



North American cement trade flows

A detailed overview of export sources shipping methods, import facilities and domestic distribution

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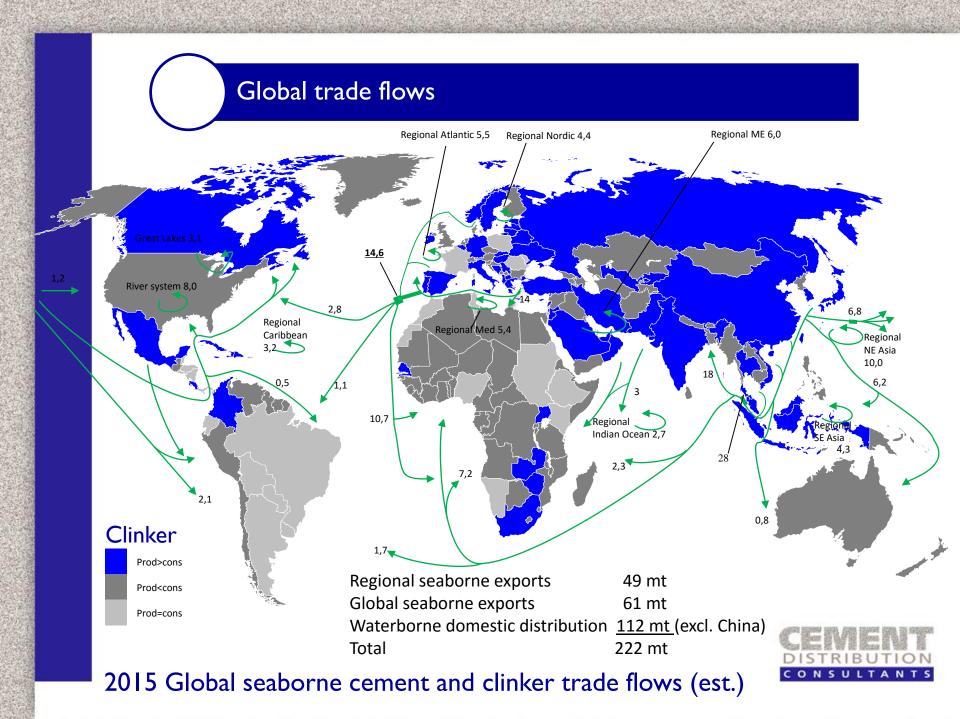
Shipping and terminals

The developing US cement situation

Final considerations









CLINK	ER AND CEME	NT TRADE BY	WATER
Clinker / cement type	Seaborne International	trade (Mt) Domestic	Inland water domestic trade (Mt)
Clinker	43.9	9,4	4,7
Cement – Bulk	49,1	72 , I	10.3
Cement – Bagged	17,0	11,5	3,7
Total	110,0	93,0	18.7





CLINE	(ER AND	CEMENT	TRADE BY VES	SELTYPE
Clinker / cement type	Bulk Carri Large	\ /	Self-disch. cement carriers (Mt)	Inland ships & water barges (Mt)*
Clinker	41,2	12,1	0	4,7
Cement – Bulk	12,7	11,5	97,0	10,3
Cement – Bagged	19,6	8,9	0	3,7
Total	73,5	32,5	97,0	18,7
* excluding China				





- Changing import markets
 - North African import markets are in decline.
 - Large production capacity increases throughout the developing nations. The need for bagged cement imports declines.
 Government protection against these imports.
 - However, a large part of the production capacity increases have been grinding plants increasing clinker imports.
 - Political instability and low oil prices have had a negative effect on economic growth in several oil and gas producing countries with a strong downward pressure on cement consumption.
 - US cement imports are growing significantly.





- A glut of exportable clinker and cement volumes has developed with a downward pressure on F.O.B prices
 - Economical downturn in China
 - Iran, Saudi Arabia, Indonesia (re) enter the market
 - Turkey, Vietnam, Pakistan keep adding capacity
 - Structural cement surpluses in South Europe, UAE, Thailand, etc.
- Shipping prices are remaining very low
- Trade in cementitious materials is growing and becomes more global





Global trade flows

- Result 1): Overall trade volume in 2016 will be about the same as 2015 but less bagged cement and more clinker and bulk cement trade.
- Result 2): As the clinker and bulk cement import facilities are mostly in the hands of the cement industry and bagged cement imports can easily be stopped by anti-dumping suits and tariffs, uncontrolled imports will not occur in any sizable volume.
- Result 3): The long-term export availability of low priced cement and (especially) clinker, in combination with low shipping prices makes it uneconomical to build integrated cement plants in coastal areas wherever in the world. It is more economical to import. New coastal cement production facilities will be grinding plants (with blending capability).





