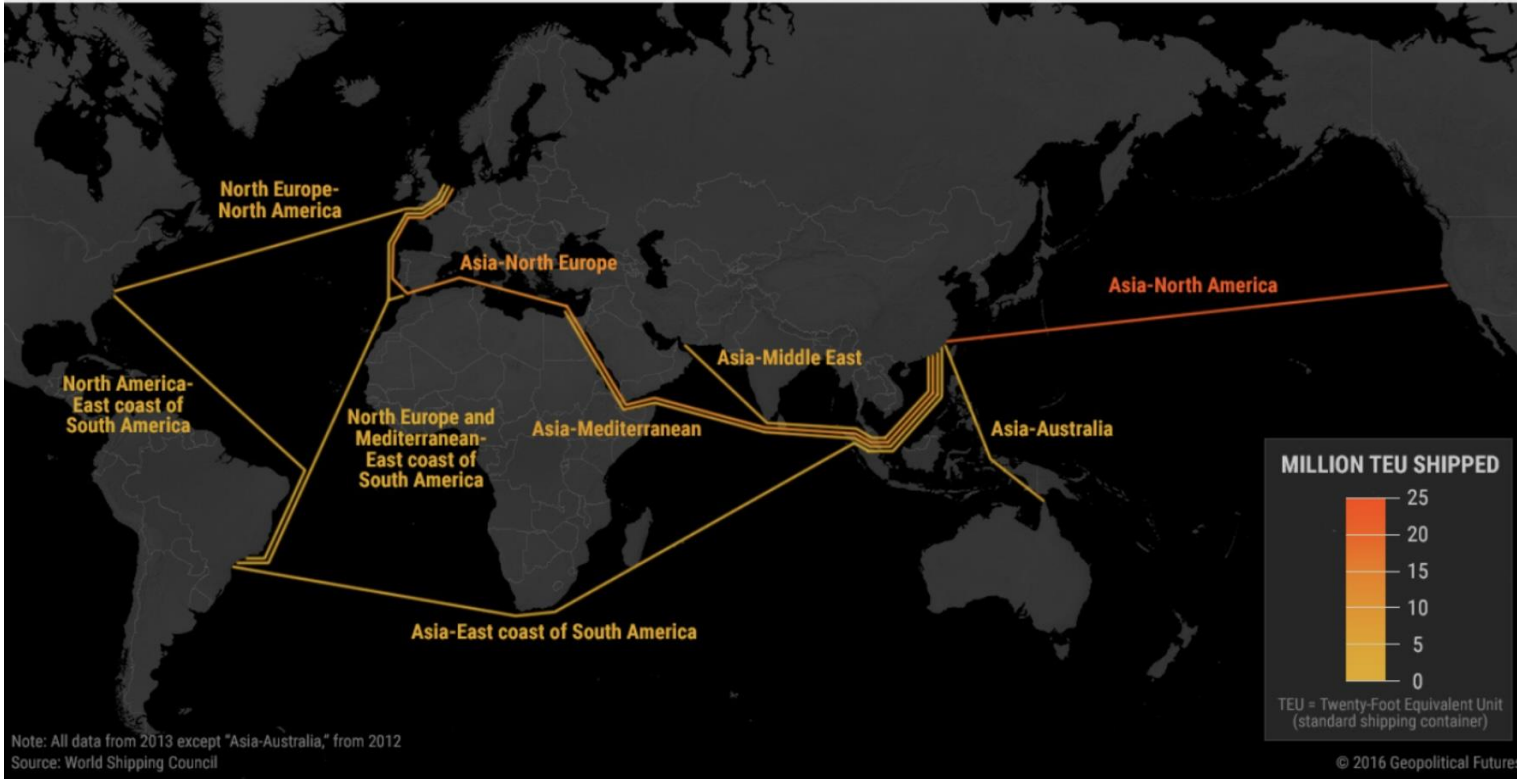




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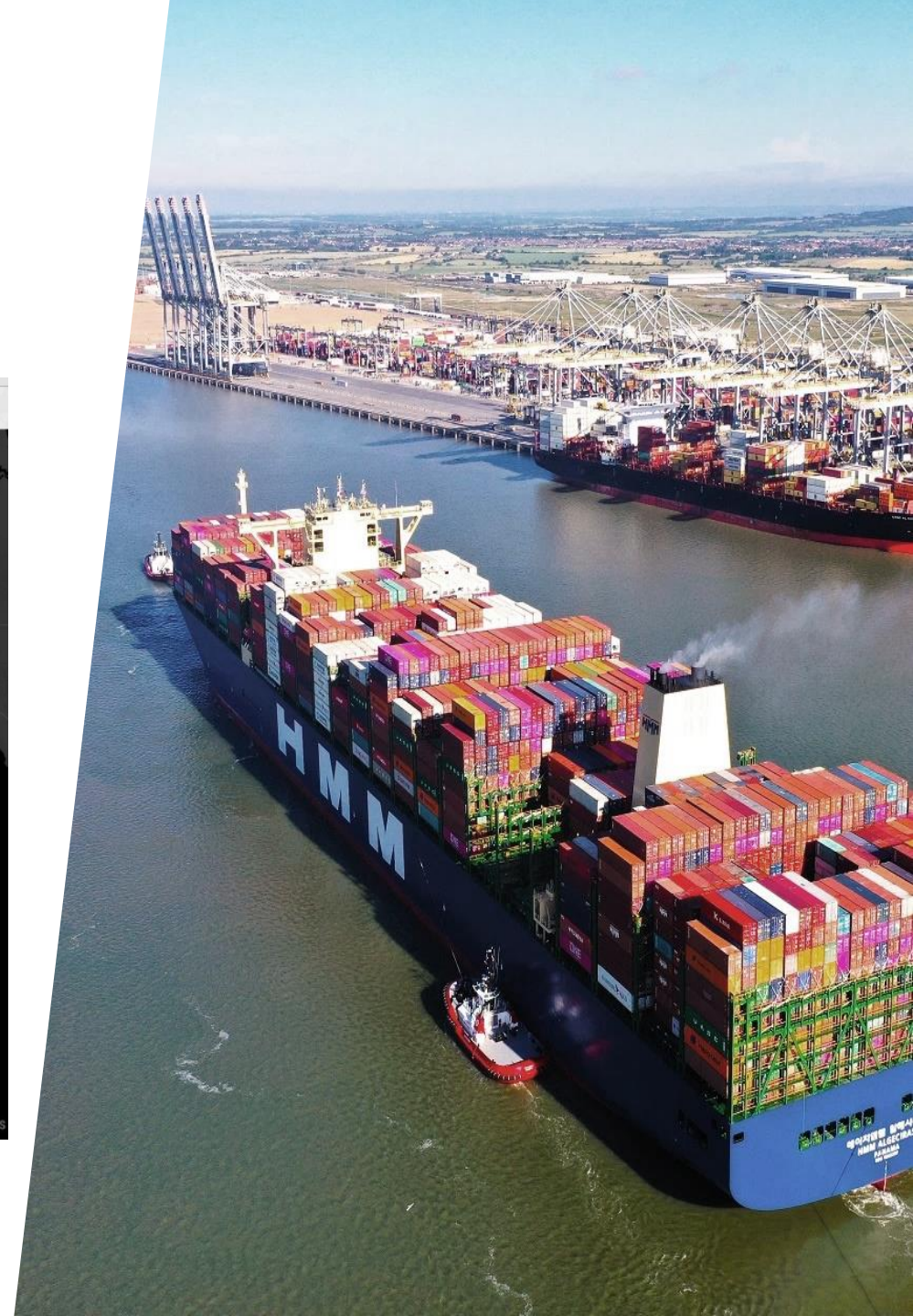
Context: containers

TOP CONTAINER SHIP TRADE ROUTES



Note: All data from 2013 except "Asia-Australia," from 2012
Source: World Shipping Council

