Number of ships calling on Qatar ports jumps 8% year-on-year in July

By Souheil Al Maroof Business Reporter

Qatar witnessed about 6% growth year-on-year in the number of ships calling on its four main ports – Doha, Al-Bayt, Al-Jahra and Umm Salal Moosa – according to the Ministry of Commerce and Industry.

The number of ships calling on Qatar’s three main ports (Doha, Al-Bayt and Al-Jahra) was 13,978 vessels in the first seven months of 2023, which was 11% higher than the same period in 2022. The increase was attributed to the growing demand for Qatar’s exports and imports, mainly in the energy sector.

The number of ships calling on Umm Salal Moosa port was 1,106 vessels, which was 3% lower than the same period last year.

The Ministry of Commerce and Industry said that the number of ships calling on Qatar’s ports is expected to continue to increase in the coming months due to the country’s growing economic momentum and the demand for its exports and imports.

Qatar Shell announces new executive vice president GTL and managing director Qatar Shell announced the appointment of Richard Roe Talbert as executive vice president of GTL for Shell and managing director of the Qatar Company (Qatar Shell) on August 1, 2023.

Richard Roe Talbert will be based in Doha and will be responsible for Shell’s GTL business in the region, focusing on the development and expansion of Shell’s GTL assets. He will also be responsible for the GTL technology and operating performance of the company.

Richard Roe Talbert has more than 20 years of experience in the oil and gas industry, with a focus on technology and innovation. He has held various leadership positions at Shell, including as the head of Shell’s technology and innovation division.

HSBC Private Banking announces new Qatar head

HSBC Private Banking has appointed Nasser Al-Abdulwahab as the new head of HSBC Private Banking in Qatar. The appointment is effective immediately.

Nasser Al-Abdulwahab joins HSBC Private Banking in Qatar with over 15 years of experience in wealth management and private banking. He was previously the head of private banking at another international bank in Qatar.

Nasser Al-Abdulwahab will be responsible for leading the private banking business in Qatar, including the development of new business opportunities and client relationships. He will report to the regional head of private banking for the Middle East and North Africa region.
Yield quagmire playing havoc with S&P 500 valuation models

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Franklin Templeton bets ECB will buy bonds of not-so-green firms

David Zezas doesn’t know what the future of the European Central Bank’s green bond purchases will be, but he does know that the bank will continue to buy bonds of not-so-green firms.

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Monte Paschi is Europe’s worst loser as UniCredit debt deals

A day after the credit rating agencies announced downgrades to the ratings of some of the banks, Italy’s central bank added another blow to the country’s banking system by removing its guarantee for some of the bank’s deposits. The bank said it had asked the government for financial support, but the government has so far refused to provide any.

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Taiwan GDP growth beats estimates as exports outweigh Covid impact

**Business**

Taiwan’s economy grew faster than expected in the second quarter, helped by robust exports that outweighed a renewed coronavirus surge. Gross domestic product grew 3.9% in the second quarter from a year earlier, official data released Friday showed, well above the 0.7% estimate of a Bloomberg survey of economists. The country’s biggest quarterly outturn from Taiwan’s biggest export sector boosted the island’s three-month average. Technology and chip leaders, the mainstay of Taiwan’s economy, have been relying on rising exports for support as domestic demand slumps.

Taiwan is 10th biggest economy, and the bloc of countries where economies are closely tied to Taiwan’s growth. The island is Taiwan’s main trading partner and a major source of imports for Taiwan. Taiwan’s trade surplus is a key driver of Taiwan’s economic growth.

**South Africa’s power giant lays out plan to move away from coal**

Bloomberg

Eskom Holdings NV, the state-owned utility that expects to burn coal for decades to come, detailed a plan to move away from coal by the end of this decade, addressing decades of criticism that the utility’s reliance on the fossil fuel is responsible for pollution and climate change.

The plan, which is the most ambitious of any major coal-burning utility, is set to cost around $11 billion over 10 years, the utility said.

Eskom, which supplies more than 85% of South Africa’s electricity, has long been under pressure to reduce its reliance on coal, which is a major contributor to air pollution and greenhouse gas emissions.

The utility has been forced to increase its reliance on coal in recent years due to a lack of investment in new capacity and the resulting power shortage.
Hydrogen goes nuclear as UK reactor pivots towards renewables

**Pink Hydrogen**

Potential electricity demand for hydrogen production from nuclear

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**Aviation**

Heavyweights flock to US grassroots air Jameboree to fill pilot shortages

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**Photo**

The wings of a Boeing 737 MAX 8 sit on the tarmac at the Nashville International Airport, in Nashville, Tenn. (AP Photo/Mark Humphrey)

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The Edible Snowman Cyclotron is located as an anchor for Britain’s nuclear industry. It will combine with wind farms on the island and solar power to create UK nuclear, hydrogen and wind power. The site will have a wind farm on the island, and offshore wind power will be generated from the island’s grid. The power will be used to create UK nuclear, hydrogen and wind power. The site will have a wind farm on the island, and offshore wind power will be generated from the island’s grid.
Traders warn eye-demand risks with yields near lows

Traders are warning that yields are getting so low that it's becoming more and more difficult to find assets that are attractive enough to buy. This is causing some to rethink their strategies and consider taking on more risk. The concern is that if yields don't rise soon, it will become even harder to find attractive investments.

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Islamic equities make gains on QE, but index ends lower

By Farahna Yeo

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The world trends turned dovish amid a flood of news, when foreign money rushed into equities.

Nevertheless, more than 57% of the traded stocks were up in the market, with a total of 4,821 shares rising, while 1,601 shares fell. Six were volatile, and there was no change in the number of shares.

The Total Return Index (TRI) was down 1.9% to 1,925.3 at the closing bell, down 37.9 points on a 1,961.4 point drop on Friday. The Major Index (RI) was down 2.3% to 1,961.4 at the closing bell, down 37.9 points on a 1,961.4 point drop on Friday.

The foreign money rush continued, with 3,241 foreign shares rising and 574 falling. The TRI was down 1.9% to 1,925.3 at the closing bell, down 37.9 points on a 1,961.4 point drop on Friday.

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