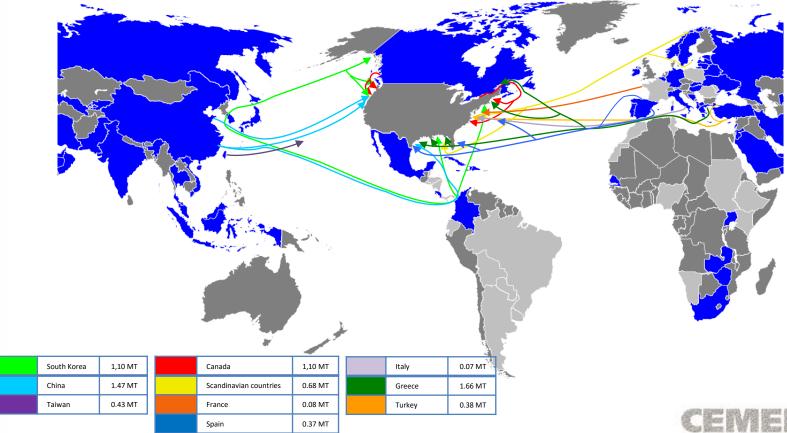
- Where did the cement come from?
- Where did it go to?
- How was it shipped?





North American seaborne trade flows 2015

Total US seaborne imports 7,75 MT



Total Asia 3,00 MT

Total Canada 1,10 MT

Total Europe 3,24

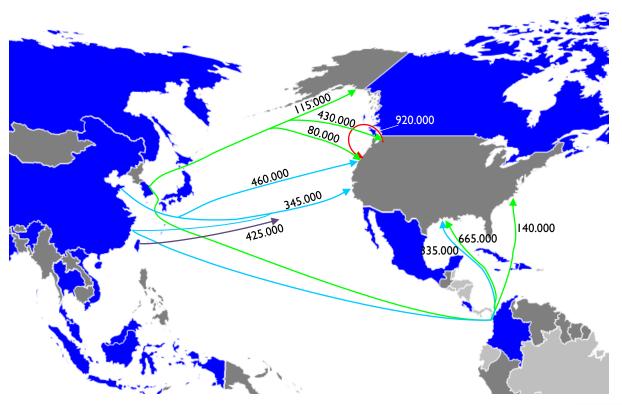
Total small volumes 0,23 MT (inc. South America.)

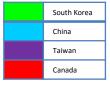
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North American cement flows (Pacific)

Trading volumes 2015





Total Pacific flows 3.945.000 tons



Current exporters to North America (Pacific)

	Total seaborne exports 2015	of which to the US
China	16,2 MT	1.47 MT
South Korea	II,I MT	1,10 MT
Taiwan	3,8 MT	0,43 MT
Total	31,1 MT	3,00 MT



China

China cement i	ndustry in figures
Production 2014	2.480 million tons (cement)
Production 2015 (e)	2.320 million tons (cement)
Cement cons. per capita	1.694 kg (3 x global average)
Exports	16.2 million tons (0,65%)

China's theoretical available export capability in a down turn could be several hundred million tons

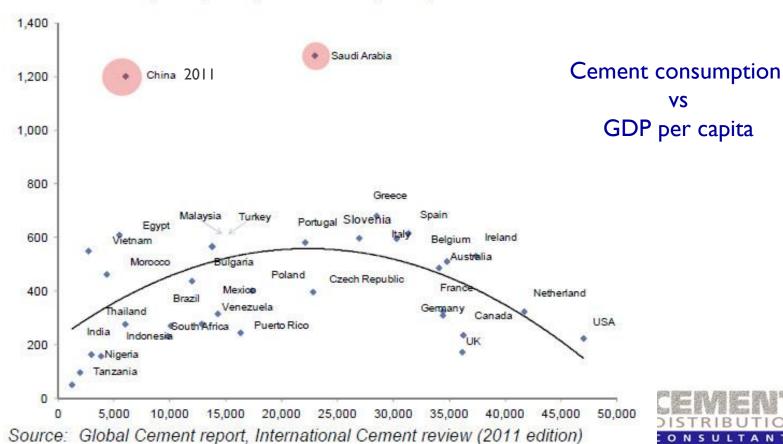
(Global seaborne trade in 2015 = 110 million tons)



China developments

China 2015 1.694 kg

Cement consumption per capita vs. GDP per capita



The situation in China







Exports have never been important for China and Chinese companies have not build up extensive international networks.

There will be heavy consolidation and international expansion in the coming years which creates an unstable situation.

China has very few cement plants on deep water. This means that most exports have to go via general ports which adds costs and limits the volume of bulk cement exports.



