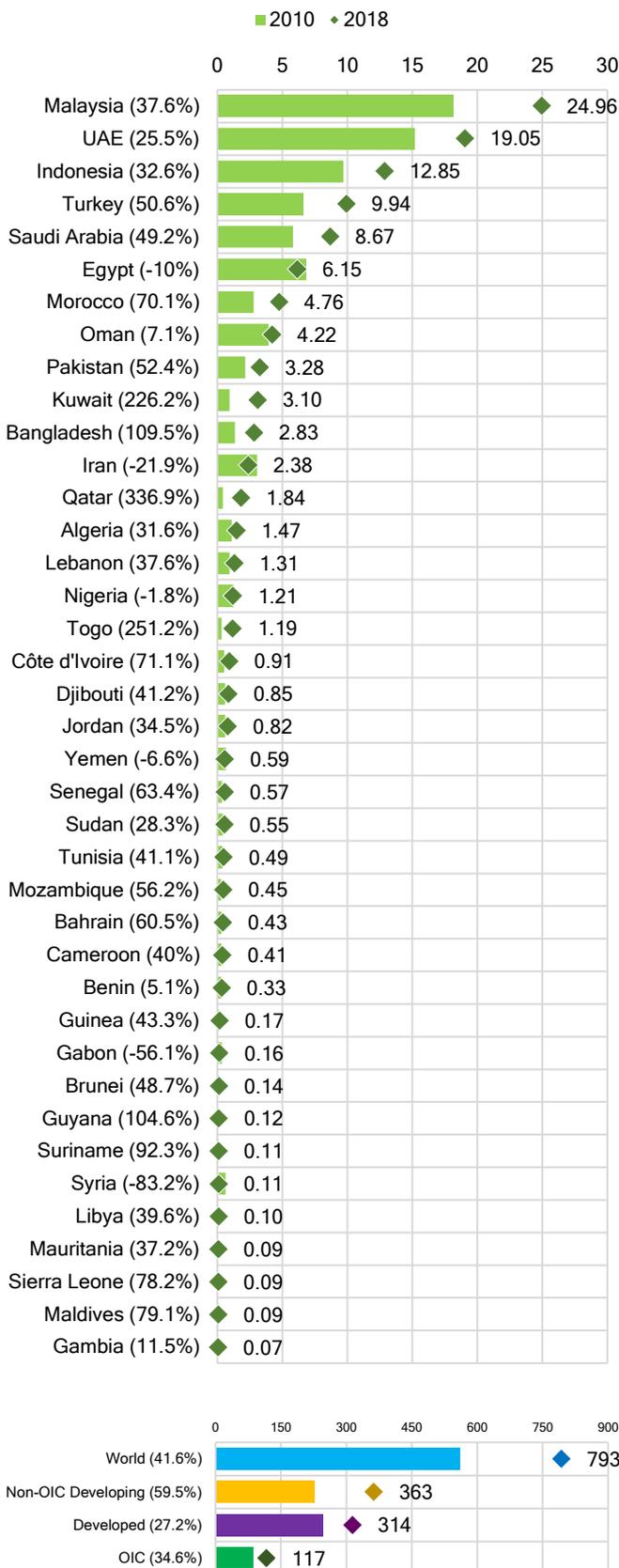


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Container Port Throughput, Million TEUs, 2010 vs. 2018



- **Container port throughput** indicator presents the total number of containers handled by a port, per country, expressed in twenty-foot equivalent units (TEUs). A TEU represents the volume of a standard 20 feet long intermodal container used for loading, unloading, repositioning and trans-shipment. A 40-foot intermodal container is counted as two TEUs.
- With more than 100,000 km of total coastline, the OIC countries group possesses a significant potential for maritime trade.
- In 2018, **14.7% of the global container port throughput** or 116.8 million containers TEUs went through the ports of the OIC countries group.
- While the **growth in container port throughput between 2010 and 2018 of the OIC countries group (34.6%)** was lower than that of the Non-OIC Developing countries group (59.5%) and World (41.6%), it was higher than that of the Developed countries group (27.2%).
- When compared with 2010, **33 out of 39 OIC countries** with available data **showed an increase** in their container port throughputs in 2018.
- In 18 of them, the growth in container port throughput was higher than that of the World in 2018.
- **Malaysia** with nearly **25 million TEUs** and **UAE** with **19.1 million TEUs** in 2018 were among the 10 countries with the largest container port throughputs in the World. They were followed by **Indonesia** with **12.9 million TEU**.
- These **3 OIC countries** together accounted for around **7% of the global** and **49% of the OIC total container port throughput in 2018**.
- The highest growth in container port throughput between 2010 and 2018 was observed in **Qatar (337%)**, **Togo (251%)**, **Kuwait (226%)**, **Bangladesh (109%)**, and **Guyana (105%)**.
- However, 6 OIC countries including Syria, Gabon, Iran, Egypt, Yemen, and Nigeria recorded decreases ranging between 2% and 83% in the same period.

Note: The two most common international standardised container types are 20 and 40 foot. A 20-foot unit measures about 6 meters, a 40-foot about 12 meters (external dimensions). Depending on whether the ship loads 20 or 40-foot containers (or a combination of the two), the number of containers held on board the ship will differ. As to express the capacity of a container ship in a uniform manner, the number of containers that the ship can load is converted into a number of containers of the smallest size, i.e. those that are 20-feet in length. TEU is also used to indicate the nominal capacity of container ships or container terminals and in statistics regarding container transit in ports. TEU description was accessed on: <https://www.logisticsglossary.com/term/teu/>. Values in parentheses next to country names show the change of container port throughput data between 2010 and 2018. Values next to diamond signs are 2018 million TEUs data.

Source: SESRIC staff calculations based on data extracted on 28/02/2020 from UNCTADStat Database. Please visit **OIC Statistics (OICStat) Database** (<http://bit.ly/2F7W8cv>) for other Infrastructure category indicators.