

Wilson Sons records a 3% increase in container handling via Santa Clara Container Terminal in 2024

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Wilson Sons, recognized for its extensive experience of more than 187 years, recorded important operational efficiency gains at Santa Clara Container Terminal in 2024. This waterway terminal is located in the Triunfo Petrochemical Complex in Rio Grande do Sul. It ended last year with a 3% increase in container handling compared to 2023. The segment with the greatest representation in these results was export, followed by import and cabotage.

Altogether, 52,000 TEUs (twenty-foot equivalent units) were handled. The goods that most contributed to this increase were chemicals, resins, frozen chicken, and wood, which account for 67% of all goods handled at the terminal in 2024. The main cities of origin were Triunfo, Gravataí, Taquari, and Garibaldi, respectively. Belgium, China, Chile, India, and Peru were the main destinations.

In exports, the main goods transported were resins, steel waste, and wood, representing 79% of the total. In terms of imports, chemicals, resins, and paper accounted for 73% of the amount. In cabotage, most operations involved packaging, resins, and steel sheets, which represented 94% of the total.

The sustainability involved in the operations was an important factor in 2024, driving a 55% drop in emissions of tCO2e (tons of carbon dioxide equivalent) in waterway



transportation. Currently, a single ship can transport cargo equivalent to hundreds of trucks, reducing greenhouse gas emissions per ton handled. Furthermore, waterway transportation helps to avoid overloading the highways, reducing traffic jams and wear and tear on the infrastructure, and having a positive impact on the environment.

"In 2024, export, import, and cabotage figures reached significant levels, reinforcing the essential role of Santa Clara Container Terminal in container handling. Strategically located, the terminal allows cargo transport from Rio Grande do Sul to Brazil and the world, benefiting strategic cities and regions. Furthermore, the operations keep a close eye on sustainability, prioritizing practices aligned with environmental preservation", says Paulo Bertinetti, CEO of Santa Clara Container Terminal.

Santa Clara Container Terminal carries out multimodal transport of imports, exports, and cabotage. It has two barges and four weekly calls between Triunfo and Rio Grande, carrying goods from Rio Grande do Sul to the world. In addition to generating more commercial opportunities in Rio Grande do Sul, boosting inland waterway transport greatly supports the development of more sustainable logistics projects, as it helps to reduce the emission of greenhouse gases.

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