The situation in South Korea

2015	
Total prod.	47,8 MT
Total exports	11,0 MT
To US	1,1 MT



Three cement plants have direct deep water access. (SsangYong, TongYang, Halla). SsangYong is most suited to load large vessels.





Key export areas



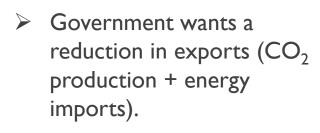




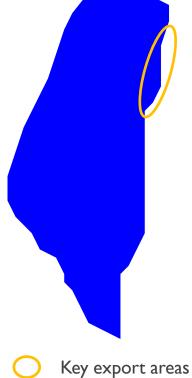
The situation in Taiwan

2015	
Total prod.	15,25 MT
Total exports	3,75 MT
To US	0,43 MT

Two companies involved in exports (Taiwan Cement and Asia Cement).











The situation in Canada (Pacific)

2015	
Total prod.	11,9 MT
Seaborne exports	0,92 MT
Seaborne Atlantic	0,145 MT



Exports from Lafarge and Lehigh (Heidelberg) to their own terminals in the Seattle (WA) and Portland (OR) areas



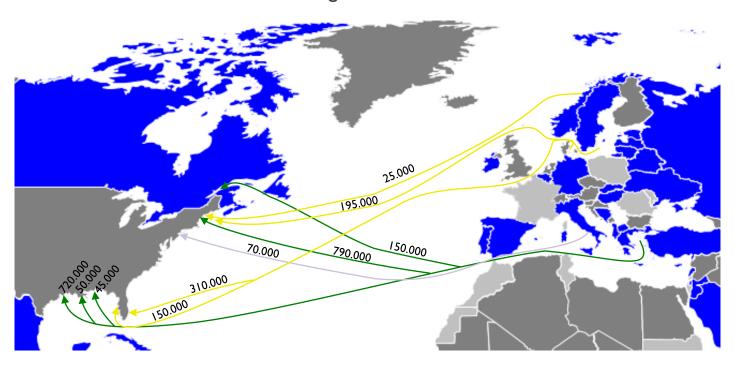
Key export areas





North American cement flows (Atlantic)

Trading volumes 2015



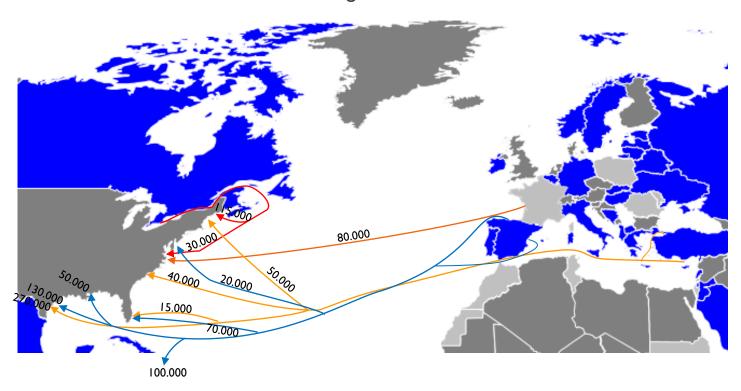
Scandinavian countries	0.68 MT
Greece	1.66 MT
Italy	0.07 MT





North American cement flows (Atlantic)

Trading volumes 2015



Canada	0.15 MT
Turkey	0.38 MT
Spain	0.37 MT
France	0.08 MT

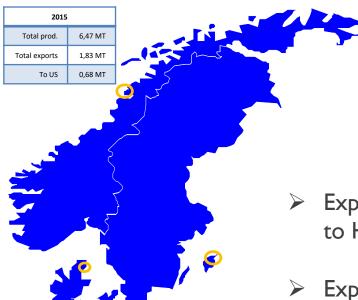


Current exporters to North America (Atlantic)

Canada	145.000 t
Scandinavian countries Norway Denmark Sweden	25.000 t 160.000 t (white) 495.000 t
Spain	370.000 t
Italy	65.000 t (clinker)
Greece	1.655.000 t
Turkey	375.000 t
Small volumes from Colombia, Mexico, Croatia and Jamaica	100.000 t
Egypt (white cement by containers)	80.000 t
Total Atlantic	3.371.000 t



The Scandinavian exporters





Exports from Norway and Sweden by Heidelberg to Heidelberg terminals in the US.

Exports from Denmark by Aalborg (Cementir) mostly to its own terminal in Tampa.









The situation in Canada (Atlantic)

2015	
Total prod.	11,9 MT
Total exports	3,8 MT
To US	3,8 MT



Exports from Canada to East Coast US have been by Lafarge and have been related to replace Lafarge Ravenna shipments.