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Covid Supply Chains

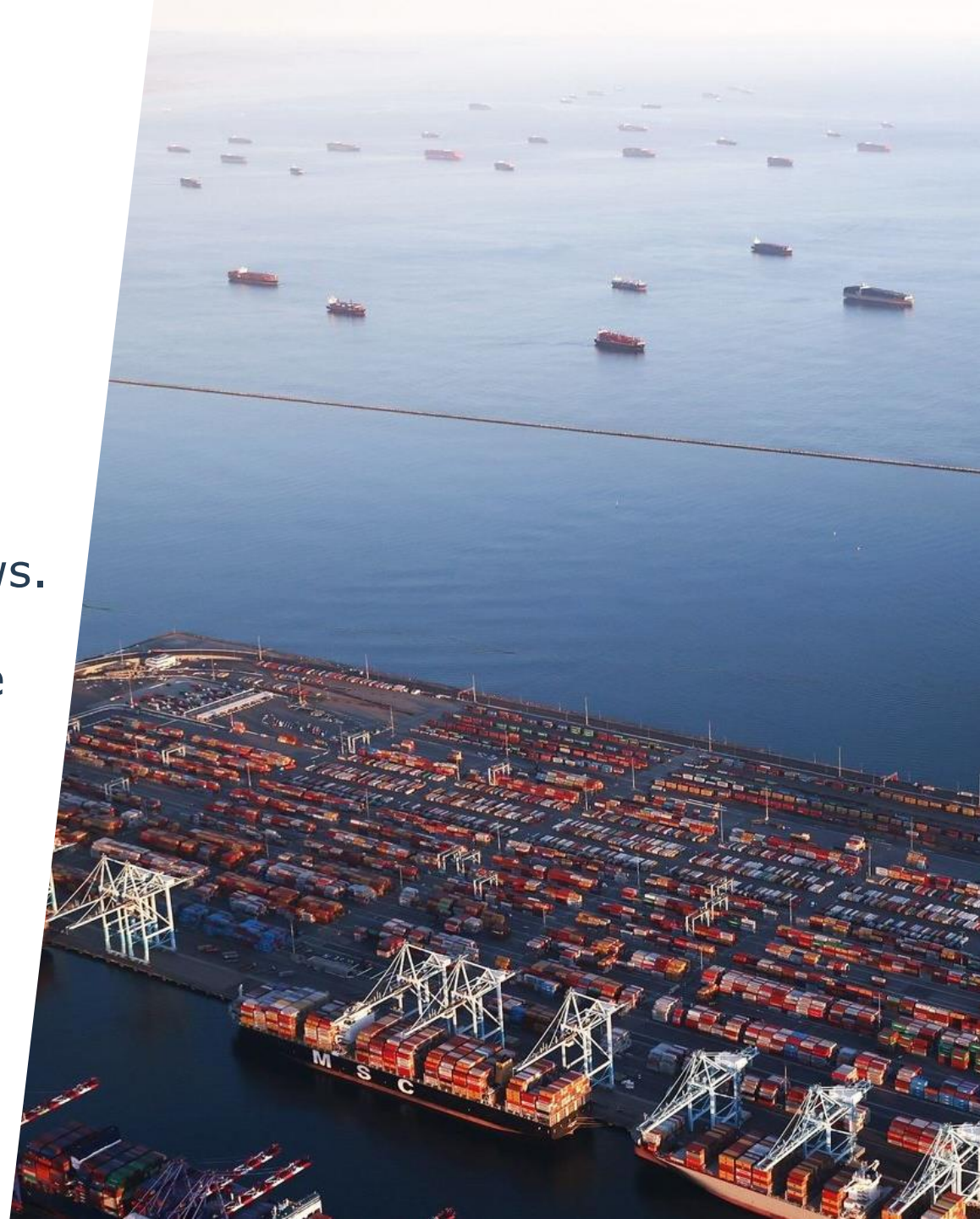
Congestion at container ports around the world affected many US, EU and Chinese ports.

Cause: Lockdowns and trade imbalances

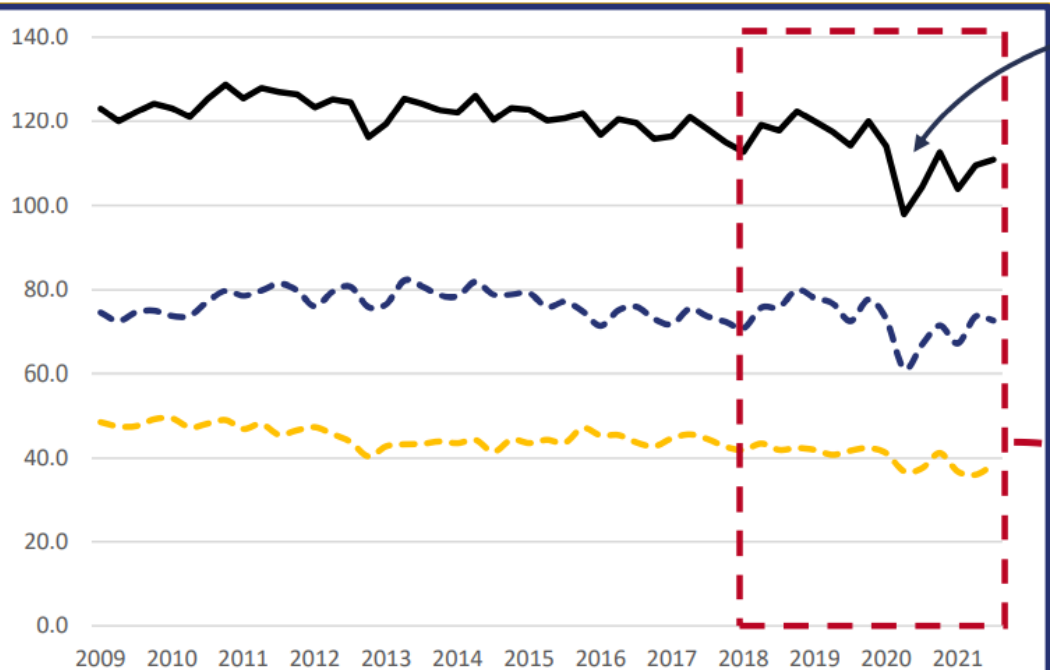
Factors: Port volumes, empty containers and flows. Other factors in the supply chain, such as skills/driver shortages, warehousing capacity, are the primary causes of supply chain issues contributed.

