# **FLORIDA SEAPORTS:** Connecting Commerce

**FLORIDA PORTS SUPPORT...** 

900,000



DIRECT AND INDIRECT JOBS



\$40 billion



**\$117.6 billion** in



**\$4.2 billion** in

### **VITAL ECONOMICS**

seaports was valued at **\$83.2 billion** in 2017, representing 55% of Florida's total international trade.

#### **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.

Florida's warehousing and distribution center sector increased 43% from 1995 to 2015 with no indication of slowing down.



### **TOURISM DRIVER**

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 is home to the **3 BUSIEST** cruise ports in the world.

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

#### **ACCESS TO CONSUMERS**



21 million



117 million



1,100 per day

35 percent

## CONNECTIVITY

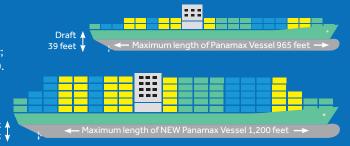
Florida's multimodal freight delivery network allows for growth in cargo tonnage and the value in cargo.



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

#### **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 Draft 4 49 feet to accept these larger vessels.



Port Canaveral | Port Everglades | Port of Fernandina | Port of Fort Pierce | JAXPORT Port of Key West | Port Manatee | PortMiami | Port of Palm Beach | Port Panama City Port of Pensacola | Port of Port St. Joe | Port St. Pete | Port Tampa Bay





Port Panama City

Port of Port St. Joe

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.