The new McInnis plant will supply its own terminals in Providence and NYC as well as domestic terminal shipments.



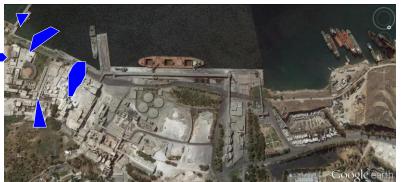




2015		
Total prod.	5,45 MT	
Total exports	2,47 MT	
To US	1,65 MT	



- > Titan shipped a large volume to its own terminal in NYC but also to others.
- Lafarge as yet has mainly shipped to others.







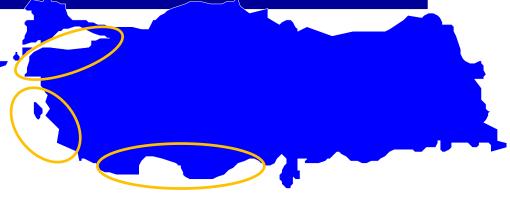
Key export areas



The situation in Turkey

2015		
Total prod.	79,3 MT	
Total exports	11,9 MT	
To US	0.38 MT	





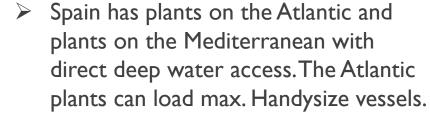
- Turkey has plants with direct deep-water access and several other plants that truck to the port and load directly into ships.
- As yet Turkey has still a lot of exportable volume left that could supply the US with the declining imports markets in North Africa.











Spain still has sufficient exportable volume left to supply the US.

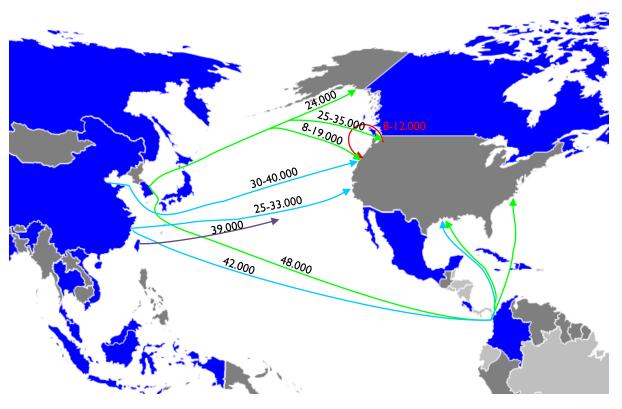


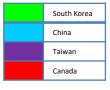




Shipping (Pacific)

Typical cargo sizes



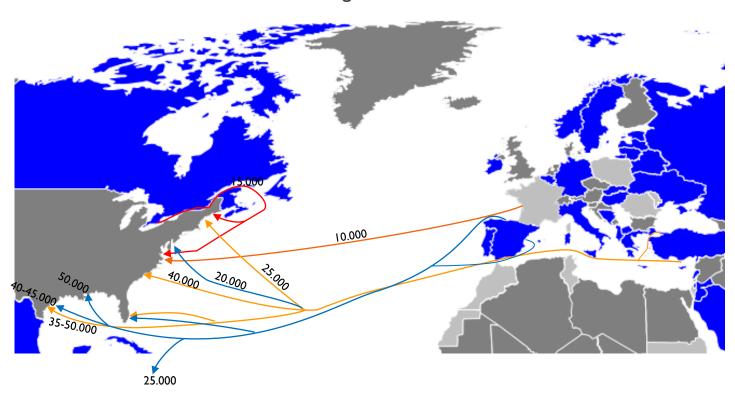


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Cargo sizes 2015

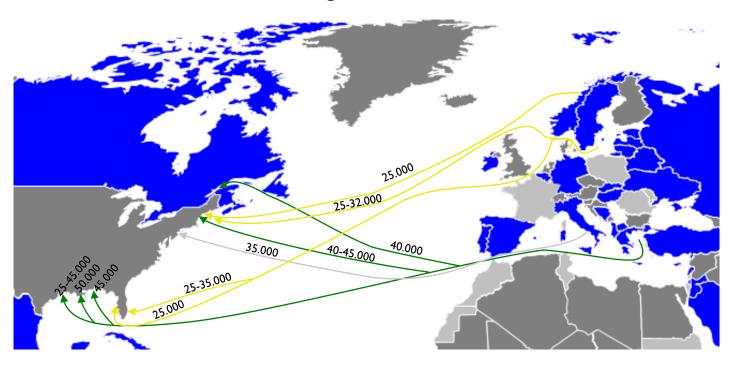


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Cementitious materials seaborne trade flows

