

Seaports Overview

Freight Movement & Funding

Seaports deliver vital goods and services to American consumers, ship U.S. exports, create jobs, and support local and national economic growth. They are a critical link in our national transportation infrastructure. Learn more about how freight moves through the complex world of ports at AAPA-PORTS.ORG.

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1 FREIGHT/CARGO - Cargo activity supports the more than 31 million jobs and accounts for 26% of the U.S. economy.

2 FEDERAL NAVIGATION CHANNELS are maintained by The Army Corps of Engineers and funded by the *Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund* and *Energy and Water appropriation*.

3 BERTH - A non-Federal responsibility to connect the Federal navigation channel to the port dock.

4 DOCK - Seaports employ 650,000+ people. *The Department of Labor Apprenticeship Program* is helping develop a future-proof port workforce.

5 PORT FACILITIES - Ports plan to spend \$163 billion between 2021-2025 leveraging funding from the *Port Infrastructure Development Program*.

6 PORT SECURITY - Ports are a critical piece of U.S. border security, funded by the *Port Security grant program* and *Homeland Security appropriation*.

7 INTERMODAL CONNECTORS - *Surface Transportation Authorization Legislation* and *federal grant programs* fund intermodal projects that connect ports to freight networks.

8 TRUCK FREIGHT - Trucking moves 71% of all freight in the U.S. over roads funded by *Department of Transportation*.

9 FREIGHT RAIL - 25% of U.S. farm products are exported yearly on railways funded by *Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements Program*.