

## **JOURNAL OF COMMERCE**

### **Baltimore Container, Auto Volumes Set Records**

Peter T. Leach, Senior Editor | Feb 9, 2012 5:01PM GMT

Container throughput up 3 percent; autos volume up 12 percent

The Port of Baltimore handled a record-number of containers and automobiles in 2011, as both cargos surpassed levels set before the 2009 recession.

Container throughput rose by 3 percent year-over-year to 631,806 20-foot equivalent units as demand continued to rebound from the recession.

The volume of autos handled by the port jumped 12 percent to 446,403 units, with exports jumping 32 percent to 166,077 units.

The surge in auto volume helped Baltimore become the largest auto port in the country.

In addition, roll-on, roll-off cargo tonnage increased by 51 percent in 2011 to 938,675 tons, making it the second best ro-ro year ever after 2008, when it hit a record of 969,272 tons.

## **BALTIMORE SUN**

### **Port's public terminals set new traffic records**

Cars, containers and wood pulp lead the way

By Candus Thomson, The Baltimore Sun

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## **MARYLAND DAILY RECORD**

### **Port of Baltimore's public terminals handle record number of containers, autos**

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By Daily Record Staff

The Port of Baltimore's public terminals continued to rebound from the recession by handling a record number of containers and autos last year, Gov. Martin O'Malley announced Thursday.

“The Port of Baltimore’s very successful 2011 year is great news for the thousands of men and women who depend on the port to provide for their families,” the governor said in a statement.

“Through sound infrastructure investments, forward-thinking business partnerships and long-term contracts with international shipping companies, the port continues to recover from the challenging world economic conditions and position itself in a very good light moving forward,” the governor said.

The port said it handled a record 402,135 containers in 2011, up 4 percent from 2010, as well as a record 446,403 autos, up 12 percent. The 166,077 total of autos exported was up 32 percent from 2010 and was also a record.

The public terminals at the port handled 8.88 million tons of general cargo, the second highest total ever, behind the 8.96 million tons handled in 2008.

Last month it was announced that a record 251,889 people sailed on 105 cruises from the Port of Baltimore in 2011. That total represented the third consecutive record year for cruise passengers.

#### **BALTIMORE BUSINESS JOURNAL**

##### **Port of Baltimore's cargo hit second-highest mark in '11**

Baltimore Business Journal by Scott Graham, Managing Editor

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The Port of Baltimore’s public terminals handled 8.88 million tons of cargo in 2011, the second-highest amount of any year on record, leaders of the Maryland Port Administration said Thursday.

The port’s business was bolstered last year by record numbers of container and automobile cargo.

In all, the Port of Baltimore’s state-owned terminals saw container business rise 4 percent to 402,135 units last year. Meanwhile, the total number of cars to come through the port rose 12 percent to 446,403. The port’s public terminals also exported the most cars for one year — 166,077.

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#### **DELAWAREONLINE.COM**

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#### **ABC 2 NEWS**

##### **Port sets record in '11 imports, exports**

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BALTIMORE (WMAR) - Governor Martin O'Malley has announced that the Port of Baltimore's public marine terminals continued to rebound strongly in 2011 from the recession by handling more containers and cars than last year.

Both containers and automobiles are key targeted cargo commodities for the Port.

In 2011 the port's public marine terminals made many accomplishments such as having the most containers in one year with 402,135, up 4% from 2010.

The most autos in a calendar year were also imported and exported with 446,403 coming in and exporting 166,077, about 32% higher than 2010.

The public terminals had a total of 8.88 million tons of general cargo this year, the second highest amount behind 8.96 million tons in 2008.

"The Port of Baltimore's very successful 2011 year is great news for the thousands of men and women who depend on the Port to provide for their families," said Governor O'Malley.

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### **WJZ TV CHANNEL 13 (CBS)**

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### **DELMARVANOW.COM**

#### **MD ECONOMY: Port of Baltimore set records in 2011**

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**DAILYPRESS.COM (Virginia)**

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**TOPIX.NET (Baltimore)**

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### **CARGO BUSINESS NEWS** **Thursday, February 9, 2012**

Baltimore's container, auto volumes up in 2011

The Port of Baltimore announced it had a record year for container-and-auto-handling volumes in 2011, increasing 4 percent and 12 percent, respectively.

The port said it handled a record 631,806 TEUs, and 446,806 autos, including a record for auto exports, up 32 percent over the previous year at 166,077 units handled.

### **Baltimore port sets volume records** **Progressive Railroading**

Last year, the Port of Baltimore set several annual cargo records, including all-time-high volumes of containers and autos.

The record-setting marks include 402,135 containers (up 4 percent compared with 2010); 631,806 20-foot equivalent units (up 3 percent); 446,403 autos (up 12 percent); 166,077 export autos (up 32 percent); and 515,433 tons of wood pulp imports.

In addition, the port handled 938,675 tons of roll on/roll off farm and construction machinery, second only to the 969,272 tons handled in 2008, and 8.9 million tons of general cargo, second to 8.96 million tons handled in 2008.

"Through sound infrastructure investments, forward-thinking business partnerships and long-term contracts with international shipping companies, the port continues to recover from the challenging world economic conditions and position itself in a very good light moving forward," said Maryland Gov. Martin O'Malley in a prepared statement.

Through 2011's first 11 months, the port ranked first among the nation's 360 ports for handling farm and construction machinery, autos, trucks, imported forest products, imported sugar and imported gypsum, according to Maryland officials. The port ranked second for exported coal, imported salt,

imported aluminum and imported iron ore. The port is served by CSX Transportation and Norfolk Southern Railway; Canton Railroad Co. provides switching services.