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Big Data, What's in it for ports?

More insights, better decisions...

Sea Ports to benefit from Big Data in multiple ways

The use of big data is increasingly adopted as a tool to increase operational efficiencies, streamline information and communication, but strategic component is often overlooked

Operational efficiency / automation



Remote crane operator

Strategic Decision Making



Where is North?



How can big data help Ports improve strategic decision making?

Sufficient options are available today

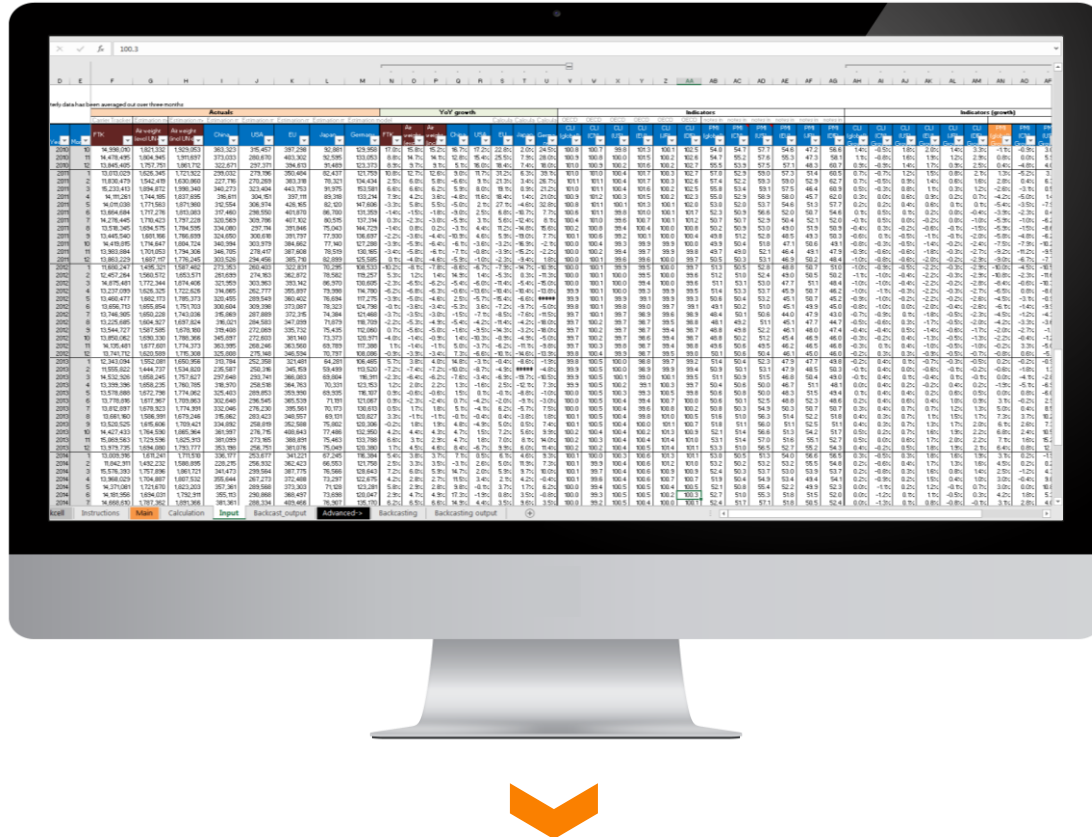
Nowadays ports can rely on internal port data, public sources such as Eurostat, OECD and commercial data providers for wide range of relevant and up-to-date statistics



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Although maintaining extensive databases is no easy task

At Seabury, 11 data scientists process over 70 million records each month in order to maintain 3.5 terabyte of trade data for 63 clients who access our databases over 45,000 times a year



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We can even derive informative visualizations from data

Business intelligence is no longer confined to large spreadsheets and armies of analysts as today's insights often come in the form of dashboards and interactive reports for management



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US market main driver of recent European TEU growth

Historic trade data can help identify areas of high recent growth such as Algeria and Vietnam or slower growing markets of larger size like the US and China

Top West Europe trade partners (import + export)

Absolute growth, Thousand TEU (2010-2015)		CAGR, % (2010-2015)	Primary Direction
USA	684	4%	Export
Morocco	334	14%	Export
Algeria	221	11%	Export
Vietnam	185	8%	Import
South Korea	182	6%	Export
Saudi Arabia	182	6%	Export
United Arab Emirates	180	8%	Export
Egypt	158	7%	Export
Mexico	142	7%	Export
South Africa	123	5%	Export
Taiwan	-20	-1%	Both
Argentina	-45	-3%	Import
Malaysia	-58	-3%	Import
Hong Kong	-80	-4%	Export
Syria	-98	-30%	Export
Brazil	-99	-2%	Import
Canada	-105	-3%	Export
Iran	-112	-16%	Export
Indonesia	-132	-5%	Import
China	-321	-1%	Import

