



## SOUTH JERSEY PORT CORPORATION

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# SOUTH JERSEY PORTS DOUBLES CARGO TONNAGE

Rebounding from the COVID slump, June's cargo tonnage at the South Jersey Ports more than doubled compared to June of 2020, for an overall 29% year to date (YTD) increase.

"June was a very good month at the South Jersey Ports as the economic recovery is in full swing," reported Andy Saporito, Executive Director and CEO of South Jersey Ports at the monthly meeting of the Board of Directors.

"Not only has our YTD tonnage dramatically surpassed June of 2020, we're trending ahead of 2017 and 2018 and just slightly behind 2019 volumes when we moved more than 4 million tons of cargo. Our year to date steel cargo imports grew 93% and breakbulk grew 82%, a signal of the strength of the broader economy and manufacturing sector."

Cargo tonnage for June 2021 was 384,630 s/tons, more than double June 2020. Year to date tonnage through June totaled 2,230,727 s/tons; representing a 29% increase when compared to the same period in 2020.

The number of ship days through the first six months was 500 days compared to 299 ship days for the first half of 2020, a 66% increase. "Ship days is the number of days a ship is loading or unloading at its terminal" explained Kevin Duffy, Assistant Executive Director / Chief Operating Officer. "We've worked hard to ensure we continue to operate safely and efficiently to move the increased cargo and have space to meet our customers needs".

The South Jersey Ports is a national leader in bulk and breakbulk cargoes, shipping and receiving to and from Africa, Asia, Latin America and Europe. Their four international seaport facilities in South Jersey handle more than four million tons of bulk, breakbulk and containerized cargoes annually.

## BREKBUK ACTIVITY

Breakbulk tonnage for June 2021 totaled 189,715 s/tons. This is an 82.7 % increase when compared to June 2020. June YTD tonnage was 1,283,289 s/tons; an increase of 51.6 % compared to 2020.

All terminals combined handled a total 181,668 s/tons of import steel during June 2021, representing a 93% increase over June 2020. Combined YTD steel imports were 1,103,396 s/tons, representing a 50.4% increase over 2020 YTD. Camden steel imports in June 2021 showed a 105% increase over June 2020, and a June YTD increase of 32% compared to 2020. Paulsboro Marine Terminal handled 125,832 s/tons of steel slabs in June 2021, an increase of 87.9% from June 2020. YTD, Paulsboro handled 802,043 steel slab tons; a 58.7% increase compared to June 2020 YTD. June YTD plywood import tonnage at 103,047 tons was 46.2% ahead of YTD 2020. June 2021 Cocoa bean imports totaled 8,047 s/tons compared to no activity in June 2020. YTD 2021 cocoa bean imports totaled 70,979 tons, a 76.3% increase vs YTD 2020.

## BULK ACTIVITY

Bulk activity for June 2021 was 194,915 s/tons; a 141% increase from June 2020. Total bulk tonnage year-to-date reached 947,438 s/tons; a 7.7% increase versus YTD 2020. Exports of recycled metals in June were 110,311 s/tons; a 120% increase compared to June 2020. Year-to-date recycled metals export volume increased 23%, compared to 2020. June 2021 import activity for cement totaled 52,719 s/tons compared to no cargo activity in 2020 and increased 8.7% YTD compared to 2020. June 2021 export Grancem at 23,320 s/tons decreased 25% compared to 2020 and showed a 5.5% decrease year-to-date. Salem handled 8,565 s/tons of sand in June 2021, compared to no activity in June 2020. June YTD sand at 59,343 s/tons, a 36.2% decrease vs 2020 YTD.

## OTHER TERMINAL ACTIVITY

SJPC's marine terminals handled 19 ships in June 2021, compared with 15 in June 2020. Year-to-date the ports handled 109 ships, compared to 107 by June 2020 YTD. The number of ship days (i.e. the number of days a ship is loading or unloading at its terminals) for June 2021 was 77, compared to 39 days in June 2020. June 2021 YTD ship days were 500, compared to 299 YTD 2020.

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