GGBFS flows to North California

GBFS flow to grinding plants in New Orleans, Port Canaveral, Baltimore, Philadelphia (and across the Great Lakes)

Wet fly ash in 2015 Europe to Florida

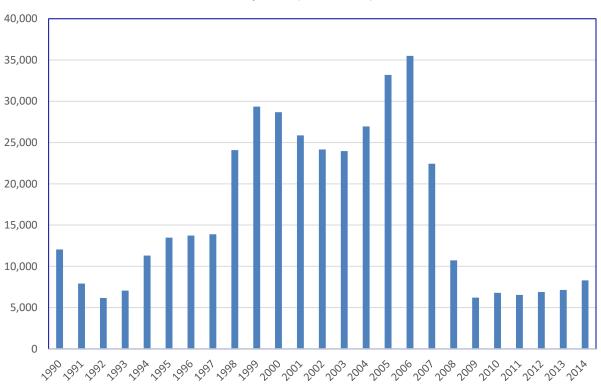
Dry fly ash in 2016 Europe to Northeast US / Canada





A bit of history of US cement imports

Imports (1.000 mt)



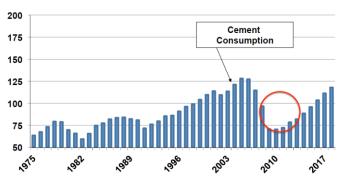




...and a look into the future

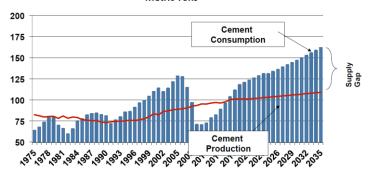
Cement Consumption

Million Metric Tons

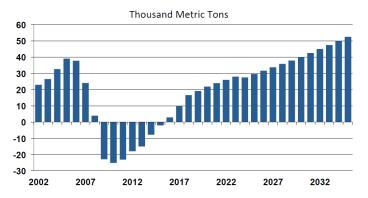


Projected Cement Consumption & Production

Metric Tons



Consumption in Excess of Long-Term Supply



Source: PCA, Ed Sullivan, Intercem London 2015





A bit of history on US cement imports

	Terminals with ship unloading system	Terminals receiving self discharging vessels
Before 1975	0	12
1975 – 1990	16	10
1991 – 1994 (downturn)	2	0
1995 – 2006	24	6
2007 – 2014 (crisis)	2	0

Notes:

- 1) For the terminals with a ship unloading system the delivery date of the ship unloader has been used.
- 2) Of the 26 terminals with ship unloader built as from 1995 there are 22 built since 2000. These have been idle for a longer time than they have been in operation.

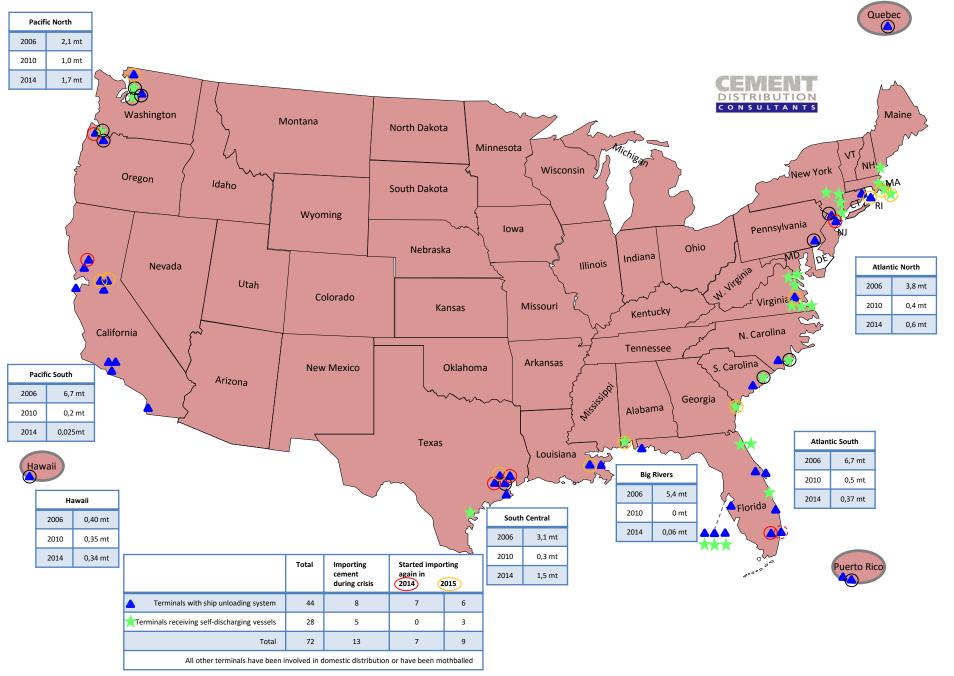
50% Of all US large seaborne cement import terminals have been built since 2000 and have seen more years of crisis than years of profitable imports.