Volatility was a secondary factor contributing to congestion, from staff shortages during the 'pingdemic' to wild swings in cargo volumes from one quarter to the next, and unreliable vessel schedules. Plus Suez...!

Result: congestion & increased costs for traders

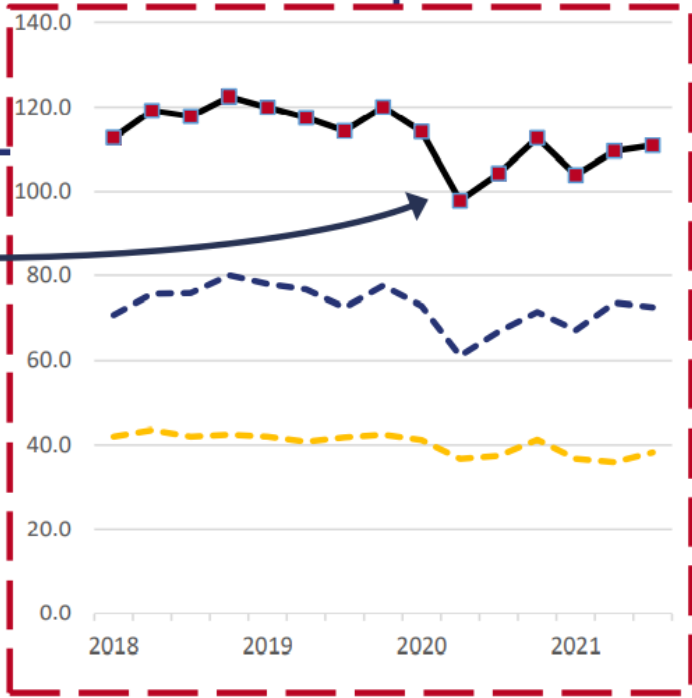


Annual Figures



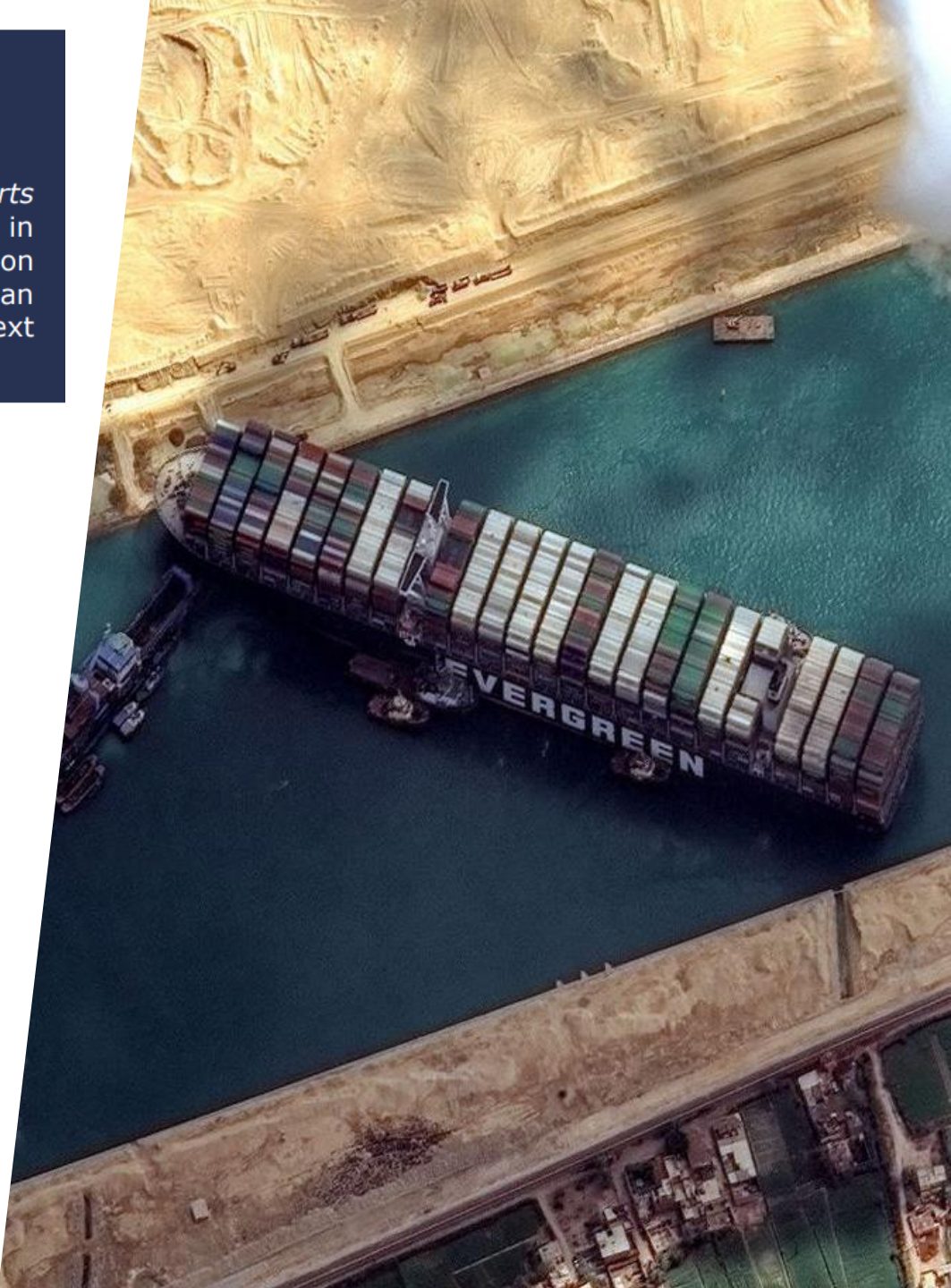
20%
The drop in *imports* through UK ports in 2020, the biggest on record and more than double the next biggest drop.

— CARGO TONNAGE, BOTH DIRECTIONS (UNADJUSTED)
- - CARGO TONNAGE, INWARDS (UNADJUSTED)
- - CARGO TONNAGE, OUTWARDS (UNADJUSTED)



Quarterly Figures

New experimental quarterly statistics reveal that almost all of the huge drop in throughput was in the second quarter of 2020, with volumes bouncing back to more 'normal' levels by the end of the year. Whilst volumes fell again in Q1 of 2021, this is normal, with volumes falling in 10 of the last 12 first quarters.





Volatility: here to stay?

Vessel schedule reliability is affected by and affects container port congestion around the world.

March 2022: Container line schedule reliability dropped by 0.9 percentage points month-on-month in January to 30.9%, the lowest level reported by Sea-Intelligence since it started monitoring schedule reliability in 2011. (source: [Container line schedule reliability hits new low](#))

