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DUNKERQUE-PORT: TONNAGE UP 10% IN THE FIRST HALF-YEAR

Good performance by general cargoes and bulk solids in the early part of the year has led to a 10% upturn in traffic for the first six months with a volume of 23 Mt, more than 2 Mt higher than during the same period in 2013.

RoRo traffic rose **14%**, to 6.70 Mt, compared with last year. The number of trucks and trailers showed a rise of **17%** with 278,000 freight units. Passengers and tourist vehicles were up **6%** and **4%** respectively (1,013,000 passengers and 262,000 vehicles).

The number of containers recorded was 154,000 TEU, an increase of **17%**.

Ore traffic performed well during the half-year, with a rise of **20%** (6.70 Mt).

The volume of coal traffic was 2.08 Mt, down 27%.

Grain exports had already reached 1.33 Mt at the end of June, up **185%**.

During the grain campaign from June 2013 to June 2014, the volume exported via Dunkirk was **2,408,000 tonnes**, setting an **all-time record**.

«Small» bulk solids were up **9%** at 1.38 Mt.

Petroleum products fell by 8% to 2.52 Mt and other bulk liquids were down 12% at 340 Kt.

Overall, bulk liquids posted a drop of 8% to 2.86 Mt.

France's third-ranking port, Dunkirk is well known as a port handling heavy bulk cargoes for its numerous industrial installations. It has also built its reputation in other sectors such as cross-Channel RORO traffic to Great Britain, containers, fruit, etc. Classified as the seventh port of the North Europe Range which extends from Le Havre to Hamburg, Dunkirk is also the leading French port for ore and coal imports, France's leading port for containerised fruit imports, and the country's second-ranking port for trade with Great Britain.

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