Even terminals of 30 years old have seen 10 years of almost zero seaborne imports.



Alaska

US cement terminals during the crisis





...and what is the current situation?

	Terminals with ship unloading system	Terminals receiving self discharging vessels	Total
US cement producer (multinational)	34	27	61
US cement producer (domestic owners)	5	1	5
"Independent" (not related to cement producers in the US)	6	0	6

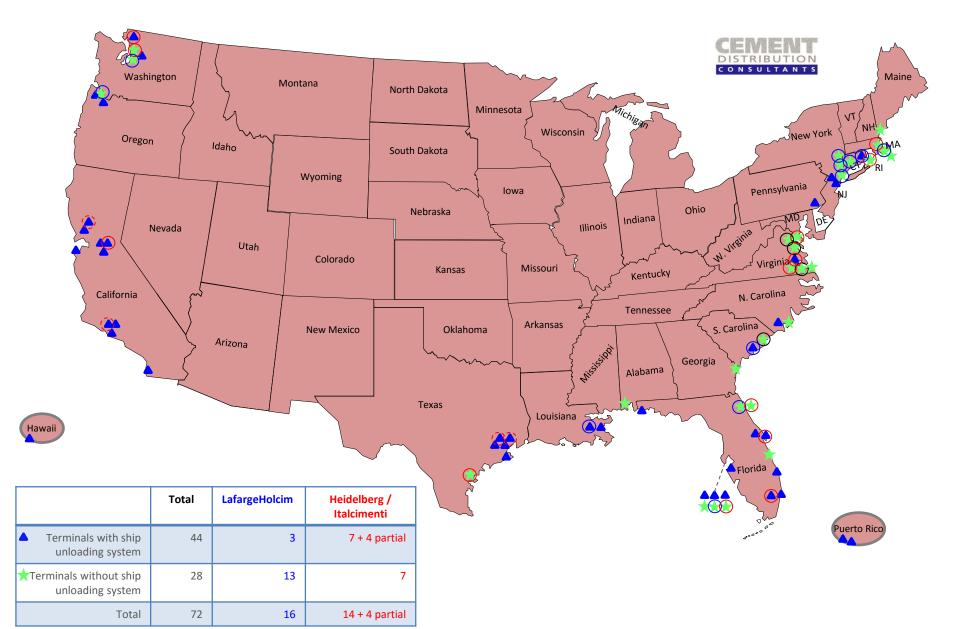
Ownership situation of US terminals





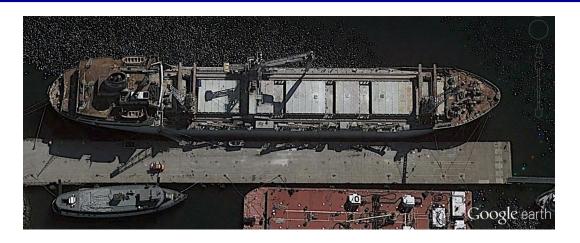
<u>US terminals 2015</u> LafargeHolcim – Heidelberg / Italcementi ownership







