The Florida Ports Council (FPC), is a nonprofit corporation that serves as the professional association for Florida’s 15 public seaports and their management, providing leadership through a collective voice in the areas of data and research, state and federal advocacy, and marketing and communication.

Florida’s network of seaports is one of the state’s greatest economic assets, positively affecting every region and every resident. Whether moving over a hundred million tons of cargo annually or millions of cruise passengers, Florida’s seaports generate and support a vast array of commerce and the FPC believes a strong, strategic, public/private partnership between Florida’s ports and state and local government will enable our diverse seaports to continue their vast economic contributions to every region of our state.
FLORIDA SEAPORTS: Connecting Commerce

FLORIDA PORTS SUPPORT...
$900,000
DIRECT AND INDIRECT JOBS

INVESTMENTS
Over the next 5 years, Florida ports plan to invest $3.3 billion to enhance and modernize freight infrastructure, ensuring domestic and global competitiveness.

LOGISTICS
Growth in e-commerce and the logistics industry has placed ports in the position to move more goods faster, farther, and cost effectively.

TOURISM DRIVER
62% of all US cruisers sail through a Florida port.

Florida broke records in 2017 with 16.1 million visitors traveling through one of the state’s seven cruise ports.

FLORIDA WELCOMED THE LARGEST CRUISE SHIP IN THE WORLD IN 2018.

VITAL ECONOMICS
Waterborne international trade moving through Florida’s seaports was valued at $83.2 billion in 2017, representing 55% of Florida’s total international trade.

ACCESS TO CONSUMERS
21 million residents in Florida
117 million visitors annually
1,100 new residents per day
35 percent growth in population by 2030

CONNECTIVITY
Florida’s multimodal freight delivery network allows for growth in cargo tonnage and the value in cargo.

Florida ranked seventh among the nation’s top exporting states in 2017.

INCREASING CAPACITY
A new Panamax vessel can carry 12,500 TEUs; previous Panamax ships could only hold 4,500. Florida has invested billions of dollars to modernize facilities and increase channel depths, enabling us to accept these larger vessels.

Florida’s premier geographical location makes it a gateway for trade transiting the Panama canal.

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Port of Key West | Port Manatee | PortMiami | Port of Palm Beach | Port Panama City
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