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# FLORIDA SEAPORTS: A Dynamic Economic System

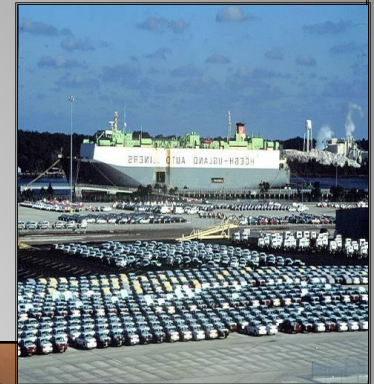
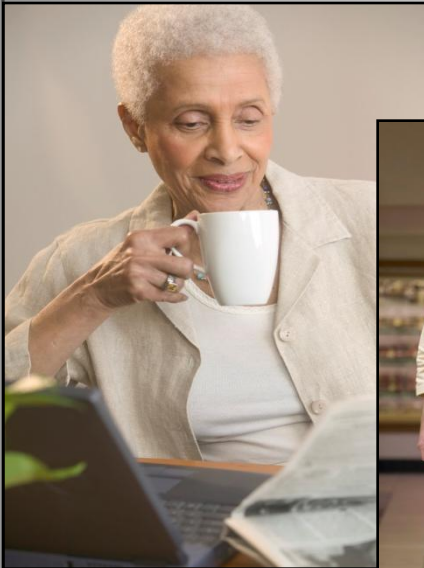
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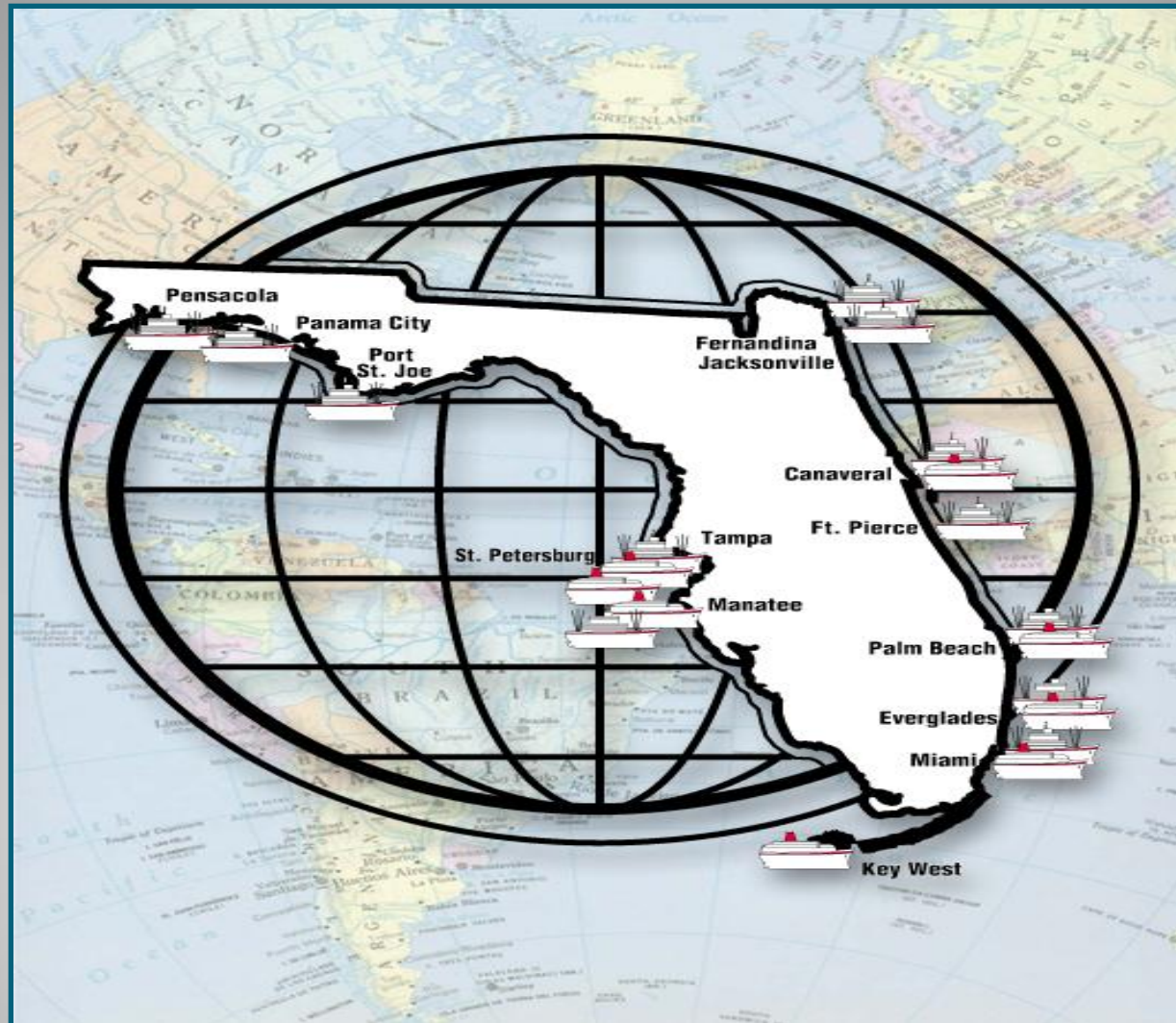
**FLORIDA SEAPORTS**  
CHARTING OUR FUTURE

# Florida's Lifestyle Flows through Florida's 14 Seaports

Almost everything Floridians wear, eat or use in their daily lives flows through our seaports.



