

Table 12  
**World fleet by country of registration as at end-1998**  
Ships of 100 grt and over

| Country of registry         | 1998                   | % Change since | 1998                   | % Change since |
|-----------------------------|------------------------|----------------|------------------------|----------------|
|                             | Total fleet<br>'000 GT | End-1997<br>GT | Oil tankers<br>'000 GT | End-1997<br>GT |
| Australia                   | 2,188.1                | -16.1          | 225.8                  | -40.6          |
| Austria                     | 68.0                   | -18.5          | -                      | -              |
| Belgium                     | 126.9                  | -24.7          | 3.6                    | 49.8           |
| Canada                      | 2,501.3                | -1.0           | 254.6                  | 0.1            |
| Denmark <sup>1</sup>        | 5,790.2                | -1.2           | 381.4                  | -48.7          |
| Finland                     | 1,629.1                | 4.5            | 302.7                  | -0.1           |
| France <sup>2</sup>         | 4,849.0                | 3.6            | 2,322.7                | 9.3            |
| Germany                     | 8,083.6                | 16.3           | 8.7                    | -47.6          |
| Greece                      | 25,224.5               | -0.3           | 12,586.7               | 5.8            |
| Hungary                     | 15.3                   | -42.8          | -                      | -              |
| Iceland                     | 214.9                  | 0.0            | 2.1                    | 18.5           |
| Ireland                     | 198.4                  | -15.6          | 0.2                    | -93.8          |
| Italy                       | 6,818.6                | 10.1           | 1,546.9                | -3.8           |
| Japan                       | 17,780.4               | -4.0           | 5,434.1                | -1.4           |
| Korea                       | 5,694.2                | -23.4          | 327.8                  | -15.0          |
| Luxembourg                  | 931.8                  | 13.6           | 244.3                  | 48.4           |
| Mexico                      | 1,085.2                | -5.2           | 409.2                  | -5.9           |
| Netherlands <sup>3</sup>    | 5,233.9                | 5.8            | 151.5                  | -14.1          |
| New Zealand <sup>4</sup>    | 342.9                  | -8.1           | 73.2                   | 20.7           |
| Norway <sup>5</sup>         | 23,136.3               | 1.3            | 8,993.5                | -2.7           |
| Poland                      | 1,424.2                | -24.2          | 5.3                    | 0.3            |
| Portugal <sup>6</sup>       | 1,131.1                | 18.6           | 415.8                  | 19.3           |
| Spain <sup>7</sup>          | 1,838.3                | 8.9            | 585.0                  | 13.6           |
| Sweden                      | 2,552.4                | -7.3           | 104.7                  | -65.9          |
| Switzerland                 | 383.3                  | -11.7          | -                      | -              |
| Turkey                      | 6,251.4                | -4.8           | 503.5                  | -2.1           |
| United Kingdom <sup>8</sup> | 8,289.8                | 0.5            | 2,517.8                | -12.5          |
| United States               | 11,851.7               | 0.5            | 3,436.1                | 1.9            |
| <b>Total OECD</b>           | <b>145,634.7</b>       | <b>-0.8</b>    | <b>40,837.2</b>        | <b>-3.6</b>    |
| Antigua & Barbuda           | 2,787.8                | 25.9           | 6.8                    | 83.5           |
| Argentina                   | 498.7                  | -13.9          | 101.9                  | -2.6           |
| Bahamas                     | 27,715.8               | 8.6            | 11,982.1               | 10.8           |
| Bermuda                     | 4,810.9                | 4.3            | 2,144.2                | 3.6            |
| Brazil                      | 4,170.6                | -4.6           | 1,825.1                | -1.6           |
| Bulgaria                    | 1,091.2                | -3.3           | 144.9                  | -11.0          |
| China                       | 16,503.4               | 1.0            | 2,029.3                | 0.8            |
| Cyprus                      | 23,301.5               | -1.5           | 3,847.9                | 1.8            |
| Egypt                       | 1,367.8                | 6.2            | 209.6                  | -5.9           |
| Estonia                     | 521.9                  | -13.3          | 7.3                    | 30.1           |
| Honduras                    | 1,083.2                | 2.9            | 108.2                  | 1.5            |
| Hong Kong, China            | 6,170.7                | 6.9            | 340.2                  | 1474.9         |
| India                       | 6,777.1                | -2.27          | 2,530.2                | 0.6            |
| Indonesia                   | 3,252.1                | 1.8            | 841.2                  | -0.3           |
| Iran                        | 3,347.4                | -5.8           | 1,592.1                | -13.7          |
| Kuwait                      | 2,459.0                | 23.9           | 1,662.3                | 26.6           |
| Latvia                      | 118.0                  | -63.0          | 8.9                    | -93.5          |
| Liberia                     | 60,492.1               | 0.7            | 26,361.0               | -1.3           |

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|--------------------|------------------|------------|------------------|------------|
| Lithuania          | 481.1            | -5.7       | 4.1              | -18.1      |
| Malaysia           | 5,209.0          | 7.6        | 853.9            | 23.9       |
| Malta              | 24,074.7         | 4.7        | 9,847.9          | 8.9        |
| Marshall Islands   | 6,441.8          | 2.0        | 3,560.5          | 5.1        |
| Panama             | 98,222.4         | 7.8        | 22,679.5         | 6.6        |
| Philippines        | 8,508.3          | -3.9       | 162.1            | -0.3       |
| Romania            | 2,088.2          | -10.9      | 203.7            | -18.3      |
| Russia             | 11,089.9         | -9.7       | 1,608.2          | -2.3       |
| Saint Vincent      | 7,875.5          | -6.0       | 913.0            | -13.9      |
| Saudi Arabia       | 1,277.6          | 9.8        | 219.7            | 8.1        |
| Singapore          | 20,370.4         | 7.9        | 8,781.3          | 12.8       |
| Chinese Taipei     | 5,491.7          | -7.4       | 906.6            | -5.3       |
| Thailand           | 1,998.8          | -7.4       | 363.7            | -11.5      |
| Ukraine            | 2,033.2          | -24.4      | 62.2             | -30.4      |
| Vanuatu            | 1,602.2          | 1.6        | 11.4             | -18.9      |
| Venezuela          | 665.3            | -5.6       | 222.1            | -19.4      |
| Others             | 22,359.1         | 4.0        | 4,055.4          | -1.2       |
| <b>World Total</b> | <b>531,893.3</b> | <b>1.9</b> | <b>151,035.6</b> | <b>2.7</b> |

Source: Lloyd's Register *World Fleet Statistical Tables*, London, 1999.

1. Denmark includes DIS & Faroes.
2. France includes French Antarctic Territory and Wallis & Futuna Islands.
3. Netherlands include Netherlands Antilles.
4. New Zealand includes Cook Islands.
5. Norway includes NIS.
6. Portugal includes MAR and Macao.
7. Spain includes CSR.
8. UK includes Channel Islands and Isle of Man.