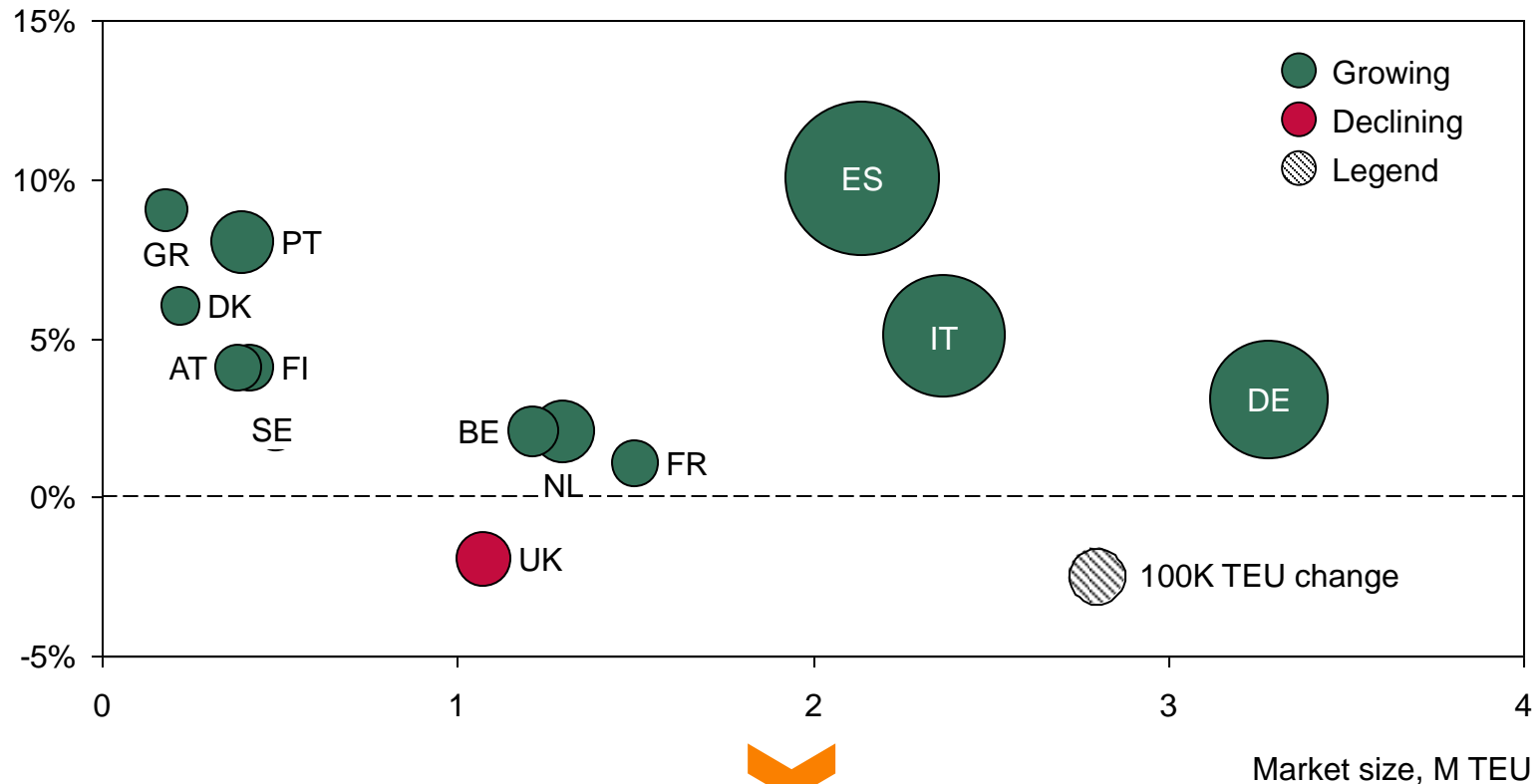
Source: Seabury Global Ocean Trade Database; Seabury analysis

Winners and losers...

Even as your location as port if fixed, it pays to know how the countries in your greater catchment are performing in terms of trade growth and what the potential is of each market

Containerized export growth per country, 2010-2015

CAGR, (%)



Bottleneck is not data availability, but how do you define/execute strategic options..

Note: Bubble size is magnitude of change, only including changes of 60,000 TEU y-o-y or larger

Source: Seabury Ocean Trade Database; Seabury analysis (March 2016), Seabury customs data only, UN Comtrade data excluded

So what...?

There are a number of strategic decision you can make as a port, and reliable and timely data will be increasingly important to make sure you keep heading in the right direction

Geographic Scope



Industry Segmentation



Strategic Partners



Gateway or hub function



Who is your competition?



Digitalization



Challenge is not just data, but implementation of strategy is key to future success

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