# Florida's 14 Public Seaports



# International Trade

- Waterborne international trade moving through Florida seaports was valued at **\$69.7 billion in 2010**, accounting for nearly **55.2 percent** of our state's total **\$126.2 billion** in international trade.

# Seaport Jobs and Wages

- Florida seaports generate approximately **550,000** direct and indirect jobs with an **average annual wage of \$54,400**, more than double the average wage of all other non-advanced degree occupations --\$26,933 and **over \$15,000 more than the average annual wage** for all occupations -- \$38,470.



# State and Local Tax Revenues

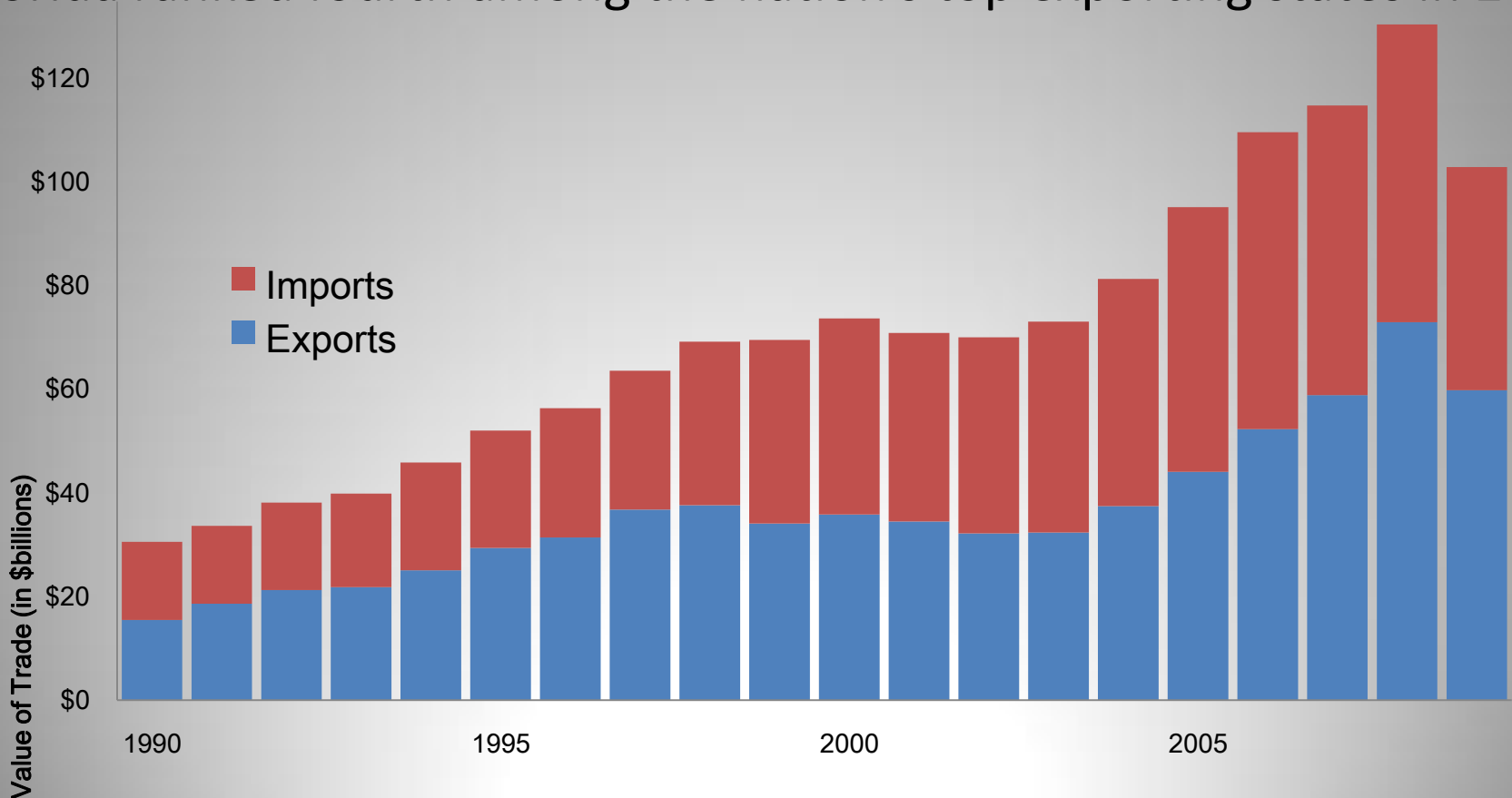
- Maritime cargo activities at Florida seaports have contributed more than **\$1.7 billion** in annual state and local tax revenues and **\$66 billion** in total economic value.

## Cruise Industry

- Florida's cruise industry accounts **for 59 percent** of all U.S. cruise embarkation. In FY 2010, **12.7 million** passengers embarked and disembarked from Florida seaports.

# Exports and Imports

Florida ranked fourth among the nation's top exporting states in 2010.



Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Foreign Trade Division – U.S. Merchandise Trade Statistics

# Florida's Gulf Coast Cargo Ports

Pensacola....Panama City.... Port St. Joe....

Tampa.... Manatee

- Florida's Gulf Coast seaports generate **125,000** direct and indirect jobs with a total value of economic activity of **\$10.6 billion** per year.
- These activities contribute almost \$750,000 to state and local tax revenues.



# Florida's Seaports Share a Common Public Purpose and Create a Dynamic Economic System

The **collective mission** of Florida's seaports is to  
*“enhance the economic vitality and quality of life throughout the state **by fostering the growth of domestic and foreign waterborne commerce....”***