

Port Traffic Volumes - May 2022

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Cargo throughput from January to May returns to pre-Covid levels. In 2022 total tonnage handled by the Ports of Genoa and Savona-Vado rose to 28,361,863 t., a +9.8% increase on 2021 and in line with 2019 volumes.

Specifically, in May total traffic grew by +7.2% on 2021 to 6,227,172 t., with strong increases posted by containerised cargo (+6.5%) and conventional cargo (+14.2%). Solid bulk surged by +28.1% and mineral oils by 7.2%, whilst food liquid bulk and chemical products fell by -26.4% and -33.6% respectively.

The upward trend continues across all commodity sectors, in comparison with the corresponding 5-month period of both 2019 and 2021: containerised cargo rose to approximately 11.5 million t. (+6.2% vs. 2021 and +8.9% vs. 2019), conventional traffic reached 5.8 million t. (+5.3% on 2021 and +0.8% on 2019) and mineral oils peaked to 8.4 million t., a +20.2% advance on 2021 and in line with 2019 levels (-1.2%).

The ferry ports of Genoa and Savona-Vado reported 122,166 passengers in May (+130.5% on 2021), with a +7.4% advance on the corresponding period of 2019, confirming a strong recovery and an overall return to pre-pandemic volumes. It is important to note that although current cruise passenger traffic is still lagging far behind pre-Covid levels, May 2022 registered over 100,000 passengers, a +251.5% rise month-to-month, and an increase in ship calls (44 vs. 52 in 2019).

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