US terminals

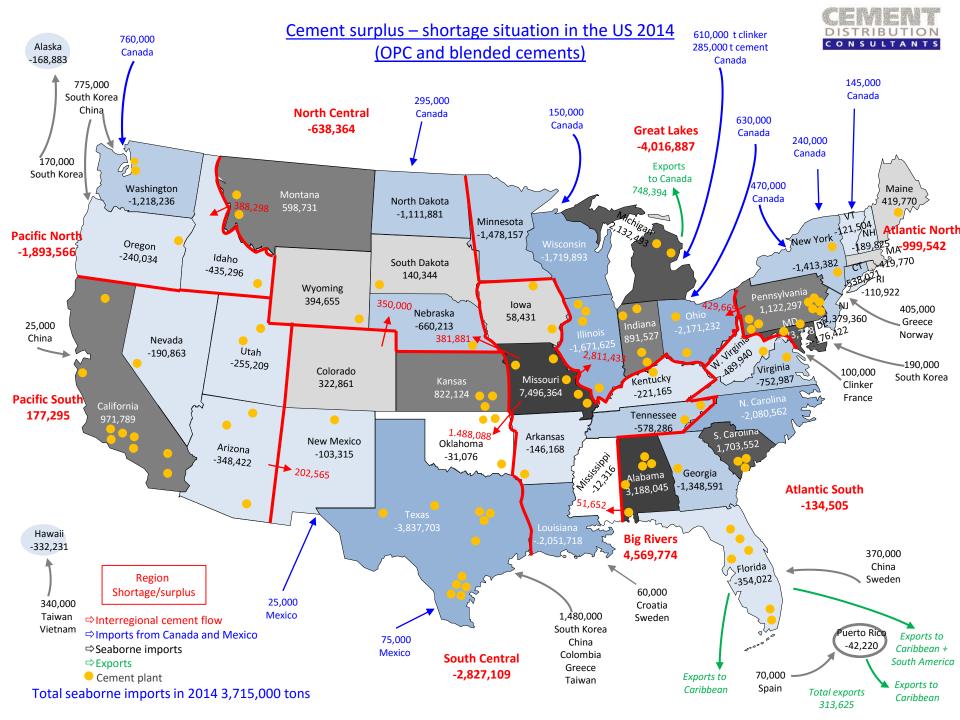


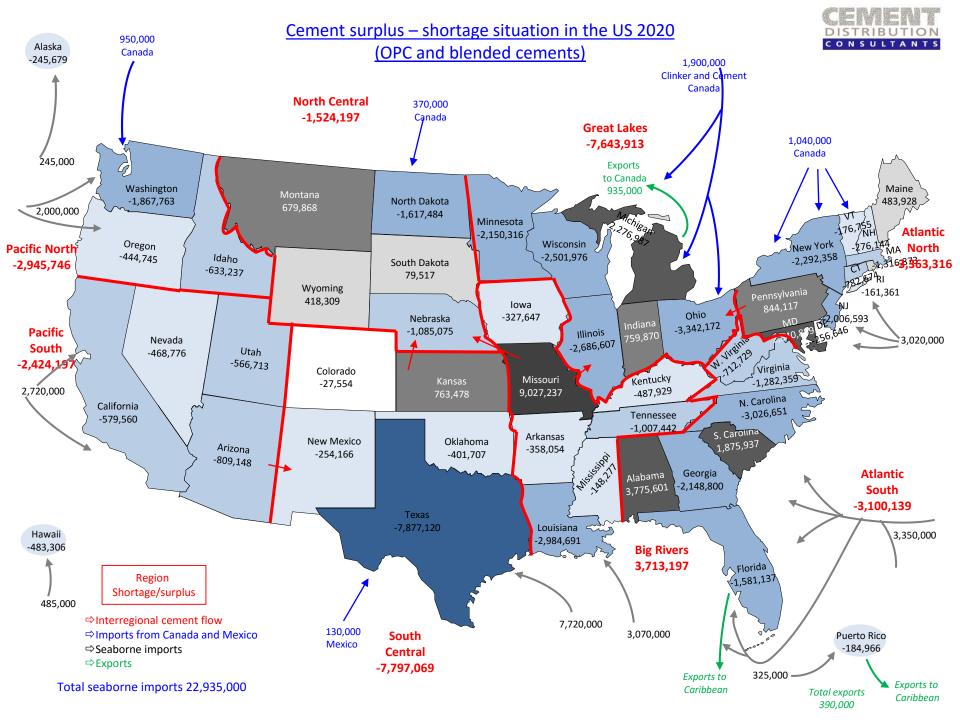


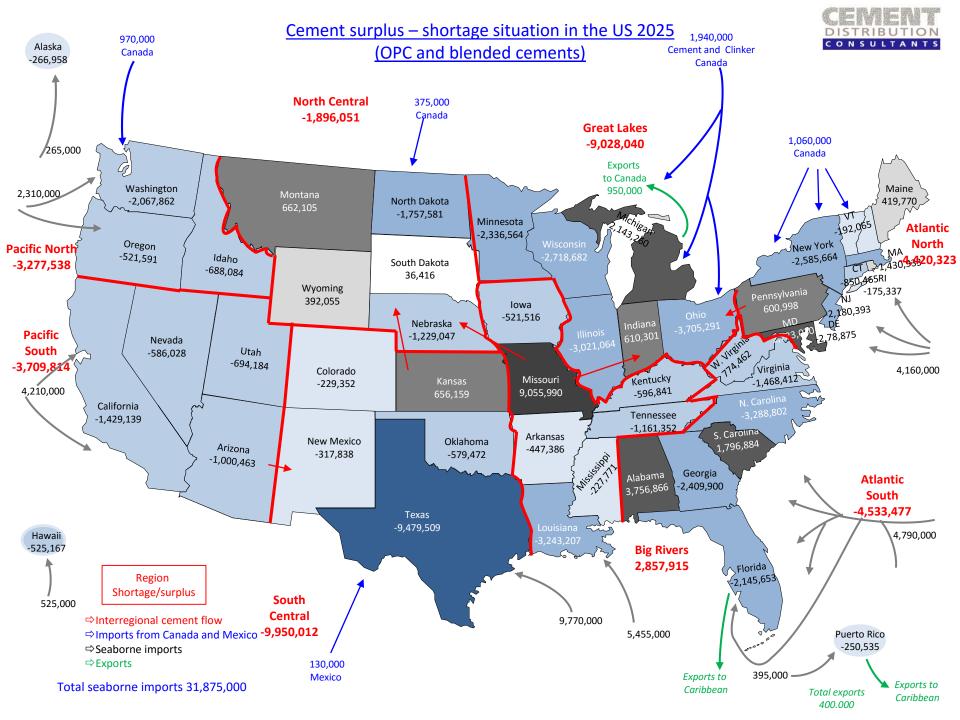




An old lady back to life!









How suitable are US terminals still after the crisis?

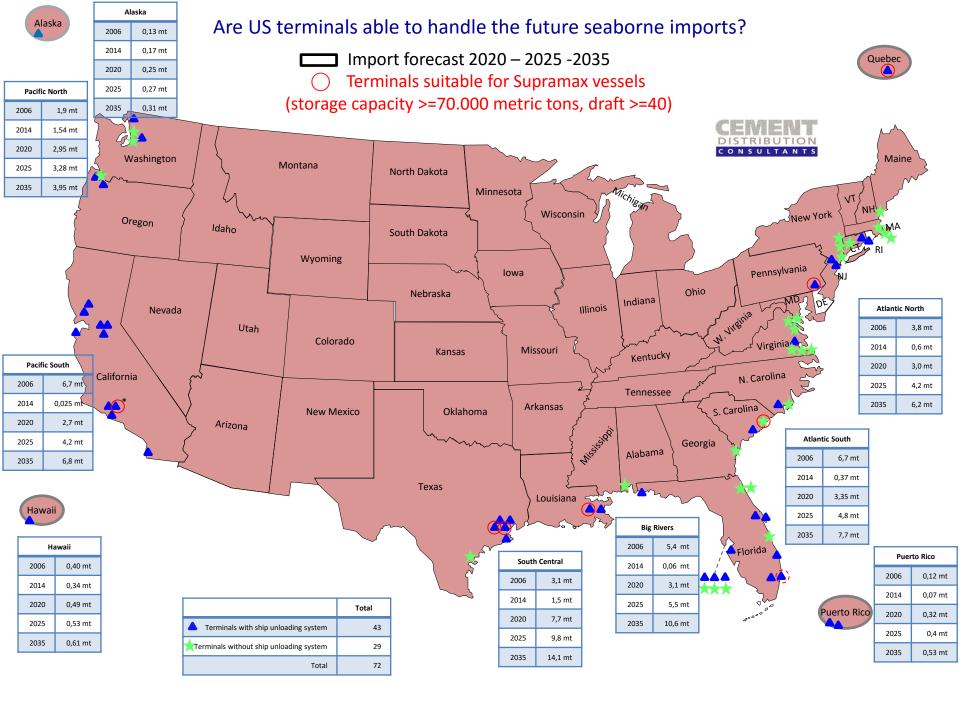
	Terminals with ship unloading system	Terminals without ship unloading system
< 45.000 mtons	7	24
45.000 – 70.000 mtons	30	4
≥ 70.000 mtons	7	0











Final considerations

The combination of very low FOB prices for cement exports and very low shipping costs makes it possible to import bulk cement into the US for CIF \$55,- / metric tonne (or less). This makes new plant construction or large plant capacity expansions in the US unattractive and closure of older production capacity more likely.

It will still take more than a decade before US imports are back to the record 2006 level. This means that the current cement import terminals shall have sufficient capacity and even new terminals are already being built. However, terminal ownership is out of balance with current US market shares. This means that some US producers have to create import capability to keep market share.





Final considerations

The US terminals have nearly all been designed for Handymax vessels and are ill suited for Supramaxes. At this moment this is not too much of a problem but it will become an issue in the coming years. Terminals will need to be expanded.

Demand in North America for cementitious materials will grow whilst domestic supply is becoming more difficult. This means more imports of cementitious materials which requires very large multi product import terminals. At present only two facilities have this capability.

New players face the large difficulty of realising new terminal facilities which can be costly and time consuming. The Mississippi – Missouri waterway system offers perhaps the easiest access. After transhipment of cement or clinker form bulk carrier to barges, relatively small import facilities are needed.



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