

The American maritime industry contributes nearly 500,000 jobs, \$29 billion in labor income, and \$92.5 billion in US economic output.





Hiring Americans to ship food aid instead of foreign carriers and mariners adds just one percent to the Food for Peace budget.

\$13 billion

Approximate cost to the US Government to replicate the sealift capacity provided by the commercial US Merchant Marine.

Every dollar invested in shipping American returns approximately \$3.14 in revenue to the Treasury.

Over of sealift capacity for Iraq and Afghanistan since 2009 was provided by the US-Flag fleet that relies upon cargo preference and food aid cargo in peacetime.

The loss of national US Merchant Marine sealift capacity after ship-American requirements were slashed by 1/3 in 2012.

Less than 1%

of the Food for Peace budget was saved by **USAID** after switching to foreign mariners in 2012.

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40 ships and 2,000 mariners short of national defense needs.

Food for Peace spends per pound to ship products to recipients while the American consumer pays an average of per pound at home.

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Food for Peace Budget

8.2% Ocean Freight 6.0% Inland Freight = 25.6%

USAID Other* = 60.2%

Data Sources

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