

## Figure 2.12 Twenty Foot Equivalent Units through the Port of Virginia

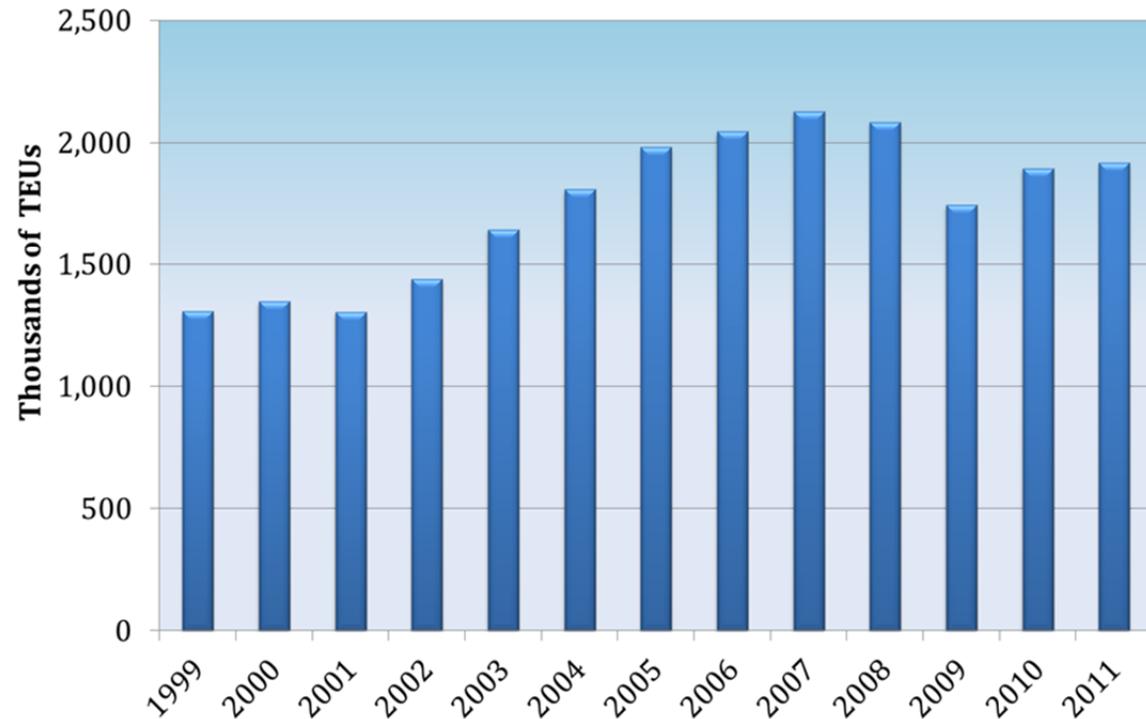
### Why is it important?

Increasingly world trade is conducted through the use of containerized units that allow a high degree of automation for the shipping companies, and growth in TEUs shows that Hampton Roads continues to display a high level of productivity in that aspect of shipping.

### How are we doing?

Container traffic followed a similar pattern to general cargo, with a decline in 2008 and a steeper fall in 2009 as a result of the recession. Container traffic has recovered somewhat over the past two years, but is still below the 2007 peak.

Twenty-foot Equivalent Units Shipped Through Hampton Roads



Source: Virginia Port Authority, HRPDC