Fig. 2: Global Average Delays for Late Vessel Arrivals

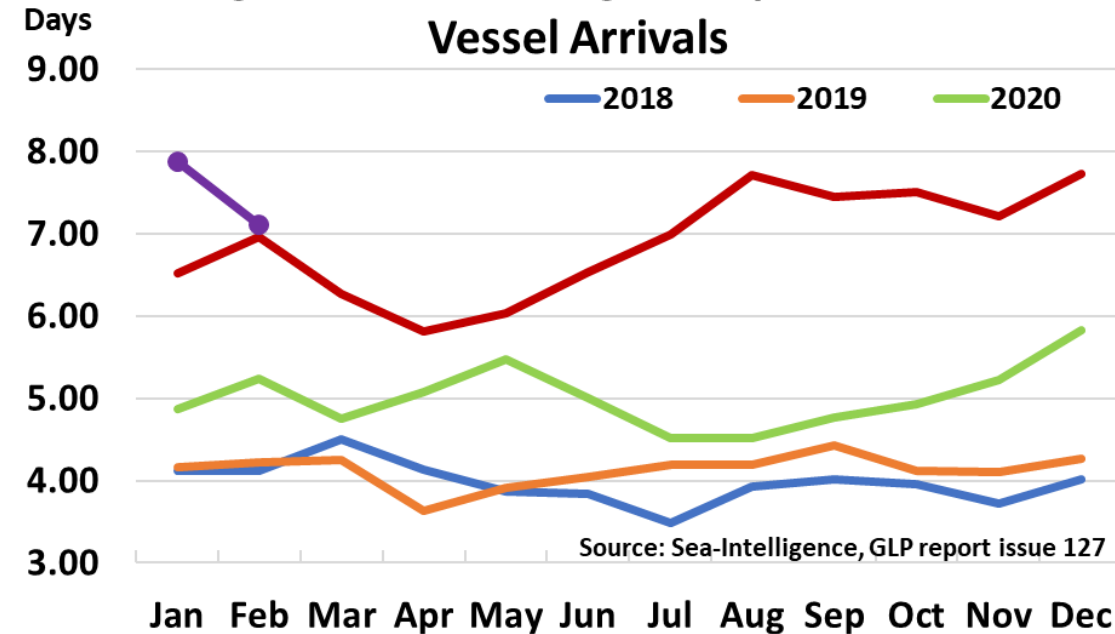
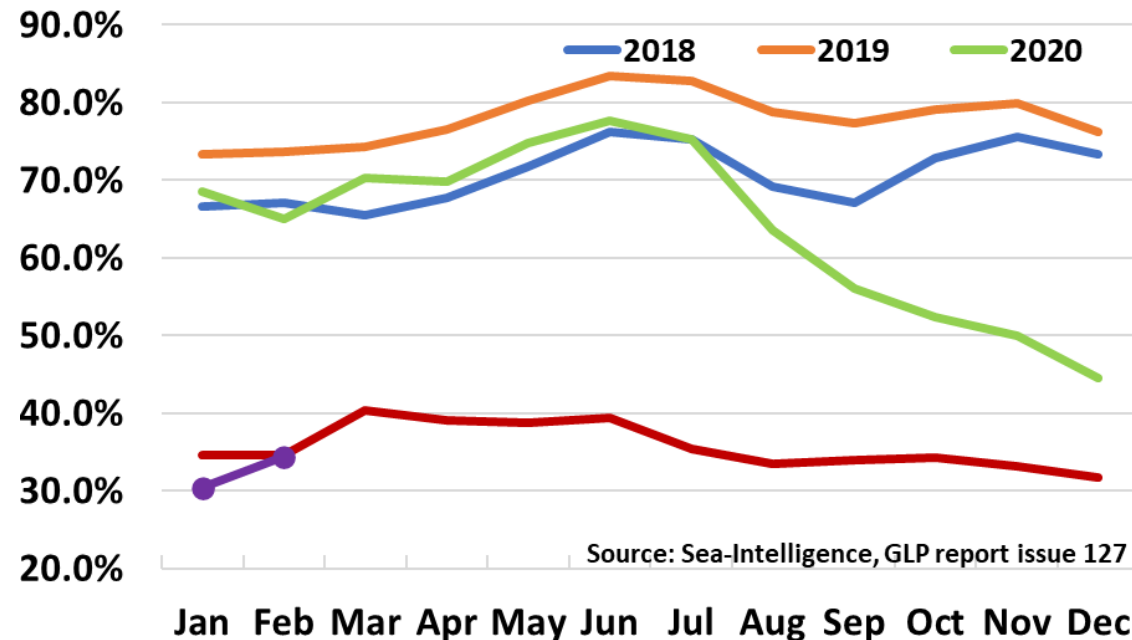


Fig. 1: Global Schedule Reliability





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Brexit Resilience: Borders & Trade

New border processes required as a result of Brexit and the UK's departure from the EU's Single Market and the Customs Union

New customs systems operating on EU-UK borders

New import controls still being phased in although SPS controls in the UK delayed with possible new model in 2024

Additional costs!

UK deregulation and Freeports





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Questions & Discussion



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- Tue, 31 May (15:00-15:45) Valuing The Gig Economy
- Tue, 07 June (10:00-10:45) Digital Healthcare – An Update For The Post Covid World

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