

TRADE REPORT QUARTER ONE FY2024

TOTAL FREIGHT

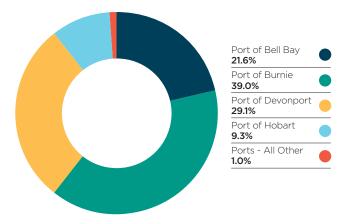
During Quarter One (Q1) FY2024, TasPorts has continued to proudly facilitate freight and trade for the benefit of all Tasmanians.

Total tonnes transited through Tasmania's multiport network for Q1 are 3.4 million tonnes. These volumes reflect a 5.2 per cent decrease as compared to Q1 FY 2023, due to reduced demand for forestry, fuel, industrial and mining commodities.

The Q1 period however also reflects an increase in demand for general cargo, fertilisers and aquaculture supplies.

Throughput for Tasmania's primary ports remain in line with previous volumes, with approximately 89 per cent of all freight moving through the key northern ports of Bell Bay, Burnie and Devonport.

PERCENTAGE OF FREIGHT PER PORT Q1 FY2024



CONTAINERISED FREIGHT

Total Twenty-foot Equivalent Units (TEU) transited during Q1 was 151,854 TEU. This represents a three per cent increase, with volumes consistent with year-on-year expectations in container trade growth.

The primary ports of Burnie and Devonport continue to dominate market share for containerised freight, with 49.4 per cent and 43.5 per cent respectively transiting these northern ports.

Tasmania's top three containerised goods by commodity group are as follows:

GENERAL CARGO. Representative of fast-moving consumer goods. During Q1, 57,648 TEU moved through the primary ports of Burnie, Bell Bay and Devonport.

General cargo levels are traditionally volatile, however Q1 figures continue to reflect strong trade volumes despite constricted household budgets due to increased interest rates, fuel and grocery prices.

EMPTY CONTAINERS. These remain an ongoing challenge for the Tasmania supply chain, with 27 per cent of all TEU volumes (40,694 TEU) transiting as empty.

Multiple factors lead to this imbalance of demand including requirements for 40ft versus 20ft and domestic versus international containers, as well as requirements for food-grade and branded containers. TasPorts remains keen to engage with industry and government regarding empty containers and welcomes thoughtful dialogue as to innovative ideas and solutions.

FOODS. Almost 10,000 TEU or 6.5 per cent of all containerised freight for Q1 pertained to foodstuffs. This figure includes the importation of all grocery items into the State, as well as the export of Tasmanian products bound for Eastern seaboard populations and key international markets.

VESSEL VISITS

During Q1, 555 vessel visits were managed through TasPorts Vessel Traffic Services (VTS). Of these, approximately 70 per cent called at the primary ports of Bell Bay, Burnie and Devonport.

On King and Flinders Islands, TasPorts managed 73 vessel visits at during the period, representing 13 per cent of total vessel visits.

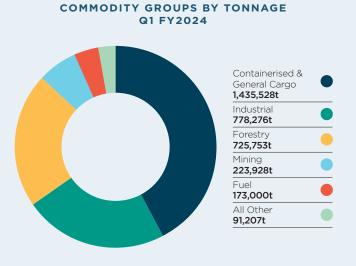
Home to the Spirit of Tasmania and SeaRoad vessels, 40 per cent of vessel visits were to the Port of Devonport.

CRUISE

Tasmania has re-established its position as a successful and popular cruise ship destination.

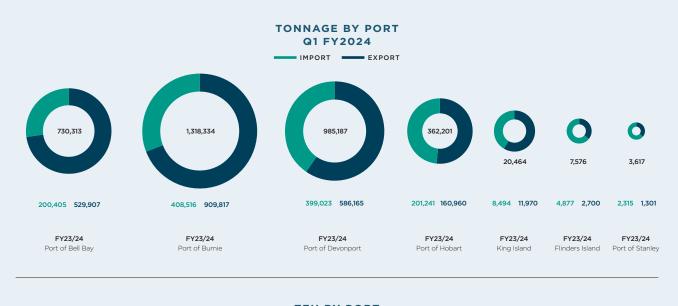
In September 2023, the first cruise vessel for the 2023-34 season called at the Port of Hobart. From late October onwards, TasPorts looks forward to warmly welcoming more than 150 cruise vessels to ports around the State.

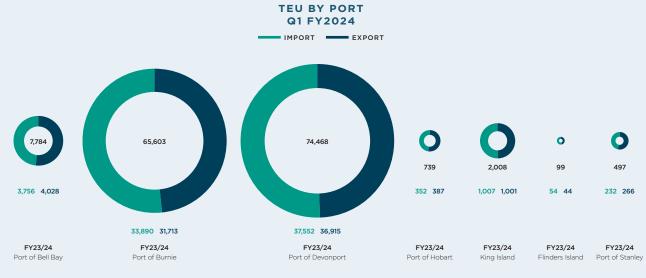
In line with TasPorts' active support of the Tasmanian Government's targets to increase regional dispersal of visitation, almost 50 per cent of cruise calls will be to regional ports outside of Hobart.



TOTAL FREIGHT VOLUMES 2014 - 2024

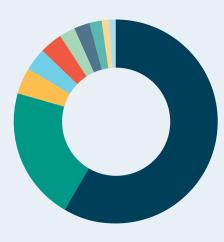


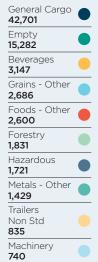


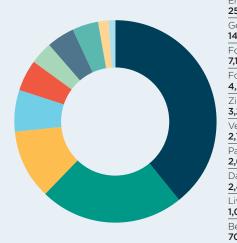


TOP 10 TEU BY COMMODITY IMPORT Q1 FY2024

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Empty TEU 25,412	
General Cargo 14,943	
Foods - Other 7,173	
Forestry 4,236	
Zinc 3,255	
Vegetables 2,724	
Paper Products 2,688	
Dairy Products 2,458	
Livestock - Other 1,077	
Beverages 705	

