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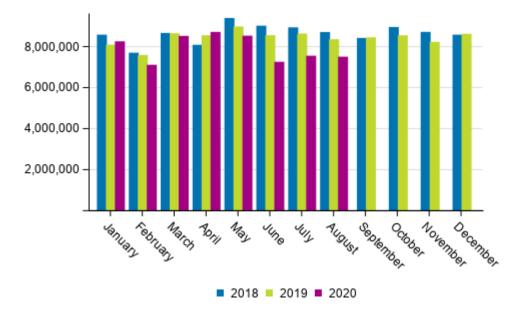
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# Foreign shipping traffic

2020, August

## Sea transport decreased in August

The goods volume of foreign sea transport was in total 7.5 million tonnes in August 2020. Sea transport decreased by 10 per cent from last year's August. Exports decreased by 5 per cent and were 3.9 million tonnes. Import volume decreased by 15 per cent and amounted to 3.6 million tonnes.



#### Foreign sea Transport by month (tonnes) in 2018 to 2020

General cargo was transported most, in total 1.3 million tonnes, which is 17 per cent of all transport. The second most transported was oil products, 1.1 million tonnes, and crude oil, 0.95 million tonnes.

#### Container transport

A total of 0.9 million tonnes of containers were transported through Finnish ports in August 2020, which is 16 per cent less than in August 2019. The number of containers transported was 64,302 (114,274 TEU

containers)<sup>1)</sup>. Exports of containers went down by 21 per cent measured in tonnes and imports went down by three per cent to August 2019.

#### Vehicle transport

A total of 265,985 transport equipment were transported in foreign sea traffic in August 2020. Most transports of transport equipment were passenger cars belonging to passengers. In August, 175,033 passenger cars were transported. The second most transported were trucks, 54,433 and truck trailers, 33,007.

## Passenger traffic

A total of 807,298 persons were transported in passenger traffic in August 2020. In all, 547,159 persons travelled between Finland and Estonia and 189,291 persons between Finland and Sweden. Altogether, 57,021 passengers were transported between Finland and Latvia and 13,827 passengers between Finland and Germany. Passengers made up only 36 per cent of the number of passengers in August 2019. In August 2020, no passengers of foreign cruise ships arrived in Finland.

## Vessel traffic and goods volume in the Saimaa Canal

A total of 163,954 tons of transport were registered through the canal in foreign traffic. Timber was transported most in vessels in foreign traffic, in total 84,101 tonnes. The second most transported was crude minerals and cement.

<sup>1)</sup> TEU, the basic measurement unit of container traffic, refers to one container that is twenty feet long, eight feet wide and 8.5 feet high.

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