



PORT OF SAN DIEGO MARITIME

*Fueling the region's
powerful economic engine*

*San Diego Bay is one of the most
attractive harbors in the world.*

The Portuguese explorer Juan Rodriguez Cabrillo exclaimed as much when he first sailed into it in 1542.

Along with its obvious beauty, a good part of the attraction was the Bay's obvious utility. "A very good enclosed port," Cabrillo said. And he knew what he was talking about — for more than four centuries, San Diego Bay has served as a port with no equal, now more than ever.

Since its inception more than 40 years ago, the Port of San Diego has spent \$1.5 billion on capital development projects. The Port's tenants — more than 600 businesses — have spent millions more. The investment has paid off handsomely. The Port's thriving industrial sector provides more than 42,000 jobs and nearly \$8 billion annually in economic impact. Each cruise ship call alone generates \$2 million in economic impact. Now, that's attractive.

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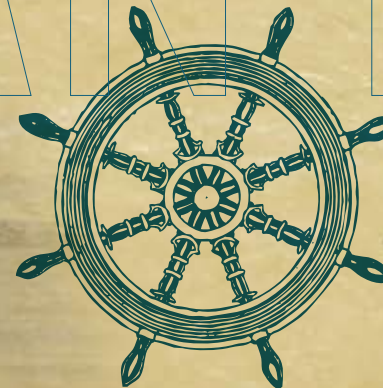


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The Bay is a working waterfront

San Diego Bay is a natural deepwater port, which has fostered a successful working waterfront and cargo gateway for centuries. All the while nurturing a diverse marine ecosystem to support the region.



A WORKING WATERFRONT

San Diego Bay is an industrial and mercantile gateway through which billions of dollars in goods pass annually, either entering the United States or being exported to the rest of the world.

The chief trade portals are the Port of San Diego's two marine cargo facilities, each equipped to serve rolling stock and containers, as well as traditional bulk and break-bulk cargoes. The terminals provide expansive facilities, on-dock rail, efficient highway connections, ample storage and 24/7 operations. Each year, the terminals handle more than 3.5 million metric tons of cargo.

The Tenth Avenue Marine Terminal operates on 96 acres near downtown San Diego. With one million square feet of warehouse space and 300,000 square feet of cold storage, it has ample room for the millions of tons of produce and other commodities like bananas, avocados, steel, project cargo, cement and fertilizer products that pass through each year.

A few miles to the south, the National City Marine Terminal covers 125 acres. The terminal is the primary port of entry for one out of every ten cars imported to the United States. Honda, Acura, Volkswagen, Isuzu, Mitsubishi and Hino Motors import about 350,000 cars through the Port each year. Dixieline and Weyerhaeuser also have building materials shipping operations here.

Situated between the two terminals is General Dynamics' NASSCO shipyard, the largest shipbuilding yard on the West Coast for military and commercial vessels. A designated Master Ship Repair contractor, NASSCO performs major structural repairs or modifications of U.S. Navy ships.

A NAVAL TRADITION

San Diego Bay is home base to a significant portion of the United States Navy's Pacific Fleet, including 48 surface ships (three of them aircraft carriers), seven submarines, four coastal patrol boats and nine non-combat USNS vessels, such as the hospital ships USNS Mercy and USNS Comfort.

The Port of San Diego is proud to support the Military and Military Sealift Command operations. The Port is designated a Strategic Port by the Department of the Defense. Under this program, and in partnership with the U.S. Maritime Administration, the Port provides priority use of terminal facilities during military mobilizations while maintaining commercial operations. By working together we support the transportation needs of our military while maintaining efficient movement of commercial goods in this region.

A PORT OF CALL

Along the harbor near San Diego's downtown lies the San Diego B Street Cruise Ship Terminal, which handles more than 200 cruise ship calls and tens of thousands of visiting passengers annually. A seasonal homeport to Holland America, Carnival and Celebrity cruise lines, the terminal also is a regular destination stop for many others, including Princess, Royal Caribbean, Regent Seven Seas and Silversea.



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