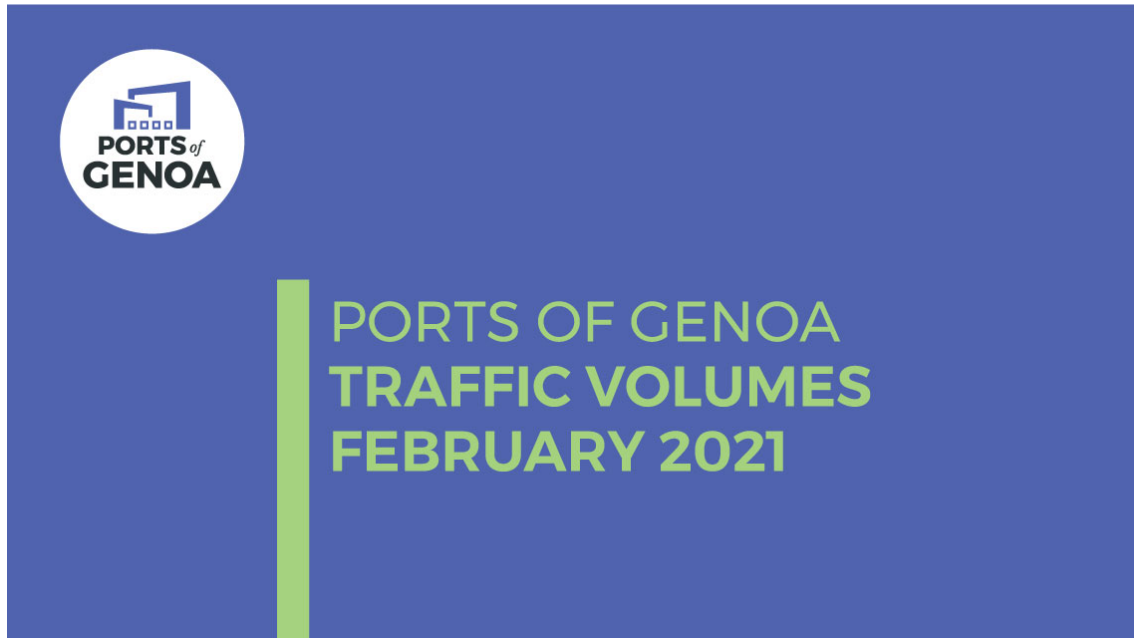


## Port Traffic Volumes - February 2021

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**In February the European Commission upgraded its economic growth forecasts for 2021 and 2022, pointing to a +3.8% increase in the eurozone, following the 6.8% fall of 2020; whilst GNP is expected to return to pre-pandemic levels by mid-2022. Naturally, these projections depend upon the successful roll out of the vaccination campaign across Europe.**

With reference to the Italian port industry, in February the Ports of Genoa, Savona and Vado Ligure recorded total cargo throughput of 4,533,489 tons, a -15.6.% decrease on the corresponding period in 2020 (pre-pandemic), which brings the decline since the beginning of the year to -11.3%. Box throughput has also suffered a setback, registering 210,014 teus, a -9.2% decline on the same month of the previous year, and overall a -5.1 % drop since January of this year. Containerised cargo fell by -12.7% compared to 2020, with a reduction in both full containers (-10%) and empty containers (-6.5%).

Conventional cargo, which groups together ro-ro tonnage and specialised cargo, dipped by -2.2%, down to 1,132,828 tons, to a total of approximately 2.2 million tons in the first two months of the year, a slight -2.9% decline on the pre-pandemic levels registered at the beginning of 2020. Solid bulk performed strongly, a +15.8% increase compared to the corresponding period in 2020. In the liquid bulk sector, vegetable oils and wine picked up by a staggering +153% on the previous year, whilst mineral oils fell by -36.6%.

The Passenger Ports of Genoa and Savona continue to suffer a severe setback, -77.4% decrease on February 2020, with the cruise sector plummeting by -91.5%, due to the prolonged lockdown measures at the beginning of the year which once again brought cruise calls to a halt across the country.

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