

Table 15  
**World fleet by type of vessel and regional distribution end-1999**  
Percentage of type registered

| Type of vessel         | Total tonnage<br>million GT | % change<br>End-1999<br>End-1998 | OECD<br>Countries <sup>1</sup> | NIS/<br>CEECs <sup>2</sup> | Dynamic Non<br>Member<br>Economies <sup>3</sup> | China | Open<br>Registry<br>Countries <sup>4</sup> | Rest of the<br>World |
|------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|-------|--------------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Oil tankers            | 154.1                       | 2.1                              | 27.5                           | 1.2                        | 9.8                                             | 1.4   | 50.8                                       | 9.4                  |
| Chemical carriers      | 16.3                        | 8.7                              | 35.9                           | 0.3                        | 8.1                                             | 0.8   | 46.4                                       | 8.3                  |
| Liquified gas carriers | 17.9                        | 4.8                              | 41.1                           | 0.2                        | 8.1                                             | 0.4   | 40.4                                       | 9.9                  |
| Combination carriers   | 9.6                         | -4.4                             | 26.9                           | 2.1                        | 11.9                                            | 0.0   | 55.5                                       | 3.7                  |
| Dry bulk carriers      | 149.4                       | 0.5                              | 20.0                           | 1.6                        | 10.1                                            | 4.4   | 56.5                                       | 7.4                  |
| General cargo ships    | 56.0                        | 0.3                              | 13.7                           | 8.6                        | 8.7                                             | 7.7   | 43.1                                       | 18.1                 |
| Container ships        | 55.2                        | 3.8                              | 33.2                           | 0.8                        | 13.5                                            | 2.5   | 44.3                                       | 5.6                  |
| Refrigerated carriers  | 7.0                         | -2.3                             | 12.1                           | 6.1                        | 2.1                                             | 1.4   | 80.5                                       | -2.3                 |
| Ro-Ro ships            | 25.3                        | 8.4                              | 36.0                           | 1.6                        | 7.4                                             | 0.4   | 49.5                                       | 5.2                  |
| Passenger ships        | 22.0                        | 5.0                              | 51.8                           | 3.2                        | 2.3                                             | 2.5   | 32.4                                       | 7.7                  |
| Other cargo ships      | 2.6                         | -3.3                             | 39.4                           | 3.2                        | 6.3                                             | 2.1   | 32.4                                       | 16.6                 |
| Fishing vessels        | 12.4                        | -0.4                             | 37.1                           | 32.5                       | 4.5                                             | 1.5   | 7.9                                        | 16.6                 |
| Other ships            | 15.8                        | 8.3                              | 39.4                           | 8.9                        | 5.1                                             | 4.2   | 27.3                                       | 15.1                 |
| All categories         | 543.6                       | 2.2                              | 27.0                           | 3.1                        | 9.3                                             | 3.0   | 48.3                                       | 9.2                  |

1. Including Great Lakes and United States Reserve Fleets.

2. Albania, Bulgaria, Croatia, Estonia, Georgia, Latvia, Lithuania, Romania, Russia, Slovenia, Ukraine and Yugoslavia.

3. Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Chinese Taipei, Hong Kong(China), Indonesia, Malaysia, Singapore, Thailand

4. Antigua & Barbuda, Bahamas, Bermuda, Cayman Islands, Cyprus, Gibraltar, Honduras, Lebanon, Liberia, Malta, Mauritius, Oman, Panama, Saint Vincent and Vanuatu.

Source: Lloyd's Register *World Fleet Statistics 1999*, London, 2000.

Note: Categorisation of ships by type

|                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Oil tankers:            | Oil tanker.                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Chemical tankers:       | Chemical tanker and chemical/oil tanker.                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Liquefied gas carriers: | Liquefied gas tanker and liquefied gas/chemical tanker.                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Combination carriers:   | Bulk/oil carrier and ore/oil carrier.                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Dry bulk carriers:      | Bulk carrier, ore carrier, self-discharging bulk carrier, cement carrier, wood chips carrier and urea carrier; etc.                                                                                                            |
| General cargo ships:    | General cargo ship, palletised cargo ship and deck cargo ship.                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Container ships:        | Container ship.                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Refrigerated carriers:  | Refrigerated cargo ship.                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Ro-Ro ships:            | Ro-Ro cargo ship, container/Ro-Ro cargo ship, vehicles carrier and landing craft.                                                                                                                                              |
| Passenger ships:        | Passenger ship, passenger/general cargo ship, passenger/Ro-Ro cargo ship and passenger/landing craft.                                                                                                                          |
| Other cargo ships:      | Live stock carrier, barge carrier and heavy cargo carrier; etc.                                                                                                                                                                |
| Fishing vessels:        | Trawler, fishing vessel, fish factory ship and fish carrier; etc.                                                                                                                                                              |
| Other ships:            | Offshore supply ship, offshore support ship, offshore well production ship, drilling ship, research ship, tug, pusher tug, dredger, hopper dredger, motor hopper, sludge disposal vessel, crane ship, cable ship, ice-breaker. |